NOTICE: ISSUE 19
MINERVA PARK RESIDENTS

Minerva Park has a 3.2 mill renewal levy on the November ballot

This is an operating levy, and not a new levy.

WITHOUT THIS LEVY THE BUDGET WILL SUFFER A $51,255 LOSS FOR OPERATING THE VILLAGE. The Village budget is already very tight.

*OUR TRASH PICK UP COSTS $3400 A MONTH and will go up when the new land fill fees of Franklin County are put into effect. A new contract for trash removal will be made in January 1992. The cost is expected to increase!

*LEAF COLLECTION AND DUMPING FEES WILL COST MORE.

*EMERGENCY SERVICES COST MORE MONEY WITH NEW DEMANDS.

*WE NEED MORE POLICE PROTECTION ON THIRD SHIFT TO DETER CRIME.

*WE NEED THIS LEVY FOR OPERATION OF THE VILLAGE.

WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE LEVY AND FOR YOUR VILLAGE.

THIS LEVY DOES NOT RAISE YOUR TAXES!

DUES COLLECTION REMINDER

The collection of Minerva Park Community Association (MPCA) dues for the 1991-92 year is now under way and will continue through December 1, 1991. Dues for MPCA, formed by the recent merger of Civic and Women's Club, are $10. This compares favorably with the combined dues for Civic and Women's, which were $11. We hope you will give your support to our community association - Thanks!

LEAF COLLECTION

We will have leaf collection that will begin November 2nd.

Leaves should be in rows parallel and next to the edge of the street. The piles of leaves must be free of sticks, grass trimmings, and other yard waste. We will pick up at least twice and should be finished the day before Thanksgiving.

MPCA WANTS YOUR IDEAS

The Minerva Park Community Association (MPCA) executive board is in the process of putting together a "work plan" for community projects and activities that the MPCA may undertake this coming year. If you have any ideas for projects or activities you think the MPCA may wish to support, please call Jennifer Hochuli at 899-9949 or send them to her at 2808 Alder Vista Drive, by November 15, 1991.
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JOE WALKER & ASSO

POOL NEWS

The Minerva Park Pool Board would like to thank all those who joined The Pool and supported us this season. Our fund raisers were very successful! We plan to repeat the Mulch Sale, the Golf Outing and of course, The Corn Roast. Pool Aid, Family Night Ice Cream Socials and the Beer and Brats Party are also on next year's schedule.

Memberships were up this year and it was great to feel the community support! We still have a long way to go in our work to repair and maintain the pool.

We'll look forward to seeing you all next season. Thanks again!

RE-ELECT RE-ELECT RE-ELECT

JERRY L. WARD
YOUR
BLENDON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

JERRY SUPPORTED THE JOINT PURCHASE OF THE NEW MINERVA PARK EMERGENCY SQUAD
JERRY SUPPORTED GRANTING FUNDS TO MEET EMERGENCY SQUAD OPERATIONAL COSTS
JERRY IS SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF THE MINERVA PARK, BLENDON TOWNSHIP, WESTERVILLE JOINT HOSPITAL DISTRICT
JERRY CONTINUES TO ENSURE THAT OUR STREET SNOW REMOVAL IS SECOND TO NONE
JERRY HAS EIGHT YEARS EXPERIENCE AS A BLENDON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

LET'S KEEP JERRY WORKING FOR US

"...Jerry Ward is running for his third term as a Blendon Township Trustee. For years he has been a good friend of Minerva Park. Jerry has helped with emergency squad costs, timely snow and ice removal and cooperation on police work. He is a dedicated public servant..."

David R. Blair, Mayor of Minerva Park

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Jerry L. Ward, 364 E. Park St., Westerville, OH 43081
MINUTES: SEPTEMBER MERGER MEETING

Open meeting organized by Restructuring Committee. Meeting called to order and introductions made. Brief history of efforts to combine Women's Club and Minerva Park Civic Association was presented.

Barb Wohlfarth moved that the Minerva Park Civic Association and the Minerva Park Women's Community Club be merged to form one organization to be named the Minerva Park Community Association and, with the exception of the Women's Club building fund, that an orderly transfer of funds and assets of the two organizations to the new organization be completed by November 1, 1991. Seconded by Mary Yost. Motion carried unanimously.

Barb Wohlfarth moved that the Minerva Park Community Association Constitution and Bylaws as published in the August 1991 Villager be accepted as the official bylaws and constitution, replacing any bylaws, constitutions, or governing documents of the Minerva Park Civic Association and Minerva Park Women's Club effective October 1, 1991. Seconded by Dick Busick. Motion carried unanimously.

Barb Wohlfarth and Narcus Tsiliacos next presided over the nominations and elections. Nominations were: President: Jennifer Hochuli Vice President: Rolla Wagner Secretary: Tim Curry Treasurer: Michael Riggins Elections were then held. Dick Busick moved to accept the slate as constituted. Pam Park-Curry seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting of Minerva Park Community Association to be held on Wednesday, October 2nd, 7:30pm.

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MINERVA PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

A NOTE OF THANKS

Thanks to everyone in the Village who took the time to attend the September 22 meeting to merge Women's Club and Civic Association into the Minerva Park Community Association.

A special note of thanks goes to Narcus Tsiliacos for lending his support and legal expertise throughout the merger process and the September 22 meeting. Narcus, an attorney in private practice in Westerville and the Village's Law Director, graciously volunteered considerable time and effort to the merger process. His efforts were very much appreciated. Thanks, Narcus!
The orange barrels and construction machinery are gone from the South Park area and only the straw lingers on to remind us of a dusty, messy summer. At this point, if you don’t have a lawn half-full of straw you aren’t part of the "in" group (and I’m happy not to be). The landscaper must have had ESP as the termination of the sowing of grass seed coincided with the very welcome rainy spell and lots of green shoots are poking through the straw. One morning about 9am almost every house on Maplewood had someone out watering. This turns out to be quite a chore when it doesn’t rain, but the seed must be kept moist until it germinates. Most mixtures contain a short lived rye for immediate effect and the permanent bluegrass which takes several weeks to germinate. Happy Watering!

I felt sorriest for the Curry’s, the McArthur-Launden’s and the Stahr’s on Lakewood who had to rebuild their stone walls after the contractor gave up. However, the final result is that the flower beds look better than ever. Finding something to rave about this week is difficult. Some yards have been hit by frost and the annuals have been removed. The most colorful spot remaining was VanScyoc’s (2653 Alder Vista). Marigolds and geraniums last longer into the fall than most annuals, and supplemented by a few chrysanthemums are making a great October show. Other areas I admired were:

*Charlie Plummer’s mums of yellow and deep rosy lavendar.

*Euonymus (Burning Bush) hedges at Graves (2847 Lakewood)
*At 2595 Minerva Lake is a bed of relatively new shrubs curved around a young red Japanese Maple. In a few years it will be spectacular - watch it grow.
*Mums of all colors are at 2550 Woodley.
*The red maples and euonymus with yellow mums at the apartments just outside the Village on Minerva Lake Road.
*My own Japanese Blood Grass with witch I’m really impressed on this, its second year. It’s just over a foot tall and while it has been red all summer, it is quite showy now. At the rate it has grown I suspect I’m going to have a larger stand than expected.

For grass lovers I recommend this type of planting for spots like around the mailbox as it won’t get in the mailman’s way or block the view as one comes out the drive. I can see its effectiveness against rocks or to scale down other grasses. Speaking of grasses, I hope all of you have noticed the varigated ones Shirley Jones put near the Golf Course on Maplewood to hide an unattractive tree stump. It was a surprise that it tasseled in spite of being transplanted late spring and receiving very little water.

Spring and summer are my favorite seasons as there is always something coming up that I look forward to. In fall, as things are dying and nothing new is showing it is difficult to show enthusiasm. I personally like color - lots of it - in houses, gardens and clothes and unfortunately this year’s beautiful fall colors are short-lasting due to our dry summer. We are fortunate to be able to enjoy them without having to take a long trip to Maine. The most spectacular areas are around the south lake, the east end of Minerva Lake Road, the area in the vicinity of the island across from the golf course, the golf course itself and Minerva Park North. I remember some twenty or more years ago when those areas were planted and the trees were
such little things. Truly, when planting a shade tree you plant for the next generation, for better or for worse, so place it carefully and consider its potential height and spread. Remember too, that the term "Red Maple" refers to its Spring flowers and not to its leaf color. Leaf color can vary from butter yellow to deep red. If you want red get a name brand like Red Sunset or October Glory or select one while the leaves are in color. Sugar maples are orange red; silver maples are dirty brown. Sweet gum trees also vary in color so select when you can chose the one you like.

Having mentioned the beautiful leaves brings me to Fall chores. First is promptly raking when the leaves fall (my least favorite chore). Also, this is the time to fertilize grass, trees and shrubs. To provide winter protection for broadleafed evergreens, spray with WiltPruf to cut down on moisture loss. Water everything well (particularly evergreens) and plant bulbs. Soak crocuses and tulips in Ropel to discourage squirrels, but be sure to wear gloves. One additional task is to write down changes you want to make in the Spring. It is so much easier to buy annuals then if you know how many and what color of each you will want. And then the trick is to put your list where you will find it!

In September, the squad made 129 runs. 26 runs were into Blendon Township and 4 were into Minerva Park. 47 patients were transported to area hospitals. The squad had 1,513 hours of volunteered service in September raising the total to 13,338 hours for the year to date. Special thanks this month to Curt Gannon (178 hours), Frank Meredith (122), and Tom McClanahan (101). Frank Meredith leads the year with 842 hours of volunteered service.

The Department has scheduled a considerable amount of training time in the month ahead. At the October training meeting, Lt. Dennis Burgoyne lectured on fracture care. The Department has also scheduled an eight-hour Hazardous Materials Awareness course for November which is required by OSHA. Finally, a 27-hour EMT refresher is scheduled to begin November 2nd.

The vehicle continues to suffer increased maintenance. In September, the squad broke down several times while responding to runs. While back-up vehicles were obtained within a few hours from neighboring departments, our Department had considerable down time and maintenance expenses as a result.

9/14/91 - Lakewood Ave. - Child struck.
9/15/91 - Minerva Lake Rd. - Man unconscious.
9/21/91 - Cleveland Ave. - Cardiac arrest.
9/26/91 - Cleveland Ave. - Fire alarm.
9/24/91 - THEFT - September 24, 1991, at approximately 9am, at Minerva Park Place, 5460 Cleveland Ave. a possible known suspect (an employee) entered the room of Lessie Cavendish and took her purse.

9/24/91 - PROPERTY DAMAGE - September 24, 1991, between 3:30 and 6:30pm, person(s) unknown damaged a mailbox in the 2700 block of Wildwood Road.

9/25/91 - MISSING PERSON - September 25, 1991, at approximately 8:30pm, Oridell Howard, age 57, of Minerva Park Place was reported missing. At 10pm Minerva Park Police were notified. At 11:15pm, Oridell Howard was located at Northland Plaza Shopping Center.

9/28/91 - THEFT - September 27, 1991, at approximately 10am in the 2900 block of Kerrwood Dr., persons unknown did break out a window vent on the passenger side of a vehicle and removed one Onan 5300 watt generator and one heavy duty Hilti drill combined value of $1550.00.

9/28/91 - GRAND THEFT - September 29, 1991, between 2:45pm and 4:30pm, person(s) unknown pried open the driver's door of a 1986 Chevrolet Caprice while parked at Hawthorne Elementary and removed one black leather purse containing a blue eel skin wallet, misc. cosmetics, U.S. currency, green check book with personal checks (State Savings), and one B.P. Oil Credit Card.

10/03/91 - GRAND THEFT - October 3, 1991, between 6:20pm and 6:35pm, person(s) unknown did remove green and yellow parrot valued at $850 and one cage valued at $50. Theft occurred at Parrot Paradise, 5264 Cleveland Ave.

10/09/91 - CRIMINAL DAMAGING - Between October 8, 1991, 7pm and October 9, 1991, 7am person(s) unknown did cut several Ohio Bell telephone wires located at the rear of the Iron Pony, 5209 Westerville Road.

10/09/91 - PROWLER - October 8, 1991 at approximately 10:35pm a resident heard an unknown person(s), possibly a juvenile, at a side window in the yard.

10/10/91 - GRAND THEFT - October 8, 1991, between 4:40 and 5pm, person(s) unknown did take a Mountain Trail Master bicycle from the front of Tom and Madelin's Barber Shop, 5100 Cleveland Avenue.

10/16/91 - AGGRAVATED MENACING - October 16, 1991, between 7:10 and 7:20pm, unknown person being black male, did wave a hand gun and threaten to shoot two females as they were walking in the area of the sewer plant. The black male subject was riding a dirt bike when the threats were made.
JENNIFER HOCHULI, (PRONOUNCED HO-SHOE-LEE) AND HUSBAND DOUGLAS MOVED HERE IN 1987 AND LIVE AT 2808 ALDER-VISTA DRIVE. THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN, MATT B. AND KEVIN 2½. SHE IS A GRADUATE OF O.S.U. COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM, AND IS EMPLOYED AT AMP-OHIO, IN CHARGE OF PROMOTION.

BECAUSE THE CIVIC ASS’N AND THE WOMEN’S CLUB OFTEN WORKED FOR THE SAME PROJECT, IT WAS DECIDED THAT CONSOLIDATION OF THE TWO GROUPS WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO BOTH. ON SEPTEMBER 22 THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED. THE WOMEN’S CLUB CAN STILL PROMOTE THEIR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES, AND BOTH ORGANIZATIONS CAN WORK TOGETHER ON MUTUAL PROJECTS. JENNIFER SAYS SHE WANTS TO GET MORE VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED AND AT THE SAME TIME USE THE EXPERTISE OF PEOPLE FROM THE TWO PREVIOUS GROUPS. SHE HAS THE ABILITY TO DO THE JOB.GIVE HER A HAND.

NOW ABOUT DUES: PREVIOUSLY THE WOMEN’S CLUB DUES WERE $4.00 AND THE CIVIC ASS’N $7.00. DURING NOVEMBER YOU WILL BE CONTACTED FOR MEMBERSHIP DUES WILL BE $10.00, A SAVING OF $1.00. YOUR SUPPORT NEEDED & WELCOMED.

MARY FLORA YOST
CALL ON THE GO
THE BUSIEST PERSON IN THE PARK. YOU’LL SEE HER ANY DAY HUSTLING ABOUT IN HER LITTLE YELLOW CAR, TENDING THE PARK’S FLORA, SHELL GLADLY HELP WITH YOUR YARD PLANNING AND ANSWER HORTICULTURE QUESTIONS. SHE’S GOING TO MAKE SURE OUR PARK IS A FLOWER SHOWPLACE!

RACOONS AND GROUNDHOGS
AS OPEN LAND DIMINISHES DUE TO DEVELOPMENT, THE SMALL ANIMALS ARE FORCED TO FIND ALTERNATIVE LIVING STYLES. RACOONS HUNTING FOR GRIFFS, DIG UP LAWNS. GROUNDHOGS ARE DIGGING BURROWS BESIDE HOME FOUNDATIONS. THEY TUNNEL DOWN AND UNDERNEATH BASEMENT WALL FOOTERS AND ESTABLISH ROOMS UNDER THE WARM BASEMENT FLOOR. THIS CAN SURELY CAUSE COLLAPSE OF THE WALL. LARRY HICKS SAYS THAT BY POURING CRESOTE IN SUFFICIENT AMOUNTS DOWN THEIR BURROWS, THE BEASTS CAN BE DISCOURAGED AND WILL LEAVE. "I’M SKEPTICAL, BUT IT’S WORTH A TRY.”

USING A SEWER TILE REDUCER AND TRASH CONTAINER, LARRY HICKS CONSTRUCTED A BEAUTIFUL BIRD BATH FOR HIS FRONT YARD AND PUT A LIFE-LIKE DUCK IN IT AT ERNIE LIMES’ SUGGESTION. HE HUNG TWO TINY TOWELS UPON IT. SAYS ERNIE, "OUR BIRDS ARE MUCH MORE SOPHISTICATED THAN ORDINARY ONES." SEND CONTRIBUTION OF $10 OR MORE TO THE EDITOR OF THIS PAGE IN ORDER TO START A SOAP-DISH FUND. CAN’T WAIT TO SEE WHAT MARI-FLORA HAS TO SAY ABOUT ABOUT THIS PROJECT.
**WANTED: PART-TIME HELP FOR VILLAGE OFFICE**


**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...**

Harry Toy - November 1st
Julie Mussio - November 7th
Tiffany Clark - November 27th