The second of this season's Summer Music Series concerts will be on Sunday, July 17, from 5p-6:30p, at the lakeside bandstand.

The concert will feature the Muleskinner Band from Urbana OH. Since 1985, the band has been providing quality bluegrass, gospel, and traditional acoustic music - both vocal and instrumental - to audiences in a 3-state area. With banjo, mandolin, bass, guitar, humor, and storytelling, the band will keep the audience tapping their toes and clapping their hands.

They have appeared on the Nashville Network, at the Ohio State Fair, at the Worthington Arts Festival, and many other venues. They have performed with Diamond Rio, Collin Raye, Trick Pony, the Lewis Family, and many other well-known performers.

Admission is free, but donations will be accepted. Food and drink will be available for purchase. It is recommended that you walk or ride your bike because parking is limited. Transportation is available for MP seniors and handicapped residents. Those needing transportation should call Sid Townsend (890-2427) by Thursday, June 14, to arrange a ride.

Bring your lawn chair or blanket to the lakeside for an afternoon of fun music by the Muleskinner Band. Our thanks to the dues-paying members of the Minerva Park Community Association (MPCA) for underwriting this concert.

Founders Day

Enjoy Minerva Park's 14th annual Founders Day, celebrating MP's 71st Anniversary ...

Sunday, July 17 • 5p-6:30p

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MP Pool

Paid members of the MP Community Association (and up to four guests per their household) are invited to Minerva Park’s 14th annual Founders Day. Take a dip in the pool, if you wish, but come enjoy the fun, children's games, good music. You may want to bring chairs for extra seating.

Dinner Reservations

New this year, dinner reservations are needed by July 16 so we can plan for food (RSVP Bonnie Townsend, 890-2427, bonniertownsend@columbus.rr.com).

Come in bathing suits or casual, comfortable clothing, so you can enjoy paddle boat races, games in the pool, and a sing-along of old favorites ... something for everyone, including prizes!

Call Bonnie Townsend (890-2427) to volunteer for set-up, serving, and clean-up efforts. If we have enough volunteers, shifts will be only 30 minutes.

Call Marilyn Herboltzheimer (882-0455) to verify your MPCA membership. You may pay your $20/year dues at the door.

JULY DATES

5 (5p) .................... Mayor's Court
7 ...................... Planning & Zoning
9 (8a) .......... Council Work Session
11 (7p) ............ Council Meeting
13 (7:30p) ............ MPCA Meeting
17 (5-6:30p) .......... Music Series
19 (5p) .................. Mayor's Court
20 (5p) .................. Villager Deadline
23 (5p-8p) ............ Founders Day
MPCA News

The winner of the Four Season Garden Award - Late Spring Garden is John and Cindy Dissinger, 2755 Jordan Road. The judges liked the variety and color of the plants, particularly the ferns and the front porch area. The winners will receive a certificate and have their names inscribed on the award plaque at the Community Building.

The runner up was Keith McKenzie and MaryAnn Smith, 3263 Minerva Lake Road. The judges were impressed with the color, freshness of the look, good variety, and what done a lot with a little space. The planting beds at the curb were neat and well designed, giving an up-close view and an interest near the home.

The second runner up was Reno and April Volpe, 2832 Wildwood. The judges mentioned the elegant, excellent planting and artwork, nicely manicured areas, and the very colorful plantings.

Thanks also to other gardens on the nominated list – 2525 Lakewood, 2660 Lakewood, 3071 Minerva Lake, 5353 Ponderosa, and 2785 Wildwood ... and to judges Nicole, Jan, and Abigail for taking time out of the weekend of June 4 to do the judging. •

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Promote Yourself

If you own a business and would like to include your business card, discount coupons, or description of services in the Minerva Park new resident welcome packet, please contact Marie Takacs at 891-2532.

Thank You

The MPCA wishes to thank the following residents for their generosity:
Garrett Rabenold - adopting and agree to oversee a garden bed.
Hal Howard & Jen Estes - for mulching public garden beds.
Matt & Christy Danzuso - for donating a freezer.
Harry Toy & grandson and Jim Fisher for removing a bench by the South Lake and installing the Dick Paugh memorial bench.

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It seems that summer has begun with a bang. With the very warm weather, the pool season has had a profitable beginning but not without a few bumps in the road. We received notice that the drain cover for the baby pool was being recalled, so we drained and closed the pool for about two weeks. At no cost to the Village, the new drain cover was installed on June 18, and the baby pool opened to the public the next day. I want to thank our pool members and guests for their patience. The pool renovations have generated quite a few compliments this year, and it seems that it was time and money well spent.

Veterans Memorial: Several people have asked why we are proceeding so slowly with this project. So far, the Village has received about $400 in donations to construct a memorial. Our goal is $4,000 and to fund this project solely through donations, not taxpayer dollars. Any donations should be submitted by check and made payable to the "Village of Minerva Park" with "Veterans Memorial" written on the memo line. A line item in the budget has been set up to accept and itemize donations for this project. Additionally, resident Harry Toy hopes to establish a veterans registry. If you are a veteran or the widow or widower of a veteran who

Yard Waste: I have just met with our representative from Local Waste, and it is a Monday morning, "trash day." Because we have received some complaints about Local Waste's employees not picking up yard waste, he had decided to monitor the drivers to see what is happening. He drove around the Village shortly before the drivers were to begin their rounds at 7:30 a.m. Many residents did not have their trash out yet, and more often than not, yard waste was not at the curb. Many of the containers containing yard waste were not marked. All trash, recycling containers, trash cans, and yard waste containers or bags need to be curbside by 7:30 a.m. Monday morning. All yard waste containers containing yard waste must be clearly marked with YARD WASTE stickers (you also may use the yard waste bags that do not need to be marked), and yard waste should not be mixed with trash. Our rep showed me a picture taken with his cell phone of a trash can filled with garbage and a little yard waste thrown on top. This is confusing to the drivers as to whether this is yard waste or trash. The garbage drivers think it is yard waste and leave it for the yard waste drivers and vice versa. If you need any stickers, we always have a supply at the Community Building and will make every effort to make them available to you. Brush and branches need to be bundled and no more than four feet in length. Yard waste that is loosely piled at the curb will not be picked up. I hope this clarifies the regulations, but please contact me (882-5743, mayor@minervapark.org) if you have any questions.

North Lake: You may have noticed that the aerators or bubblers are not working. It appears that there was not enough

Employment

The Village of Minerva Park is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Fiscal Officer. Learn more at minervapark.org/jobs/.

Where are You?

As a resident recently reminded us, humorist and author Jim Boren once said, “Public apathy is more powerful than public opinion. There’s more of it.” In the 2007 election, only 35.5% of the total 1,094 registered voters cast a ballot, and less than 10 residents have attended the last four Village Council meetings.

Minerva Park is fast approaching a crossroads in its 71-year history, facing challenges of maintaining our individual properties and our property values, a difficult economic climate, and a changing Northeast corridor.

Individual residents of the Village can make a difference. Attend council meetings (2nd Monday of each month at 7p), ask questions of your public officials, and vote in the November election, including MP mayor and two council members... investigate the candidates for their experience, integrity, and vision. By doing so, you can help keep our village strong, vibrant, and beautiful.
ventilation in one of the boxes that encase the compressors. Additional holes have been drilled in that case, and that compressor has been sent back to the manufacturer for repairs. I have been assured it is still under warranty. We hope to have the aerators up and running by mid-June. We have had three chemical treatments as of June 17.

**Maplewood Street Repair Project:** There have been complaints from residents along Maplewood about the quality of the landscaping remediation and some property damage done by the paving company. A letter was sent to the company with a deadline of June 17 to respond. They have promised to send a crew out to reseed the lawns and to add new topsoil mid-June. We will deal with the other issues at that time.

All Council members were present at the regular Council meeting held June 13. The following reports were made:  

**EMS/Fire:** Chief Rick Hoechstetter reported that the Fire Department has had to change the connection that its Mobile Data Console uses from a radio signal to an air card because of upgrades made to the Columbus Fire Department’s dispatching equipment. These air cards are identical to those used by the MP Police Department. Member Updates: Brad Demeter has graduated from the Ohio State Medical School, and Ambrose Wu has been accepted there. Brian Bates has graduated from the University of Kentucky with a degree in Nursing, Pete Richison has been hired by the Clearcreek Fire District, and former member Tony Fernandez has received his Ph.D. in epidemiology. Several fire hydrants are in need of repair, and all are scheduled to be painted.

**Police:** Chief Kim Nuesse commented on the Coffee with the Chief held in May. Residents reiterated their support and appreciation of the Police Department and of its community outreach efforts. She still has not received any requests from any residents for a Block Watch Program to be implemented. For further information, please see Chief Nuesse’s article on page 6.

**Legal:** Law Director Jennifer Crogan commented on Resolution 2011-16 to confirm the police chief’s appointment per Ohio Revised Code §737.17 following her 6-month probationary period, upon the recommendation by the Mayor.

**Planning & Zoning and Code Enforcement:** Code Enforcement Officer Dave Hays reported that there was no P&Z meeting in June. He is tackling property maintenance issues in both occupied and unoccupied homes.

**Minerva Park Community Association:** MPCA President Lisa Craddock thanked Councilman Matthew Danzuso for the freezer that he and his wife Christy donated to the pool. The first concert of the Summer Music Series will feature Dwight Lenox on June 19. The Annual Garage Sale is scheduled for August 14 from 9a to 4p, followed by the Wine & Cheese Party from 9p to midnight at the pool. The Garden Tour is scheduled for June 26 from 1p to 5p. Founders Day will be held July 23 from 5p to 8p. Kurtz Brothers will offer the 15% discount on all items except bagged items until the end of the season for all Minerva Park residents.

**Northland Community Council:** The Mayor reported for NCC Rep Bob Gale. Sid & Bonnie Townsend were presented with the President’s Award from the MPCA for initiating the Summer Music Series and their ongoing work with that event. The NCC suspended four associations for lack of attendance. A new subcommittee of the Community Outreach & Relations Committee, the Inter-Civic Exchange (ICE), will be meeting for the first time on June 23 at the MP Community Building and every fourth Thursday thereafter at 7 p.m. The purpose of ICE is to focus on information and idea sharing among NCC’s member associations and groups. June’s topic will be recruiting and retaining members. The Northland Fourth of July Parade will be held on July 4 starting at 11:00 a.m. at Morse & Karl Roads.

The following committee reports were made:

**Community:** Councilman Matthew Danzuso reported that Safety Day went very well with an estimated 300-350 adults and children in attendance. He hopes to
have several Community Service Days to address several projects around the Village, a departure from the traditional Lake Clean-up Days, and will be calling a Community Committee meeting in August.

**Finance:** Council President Pam Park-Curry moderated the Public Hearing for the 2012 Budget starting 30 minutes preceding the Council meeting. Some questions from the audience were how the Village tracks contractors who periodically do work in Minerva Park (to collect their portion of income tax due to the Village), some areas of the budget that have experienced decreased revenue flows, and how MP is offsetting those losses by cutting back elsewhere. She reported that there were no May financials to approve but would like to schedule a Finance Committee meeting (June 20).

**Legislative:** Councilwoman Sharon Bierman asked the Council to consider the following legislation (minervapark.org/legislation):

- **Ordinance 4-2011** - Eliminating the Clerk-Treasurer position and creating the Fiscal Officer position. Third reading accepted, passed as an emergency (ayes were Bierman, Danzuso, Park-Curry, Stanley, Walter; nays were Segovia).
- **Resolution 2011-17** - Adopting a job description and initial pay range for Fiscal Officer. First reading accepted (ayes were Bierman, Danzuso, Park-Curry, Stanley, Walter; nays were Segovia).

**Safety:** Councilman Todd Walter led the discussion as to whether we should have a 3-car fleet or 4-car fleet of police cruisers. After weighing the pros and cons, the Council passed a motion to retain the 3-car fleet. The cruiser being replaced with the new cruiser, Car #2, will be sold when the new cruiser arrives.

**Service:** Councilman Roberto Segovia had held a Service Committee meeting to discuss the leaf and trash contracts. He had emailed to Council a version of the leaf contract that would include an option for 2 years. It will be reviewed by legal counsel.

**Streets:** Councilman Kent Stanley reported that the street repairs should begin mid-June.

**Executive Session:** The Council retired into an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. •

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**The Green Team** is social networking. You can find them on Facebook by searching for Minerva Park Green Team. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, July 19, at 7:30p in the Community Building. •
Discount
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New Officers
I would like to introduce you to two of our newest additions to the police force — Officer Ian Willis and Officer Barry Harp. Ian just finished the police academy in January 2011 and comes from a family with a tradition of law enforcement in the Columbus area. Barry has approximately 10 years of law enforcement experience and has a background as a police instructor in firearms and defensive tactics. Please join with me in welcoming these two officers to our Village.

By Police Chief Kim Nuesse
I recently have had conversations with community members who were unsure as to what phone number to use to contact the Minerva Park Police Department, so I believe it worthwhile to reiterate this important information for everyone.

911 All Emergencies & Crimes in Progress.

882-1223 Non-Emergency or Urgent – If the MP Police are not available in the administrative office to answer this line, the call rolls over to the Franklin County Sheriff’s Department. Use this phone number when you need an officer to respond to take a report for a theft, vandalism, breaking & entering, or other crimes that have already occurred or to report suspicious people or vehicles, animal complaints, disputes, or to investigate an incident that has occurred and there is no physical injury.

882-1408 Administrative – This phone number goes to the administrative offices of the MP Police; if no one is available to answer the call, you can leave a message. Call this number to leave a message for an officer, make a complaint or compliment, request a block watch program in your neighborhood or a copy of a report or to provide information, request a vacation check on your residence, and any other situation where the immediate presence of an officer is not required.

Donations
Do you have a small refrigerator you would like to unload? Minerva Park Police is in need of a small refrigerator for our evidence room. Please contact Mayor Eisentrout at 882-5743 if you would like to donate this item.

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Neighborhood Watch
Would you and your neighbors like to get to know one another better and learn how to spot suspicious criminal activity on your street? How best to prevent crime in your neighborhood? Would you like to meet your officers and get to know what the crime trends are to better protect you and your family? If so, call me at 882-1408 to set up a meeting time and place. The benefits of a neighborhood watch group extend beyond crime prevention and detection. Many of these groups help connect the community socially and provide improved communication among the police department and neighbors.

May - MP Police made 3 misdemeanor arrests; all were transported to the Franklin County jail.
5-1 .... 3p, MP Pool, 3032 Minerva Lake Rd, vandalism reported
5-7 .... 7:10a, 5200 blk E. Shore Dr, assault
5-9 .... 5a, 2700 blk Jordan Rd, howling dogs reported since 11:52p the night before
5-15 .. 5:30p, 2500 blk Minerva Lake Rd, domestic dispute
5-21 .. 9:10a, 3100 blk Minerva Lake Rd, theft reported
5-30 .. 2:40a, 2900 blk E Dub-Gran, curfew violations
5-30 .. 4:34p, 2900 blk Minerva Lake Rd, missing person
5-30 .. 6:16p, 2800 blk Alder Vista Dr, assault

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Enclosed is my check for $5, payable to “Minerva Park Community Association,” for participation in the MPCA 2011 annual garage sale FUNDRAISER. Additionally, I will submit 10% of my proceeds.

Registration
MPCA Garage Sale FUNDRAISER - August 13, 2011

Name ___________________________ Phone ___________________________
Address ___________________________
Mayor’s Court

Mayor’s Court is open to the public — our next sessions are July 5 & 19 at 5p. If you have questions, please call 882-1408 (Community Building).

May 2011
Citation payments .................. 61
Village General Fund ........$3,026
Computer Fund ...................... $74
Remitted to the State ............ $274
Total Court Receipts ..........$3,958

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Medic 119 ... Where are you?

May 2011
In May, Medic 119 made 43 runs - 7 into Blendon Township (exclusive of MP) and 4 into Minerva Park, with 31 patients transported to local hospitals.
24 members volunteered a total of 696.5 hours for the month, bringing the total for the year-to-date to 3,005 hours. Leading volunteers for the month were Tony Williams (64 hours), Tim Lockard (62 hours), and Tina Quinn (48.5 hours).

MP Runs
5-2 ...... Attempted suicide
5-6 ...... Ill person
5-29 .... Difficulty breathing
5-31 .... Chest pains

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).

May 2011
Beg balance general fund .......... $417,969.35
Revenue collected ...................... 62,564.71
Expenses .................................. (84,619.77)
Ending balance ......................... $395,914.29
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: minervapark.org/villager

Next deadline: Wednesday, July 20, 5p

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