

the Villager



The Publication of your MINERVA PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

\$15 Community Association Dues

2008-2009 MPCA Membership Drive

Volunteers will be canvassing your neighborhood through the first part of September. If they missed you and left a membership application, please complete it and - with your \$15 dues - mail it to or drop it off at MPCA, 2829 Minerva Lake Road, Columbus OH 43231.

The 2008-2009 Resident Directories will be distributed to all

paid MPCA members in October.

Your \$15 MPCA dues sponsors a wide variety of events throughout the year, so please honor your community by doing your part. •



Notice of Appeal

... to operate a child care business at 2937 Berry Lane Court by petitioner Courtney Hrasdzira. Monday, September 8. 7:00p - Community Building. Regular Council meeting.

Annual Meeting

Join the MPCA on Wednesday, September 10 (7:30p, Community Building) for its annual business meeting, to include nominations and installation of officers for the upcoming year.

The Nomination Committee is accepting nominations for president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. If you would like to nominate someone, please contact Committee chair Marilyn Herboltzheimer at 882-0455.

Committee positions are usually filled by volunteers, so please step forward if you would like to give back to your community. •

Free Breakfast & Free Lunch for workers

Lake Clean-Up

Saturday, October 4

7:30a breakfast for workers
8:00a-11:30a clean-up
11:30a lunch for workers

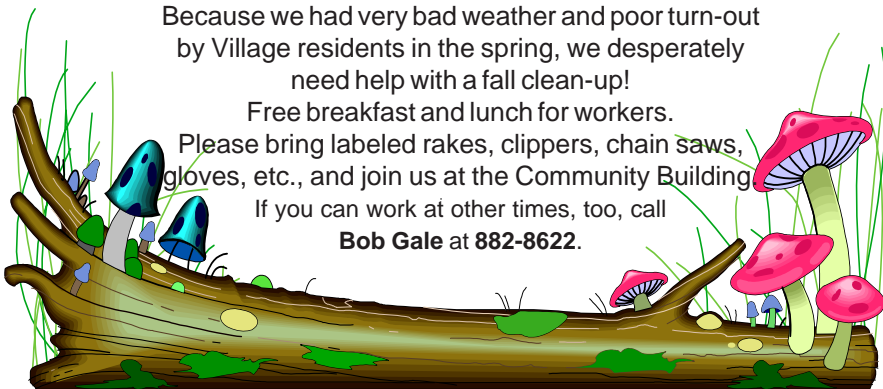
Because we had very bad weather and poor turn-out by Village residents in the spring, we desperately need help with a fall clean-up!

Free breakfast and lunch for workers.

Please bring labeled rakes, clippers, chain saws, gloves, etc., and join us at the Community Building

If you can work at other times, too, call

Bob Gale at 882-8622.



SEPTEMBER DATES

- 2 (4p) Mayor's Court
- 4 (7:30p) Planning & Zoning
- 6 (8a) Council Work Session
- 8 (7p) Council Meeting
- 13 (9a-noon) 161 Clean-up
- 10 (7:30p) MPCA Meeting
- 16 (4p) Mayor's Court
- 17 (5p) Villager Deadline
- 30 (4p) Mayor's Court

MPCA News

Garage Sale Report

Revenue so far totals \$1,367.41. To the 16 sales that we missed during collection and still owe their 10%, please drop it off at 2718 Alder Vista Drive or the Community Building.

Thank you for all your help this year to Sharon Bierman, Dick Busick, Kristan Onofrio, Chelsie Poncinie, David Way, **EMS** Chief Rick Hoehstetter, Tonya Crenshaw, Brad Demeter, Norm Jones, Conrad Joseph, Lt. Mike Ostrander, Craig Phillips, Captain Tina Quinn, Coordinator John Rains, **Police** Lt. Rex Waldenmyer, Bike Patrol Corp. Matt Fenstermaker, Officer Rick West, Officer Dave Wolfel.



Clean-Ups

MinervaFlora Fall Clean-ups

Saturdays, October 18 and November 1. Please meet at the Community Building at 9a with gardening tools. If you can do some work at another time or have questions, please call Bob Gale at 882-8622.

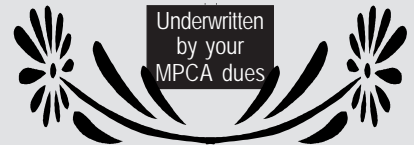
161-Cleveland Ave. Clean-up

There will be a 161-Cleveland Ave clean-up on Saturday, September 13, from 9a to noon. Meet at the Jiffy Lube at 161 and Sharon Woods Blvd at 9a.



Four Season Garden Award Contest

The annual Four Season Garden Award Contest will be held this year in mid-October. The purpose of the award is to recognize outstanding achievement by Minerva Park residents in garden design and maintenance. If you would like to nominate a yard or be a judge, please call Bob Gale at 882-8622.



Donations

Too many hosta? Shade plants? If you are overrun with shade plants, especially hosta, the Village is looking to add to the garden beds at the Community Building. Please get in touch with Lisa Craddock Thitoff at 891-2166.

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Wine & Cheese Event



Approximately 50 people had a great time this year at the wine and cheese event! Good food, good corn hole games, good friends. Thanks to all that helped and mainly Bob "EMERIL" Gale for getting the hot food together! If you haven't attended this event "DO NOT" miss this next year!!

MAYOR'S REPORT

Lynn Eisentrout



Now that summer is over and school has begun, please remember to stop for school buses when they are flashing red lights.

North Lake: We have consulted with two lake management companies and an aquatic specialist referred to us by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and have been told that we have an algae problem of duckweed and watermeal. These plants are found in wetlands and ponds that have very little or no moving water and are often located near woodlots. Additional contributing factors for these plants to reach a nuisance level are excessive nutrients, such as tree leaves that have decomposed into a rich organic bottom sediment and built up over time, Canadian geese, lawn fertilizer run-off, grass clippings, and a lack of aeration. Hot weather and lack of rain have also aggravated the problem. We have received an estimate for a one-time chemical treatment of the lake for \$4,200, but we could see a reoccurrence next year that would require treating again. We have been told that with the imminent cooler weather, we should begin to see a reduction in the plant population. Now we turn our attention to prevention. Estimates for aeration devices (bubble devices as opposed to fountains are preferred in ponds and lakes with no moving water), and bids

for the required electrical work are being sought. Nutrient reduction methods through improved pond circulation and chemical treatment are being considered, if needed next year.

Fall Lake Clean-up: There will be a Fall Lake Clean-up Saturday, October 4, starting at 8:30 a.m. (see page 1 for details). Two Spring Lake Clean-ups were canceled because of the poor turn-out and inclement weather. There is a lot of work to be done around the lakes-brush and limbs to be cleared, weeding, trimming, etc. I know everyone is very busy, but please take the time to volunteer just a few hours to spruce up our Village lakes and parklands.

2009 Street Repair Project: We are preparing to submit our application to the Ohio Public Works Commission requesting financial assistance to mill and fill Alder Vista, Berry Lane Court, East Shore Court, East Shore Drive, Farview, Kerrwood, Maplewood, and North Lake Court. Residents living on these streets have received letters from me asking for their support of this project. Failure to receive this funding may result in far fewer repairs being done and prioritizing which streets are in the most need of repairs. We'll keep you posted.

All Council members were present for the regular Council meeting held August 11. The following reports were made:

Police: Chief Bob Hillard introduced Sgt. Jim Gilbert of the Columbus Division of Police and President of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Capital City Lodge #9 to speak to the August 3 incident involving one of our police officers, Jason Gross, resulting in the death of Boback Pourfarhadi. The investigation is being conducted by the City of Columbus and

should be concluded by the end of August.

There have been no indications from the accident investigators that Officer Gross was at fault. An FOP attorney will continue to represent Officer Gross, who has returned to work.

EMS: Chief Rick Hoehstetter reviewed his monthly report. The U.S. Cleaners trial is scheduled for August 13; Columbus Fire is updating the radios; all the fire hydrants have been flushed and are in good working order, including the orphan hydrant that Columbus Fire identified on Westerville Road in our fire district.

Planning & Zoning and Code

Enforcement: A Wildwood Road resident's fence application was approved. Several high grass issues and a truck inappropriate to a residential area were addressed.

Minerva Park Community

Association: Councilman Dave Way reported for MPCA Vice President Lisa Craddock-Thitoff. The fall Lake Clean-up is scheduled for October 4. There was some discussion about a Volunteer Appreciation party; this would need to be discussed further at the August MPCA meeting.

Northland Community Council:

Don Champney had nothing to report because the monthly meeting was delayed a week, to be held in conjunction with the Annual NCC Picnic.

The following committee reports were made:

Community: Councilman Dave Way asked and received approval of an expenditure not to exceed \$350 for a Volunteer Appreciation party if the MPCA agrees to co-sponsor the event with the

MAYOR'S OFFICE HOURS

M – 8a-1p and 4p-6p

Tu – 4p-6p

W, F – 8a-noon

Th – 6p-8p

Sat, September 6 – 10a-noon

Village.

Finance: Councilwoman Sharon Bierman received approval for the July warrants totaling \$86,293.38. Clerk-Treasurer Suzanne Coulter reported that pool revenues to date totalled \$65,300.

Service: Councilman Kent Stanley moved to accept the bid of Local Waste at a cost of \$14.21 per unit household per month for a total of \$94,638.90 per year; motion passed. He continues his work on a tree inventory.

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

Resolution 2008-14 - Authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer to enter into contract for the collection and removal of rubbish, trash, recyclables, garbage, and yard waste from residences. Rules suspended, third reading waived, passed as an emergency.

Resolution 2008-16 - Supporting a proposed Westerville to Arena District Bikeway. Second reading accepted.

Resolution 2008-17 - Authorizing the Mayor, the Clerk-Treasurer, and the MP Police Chief to enter into an agreement with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to support their OVI Task Force goals from October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009 by allowing the MP Police Officers to participate in DUI checkpoints for the OVI Task Force. Rules suspended, three readings waived, passed as an emergency.

Resolution 2008-18 - Authorizing the

mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer to enter into contract with Lisa A. Pride for the auditing services of the BMV records for 2008. Rules suspended, three readings waived, passed as an emergency.

Resolution 2008-19 - Authorizing the Mayor to submit an application to the Ohio Public Works Commission for funding to rebuild and improve specified streets. Rules suspended, three readings waived, passed as an emergency.

Safety: Councilman Todd Walter continues to work with AEP to draft an inventory of street lights.

Streets: Councilman Jeff Rigg will continue to work with the Village Engineer and Mayor to prepare the OPWC application. The Mayor has called the company contracted to perform the pothole repairs and crack sealing to express her displeasure at the slow pace of the project.

Medic 119 ...

Where are you?

July 2008

In July, Medic 119 made 22 runs - 14 into Blendon Township (exclusive of MP) and 1 into Minerva Park; 11 patients were transported to hospitals.

18 members volunteered a total of 423.4 hours for the month, bringing the total for the year-to-date to 2,839.7.

Leading volunteers for the month were Tina Quinn (53.5), Bradley Demeter (45.0), and Brian Bates (41.5).

MP Runs

7-27 Possible stroke

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Mayor's Court

Mayor's Court is open to the public — our next sessions are September 2, 16, 30 - 4:00p.

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

July 2008

Complete payments - 34	
Village Computer Fund	\$ 165
Village General Fund	3,825
Remitted to the State	800
Total Court Receipts	\$4,790



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Minerva Park Police

July - MP Police made 12 misdemeanor arrests and 1 felony arrest; 10 were transported to Franklin County jail.

- 7-7 9:10a, Employers Over Load, 2999 E. Dub-Gran #105, breaking & entering on Jul 3 to Jul 7 reported
- 7-9 4:25p, 2600 blk Maplewood, burglary, criminal damaging, criminal trespass
- 7-14 ... 11:07p, Accra African Market, 5266 Cleveland, false alarm
- 7-15 ... 8:08p, 2800 blk Lakewood, domestic violence & assault
- 7-15 ... 3:44p, Hawthorne Elementary School, 5001 Farview Rd., breaking, entering, vandalism on Jun 13 to Jul 15 reported
- 7-23 ... 7:00p, Miller & Ranney Plumbing, 5474 Cleveland Ave., false alarm
- 7-24 ... 3:00p, Agency Fares, 2999 E. Dub-Gran #214, theft on Oct 13 to Jul 14 reported
- 7-27 ... 6:15p, Enocam Motors, 5216 Cleveland, breaking & entering, theft, criminal mischief reported
- 7-28 ... 7:30a, 5200 blk E. Shore Ct., burglary & theft
- 7-28 ... 4:35p, 5200 blk E. Shore Ct., burglary & theft •

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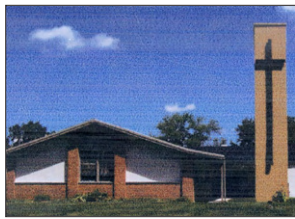


\$ Clerk/Treasurer's Report

If you have questions about the information provided here, please call Suzanne Coulter at 882-5743 (Community Building) or at 891-7346 (h).

July 2008

Beg balance general fund	\$401,743.30
Revenue collected	273,594.38
Expenses	(96,073.35)
Ending balance	\$579,264.33



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David Okeson, 5353 E. Shore Dr., 440-289-7634, from OSU campus area

Julie & Brandon Sutherland, 5259 Elmhurst Ave., 477-9768, from Clintonville

Karen & Philip Ouellette, 2749 Minerva Lake Rd., 899-1906, from Maplewood Dr.

Mark & Cristina Wade, 2920 Minerva Lake Rd., 370-5858, from Hilliard & Grandview

If you learn of any new residents, please advise the

Newcomers Committee
John Rue, 899-1360

Steve & Lisa Thitoff - 891-2166
Gretchen Persohn - 898-0903
Glenda Morris - 882-2359

Vehicle License Plates

When getting or renewing your license plates, remember to say you live in Minerva Park. When you do, some of that motor vehicle money comes back to the village, and it may save you money! •



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Emergency Preparedness Kits

Your kit should be adjusted to your own needs. Do not include candles, weapons, toxic chemicals, or controlled drugs (unless doctor-prescribed).

Flashlight - to find your way if the power is out. Do not use candles or any other open flames for emergency lighting.

Battery-Powered Radio - News about an emergency may change rapidly. You also will be concerned about family & friends in the area.

Plastic Sheeting & Duct Tape - Good for sheltering-in-place vs. evacuation.

Food - Enough nonperishable food to sustain everyone for at least 3 days.

Medications - The usual nonprescription medications, including pain relievers, stomach remedies, etc. For medications, have at least a 3-day supply.

First Aid Supplies - 5"x9" absorbent compress dressing, assorted sizes of adhesive bandages, 5 yards of adhesive cloth tape, antibiotic ointment packets, antiseptic wipes, aspirin, non-latex gloves, scissors, 3" roller bandage, 3"x3" sterile gauze pads, first aid instruction information. Extended emergencies should include paper plates, cups, utensils, can opener, personal hygiene items (toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, brush, soap, contact lens supplies, feminine supplies), plastic garbage bags & ties (for personal sanitation), one complete change of clothing & footwear, spare set of eyeglasses. •



Congratulations Tom & Claudette Shannon, invited by the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green KY to exhibit their car.

NO Grass Clippings

When you sweep or blow grass clippings or any yard waste into the streets, it usually ends up flowing down the street and clogging the storm sewers. Either sweep up your grass clippings from the street and dispose of them properly or scatter them about your own yard where they will break down and provide nutrients for your lawn.

If you hire a lawn care company to mow your lawn, please make them aware of our rules prohibiting this practice, and thank you for your neighborliness in tending to your own property responsibly. •



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The *Villager* is mailed to all MP homes for delivery by the 1st Monday of each month. 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:

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