**From the Editor**

*by Marty Matunas  
MPCA President*

It has certainly been a busy few months since taking over as MPCA President. Between collecting Community Assn dues, editing the Villager, emceeing Candidates Night, the Halloween Party, Carriage Rides, and the Christmas Party ... I can hardly wait for January!

The Children’s Christmas Party will be December 21 from 2-4p, and the Carriage Rides are later that evening, from 5:30-8:30p.

We are in dire need of helpers for the Carriage Rides to help prepare food and set up & tear down. If you can help with either the Christmas Party or the Carriage Rides, please call me at 891-3024 or email me at martha1@columbus.rr.com. I travel for work every other week, so I may not call back immediately. Please bear with me.

It was wonderful to see the great turnout for Candidates Night. Estimates were at 65-70 residents. Several people voiced the concern that residents feel uninformed. Council meetings are on the 2nd Monday of the month at 8:00p, and MPCA meetings are the Wednesday following at 7:30p. Plan on attending one or both of these meetings in the coming months. No matter who wins the upcoming mayoral election, we are all still neighbors who must work together for the common good. Don’t forget to VOTE!

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**Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides in MP**

Sunday, December 21  
5:30p - 8:30p

**Reservations Required**

Deadline Dec 19, 9:00p. Mail or deliver written reservations to:  
Lynn Eisen Trout  
2753 Wildwood Rd. 43231  
Phone reservations or written reservations dropped off at the Community Building cannot be accepted.

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**SPECIAL VOTERS EDITION**

MP Village Officials  
Blendon Officials  
Judges  
Westerville Board of Education  
Westerville School Tax  
Constitutional Amendment

**VOTE**  
Nov. 4

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MPCA News

Community Assn Dues
by Marty Matunas
MPCA President & Villager Editor

The new resident directories are being distributed. Community Association dues remain $10 - what a bargain! If your volunteer misses you, please mail or deliver your dues in the envelope provided, but please make every effort to pay your volunteer on the first visit.

We need volunteers to collect dues & deliver directories. If you can help, call Marilyn Herboltzheimer at 882-0455.

Minerva Flora News
by Bob Gale

Thanks to Lisa Craddock; Sue Craiglow; Jim Fischer; Marty Grosh; Ted Hamilton; Jim Kehl; Janet & Carrie Kohn; Steve Thitoff; Todd, Sharon, & Emily Walter; and Bill Zipperlen for their help in cleaning MinervaFlora gardens. In early October, Oakland Nursery put in another bed in the Mary Yost bequest plan at the head of the south lake near the Kilbourne Run entrance. As the plantings mature, they will make a colorful sight from across the lake from the dam path area.

Squeaky Clean
of Westerville
Blaine Allen
895-9632

Power Washing - Hot & Cold
Painting - All Interior & Exterior Surfaces

Joshua
Buckingham's
Mowing & Trimming

MP Special
Lawn Aerating - $40 most lawns
890-5316

Aerate this fall for a healthier, greener lawn in 2004

Pager Numbers

STREETS & SEWER COMMITTEE
EMERGENCY PAGER  628-1097
• Sanitary sewer back-ups in the main line.
• Storm sewer back-ups.
• Missing STOP signs or other road conditions that result in MAJOR safety issues.
• Trees down in village streets.
• Snow removal missed plowing your street.
• Pot holes large enough to cause safety issues.

SERVICE COMMITTEE
EMERGENCY PAGER  628-1098
• Garbage pick-ups
• Water main breaks.
• Major mosquito control issues.
• Major leaf pick-up issues.

Use these pagers for emergencies ...
MAYOR’S REPORT

by Jack Murray

Fall time again! Took longer than usual this year. I would like to remark about the beauty of the fall leaves, but when they cover my yard and I have to rake them to the street, somehow their beauty turns to work and is less attractive.

Our council meeting came to order October 13 with all members present. Before the conclusion of the meeting, Councilman Don Cox submitted his resignation. He explained that his job required that he be absent from the Village for extended periods of time and would not be able to attend many of the scheduled meetings.

I had a productive meeting with the Field Representative for the Ohio Municipal League who brought me up-to-date on a number of issues before the Ohio Legislature, one being the proposed legislation concerning Home Rule. This issue involves the ability of a municipality to govern themselves within the bounds of the Ohio Revised Code. This is how we are doing it now, and in my opinion we should continue. Another issue is the requirement that officers of the Village government be residents of the Village. We only have one such person, our Fire Chief. We have made special provisions so that he may live outside the Village but still retain the position of Fire Chief.

There was no legislation presented.

Planning & Zoning reported the approval of the construction of a water barrier for a depressed driveway on Minerva Lake Road.

We will continue to perform the necessary tests to assure that our sewer drains are open. We will contract with a company that will examine and clean storm drains as needed.

Tim Rannebarger, a Minerva Park resident, was awarded a contract to pick up and dispose of our leaves. He will probably have started by the time you read this.

The pool had some major wind damage. The insurance will cover only a portion of the work that needs to be done. It is expected that the Village may be requested to participate in the cost of the repairs.

Following the committee reports, there was considerable discussion on matters of concern to the residents present.

I’ve heard it said that “Nobody ever grows old enough never to be foolish again.”
Minerva Park’s Ballot

Below are representations of the ballot you’ll be seeing at the polls this election.
You may make your selections on this sheet and take it with you to the polls.

### Minerva Park

**Mayor**
- Lynn Eisentrout
- Martin Grosh
- Jack R. Murray

**Clerk-Treasurer**
- Suzanne R. Coulter
- Loree B. Cox

**Council**
- Don Champney

### Blendon Township

**Trustee**
- Jerry L. Ward

**Clerk**
- Wade L. Estep

### Westerville

#### School Tax Levy

An additional tax for the benefit of the Westerville City School District for the purpose of **CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES** at a rate not exceeding 7.5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to $0.75 for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of three years, commencing in 2003, first due in the calendar year 2004.
- [ ] For the tax levy
- [ ] Against the tax levy

#### Vote for not more than TWO

- Doug Banton
- Cindy Crowe
- Alex Heckman
- Max Machuta

#### Constitutional Amendment

The proposed amendment would:
1. Be for the purpose of creating jobs and stimulating economic growth in Ohio.
2. Authorize state & local governments to issue bonds and provide other financial assistance to support “science and technology based research and development purposes,” including new product development and commercialization, capital formation, operating costs, public & private institutions of higher education, research organizations, institutions, or facilities, and private sector business and industry, as may be provided for by state or local law.
3. Limit to $500,000 the total principal amount of state general obligations issued under this amendment, and limit the amount that can be borrowed in any one fiscal year to no more than $50,000,000 plus the principal amount of those obligations that in any prior fiscal year could have been but were not issued, except that not more than $100,000,000 of principal amount of those obligations may be issued in the first fiscal year of issuance.
4. Authorize the state to participate or to assist in the financing of “science and technology based research and development purposes” undertaken by local governmental or private sector entities; authorize state-supported and state-assisted institutions of higher education and local public agencies to issue bonds or other obligations to pay their costs of participating in and implementing those purposes; and specify that these activities would be public purposes not subject to the Ohio Constitution’s prohibitions regarding lending aid and credit.
5. Require that these obligations mature no later than Dec 31 of the 20th calendar year after issuance, except that obligations issued to refund or retire other obligations must mature no later than Dec 31 of the 20th calendar year after the year in which the original obligation to pay was issued or entered into.

Shall the proposed amendment be adopted?
- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Municipal Court Judges
- W. William Pollitt, Jr. - R
- Ted Barrows - D
- Carrie Glaeden - R
- Janet A. Grubb - D
- Paul Herbert - R
- Charles A. Schneider - R
- Anne Taylor - D
- Julia L. Dorrian - D
- Julie M. Lynch - R
- Mark S. Froehlich - D

Environmental Division
- Harland H. Hale - R
- John Hykes - D
Below is brief information about the candidates. Don’t forget to VOTE!

**Mayor**

**Lynn Eisentrout** (50)
- eisentrout-mayor.com
- MP council - 7 yr (3 as pres)
- Grant coordinator for pool renovation project - $65,000
- Modernized & expanded MP’s police force, established funding
- Continued funding for MP’s EMS through Blendon Twp contract
- MP Cmty Assn - 5 yr (3 as pres)
- MP Civic Assn - 17 yr (2 as pres)
- Blendon Twp admin - 2 yr
- Northland Cmty Council Dev Comm - zoning (5 yr), Board (8 yr)
- Solid Waste Mgt Authority - 2 yr
- Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission - 2 yr
- St. Ann’s Westerville, Blendon, MP joint hospital district - VP & board member
- Paralegal & Notary Public

Wants ...
- fiscal responsibility — including a detailed look at the debt load, an aggressive pursuit of grants & other outside funding, and revisiting the income tax issue ...
- a broader tax base could ease the burden on us all. Grants are not long-term solutions. Need to fund streets, golf course, pool, & dam rehab - 4 big projects.
- safety — continued 24-hr police coverage, pursue add’l funding, stiffer fines in Mayor’s Court to be a deterrent to crime.
- communication — Mayor’s availability 5 days/week, evening & Saturday hrs. You have a right to know what’s happening ...
- website ... many ways to reach officials & access village info.

**Marty Grosh** (66)
- 38+ yrs with AEP
- Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (10 yrs)
- Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) Board of Directors
- Chambers of Commerce - Dublin, Worthington, Grove City, Upper Arlington, Hilliard, Grandview-Marble Cliff, Mt. Sterling
- MPCA member - 2 yrs as treasurer
- MP Council - 1998-2001, Street Committee chairman
- Instrumental in establishing position of MP Code Enforcement Officer

Wants to ...
- Investigate sewer problems & seek solution
- Expedite Minerva Lake Rd project
- Establish street improvement program
- Support Police Dept. & continue to provide safe environment
- Establish street/service dept.
- Exhaust all means to see that pool remains operating
- Attempt to resolve differences of all parties to take over operations of golf course
- Review existing funds & determine what must be done to allow our many projects to be completed

**Jack Murray, incumbent** (71)
- jackmurray-mayorsreport.net
- 2 terms as mayor
- MP council - 2 terms
- Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission - 10 yrs
- Emergency Mgt Agency - 8 yrs
- Obtained funding for waterline replacements, completion of Westbridge Rd, Jordan Rd replacement
- Negotiated trash collection contract & initiated leaf pick-up
- Created Planning & Zoning code
- Developed no-fee relationship with Columbus Fire Dept.
- Instrumental in codification of MP ordinances.
- Developed agreements with Franklin Co. & Columbus for housing inspections
- Franklin Co. Health Brd member

Wants to ...
- Build a Senior Citizens facility
- Enlarge Community Bldg
- Evaluate road repair & seek funds
- Rebuild & improve EMS
- Acquire & develop golf course
- Develop Parks & Rec Dept

**Minerva Park**

**COMPUTE THE TAX FOR YOUR PROPERTY**

Go to ... http://64.56.97.159
Do the search for your property and then click on the LEVY INFO tab to see how tax levies affect you.
Candidates

Minerva Park

**Clerk-Treasurer**

**Suzanne R. Coulter, incumbent**

- 6 years as MP Treasurer
- Chosen by State Auditors Office to assist in training other treasurers
- Changed the Village accounting system from completely manual to a State-approved computerized system
- Endorsed by Minerva Park Police, MP EMS, and MP Swim Club Board
- Chairperson of MPCA Children’s Committee for 5 years

**Loree B. Cox**

[Editor’s Note] At Candidates Night, Loree Cox, candidate for Clerk-Treasurer, distributed literature that alluded to “improper activities in the Clerk-Treasurers Office.” Complaints have been filed against Loree Cox with the Ohio Elections Commission, as a possible violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 3517.21B(10). At press time for this newsletter, this issue had not yet been resolved, so we are unable to publish her literature here.

**Council**

**Don Champney**

- 20 years on Council
- Northland Community Council - Representative (8 yrs), VP in 1995, Development Committee
- Builders Exchange of Central Ohio - Board (5 yrs) & President
- MP Community Assn chair
- MPCA Duck Award - 1997
- Issues include revenues, sewer & street maintenance, pool & golf course, police & EMS, dam.

Westerville

**Board of Education**

**Doug Banton**

- BS, Organizational Admin
- Coach, Westerville Parks & Recreation programs
- 18 years in private sector managing large complex projects with multi-million dollar budgets and large diverse teams
- Contributed to elementary and middle school redistricting efforts in 2002
- Lower student-to-teacher ratio
- Improve accountability
- New programs to measure results
- Give residents a voice

**Cindy Crowe**

Currently VP of the Board of education, personnel liaison, and hearing officer.
- Ohio Reads grant writing & volunteer
- Westerville ... Education Foundation VP & Chamber of Commerce Education Committee & Parent Council
- Rotary Club 4th of July parade
- Read Across America volunteer
- Kidsvoting USA
- High school redesign committee
- OH School Board Assn delegate
- Push for open and straightforward communication

**Alex Heckman**

- Professor, public admin & B.S. in Education - Capital University
- Certified School Teacher
- Masters & doctoral candidate in public admin - OSU
- Former performance auditor in Ohio Auditors office.
- Former budget & policy analyst for Ohio Legislature
- Former asst director Otterbein College Career Center
- New leadership - audit to identify costs savings & improve operations
- Use audit to help lower taxes & provide additional resources for additional activities
- heckmanforschoolboard.info

**Max Machuta**

- BS, psychology & business - Wayne State
- General Mgr of Budget car sales
- Need greater proficiency in math & reading
- Top 3 issues are school funding, communication, & improving educational experience of students

Caveat Emptor - Candidate information is from campaign literature & local newspapers. MPCA does not endorse any candidate and is not responsible for content or errors. This recap is provided here so you can become familiar with our own particular ballot before you arrive at the polls. Study the issues. Make up your own mind. Go VOTE!
**Cranberry Orange Relish**

Wash 4 cups fresh cranberries. Finely chop the cranberries and 1 orange (with peel and pulp) in food processor. Stir in 2 cups sugar. Mix, cover, and refrigerate for 3 hours.
Minervia Park Swim Club
by Teresa Bridgette

Summer has come and gone and with it, some great memories. The pool board would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of you who supported the pool this year! Unfortunately, there were some missed days because of inclement weather conditions beyond our control, but we hope Mother Nature will lean a little easier on us next season.

Once again, the swim lessons were a great success, and we hope to see all of you back next year to further your accomplishments. The Family Night was a huge success with lots of fun, music, and games. On a sad note, and again because of adverse weather conditions, we had to cancel the annual corn roast. This was a major disappointment as we had planned to make this event very enjoyable for everyone. Hopefully we can make up for it next season.

On closing, we would like to encourage you to share any ideas you might have regarding the pool. The Pool Board Members are eager to bring you some enjoyable events, and we would gladly welcome any suggestions you might have. Although we now have 10 board members, additional members would be warmly welcomed. As they say, "the more the merrier."

"Many Thanks," and we hope to see all of you next year.
Minerva Park
Police

9-6 .... 1:17p, 2500 blk Maplewood, assault
9-6 .... 9:00p, 5200 blk Elmhurst, criminal damaging reported
9-8 .... 11:00a, Newcomer-Farley Funeral, 3047 E. Dub-Gran, criminal damaging reported
9-8 .... 8:15p, 5300 blk Ponderosa, aggravated burglary reported
9-9 .... 5:10p, 2800 blk Lakewood Dr., telephone harassment
9-10 .. 5:32a, Yasmin Market, 5444 Cleveland, false alarm
9-10 .. 8:30a, 2500 blk Lakewood, water pollution
9-13 .. 9:15a, 2600 blk Lakewood, criminal mischief reported
9-15 .. 9:59a, Lowes Auto, 5309 Westerville Rd., false alarm
9-16 .. 1:17a, Business Professionals, 5454 Cleveland Ave., false alarm
9-16 .. 12:30p, Hawthorne School, theft reported
9-17 .. 5:35p, Business Professionals, 5454 Cleveland Ave., false alarm
9-22 .. 1:54p, Maple Chiropractic, 5320 Cleveland, false alarm
9-24 .. 10:51a, 2900 blk Kerrwood, false alarm
9-28 .. 9:00a, Crystallyn Hair Salon, 5430 Cleveland, breaking & entering reported

Sweet Potato Casserole
3 - 3½ cubed (cooked) sweet potatoes or yams
3/4 c. sugar
2 beaten eggs
1/2 stick butter (melted)
1/2 cup milk
1/2 - 1 tsp. vanilla
1/2 tsp. salt
Mix all ingredients together and combine in casserole, 9x11 or 3 qt. dish.
Mix together ½ c. flour and 1 tsp. baking powder.
Mix together 1 c. light brown sugar, 1 c. chopped pecans, and ½ stick butter (room temp).
Mix these all together and sprinkle over casserole.
Bake approx. 35 min at 350 deg. Optional: Put marshmallows on top the last few minutes of baking.

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Michael Rosati

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Donatos Pizza
Northland Plaza
Exp 12-31-03

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username = mpca
password = villager

Babysitting
Gina Mussio, age 12
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• Superior customer service
• Highest standard of integrity & professional service

Faulkner GMAC
Real Estate
Special Voters’ Issue

Tuesday November 4

Review our ballot & learn about the candidates on pages 4-6...

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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.”

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- Selling Homes in Minerva Park for the past 20 Years
- Past President of the Northeast Area Realtors Association
- Member of the Columbus Board of Realtors $25 Million Club

Bonnie Limes
CRS, GRI

Joe Walker & Assoc.

Minerva Park
the Villager

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

Next deadline:
Wednesday, November 12, 5:00 p.m.