The Civic Association looks forward to the 1988-1989 year with new officers. An election was held at our last meeting, and the new officers are:

- president - Lynn Eisentrout
- vice pres. - Betty Beatrice
- secretary - Pam Curry
- treasurer - Dick Busick
- board members - Jim Davis, Margo Washburn, Peggy Yoakam, Nancy Chorman

We’re pleased to have Pam Curry back on board. Our group needs new life, new ideas. Would you consider being a board member? We meet once a month, the Tuesday following Village Council. Come to our next meeting! We’d love to see some new faces at our October meeting.

October Calendar.

- 10th - Village Council at 8:00
- 11th - Civic Association at 7:00
- 16th - Minerva Fest at 4:00
- 18th - Women’s Club Board Meeting at 7:30
- 25th - Women’s Club General Meeting at 7:30
- 30th - Halloween Parties for Kids
- 31st - Trick or Treat

MINERVA FEST

Last fling before the snow falls!

date: Sunday, October 16th

time: 4 o’clock

place: Community Building

It’ll be a pot-luck supper. The civic association will cook brats and hot dogs. The pool board will sell pop. Bring a covered dish or dessert and your own table service. We hope to have a band for entertainment. Come out and see neighbors and friends before we’re all closed in for the winter. We will set up all the tables and chairs we have. It may be a good idea to bring a couple of chairs along in case we’re short. If it rains, we’ll eat inside the Community Building.

Friends! Good food! Music!
The regular monthly meeting of Village Council was called to order by Mayor Blair. All members were present.

A survey was put on doors by MORPC concerning COTA. It was put on every third door asking for residents input and then to be mailed in.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Anderson would like to cut a 25 foot dead tree down to about 6 feet. It sits behind the shopping center on Cleveland Avenue. Council will take under consideration.

Cleveland Avenue Flood - when new storm sewers were put in on Cleveland Avenue, they were hooked into a WPA tile which no longer works. The Village encouraged the city not to hook into this tile. Because of the flooding the City of Columbus will come out and pump the water every time it rains, but this will be only a short term solution.

Could there be a drinking fountain in the park on Maplewood by the golf course? The cost would be about $1500 to get a water tap. It might be best to just bring a bottle of water with.

West Coast Video - they are carrying videos which have been judged to be obscene. On a list of twenty videos, West Coast still has four. The resident requested council to check with the store to see if they would voluntarily comply to remove the additional videos.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community - Barb Wohlfarth will look into the above request. The land behind Maplewood has been excavated for the new plantings to replace the ones cut down by the phone company. Work on the pillars will start on Sept. 15th (approx.). The upper part will be rebuilt and the rest will be tuck pointed. The southern pillar will be done at this time. There have been complaints about walking dogs in the playground area. It has become a real problem because owners don’t pick up after their dogs. WARNING - CITATIONS WILL BE ISSUED.

Streets - the Slurry Seal is complete at a cost of $30,099. There are estimates on the repair of some spots in the Village. Uneven pavement of North Bay - $451, concrete service road on 161 - $2500, Jordan Road - $4900 to $7200, and the pot holes at the pool - $250. The pool can be done in the spring. It was felt that the service road work needed to be done as soon as possible. The rest of the projects will be done when money is available. Leaf pick - will know in 1 or 2 weeks if there will be pick up. A crew is being lined up, but we don’t know if a truck will be available for Village use.

Service - if you want twigs and branches picked by the garbage men, they must be tied in bundles.

Finance - the bills were approved for payment. It was agreed that the Emergency Squad CD interest be deposited back into the squad CD instead of the general fund.

Safety - police and fire reports were submitted. The #2 cruiser was replaced. The safety committee has three recommendations at this time -

1. police cruisers are to stay in the Village at all times, meaning they do not go home at night with the officers.
2. advertise for the police chief position immediately.
3. they need 60 days to review park coverage with either a full or part time force.

The safety committee has decided to have monthly meetings with the police force.

Issue 2 money - Jack Murray reported that the Ohio EPA will borrow up to $25000 to a village interest free with 10 years to pay back. This may be a way to pay for our preliminary water plan.

Planning and Zoning

Council approved an agreement with Mr. Singh on the requirements to issue a permit on the property on Jordan Road and Cleveland Avenue. Mr. Singh plans to build a shopping strip. The permits are approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission and not by council. The agreement states that Mr. Singh will pay $25,000 within 3 years on road repairs to Jordan Road if the Village can come up with matching...
funds. Mr. Singh is also willing to pay $2000 per year for the next 3 years to the Village.

The Planning and Zoning Committee meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 at the Community Building. Jack Murray made the closing statement. The zoning committee is only 2 years old and has been reviewing new ordinances and procedures. Many of the ordinances that the Village has to work with are obsolete and just don't work anymore. That's why the Singh development has been so difficult for the Village and so disturbing to the residents. For many years the area of zoning was completely neglected. He would like the support and help of fellow council members to bring the Village up to date on zoning matters.

Legislative

Ordinance 5-88 was approved on its third reading which has to do with setting the fees for various permits. Ordinance 6-88 was passed on its second reading. Resolution 88-10 was passed on its second reading which allows the Mayor to negotiate with Blendon Township for partial funding of the squad.

The recycling bin will once again be in the Village on the second Saturday of October, the 8th. It will be parked at the pool parking lot from 9 to 3. We will be taking newspaper and aluminum cans. Crush cans flat. Remove papers from paper bags. We would like to have this service be available the second Saturday of each month, but we still have final arrangements to make. We'll keep you posted.

The children's Halloween Parties will be held on Sunday, October 30th at the Community Building. Preschool through kindergarten will start at 1:30. 1st through 6th grade party will start at 3:00. Come in costume and enjoy the fun!

DOG DOO - DOES YOUR DOG DO?

There is still a continuing problem of people walking their dogs and not picking up the dog's droppings. It's a problem at the park by the golf course on Maplewood and by the lake path. Those who contribute to the problem will be ticketed if caught. There will be additional patrol to watch this problem. Please have consideration for residents who use these areas of the Park and do not wish to wash messes off of their shoes.
** the Civic Association will once again encourage residents to put out illuminaries on Christmas Eve. Start to save your empty milk jugs. There will be more information in the December Villager.

** When putting out the trash, try to limit the weight of each can to 40 or 50 pounds.

** Congratulations to Pam Curry who recently completed her studies and earned a Phd. We have a new doctor in the Park!

** We have new babies in the park too. The Denz family had a baby boy, 8 lbs. 6 oz., on September 8th. They named him Peter Martin. Sandy and Randy Ryan had a baby boy on August 31st. He was 9 lbs. 6 oz. and they named him Patrick Martin.

** Congratulations to Brian Kelly, Mike Krayer, and Robert Massey for making the Westerville South Golf Team.
Shades of Minerva Park

PROPOSED GAZEBO (BANDSTAND)
HARKS BACK TO THE ORIGIN OF OUR VILLAGE

DON'T JUST SIT THERE!
IF YOU LIKE THE IDEA, JOIN THE WOMEN'S CLUB OR THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION. THEY ARE THE ONES WHO GET THINGS DONE AROUND HERE. YOU ARE WANTED AND WELCOMED.
CONSULT YOUR MINERVA PARK DIRECTORY FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLUS LOTS OF OTHER INTERESTING STUFF.

HOW TO FINANCE IT? WE LIKE THIS IDEA. IT RAISED A BUNCH OF MONEY FOR THE POOL.

HAVE YOUR FUN, I'LL GET YOU, EVEN IF I HAVE TO HOOK MY HOME!

100 BUCKS--AND WORTH A MILLION!

DAVE THOMPSON BID $100 AT THE CORN ROAST FOR A CHANCE TO SLAP HIS "DOY' FRIEND BOB PITTS IN THE KISSEr WITH A PIE. BOB GOT EVEN TOO. HE BID HIGH TO SPLATTER DAVE WITH ONE. SAID BOB AFTERWARD, "I'D HAVE SPENT EVERY PENNY I HAVE IN MY SWISS BANK ACCOUNT, IF NECESSARY JUST TO GET REVENGE." OTHER TARGETS WERE DICK BUSICK AND COUNCILMAN BOB EARL. THE EVENT MADE NEARLY $400 FOR THE POOL--NOT BAD!
Did you miss me last month? I was in Costa Rica doing some planting in the rainy season when things grow their best there. Going from an area where the vegetation was dying for lack of water to one in which the plants were drowning was quite an experience. My substitute got mixed up on the deadline date so here is the news from July - a month late. We will try not to disappoint you again.

The winners of the July competition for color with annuals were the Ludes (2806 Maplewood). The front yard is but a sample of what is available in the back. Passing through the ornamental iron gate across the driveway, which guard their pool in a very attractive way, we came to the back yard which repeats many of the same annuals in massed plantings. Beds were at various levels, curved or angled, and contained large boulders here and there. All of this was set off by an excellent lawn, lots of evergreens and nicely pruned trees which produced a high shade situation so desirable for raising impatience, fern, tuberous begonias, and azaleas.

In the use of water category the winners, the Schwartzbach's (2653 Lakewood) surrounded their kidney-shaped pool with a patio and walk made of brick pavers. At one end is a charming tree-shaded alcove with a table and chairs that overlooked the entire area. The landscaping included a Sweet Bay Magnolia, Japanese Maple, azaleas, evergreens, and bayberry plants. Perennials and volunteer annuals add color. Geese, frogs, and other wild critters are tucked in among the plants for ornamentation. The fence that surrounded the yard is decorated, appropriately enough, with hanging life preserves. The small yard is not only attractive and functional but also gives a cozy, secluded feeling.

Honorable mention goes to Helen Pilkington (3119 Minerva Lake Road) whose front is almost hidden by a almost perfectly shaped blue spruce. The deep lot has everything - a border along the drive, nice grass, roses, fruit trees, vegetable garden, and a gazebo surrounded by pink, purple, and white dianthus. Another hidden delight was at the Dailey's (2639 Maplewood). We have long admired the attractively planted fence connecting the house and the detached garage, and were pleased to find the area behind the fence equally attractive. The back yard has a hot tub, deck, a porch type swing hanging between two large trees, a rose bed, and several barked, planted areas.

Driving around the Park, Flora noticed that the use of half barrels is very popular with the residents. At 2769 Minerva Lake Road one surrounds the mailbox post and is filled with fushia-colored petunias. The same effect is created by using the light post at 2709 Wildwood and nearby at 2714 their barrel is filled with red impatience and a clematis climbs the light post. At 5244 East Shore a large boulder seated well in the ground near the front of the drive looks very natural. It is surrounded by yucca, sedum, and scrubs for year round interest and its display of orange-red impatience catches the eye from afar - you can't miss it.

If the only place the sun is right for raising vegetables is in your front yard, that's where you raise them. The McCutcheon's of 2560 Maplewood have a landscaping that not only looks good enough to eat but is very decorative as well. The beds have interesting shapes and are edged neatly with begonias or alyssum and the picture window adds to the pleasing effect with its unusual arrangement of house plants.

The Pospichel's of 2621 Woodley have an attractive new entrance planting. The first impression is that a wood deck with benches has been added on. Closer examination reveals that the brick on the front of the house is repeated in the entry walk and steps and that
unusual wooden lighting fixtures have been used on the risers along the steps. The planting features oak leaf hydrangeas, rhododendron, a red Japanese maple, and masses of pink and white impatience, all desirable on the north side of a house.

By the time you read this a killing frost will not be too far off. Hurry to ride around and admire these yards, and as you are looking around notice which plantings attract your attention. Small annuals like the impatience or marigolds are usually more effective when planted in masses of the same color or; if the area is large, you may alternate masses of 2 or 3 different colors but avoid having them march in single file along in front of the foundation planting. Likewise, one geranium in front of or between each bush lacks the punch a grouping has, and too many varieties and colors in a small area gives a messy effect. On the other hand, the same color used everywhere can be boring. We don't all like the same things; the important thing is that the result be pleasing to you. If it isn't, look for new ideas.

There were no entries for the September competition. I guess all our gardeners were worn out from the hot weather but by now you should be recovered sufficiently to sign up for the last viewing on Monday, October 10th. The categories are 1) lawns, hopefully many will have recovered by now, and 2) use of fall color and/or evergreens. If you don't have any that you are proud of, now is the time to visit nurseries and make your selection for next year's display. Call your entries or enter your neighbor with Sarah Miller 882-5853.

The Out-to-Lunch Bunch will eat out on Thursday, October 13th at the Bogey Inn, 6013 Glick Road (near the zoo). Meet at the Community Building at 12:15 for car pooling. Call Pauline Wilkinson by Wednesday, the 12th, if you would like to go.

DUES ARE DUE

The Civic Association will begin its membership drive this fall. We're going to try for a one-day blitz and attempt to contact every household in the park on that day. We may be a little short-handed on that day. Do you have 1 to 2 hours to collect memberships for the association? Afterwards there will be a "crew party" at the Curry's. Call Betty Beatrice 899-9246 if you could help out. The dues will be $7 which covers fall 1988 through summer 1989. The dues that the civic association collects are used to publish this paper, the Villager, and other community projects and events.
The Women's Club will meet on Tuesday, October 25th at 7:30 in the Community Building. There will be a presentation on gift wrapping creative ideas. All women of the Park are welcome.

Upcoming dates for the Women's Club Tuesday, November 15th - Annual Christmas Auction and Saturday, December 3rd - Annual Christmas Dinner Dance at Monaco's Palace (please note date change.)

Would you like the Villager mailed to you? Or do you have a neighbor who may? We will continue to deliver the Villager by use of the plastic bags on the first Monday of each month. If you prefer to receive one by mail, the cost is $6 to cover postage and envelopes. Make checks payable to the Minerva Park Civic Association.

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address _____________________________

Mail to the Villager, 3201 Minerva Lake Road, Columbus 43231. Extra Villagers still will be available at the Community Building.