Council Vacancy

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Golf Tournament

August 8, The Turtle Golf Club (formerly Little Turtle Country Club) 5400 Little Turtle Way - Westerville

Support businesses of the Northland Area Business Association at this 3rd annual NABA golf tournament. All proceeds from the day’s events will assist NABA in its “Shop Northland First” mission of making Northland a great place to do business and helping your Northland-area business grow. Contact event organizer Chuck Wolfe with all your inquiries. You can call him at 614-337-9620 or email at wolfassoc@yahoo.com.

Back by Popular Demand

Evening of Wine & Cheese Saturday, August 19 9:00p to midnight Minerva Park Pool

Minerva Park residents and their guests are invited to an Evening of Wine & Cheese, hosted by the MPCA Pool Committee. Bring some wine to drink or share. Appetizers and background music will be provided. You are invited to swim, if you wish. The cost is $5 per person, payable at the door. This is a quiet adults-only evening — come and unwind and meet your neighbors. See you there!

Underwritten by your MPCA dues

1st Annual Doggie Dip

Join us September 10 from 1:00p to 3:00p to let your doggies enjoy a swim before we close the pool for the season! The donation is $2 per doggie.
Thank You
A big THANK YOU to our Garage Sale volunteers ... Sharon Bierman, Gena Latimer, Gretchen Persohn, Chelsie Poncinie, Kathy Ramey, our MP Police officers, and the EMS team ... and of course, all the sellers. If you still owe your 10% of your proceeds, please send it to Dianne Poncinie at 2718 Alder Vista Dr. (882-0012) so we can calculate our final receipts.

MPCA Membership Drive - Volunteers Needed
We need volunteers to help with the 2006-2007 MPCA Membership Drive. Simply help distribute literature and collect dues. Please call Marilyn Herboltzhiemer at 882-0455 to sign up for a section of the Village.

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MPCA News
MAYOR’S REPORT

Lynn Eisentrout

This year’s Founders Day celebration held July 22 at the pool was quite a success with approximately 150 residents and their guests in attendance. Many thanks to the Minerva Park Community Association Officers and Board Members, the Pool, Children's, and Publicity Committees, EMS Chief Rick Hoechstetter, Lt. Mike Ostrander, Lt. Tim Lockhart, and pool manager John Friedel and his staff for all of their hard work. I would encourage you to visit the pool before the season ends and perhaps consider becoming a member next year.

2006 Street Project - Columbus Asphalt was awarded the contract at a Special Council meeting held July 26. The Ohio Public Works Commission will have issued the Notice to Proceed by the time this issue of the Villager goes to print, and the project will commence shortly thereafter and hopefully be concluded before school starts.

Emerald Ash Borer - The majority of Franklin County, which of course includes Minerva Park, is now under quarantine. This means that removal of any ash trees (wood) from the Village is prohibited. I have not received any reports of ash borer infestation from our residents. For more information on the Emerald Ash Borer, please go to http://www.ohioagriculture.gov/eab.

Golf Course - There are no new developments at this point.

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Hawthorne Parking Lot Expansion - The project will be completed before school begins, and all construction traffic will be routed to and from the site by way of the 161 service road and not on Village streets.

All Council members were present at the regular Council meeting held July 10. The following departmental reports were made:

Police - Chief Bobbie Hillard reported some activity at the dam site. Bicycle and foot patrols have been increased. He has received the OSS policies and procedures and has forwarded them to the Law Director for review.

EMS - Chief Rick Hoechstetter reported that they have a few new recruits and that he is compiling a list of members who have resigned and why they have left. He will provide more information at a later date.

Law Director - Kerry Boyle reported that Gene Hollins and the Mayor will meet with Inskeep Printers owners and reps to discuss the Planned District text and potential uses of the property.

Planning & Zoning - Code Enforcement Officer Dick Busick discussed his monthly report of code violations and the progress being made to resolve them.

Minerva Park Community Association - Board Vice President Lisa Craddock-Thitoff reported that the Northland Parade went well, 72% of the residents have paid their membership dues, the historical marker has been installed, and the final count for the annual Community Garage Sale was 60, generating only $863 as opposed to $1,344 last year.

Northland Community Council - Representative Karen Cogley had nothing to report as the July meeting was rescheduled for July 12 because of the holiday.

The Pool - Pool Committee Chairman Steve Thitoff and Councilman Jeff Rigg reported that about 230 attended the Family Fun Night showing a profit of $487, and 49 residents and their guests attended the Wine & Cheese Party showing a profit of $142. The signs installed at some of the entrances may account for the huge amount of walk-in guests (July 1, $660; June 17, $750), the vending machines continue to do well, and a Doggie Dip event has been planned.

The following committee reports were made:

Community - Councilman Jeff Rigg had nothing further to add.

Finance - Councilman
Don Champney asked for and received approval for the warrants totaling $126,119.35.

**Legislation** - Councilwoman Pam Park-Curry asked the Council to consider the following legislation:

- **Resolution 2006-04** - To make appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the Village during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. Rules suspended, third reading waived, and passed as an emergency.

- **Resolution 2006-05** - Declaring the necessity for and submitting the question of a Replacement Tax Levy for purposes of providing for the current expenses of the Village. Rules suspended, second and third readings waived, passed as an emergency.

- **Resolution 2006-06** - Authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer to request a certification and estimate of revenue from the Franklin County Auditor’s office for a 3.2 mill Replacement Tax Levy. Rules suspended, second and third readings waived, passed as an emergency.

- **Resolution 2006-07** - To proceed with placing the issue on the ballot for a Replacement Tax Levy for purposes of providing for the current expenses of the Village. Rules suspended, second and third readings waived, passed as an emergency.

- **Resolution 2006-09** - Authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer to enter into contract for the collection and the removal of rubbish, trash recyclables, garbage, and yard waste from the residences of the Village. Second reading accepted.

**Safety** - Councilman Chuck Gibson had nothing to add to Chief Hillard’s and Chief Hoechstetter’s reports.

**Service** - Councilwoman Sharon Bierman and the Mayor will be meeting with the ODNR rep in the next couple of months about the earthen dam project. Bids for the trash hauling contract will be accepted and opened on August 4 at noon at the Community Building.

**Streets** - Councilman Ron Yarano and Engineer Mike Flickinger reported on the 2006 Street Project. Bid opening will be July 26, 2:30p, and a Special Council meeting that evening at 6:00p to award the contract.

In May, Medic 119 made 41 runs - 5 into Blendon Township (exclusive of MP) and 3 into Minerva Park; 25 patients were transported to hospitals. 21 members volunteered a total of 500 hours for the month, bringing the total for the year-to-date to 3,014. Leading volunteers for the month were Tina Quinn (76 hours), Brian Horton (48 hours), and Craig Phillips (36 hours).

- **June 2006**

  - Complete payments - 27
  - Village Computer Fund .......................... $ 135
  - Village General Fund .......................... 3,340
  - Remitted to the State .......................... 770
  - Total Court Receipts .......................... $4,245

**Mayor’s Court**

Mayor’s Court is open to the public — our next sessions are August 8 & 22 - 5:30p.

If you have any questions, please call Charline Garrabrant, Clerk of Courts, at 882-5743 (Community Building).

http://www.minervapark.org

Call 899-3755 to join the emailing list to be advised of updates to the website.
May - MP Police Officers made 5 felony arrests and 12 misdemeanor arrests; everyone was transported to the Franklin County jail.
6-8 .... 3:02p, LaCasa Musical, 5306 Cleveland Ave., false alarm
6-9 .... 1:22p, 3000 Carleton Court, false alarm
6-11 .. 3:06p, 2600 blk Maplewood Dr., false alarm
6-13 .. 9:49a, 2900 blk Minerva Lake Rd., dog bite
6-15 .. 12:01a, 2800 blk Lakewood Dr., theft
6-19 .. 9:00a, Minerva Park Nursing Home, 5460 Cleveland Ave., death reported
6-20 .. 11:00p, Farview Rd. & E. Dub-Gran, stolen vehicle recovered
6-27 .. 8:21a, E. Dub-Gran & Farview Rd., stolen property recovered
6-27 .. 9:29p, 5422 Cleveland Ave., vehicle with engine running left unattended - stolen vehicle
6-28 .. 2:00p, 2700 blk N. Bay Dr., aggravated burglary
6-29 .. 8:04p, 2600 blk Maplewood Dr., robbery & assault •

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Join a monthly get together for moms of Minerva Park and their children … drink coffee and chat while the toddlers and babies play! The group meets on the last Wednesday of every month from 9:00a to 10:30a. Join us for a kick-off breakfast on August 30.
2739 Maplewood Dr.
RSVP to Amy Szlapak, 890-4113

Villagers Welcome Our New Neighbors!
Eddie & Erin Canales, 2769 Wildwood Rd., from North Columbus, 551-8266
John & Margaret Nicholson, 2729 Minerva Lake Rd., from Columbus, 891-4151
If you learn of any new residents, please advise the Newcomers Committee
Steve & Lisa Thitoff - 891-2166
Amy Szlapak - 890-4113

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