Dave Stahr Named MPCA Duck Award Recipient

By Jenna McDevitt

The MPCA Duck Award recipient for 2000 is Dave Stahr. Dave and his wife, Jodi, have lived in the village for more than 20 years, and they have two children. He was presented with his plaque at the annual community Founder’s Day event on July 22, for his willingness to do just about anything in the name of volunteerism. He contributes in small ways that may go unnoticed, like picking up all the paddleboats for Founder’s Day and returning them, but he certainly contributes on a large scale as well. On Founder’s Day, he could be found securing and pushing off paddleboats to and from shore; during lake clean-up efforts, he is seen picking up trash and debris. He contributed to the success and implementation of the lake dredging project and the village entranceway markers. These are major accomplishments in the beautification and preservation of the village. He is also a council member and has served for as long as anyone can remember! (I didn’t want to ask him directly, and people couldn’t quite put a number to his years of service.) The village is very fortunate to have such a dedicated, hard-working and down-to-earth guy like Dave as a resident. For these reasons and many more, he has been honored with the Duck Award. Please congratulate him personally if you get a chance! We only hope that many more people will step up to the plate to keep our village a place we all want to live.

Villager to Stop Publication without New Editor(s)

The last issue of the Villager will be October if no one steps forward to take over as editor. Co-editors could share responsibilities. Residents have commented on how the Villager helps bring the community together and inform everyone of upcoming events. We need to be able to continue this flow of information by keeping the Villager in print. The main task monthly is gathering articles for the next newsletter. Computer skills are not necessary, as Sharon Bierman will continue to lay out the newsletter. For more information, please contact MPCA President Jenna McDevitt at 523-1603 or Villager co-Editor Ruth Crane at 895-9352.

Special Election Issue

To provide timely information about the upcoming November election, the October issue of the Villager will be distributed on October 30. The deadline for the October issue has been moved October 11.

MPCA Candidates’ Night
October 11, 7:00p
Community Building

SEPTEMBER DATES
11 (8:00p) .......... Council Meeting
13 (7:30p) .......... MPCA Meeting
13 ........ Directory Ads & Changes

OCTOBER DATES
9 (8:00p) .......... Council Meeting
11 (5:00p) .......... Villager Deadline
11 (7:00p) .......... Candidates’ Night
11 (7:30p) .......... MPCA Meeting
29 (2p - 4p) ...... Halloween Party
30 .............. Villager Distribution
The October MPCA meeting will once again feature a Candidates’ Night at 7:00p before its regular meeting. Refreshments will be served. Come and hear what issues the candidates are concerned about before placing your vote in the November election.

If you know of any candidates running for a position that would affect Minerva Park, please call Rolla Wagner at 895-2236 to make sure they are invited. All residents are invited to attend!

For a Howling Good Time
Annual MPCA Halloween Party
Sunday, October 29
2:00p - 4:00p
Community Building
Children should come in costume and will enjoy games and activities. Suzanne Coulter (891-7346) and Connie Rue (899-1360) are the Children’s Committee Co-Chairs and would appreciate your help in planning this and other children’s events in our community.

Please contact them to volunteer!

Positions Available on the MPCA
Do you enjoy the activities and events that the MPCA coordinates each year? Do you wonder how you could help out the community? If so, consider volunteering to fill one of the open positions on the MPCA.

The following positions are available: Garage Sale Coordinator, Scholarship Chair, Villager Editor, and Founders Day Coordinator. Some of these positions take very little time and could be shared between two or more residents. All of the positions allow you to become involved in the community and help us provide quality, enjoyable events and publications.

Please volunteer today! Call Jenna McDevitt, MPCA President, at 523-1603, today to join in the fun!

MPCA Resident Directory
A major MPCA contribution each year to the village is the annual Resident Directory. It includes important village phone numbers, contact people, dates, events, a listing of our residents, and advertising specifically tailored to our MP residents.

Please contact Sharon Bierman, 899-3755, if you would like to advertise in the directory or if you need to report any changes in your resident listing.

Deadline - September 13

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Usually, we don’t have August council meetings, but this August we had more than one. Council passed resolutions to ...

- Award a trash hauling contract to Rumpke Waste for two years, beginning in September. The monthly rate will be $5,688.
- Correct an error in the original resolutions to renew our 1.9 mil levy. The amount remains the same, but because of a typing error, we were advised to correct the error with a revised Resolution and deliver it to the Franklin County Board of elections along with a letter of explanation. This was done.
- Award the Chief of Police a bonus of $700 each year for 1998 and 1999.
- Authorize the mayor to prepare and submit a proposal requesting funds from the state to rebuild and/or replace Minerva Lake Road.

Most of our police officers have completed training and are now certified on the use of a defibrillator. This unit will be carried in the on-duty police cruiser. Dr. Jeffrey Hunter conducted the training and certification at no cost to the village.

The tops of our fire hydrants are being repainted to comply with a Columbus directive. They may also have a reflective finish if things work out according to plan.

Council approved a request by the Fire Chief for an expenditure of $10,000 for a 900 MHz class radio dispatching system. This system is necessary so we will be compatible with systems being used by other municipalities.

AT&T and AEP have finally gotten together and decided who should remove the unused poles throughout the park. I hope they do it this time.

Planning & Zoning approved a permit for a deck on Park Lane Court.

In reviewing some old council minutes (June 1975), I noted that one of our most vigorous geese complainants, a council member at that time, announced that he would “try to come up with some solutions to the geese problems at the lakes.” I think Dick is still trying.

My mother-in-law says, “If a man can’t think for himself, he should get married!”

Minerva Park’s Only Restaurant

Grand Opening - Next to Sally’s Beauty Supply

Barada CAFE

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Sure to be the local MP hangout, this restaurant and specialty market offers a variety of foods & conversations sure to please everyone. Gourmet coffees & ice creams, Italian ices, smoothies - salads - soups - sandwiches - sauces & marinades - dipping oils - bread & focaccia mixes - teas & spices - scones - bagels & cream cheese - Greek, Italian, Mid-Eastern & Gourmet American foods.

Catering - Custom Gift Baskets - Market

MP Directory Update

Report any changes in your resident listing. Advertise in the directory.

Sharon Bierman, 899-3755

Deadline - September 13
Welcome Our New Neighbors!

Eric & Julie Collet, Aaron (5), and Emily (2) are the new residents at 2787 Minerva Lake Road - from Washington State. 876-9031.

Victor Deppe now lives at 2653 Alder Vista Dr. (formerly of Ponderosa Dr.). 890-5750.

Jennie Baincone is the new resident at 2901 Kerrwood Dr. 882-4815. Her daughter, Iida Blateri, lived close.

If you learn of any new residents, please advise the Newcomers Committee Jim Kehl, 794-0047.

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Floral Tributes Party Work
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Mon-Fri ▪ Sat 9am-5pm
City-Wide Delivery
Flowers Wired Anywhere

899-9338

Collectibles ▪ Gift Baskets ▪ FREE Wedding Consultation

OHIO When getting or renewing your license plates, indicate Minerva Park as your residence. Some of that motor vehicle money comes back to the village, and it may save you money!
Thank You!

By Rick Hoechstetter, Chief

The Fire Department would like to thank all of the people who helped make our part of the Founders Day Celebration a success.

Thanks go to the box maze engineers: Dept. Members Greg Norton, Lt. Mike Ostrander, and resident Tim Monaco; crew (and servers) Lt. Ostrander, Lt. Wayne Miller, and John Rains; superb grillmen Jeff Howard and Jim Hughes, and to residents Ann Hughes, Lori Howard, Jenna McDevitt, Nancy and Harry Fry, Felicia and Lou Busick, and Dave Stahr and his crew.

We would also like to thank Continental Office Furniture, VP Ralph Rosenfield, Warehouse Supervisor Dennis Carson, and Night Warehouse Supervisor Terry Lamb for the tremendous supply of boxes.

And thanks to the children of Minerva Park for their fine attempt to take the prize for the Guinness Book of World Records' largest pinata. It appeared to be as much fun to destroy the maze as it was to play in it.

Web Sites of Interest

The following websites may be of interest to residents as they look ahead to the fall season. Enjoy!

Fall Vegetable Gardening
http://www.ext.vt.edu/pubs/envirohort/general/fallvege.html This link is created by the Virginia Cooperative Extension. It includes the following topics:
- Planting for a Fall Harvest
- Preparing Soil for Winter
- Care of Fall Crops
- Care of Garden Equipment

Halloween Safety
http://www.esafety.com/esafety_cfmfiles/esafety.cfm/1160 This link is part of the Parenthood web family site. The title of this section is “13 Halloween Safety Tips for Little Ghosts and Goblins.”

Angela's Pizza

DELIVERY
Sun - Thu 4:30p to midnight
Fri - Sat 4:30p to 12:45a

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September 2000 Minerva Park Villager expires 11-31-00
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- Longtime Resident of Minerva Park
- Selling Homes in Minerva Park for the past 15 Years
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777-4806

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Factory - Showroom
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The Villager is distributed to all MP homes on the 2nd Monday of each month inside a plastic hang bag - either alone or with advertising flyers. Residents are invited to submit articles & other items of interest. Use the drop box at the Community Building, on DeAnna Kem’s front door, 3237 Minerva Lake Rd., or on Ruth Crane's front door, 2807 Wildwood Rd.

A business-card size ad costs $15 and must be prepaid. The Villager reserves the right to refuse publication of any item submitted. All items presented for publication must include the contributor’s signature and phone number.

Next deadline:  
Wednesday, October 11, 5:00 p.m.