

# The Villager

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## Minerva Park Civic Association

### MARCH CALENDAR

- 11th - Village Council, 8 pm
- 12th - Civic, 7:00
- 18th - Villager deadline
- 23rd - Easter Egg Hunt, 11am  
(Rain date the 24th, 1 pm)
- 26th - Women's Club, 7:30

The above meetings meet at the Community Building. Residents are invited to attend.

The Minerva Park Directory is printed and being distributed now. Thank you to Ruth Mussio, who organized distribution of the books, and all the women who went out and delivered the books on their streets. We appreciate all your hard work.

The Minerva Park Women's Club will meet on Tuesday, March 26th. Our guests that evening will be Jerri Perfect, a Minerva Park resident, and daughter, Sheila, from Travel Quest. They will give travel tips on what are the best buys and the best places to go. Plan on attending, 7:30 at the Community Building.



## Easter Egg Hunt

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 23rd at 11am on Hawthorne's front lawn. Bring baskets to collect eggs. Wear old shoes or boots because the ground can be muddy. Rain date will be March 24th at 1 pm. Children of the Park up to age 12 are welcome to come.



**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY  
TO...**

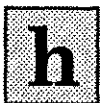
Dick Busick on the 5th  
Lynn Eisentrout on the 30th

Listed below are the responses from the questionnaire which appeared recently in the Villager. These results were discussed at a Community Meeting on Sunday, February 24th. Because of the Villager deadline, results from that meeting will be discussed in the next Villager.

	YES	NO	NO RESPONSE
<b>CIVIC ASSOCIATION</b>			
VILLAGER	62	1	0
GARAGE SALE	46	12	5
MEMBERSHIP DUES	56	5	2
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	18	34	11
LAKE CLEAN-UP	61	2	0
4TH OF JULY	29	25	9
CONCERTS	19	30	14

**WOMEN'S CLUB**

DIRECTORY	56	4	3
ANNUAL POTLUCK	15	31	17
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR	22	27	14
CHRISTMAS DINNER/DANCE	14	32	17
CHILDREN'S PARTIES	47	11	5
SPRING BANQUET	7	38	18
CARD PARTY	8	37	18
HOUSE SITTING FOR FUNERALS	45	12	6



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This is the month to look around and see what looks good and decide what you can do to improve your own view. You will notice some people's grass greens up sooner than others. Fall fertilization causes grass to green up early and will eliminate this chore from the list of early spring jobs. Grass grows fast in the spring anyway and by eliminating fertilizer you can eliminate some grass cutting. I usually start my 2 or 3 treatments in June or July.

Enjoy your evergreens now and note in some yards how pretty evergreen ground covers are under trees. Pachysandra looks particularly good in shady areas (in winter sun it will brown but will recover when the tree leaves out). I like it best where its light-green color contrasts with dark-green shrubs such as taxus.

At this time of year some evergreens look better than others. For example, evergreen azaleas, Mahonia (Oregon Grape Holly) and euonymous lose all or many leaves but leaf out again real quickly and their virtues make them worth including in our planting. We also will find that the broad-leafed evergreens do their best at this time if planted in winter shade and in spots protected from strong winds. In general, the north and east sides of the house are the best places for the broad-leafed plants such as azaleas, rhododendron and pieris. Eonymous and Mahonia will survive most everywhere. My huge rhododendron grows well in the open space away from the house but I did plant hemlocks to the north and west of

it to protect it from winter blasts. Some years it gets winter burn but it has lived on the lake bank very happily for 26 years. I also water it well in the fall and spray it with Wiltpruf to help cut down on moisture loss during the winter.


Usually in mid March we get a few warm days before the spring rains start. This is the time to turn again beds dug in the fall or dig new beds. Our clay soil needs lots of peat, perlite, or compost added and you can't dig a bed or plant it when it is wet. To test dig a small spot, chop the soil and if it breaks up, keep on digging; if it doesn't break up, let it dry more. Also dig up last years beds for annuals so when planting time comes the job is easy. Last spring the Maplewood entrance was not redug and there were places that were so hard Jeanne Blair and I could not plant marigolds.

If you or your neighbor had crabgrass last fall, be sure to get the pre-emergent control on before the crab apples bloom.

Enjoy all the colorful bulbs and the wonderful new green on the trees and shrubs. "Spring is bustin' out all over."


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Following is the completion of police department activity in 1990:

**INCIDENT REPORTS**

Burglary in progress (false report) 30  
Robbery in progress (false report) 1  
Trash fire 1  
Fires 2  
Littering 1  
Unsecured doors 12  
Unsecured windows 2  
Animal trapping 1  
Auto accident reports 11

**MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS**

Open container in motor vehicle 3  
Fleeing and eluding police officer - 1  
Open burning without a permit - 1  
Domestic violence - 1  
Disorderly conduct - 2  
Building permit violation - 1

**MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY**

Dispatched runs 480  
Non-dispatched runs 154

**OTHER AGENCIES ASSISTS**

Blendon Township Police 102  
Columbus Police 26  
State Highway Patrol 1  
Westerville Police 1  
Franklin County Sheriff 3  
Minerva Park Fire 6  
Columbus Fire 4  
Westerville Fire 1

Motorist assistance 53  
Suspicious person 88  
Suspicious vehicle 44

Approximately 460 hours was spent operating stationary radar  
Approximately 147 hours was spent performing house checks  
Approximately 44 hours was spent walking foot patrol

The Civic Association wishes to thank all residents who paid their dues when board members were out collecting. The money goes for the cost of publishing and delivering this newsletter. Thanks for your support!

Editor's Note: To the resident on Alder Vista who commented "why didn't you collect in the fall!" The Civic Association did have the membership materials ready for the board members to collect dues in the fall. We had 6 people to collect dues from almost 600 homes. We are all volunteers - most have full time jobs and family responsibilities. To have someone make comments, quite frankly, really bothers me. I collected dues on my street in January because that was the first chance when I had several hours free. It was announced in one of the fall newsletters that dues were going to be collected, why didn't you volunteer to help. Because we are so short handed, a few streets are still not done. We could use your help instead of your criticism.

**MINERVA PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

1-22-91 Criminal mischief/ between January 16 and January 21 person(s) unknown did slice a tire on a vehicle, while parked in a driveway in the 2500 block of Maplewood.  
1-31-91 Aggravated Robbery/ January 31 at 7:40 pm an unknown Black male entered Tuxedo Classics on Cleveland Avenue and robbed the owner at gun point.  
2-03-91 Aggravated Robbery/ February 3 at 7:45 pm an unknown suspect entered West Coast Video on Cleveland Avenue armed with a handgun, demanded cash, and fired a shot in the ceiling.

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For those of you who plan ahead, the Annual Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, June 1st. More details in the April and May newsletters.

# the Town Pump

PARK PERSONALITY

**CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
PRESIDENT**



**LYNN EISENTROUT**

LYNN, MOTHER OF 2 GIRLS, AND HUSBAND DAVID LIVE AT 2753 WILDWOOD. SHE IS INVOLVED IN JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING THAT OCCURS IN THE PARK AND GIVES HER BEST. A TALLENTED CO-ORDINATOR, AND A WONDERFUL PERSON TO KNOW.

**OP-ED LETTER TO CHRISTMAS DECORATION JUDGES**

I AM VERY DISAPPOINTED! ON CHRISTMAS EVE I HAD MY WIFE, BAREFOOTED, IN A WHITE NIGHTGOWN, AND HOLDING A CANDLE, STAND ON OUR SNOWY FRONT LAWN SINGING "JINGLE BELLS". IT WAS A VERY IMPRESSIVE SCENARIO --- HOWEVER, YOU PEOPLE DIDNT GIVE HER EVEN AN HONORABLE MENTION. HER SPIRIT WAS BROKEN AS SHE SLOWLY RECOVERED FROM DOUBLE PNEUMONIA



IN A MORE SENSIBLE VEIN!-THERE WERE MANY BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED HOMES. I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE A JUDGE. THOSE WINNING WERE DESERVED. HOWEVER I PERSONALLY FEEL JUDGING SHOULD BE ELIMINATED AND GROUP OBSERVATIONS SIMILAR TO FLORA'S COMMENTS REPORTED. THERE WERE MANY SPLENDID DISPLAYS UNMENTIONED. THANKS ARE IN ORDER TO ALL WHO PUT UP LIGHTS TO HELP MAKE OUR VILLAGE A GLOWING YULE SITE.



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by  
Boucher

THINK I'LL GO DOWN TO THE GOLF COURSE AND TALK TO JIM AND BOB. FIND OUT WHAT'S COOKIN' THIS COMING SEASON

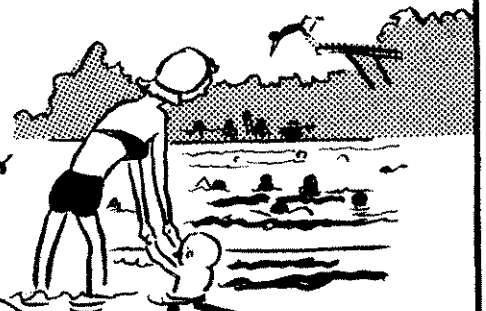


**ALSO**

IT'S TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT THE POOL



GET YOUR FAMILY SWIM MEMBERSHIP NOW!



**ALERT**



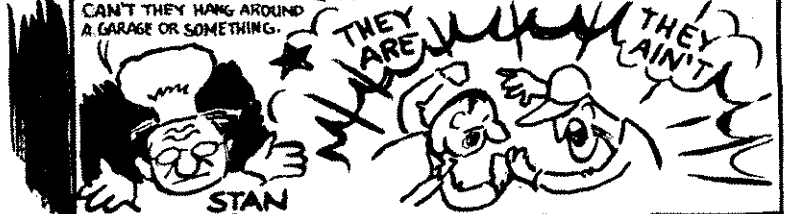
**TOM DLUSK'S NOTORIOUS PIG** HAVING BEEN RAISED ON A FARM, WE KNOW THAT PIGS HAVE PUPS AROUND THIS TIME OF THE YEAR BEWARE THE IDES OF MARCH

**CIVIC ASSOCIATION COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
MEMORRY EVERY MONTH  
**CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETINGS**  
SND TUE. EVERY MONTH  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
USE MIRROR TO READ

**LARRY AND ERNIE**

WHY ME? WHY CAN'T THEY HANG AROUND A GARAGE OR SOMETHING.

LARRY AND ERNIE HAVE BEEN ARGUEING FOR YEARS OVER CANTALOUPEES AND MUSK-MELONS-ERNIE SAYS THEY'RE DIFFERENT. LARRY SAYS THEY ARE THE SAME THING.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MARCH CALENDAR					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 8 pm Villager Council	12 Civic 7:00	13	14	15	16
17	18 Villager deadline	19	20	21	22	23 Egg Hunt 11 am
24 Egg Hunt rain date	25	26 Women's Club 7:30	27	28	29	30

Village Council and Minerva Park Squad summaries for the month of February will be printed in next month's newsletter.

## *Minerva Park* **CLASSIFIED**

**WANTED:** Storage space (garage) to rent to store an automobile in Minerva Park or nearby area. Please call 890-2252.

**WANTED:** Occasional Mon.-Fri. daytime and/or evening baby-sitter(s) for two well-behaved boys (2 and 4). Need for infrequent days when boys are unable to go to regular daycare. Also need on occasional weekday evenings. Prefer my home, but yours o.k. Jennifer 895-8569 (days), 899-9949 (eves or leave message).

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