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# OAKWOOD SCENE

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## City News

### Scarecrow Building Contest

The Oakwood Community Center is very excited to announce the ninth "Annual Scarecrow Building Contest." We encourage families, neighbors, organizations, co-workers and their groups to participate in this special, festive community event. Registration packets are now available at the OCC. The building and placement of the scarecrows will take place on Sunday, October 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with judging to commence at 3:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please call the OCC at 298-0775.

## School News

### Referrals for Gifted Identification Now Being Accepted

According to Ohio House Bill 282, all public school districts in Ohio are required to identify students for giftedness. This law, however, does not mandate any services for identified gifted and talented students. Areas of gifted identification include superior cognitive (ability and achievement), specific academic (math, reading/writing, science, social studies), creative thinking, and visual/performing arts (visual art, dance, drama, music). **(Cont. on page 6.)**

## Library News

### 11th Annual Weird Science Halloween Party

Ooze on over to Wright Library's 11th Annual Weird Science Halloween Party Friday, October 19th from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Library's Meeting Room. Human specimens in grades K-5 are invited to watch as students from Oakwood High School step-in to demonstrate some wacky and interesting science experiments in our Mad Scientists' Lab. Participants are encouraged to dress up—ideas include Frankenstein's monster, Igor, or mad scientists in lab coats, crazy glasses and wigs. Refreshments and a craft will round out this enjoyable and educational party. For more information call the Youth Services Department at 294-7171.

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Added to its arsenal of online resources, this subscription gives patrons free access to Consumer Reports research.

## REFUSE AND RECYCLING PROGRAMS

The city staff works hard to operate an efficient and comprehensive back door refuse collection program. There are several key areas in which we can use your help: please limit cans to 35 gallons and under 60 pounds; please have cars out of the driveway and cans easily accessible on your collection day; and please have your trash and recycling out by 7:30 a.m. on your collection day. These simple actions will allow us to be as efficient as possible and will minimize the properties where we are unable to collect the refuse.

Regarding recycling, we have an extensive program. You may co-mingle in the same can your newspaper, junk mail, catalogs, magazines paperboard, cardboard (small quantities—flattened), plastics (1-7 in the little triangle on the bottom), various metal cans, and glass. Larger amounts of cardboard may be taken to the containers at the Creager Field parking lot at Shafor Boulevard and Irving Avenue. For a complete listing of recyclable materials, see Montgomery County Solid Waste District's daily drop-off recycling listing at [www.mcswd.org](http://www.mcswd.org). The city of Oakwood's requirements are driven by our hauling and sorting contractor, Waste Management, Inc. which uses the Montgomery County standards listed above. Any questions, please contact refuse foreman Kenneth Perkins at 298-0777.



## STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The city is continuing to strive to meet the goals of its storm water permit which include street sweeping, dry weather screening of storm water structures, public education and pollution prevention. As part of this process we would like to issue a few reminders about your storm sewers. Please keep in mind that these are direct conduits to creeks and streams in the area. Water quality is directly affected by the material that gets into the storm sewers. Never place any material into a catch basin. Items that we see commonly when we clean the sewers are grass clippings, brush and trash. Also, please do not put any material in the street unless directed to do otherwise such as leaves in the street between mid-October and the end of the year. This will help keep material from inadvertently washing into the sewers. Please pick up after your pet as the bacteria in pet waste is extremely harmful to wildlife down stream. Finally, please try to limit the herbicides and pesticides used in lawn care as they have a direct impact on the water quality down stream. Thank you for your help in preserving our natural resources!

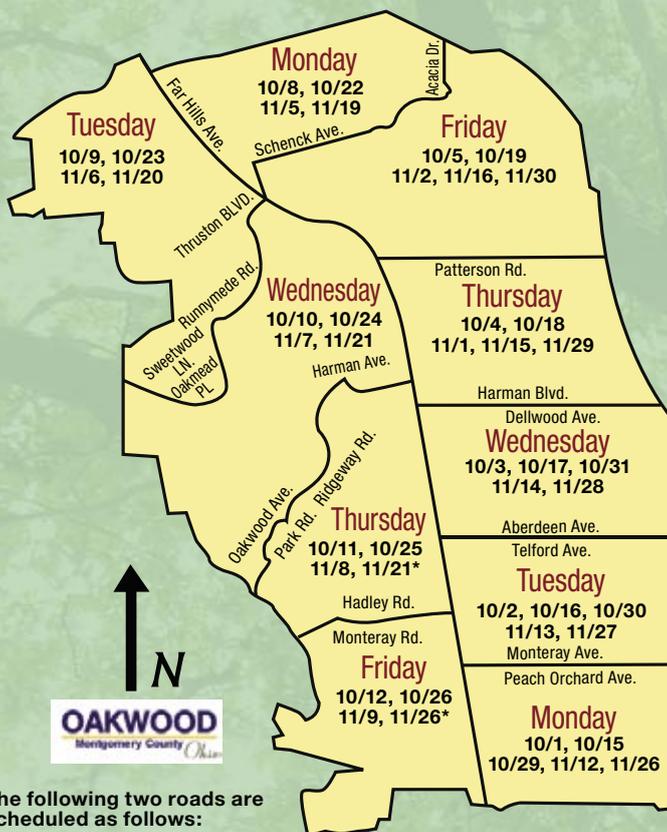
## 2012 CURB, SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY APRON PROGRAM

Construction on this annual program is nearly completed. All affected property owners should inspect the work to verify that it meets their approval. If you have any questions or concerns about the quality of the work or the billing procedures, please call Bart Bornhorst at 298-0777.

## TRIMMING OF OVERHANGING VEGETATION

As the new school year is in full swing, it is important that all sidewalks are free and clear of obstructions. Property owners are reminded that in order to ensure safe pedestrian and vehicular passage, any bushes, tree limbs and other forms of vegetation overhanging sidewalks, alleys or the public street must be trimmed back to a height of no less than eight (8) feet above the public sidewalk and fourteen (14) feet above the public street or alley. Your cooperation in keeping these areas clear of overhanging vegetation is greatly appreciated.

## Curbside Yard Debris Collection Schedule



The following two roads are scheduled as follows:

- Far Hills Ave. 10/11, 10/25, 11/8, 11/21
- Shroyer Rd. 10/4, 10/18, 11/1, 11/15, 11/29

\*Thanksgiving Holiday



## ANNUAL LEAF COLLECTION

We will begin our annual leaf collection program on Monday, October 8th. As in previous years, the program will provide bi-weekly leaf pickups of all areas throughout the city. The city is divided into ten sections with each being collected on a 2-week interval as shown on the map below. The program is scheduled to continue until Friday, December 14, but will be shortened or extended if conditions warrant. We will make every effort to stay on this schedule, but may vary a bit from time to time based on weather conditions and other factors.

***To help us provide the best possible service, please remember the following:***

- During the 10-week collection season, all leaves should be raked directly into the street gutter or, if conditions demand, in the area just behind the curb. Please make an effort to do this just a day or two before the scheduled pickup and make sure to pile the leaves in a narrow row to least obstruct the traveled roadway.

- Under no circumstance should you place brush, branches or other yard debris, pumpkins, corn stalks or bales of straw in the street gutter with the leaves.
- Do not bag the leaves—leave them loose.
- Do not park vehicles in the street on the day your area is scheduled for leaf pickup.

The standard yard debris pickup and dumpster programs will continue through the leaf collection season. However, as in the past, we will suspend the special pickup program. If you anticipate the need for a special pickup over the next few months, please schedule it to be completed prior to the week of October 8 or plan to wait until the week of January 2 to schedule it. If you have any special needs during leaf season, please contact Theresa Caldwell or Kenneth Perkins at the Public Works Center (298-0777).



## BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS

Congratulations to the owners of the following residential and business properties for being selected to receive July and August Beautification Awards:



### July

- 912 Harman Avenue, Michelle Hogan-Reeder
- 202 E. Schantz Avenue, French & Sandra Damewood
- 600 Garden Road, Bart & Linda Weprin
- 256 Beverly Place, Philip & Claire Chick
- 203 Greenmount Boulevard, Reji & Maria John
- 332 Lonsdale Avenue, Mark & Norma Alex
- 440 Lonsdale Avenue, Notburga Jung
- 316 E. Peach Orchard Avenue, Kevin Hill
- 224 Triangle Avenue, Erin & David Warren
- 1901 E. Southwood Lane, James & Mary Van Tassel

### August

- 430 Volusia Avenue, Carson & Lindsey Deck
- 45 Patterson Road, Scott & Carolyn Davis
- 34 W. Dixon Avenue, Dale & Susan Herman
- 57 E. Dixon Avenue, Bruce & Linda Synder
- 332 Dellwood Avenue, Nanette Zimmerman
- 354 Greenmount Boulevard, Grant & Kimberlee Hager
- 323 Orchard Drive, Nicholas Karras
- 204 Hilltop Avenue, Robert & Cristine Corrado
- 2020 Coolidge Drive, Gary & Darcy Plunkett

If you know of someone whose property is deserving of recognition, we encourage you to take a minute and complete a nomination form (forms are available at the OCC and city building) or simply call the city offices at 298-0411.

## JOHNNY APPLESEED TREE PLANTING PROJECT



The City of Oakwood, under leadership of the Oakwood Environmental Committee, is again offering the Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Project. Applications and detailed brochures describing the project and tree species are available from the Oakwood Community Center or by calling 298-0775. The trees selected are approximately 2" in diameter and discounted 50% to residents. One tree will be allocated for each approved property site at the discounted price and must be planted in the city right-of-way. Trees will be planted by a local nursery in late November or early December. All

trees will be wrapped, staked, mulched and guaranteed for one growing season. For more details, call Carol Collins or Brian Caldwell at 298-0775.

## LEISURE SERVICES NEWS

### **American Red Cross Babysitting Course:**

The course will be taught at the OCC on Saturday, October 27 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Students must be at least 11 years of age to enroll.

### **Mother/Son Dance:**

This dance is scheduled for Saturday, November 10 from 7:30-9 p.m. The dance is open to all Oakwood Moms and Grandmothers with sons and grandsons between the ages of 5 and 11 years. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the OCC.

### **Breakfast with Santa:**

The event is from 9-11:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 15. Tickets go on sale November 5 at the OCC. Space is limited to 50 children. Everyone attending must have a ticket.



## BEGGAR'S NIGHT: OCTOBER 31

Watch for ghosts and goblins on **Wednesday, October 31 from 6-8 p.m.** If you plan to hand out Halloween treats, please turn on your porch or front door lights. If you're driving during those hours, please use extra caution.

## FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

**Sunday, October 14, 2-5 p.m., Shafor Park.**

Come to Shafor Park for the seventh annual Family Fall Festival and enjoy an afternoon of fun games, food, hayrides along Shafor Boulevard to see Scarecrow Row, pumpkin painting and other entertainment for the

whole family! Kids can dress up and join the "Costume Parade" around the park. Don't forget to mark your calendar! Look for more information in the newspapers and on flyers distributed through the schools.



## LIGHTING UP OAKWOOD & Holiday of Lights

The City of Oakwood, with assistance from the Oakwood Environmental Committee, is "LIGHTING UP" Oakwood with luminarias on **Sunday, December 12 beginning at 6 p.m.** Residents are invited to put luminarias out in front of their house and to consider participating with their neighbors. Then at 6:30 p.m. come to Shafor Park for an evening of community fellowship with songs, refreshments as well as horse drawn carriage rides throughout the city to see the beautifully lit night and, as always, enjoy a visit from Santa. Luminarias for this event are sold at the OCC beginning Tuesday, November 13th. Cost is \$3.50 per dozen and includes the white bags, sand and 10-hour burning candle.



## **SAFETY DEPARTMENT ANIMAL CONTROL**

One of the functions of the Safety Department, in addition to our police, fire and EMS duties to the community, is animal control. On a regular basis, officers are called to respond to reports of both loose and wounded domestic animals. Domestic animals are generally classified as cats and dogs, but could be any animal that is normally and allowably kept as a pet.

When called on a report of a loose domestic pet, an officer will respond and attempt to capture the animal.

When captured, the officer will check to see if the cat or dog has a collar and owner identifying information attached. If so, the officer will make contact with the owner and make arrangements to have the animal returned. If there is no collar or tag present, the animal will be brought to the Safety Department and kept in the kennel on-site at the safety building until pick-up arrangements can be made with the Montgomery County Animal Resource Center. This pick-up generally takes 1-3 days.



In cases where a domestic animal is injured, the procedure is very similar. A responding officer will first try and capture the animal, then make contact with the owner. If the owner cannot be located, then the animal will be transported to the Animal Resource Center on an on-call or emergency basis for medical care and treatment.

The Safety Department responds to many calls each year for both lost—and found—domestic pets. To ensure that your pet has the best chance to be returned to you in the event that it strays away from home, it is important to remember to license

your dogs, register your cats, obtain the proper tags, and make sure your pets wear these tags when outdoors. All pets, indoor or outdoor, have the potential to become stray through unintentional acts, accidents, etc. Licensing of dogs can be done throughout the year at the Montgomery County Animal Resource Center (898-4457) where you may also register a cat. The city sells dog licenses in December and January as a licensing outpost for the county when licenses are to be renewed.



## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

City Council will meet on Mondays, October 1 and November 5 in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. You are invited to attend or view meetings live or rebroadcast on cable television (Time Warner Ch. 6 and AT&T Ch. 99). Please check your cable guide or [www.mvcc.net](http://www.mvcc.net) for rebroadcast times. Recorded monthly council meetings may also be viewed on the city website at [www.mvcc.net/oakwood](http://www.mvcc.net/oakwood). All televised regular sessions are preceded by an open work session beginning at 6 p.m. Council will also meet in work session on Monday, November 19 at 5 p.m. in the conference room at 30 Park Avenue.

## **CITY OFFICES CLOSED**

***Veteran's Day***  
City offices, the Public Works Center and the OCC will be closed on Monday, November 12. However, the refuse collection department will be open on November 12 and trash will be collected that week on the regular schedule.

***Thanksgiving***  
City offices, including the public works department and OCC, will be closed on Thursday, November 22 and Friday November 23.



## Referrals for Gifted Identification Now Being Accepted

*(Continued from page 1)* Assessment procedures vary for each area of identification. Visual/performing arts assessments are offered throughout the school year on an annual basis. All teachers, counselors and administrators receive notification of students who have qualified as gifted in any of the domains.

If you would like your child to be assessed for gifted identification, referral forms are available in the school offices and through the building Gifted Intervention Specialist (GIS).

The referral form can be completed by parents/guardians, teachers, or peers of children who perform or show the potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared with others of their age, experience, or environment (state definition). ***If your child has been identified as gifted in one or more of the above domains, additional referral/assessment for that domain is not necessary.*** Once a student has been identified as gifted in a domain, the student maintains that gifted identification throughout her/his schooling. To maintain eligibility for services, scores attained within the previous 24 months are used. Matrices for gifted services are available online on the Gifted Intervention Specialists' websites or at your child's school.

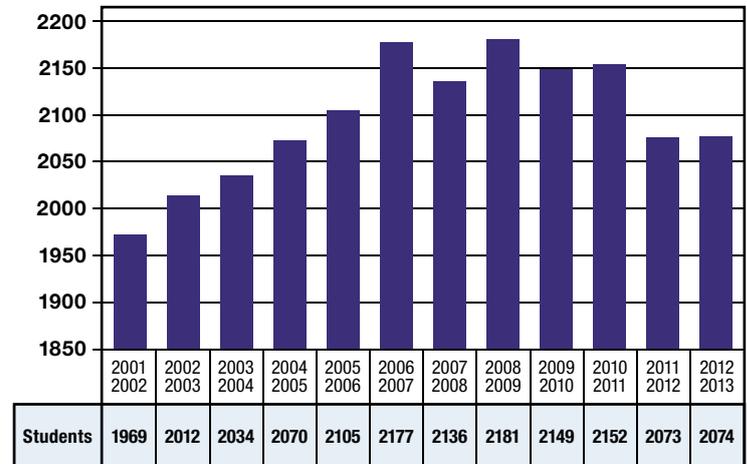
Whole-grade gifted assessment is regularly completed throughout a child's school career. In grades 3, 5, and 7, students take the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and the Cognitive Abilities Test. These tests can be used to help identify students as gifted in the domains of Superior Cognitive, Specific Academic, and Creative Thinking. The SAT and ACT can also be used to identify giftedness. Additionally, our Gifted Intervention Specialists coordinate assessments based on parent/teacher referrals.

**Nota Bene:** In first and second grade, students who are identified by their teachers as needing enrichment move in and out of the Focused Learning Experience (FLEX) groups run by the gifted teacher. In kindergarten, first and second grade, there are no gifted services that are provided based on standardized test scores.

## Oakwood Schools Enrollment

*Enrollment figures for school years 2001-2012 are from the official October count week.*

*Enrollment figures for school year 2012-2013 are unofficial until October count week.*



## Athletic Passes for Senior Citizens

Residents of Oakwood who are at least age 65 qualify for an athletic pass, good for free admission to all home athletic games, excluding tournaments. The pass will admit the holder and one guest. Please visit the Board Office at 20 Rubicon Road to obtain a pass.

## Check out our Website!

The Oakwood City Schools web site is a great source of information about events and activities of the district and schools. Read the district and school newsletters and much more. Check us out at:

[www.oakwood.k12.oh.us](http://www.oakwood.k12.oh.us)



## Oakwood Schools District Staff

District Staff	2012-13	2011-12
Teachers	144.8	146.5
Counselors	5.4	5.6
Psychologist	1.6	1.2
Speech Pathologists	2.8	2.5
Nurses	3	3
Educational Aides	21.5	19
Library Aide/Liaisons	2.3	2.3
Building/District Office Staff	16	16
Building/Grounds Serv. Staff	14	14
Cafeteria Staff	4.64	5
Technology Support Staff	3	3
Van Drivers	6	6
Alumni Office Staff	.5	.5
Administrators	9.4	9.4

## Introducing The Oakwood Schools Foundation's Student Liaisons

When classes began this fall, a handful of Oakwood High School students added new responsibilities to the everyday demands of their coursework and extracurricular activities: these students will work throughout the year on behalf of The Oakwood Schools Foundation, serving as writers, representatives and webmaster to help get the word out about the work of The Foundation.

We are excited to introduce you to these amazing students!

The Foundation's two student representatives attend functions on behalf of The OSF and are the 'voice' of The Foundation among Oakwood students. Collette Belden's ('13) wide-ranging interests include field hockey, wildlife photography, writing poetry, running, and mentoring young children. She says the district's small class sizes aid in the discovery of passions and formation of goals. Melissa Frydman ('14) competes on the OHS tennis team and in dramatic interpretation with speech and debate. She especially enjoys participating in the One Act Play Festivals at school each year. Melissa is looking forward to the great things The Foundation will do for Oakwood students and teachers this year.

Student writers help spread the news about what the Foundation does for Oakwood students and teachers.

Returning as an OSF student writer is junior Grant Pepper ('14), who says this position gives him the chance to gain experience for the career in journalism that he intends to pursue.

Three writers are new to the team this year.



**Lee LeBoeuf**

Lee LeBoeuf ('13) appreciates the strong support of Oakwood teachers and coaches and feels that all have taught her lessons about life that go beyond the classroom. Lee plays field hockey and is on the track team; she writes for the OHS newspaper and the Dome; and is taking broadcasting this year to use her unique voice to deliver information.



**Collette Belden**



**Megan O'Connell**

Megan O'Connell ('14) loves being part of the Oakwood community and schools because of the traditions, close friendships and great teachers and neighbors. Megan aspires to a career in law and values the opportunity to write for The Foundation as a way to give back to a community that has given her so much.



**Melissa Frydman**



**Sam Tatham**

Sam Tatham ('14) hopes to make The Foundation more accessible and well known to students. Sam is active on the OHS speech and debate team and the tennis team, and is a member of student council and the French National Honor Society.



**Grant Pepper**



**Rebecca Deal**

Rebecca Deal ('13) has served as the Foundation's webmaster for two years, and spent a significant part of her summer completely redesigning the OSF website. It has been a long-term dream of hers to create a website, and The OSF was happy to help her fulfill that dream! Soon, you'll be able to check out her creative work—and learn more about The Oakwood Schools Foundation—at [www.oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org](http://www.oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org).

The student representatives and writers were chosen through a competitive application process, and the Foundation is fortunate to have such a talented team working on its behalf!

## OAKWOOD CITY SCHOOLS OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2012

### October 2012

- 10/1 7 p.m.—Freshman/Sophomore Parent Class Meeting
- 10/2 9 a.m.—OJHS Parent/Principal Advisory Meeting
- 10/3 Walk to School Day
- 10/3 8 a.m.—Lange Homeroom Parents Meeting
- 10/3 Opera Marionettes Visit Lange
- 10/3 11:45 a.m.—OHS Senior Class Panoramic Photo
- 10/3 7 p.m.—OHS Homecoming Parade/Bonfire
- 10/3-12 IOWA & CogAt Testing Grades 3-5
- 10/4 5-8:30 p.m.—OJHS/OHS Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 10/5 7:30 p.m.—Homecoming Football Game
- 10/5-19 Smith PTO Sally Foster Fundraiser
- 10/6 8 p.m.—OHS Homecoming Dance
- 10/8 No School/District Professional Development Day
- 10/8 7 p.m.—Board of Education Regular Meeting
- 10/9 No School/District Waiver Day
- 10/9 5 p.m.—Board of Education Special Meeting
- 10/10 5-8:30 p.m.—OJHS/OHS Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 10/11 1:45 a.m.—OJHS/OHS PTO Meeting
- 10/12 Lange Picture Day
- 10/13 10 a.m.-2 p.m.—Smith PTO Fall Festival
- 10/15-19 OJHS IOWA & CogAt Testing Grade 7
- 10/16 11:45 a.m.—OHS Parent/Principal Advisory Meeting

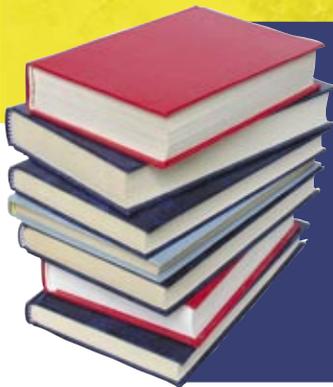
- 10/16-18 Lange Book Fair
- 10/17 7 p.m.—Lange Book Fair Family Night
- 10/20 Oakwood Arts Bridge Presents *Ghostwood Spirit Night '12*
- 10/22-23 Harman Grade 3 to Carrillon Park
- 10/23 7 p.m.—OHS Marching Band Concert
- 10/24 OJHS/OHS Picture Retake Day
- 10/24 OHS Fall Rally
- 10/24-26 Smith Grade 5 to Glen Helen
- 10/25 Harman Grade 1 to Victoria
- 10/25 7 p.m.—OHS NHS Induction Ceremony
- 10/26 Last Day of Grading Period
- 10/26 7 p.m.—OJHS Dance
- 10/28 Oakwood Giving Trick or Treat for Canned Goods
- 10/29 6 p.m.—Grade 8 Washington Trip Parent Meeting
- 10/29 7 p.m.—OJHS Fall Sports Recognition Night
- 10/29-31 Harman Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 10/30 3:30-7 p.m.—Smith Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 10/30 7 p.m.—OJHS NJHS Induction Ceremony
- 10/30 Lange Halloween Parties
- 10/30 Smith Grade 4 Sharing Program PM
- 10/31 Smith Grade 4 Sharing Program AM
- 10/31 1 p.m.—Smith Halloween Parade
- 10/31 Harman Halloween Parties

### November 2012

- 11/1 Harman/Teacher Conferences
- 11/1 3:30-7 p.m.—Smith Parent/Teacher Conferences

- 11/1-16 OHS Orchestra Poinsettia Fundraiser
- 11/2 No School/Parent Teacher Conference Exchange Day
- 11/5-9 Everybody Counts at Harman
- 11/5 7 p.m.—OHS Financial Aid Night for Parents
- 11/6 Smith Picture Retake Day
- 11/8 11:45 a.m.—OJHS/OHS PTO Meeting
- 11/8 7 p.m.—OHS Fall Play
- 11/9 Veterans Day Parade at Lange
- 11/9 8 p.m.—OHS Fall Play
- 11/10 Oakwood Giving Leaf Raking
- 11/10 8 p.m.—OHS Fall Play
- 11/12-13 Boonshoft Presentation at Lange
- 11/12-16 Harman Scholastic Book Fair
- 11/13 6 p.m.—OHS Fall Sports Banquet
- 11/14 6 p.m.—OHS Fall Sports Banquet
- 11/15 7 p.m.—OHS Winter Parent/Athlete Meeting
- 11/17 4:30-9 p.m.—Jazz Clinic & Concert
- 11/19 7 p.m.—Board of Education Regular Meeting
- 11/19-20 Harman Battle of the Books Competition
- 11/20 Lange Picture Retake Day
- 11/20 5 p.m.—Board of Education Special Meeting
- 11/21-23 No School/Thanksgiving Break
- 11/26 Smith PTO Scholastic Book Fair
- 11/28 Dayton Philharmonic Visits Lange
- 11/28 7 p.m.—OJHS/OHS Orchestra Fall Concert

The Oakwood Schools master calendar can be viewed online at: [www.oakwood.k12.oh.us/oakwood/Oakwood\\_Calendars.html](http://www.oakwood.k12.oh.us/oakwood/Oakwood_Calendars.html)



## LIBRARY CALENDAR DATES / October - November

### October

- 8 – Library Closed, Staff Training Day
- 11 – Snapshot Day
- 15 – Library Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- 19 – Weird Science Halloween Party, 4:00 p.m.
- 27 – Stuffed Animal Sleepover Party, 1:30 p.m.

### November

- 4 – David Lee Garrison, Poetry Reading/Book Launch, 2:00 p.m.
- 11 – A Time-Capsule Home Tour, 2:00 p.m.
- 19 – Library Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- 22 – Library Closed, Thanksgiving Holiday
- 23 – School's Out Movie, 1:00 p.m.
- 24 – Digital Storytime, 1:30 p.m.

## Stuffed Animal Sleepover Party

Did you ever wonder what happens in the library after the lights go out? Your child's favorite stuffed animal can find out Saturday, October 27. Children ages 3-6 are invited to bring a stuffed animal and join Mrs. Mills at 1:30 p.m. The children and their favorite plush friends will listen to sleepy time stories, decorate sleeping bags for their stuffed animals, and sing the animals to sleep. The stuffed animals will spend the night and the children will return to the library on Sunday afternoon between 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. to pick up their stuffed animals and see the fun they had and the mischief they got into around the library.



*"Like" us on Facebook and find the latest on what's new at Wright Library.*



## Wright Library Participates in “Snapshot Day: A Day in the Life of Ohio Libraries”

Wright Library is joining all types of libraries across the state to participate in “Snapshot Day: A Day in the Life of Ohio Libraries” on Thursday, October 11 (10-11-12) to capture and share information about how important public, school, academic and special libraries are to the state of Ohio.

On October 11, Wright Library will compile statistics, customer comments, photographs or video, and other details representing a typical day at the library. The results collected and pictures taken at Wright Library will be added to those of other libraries across the state to raise awareness about the value of libraries to Ohio citizens.

“We invite patrons and visitors to stop in or share their comments online and be a part of this statewide event to help us demonstrate how libraries help patrons on a typical day. On any day at Wright Library you might see an average of 450 patrons borrowing 1,100 items, dozens of people using computers, a group of three-to-five-year-olds learning per-literacy skills at a story hour, groups of school-agers working on homework projects, and adults attending informative programs presented by authors or local history experts,” said Ann Snively, Wright Library’s director. “The State Library of Ohio plans to collect this documentation to communicate to lawmakers as state budget time rolls around next spring that the voters of Ohio rely on libraries for important services and that maintaining state funding is essential to operating our libraries.”



Wright Library’s annual revenue is 69 percent state funding, 28 percent local levy support, 2 percent overdue fines and fees, and 1 percent miscellaneous sources such as copiers, book sales, and interest.

## Wright Library Subscribes to ConsumerReports.org

Wright Library has recently added ConsumerReports.org to its online resources. This gives patrons access to Consumer Reports research for free. A ConsumerReports.org button has been added to the library’s homepage, just below the “Book of the Day”.



In the library patrons can simply click on the button to access ConsumerReports.org. From outside the library, or on the wireless network in the library, patrons will be asked to supply their complete 14-digit Wright Library card number to gain access.

This is a great resource that’s free to all Wright Library cardholders and anyone

accessing the Wright Library homepage through the Library’s internet computers. It is also available from the “Research & Homework” page on the library’s site, [www.wrightlibrary.org](http://www.wrightlibrary.org).

## Wright Library and DP&L Offer “Kill A Watt” Program

Wright Library is now offering 4 “Kill A Watt” Energy Monitoring devices from DP&L. Patrons are welcome to borrow a Kill A Watt Energy Monitoring device to test energy consumption of their home appliances.



The cost of electricity can really hit you where it hurts. Now with Kill A Watt you can reduce your energy costs by identifying the real energy abusers. Simply plug your appliance into Kill A Watt and assess how efficient it really is. The jumbo LCD display measures consumption by the kilowatt-hour, just like your local utility company, so you can quickly calculate costs. It’s perfect for seeing how much juice that freezer in the garage is sucking up, or to see how much it costs to keep your computer on throughout the day.



## City of Oakwood

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### Asset Builder Profile

Recognized as one of the Top 10 Women of the Year in the Miami Valley in 2005, Judy Cook maintains her active community involvement as a member of the Oakwood Rotary Club; Sinclair College Foundation Board; Montgomery County Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services Board; and the First Suburbs Dayton Coalition.

Through her strong commitment to Oakwood community's 40 Developmental Assets initiative, Judy advocates for our youth and states, "The 40 Assets are not simply a good idea. They are proven characteristics of successful adults. The Oakwood school system has incorporated the 40 Assets as their guiding principles and extended leadership to activate them community-wide. We need to pay attention and respond."

Elected to Oakwood City Council in 1989, Judy remained on the Council until the end of 2009, serving her last 8 years as Mayor. During her tenure, Judy extended her involvement beyond the borders of our city and served on the multi-county Mayors and Managers Association, the Human Services Levy Council, the Dayton Regional Network, the Miami Valley Communications Council, and Mayors Campaign Against Breast Cancer, and founded the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. annual celebration with the City of Kettering.

Judy Cook is a role model for our community as we "endeavor to intentionally and strategically construct building blocks to help our young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible."

Assets: 7 Community Values Youth, 9 Service to Others, 14 Adult Role Models, 28 Integrity

**Judy Cook is an *Asset Builder!***

## The 40 Developmental Assets

*where the  
Oakwood Community  
is key!*

**O**ur community endeavors to intentionally and strategically construct building blocks to help our young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible.

Visit the Oakwood community's 40 Asset website at  
<http://www2.oakwood.k12.oh.us/~fortyassets> for information, news, events and more.