

## What Comes First? Safety!

*Submitted by Taylorsville Public Safety Committee*



This fall you may think you are still asleep as you drive past schools and see a giant chicken. A giant chicken? Yes, in an effort to increase awareness of crosswalk safety, a giant chicken will be escorted (safely, of course) across the street near schools in Taylorsville. Every year at the beginning of the school season pedestrians are hit by drivers who are distracted and do not take simple safety measures. Remember to do the following:

- Don't pull into the crosswalk, even when making a turn at a stop sign or red light.
- Be aware that not every road has clear access to pedestrians, which may force them to step into the road slightly.
- Be aware of cyclists and pedestrians who are as unaccustomed to walking to school as you are to seeing them.
- A 2 ton vehicle will always win against a 90-pound elementary school student. Don't make it a contest.

The Healthy Taylorsville Committee is looking for ways to improve the health of our City. Let us know what you think would help, or if you would like to volunteer to serve on the committee, by sending an email to [jackgreen12@msn.com](mailto:jackgreen12@msn.com).