### **Please Contact Us** We are located in the community room at

Kortright Hills Public School 23 Ptarmigan Drive Guelph, ON NIC 1B5

**Our Boundaries** 

North – Downey and Niska Rd from Hanlon to

Waterfowl Park - North to Stone Road

**East** – Hanlon Expressway;

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### January 2012 issue

Winter is here!

### Visit us on the Web: www.khng.ca

South West - City Limits to Downey Rd;

South East – Teal Dr from Downey to Hanlon.

519.837.0974

West – City Limits;





Thursday, January 19, 2012 7:00—9:00 pm Kortright Hills Community Room **Special Guest** 

Kortright Hills Neighbourhood Group Notice of Annual General Meeting

> Karen Farbridge Mayor of the City of Guelph

Please join us for our annual general meeting and help set the direction for your neighbourhood group, KHNG, for 2012.

Meeting will include:

Report on KHNG's activities and successes in 2011 Reviewing Priorities and Volunteer Needs For 2012 Election of KHNG Executive A special visit from the Mayor of Guelph



All residents, property owners, and holders of a business license in Kortright Hills & Woodland Glen area are welcome and considered voting members (over 21 years of age).

Your input and participation will help decide how some city money is spent in 2012.

For more information email khng@bellnet.ca or call 519.837.0974 or visit www.khng.ca



Mark Your Calendars to Join Us In The KHPS Gym

### <u>Friday April 13, 2012</u> KHNG Next Friday Movie Night



### Help us decide what movie to show! Send us your Movie Title Ideas to khng@bellnet.ca

\* DOORS OPEN AT 7:00

- \* MOVIE TO BEGIN AT 7:30 PM
- \* SUGGESTED DONATION OF <u>\$1.00</u> Per Person Would Be Appreciated
  - \* BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS, BLANKETS OR SLEEPING BAG
    - \* TELL YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILIES & NEIGHBOURS
  - \* POPCORN & REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FOR A SMALL FEE

Want to get involved, volunteer for movie nights! ! Send us an E-mail: <u>khng@bellnet.ca</u>





## 26th Scout Group







Have partnered together to celebrate our Canadian Winter:



### WinterFest 2012

Sunday February 5, 2012

**Mollison Park** 

### I:00 pm—3:00 pm

Join us for Pizza and **FREE** Hot Chocolate and activities will include snow painting, snow sculpture contest, other winter activities & more. Tell your Family, Friends & Neighbours Come join the Fun!!! Want to get involved and volunteer for WinterFest 2012?

Want to get involved and volunteer for WinterFest 2012? Please email: khng@bellnet.ca Page 2 of 8





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### Visit <u>www.khng.ca</u>

Official KHNG website

Check it out!!

Register and become a member

Our website offers:

Current events Current programs available Monthly calendar Discussion forum Quarterly newsletters And minutes of our meetings

Become a member, register now!!

Kortright Hills -Your Neighbourhood Group



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### <u>26th Guelph</u> <u>Scouting Group</u>

Looking for volunteers to help

run our scouting programs

Beavers, Cubs, Scouts

and Ventures

If interested please contact

Paul 519-821-6948



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## **Garden Fresh**

## Box

Garden Fresh Box is a non-profit produce buying program that provides customers with affordable fresh fruits and vegetables and supports our local farmers.

The contents of the box change with Ontario's growing season. We include as much locally-grown produce as possible for optimal taste, freshness and nutrition. Our monthly newsletter offers recipes and cooking tips to help you prepare meals.





### **EVERYONE** is welcome

### to participate in the program.

Typical boxes contains:

9-14 vegetables 2-5 types of fruit \$20 Large box / \$15 Small box

### How it works:

- \* **Choose a host Site** convenient for you from one of many community locations.
- \* **Order and pay** for your box by noon on the 1st Friday of the month.
- Pick up your Garden Fresh Box on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from your Host Site and enjoy!

### For MORE DETAILS visit www.guelphchc.ca Or contact us at 519-821-6638, ext. 344

### KHNG Presents KASP (Kortright After School Program) "When I Grow Up"

Who: Students from \*JK — Grade 6

What: A 11-week Recreational & Educational After School Program

Where: Kortright Hills Community Room

When: Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs 3:20 - 5:30pm

January 9 to March 29, 2012

Cost: \$11/session, \$44/week (cheques payable to Kortright Hills Neighbourhood Group) During each 2 hour session we will have a snack, themed educational activities & free play in the gym or outside weather permitting

\*JK and SK students will be escorted to the community room after school by a KASP staff member.

Parent/Student Volunteers Needed! Please email if you are able to help run the program for any or all of the sessions.

To register, visit our website, print and fill out the registration form and submit to Leone, KHNG Outreach Coordinator

For more information, email us at khng@bellnet.ca

Please note Spring Session of KASP will run April to June 2012 Spring KASP Registration will begin early March 2012

## REGISTER NOW, SPACES ARE LIMITED!!

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# **Welcome!** If you are new to the neighbourhood, we extend a warm welcome to you and your family! Please consider joining us for our regular monthly meetings to help plan social & recreational events.

**Shank You!** A special 'thanks' goes to all of our volunteers and community

partners, 26th Guelph Scouting Group, Kortright Hills Public School

and the City of Guelph. Your support for our neighbourhood is

Also watch for our new A-frame signs telling you that new infor-

Stay

greatly appreciated! To get email updates of our neighbourhood events delivered right to your inbox, please send your request to <u>khng@belinet.ca</u>.

mation is posted on our website.

Informed:

## Winter Trograms!

**PHOTO CLUB:** Welcomes new members who are interested in digital photography to meet in the community room at Kortright Hills PS the **first Monday of each month** at 7:00pm.

Contact Gregg Parsons for more information: 519.824.6107. NOTE: Next meeting January 2, 2012, February 6, 2012 and March 5, 2012

**KASP (Kortright After School Program):** KASP is offered in the community room of Kortright Hills Public School Monday to Thursday 3:20 pm to 5:30 pm. Join us for a fun-filled 2 hour session consisting of snack, themed educational activities, active games, free play in the school gym or outside weather permitting! Register for the Fall 2011 Session now, limited spaces available. For more information contact Leone khng@bellnet.ca or visit our website www.khng.ca to view registration form.

HOME DAYCARE SUPPORT GROUP: If you are providing child care in your home in our neighbourhood, come to the community room on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:30 to meet with other caregivers and children. Call Carmel at 519.837.3351.

#### NEW KORTRIGHT HILLS NEIGHBOUR RUNNING GROUP:

Kortright Hills is looking to form a running group KHN-RG. If you are interested in joining our "fun running group", email <u>chris\_robb34@yahoo.com</u> or <u>khng@bellnet.ca</u> with your name and email address. We are gathering a list of interested participants and will contact

address. We are gathering a list of interested participants and will contact you to discuss further dates and times. **SCOUTS:** Do you enjoy camping, making new friends, developing leadership skills and much more? If so, the **26th Scout Group** is the group for you. Spaces are still available in all sections for the 2011/2012 scouting year

Beavers ages 5-7 meet Mondays 6:30-7:30 Cubs ages 8-10 meet Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 Scouts ages 11-14 meet Tuesdays 7:00-8:45 Ventures ages 14-17 meet Mondays 7:00-8:45

The above scouting programs meet at Kortright Hills Public School. Contact 26th Guelph Registrar Leone 519.821.6948 or email <u>26thguelph@w.scouter.ca</u> for further information.

### Do you have an idea for an:

**Event** 

Program Social



that may interest others in your Kortright Hills Neighbourhood?

Ask KHNG about using the community room! Call Leone 519.837.0974 or e-mail: khng@bellnet.ca.





### WE WELCOME YOUR PARTICIPATION & NEED YOUR HELF

Can you help us continue to deliver social and recreational programs for our community? In the coming months we are seeking your assistance with:

- \* Family movie nights 2nd Friday of April 2012
- \* Planning WinterFest Sunday February 5, 2012
- \* Becoming a leader with our Scout Group
- \* Planning other social, recreational events

If these or similar opportunities are of interest to you, contact us today at **khng@bellnet.ca** 

Your help is needed - call or e-mail us today!!

ON & NEED YOUR HELP
Mark your calendars for these fun 2012 Neighbourhood Events:
KHNG Monthly meeting/social:
Thursday January 19, 2012 - (AGM)
Thursday February 16, 2012
Thursday March 15, 2012
KHNG WinterFest Sunday February 5, 2012
Movie In The Gym Night Friday
April 13, 2012
Visit KHNG website for up to date events: www.khng.ca
Consider getting involved with YOUR Neighbourhood Group
Join us the 3rd Thursday of each Month at 7:00 pm in the

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Community Room!

### Want to Advertise in KHNG Quarterly Newsletter:



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**KHNG** sends an electronic newsletter out four times a year, next issue April 2012. If you wish to advertise your business, a small sponsorship fee will apply. Share your favourite recipe with your neighbours, write an article of interest or if you are a student looking to offer your services (i.e.: babysitting, shoveling snow, cutting/raking the lawn) and wish to put your information in our newsletter E-mail khng@bellnet.ca. This is a great way for Kortright Hills Neighbourhood to come together by sharing thoughts, talents and services available, neighbours helping neighbours.

## Kortright Hills Classifieds!!

KHNG After School Program

**Craft Items Needed for "KASP" Program** Kortright After School Program is looking for craft items: markers, paper, paint, crayons or any other craft supplies. Any donations are appreciated. To make a donation please email khng@bellnet.ca

#### Volunteers Needed for "KASP" Program

Kortright After School Program need volunteers to assist with this program. KASP runs Mon, Tues, Wed and Thurs, 3:20 to 5:30 pm, students JK to Gr. 6. This would be a perfect opportunity for stay-at-home parents, grandparents and/or high school/university students to give back to the community. If interested please contact Leone khng@bellnet.ca

#### Kortright Hills Neighbourhood Opportunities

#### KHNG Community Room

Are you looking for a place to hold a community meeting, start a club, provide a workshop or have an idea for adult or children programs? Would you like to share your time/ideas with the neighbourhood. Call or e mail KHNG to find our more information or book the community room.

#### KHNG Electronic Mailing List

Join KHNG mailing list to receive newsletters/posters of recreational and social events within your neighbourhood. Tell your friends and neighbours, call or email Leone to add your email to our electronic list.

### Local Home Daycare

### **Boogaloos Home Daycare**

Openings available **NOW** for full and part-time

children ages 12 months to five years old.

Contact: Brandy at 226-706-6000

www.daycare.boogaloos.ca

### Classified Space Available

Classifieds

Advertise with KHNG!! This space could be yours



### 26th Guelph Scouting Group

#### 26th Guelph Scouting Group Needs You!!

26th Guelph Scouting Group are looking for volunteers to assist with:

Beaver Program ages 5 to 7 years Cub Program ages 8 to 10 years Scout Program 11 to 14 years



If you enjoy the outdoors and working with children this is the program for you. For more information please contact Paul Schadenberg, 26th Guelph Group Commissioner 519-821-6948 or 26thguelph@wellington.on.scouts.ca It starts with Scouts!!

#### Join The Adventure of 26th Guelph Scouting Group

The 26th Scout Group at Kortright Hills Public School has spaces available for boys and girls of all ages for all scouting sections: Beavers ages 5-7 meet Mondays 6:30-7:30; Cubs ages 8-10 meet Wednesdays 7:00-8:30; Scouts ages 11-14 meet Tuesdays 7:00-8:45; Ventures ages 14-17 meet

Mondays 7:00-9:00. For more details contact Leone 519-821-6948 or <u>26thguelph@wellington.on.scouts.ca</u>

KHNG Need You to Volunteer!!

### KHNG need Volunteers to assist with WinterFest

### Sunday February 5, 2012

Duties include:

Tickets/cash Winter Activities Making Hot Chocolate Greeter/counter Concession stand Floater

This is a great opportunity for students who are looking to complete volunteer hours

If you can assist us please email khng@bellnet.ca.

### Contact KHNG: www.khng.ca \* khng@bellnet.ca \* 519-837-0974

## Media Release

**Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board** 

### Pocket Dials/Unintentional 9-1-1 Calls Putting Public at Risk, Impacting Police Resources

Police Say Unintentional Calls from Mobile Devices a Growing Problem in Ontario

### For immediate release: January 9, 2012

**(Toronto, ON)** – Police services across Ontario are seeing an increase in pocket dialed and unintentional 9-1-1 calls, which represent a serious threat to public safety and negatively impact police resources according to the Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board (OAB) and the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP).

"With more and more people using mobile devices, our police services are reporting an increase in unintentional 9-1-1 calls and so-called pocket dials," said Inspector Paulo Da Silva of York Regional Police. "When unintentionally dialed calls are made to 9-1-1 call centres, they become a public safety issue and are a drain on law enforcement resources."

Pocket dials happen when a keypad on a mobile device carried in a pocket, purse, backpack, etc. is accidentally pressed. Unintentional 9-1-1 calls are generated from a mobile device and are not intended as emergency calls.

Unintentional 9-1-1 calls tie up phone lines that deliver 9-1-1 calls to Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs), which handle 9-1-1 calls. This negatively impacts a PSAP's ability to respond to real emergencies.

The Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board brings together police personnel to act as advocates for the 9-1-1 system in the Province of Ontario. OAB is partnering with the OACP to raise public awareness of the unintentional/pocket dialed calls.

The OAB and OACP have found that hundreds of unintentional/pocket dialed 9-1-1 calls are being received daily by police services across Ontario from cell phones and other devices where no emergency exists. For example:

- The Toronto Police Service received 1,227,791 calls to 9-1-1 in 2011. 1 in 5 calls were not valid emergencies. Pocket dials accounted for 107,748, or half of the false calls; misdialed calls to 9-1-1 (116,770) accounted for the remainder.
- York Regional Police received 97,886 unintentional 9-1-1 calls from wireless devices in 2011, accounting for 37.33% of all 9-1-1 calls received.
- London Police Service received 6,622 pocket dials from August to November, 2011, averaging 11.24% of total 9-1-1 calls.
- Peel Regional Police received 80,724 unintentional 9-1-1 calls from wireless devices between June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011, accounting for 33% of the 9-1-1 calls received.

For every unintentional/pocket 9-1-1 call received, a 9-1-1 emergency telecommunicator must determine whether an emergency exists. Every second counts when someone is waiting for an emergency communicator to pick up a 9-1-1 call and dispatch police, emergency medical services, or fire.

– More –



#### For more information, contact:

Inspector Paulo Da Silva York Regional Police 905.830.0303 ext 7903 916@ yrp.ca

Joe Couto Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police 416-926-0424 ext. 22 jcouto@oacp.ca

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"Citizens have the power to stop unintentional 9-1-1 calls from their mobile devices. It could be as simple as locking a key pad or putting the device in stand-by mode," said Chief Matt Torigian, President of the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police. "Such actions do not impact a user's ability to receive a phone call, but may significantly reduce the chance of a pocket dial. To further reduce the pocket dial risk, users should not program 9-1-1 into their devices and should prevent small children from playing with such devices."

Someone who places an unintentional 9-1-1 call should stay on the line. Every 9-1-1 call is taken seriously. When a 9-1-1 caller doesn't respond, that could be a sign of trouble – a possibility an emergency responder can't ignore. Users are urged to let the emergency operator know it was a pocket dial/unintentional call. This will eliminate the need for the emergency operator to call back to determine if there is a legitimate emergency, saving precious seconds and allowing them to move on to the next emergency call.

Citizens can prevent pocket dials or unintentional 9-1-1 calls by:

- Locking keypads using the keypad lock feature. Keypad locks, some of which can be programmed to
  activate automatically, prevent a mobile device from responding to keystrokes until the user unlocks the
  keypad using a short combination of key presses.
- Turn off the 9-1-1 auto-dial feature, if your mobile device has one. To determine whether a device has this
  feature and how to turn it off, check the user manual or the manufacturer's website, or call the service
  provider.
- Refrain from programming a wireless device to speed or automatically dial 9-1-1.

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### Winter Weather Tips

- MONITOR THE WEATHER
  - Pay close attention to changing weather conditions
- Listen to weather forecasts early in the day to determine if there is the
- potential for severe weather in your area
- Check road reports before setting out on a trip
- TRAVEL SAFELY
  - Give your car a winter tune-up in mid autumn
- Install snow tires early to avoid being caught off guard by a late autumn snowstorm.
- Prepare an emergency kit for your car with items such as a flashlight, warm gel packs, a shovel, new batteries and a blanket **DRIVE CAREFULLY**
- Completely clear your car windows and mirrors of snow and ice before driving
- Take it slow: don't accelerate too quickly, avoid sharp turns at high speeds, and brake well in advance of where you want to stop
- Leave lot's of space between you and the car driving in front of you
- Beware of black ice

### Beware Post Storm

- Road conditions can remain hazardous even after a storm has subsided so take precautions when driving.
- Watch for ice and black ice on walkways and stairs

January Let's start the New Year off right. Please drive for the weather conditions that are present. Slow down and arrive alive.

**Seasonal Safety Tips** 

### February

Clean the snow and ice off your windows and

mirrors to enable a clear view in every direction while you drive.

### March

There will be melting snow and ice around rivers and lakes beginning this month. Please stay clear of the banks of fast moving rivers and ice surfaces on rivers and lakes.

