A MESSAGE TO THE VOTERS IN MINERVA PARK

Although operating expenses for the Village have been increasing for the past several years, your Council has decided to maintain the current rate of taxation. We have, therefore, voted to place on the ballot a renewal of the present 1.9 mill operating levy.

Because of changes in the election laws, there will not be a primary election this year. If we were to call a special election on May 7th, by placing the renewal on the ballot now, we would be obligated to pay for the costs incurred for opening the three Minerva Park precincts - estimated at approximately $1,000.

So to avoid this expenditure, Village Council has elected to wait until the November General Election to place the renewal on the ballot, since there is no cost associated with this procedure.

We are confident that the voters will continue their support of Village government by approving this renewal at the General Election in November, 1985.

In the meanwhile, we invite you to attend a Village Council meeting (second Monday of each month) to see your representatives in action.

Don Champney
President of Council

A NEW VILLAGER DISTRIBUTION METHOD

Starting with the April issue, next month, THE VILLAGER will be delivered by the ADS Delivery Company, the same people who put a plastic bag of advertising on your door every Monday. PLEASE be sure to look in the bag on April 1st and the first Monday of each month thereafter.

The primary reasons for this change in distribution method are:

1. The Villager will be wrapped in plastic and can better withstand the weather.
2. It will reach all of the residents of Minerva Park.
3. It costs less for distribution.

We have all valued the work of our young people who have been delivering the Villager in the past and we want them to know that. Please see the article on Page 2.
A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR YOUNG DELIVERY PEOPLE

The Civic Association wants everyone to know how much we have appreciated the work of the young people who have delivered The Villager through bad weather and good over the past many months. Probably very few of the residents know who these people were.

Here they are - let's give them a great big hand for a job well done:

**INDIVIDUAL**

**ROUTE**

Brandy Downard  
2526 Jordan Road  
Jordan Road

Brian Kelly  
2780 Wildwood Road  
East Shore Drive

John Roscoe  
2857 Maplewood Drive  
Maplewood Drive

Kristin Sherrill  
5311 East Shore Drive  
Minerva Lake Road

Jimmy Sutton  
5284 Westbridge Road  
Woodley Road

Mike Zezech  
2582 Wildwood Road  
Cardinal Court

**ADVERTISING POLICY:**

All ads are to be prepaid and are to be furnished to the Villager as essentially camera ready copy. Currently all ads are nominally one eighth of a page (2½" high by 3½" wide) and are $10.00 per issue.

DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES AND ADVERTISING FOR THE APRIL VILLAGER IS MARCH 20TH.
LET'S ALL HELP OUT WITH

OPERATION FEED

Minerva Park residents CAN make a difference in fighting hunger in Franklin County, according to Mayor James Cockerell, who proclaimed March 4th OPERATION FEED week. "Thanks to generous canned food donations from area residents, OPERATION FEED is one of the largest and most successful food drives in the country," he said. "But, unfortunately, hunger is a problem that is still with us."

Many area employers and civic groups are conducting campaigns during February and March to help meet the goal of 2,000,000 canned food items. Cockerell has proclaimed March 4th OPERATION FEED week to ask Minerva Park residents for their continued generosity and support of this campaign.

Under the direction of Chief Behrend, the Minerva Park Police Department and the Boy Scouts of Troup 502 will be going door to door in the Park collecting food and cash donations starting at 2 P.M. on Sunday, March 10th.

Donations of canned foods or money are requested. The following items are especially vital to good nutrition: Canned Meats and Fish; Chunky Soups; Canned Stews and Dinners; Peanut Butter; Canned Beans and Vegetables; Canned Fruits and Juices; and Low-Sugar and Low-Salt products. Donations of Formula and Baby Food are always encouraged to meet the special needs of infants.

Checks made payable to OPERATION FEED are welcomed because they permit the food pantries to purchase those food items that are in great demand but short supply.

Remember Sunday, March 10th and give what you CAN!

Cockerell encourages anyone who knows a person or family facing a food emergency to phone CALLVAC at 221-CALL for referral to the closest food pantry.

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GARAGE SALE DATE SET

The date has been set for the Annual Minerva Park Garage Sale. Mark it on your calendar - it's Saturday, May 18th from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

We'll give you all of the arrangement details in the April Villager. For now, start saving all those things for the sale.
THIS MONTH'S WC LUNCHEON

The luncheon program last month enjoyed a super turnout of eighteen women for the Maxwell's trip downtown. Everyone had a good time.

This month the selection is the Embassy Suites Hotel in the Corporate Exchange Center at I-270 and Cleveland Avenue. Lunches run from $3 to $7. It's scheduled for 12 noon sharp on Thursday, March 7th. Call Eilene Ellery (890-6020) by no later than March 4th for reservations.

MURPHY'S LAW: If something can go wrong, it will.

WEILER'S LAW: Nothing is impossible for the man who doesn't have to do it himself.

CHISOLM'S LAW: Anytime things appear to be going better, you have overlooked something.

FINAGLE'S LAW: Once a job is fouled up, anything done to improve it makes it worse.

CRANE'S LAW: There is no such thing as a free lunch.

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You are welcome to come down and check it out anytime. Your support has been and is greatly appreciated.

Editor's Note: It is well worth seeing and is a great improvement for the Village. Your Civic Association donated $3,000.

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We have some gems in Minerva Park and one of them is attractive Amy McKenzie (18) who has grown up here and has already set the world on fire. Living at 2540 Maplewood Drive, she became a cheerleader at Westerville when in the seventh grade and has been one ever since becoming the Varsity Captain this her senior year.

Her popularity and personality won her the Homecoming Queen title last fall and in February she was in charge of the Winter Sweetheart Assembly for the basketball homecoming.

Amy is also very involved with her school and classmates. She has been a class officer all four years in high school, this year being the senior class president; 3 years in student council and was listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" for 1983-84. Last summer she attended Buckeye Girls State and was elected "Mayor" of her city.

Watch this girl and get to know her! She plans to enter Ohio State University in the fall.

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One of our smarter Minerva Park ducks went into Drug World to buy a chapstick. The clerk said, "Will that be cash or charge?"

"Oh," said our duck, "Just put it on my bill."

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**OUR SEWER IS NOW COLUMBUS, BUT THEY CAN'T HAVE OUR GARBAGE TOO!**

Attention all Village residents. Please totally ignore the notice you may have received from the City of Columbus concerning trash schedules. Just because we are "Residents" who live in ZIP 43229 doesn't mean that the CITY does our trash pick-up.

We are serviced by Peterson Refuse who do a fine job for us and we are not going to fire them just because some person or computer in the City sends us a notice. Please note that this article is written to inform with some attempt at humor and to keep our phones from ringing off the walls at the Community Building. Hang in there Columbus - the idea was good, but the execution left something to be desired!

Dick Busick
Legislative Committee
FEBRUARY COUNCIL ACTIONS

Council met in regular session with all members present except Mayor Cockerell. Also in attendance: Fire Chief Hale, Police Chief Behrend, Engineer Rupp and Law Director Wile.

Dave Roscoe was appointed as chairman of the Zoning Commission. Joyce McSwain, was appointed for a one year term on the Commission, filling the unexpired term of Marv Speck. Also, Ken Volen was appointed as Street Commissioner. These appointments were confirmed by Council.

The following legislation was passed:

Ordinance 7-85 - Passed. Effective immediately. Prohibits the establishment of Adult Entertainment businesses in certain areas of the Village.

Resolution 85-3 - Passed. Authorizes the placement of a renewal levy on the ballot. The proposed increase was struck from this resolution. Council believes the Village can continue to provide current services without the increase.

Resolution 85-4 - Passed. Authorizing the purchase of the new emergency squad.

Resolution 85-5 passed. Annual appropriations and the establishment of a fund outside the General Fund, for the purchase of and savings for an emergency squad.

Resolution 85-6 - Passed. Annual contract with the City of Columbus for prosecution of certain cases before Franklin County Municipal Court for the Village of Minerva Park.

The Easter Bunny will be hopping to Hawthorne School on Saturday, March 30th at 11:00 A.M. for our Easter Egg Hunt! Bring your Easter basket or a sack to put all of your goodies in.

All toddlers through the 6th grade get ready because the Easter Bunny will be here rain, snow or ... shine.

See you there!
Jody McClure
Children's Committee

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Does anybody out there know how civilization was able to get along for 7,000 years without plastic garbage bags?
These two bankers just about slipped through our screen but don't let that happen to you. Introduce yourselves to a lovely young couple, Norma and Lowell Reed, who moved into 2783 Alder Vista Road in November 1984.

Norma works at the Huntington Bank Operations Center on Morse Road and Lowell is a Manager at Bank One's Computer Center in Westerville.

They both love Minerva Park and are an asset to our community. Lowell graduated in Marketing from OSU and Norma from the University of Wisconsin where she majored in Russian. She might be willing to try some translation for you if you have a mini problem with the language.

Norma plays racquet ball and is active in aerobics while Lowell loves to ski, restores old British motorcycles and is an outstanding guitar player. They would both enjoy a visit from you -- get acquainted.

EDITOR'S NOTE: If anyone knows of new people who have moved into the Park within the last three months that we haven't interviewed, please let me know.

THE MINERVA MARKET
Owners - Ray and Jim Mussio
Minerva Park Residents
Open 7 Days Each Week
SUNDAY SALES HI BEER AND WINE And
All Your Party Needs-Snacks, Mixers
And Soft Drinks
4951 Cleveland Avenue 891-9696

BIG CRIME ALERT PROGRAM APRIL FIRST

Put a circle around this date now and plan to attend for this is the last announcement for this most important program. For Monday evening, April 1st starting at 7 P.M. your Civic Association has put together a comprehensive three part Crime Alert program in response to your many requests and for the benefit of all Minerva Park residents.

No April fooling here. The program, to be at the Community Building, will consist of:

- Discussion and explanation of the BLOCK PARENT PROGRAM.
- A movie on HOME SECURITY and what you can do about it.
- FINGERPRINTING for Minerva Park children.

Those of you who have small children will be interested in the Block Parent Program. Ms. Melanie Lincoln, of Strawberry Farms, will be present to explain the program to us. We will be given the necessary forms to start the program in Minerva Park.

There will be a 27 minute color film, courtesy of the Columbus Police Department, showing all aspects of safeguarding your home. Last but not least, the Minerva Park police will be set up to provide fingerprinting services for children for those parents who desire it.

There is something here for everyone and well worth your while. It could save you a lot of grief. We'll be looking for you.
CA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE TO BEGIN

The last weekend in March was selected to begin the Civic Association Membership Drive for three very good reasons:

- 'Twill be the beginning of beautiful April weather.
- The Board predicts that it will be a particularly nice weekend.
- They won't be ready 'til then.

Expect a knock on your door, a smiling face and nice surprises. The Board Members will be doing the canvassing and will be asking for your membership, your participation and $7.00. So join up - it's gonna be a good year!

A doctor specializing in internal medicine had a simple formula for disposing of businessmen with certain types of nervous indigestion. He would ask them if they played golf. If so, he told them to give it up. If not, he told them to take it up.

Westerville Civic Symphony

The Westerville Civic Symphony will present "A Winter Pops Concert", March 10th at 7:00 P.M. in Cowan Hall on the Otterbein Campus. It will feature the winner of the Westerville Civic Symphony Concerto Competition. For more information call Gayla Whitacre (890-1755).

WOMENS CLUB ANNUAL CARD PARTY

Ladies, mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 26, 1985! Our Annual Card Party will be held at Hawthorne School at 7:30 P.M. There will be lots of raffle prizes and many delicious desserts. There will also be another "Money Tree" to be given away as a door prize.

Bring your friends, neighbors or your own card club and enjoy a fun evening out! For ticket information or reserved tables contact Nancy Fischer (882-5959) or Barb Wohlfarth (882-5558). Tickets are $3.00.

A PLUG FOR FIRE SAFETY

As Spring draws near and bushes start to grow, Minerva Park residents are reminded that, under Section F-105.1(2) of the Ohio Fire Code, fire hydrants must be totally unobstructed. This means that bushes must be trimmed back from the hydrant, and that snow must be cleared away if needed. Failure to do so will result in corrective action by one of the Minerva Park Fire Inspectors. Cooperation from Park residents will be greatly appreciated.

Keith Kraut
Fire Safety Inspector

SENIOR CENTER OPEN TO PARK RESIDENTS

Did you know that Minerva Park residents, age 55 or more, can belong to the Blendon Senior Center? At a mere $2.00 per person you too can enter into activities such as card groups, dances, trips, pot-luck lunches, quilling, painting, discussion groups and more.

The next luncheon is March 28th at 12 noon. All you need is a covered dish and yourself. The Center is located at 6330 Hempstead and the phone number is 882-1260. If you don't drive, call the center for transportation.

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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