October Calendar

8th - Village Council at 8:00  
9th - Civic Association at 7:30  
22nd - Villager deadline  
30th - Women's Club at 7:30  
31st - Halloween, 5:30 to 7:30

All of the above meetings are held at the Community Building and are open to Village residents.

Scott Flint on the 3rd  
Kaitlynn Buckingham will be 1 year old on the 6th  
Mike Kelly on the 10th  
Velma Graves on the 17th  
Ray Beougher on the 28th  
Harry Toy on November 1st

Minerva Park Women's Club

The Minerva Park Women's Club will meet on Tuesday, October 30th at 7:30 at the Community Building. Have you ever wondered how to attract cardinals and finches to your feeder in the winter time? We will have a brief presentation on "How to Attract Birds to Back Yard Feeders." Then everyone will make and take home a small feeder. The meeting is open to all Minerva Park women.

There will be a business meeting at 7:00 for board members or anyone interested in working with the Women's Club.
MINERVA PARK VILLAGE COUNCIL
September 10, 1990

Mayor Blair called the meeting to order. All council members were present.

Committee Reports
Community - Barb Wohlfarth acknowledged Dave Blair and the Minerva Park Wild Ducks Racing Team on their recent win at Malibu Race Track. Dave proudly displayed the plaque won by the team and the trophy won by himself in the Mayors' Race. Barb also thanked the 50th Anniversary Committee for a great day of celebration on September 8th. She reported that as of yet there has been no response from the City of Columbus on the Kilbourne Run situation.

Streets - Don Champney reported that the bill for the sealing of Park streets was about $32,000. The Village is expecting some money from the county to help pay the bill.

Finance - the bills were approved for payment except for the street sealing bill. Jack Murray reported that the Ohio Public Works Commission has approved a $385,200 loan for Minerva Park for upgrading water lines. Phase I of the project will complete everything in the old section. There will be a special ways and means meeting to determine how best to collect this money - whether it be an assessment, levy, etc.

Legislative - Resolution 90-15 was passed by council which is the tax budget for 1991, the required three readings was waived.

Zoning and Planning - Council approved a variance for an existing pool to bring it within code. A building permit will be issued after the fact.

The leaf pick-up is ready to go except to find a place to dump the leaves. The Mayor hopes to have a place lined up soon.

CIVIC NEWS

At our September meeting we accomplished several things. We will be having a program on the "Summary of Crime in the Village of Minerva Park and What We Need to Do About It" at our November 13th Civic meeting. You'll hear more about this from your street captains closer to the meeting date.

We discussed the future of the Civic Association and the need for new board members, new ideas, etc. No real conclusions were reached. We will be having election of officers next month on October 9th, 7:30 p.m., at the Community Building. I urge everyone interested to please attend or to call me with any questions.

You will be seeing the path around the lake completed over the next few months. It will extend the present path to the parking lot. This will add a nice finished look to the lake area, not to mention more convenient.

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know.

Lynn Eisentrou  
Pres., Civic Assoc.

When you go to get your license plates, remember to state on the form that you live in Minerva Park. This will ensure that part of that tax money is sent back to the Village.
THANK YOU FROM THE PARADE COMMITTEE

Now that the Parade is over, I want to thank all those who helped make it possible: our police department, Minerva Park Squad, Blendon Township Police, Harry Toy and all those so willing to drive their antique cars, and the Westerville South Band. A big thank you to all the drivers: Dave Roberts, Debbie Keenan, John Best, Alice and Dave Thompson, Nancy Taylor, Jack Murray, and Nancy Chorman. Also, thank you to K. G. Marx for 300 balloons, Cook's Balloon's for helium at a reasonable rate, those on the square dance float, everyone who worked on the 50th Anniversary float for the Park - Cathy Moore, Alice Thompson, Jessie Moore, Tom Fletcher, Sarah and Claire Eisentrout, and Erin Hard. Thank you to Richard Baker for providing the two old fire engines and to Jody Stahr for organizing one of the cutest Toy Bands ever. Congratulations to Catherine Slicer, our Grand Marshall; Tabitha Thompson, Miss Teenage Minerva Park; Amy Merz, Miss Minerva Park; Sarah Eisentrout, Junior Miss Minerva Park; and Molly McIntyre, Little Miss Minerva Park.

Thanks to Tom and Kate Fletcher for all their help, Vern Simpson for the calliope and a car they drove in the parade and to Paul Fletcher for all the signs he made and to Marty for getting the ribbons, trophies and tiaras.

Lynn Eisentrout
Parade Committee Chairperson

MINERVA PARK SQUAD
In August the squad made 198 runs, 10 of the runs were in Minerva Park and 35 runs were in Blendon Township. 71 patients were transported to local hospitals.
8-03 Minerva Lk Rd, injured children
8-07 Wildwood, injured person
8-11 Alder Vista, difficulty breathing
8-15 East Shore, fall
8-19 Maplewood, house fire
8-22 Cleveland Ave, fire alarm
8-23 Wildwood, injured person
8-26 Maplewood, injured child
8-28 Cleveland Ave, fire alarm

MINERVA PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT
9/2/90 Property destruction/person(s) unknown broke out a front window of a residence in the 2500 block of Maplewood.
9/6/90 Criminal mischief/between August 22 and 30, person(s) unknown did spread an unknown chemical on a front lawn in the 2600 block of Wildwood.
9/7/90 Trash fire/in the early morning hours person(s) unknown did set fire to a trash dumpster at the rear of the Flying Eagle on Cleveland Avenue.
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How many times have we heard, "I wish I had planned better", or "Inflation is eating me alive since I am on a fixed income" or "There has to be a way that I can save on taxes" or "How much do I have to save to assure a good retirement".

It doesn't matter if we are working or retired, we all have to fight the forces of inflation and taxes and the best way to fight is through education.

Come join us on November 7th from 7 pm till 9 pm. Guests are also welcome.

Name
Address
Phone number
Number of people attending

(We have room for 30 people. Please respond by October 25th to reserve your spot.)

Mail to: the Villager, 3201 Minerva Lake Road, Columbus
In August Flora took a vacation trip to Vancouver, Victoria, and Alaska and was very impressed with the colorful flowers and particularly with the hanging baskets. In Anchorage, every street lamp in the downtown area was as far as the eye could see in every direction had large baskets of medium sized yellow Marigolds and dark blue Lobelia. The city raises its own plants in greenhouses and hires people to water them. In Denali I saw the waterer going about her chores with her baby strapped to her back. When I tried to analyse why I was so impressed, I realized that it was because almost every home had a display of some sort. Individually many didn't amount to much, but collectively they put on quite a show. If everyone who reads this would talk one or more households in to adding some color next year where there is none, this year we too could impress visitors. When Ameriflora comes in '92, it will take more than the commercial exhibits to make it a success.

When I got home, I found the weeds were growing well not only at my house but at all the community beds - the crabgrass really was taking over in all the new areas. One satisfying thing about weeding is how nice the area looks when one is finished.

Last month I talked mostly about patience. They are still doing well (even my own finally got going) but now I'd like to mention some other late bloomers. Rose of Sharon is a tall shrub that produces lavender, blue, pink or white flowers for about 2 months. We could use more of them in the Park as their only real disadvantage is they produce lots of offsprings; but if you cut off the seeds in the Fall, you don't have to weed the seedlings in the spring.

We have gone in for the orange-colored Rudbeckia (often called Black-eyed Susan) in a big way around here. Less frequently seen is its taller relative, purple lone flower (Echinacea Purpurea) which also blooms for some 2 months. Another daisy-like Fall perennial is the Anemone. Once established they try to take you over, but as I write this I am enjoying the white, pink, and rose flowers. If anyone is interested, I'll be discarding some in the spring. Sedum "Autumn Joy" is considered to be one of the best perennials and is beautiful now with its pink flower heads which assume autumn colors as Fall progresses. Many Hostas are late bloomers. Our grandmothers all had the "August Lily" with its fragrant white flowers. This mostly has been replaced by the new improved variety "Royal Standard" which prefers at least half a day of sun. Tardifolia is dark lavender, likes shade and looks best in quantity, as for example, lining the driveway at 2655 Minerva Lake Road.

Similar in bloom to the Rose of Sharon is the hardy Hibiscus. The blooms are larger (often huge), and the plant dies back to the ground in the winter and is available in white, pink, or red. It's nice to see the mums starting to bloom. While they are classified as perennials, I consider them annuals and rejoice when they chose to live over. Marigolds put on a good show until frost and so do the snapdragons. I find the dwarf ones make nice edging plants and if allowed to go to seed just before frost, will provide many new plants next spring - just be careful not to weed them out.

If the woolly caterpillars are right, by the time you read this you will just have time to take a final look before frost hits. Be sure to write down how many plants you need of which variety and what changes you want to make for next year. If you want a new bed or plan to increase an existing one, start digging now so you will be all set to go when spring comes. Its impossible to dig wet clay. And after frost comes, get rid of the debris quickly and buy yourself some ornamental cabbages or kale. They will be colorful until time for Christmas or longer.

Congratulations to the Jones' (5073 Maplewood) for being the winner of the Northland Community Council Fourth Annual Beautification Award (residential class.) Many of yards look good some of the time but very few look good all the time, like the Jones.

To have a continuous display, it takes spring bulbs, early and late perennials as well as annuals in addition to evergreens, trees, and shrubs and ground cover. Flowering trees and shrubs are beautiful in the spring but the show for each lasts about a week, whereas many of our perennials and annuals bloom for two or more months. Nothing puts on a longer show than roses. I count on being able to pick some of mine for 5 months.

This month my rider was Judy Horton and she couldn't pick a favorite garden but liked Ludes (2806 Maplewood), Webers (2781 Maplewood), Carfagna's (3042 Minerva Lake Road), McKinney's (3064 Minerva Lake Road). Flora Berretti, my rider the month before, was partial to Weate's (2870 Wildwood). She liked the simplicity of the two pairs of urns containing red geraniums - one pair at the start of the walk and the other by the front door. They provide the right touch for a white house with black trim and a red front door and a mailbox of black with red cardinals. To the above I'd like to add Esteps (5138 Minerva Lake Road), Dawson's (2881 Lakewood), Mansperis (2333 Park Lane Drive) for their curb appeal throughout the seasons. The Dawsons, the Wunderles, and the Gales accidentally got moved last month from Lakewood to Alder Vista. I commented on the fact that Gales and Wunderles packed a lot of color in a small space. Particularly noteworthy this month was the entire Park Lane area - it's really full of color.

The lawns seem to have survived the summer in better shape than usual and green is beautiful, but it's design, color, and maintenance that make a real garden. Let's start planning ahead and working for next year.
OUR 50TH CELEBRATION

We had a grand day on September 8th to celebrate our 50th birthday. It rained the day before, and it rained the day after; but it didn't rain on our parade. We had a great parade with many participants followed by field games, pool games, a magic show, a fishing contest, a pie-eating contest, and numerous other events. The chicken barbecue, dance, and slide show were enjoyed by all.

Thank you, Minerva Park, for a great day of celebrating the beginning of our community 50 years ago.

Tabitha Thompson
Miss Teenage Minerva Park

Amy Merz
Miss Minerva Park

Sarah Eisentrouth
Junior Miss Minerva Park

Molly McIntyre
Little Miss Minerva Park

Catherine Slicer
Parade Grand Marshall
OUR VISITING AUNT AGONIE CAME BELLLOWING FROM HER ROOM. SHE DEMANDED WE CALL 911. SAID OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WAS GOING TO THE PIGS. ACROSS THE STREET SHE SAID WERE TWO DRUNKS LYING ON THE LAWN! "THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME," SHE ADDED. THE SCENE HAS BEEN REPEATED EVERY EVENING SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE. "DISGUSTING," IS HER DESCRIPTION OF IT. --- AFTER CHECKING WE WERE ABLE EVENTUALLY TO CALM HER DOWN A BIT. SEEMS JACK WUNDERLEE WHO HAD HIS AORTA REPLACED WITH A SECTION OF PLASTIC PIPE, AND WIFE JERI, TAKE A WALK FOR EXERCISE EVERY EVENING. THEY STOP AT TOM DUSKY'S TO REST, AND JACK STRETCHES OUT ON THE LAWN. BUT AUNT AGONIE IS STILL NOT CONVINCED. WHAT KIND OF NEIGHBORS ARE THEY, SHE ASKS, THAT KEEP PIGS IN THE FRONT YARD AND ALLOW FURINERS TO LOOT AROUND IN THE GRASS? WE HAVE TO ADMIT THAT THE SIGHT OF A SMIRLING PIG E'ER MIGHT STARTLE STRANGERS OF THE BURGEOIS TYPE, BUT U. OF THE HONKY SET ON MAPLEWOOD HARDLY RAISE AN EYEBROW. WATCH THE BETTY BEATRICE "ADVICE TO THE LOVELORN" COLUMN FOR HER COMMENT!

**EATIN ALL MY SWEET CORN**

IN SCHOOL WE WERE TAUGHT THAT SQUIRRELS WERE FRIENDLY BUSHY-TAILED CREATURES THAT LIVED IN TREES AND ATE NOTHING BUT NUTS. NUTS!

TO BEGIN WITH; SQUIRRELS SPEND MOST OF THEIR TIME ON THE GROUND. THEIR FAVORITE FEEDING PLACES ARE YOUR GARDEN AND FLOWER BEDS. THEY EAT ANYTHING THEY FOLLOW YOU WHEN PLANTING SEEDS, AND DIG THEM UP. THEY EAT GREEN OR RIPE TOMATOES, TAKING ONLY ONE BITE FROM EACH ONE. EVERY EAR OF CORN IS RIPPED HALF WAY AND ONLY A FEW KERNELS TAKEN. YOUR BIRD FEEDER IS THEIR DESSERT DISH. NOBODY EVER BUILT A 100% SQUIRREL FREE BIRD FEEDER. AS A LAST RESORT THEY GATHER NUTS FOR WINTER AND SPEND ALL FALL RIPPING UP YOUR BEAUTIFUL LAWNS IN BURYING THEM. COME WINTER THEY COMPLETE THE LAWN DESTRUCTION BY DIGGING RANDOMLY FOR THE SAME, HAVING ABSOLUTELY NO IDEA OF WHERE THEY HID THE NUTS. THEY CAUSE ELECTRIC BLACKOUTS BY SHORTING WIRES WHEREON THEY BECOME BARBEQUED. THEY CHEW THRU YOUR ROOFING AND SIDING TO NEST IN TREATIC. --- WHY AM I SO CAUSTIC ABOUT SQUIRRELS? BECAUSE IN EVERY CONTEST OF WITS WITH THEM I COME IN "ALSO RAN."

THE EARLY SETTLERS, WE ARE TOLD, SHOT THEM FOR FOOD. DON'T YOU BELIEVE IT, THEY KILLED THEM DEFENSIVELY, IN ORDER TO SURVIVE.

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**TOWN MEETING**

SECOND MONDAY EVERY MONTH

YOU OLD GUYS CAN COME BACK TO THE GOLF COURSE NOW. THE LADIES GOLF LEAGUE IS OVER. THOSE GALS ARE LETHAL. YOU'VE GOT TO KEEP AT LEAST 250 YARDS AHEAD OF THEM TO STAY UNDEAD. WHATEVER GREINER SAYS MEN SHOULD BE BANNED FROM THE COURSE. THEY HOLD UP PLAY.

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**FLASH!**

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD!

LARRY YOAKAM DID NOT RESIGN VOLUNTARILY FROM HIS JOB AS SAFETY DIRECTOR.

THE DUSKY'S HAD THIS OBNOXIOUS PIG, ALL THE NEIGHBORS GOT IN A DITHER OVER IT. THEY DECIDED TO TAKE THEIR COMPLAINT TO COUNCIL SAFETY DIRECTOR LARRY YOAKAM, IN WHOM LAP IT WAS DUMPED, CHECKED THE VILLAGE CODE SECTION XVIII. HE FOUND PERTAINING TO ANIMALS RESIDENTS SHALL KEEP A PIG IN A FENCE. IN THE BARN OR ON THE FRONT PORCH.

HE DECIDED THE NEIGHBORS HAD A CASE AND PREPARED FOR PROSECUTION. "CAVEAT EMPTOR," AS WE LEGAL PEOPLE SAY. TOM DUSKY, FEARING DURANCE VIE, SOUGHT HELP. HE APPEALED TO THE ANIMAL RIGHTS PEOPLE. THEY WERE ENRAGED, AND DESCENDED ON LARRY LIKE BUSH ON ING, DEMANDING HIS IMMEDIATE RESIGNATION. THE ALTERNATIVE, THEY SAID WOULD BE TO HAVE HIS NAME PUBLICLY BESMIRCHED AS "WATER OF PIGS." LARRY QUIETLY RESIGNED. --- A BITTER BROKEN OLD MAN, HE NOW PUTTERS AROUND IN HIS PETUNIAS, MUTTERING TO HIMSELF "THAT 125 PIG MUST BE GOT RID OF."
THE Westerville

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P.O. Box 476 - Westerville, Ohio 43081

October 20, 1990

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Welcome!

If you know of a new neighbor in the Park, give their names to Arlene Stuart 890-0363 or Alice Thompson 882-6173 who are our welcoming committee.

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