



# Focusing on Franklin

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**“Our mission is to work together as a community and as neighbor helping neighbor to effectively feed people in need.”**



## HOW TO HONOR THY NEIGHBOR

Submit your nomination to Jane McGee

- Send a letter to:  
1 Benjamin Franklin Way  
Franklin, Ohio 45005
- E-mail:  
jmcgee@franklinohio.org
- Call 746-9921

Along with your name, address and phone number provide the nominee’s name, address, phone number and reason for nomination.

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

## “YES WE CAN” FOOD DRIVE WORKS TO BRIGHTEN THE SEASON FOR THOSE IN NEED.

Warren County Commissioner Pat South has coordinated the “Yes We Can Food Drive Challenge” this year. Over 100 businesses and local governments have placed food barrels in their establishments for non-perishable and canned food donations to help feed those in need throughout the



County. Last year, with the help from the Franklin High School Basketball Team and Cheerleaders, 16 tons of food and over \$17,000 in donations were collected to assist the food

pantries within the County. The goal this year is to collect 25 tons of food and \$10,000 – as of November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2 tons of food has already been collected! If you are interested in making a donation, the City Building has a food barrel located near the Water Department.

For more information regarding this program (e.g., how to have a food barrel at your location, current drop-off locations), please visit the County’s website at [www.co.warren.oh.us](http://www.co.warren.oh.us).

## FALL LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM WINDING DOWN

The City’s annual leaf collection program is near completion. From December 7<sup>th</sup> through December 11<sup>th</sup>, however, areas north of 4<sup>th</sup> Street, including 4<sup>th</sup>, to 2<sup>nd</sup> Street will be the focus. From December 14<sup>th</sup> through December 18<sup>th</sup>, areas south of 4<sup>th</sup> Street will be targeted.

As a reminder, leaves that are bagged and at the curb will be picked up by Rumpke on your regular scheduled trash pickup day. **ONLY LEAVES ARE TO BE PILED BETWEEN THE CURB AND THE SIDEWALK.** Please no bottles, trash, rocks or branches as they can damage the pickup equipment.

Please do not pile leaves until your area is scheduled for pick-up. This will help in keeping the gutters clean and open for rain water.



The City advertises the leaf pick-up schedule in area newspapers and it is also listed on the City’s website at [www.franklinohio.org](http://www.franklinohio.org). In addition, never hesitate to call the Public Works Department at 746-5001 if you have a question regarding this program.

## HONOR A NEIGHBOR WHO GOES ABOVE & BEYOND

The City of Franklin’s “Good Neighbor Award” is designed to recognize City’s residents or property owners who have made an extraordinary commitment to improving the quality of life in our community. Follow the simple steps listed to the left in “How to Honor Thy Neighbor” so that you can help nominate and recognize that special someone making Franklin a better place to live.

# FALLFEST WRAP-UP



## A Note From The Special Events Committee:

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's inaugural Franklin FallFest! The Committee members have heard many positive comments from the community regarding the Great 4th Street Pumpkin Roll, the Pumpkin Pie Eating Contest, the Costume Judging, Illusion Show, "Spooky" Hallway and Cookie Decorating. Our hope is this will become a treasured family tradition.

Successful events depend on contributions from the business community. It would be appreciated if you would thank the companies that donated when visiting their establishments.

**The Franklin Area Chamber of Commerce**  
Assisted in obtaining donations

**Marsh Supermarket** 1084 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. in Franklin  
Provided 400 cookies for decorating and 3 gift cards.

**Kleather's Pumpkin Patch** 90 W. Central Ave. in Springboro: Great Pumpkins to Roll!

**Pisanello's** 355 S. Main St. in Franklin  
The "Reaper" and 5 gift cards for large tasty pizzas!

**McDonalds** 1425 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. in Franklin  
Happy Meals for 50 pumpkin roll winners!

**Life Source Massage** 8401 Claude Thomas Rd St. #15 in Franklin: A relaxing 30 minute massage

**PH Bistro** 543 S. Main St. in Franklin  
Five \$10 gift cards for a family meal.

**Architectural Reclamation** 312 South River St. in Franklin: Provided the comfy straw to sit on.

**Frisch's** 8201 Claude Thomas Rd. Franklin  
50 Fantastic pumpkin pies to eat!

**Dairy Queen** 490 Central Ave. in Carlisle  
Four Hundred ice cream cones for the little ones!

**Holiday Inn Express** 851 Commerce Center Dr. in Franklin for a Restful Night Away!

**JD Legends** 65 Millard Dr. in Franklin  
\$10 family entertainment gift cards for 10 winners.

**Cazadores** 1350 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. in Franklin  
Five gift cards for \$10 toward a great family meal.

**A&G Pizza** 44 Millard Dr. in Franklin  
Four family sized pizzas.

**Schmidt Auto Care** 602 S. River St. in Franklin  
Four cars will have clean oil thanks to them!

**Atrium YMCA** 5750 Innovation Dr. in Middletown  
A hat and shirt for a special winner.

Since the FallFest, we've been asked who won the pumpkin pie eating contest and which homes were chosen as the best decorated. H. Calvin Thompson (511 East St. in Franklin) was the pumpkin pie eating winner. Regarding the best decorated homes, the Committee received a lot of nominations, but 533 Spring Ave. was the overall winner. Second place went to 102 Warren Ave. and tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place were 12 Libby Ct. and 254 Sherman Dr. Thank you to all those who participated!

If you are interested in joining the Special Events Committee or if you have suggestions for future events please contact Jim Lukas at [jlukas@franklinohio.org](mailto:jlukas@franklinohio.org) or by calling 937-746-9921 (ext. 1101).

