July Calendar

11th - Village Council at 8:00
12th - Civic Association at 8:00
18th - Villager deadline. The next paper will be delivered on August 1st.

Village Council and the Civic Association meet at the Community Building and are open to the public.

The July meeting of the Civic Association will feature a speaker who will discuss the upcoming school levy which will be on a special August ballot. The meeting is Tuesday, July 12th at 8:00 at the Community Building. Come to listen and ask questions about what will happen if the levy passes or if it fails to pass.

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Our Minervaflora efforts are continuing despite the drought. Hang in there and keep up the good work. For information on our local gardening competition, see Mary Yost's article.

MPCA is attempting to arrange a "Summer Concert" for Sunday, July 24 at 3:30PM. We hope to have some very special refreshments served which will really make this an "old fashioned affair". Keep an eye out for further information!

Our newest neighbor, the new Cardinal Retirement Village on Rt 161 already has a few residents living in the facility. As usual, Cardinal has delivered the outstanding landscaping job they promised.

UPDATE ON SIMON-MEIJERS....The Cleveland Ave. improvements are nearing completion. Our guess is that the road will be ready around mid-July, allowing either complex to open. Thankfully, the entire road (adjacent to Minerva Park) will be resurfaced with berm improvements being made on the east side. Meijer's opening is expected to follow shortly thereafter, but Simon still has substantial on-site road work uncompleted. Perhaps a couple of stores could open in early August. By the time this Villager is delivered, the new traffic light should be installed by the City of Columbus to control the commercial access.

Dick Busick, Pres. MPCA
I'm glad to see many of you out there in your yards. This year there seems to be more color than ever - more decorative touches around mail boxes, more hanging baskets by doorways, more clematis on lamp posts plus more people asking questions about flowers. Piles of sand, stone, and top soil in driveways indicate that there are some big garden projects going on in the backyards. Don't forget to take pictures of "before" for your entry in the "Before and after" event next year.

I am happy to announce the results of the June Yard viewing. In the "Color featuring Roses and/or Perennials" event Judy Cohen (2848 Maplewood) was the winner. The color from her roses and peonies supplemented by contrasting annuals was outstanding. From the street the effect of the color against the white house with its white accessories was very powerful. The changes Judy has brought about in one year she has lived here is astounding.

The prize for "Entrances" is divided between Connie Lynch (2785 Park Lane) and Kim Dooley (2720 Maplewood). Connie's is an established planting featuring Japanese maples, evergreens, and pansies. Whimsical garden accessories make the entrance very inviting and personal. Kim's newly planted front area has marvelous lines and curves which makes a narrow lot more spacious and its simplicity gives the house added curb appeal. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THREE WINNERS.

Returning home from their tour the committee saw Mrs. Dawson (2681 Lakewood) getting in her car; so stopped to tell her how much all of us are enjoying the beautiful new plantings along her driveway which has minimized the visual impact of that bare new house next door.

The next viewing will be on July 18th. If you intend to enter and haven't done so yet please call Sarah Miller 882-5853. The events are 1) Color featuring Perennials and 2) Ornamental Vegetable Gardens. Since many residents seem to be too modest to enter themselves, it has been suggested that friends and neighbors be allowed to nominate them. The judges agree this is a great idea but please; if you want to do so, get their permission. We don't want to be picked up by the police as intruders.

A great way to get new ideas for your garden and to get your questions answered is to attend garden tours. The next Columbus Recreation and Parks Dept. Open Garden Program is Sunday, July 17th. In Minerva Park Mary Yost (2816 Lakewood) will be open. Watch the Dispatch on that date for other open yards.

Johnson Disposal has recently purchased the residential business of Laidlow Waste Systems. Beginning Wednesday, July 6, 1988, Johnson Disposal will begin providing trash pick up service in the Village. No other changes are expected to the present service. Remember, Wednesday is now our trash day.
The past lives of public officials are coming more and more under scrutiny. Incidents, such as putting slugs into pop machines, when they were juveniles, are considered very significant nowadays.

Altho reluctant, we feel it our public duty to investigate every rumor. The juicy part of this chronicle comes from the Columbus Fire Dept. News, as written by the eminent reporter, Eenie Nibergall.

Councilwoman BARB WOHLFARTH, at one time secretary in the Fire Dept. Fire Prevention Bureau, was and is a close friend of one HELEN DOBSON, who at that time was the department secretary under former Fire Chief Walter Strickfaden. In the 60's HELEN retired. BARB resigned soon after, due to boredom around the headquarters. The two together had kept things stirring, but alone, she became moody. Very strange things can happen when BARB becomes moody.

As time passed, inactivity began to grate on them. They searched to find an outlet for their energies. Hearing of a course in Criminology at Franklin University, they enrolled. Both graduated Cum Laude...so much for the preliminaries. The rest of this incredible story comes from the pen of reporter Nibergall, who has never allowed facts to interfere with his interpretation of the news. Here's his version.

BARB and HELEN curious about the criminal theories they had been taught in college, decided to test them personally. Heading west they began a crime spree that shattered the annals. They rustled cattle, robbed banks, held up trains and stage coaches and canal boats, jimmed news boxes, and stole came from the blind. (We don't comprehend all this, but reporter Nibergall claims it happened, and Eenie is an honorable man?) The more mention of their names struck terror to the hearts of brave cow hands, says Eenie. The James Boys, Jessie, et. al. driven to exasperation by their activities circulated petitions requesting the Fire Dept. to reinstate them. Said they were giving honest criminals a bad name.

Eventually, palling at the routine and satisfied with their findings (and loot), they returned home. ...End of Nibergall report.

Naturally no thinking person would believe such a tale about two such sweet personalities... but wait, remember the play "Lavender and Old Lace?"

HELEN now writes poetry and historical sketched. She's very talented. BARB, whom we all know being civic minded, became one of our esteemed Council people. She says being Councilwoman is the most exhilarating activity, besides real estate, she's ever been involved in. hmmm.

As this is being written, the temperature is 100 degrees and we need rain badly.

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COMMUNITY CORNER

** In our list of volunteers at Clean Up Day we failed to list Nancy Toy, Kathy Kelly, and Nancy Fischer who helped with the lunch that day. To anyone else we may have missed, thank you for helping on that day.

** Congratulations to Don and Connie Lynch who celebrated the birth of another grandchild. Daughter and son-in-law, Danita and Tom Kessler, had a baby girl on May 16th. They named her Hillary Lynn.

** It's not too early to start your projects for the Women's Club Annual Christmas Auction which is held in November.

** From the Beatrice family - Our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors who helped to find our dog when she ran away. Many of them went out looking for the dog and made calls throughout the park trying to locate her. Our dog was found several days later. Thank you all very much.

** Building permits are required for any remodeling project, new garage, or new fence you may be planning on building. Contact the Village office for more details.

** Slurry Seal will begin in the Park approximately mid July. Look for notices on your door when your street will be done.

CORN ROAST AND POOL AID AUCTION

Mark your calendars and save Saturday, August 13th, for our annual Corn Roast and Auction. Rain date is August 14th. Dinner at 5 o'clock. The auction will start at 7 o'clock. If you would like to make a donation to the auction, contact Bill Fritsche 895-7587.

FAMILY SWIM NIGHT

Come for an evening swim with your family on July 15th, 9 to 11 pm. Free to members only. Families only. Children must come with parents. Bring an Hors d' Oeuvre and enjoy!

The Out-to-Lunch Bunch will be eating out on Saturday, July 16th at the Der Dutchman in Plain City. Meet at the Community Building at 9:30. Call Pauline Wilkinson 882-7052 by the 15th if you would like to go.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Please express my appreciation to the Villager's cartoonist, Ray Beougher, for his injection of humor into the publication over the past several months. They generally have been pithy, and to the point.

I was pleasantly pleased and deeply honored to be the star of Ray's cartoon in the June issue of the Villager, a copy shown, and to find myself the featured speaker of the Minerva Park Fourth of July celebration for 1988.

Pleased be advised that I am suffering from laryngitis and that I have surveyed my wardrobe and find that my 1942 uniform no longer fits. It suffers from gapitus. I surveyed known Boy Scouts and could only find one air rifle. It leaks air which results in a "poof" instead of a "pop." I was negotiation for a Model 1918 air cannon but found that it would not be available until after AMERIFLORA 1992. I have been contacted by the "Quacker" Union who insists that their participants be fed "quackers" instead of peanuts. At this point in time, no "quackers" are available in the "quacker" supermarket. For an added attraction, I contacted the Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy from Company B. I found him tied up with the "A" Sisters under the apple tree and he refused to move. In spite of all the aforementioned troubles, ever thing is a foot stompin' and a rarin' to go. I don't know where to, but they are going.

Yours for a great 4th of July in Minerva Park,
Marv Speck

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**RECYCLING**

The recycling days in the park have been quite successful considering little advertising and little advance notice to residents. We're hoping to continue the recycling project and make it available every second Saturday. More on this in future Villagers. Our next recycling day is August 9th, 9 to 3 pm. We will accept the following items:

- Newspapers - lay flat. Remove from paper bags.
- Tin cans - These are typically food cans. Rinse clean. Remove label. Remove both ends and flatten.
- Aluminum cans - cans, foil, TV dinner trays, pie pans are accepted. Rinse clean.

For more information call Peggy Holfinger 895-8288 or Betty Beatrice 899-9246.

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JOB WANTED - willing to babysit during summer. 7:30 am to 9:30 pm. 882-5063.

RETIREDP ERSON would like to mow lawns on Maplewood or Alder Vista. Call Dick 882-8331.

SITTER NEEDED for 2 children, ages 11 and 9. 6:30 to 9:00 am in our Minerva Park home for 88-89 school year. Paid school holidays. 882-5219.

ODD JOBS needed to be done in the Park. Must be 14 years old. Call Barb Wohlfarth 882-5558 if interested.

LOST - white cat with black tail and black spot on back. 891-0815.

SITTER NEEDED - looking for sitter for 14 month child from 7:30 to 4:15 pm starting in the fall. 891-0020.

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ARTWORK by Ray Beougher