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Silent Night

May you have a happy Christmas
December Calendar

10th - Village Council at 8:00
11th - Civic Association at 7:00
16th - Children's Christmas Open House, 1 to 3
22nd - Lighting Contest, 6 to 10 pm

January Calendar

14th - Village Council at 8:00
15th - Civic Association at 7:00
21st - Villager deadline
22nd - Women's Club at 7:30

Save the above calendars. There will be no issue of the Villager in January. All of the above meetings and children's open house will be held at the Community Building.

MINERVA PARK WOMEN'S CLUB

The Women's Club will meet on Tuesday, January 22nd, 7:30, at the Community Building. We will continue to discuss the future of Women's Club. What will the organization do next year? What activities are important to keep? If you are interested in deciding the future of Woman's Club, please plan on attending this meeting. We will also make a small-potpourri heart.

There is no meeting of Women's Club in December. See you in January!

MINERVA PARK SQUAD

In October the squad made 157 runs, 8 of the runs were in the Park.

The department wishes to thank Blendon Township for the $5000 donation it made last month to the Village to help defray our costs.

There were 1677 hours volunteered last month. Special thanks this month to Greg Thatcher (160 hours), Vicki Wells (134), Dave Pence (104), Terry Garrison and Jim Rhodes (96 hours each).

Vicki Wells was selected Volunteer of the Month. Vicki is a relatively new member of the squad but has exhibited an especially helpful attitude and has volunteered considerable time to the squad.

Using funds raised by our members, remodeling of the station is very nearly complete. The department is planning to hold an open house for Village and township residents after the first of the year.

10/01 Cleveland Ave, stroke
10/01 Cleveland Ave, difficulty breathing
10/07 Cleveland Ave, injured person
10/08 Cleveland Ave, woman down
10/15 Briar Rose, injured person
10/15 Minerva Lake, injured person
10/19 East Shore, cardiac arrest
10/25 Cleveland Ave, injured person
CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE FOR CHILDREN

There will be an Open House for children of the Park on Sunday, December 16th, 1 to 3 pm. Come visit Santa and have your picture taken with him. Make a decoration to hang on your tree, and have refreshments of cookies and juice. Children of all ages are welcome!

MINERVA PARK VILLAGE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Blair. All members were present except Don Champney.

Community - Barb Wohlfarth brought everyone up to date on the water problem on Cleveland Avenue by saying that the Village needs to call the City of Columbus again to see if there's been any progress. The Village sent a letter to Columbus in August addressing all of the Village's concerns. The city is already planning to replace its water line along Cleveland Avenue down to Morse Road sometime in the future and it is hoped that they include a new storm drainage pipe also.

Service - no breaks yet reported in the water lines.

Finance - bills were approve to be paid.

Safety - in the next contract talks with the City of Columbus for fire protection it will be noted how much the emergency squad covers runs in the City. The emergency squad will be using a new run sheet. It is more detailed and will provide the squad with much more information on their runs.

Planning and Zoning

Village Council passed a variance for 6' fence at 2948 Kerrwood. Village code states that 48" is the maximum height allowed. Neighbors on both sides did not object to the fence. A request for a sign variance at 2999 Dublin Granville Road was delayed. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved a shed for 2585 Lakewood and interior modifications for the Felcon building on 161. The new shopping center on Jordan Road was discussed. The building permit was approved specifically stating no video games. Video games require special permits and a yearly tax. Nothing has been presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission concerning a permit of this nature.

Before adjourning, Mayor Blair thanked everyone who voted for the levy.
Halloween decorations - in addition to the ones I mentioned last month are:
Wagner's (2888 Lakewood) a pumpkin with a blinking light inside. McKinneys (3064 Minerva Lake Road) the whole yard looked like Halloween with lots of orange leaf bags, many pumpkins, and corn husks on the lamp post. Ryane (2587 Briar Rose) the walk was line with luminaries with witches on the bags. Also, the front window looked great with colored leaves stuck to it. Stahrs (2644 Lakewood) this was my favorite and consisted of a blue-suited figure with a pumpkin head sprawling on three bales of straw among several more pumpkins.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!
As I mentioned back in June, Color Columbus was holding a landscape-design competition and your MinervaFlora Committee decided to enter several categories. We are pleased to have won one of the fourteen awards (sprinkling can with plaque) and also a merit certificate. Unfortunately, the community areas where the committee has spent so much time and effort didn't win but there is always another year. After our plants have had a couple of more years to grow they will be more effective. At any rate congratulations go to:
1) the Park Lane area for the top award in the neighborhood category
2) the Carufagna residence for merit mention in the residential group
3) Tim Curry for his photography
4) the MinervaFlora Committee for recognizing potential winners when they see them.
Again, I'd like to mention the Jones' yard (5073 Maplewood) which was the Northland Community Council's Beautification Award winner in the residential category. Perhaps our New Year's resolution we should list 'keeping up with the Jones.'
PARK PERSONALITY

PEGGY YOAKAM

peggy and husband larry have been residents of the park since 1966. peggy is a top real estate sales person. she is intensely interested in what happens in the district. she has been active in the northland community council since its inception, giving particular attention to zonings. over the years she has been involved in many park projects. when she took office, you could be sure it would be done well. also, she tries to keep a low profile late, nothing happens in the park that's not aware of her opinion is still sought and highly respected.

DICK HORTON, our wizard of oz, is into all kinds of wonderful things. he's building a human robot, flies radio controlled planes, is making a carousel horse for his grandkids. he's attending computer class at osu, races at malibu and golf's. he's putting up the christmas luminary at the community building again this year. but, he's living dangerously; he's been catching squirrels, got 42 so far, and is releasing them at sharon woods - the park rangers have been given orders to shoot on sight if they find the one who is bringing in all those tree rats there eating up everything in the place.

here in the park we have an amazing set of twins: maybelle wyman and maybelle current. these fascinating ladies look so much alike that even they have trouble telling which is who in a photograph of themselves together.

they fibbed about their ages in order to get into the art class up at blegen senior citizens center. both entered paintings in the westerville art league show, being held thru dec. 15 at integrity insurance, 200 e wilson bridge rd. two pieces by another talented park artist, paul fletcher, are also on display, the exhibit is well worth going to see. monday thru friday 9am. til 5pm.

here are my thoughts on the park:

mary belle and maybelle can it maybelle and maybelle can't.

seneors

30 second fitness program

by ernie rubergall, nationally known health authority

1 get out of bed (this is essential)
2 relax and move every part of body, twist neck and spine, swing arms and hands, lift legs (one at a time), bend over a couple of times.
3 expel all air from lungs, then inhale deeply. do this 3 times.
4 go back to bed!
5 eating etc. nobody has to tell you what you're doing wrong. eating too many sweets, drinking too much, smoking too much? cut 'em down! young people need pay no attention to the above, they've got a long way to go before becoming old, if ever.

kudos to our mayor dave blair for the leaf pick-up this year. you won't find many mayors helping along with the workers. he was right there pitching with the young fellows. and, in case you missed it: last summer at malibu, he took first place in a race against all mayors in the columbus area, including mayor bucky.

so fast! so loud! fifty dollars ought to learn you to slow down. when going thru our village.

50 bucks?
MINERVA PARK VILLAGE COUNCIL SEAT
Available 1-1-91. If interested, contact Mayor Blair or any council member.

Villager Editor

The position of Villager editor will be open June 1991. My last issue of the Villager will be May 1991. If interested in taking on this position, please call 899-9246.

Betty Beatrice, current editor

Interested residents to help put out luminaries on Christmas eve. The luminaries will already be filled and ready to set out. Time involved - about 1 hour - at dusk on Christmas Eve. Call Lynn Eisentrout if interested.

Line-dance lessons every Friday afternoon at the Community Building, 2:30 to 3:30 pm. Cost is $2.00 per lesson.

MINERVA PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT
10-19-90 Theft/on September 29, a known suspect did remove items valued at $753 from the Iron Pony on Westerville Road.
10-25-90 Criminal Mischief/ between the hours of 3 and 3:30 pm person(s) unknown smashed out the driver side window of a 1982 Pontiac Grand Prix while parked in the 2700 block of Wildwood.
10-30-90 Harassment/ at 9:25 pm a known person die verbally harass a female in the 2600 block of Wildwood.

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