MPCA Highlights

During the month of May, we had the Scholarship Walk-a-Thon and the Garage Sale. The Association is working hard to put together the 4th of July Parade and the 100th Anniversary Celebration. Our theme for the parade and anniversary is "In the Good Old Days." Lynn Eisentrout is working very hard to put everything together and has a band scheduled for the day, as well as a magician. After the parade, we will have a picnic at the Pool, with lots of good food at old time prices. The celebration is scheduled for Tuesday, July 4th and will begin with the parade at 9:30 a.m. It will be a fun filled day for everyone. Please refer to the Neighborly Notes on page 4 and Minerva Amusement Park on page 5 for more information.

Lake Clean-Up
Submitted by Lynn Eisentrout

Although the day started out rainy, and we began with a one hour delay, Lake Clean-Up Day went very well. Between 40 and 50 volunteers showed up and quite a bit was accomplished. I hope you will all take a moment to walk around the Lakes, entrance, and islands to see what a great job everyone did. A special thank you to Mary Yost for coordinating the MinervaFlora Committee to work on the flower beds.

Thank you to the following volunteers: Becca Becker, David Birckbichler, Jeanne Blair, Dick Busick, Lou Busick, Mary Lou and Bob Caley, Tim, Pam, and Christine Curry, Don Champney, Tim Dooley, Wade Estep, Sarah and Claire Eisentrout, Jim Fischer, Nancy Fry, Bob Gale, Ryan Hart, Paul Hastings, Roger and Sally Hubbell, Jim Kehl, Janet and Carey Kohn, Ani and Marna Loudon, Alison McArthur, Tunnie Martin, Jr., Andy Maslowski, Bill and Bonnie McClure, Amy Merz, Elizabeth Piazza, Lisa and Rick Phelps, Wes, Meg, Sam, and Ben Presson, Joyce Rathbun, Jon Self, Harry Toy, Rolla Wagner, and Bill Zifferlin.

Special thanks to Betty Beatrice, Jeanne Blair, and Nancy Toy for the delicious lunch. Also, to Murray Realty for the use of their realty signs for advertising, and to the Minerva Park Golf Course for the use of one of their golf carts.

June Calendar
01 Planning and Zoning Meeting, 7 p.m.
06 Pool's Dive-in Movie
12 Village Council Meeting, 8 p.m.
14 MPCA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
15 THE VILLAGER Deadline, 5 p.m.
18 Father's Day
21 Pool's Children's Party
30 Pool's Adult Sip-N-Dip

The Minerva Park Time Capsule
Did you know ...

The unofficial population of the Village had reached about 1,300 in 1962. The incorporated area totalled 236 acres.

An Excerpt from:
"A History of Minerva Park 1895 - 1992"
Village Council Meeting (Apr 10, 1995)

General Topics
The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Mayor Murray. The minutes of the March 13, 1995 regular meeting and the March 27, 1995 special meeting were accepted as written.

Mayor's Report to Council - The Mayor advised that COTA has almost decided against light rail for Central Ohio, but they are considering a "rapid bus" with a dedicated thoroughfare. The application that was submitted for a grant to expand the Community Building was turned down, but we will apply for 1996 consideration. There was a recent article in the Dispatch about the work on the Lakes being done by Otterbein students. The rumor of filling in the Lakes is not correct. The Village would like to preserve the Lakes because they are a valuable asset to the community. The Village should be hearing soon on our application for Phase III Waterline Replacement. The annexation of the five homes on the east end of Minerva Lake Road is moving along. The Mayor met with the residents of those homes to answer their questions.

Rolla Wagner, President of the Minerva Park Community Association, announced that the Egg Hunt on April 8 was well attended by the children of the park.

Village Officials
Barry Brownstein advised that the EMS is ready to go with its CPR class and will be calling those residents who want to take it.

Narcus Tsiliacos, Village Law Director, spoke about the B & D Hauling lawsuit against the Village. B & D Hauling filed for bankruptcy last July, 1994. After much discussion, Paul Hastings made a motion authorizing the Law Director to file an answer and counter suit to the B & D Hauling lawsuit, seconded by Dave Stahr. All approved. Pat Mangan will do some research on where B & D is in its bankruptcy proceedings to better gauge our standing in the suit.

Planning and Zoning Commission
Pat Mangan advised that at the last meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission, a porch on Wildwood Road, a fence on Minerva Lake Road, a shed on Briar Rose, a pool on Woodley Road, and a new home on Jordan Road were all approved.

Council discussed a sign variance for Gordon Foods on Cleveland Avenue, which would allow a third sign by the Cleveland Avenue entrance. After much discussion, Paul Hastings made a motion to approve the sign application for Gordon Foods contingent upon one of the signs on the building being removed, seconded by Jon Self. All approved.

Committee Reports
Community - Council discussed the pillars at the entrance of Minerva Lake Road and Maplewood. It was decided that when Franklin County gets to that portion of the project, we will let them knock down the pillars and ask them when they load up the stone if they will dump it on Village property. The stone can then be examined to see if it can be re-used. Then it can be decided what to build to replace them to mark the entrances. Whoever wins the contract with Franklin County will hold a pre-construction meeting. They will be asked about the pillar stone at that time. Lynn Eisentrouth briefly discussed the Census tentatively scheduled to be conducted in the middle of the summer. This is to update the Master Address File for use in the 2000 decennial census. More information will follow from the Census Bureau.

Streets - Jon Self advised that he, Lee Rupp, and Mayor Murray will be reviewing the condition of the streets and will recommend a street improvement project for 1995. Council members agreed that the storm sewer catch basin grates need to be raised. They are a danger as they now sit. Paul Hastings made a motion to begin work on these basins for a cost not to exceed $3000.00, seconded by Dave Stahr. All approved. At that time, we'll know how many more need to be done either this year or next. Council also discussed starting a maintenance program like the Village has done in the past, on the sanitary sewer lines in the Village. Jon Self will talk with Roto Rooter about the cost, how many to do now, and setting up a schedule for completing the entire Village.

Service - Dave Stahr advised that the Otterbein students will be starting this week or next on the work they will be doing on the Lakes. He also stated that no one from the Village had ever said that the Lakes would be filled in. Everyone would like the Lakes to be cleaned up and preserved.

Finance - Paul Hastings made a motion that the bills be approved for payment, except for the bill from Roto Rooter (which is not the Village's responsibility), seconded by Pam Park-Curry. All approved.

Safety - Pam Park-Curry advised that the Police Chief has gotten some figures to her concerning crimes in the Park, as they may relate to overnight parking on our streets. The discussion on how to change our parking ordinance is continuing.

Legislation - Narcus Tsiliacos read Ordinance 3-95, an ordinance to increase the compensation to the Mayor of the Village of Minerva Park in order to compensate for additional work done by the Mayor and to declare an
emergency. Paul Hastings moved for passage of Ordinance 3-95, seconded by Jon Self. Three ayes, one nay, and one abstention.

With no more business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Village Council Special Meeting (April 26, 1995)

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Murray.

Council discussed the renewal of the trash contract with Rumpke. It was agreed that it might be best to include in the contract a statement about the recycling bins being the responsibility of the contractor, especially for their distribution and collection.

Pam Park-Curry made a motion to accept the first reading of Resolution 95-8, a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk Treasurer of the Village of Minerva Park, to enter into a contract for the collection and removal of rubbish, trash, recyclables, and garbage from the residences of the Village of Minerva Park, seconded by Lynn Eisentrout. All approved.

The salary of the Court Clerk was discussed. This position has taken on more responsibilities and will require more time. More hours will be needed to catalog all the old court records and establish new forms and procedures. This is expected to take 3 to 4 months, after which the hours should return to normal. Council agreed that the Court Clerk should be reimbursed for the extra hours that will be worked. At the end of the 3 to 4 months, it can be decided if the salary needs to be adjusted.

Mayor's Corner

Contributed by Jack Murray

The schedule I had predicted for the Phase II waterline replacement sure fell apart. I had hoped the project would be completed by the 4th of July, but it doesn’t look that way now. However, on the bright side, the excavation hasn’t been going on during the rainy weather which would have created some muddy streets. By the time you read this, the project should be well on its way. The scheduled completion date is now the second week of July. The contractor plans to complete Maplewood first, then Alder Vista and Lakewood, and finish on the north side with E. Shore Drive and Elmhurst Avenue.

We have had the first reading for our contract renewal with the trash haulers. We have agreed to continue the service with Rumpke at no increase in rates for the next three years, except for a possible change as defined by the cost of living index determined by the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics. Following is a short review of items that will not be picked up:

- Lead acid batteries, auto tires and parts;
- Yard waste must be in large paper bags (not grocery bags). The landfill will not accept yard waste if it is in plastic bags.

If you have questions concerning trash pickup, call Rumpke Customer Service at 1-800-828-8171.

I recently received an anonymous letter from, I assume, a resident of Minerva Park. The letter described conditions and events that the writer felt were unsatisfactory. In all cases, I agreed. In several cases, the Village government is trying to correct the problem. In some cases, I was not aware a problem existed.

I would hope that residents of our village would communicate with me or a member of council on any matter of concern, but please identify yourself so that we can respond. Perhaps an explanation can be offered, or it might be necessary to get more information before adequate steps can be taken to correct the problem. I believe your Village government is trying to be good public servants, but we may need your help from time to time.

We have received several complaints concerning use of the lakes and surrounding areas. We are currently reviewing this matter and will come up with recommendations on restrictions, etc., and report further in the July issue of the VILLAGER.
Neighborhood Notes

Construction Warning

When you read this, the replacement project of water lines on the South side of the Village will have already begun. I urge all parents to inform their children to keep away from the heavy construction equipment for their own safety. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter — Bob Hillard, Chief of Police.

Parade News

Plans for the Fourth of July Parade are progressing nicely. The theme for the parade will be "In The Good Old Days." It will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m., with line-up beginning at 8:45.

The path of the parade will be the same as in the past years, even with the waterline construction. It will begin at the playground area on Maplewood Drive, move East along Lakewood Drive to Cleveland Avenue. Then turn right onto Woodley Road to Wildwood Road, wind around North Bay Drive to Minerva Lake Road, and end at the Hawthorne School parking lot. There will be an end-of-the-parade ceremony at the school.

Decorated bikes, wagons, tricycles, etc. will gather in front of Murray Realty on Woodley Road. Ribbons will be awarded!! Last year there was quite a problem with bicycles darting between cars once the parade started. This was very dangerous and we are discouraging it this year. All those participating in the parade will be assigned a position and must remain there.

Minerva Park will be represented in the parade by Village leaders, community organizations, and hopefully, lots of kids. In addition, we have a marching band, animals, a caliope, some state and district representatives, and lots more. We would like to see neighborhoods represented by floats as in past years, so lets talk it up!!!

At this time, more people are needed to be parade hosts (help with line-up), clowns, and help with events throughout the day.

Join in the fun, bring the whole family, and be a part of this wonderful day — Lynn Eisentroat, Parade Committee Chairperson.

Have You Ever Wanted

Have you ever wanted to be famous (in Minerva Park)? Have you ever wanted to be an actor (in an itty-bitty production)? Here's your chance!! Auditions will be held on Saturday, June 10 at 2 p.m. at the Community Building for parts in "A Not-So Melodrama," an old-fashioned melodrama play set in Minerva Park at the turn of the century. This production will be performed at the July 4th festivities/100th anniversary of the amusement park.

Melodrama plays that were popular in the 1800's depended on romance, thrills, and narrow escapes for their excitement. This production features a heroine of untarnished virtue, a hero of noble character and fortitude, and a villain of the most dastardly stripe. Other parts include a bookish bookkeeper, a saloon-owning villainess, an outspoken widow, and a handful of orphans. As was common in melodramas, each character will have his or her own musical theme, so a piano/keyboard player is also needed. In the old tradition, the audience will be encouraged to cheer for the heroes and boo at the villains (please hold the rotten vegetables). This production only runs about 15 minutes, so there will be a minimum commitment required for practice and memorization. Teens are encouraged to try out!!

For more information, call Rebecca MacDowell Becker, at 882-2980.
MINERVA AMUSEMENT PARK
100th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

You're invited!!

TO: All Residents and Former Residents of Minerva Park

We are celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Minerva Park Amusement Park, which opened on May 15, 1895. We are planning several special events to help celebrate this occasion. We are inviting all residents and former residents of Minerva Park to attend.

The theme is going to be 'In the Good Ol' Days.'

Please bring the whole family and invite your former neighbors to this happy event. The following events are planned and provided for your information:

Parade: July 4th Parade
Starts at 9:30 am at the playground and winds through the park.
See details in The VILLAGER.

Picnic: Following the Parade will be an ol' fashioned picnic at the Minerva Park pool area with all food and drinks provided at ol' time low prices. This social event will also include games with prizes and entertainment which starts at 11:30 am and continues until 4:00 pm. Join in the fun and plan to attend---no reservations necessary! If you would like to help, need additional information or have questions, call Pertain Buckland at 895-8225.

The 100th Anniversary Committee is also planning other activities to help celebrate and raise funds for these events:

• Sell mementos — a colorized picture (2 sizes) of the Minerva Park Casino suitable for framing will be sold to all residents and any other individuals desiring one for a keepsake. These are available now and will be sold until they are gone. Limited Edition. Price: $2.00 & $3.00. Call Dick Paugh at 882-8448 for additional information.

• Reprint of History of Minerva Amusement Park-1976 edition. This will be available to all residents that did not receive one and particularly new and former residents. Available July 4th. Price: $3.00. Call Pertain Buckland at 895-8225 for additional information.

• Marking of Historical Sites. Small signs with picture designating where Amusement sites were originally in 1895, will be placed at the site for residents and visitors to view during July 4th activities. Call Gene Hulbert at 882-0265 for additional information.
Pool News

Our pool staff has worked very hard to get the pool ready for opening day. Each year gets more difficult as our pool facility is wearing out. The gutter system that circulates the water in the pool had deteriorated to the point that we were unable to make repairs on it this year. Mike Smith, a village resident, graciously offered to volunteer his time and expertise to install a plastic tube along the base of the pool that will serve as a temporary circulatory system. We are extremely grateful for Mike's help because to have the tube installed by a pool company was going to cost us $10,000! We also appreciate the many hours Tom Shannon devoted to helping Mike with this large undertaking. Also, a big thank you to Claudette Shannon, Nicole Mussio, and Molly McIntyre for donating their time to sand and paint the concession and picnic tables.

Our membership drive was a big success and we are looking forward to a fun-filled Summer. We have planned many activities to entertain all ages. We had an opening weekend ice cream social. The board "treated" at this event to show our members our appreciation. A family "old-fashioned" July 4th celebration will take place at the pool. We will have games for kids of all ages and food at old-time prices. Also, the first 100 guests through the door on the 4th of July will be admitted free! So bring your friends and enjoy a fun-filled day.

We will have the first swim lesson sign-ups on June 12th from 9 to 11 a.m. Lessons will begin the following day. Evening swim lessons may be available if there is enough requests for them. Diana Pettit will be teaching water aerobics again this year. This is a fun way to get fit, learn how to be an efficient fat burner, and be more energetic. Please consult your doctor before embarking on any exercise program if you experience health problems. You will enjoy the benefits of your efforts; physical fitness can contribute to one's mental and emotional well-being. Water workouts are fun! Classes will be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. on June 12th through July 7th and July 24th through August 18th. The cost will be $3 per class or $30 per lesson for pool members, and $4 per class or $36 per lesson for non-pool members.

A big thank you to the Village Council for repairing the pool parking lot. It makes the entrance look very well kept. We are very appreciative of the interest the Council members are taking in our Community Pool.

If you haven't joined the pool as of yet, please consider doing so. We feel we have "the best Summer time fun for your dollar."

Upcoming Pool Events:
June 6 Dive-in movie for the whole family
June 12 Session I sign-ups, 9 to 11 a.m.
June 13 - 30 Session I swimming lessons
June 21 Children's Party
June 30 Adult Sip-N-Dip
July 4 Family Celebration
July 10 Session II sign-ups, 9 to 11 a.m.
July 11 - 28 Session II swimming lessons
Minerva Park Squad Report

In April, Squad 119 made 160 runs; 27 runs into Blendon Township (exclusive of Minerva Park) and 9 into Minerva Park. 59 patients were transported to local hospitals. Members volunteered a total of 1523 hours for the month, raising the year-to-date total to 6090. The leading volunteers for the month were John Owens (109 hours), Renee Wood (104), Julie Speicher (103), and Dave Decker (95). Dave Decker leads for the year-to-date with 462 hours.

The subject of the March training meeting was self-defense. The training was led by our own Mary (“MT”) Johnson and emphasized using communications skills to defuse dangerous situations, as well as the use of safe restraining techniques.

On Tuesday, May 9th, a mobile data terminal will be installed on the squad, enabling crews to retrieve additional information in route to an emergency. Residents having special situations (permanent or temporary) in their homes that responding EMS or fire crews should know are urged to contact Barry Brownstein at 882-1080. Information of interest includes the presence of persons with communication disabilities, infectious diseases, or on respirators; locations with hazardous materials; and other such situations. This information will be supplied to the Columbus Division of Fire for entry into the computer-aided dispatch system and will be used in emergencies only.

Minerva Park Runs
04/05 Minerva Lake Rd. Possible stroke
04/06 161 and Ponderosa Auto accident
04/08 Minerva Lake Rd. Fire
04/21 Wildwood Difficulty breathing
04/21 Maplewood Possible stroke
04/24 Alder Vista Dr. Chest pain
04/24 kerwood Dr. Chest pain
04/27 Minerva Lake Rd. Possible DOA

Classifieds
1982 Chrysler LeBaron Convertible, Excellent Condition, Needs New Top. $2200. Call Greg at 890-5137 after 6 p.m. weekdays or all day on weekends
Flora Says — The long dreaded widening of Cleveland Avenue and the replacement of our water mains has started and at this point there is nothing to do but hope for the best. To those who get lawns dug up don’t be too eager to get them seeded (or sodded)—the ground does have to settle. I remember the last time people rushed to level the soil, seed, and water. About the time the grass started growing, the Fall rains came and the ground sunk and the contractor filled and seeded. Then over the Winter, the ground settled and the job had to be done again. My advice is to wait at least until Labor Day which is the best time for sewing seed or better yet, do what needs doing in early spring. The contractor expects to finish around mid-July and will seed, pave drives, etc., but not more than once.

As of mid-May I still get a shock every time I drive up Lakewood and find myself looking at the Cleveland Avenue traffic. I think of the Lake Clean Up Day in April, 1989 when we had so much rain the folks couldn’t clean the lake so they helped the Minerva Flora Committee with stumps and the jungle at the Maplewood and Minerva Lake entrances. After that, it took a couple of years to get the areas planted and for the ground covers and perennials to cover the area. Then when it really looked nice and had reached the “easy care” stage we found ourselves moving it all last fall. It was a lot harder work and not nearly as much fun as it was planting those shrubs the first time. But everything survived the move and we were happy this spring to only have to have an emergency evacuation of ground cover. We divided some of our existing perennial to put in the new bed at the other end of Maplewood and added a few more and hope it will be an attractive area next year and for many years to come. We anticipate adding daffodils in the fall and adding a few trees to the area to replace those that died or are about to die.

Every year the Mugho Pines are attacked by the European Sawfly (Dark Worms) which eat the new growth and then more. I have marked my calendar to check for these starting mid-April and spray with insecticide as soon as I see them. If you have Mugho Pines (or Austrian Pines) you may want to write yourself a reminder as these larva have great appetites.

The flowering trees and shrubs have loved the cool, rainy weather this spring. I can’t ever remember having daffy in bloom for two months. The crabs were numerous and all so beautiful. I can’t name a favorite, but the area of Minerva Park North seemed to have the best overall display.

My favorite spots the third week of April were (1) the masses of magenta and white creeping phlox hanging over the driveway wall at 2848 Maplewood; (2) the golden aliyssum backed by reddish purple azaleas at the front entrance of 2814 Maplewood—lots of creeping phlox by the mailbox also; (3) purple PJM rhododendron against the white house at 2811 Lakewood with a pale pink weeping cherry towering above them; (4) large pink and white crabs growing together along one side of the yards at Bebber’s (2804 Lakewood) with a bench and tulips underneath. The yard also includes a large blue spruce, a white dogwood and blue, purple and white creeping phlox along the driveway wall.

The dogwood season overlapped and followed the crabs and again the trees were so numerous and beautiful it is hard to single any out but again several in proximity really have impact. My favorite spot was on turning in the Maplewood entrance I saw four pink ones at a glance at 2500 Maplewood and at 2520, 2525, 2540 Lakewood. Other notable sights were Milano’s white house (2828 Park Lane Dr.) with a pink dogwood on one side of a white garage door and three pink azaleas mixed with evergreens on the other side. At 2733 Jordan was a pink azalea with a semicircle of blue brunera on one side of the lamp post and a semi circle of low taxus on the other side. Hard’s (5377 Park Lane Ct.) had a couple of hibiscus trees in pots flanking a south facing window.

By mid-May the azaleas opened. At 2828 Park Lane, Milano’s, had white on one side of the entrance and orchid on the other. This street also had a large orchid one at 2801 and many were across the front of 2800. 5372 had some deep orange-red ones in the front and matching creeping phlox. (Hampney 5386) had a white one set off by a big leaf hosta beside it. On the south side of the park orchid ones were massed at 2595 and 2607 Maplewood and at 2510 Lakewood. The Minerva Flora Committee finally got around to cleaning up and planting the bed at the end of Lakewood by the path to the dam. At this writing it looks good with a dwarf lilac in bloom, wild phlox and creeping phlox, early white daisies, hardy geranium in pink and annual geranium in salmon, blue ajuga and chrysogonum, a yellow flowered edging.

The flags have changed with the seasons. Diane Mart (2685 Alder Vista) is new to the group and has a potter red geranium flying above her real potted red geraniums. The one at 2718 is in the shape of a kite. In addition we have those with spring bulbs at 2767 and pansies at 2710. A big cardinal on white flowers against a blue sky at 2559 Lakewood, dogwood at 2655 Jordan and a hummingbird after a red flower at 2692 Jordan. All looked wonderful on this gray May day! May the sun shine on your garden and rain continue but in moderation.
Paul Fletcher

When the Westerville Art League has its annual spring show, what with all the tough competition, you're lucky to get even an honorable mention. Paul Fletcher, age 82, and the oldest artist entered, won a third place for an oil painting he did in February 95. What makes this so remarkable is that he has been battling serious physical problems right along. Paul and his lovely wife Marty, who live at 3254 Minerva Lake Rd, have resided at the same place here in the park forty years. They have been married fifty-eight years and have two children plus a passel of grand and great-grandchildren. Paul owned Fletcher Posters, Co., Westerville Rd., which he sold upon retiring in 1979. He and Marty are still involved in park stuff, makes us kids wonder about this age bit doesn't it?

That Pig Again

You think you've got problems. Every morning when I pick up the paper, there's this swine across the street leering at me. Run my whole day, I swear, one day I saw him thumb his nose at me and what about his evil influence on that innocent young girl pig beside him? The S.P.E.B.S.Q says there will be a full investigation as soon as they settle the Dick Paugh Bruno.

Peggy Yooakam

Mrs. Minerva Park
Our Village Representative

Re-assigned
May 15 1995

Our sympathy to her husband Larry
Police News

04/05 Burglary in Progress, dispatched to the 2800 block of Parklane on a burglary in progress. False Alarm.

04/06 Burglary in Progress, dispatched to the 3000 block of Carleton Court on a burglary in progress. False Alarm.

04/12 Vandalism, person(s) unknown shot a BB gun at the window of Angie's Tailors on Cleveland Avenue and cracked the glass in the door.

04/12 Breaking and Entering, person(s) unknown gained entry by force into a shed in the 2600 block of Minerva Lake Road. Nothing found missing at the time of the report.

04/13 Burglary in Progress, dispatched to the 2600 block of Lakewood Drive on a burglary in progress. False Alarm.

04/16 Theft, person(s) unknown removed a 10 speed Magna Mountain Bike from the lake/dam area.

04/21 Breaking and Entering, person(s) unknown forced their entry into a garage in the 3100 block of Minerva Lake Road and removed several items.

04/21 Breaking and Entering, person(s) unknown gained entry into a garage in the 3100 block of Minerva Lake Road. Nothing found missing at the time of the report, however a vehicle parked outside of the garage was ransacked.

04/21 Breaking and Entering, person(s) unknown gained entry into a garage in the 3000 block of Minerva Lake Road and removed several items.

04/24 Criminal Damaging, person(s) unknown attempted to gain entry into a Chevrolet Blazer while parked in a driveway in the 3000 block of Minerva Lake Road. Damage was done to the outside door lock and scratches were made to the front passenger door.

04/25 Selling Cigarettes to Minors, a report was made stating that the attendant at the Marathon Station on Cleveland Avenue is selling cigarettes to minors.

04/26 Stolen Vehicle, person(s) unknown removed a vehicle from the 2500 block of Woodley Road without the owner's consent.

04/27 Breaking and Entering, person(s) unknown gained entry by force into Hawthorne Elementary School by breaking out a door window. A computer and keyboard were taken.

04/27 Dead Person, a resident of the 2800 block of Minerva Lake Road expired due to natural causes.

04/28 Open Gate, a gate behind Hawthorne Elementary School was found open while on routine patrol. The reporting officer locked the gate after checking the school.

04/28 Suspicious Persons and Vehicles, while on routine patrol, two suspicious vehicles and nine juveniles were found in the parking lot of Hawthorne Elementary School. The juveniles were loitering around the school. Their parents were all notified.