The Minerva Park Civic Association would like to thank all residents who participated in our annual Garage Sale. It is our only fund raiser. We thank you for your donations which help support the Civic Association.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...**

Fran Schoenfeld on the 12th  
Karl Garrabrandt on the 24th  
Jim Fischer on the 27th  
Margo Washburn on the 28th  

We need more birthdays for the Villager. Fill out the coupon below and mail to the Villager, 3201 Minerva Lake Road, if you would like to list your's or someone else's birthday.

name ____________________________

birthday _________________________

**MINERVA PARK WOMEN'S CLUB**

A big thank you to Norma Roth and Kathleen McClure who organized a lovely spring banquet for the Women's Club. The food was great, and the fashion show was very nice. Thank you to the women of the Park who were the models. You did a great job! It was an evening enjoyed by all.

We need some help with the upcoming events of the Women's Club. After taking the usual summer break, our schedule begins in September with the annual potluck supper. We need help in the following area:

- Children's Halloween party
- Social (plan spring banquet)
- Christmas Bazaar

If you would be interested in taking any of these positions, please call Betty Beatrice 899-9246. We need your help to keep the activities of the Women's Club going.

**Fire hydrants will be flushed on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Monday, and Tuesday; June 6th through the 12th.**
The meeting was called to order by Mayor Blair. All members present.

Barb Wohlfarth reported that she, Lee Rupp, and the Mayor walked the ravine and took pictures. The City of Columbus should be making proposal soon on the Kilbourne Run Study. Residents along the creek are reminded not to dump leaves, grass clippings, etc. into the creek. Residents are also reminded to not litter. Litter laws will be enforced. The Mayor added that 1 and 1/2 inch of rain will make the lake rise 40 inches.

Don Champney reported that Lee Rupp has the bids ready for the Slurry Seal. Minerva Lake Road, Minerva Park North and Jordan Road will be done.

The fire and police reports were accepted. The Mayor received a letter from Minerva Park Nursing Home thanking the police and squad for help during the recent evacuation. Jan Dorsey submitted her resignation from the squad. Police Chief Hillard mentioned that the foot patrol by the police department will start now that the weather is warm. The police department recently participated in their annual firearms recertification. Council passed Res. 90-8 which allows the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Franklin County General Health District to provide residential and commercial plumbing inspections.

Zoning and Planning reviewed a request for a room addition on Minerva Lake Road. No other action.

TIPS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Residents, watch your speed.
2. Don’t let your cat or dog run loose.
3. Walk on left facing traffic.
4. Runners and walkers at night should wear light-color clothing and reflector strips.
MINERVA PARK SQUAD

In April the squad made 162 runs. 12 of the runs were in the Village; 24 in Blendon Township.

Volunteer service to the department in April amounted to 1631 hours, or approximately 10.2 full time employees. Special thanks to Dave Pence (109), Brad Howard (96), Tina Quinn (76) and Tom McClanahan (72). The latter two members are also Village residents.

Honored this month are Albert Cerascot, who was cited by OSU medics for his skilled assistance while off-duty at an OSU athletic event. Dave Pence was selected volunteer of the month, for a combination of his service and performance on a number of squad runs. Janet Dannemiller, Mike Shimko, and Andrew Lucas are cited for their skill and resourcefulness in managing the recent evacuation on Minerva Park Place.

Minerva Park Runs
4/01 - Cleveland Ave: fire
4/02 - Westerville Rd: injury
4/09 - Minerva Lk Rd: man down
4/09 - Westerville Rd. and old 161: auto accident
4/11 - Cleveland Ave: auto accident
4/12 - Cleveland Ave: possible heart attack
4/12 - Minerva Lk Rd: illness
4/13 - Minerva Lk Rd: injury
4/18 - Cleveland Ave: evacuation due to bomb threat
4/22 - West Bridge: chest pain
4/27 - Cleveland Ave: fire alarm
4/29 - Cleveland Ave: gas leak

MINERVA PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

4/25 - Theft/ between the hours of 8:30 pm and noon, person(s) unknown did remove a wallet belonging to an employee of Minerva Park Place.
4/25 - Domestic violence/ at 9:30 pm in the 2600 block of Minerva Lake Road, victim states she was assaulted by a relative following an argument.
4/26 - Telephone harassment/ between April 24 2 pm and April 25 5 pm in the 3000 block of Carleton Ct. reporting person states several threatening phone calls were received.
5/1 - Criminal damage/ between April 30 9 pm and May 1 7 am person(s) unknown did smash out window vent driver side and left rear passenger side window of a 1988 Isuzu while parked in the 2500 block of Lakewood.
5/8 - Telephone/ between April 1 and May 1 reporting person states receiving several obscene phone calls at place of employment, 2999 E. Dublin Granville Rd.
5/17 - Breaking and entering/ between May 16 7 pm and May 17 6:40 am person(s) unknown kicked in the front door of Sagar Cleaners on Cleveland Ave.

COMMUNITY CORNER

** A set of keys on a macrame key chain was found in a backyard on Briar Rose. Call 895-7587 to claim.
** If you have any corrections or additions to the Village directory, please get them to the Villager by June 15th.
** There were three serving pieces left at the 50 year potluck; a spoon, a fork, and a spatula. Please call the Villager 899-9246 to claim.
** There have been requests for the recipe of the pasta salad that someone brought to the potluck. It was at the beginning of the tables and was in a large-yellow-Tupperware bowl. If you would like to share your recipe, send it into the Villager.
As this is written (May 17), it would seem that the favorite color in Minerva Park is green. With all the rain we've had, the lawns, trees and shrubs are beautiful and there is lots of grass cutting going on. Now that the daffodils and tulips are gone, outstanding spots of color are hard to find. The Beatrice's (3201 Minerva Lake Road) have a great display of blue Scilla Hispanica across their front. They also are called wood hyacinths, come in pink, white, and blue. When purchasing them, they must be distinguished from scilla sibirica which blooms much earlier. Holberg's at 2342 Minerva Lake Road used all colors. With these as with other bulbs remove the dead heads after bloom and let the foliage ripen until it can be lifted off easily.

A couple of weeks ago the crab put on a very brief show—it was too hot for them—but as soon as the two white ones at the corner of Cleveland and Woodley started blooming Sarah Miller rushed over to make sure I didn't overlook them. She and the other members of the Rose and Garden Club presented them to the Village some 20 to 25 years ago, and they bring pleasure every spring.

The ground cover, Ajuga, had a good spring, and its blue blooms lasted several weeks at 2662 Wildwood. There was a bed of it that must be 9 to 12 feet in diameter surrounding a big old silver maple. Obviously, someone gave up trying to grow grass there many years ago, and it sure makes a spot of beauty in April. The Dlusky's (2624 Maplewood) have used ajuga all across the front of the house and it too was very showy. 3147 Minerva Lake Road has a large expanse of ajuga topping a low stone wall. Farther along the wall is a large group of double orange poppies, followed by purple iris and then pink columbine. I also admired the orange poppies at Staats' (2722 Minerva Lake Road). Too bad they didn't last long as they sure brighten the landscape.

My favorite spot the last few weeks has been the two pink Weigelia bushes at Fortin's (2865 Maplewood). They are out near the property line along the road to the sewer plant where they are clearly visible to all passerbys. Weigelias are also available in red and with variegated foliage.

The dogwood did surprisingly well this spring in spite of all the late frosts. Staats have one that has both pink and white blossoms on the same tree. Humphrey's at 5281 East Shore have what I'm sure is the largest white one in the Park. It not only looks big in their backyard but fills half of their neighbor's besides.

Missing from the color scene this spring are many of the azaleas. Whether it was the cold weather of December or the late frosts many of the buds did not open. However, the Exbury variety is in full bloom now along with the rhododendron, and are an excellent choice. They lose their leaves in winter and will grow into 8-10 foot shrubs. The variety "Gilralter", a dark orange, seems to be popular in the Park particularly among the Hard's (5377 Park Lane Ct.) and several of their neighbors. I am thoroughly enjoying the one at the Vance's (2761 Lakewood). Everytime I go up and down the street as it is sitting right out there by road.

The Carfagna's (3081 Minerva Lake Road) have remodeled their front planting by adding some nice curves filled with large trees and shrubs. The annuals this year are pink, the color scheme of the daughter's wedding in June.

Color Columbus is sponsoring a county wide competition. Your Minerva/Flora Committee decided to enter the Community Building, the Maplewood entrance, and the island across from the golf course in the "community" category. Park Lane Drive and Court was entered as "neighborhood" category, as well as Dawson's (2881 Lakewood) and Carfagna's (3081 Minerva Lake Road) in the "individual" category. Tim Curry will be seen this summer taking pictures to support our entries. Although the deadline for submitted entries has passed (except to submit pictures), there is always next year. If you are interested in having your house or neighborhood entered in '91, let us know now so we can start getting pictures. We were too late this year to get any of the fine tulip or daffodil displays on film.

Jeanne Blair reports that she found marvelous bargains in unusual trees and shrubs at the sale at Chadwick Arboretum (OSU). While it's too late for this year, put it on your calendar to watch the garden columns in the Sunday Dispatch next April. She also reports that the Mayor received a notice from the Ohio Extension Service that they have a free four-page newsletter which they will send to anyone interested individuals. Just call 443-6200 and say you want to receive "Garden News.

The Weber's (2781 Maplewood) had an open yard in April and May as part of the open garden program sponsored by Columbus Parks and Recreation.

The next open garden will be Sunday, June 24, 1 to 6. On that date the yards of Jones' (5073 Maplewood), Lynch's (2785 Park Lane Drive), and Mary Yost (2816 Lakewood) will be open. If you are interested in opening your yard, let me know and I'll tell you the procedure for "volunteering." It's fun and you meet such nice people. Come and see us and plan on going to the many gardens that will be listed in the Sunday Dispatch.
The Town Pump
JUNE 1990
AMAZING!

On Saturday, May 12th, a cold, rainy morning, about 30 volunteers turned out to help clean up the lakes, but no other community in the area can boast of this kind of co-operation.

Councilwoman Barb Wohlforth co-ordinated the effort and dug right in with the rest, who were: Jim Fischer, Mayor Dave Blair and wife Jeanne, Rolla Wagner, Bill Zipperlen, Lynn Eisenbrouck, Tom McClanahan, Tim and Pam Curry, Joe Stewart, Jim Cannon, Bob Stuart, Dick Busick, Ken Wohlforth, Jody Staehl and Ruth Mussio.- and the kids, bless them, wet, cold and muddy, like everybody else, were Sarah and Claire Eisenbrouck, Jay Wiegfield, Anne Hard, Chris and Scott Flint, and Chrissy Curry.

Ernie Limes, just returned from a nature study trip where he conducted to the Galapagos Islands, located on the Equator 600 miles west of Ecuador in the Pacific, probably the last un-commercialized wild-life sanctuary in the world, numerous islands formed from volcanic ash are inhabited by all kinds of birds and sea animals. There are no predators and these creatures, knowing no fear can be studied very closely but you can get the whole fantastic story much better from Ernie himself and with slides yet! Call him.

Man About Town
Jim Fischer

Jim's real job is that of high iron worker; you know-those tiny sticks moving about on top of new construction projects. Jim tells the story about how, working on a 1000-foot television tower in Pennsylvania one day a fire broke out in some cartons below. He and other workers scrambled down to the site. They grabbed up water-filled hand fire extinguishers which were available and began squirtting the contents on the burning material. To their amazement, the flames instead of subsiding, flared violently. They finally managed to shove the burning containers over the side. Upon investigation, it was found that the contractor, fearing the water filled extinguishers might freeze and become useless in cold weather, had added alcohol to them as an anti-freeze.

Pool's Open

Please Sign Your Kids Up Now!
POOL NEWS

It's swim season at last! By the time you read this, our Memorial Day Open House will be over, and hopefully, a big success in bringing in some new members and reaquainting old members with our great pool.

Following are important dates in June:

18th - swim lessons begin
22nd - Adult sip 'n dip
29th - Teen Dance

Further information about these events will be posted at the pool.

We've had inquiries from some members concerning finances as to what kinds of expenditures we are facing. One of the major items this year is the mandatory conversion to liquid chlorine from the present gas chlorine. Bob Jackson informed the Board that the initial cost of installation of new pumps and supplies for this season will be approx. $6000.

Other items of importance:
1) diving board replacement
2) resurfacing of parking lot
3) sidewalks around the pool are washing away and need to be replaced
4) sandblasting 27 years of old paint from pool surface and resurfacing
5) pool gutters have definite deterioration and need repair/replacement.

These are some of the pressing needs to date.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the pool!

A REPORT ON THE SUCCESS OF THE BOOK AND BAKE SALE CONDUCTED FOR THE BENEFIT OF MINERVA PARK POOL

AND IT WAS A SUCCESS! This was because of the cooperation, generosity and participation of a great many residents of Minerva Park and friends from outside the area.

There were so many who responded with donations of books, baked goods, and money that it would be impossible to thank them individually. Please accept a sincere "thank you." You were great!

The excellent publicity we received in several issues of the "Villager" was greatly appreciated. Also, a very big "thank you" to Cathy Moore, Dee Young, Patti Sidner, Varley Millar, and Bob Gale for assisting on the day of the sale. Literally hundreds of books were on sale and the response was tremendous.

A specific dollar amount received as a result of this sale cannot be given yet as there are still some receipts coming in. This information will be given in next month's Villager.

The sale was a big success and this was due to the number of friends and general public who supported this event. The pool certainly can put the money to good use.

Again, to each of you individually, "Thank you."

Helen Gale
Board Member, Minerva Park Pool

WHAT A CROWD!

Over 350 people turned out for the potluck and slide show presentation on April 29th at Hawthorne School. Vernon Pack presented a narrated slide show with nostalgic memories and present day sites. The day provided an opportunity for neighbors to meet again with old friends and to meet newer residents, former residents also came to be a part of the event. An updated version of the slide show, with some different slides, will be presented by Mr. Pack on Sept. 8th as part of the many activities planned for Minerva Park Day.

It may seem like a long time from now, but don't forget to reserve Sept. 8th on your calendar to participate in and enjoy Minerva Park Day, an old-fashioned celebration. The all day event will include contests, games, and competition for all ages. Other highlights will be magic by the Amazing Nebo, a chicken barbecue, a kids parade, square dance, awards, prizes, and more. Look for details in following additions of the Villager.

If you would like to be a part of the planning of this big day, please come to the next 50 Year meeting on June 10th at 8 pm at the Community Building. Everyone is welcome to attend. Teenagers, please come and join in also.
Alice Thompson and I had the pleasure of meeting two more new neighbors this month. It's becoming a real joy to meet these fine people. We get the opportunity to give them a real Minerva Park welcome.

The first stop was at 2655 Jordan Road where we received a hearty welcome from Beverly Timmons. Beverly hails from Gahanna with her husband, Dave, and her aunt Gladys Jenkins. Dave was out playing golf so we had time to sit and chat and look at the beautiful-treed lot and lovely Florida room. She works during the day but plans to spend time at the pool. Be sure to say "hi" to her when she comes to swim her laps.

Aunt Gladys has moved here from Venice, Florida, and kept telling us how the weather was so cold. We did arrive on a rather chilly night but told her how warm the residents were and how much she was going to love living in Minerva Park. She too is anxious to get out and meet the neighbors.

The next stop was at 2879 Lakewood where we were greeted by Ted and Donna Hamilton. Flora would love to hear that Ted was busy getting his garden in order. He was moving a large pile of earth into beds and mulching the front of their home for the spring.

Ted and Donna haven't been here too long, but they are interested in getting to know the neighbors and joining the pool. They plan to participate in the garage sale so; perhaps by the time you read this more of you will have met these two very friendly neighbors.

Please be sure to let us know when a new neighbor moves into the Village. We want to greet them and answer any questions they may have. We have some get-acquainted materials for them and want to let them know what a great community they have become a part of.

Alice Thompson 882-6173
Arlene Stuart 890-0363

Dear Residents,

We certainly didn't have very good luck with Lake Clean-up; we were rained out the first Saturday and nearly rained out the 12th. Given the fact of the rain and that the street captains had called a month prior to the date, turn out was a disappointment. We are a community of 550 homes and only 15 to 20 people (6 of whom were kids) showed up. It makes us wonder if this is worth continuing. We did realize that the Lake needs to be dredged and no amount of cleaning up will solve the problem. We have formed a committee to study the availability of state or federal funds as this may cost $30,000 to $40,000. If anyone has any contacts or any ideas, please contact me.

The Garage Sale seemed to be successful although other community sales and 2 auctions seemed to be just enough to keep the crowds a little low. Civic Will be purchasing new and better signs for next year. If anyone has any suggestions for a better way to handle any aspect of the Sale, please let me know. Next month there will be a report on how much was made. We hope to complete the blacktop path around the lake to the Community Building, purchase trash receptacles and benches. Any other ideas, just call me.

Lynn Eisenstrout
Pres., Civic Assoc.
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### The sign of the hometown advantage.

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**BONNIE LIMES - HOME 882-5313**

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### The Out-to-Lunch Bunch is on vacation this month. Look in next month's Villager for upcoming lunch dates.

**EDITOR: Retty Beatrice**

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**ARTWORK by Ray Beougher**