June Calendar

6th - Planning & Zoning at 7:30 pm
10th - Village Council at 8 pm
12th - Minerva Park Community Association at 7:30 pm
19th - Villager deadline, noon

**GARAGE SALE MONEY**

If you haven't turned in the 10% of your garage sale proceeds yet, please do so soon. This includes anyone who had a sale without registering with the community association. Please send you money to Minerva Park Community Association, c/o Donna Marple, 2879 Lakewood, Columbus, 43231.

The Northland Community Council will be giving out landscaping awards in the northland area. Each civic association within NCC may nominate one winner from their association in the residential class. Each association may nominate one designee from anywhere in the NCC boundaries in each of the following classifications:

a. large commercial site - office park, shopping center, etc.

b. small commercial site - restaurants, service stations, etc.

c. public and non-profit institutions - churches, libraries, schools, parks, etc.

Nominations must be submitted by June 30. A NCC committee will meet and view the nominated areas. Rating of 1 to 10 on color, originality, design, and overall presentation. All nominees will receive a certificate of recognition. The three major winners will be honored at the NCC awards banquet. Each association's residential winner will be recognized in the banquet program. For more information, call Don Champney 882-3318.

**THANKS TO ALL WHO WORKED**

Lake clean up went well on Saturday, April 27th. Many thanks to Tunnie Martin, Jim Kehl, Rolla Wagner, Janet and Carey Kohn, Jim Fischer, MaryLou and Bob Caley, Elaine Fulkerson, Roger Hubbell, Paul Hastings, Pam and Tim Curry, Allison McArthur, Steve Laudon, Ted Hamilton, Don Champney, Jon Self, Dick Busick, Claire Eisentrount, Bill Zipperlin, Peggy Hill, Betty Beatrice, Bob Landy and Lynn Eisentrount. Special thanks to the North Columbus Jaycees for their help - Chris Bielot, Matt Blair, Kristi Chilcote, Chuck Humphrey, Maura Lane and Bob Smith and to our speaker Dr. Michael Hoggarth of Otterbein. Thank you for all your hard work cleaning up Village grounds.

The Minerva Park Community Association is working on a new phone directory for the Park. If you have an update that you would like in the directory, please send to Chris Cameron by June 15th. We need updates on baby sitters and those willing to do odd jobs.

Name __________________________
Date of birth _____________________
Address __________________________
Where to list _______________________

Send to Chris Cameron, 2621 Woodley by June 15th. If you would like to advertise in the new directory, please send your camera-ready ad to Carolyn Self, 2620 Lakewood by June 15th also. Call Carolyn for ad prices, 882-7541. The community association hopes to have the new directory ready to be delivered in the Fall.
Plans for the Minerva Park Fourth of July Parade and activities are well under way. The theme for the parade will be "Minerva Park: A Gold Medal Community." It will begin promptly at 9:30am with line-up beginning at 8:45am.

The path of the parade will be the same as in past years, even with the Cleveland Avenue construction - with one exception! All kids on bikes will gather at the community building and join the parade at that point. The parade will begin at the playground area on Maplewood, move west along Lakewood to Cleveland Avenue, then turn right onto Woodley and Wildwood, around North Bay to Minerva Lake Road, pick up all the bikers and proceed to Hawthorne School parking lot. There will be a flag raising ceremony at the school.

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, a caliope, some state and district representatives, and lots more. We would like to see neighborhoods represented by floats, as in past parades, so let's talk it up!

Field games will follow the flag raising ceremony. Field games will be held in the field west of the baby pool. The games will be divided into two age groups - birth through 5 and ages 6 through 17. Adults will be able to participate in both groups. Children must be accompanied by an adult. The games will proceed as follows:

- ages birth to 5 years
  - 3-legged race, 1 adult and 1 child
  - 3 way race, 1 adult and 2 children
  - baby crawling race - crawling babies only
  - 10 yard dash, ages under 2
  - 10 yard dash, 2 years olds
  - 10 yard dash, 3 year olds
  - 15 yard dash - 4 & 5 year olds
  - sack race - 4 & 5 year olds
    - ages 6 & up
  - 25 yard dash, ages 6-8
  - 25 yard dash, ages 9-12
  - 25 yard dash, ages 13-17
  - sack race, ages 6-10
  - sack race, ages 11-17
  - 3-legged race, 1 adult & 1 child
  - wheel barrow race, 1 adult & 1 child
  - 3 way relay, 1 adult & 2 children

The games will conclude with a Mom calling contest for all ages. (Dads may substitute)

The Columbus Zoo will be at the pool at 2 pm with a wonderful presentation again this year!

The Pet Show will be in the field west of the pool, July 4th, 6:30 pm

HELP! My co-chair, Michael Cirivello, is moving, and I need help the morning of the parade with the line-up, parade hosts, etc. Feel free to call me anytime.
Lynn Eisentrout
891-0895

MINERVA PARK RESIDENT
TO DO LAWN WORK
Reasonable rates
Call Jamin Hughes
523-3846

Squad 119 ...
Where are you?

In April Squad 119 made 74 runs; 19 runs into Blendon Township and 2 in Minerva Park.
Members volunteered a total of 1360 hours for the month, bringing the total for the year to 5109. Leading volunteers for the month were Renee Wood (112 hours), Frank Meredith (66), and Lee Eckert (58). Renee Wood leads year-to-date with 543 hours. The subject of the April training meeting was diabetic emergencies taught by Renee Wood, EMT-P.

The Mayor has accepted Barry Brownstein's resignation as Asst. Chief and Julie Speicher has been appointed acting Asst. Chief by Chief Garrabrandt.

The department is investigating the steps and resources necessary to convert the squad from a basic life support to an advanced life support unit.

Minerva Park runs:
Cleveland Ave. & 161 - auto accident
Cleveland Ave. - injured person
4-1-96 several checks issued to Gordon Food Service were returned for insufficient funds.

4-1-96 in the 2900 block of Minerva Lake Road person(s) unknown threw a piece of concrete through a living room window.

4-1-96 in the 2600 block of Alder Vista person(s) unknown threw a piece of concrete through a family room window.

4-1-96 in the 2500 block of Woodley person(s) unknown threw a piece of concrete through a bedroom window.

4-3-96 person(s) unknown did smash out the glass of the front of the Iron Pony, an undetermined amount of merchandise was taken.

4-5-96 dispatched to the Miller, Ranney Plumbing on Cleveland Avenue on a breaking and entering. False alarm.

4-9-96 dispatched to the 3000 block of Minerva Lake Road on a burglary in progress. False alarm.

4-9-96 dispatched to the 2700 block of Maplewood on a burglary in progress. False alarm.

4-11-96 dispatched to Total You on Cleveland Avenue on a breaking and entering. False alarm.

4-15-96 a resident in the 5000 block of Maplewood reported being harassed by a neighbor.

4-17-96 dispatched to the Iron Pony on a breaking and entering in progress. False alarm.

4-18-96 dispatched to the Iron Pony on a breaking and entering. False alarm.

4-18-96 person(s) unknown did gain entry into Sleep World on Cleveland Avenue through the roof.

4-19-96 person(s) unknown did gain entry to Sally Beauty Supply on Cleveland Avenue, several items taken.

4-19-96 in the 3000 block of Minerva Lake Road, person(s) unknown removed a license plate off a vehicle.

4-22-96 dispatched to the 2500 block of Briar Rose on a burglary in progress. False alarm.

4-23-96 person(s) unknown gained entry into Sally Beauty Supply and removed several items.

4-26-96 in the 2700 block of Jordan Rd. person(s) unknown gained entry into a resident and removed approx. $4000 worth of belongings.

4-26-96 dispatched to the 2700 block of Minerva Lake Rd. on a burglary in progress. False alarm.

4-29-96 dispatched to the 2500 block of Briar Rose on a burglary in progress. False alarm.

4-29-96 dispatched to the 2500 block of Briar Rose on a burglary in progress. False alarm.

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Thinking of Selling Your Home
Here's a Reason To Call
BONNIE LIMES
891-0180 or 882-5313

My Professional Goal Is To Exceed Your Expectations With A Genuine Commitment To Your Best Interests.

- Longtime Resident of Minerva Park
- Selling Homes in Minerva Park for the past 15 years.
- Past President of Northeast Area Realtors Association
- Member of the Columbus Board of Realtors
- $10 Million Dollar Club

Bonnie Limes
CRS, GRI

JOE WALKER & ASSOC.
This was a banner year for the magnolias. If you plan to plant one next year, remember that the white ones "star" usually are over before a late frost. The pink ones "saucer" usually get ruined. Sweetbay Magnolia bloom in June and are fragrant like the "star" ones. Lilacs too were numerous and colorful and smelled so good.

In May the following spots were admired: 5150 Lakeland Ct. with pink dogwood and lavendar azaleas, 2853 Lakewood with creeping blue phlox and red azaleas across the entire front, 2829 Lakewood with the Bechtel Crab which looks like it is covered with small pink roses, 2525 Lakewood with a mass of lavendar azaleas, 2520 Lakewood with a huge pink dogwood, the Maplewood playground with the 3 new Seargent Crabs blooming their hearts out, 2848 Maplewood with magenta and white creeping phlox hanging over the stone wall, 2814 Maplewood with a dogwood and Frances Williams Hostas plus yellow alyssum and magenta azaleas below, 2711 Maplewood - pink dogwood left of the front door, red azaleas and lavendar wild geraniums in the bed in front, 2645 Alder Vista - hot pink azaleas by the mailbox with deep purple violas and lots of tulips by the entry walk, 2807 Alder Vista - several hot pink and red azaleas.

(Flora listed many other homes, but due to space limitations we were unable to list them all. The Villager will try to list the additional homes in the next issue of the Villager.)

Things to do this month:

1. Prune spring blooming shrubs such as lilacs and forsythia now. If you wait, you may cut off next year's buds.
2. Check for euonymous scale early June - spray 3 times if needed.
3. Start watching alberta spruce for signs of browning when the weather turns hot and humid
4. Treat for sod web worms June 10-20 and for early old grubs. There is a new grub killer this year called Merit - Scott's and other companies have it. It can be applied from May on. It kills the young grubs; so it prevents future damage but it won't kill the existing adults.
5. Fertilize grass, evergreens, spring bulbs.
6. Pull up tree seedlings.
7. Watch for bag worms in late June.
MINERVA FAUNA

Spring has finally arrived. On February 22, nine Canada geese flew in from Hoover Dam. Two stayed to set up housekeeping. For three days a pied-billed grebe has been on the North Lake. They are divers much like loons. They kind of tip over and come up wherever you are not looking. Ernie Limes tells me they migrate this time of year from the southern swamps to Lake Erie. They will not nest here.

On a log in the creek behind my house, there suns a humongous snapping turtle, about the size of the lid to your trash can. Once, while bowfishing for carp, I winged and dragged ashore a turtle half the size of the current one. It weighed 35 lbs. I allowed it to run back in the lake.

They say "work is for folks who don't know how to fish." That may be true. I came here to fish for big-mouthed bass and got them on either lures or live bait. Today you have your choice of carp, catfish, or bluegills about the size of elm leaves. Some time way back, carp minnows were used for bait. They got lose and lived happily ever after. Once that takes place, they are bottom feeder and keep the mud stirred up. Eggs from game fish rot in the mud. As a result, dumping a leftover bucket of carp minnows in the lake one time has cost both lakes their game fish habitat. Such a waste.

On May 5th, a gosling hatched. The other egg was left for the coons. One day later, three additional little ones appeared with their parents.

On May 8th, a massive war broke out between nine geese. They attacked each other, swooped low, bit, flapped and generally made a remnant sale look mild. As quickly as it started, it was over. The fury of the pitched battle was remarkable. There was no way to figure the cause of it all.

Now on the 10th, all has returned to normal with cars full of kids stopping to see the young geese.

Richard L. Paugh
MINERVA PARK VILLAGE COUNCIL

Council met in regular session on May 13, 1996. All members were present except Jon Self.

Don Wipers, representing the Blendon, Westerville, Minerva Park District Board of St. Ann's Hospital, addressed the disposition of the bonds backed by those entities for St. Ann's Hospital. He reported that all the bonds will be paid off by St. Ann's. This should be completed some time in June.

Council passed legislation describing a PIP, planned industrial park. Council then approved a mini-storage facility at 5100 Westerville Road. Several variances were granted with no objections from the neighbors - side and rear yard setbacks, 25' easement and a 7' wrought iron fence.

Mayor Murray advised that he will attend a meeting to promote our application for a loan for waterline replacement on Minerva Lake Road. Joann Melsop, mayor's court clerk, is resigning. He and council need to work on legislation covering the work hours for this position.

Council approved $10,120 for street repairs - repair pot holes, some curb replacement and grinding in street where water puddles. The Village will seek bids for the slurry seal of the streets on the south side of the Park and to fill cracks on Minerva Lake Road.

The Village only received one bid for the 1996 leaf pick-up. Dave Stahr will advertise again.

Council passed the following legislation: the third readings of ordinances concerning health insurance for full time employees and uniforms for the police department. It accepted the first reading of an ordinance to raise the water surcharge on resident water bills. It accepted the first reading of a resolution placing an expiring 3.2 mil levy on the November ballot.

Mark Hayes, a Minerva Lake Road resident, asked council to reconsider the no smoking rule for the community building. The AA group that meets at the community building on Friday nights would like to be exempt from the rule. He will make a formal presentation next month.

Maplewood residents on the lots closest to the golf course asked council to vacate Reserve D and divide amongst the adjacent property owners.

Lee Rupp advised that Minerva Lake Road will be closed for 1 to 2 weeks when they lay the new roadway. He also would like to work with the Mayor on water problems that may occur as a result of the housing development on the west side of Cleveland Avenue. There's a concern that the development will dump too much water into Kilbourn Run.

Council met in executive session to discuss the vacating of Village easements. When council reconvened, the meeting was adjourned.

Betty Beatrice
Clerk Treasurer

If you would like to attend council meetings and write up the summary of their meeting for the Villager, please let me know. A summary written by someone in the audience may have better insight into what residents want to know about their Village government. Please call if interested. Betty Beatrice, 899-9246

Mayor's Corner

Cleveland Avenue and Maplewood - it looks like a summer of aggravation! Then, we can look forward to a nice wide street with lots of traffic! We have talked to Columbus about a traffic light. They have told us that we don't qualify based on low traffic count into and out of the Village.

We have just received word that our application for a loan to replace the waterlines on Minerva Lake Road was not approved. Although this is a great disappointment, the first round of the new Issue 2 program will be announced in July 1996. We will prepare and submit a new proposal at that time.

We have received additional grant money from the State to help with the cost of our third police officer. This is a program that supplements the federally funded COPS program.

While school is out for the summer, there will be more kids on the streets; so be alert while driving.

My other-in-law said, "In spite of everything, life is good."
PARK PERSONALITY

LARUE ETLING

96 YEARS OF AGE, LARUE HAS
GOT TO BE THE SENIOR RESIDENT
IN THE VILLAGE. WITH WIFE LERELLA,
HE LIVES AT 2590 WILLOWOOD ROAD.
HE HOPS AROUND LIKE A TREE-}
YEAR OLD, MAKES US KIDS IN THE BOYS AND
SOME A LOT YOUNGERS ASHAMED OF
OUR CREEKING JOINTS AND FUZZY BRAINS.

DID YOU MISS IT?

ON SATURDAY, APRIL 20, BOB STUART PRESENTED A
POCIFERIAL HISTORY OF MINERAL PARK WHICH YOU SHOULD SEE. IN
HIS RESEARCH, HE COVERED EVERYTHING. PEOPLE ATTENDED THE SHOW AT ELJON
SENIOR CENTER, BOB'S FAMILY HAD A PART IN IT. SEE EXPLANATION OF THE RULES.
WE ARE ALL INTERESTED IN OUR VALUE ORIGIN AND THIS IS THE ONLY COVER WE'VE
SEEN. AN ENCORE IS A MUST.

LET'S MAKE THIS 4TH A REALLY BIG BLAST
WORKING TOGETHER
IT WILL BE!

CONTACT LYNN EISENSTRUT OR MICHAEL CIRILLO WITH YOUR IDEAS AND OFFER TO HELP - HURRY!

LARRY & DUGAN

GOT+N'S NEXT WEEK. OUR NUMBER ONE ENTRANT TO THE PARK. ALL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH IT. HOWEVER, THERE'S ANOTHER FACT THAT BOB'S LAW, THE FIRST CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT, PROTECTING FREE SPEECH IS BEING SUPERCEDED BY A POLICILLY CORRECT SEMANTICS. SOME SCHOLDS THE 1ST AMENDMENT CAN PROMOTE ANYTHING THEY PLEASE. MISSION AND SENTIMENT INCLUDED, BUT THE REST OF US HAD TO KEEP OUR MOUTH'S SHUT. LEGAL ACTION AND MEDIA RUDICUOUS (HARLE SCHOTTLE) BING PENALTIES HERE IN THE VILLAGE. IT'S NOT TO DISCUSS WESTBRIDGE OR ANY OTHER BUT FORK NATURES TRAPPED DOWN ON THE BOOG DOCKS - SO BE IT.

LAIRY BOURHT A HUGELY BIG MACHINE AT THE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT AUCTON. WENT TO ASK HIM WHAT IT WAS FOR. HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW, SAID HE ONLY GOT IT FOR THE CATE TO MAKE CABINET DOORS.
Malibu Grand Prix Drivers wanted. Must be at least 60 years old, like to drive and compete. Call Lee Roth, 882-1294, or appear at Malibu on Schrock Road on Thursday mornings at 10:30 am. Tickets for practice runs are available for the Minerva Park Wild Ducks - our racing team.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

11th - Hayley Maslowski
Jessica Takacs

13th - Melissa Herrett

23rd - Clara Murray

24th - Karl Garrabrandt
Marybelle Current
Maebelle Wyman

26th - Decia Simms

27th - Jim Fischer
Cailyn Roebel

28th - Margo Washburn
Michael Dennis

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Approximately 80 residents turned out for the rezoning proposal on the 50.2 acre tract of land south of Maplewood Drive. The Columbus Development Commission voted 4-2 to disapprove the rezoning. The Northland Community Council is also against the rezoning being proposed. However, Columbus City Council can allow this property to be rezoned to LR-2, which is not commiserate with the homes in the area. We need each and every resident to write or fax a letter against the rezoning to the Columbus City Council members. We recommend that you focus your letter to emphasize the following:

1. This proposed development is not compatible with any of the surrounding communities (Brandywine, Blendon township, Forest Park, Minerva Park or the presently developing Minerva Park Place.) We need to stress the entire community.

2. A community with a mixture of home sizes creates a more stable and enduring neighborhood than one which is dominated by small houses which may rapidly become rentals.

3. Support the Northland Community Council position which calls for larger homes on larger lots with basements and 2 car garages.

4. Keep letter brief and courteous

Please write to the following;
Mike Coleman, chairman, zoning and planning
Peggy Fisher, former NCC president
John Kennedy
Jeanette Bradley
Matt Habash
Les Wright
M. D. Portman

address: 90 W. Broad Street, Columbus, 43215
fax: 645-6164

Although it is not scheduled at this point, we anticipate that the Columbus City Council hearing will be June 24. We need your help to circulate the petition on your street and we need you at the hearing. Please call Dan & Marty Matunas at 891-3024 or John & Barb Webber at 890-0951, if you can help.

Marty Matunas