A Message from Your Editor
By Marty Matunas

Spring has definitely sprung in Minerva Park! The flowering crabapples and cherry trees seem to have bloomed more beautifully than in years past. If you did not catch the daffodil show at the Lude’s (2806 Maplewood), be sure to mark your calendar for next year. More than 5,000 bulbs were put in last fall, resulting in spectacular color. The second phase of the landscaping at the lake is complete. Take a moment to notice how nicely it enhances the area.

Now is the time to for all of us to look at spring clean-up in our own yards. How is the view from the street? How is the view from the neighbor’s yard? Any trash receptacles kept outside (but out of sight from the street) should have lids firmly secured. Lids are provided for your paper recyclables to keep paper from blowing all over the neighborhood on trash day. Take a moment to walk your property, looking for anything that could harbor rainwater. Discarded toys, forgotten flowerpots, uncovered sand boxes, or a low spot in the yard can become breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

Notice of Public Hearing

Community Building
May 13 - 7:00p

On the 13th day of May, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of Minerva Park Community Building, located at 2829 Minerva Lake Road, the Council for the Village of Minerva Park will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed rezoning of the lot at 5309-5311 Westerville Road and the vacant lot contiguous to 5309-5311 Westerville Road located on East Granville Road (Old State Route 161). These lots are currently zoned for neighborhood commercial use per Minerva Park Codified Ordinances Section 1256.01 et seq. The proposed rezoning would zone the property as community commercial per Minerva Park Codified Ordinances Section 1258.01 et seq.

Suzanne Coulter
Clerk/Treasurer

Editor’s Note - The legalese below means ... remember where the Iron Pony and later the Minerva Park Farmer’s Market used to be at 161 & Westerville Road? It may become a used-car lot. Attend the public hearing to voice your opinion.

Special Voters’ Issue
Tuesday
May 7
Review our ballot on page 6.

Registration deadline to get on the map - May 11. This is your Community Association’s largest fund-raiser, so we request registered sales only, of course. Only $5 and 10% of your proceeds buys you extensive group advertising and a packet of supplies. The registration form is on page 5.
As of mid-April, we have quite a few residents registered for the Garage Sale. As you can see on page 4, your MPCA is doing something a little different this year. We are linking up with other organizations to benefit individuals and families in need of clothing, furniture, appliances, etc., to set up households, and to pursue career changes.

The Center for New Directions helps women in transition, usually recovering from abusive situations and trying to build new lives for themselves and for their children. It provides career counseling, training & instruction, and makes business attire available to women going on job interviews. If you have any women’s business attire, shoes, purses, or jewelry, simply call Pam Cutshaw, 882-4142, who is sponsoring a clothing drive to benefit the Center for New Directions ... M-F 8-5.

Material Assistance Providers helps families get reestablished with larger household items ... appliances, sofas, chairs, beds, tables, refrigerators, stoves, dressers, washers & dryers. They assist more than 100 local agencies, refugees, fire & robbery victims, and the homeless & people living in shelters trying to move into low-income housing. You can call for a Tuesday pick-up at 276-5048.

SEWERS

Sewer back-ups into your home are NOT automatically covered by your homeowner’s insurance. You need to call your insurance agent for special coverage.
MAYOR’S REPORT

By Jack Murray

Council met on April 8 with one member absent.

The village solicitor, Narcus Tsiliacos, announced that he will be absent from his office for about a month following hip surgery. Pat Mangan, an attorney and MP resident, will serve as solicitor during Narcus’ absence.

The owners of the property at Westerville Rd. and old Dublin-Granville Rd. (where the Iron Pony used to be) appeared before council and requested through their attorney that their property be rezoned from neighborhood commercial to community commercial. The requested change was first presented to the Planning & Zoning Commission, which then forwarded it to council with a split vote. A public hearing will be held on May 13 at 7:00p in the Community Building.

We have had some major sewer problems these past few weeks, both in the sanitary system and the storm sewer drains. Although we thought this problem had been taken care of, obviously it needs more attention.

Editor’s Note - Sewer back-ups into your basement are NOT covered under homeowner’s insurance … you need to call your insurance agent for a special rider for coverage.

The one problem on Lakeland Court resulted in a dye test in the sanitary system, which revealed that some sanitary lines were connected to the storm drains. This then resulted in a major reconstruction program. We hope we don’t have many more of these connections.

The Ohio Public Works Commission has notified us that our request for funding to replace Minerva Lake Road has been forwarded to the small government committee for its consideration. They have received a request for funds in the amount of $52 million. The funds available are approximately $19.9 million. The commission is expecting to announce the awards in mid-May.

The Planning & Zoning Commission reported that a fence permit on Maplewood was approved and a shed permit was approved for a property on Cleveland Ave., but with some restrictions.

A complaint has been received regarding an unfinished shed on Jordan Rd. The property owner agreed to complete the construction.

Our Planning & Zoning ordinances are being revised and should be ready for review at the May council meeting.

Somebody said, “Worrying about something that may never happen is like paying interest on money you may never borrow.”

Golf Course Update

By Dave Stahr, Councilman

We are still in the appraisal process. Additional information will be provided via the Villager as it develops. You may direct any questions or concerns to Dave Stahr at 890-8819.

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Michael Grosh, Horticulturalist
You finally decided to sell it, but it DIDN’T! Now what do you do?

Here are a couple of great alternatives. If you have newer or gently used items, please give these organizations your support.

See you again at next year’s Garage Sale!

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**Minerva Fauna**

*By Carolyn Hughes*

I have always enjoyed the beautiful trees of our neighborhood. Driving along our tree-lined streets always brings me a sense of homecoming. It seems the birds & critters enjoy our wooded areas, as well. I thought it would be enjoyable to begin a Minerva Fauna column. We can share animal & bird sightings and pet stories.

A yellow-bellied sapsucker came to visit me on March 23 and again on April 2. I was excited to see this daring little bird from the woodpecker family at my feeder! In fact, I even e-mailed several friends & family members. These birds only migrate through Ohio, so I was lucky to see him. He sported a red cap and a red throat, with black & white stripes at his eye. And, of course, he had a yellow belly. Here is a drawing of my feathered friend.

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**What to do with ...**

**UNSOLD GARAGE SALE STUFF**

**Women’s Business Attire & Career Items, Clothing, Jewelry, Shoes**

**Pam Cutshaw 882-4142**

is coordinating a clothing drive to benefit **Center for New Directions**

Call Pam Mon-Fri 8:00a-5:00p

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Enclosed is my check for $5, payable to “Minerva Park Community Association,” for participation in the MPCA 2002 annual garage sale FUND-RAISER. Additionally, I will submit 10% of my proceeds.

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Below are representations of the ballot you’ll be seeing at the polls this election.

### Republican Primary
- **Governor & Lt. Governor**
  - Bob Taft & Jennette Bradley
- **Attorney General**
  - Jim Petro
- **State Auditor**
  - Betty Montgomery
- **Secretary of State**
  - J. Kenneth Blackwell
- **State Treasurer**
  - Joseph T. Deters
- **12th District US Rep**
  - Pat Tiberi
- **MULTIPLE Justices of OH Supreme Court**
  - Maureen O’Connor
  - Evelyn L. Stratton
- **MULTIPLE Judges of 10th District Court of Appeals**
  - Charles R. Petree
  - Lisa L. Sadler
  - William A. Klatt
- **MULTIPLE State Central Committee Members**
  - Robert W. Tracy
  - JoAnn Davidson
- **State Senator - 3rd District**
  - David Goodman
- **State Rep - 12th District**
  - Linda Reidelbach
- **MULTIPLE Judges Court of Common Pleas**
  - Daniel T. Hogan
  - David W. Fais
  - Richard S. Sheward
  - Michael J. Holbrook
  - Dana Suzanne Preisse
  - Kim A. Browne
  - Lawrence A. Belskis
- **County Commissioner**
  - Dewey R. Stokes
- **County Auditor**
  - Joe Testa
- **County Treasurer**
  - Wade Steen
- **County Central Committee**
  - Kevin Bacon

### Democrat Primary
- **Governor & Lt. Governor**
  - Timothy Hagan & Charleta Tavares
- **Attorney General**
  - Leigh Herington
- **State Auditor**
  - Helen Knipe Smith
- **Secretary of State**
  - Bryan Flannery
- **State Treasurer (pick 1)**
  - Willis E. Blackshear
  - Mary O. Boyle
- **12th District US Rep (pick 1)**
  - Edward S. Brown
  - Al Warner
- **MULTIPLE Justices of OH Supreme Court**
  - Tim Black
  - Janet R. Burnside
- **MULTIPLE Judges of 10th District Court of Appeals**
  - Deborah P. O’Neill
  - Gary Tyack
  - Mark S. Froehlich
- **MULTIPLE State Central Committee Members**
  - Allan Donaldson OR Joe Rugola
  - Yvonne Donaldson OR Kathy Malone
- **State Senator - 3rd District**
  - Debra A. Payne
- **State Rep - 12th District**
  - Lori M. Tyack
- **MULTIPLE Judges Court of Common Pleas**
  - Joseph Mas
  - John P. Johnson II
  - Jennifer L. Brunner
  - Patsy A. Thomas
  - Adam Clay Miller
- **County Commissioner**
  - MaryEllen O’Shaughnessy
- **County Auditor**
  - William G. McCarty
- **County Treasurer**
  - Richard Cordray

### Tax Levy
- Replacement - Franklin County Senior Citizen Services, at a rate not exceeding .85 mill 5 years, commencing in 2002 = $.085 for each $100 of valuation.

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**Welcome Our New Neighbors!**

Abdonasser & Ratiba Abdouni, Omar, & Hiba are new residents at 3016 Carleton Court, from Strawberry Farms area. 890-4091

Mark & Tammi Creamer, Zachary, & Jacob now live at 2832 Maplewood Dr., from Worthington. 882-5444

Tim Rannebarger is a new resident at 2818 Minerva Lake Rd., 882-7827

Greg & Anita Purdy live at 2783 Alder Vista Dr., from Centerburg & Columbus. 882-8203

If you learn of any new residents, please advise the Newcomers Committee Jim Kehl, 794-0047
3-14 .. 9:00a, several offices at 2999 E. Dub-Gran reported broken into
3-15 .. 3:23p, 2800 blk Lakewood Dr., false alarm
3-17 .. 2600 blk Wildwood Rd., theft during 3-1 to 3-9 reported
3-19 .. 1:34a & 6:15a, 2600 blk Minerva Lake Rd., menacing threats
3-21 .. 12:39p, 2600 blk Minerva Lake Rd., false alarm
3-22 .. 2:30p, 5320 Cleveland Ave., criminal damaging
3-30 .. 4:40p, U.S. Cleaners, 5424 Cleveland Ave., dispute over cleaning
March 2002

In March, Medic 119 made 37 runs - 4 into Blendon Township (exclusive of MP) and none into Minerva Park; 17 patients were transported to the hospital.

Members volunteered a total of 456 hours for the month, bringing the total for the year-to-date to 1,302. Leading volunteers for the month were Tony Huffman (97 hours), Mike Ostrander (56 hours), and Rick Hoechstetter (52 hours).
EMIL’S BARBER SHOP
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(Located in the Bio Medic Building)
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The Villager is distributed to all MP homes on the 1st 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 inside the front door at the Community Building. 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. The Villager is online at:

http://www.dev-bureau.com/access.asp
username = m pca    password = villager

Next deadline:  
Wednesday, May 15, 5:00 p.m.