

BROWN TOWNSHIP

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Summer 2017

Open Letter to Township Residents

The Krishna community in Columbus was established in 1969 by Assistant Professor Howard Wheeler, a member of the English faculty at The Ohio State University. Our current location, a Victorian home at 379 West 8th Avenue, has been serving since 1984 and our congregation has grown to over 100 families, necessitating a bigger facility. Our congregation includes members of the Indian, Caucasian, African American, African, and Hispanic communities. We are doctors, engineers, lawyers, teachers, music instructors, gardeners, cab drivers, yoga buffs, artists, designers, and fitness enthusiasts.

We are extremely happy to be part of Brown Township. Its rural and agricultural feel as well as proximity to the city make it the perfect fit for our growing community. We hope to apply principles of ecological stewardship, sustainability, organic farming, and our cultural and spiritual heritage to

the community. This project symbolizes continued development of friendships with the wonderful residents of Brown Township, many of whom we have already had a chance to meet.

Timeline for the project

- **February 2016** – Property at 3508 Walker Road purchased
- **June 2016** – Property at 3520 Walker Road purchased
- **March 2017** – Schematic design and budget developed for proposed temple
- **March 2017–December 2018** – Fundraising
- **2019** – Construction documents/bidding from general contractors and permits
- **2020** – Temple construction, pending required permits and approval from Franklin County.

In addition to the temple, the project will include walking trails, an organic farm and garden, play areas for children, a vegetarian culinary institute, and a farm-to-table café.

We would love to meet, answer any questions you may have, and work on this project together.

Please feel free to call 614-946-5568 or write to us at iskconcolumbus@gmail.com

Community President
Piyush Gupta, M.D.

Rules for Chickens, Ducks and Rabbits

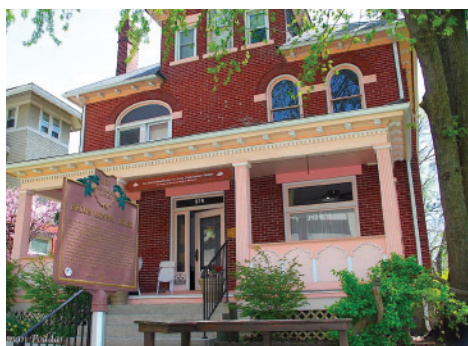
The Franklin County Zoning Resolution establishes requirements for the keeping of a limited number of chickens, ducks, and rabbits on lots smaller than five acres. The requirements are intended to prevent nuisances to occupants of nearby properties and prevent unsanitary or unsafe conditions. These requirements apply to property in unincorporated Brown Township.

In general, the rules provide that:

- A certificate of zoning compliance is necessary.
- Roosters, geese, peafowl, and turkeys may not be kept on lots smaller than five acres.
- There is a formula for determining how many such animals may be kept.
- Structures or outdoor areas used for keeping such animals must be located on a property with a principal structure, in a rear or side yard, and at least ten feet from any property line.
- The animals must be kept in



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Current facility on West 8th Ave. in Columbus

JONATHAN ALDER

AN AMERICAN PIONEER

The territory just west of Brown Township—across Big Darby Creek—was the setting for the remarkable life of Jonathan Alder, the first white settler in Madison County.

Alder was born on September 17, 1773 in Pennsylvania and moved with his family to Wythe County, Virginia two years later. Several years later, Jonathan and his older brother were sent to retrieve two runaway horses. The boys were attacked by a group of Shawnees from Ohio. His brother was killed and Jonathan was captured and eventually taken to a Mingo village in present-day Logan County. His life was spared because his captors thought his black hair would allow him to pass as an Indian. He was adopted by an aging Mingo chief and his wife as a replacement for their deceased son. He was required to run the gauntlet as a rite of passage and, over time, fully adopted the Mingo way of life.

(Rules for Chickens from page 1)

- a structure or fenced outdoor area.
- Screening requirements exist for properties smaller than one acre.
- Feed must be stored in rodent-proof containers.
- Requirements exist for disposal of manure.
- Sale of animal products is permitted only under certain circumstances.
- Slaughtering and butchering may occur only inside a structure or otherwise out of public view.

For detailed information on requirements, please see Section 115.08 of the Franklin County Zoning Resolution at development.franklincountyohio.gov/planning/zoning.cfm or contact Franklin County Planning Administrator Matt Brown at 614-525-5647 or mybrown@franklincountyohio.gov.

The Mingo couple who had adopted Alder died in the early 1790s, after which he roamed the countryside ultimately becoming interested in an Indian woman named Barshaw. Late in 1793, Alder joined Shawnee chief Blue Jacket defending against the attacks of Anthony Wayne. After the signing of the Treaty of Greenville in 1795, Alder decided to return to the white community. He married Barshaw and settled in Pleasant Valley in the area of Jerome Township about five miles north of present-day Plain City. He built a cabin and became a farmer, raising hogs, cows, and horses. He traded with both Indians and settlers. He began to re-learn English and adopted the settler community's habits. His wife, Barshaw, however, struggled with the settler life. She bore two of Alder's children. Both died in infancy, leading the couple to believe the Great Spirit opposed their marriage. They separated and Barshaw returned to her home in Upper Sandusky.

Sometime later, Alder became interested in his original family in Virginia and, through the intervention of a friend, learned that members of his family survived. He traveled to Virginia in early 1806 and was reunited with his mother and siblings. During his year-long visit in Virginia, Alder met and married Mary Blont. In August 1806, Alder, his new wife, and the rest of his family returned to Pleasant Valley. He built another log cabin along Big Darby Creek and he and Mary had 12 children between 1808 and 1830. The cabin was later moved to the site of the Madison County Historical Society in London and can be visited there.

During the War of 1812, Alder had been elected captain of a company of 70 formed in Plain City. The company built a blockhouse at Mill Creek, about three miles north of Marysville to protect the Darby settlements. It was the



only fort constructed in Union County. Some of the foundation remains visible today.

Alder lived out the rest of his days as a farmer and died on January 30, 1849 in Canaan Township in Madison County at 75. He was buried in Foster Chapel Cemetery on Plain City-Georgesville Road, just north of the present location of Prairie Oaks Metro Park on the west side of Big Darby Creek.

He had become a well-known figure in the region and is remembered today with a school district, high school, and middle school named for him.

The Madison County Historical Society will host a Jonathan Alder Day from noon to 5 p.m. on September 17, Jonathan Alder's birthday. Details will be available at mchsohio.wordpress.com. The historical society museum and property are open to visitors every Sunday and Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. The address is 260 E. High St., London. Consider calling for directions as the address is somewhat confusing. Telephone number is 740-852-2977.

Historical accounts vary as to Alder's precise place of birth and the date of his capture and age at the time. Information used here is from an interview with the director of the Madison County Historical Society and reputable historical sources.



Metro Parks GeoTrail

Geocaching is a great way to connect people with the outdoors and get them hiking and exploring new areas. Using the global positioning system (GPS) on a smartphone, people search for hidden containers, known as caches, like a treasure hunt. This can be a great way to get out and hike to new places or engage kids on a walk in the woods. It is also a way to tie in technology to the outdoors and engage the teen audience. There are over 1 million geocaches in over 100 countries worldwide and all ages and abilities can participate.

In the past five years, the Metro Parks have developed a GeoTrail that encourages people to find caches hidden in 17 Metro Parks. Each year, over

140 teams complete the trail and approximately 7,000 people find at least one cache. Caches are hidden in new locations with varying degrees of difficulty in hike and the manner in which the caches are hidden. The caches contain educational information, code words, and collectable pins. The first 100 people who find and record the code words for 15 of the 20 caches receive a special edition Metro Parks trackable geocoin. Those that find all 20 caches can solve a puzzle and unlock the coordinates of a Bonus Cache. This year's theme is Night Shift and highlights nature at night.

More information is available at metroparks.net.

Article provided by Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks

A few quotes from GeoTrail participants

"We visit nearly every Metro Park every summer. We wouldn't otherwise do that. And we've discovered amenities at the parks we wouldn't have known about. It brings us back to our favorite places even after the GeoTrail."

"Geocaching fits just about any time frame, whether it's an hour in the evening, a Sunday afternoon, or all day on Saturday. It gives us an excuse to wander out in woods, prairies, waterways, and local parks."

"I have visited more parks and natural places in the four years I have been geocaching than I probably had the previous 10 years combined."

PUBLIC SAFETY SUMMARY

Each issue of the Brown Township newsletter contains a quarterly wrap-up of public safety reports and calls in Brown Township.

Norwich Township Fire Department

Calls to addresses in Brown Township (including Brown Township addresses within the City of Hilliard):

	EMS Calls	Fire Calls
March 2017	12	3
April 2017	15	7
May 2017	13	3

Franklin County Sheriff's Department

Calls to addresses in unincorporated Brown Township:

March 2017

March 6 – stolen vehicle found on fire in a field near Creek Road, vehicle impounded.

March 22 – menacing of an individual at an address on Amity Road, threatened on social media.

April 2017

April 4 – criminal damaging of a motor vehicle at an address on Alton-Darby Creek Road.

April 14 – criminal damaging and breaking and entering at a residence on Amity Road.

April 23 – theft of a utility trailer and dumpster from an address on Walker Road.

April 25 – criminal damaging of a barn at an address on Walker Road.

May 2017

May 2 – identity fraud of an individual at an address on Elliott Road.

May 6 – menacing at an address on Alton-Darby Creek Road.

May 11 – death at an address on Amity Road.

May 20 – domestic violence at an address on Hardwood Drive.

May 23 – domestic dispute at an address on Patterson Road.

Hilliard Division of Police

Non-routine calls to Brown Township addresses within the City of Hilliard:

March 2017

March 6 – individual arrested for driving while under the influence of drugs/alcohol on Alton-Darby Creek Road.

April 2017

No non-routine calls.

May 2017

No non-routine calls.



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Hilliard, Ohio 43026

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Norwich Fire Department

Jeff Warren, Chief • (614) 876-7694

Franklin County Sheriff's Department

Emergency • 911
Non-Emergency • (614) 525-3333

Meetings are held the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at 2491 Walker Road, Hilliard, Ohio.



L-R: Fiscal Officer Greg Ruwe and Trustees Gary Dever, Pam Sayre and Joe Martin



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HILLIARD

PASSIONATE ABOUT SERVICE | COMPASSIONATE ABOUT PEOPLE

Focus Hilliard is a revolutionary and innovative project that brings together all the non-emergency services performed by the Norwich Township Fire Department. The goal is to provide interactive opportunities that create a safer community and positively influence the quality of life in Brown Township, Norwich Township, and Hilliard. Focus Hilliard programs include:

- **New parent program** – safety education for new parents
- **Car seat installation** – infant/child car seat installation by appointment
- **Fire safety education** – safety courses for all ages
- **CPR/AED education** – cardiopulmonary resuscitation courses and certification
- **Specialized care registry** – delivering specialized care to enrollees
- **Home fire prevention** – in-home fire safety inspections
- **Welcome home initiative** – outreach engagement for new residents
- **Integrated EMS** – personal, in-home social care and integrated EMS.

For more information, visit
www.norwichtownship.org/focushilliard

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Neighborhoods **JOIN US!**

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COMMUNITY HEALTH FORUM
YOUR HEALTH, YOUR COMMUNITY

No one knows your community better than you!

Join us for a fun, interactive group discussion to address your growing community's access to care, support for chronic illness, and disease prevention.

The information we gather will help Franklin County Public Health develop a targeted plan to specifically address the resources and tools to help support you and your family's health needs and create a vibrant neighborhood.

WHEN?

Monday, July 17, 2017
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Ohio University Dublin Integrated Education Center
6805 Bobcat Way Dublin 43016

REGISTER NOW

www.myfcph.org/cha
614.525.3670

