The Villager - November 2011

NOVEMBER DATES

1 (7:30p) ........ Planning & Zoning
5 (9a-2p) .......... Arts & Crafts Fair
5 (1p) ............ Green Team - Bats
8 (6:30a-7:30p) ... VOTE
12 (8a) ...... Council Work Session
12 (9a) .... MinervaFlora Clean-Up
12 (9a-noon) ....... 161 Clean-Up
12 (10a-2p) ........ Shredding
14 (7p) .......... Council Meeting
15 (5p) ............ Mayor’s Court
16 (5p) .......... Villager Deadline
16 (7:30p) ........... MPCA Meeting
21 (7p) .......... Coffee with Council
29 (5p) ............ Mayor’s Court

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The Villager

10th Annual Christmas Carriage Rides
FREE for Minerva Park Community Association Members and LIMITED guests

Again this year, in an effort to recreate an “Olde Fashioned Village Christmas,” the Minerva Park Community Association has arranged for horse-drawn carriage rides through the village. This is FREE to all Minerva Park Community Association members and LIMITED guests, but WRITTEN reservations are required. Because of the popularity of this events, this year, the maximum is 8 per household. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at the Community Building for hot chocolate, a bonfire, and Christmas caroling.

Written reservations are required – phone reservations cannot be accepted.

Important - You must be a paid MPCA member participate in this event. If you are unsure of your MPCA membership status or need to pay your dues, please contact Sid Townsend at 890-2427.

Written Reservations Required

DEADLINE Dec. 9, 7:00p. Mail or deliver WRITTEN reservations to: Lynn Eisentrouth (882-5743)
2829 Minerva Lake Road

Sunday, December 18
5:30p - 8:30p

Underwritten by your $20 MPCA dues

Please support our Police Dept. by donating new & gently used toys for children of all ages. Donations will go to families in Minerva Park and surrounding areas. Donations accepted Mon - Fri, 9:00a to noon, Community Building. Deadline - December 16. If you have any questions, contact Lt. Rex Waldenmyer at 218-2332.

Thank you!
MPCA News

From your MPCA President

If you missed the Community Association’s Candidates’ Night this year, you missed a good one. It is great to have the opportunity to meet the candidates face to face. We have four people running for Westerville School Board and two for Blendon Township Trustee.

Here in Minerva Park, as I'm sure you know, we have six candidates vying for two council seats and two candidates for Mayor. There is quite the competition going on, and many expected extra excitement at this year’s Candidates’ Night. The way it worked is, if you had a question for a candidate, it was to be written on the index card provided, given to the moderator, and read aloud by him. Everyone (except yours truly, who burst out with a question - and for this I apologize) was well behaved.

Our moderator this year was former Councilman Jeff Rigg, who did a wonderful job. Comic relief was provided by some of the questions and some of the answers. In the end, I think if we could get all the people in that room to work together, there would be no better place in Columbus... in Ohio. If nothing else, we all now know where the Community Garden is. Do you?

I would like to thank all those who helped put this year’s Candidates’ Night together. Please keep in mind the upcoming 1st annual Minerva Park/Hawthorne Elementary Arts & Crafts Show at Hawthorne Elementary and the Green Team’s bat presentation at the Community Building, both on November 5, and the MinervaFlora clean-up on November 12.

Something I may have already known but was reminded of recently is that a partial truth can be just as damaging as a lie. Let’s try to keep it truthful.

Lisa Craddock Thitoff
MPCA President

MinervaFlora Clean-up

Saturday, Nov 12
9a • Community Building
Meet at the Community Building, with your gardening tools, rakes, clippers, etc., to help with Minerva Park’s gardening tasks. If you can help at other times or have questions, call Bob Gale at 882-8622.

Volunteering

Volunteers are not paid because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.

If you have not volunteered for your community, I urge you to try it. Everyone has talents and abilities. There are many volunteer opportunities where you can “give back” to your community. Can you bake, make phone calls, do yard work, help set up or clean up for activities? Please call me today – we are always in need of volunteers.

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Leaf Pick-up Program: The Leaf Pick-up Program began the week of October 10 and for the most part, went smoothly. We did run into one problem that bears mentioning. A car was parked on the street in front of a leaf pile, meaning that the machine was unable to reach the leaves and they could not be picked up. Please be a good neighbor and be mindful of where you park throughout the leaf removal program. The last pick-up will be December 12. Please see below (Service Committee report) and page 7 for details.

2012 Street Repair Project: As you know, we submitted this project as a mill and fill project for Jordan Road, Park Lane Court, and Park Lane Drive as a 100% grant request for a total of $223,756. The good news is that we have been told our opportunity for receiving funding will be greatly improved if we resubmit the project as a State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) project, showing 10% matching funds. Doing so, we will gain much-needed points to be competitive because we are requesting a 0% interest, 16-year loan instead of a grant. Our street fund balance is about $34,000 so to submit the entire project means we would have to commit $24,000 for our 10% matching funds. It would be imprudent to spend that much of our Street Fund without holding some of these funds in reserve for emergencies and the potential for further Local Government Funding cuts. Park Lane Court and Park Lane Drive are in much worse shape than Jordan Road and need to be repaired sooner rather than later. So the not-so-good news is that, after some discussion among Council, we have amended the application and have submitted only Park Lane Court, Park Lane Drive, and 15-20' at the end of Jordan Road (to the intersection to get the curb straight) with a project total of $114,313. We have committed $13,000 from our Street Fund to qualify as a SCIP project, and the application has been resubmitted. I am very optimistic at this point. I know some residents will be unhappy with this decision and for this I am sorry, but sometimes practical decisions need to be made even if they are unpopular. It is our intention to submit the balance of Jordan Road as a project in September 2012.

Replacement Levy: We are asking for your support of our 3.2 mill Replacement Levy that will be on the November ballot. This is not a new levy. This levy was approved by the voters in 2006 for five years and is due to expire at the end of 2011. Based on current property tax valuations (1 mill = $38,350.52), this levy will generate $122,721.66 and cost 32 cents ($0.32) for each $100 of valuation for a period of five years. The revenue generated by this levy will continue to maintain the services you expect such as police and fire protection, trash hauling, yard waste recycling, curbside recycling, leaf removal, and mosquito spraying. Your support of this levy is crucial. Like other municipalities, we are facing Local Government funding cuts. The latest numbers show that our share will reduced by an estimated $22,000 in 2012 and $40,000 in 2013. Additionally, we will see the end of the Inheritance (Estate) Tax in 2013, a loss of revenue of about $30,000 per year. While we are better off than some other municipalities because we are relatively less dependent on Local Government funding and the Inheritance Tax collections (in part because of our income tax collections), we are still forecasting that our expenses will exceed our revenues in the coming years. We need to plan accordingly. For example, our income tax collections – contributions from both our residents and the Village businesses – have pretty much leveled out at slightly less than $290,000 per year. We will continue to work with the Regional Income Tax Agency to ensure that all earned income is reported, that taxes are collected, and that we are good stewards of your hard-earned tax dollars.

Meeting: I had a very good meeting with a planner from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission as it relates to the Big Residents are invited ... Monday, November 21 7:00p Community Building to have “Coffee with Council.” This is your opportunity to meet with your Council Members and discuss Village issues.

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MAYOR’S OFFICE HOURS
M – 8a-1p and 4p-6p
Tu – 4p-6p
W, F – 8a-noon
Th – by appt
Sat, Nov 12 – 10a-noon

MAYOR’S REPORT
Lynn Eisentrout
Following reports were made:

**Fire/EMS:** Chief Rick Hoehstetter reported that he was aware of a leaky fire hydrant on Park Lane Drive and a resident commented that there was also one located at Wildwood Road and Westbridge. We have a new person repairing the hydrants.

**Police:** Chief Nuesse was excused because of illness and Lt. Fenstermaker reported in her stead. Our Police Department and the Blendon Township Police Department are cooperating in investigations of criminal damaging to the Minerva Lake Golf Club course. Congratulations were extended to Matthew Fenstermaker who was promoted to Lieutenant and to Jimmy Boyers who was promoted to Sergeant.

**Legal:** Law Director Croghan responded to Councilman Stanley’s query about the conceal/carry law. Ohio Revised Code prohibits any concealed weapon to be brought into a government building. The Village may post a sign at the Community Building to remind visitors of this law.

**Planning & Zoning and Code Enforcement:** Code Enforcement Officer Dave Hays reported that the Elmhurst property has been cleaned up. The Payless Quick Stop will repair the buffer surrounding the dumpster. He reminded all candidates that signs may not be posted in public rights-of-way or on private property without the permission of the property owners. Parking of campers, trailers, and boats is being addressed.

**Minerva Park Community Association:** MPCA President Lisa Craddock Thitoff reported that the MPCA and Hawthorne Elementary School would be collaborating on an art show, November 5 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The children’s Halloween Party is scheduled for October 23 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sixty-three residents participated in the Annual Garage Sale. New officers for 2011-2012 are Lisa Craddock Thitoff, President; Dave Way, Vice President; Tina Cates, Secretary; and Dick Busick, Treasurer.

**Northland Community Council:** Lisa Craddock Thitoff reported for Bob Gale. Rose’s Department Store opened at the former Big Bear site. Note that there will be a shredding event in its parking lot on Saturday, Nov 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The following committee reports were made:

**Community:** Councilman Matt Danzuso reported that the tree removal project is concluding. He will contact several companies and consult with them about repairing the fountains in the South Lake.

**Finance:** Nancy White, our new Fiscal Officer, was introduced. Council President Pam Park-Curry received approval from the Council for warrants totaling $93,608.93. There will be a Finance Committee meeting November 7 at 7 p.m.

**Legislative:** Councilwoman Sharon Bierman asked the Council to consider the following legislation (minervapark.org/legislation/):
- Resolution 2011-18 - Authorizing the Village’s participation in the Franklin County HUD Entitlement Program. 3rd reading accepted, passage.
- Resolution 2011-21 - Providing EMS services to Blendon Township for 2012 & 2013. 2nd reading accepted.
- Resolution 2011-22 - Authorizing the [Acting] Fiscal Officer to transfer funds from the General Fund, EMS Capital area, into the EMS Vehicle Fund. 2nd reading accepted.
- Resolution 2011-23 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting] Fiscal Officer to enter into a contract for the services of a Village Engineer for 2012. 2nd reading accepted.
- Resolution 2011-24 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting] Fiscal Officer to enter into contract with the Franklin County Public Defender’s office for legal services for 2012. 2nd reading accepted.
- Resolution 2011-26 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting]
Fiscal Officer to enter into contract for health insurance for full-time police officers and for the Mayor for 2012. 2nd reading accepted (ayes were Bierman, Danzuso, Park-Curry, Stanley, Walter; nays were Segovia).

Resolution 2011-27 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting] Fiscal Officer to enter into contract to provide prosecution of certain cases before the Franklin County Municipal Court during 2012. 2nd reading accepted.

Resolution 2011-28 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting] Fiscal Officer to enter into contract for the services of a Law Director for 2012. 2nd reading accepted (ayes were Bierman, Danzuso, Park-Curry, Stanley, Walter; nays were Segovia).

Resolution 2011-29 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting] Fiscal Officer to enter into contract for the services of a Mayor's Court Magistrate for 2012. 2nd reading accepted.

Resolution 2011-30 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting] Fiscal Officer to enter into contract for the services of a Mayor's Court interpreter for 2012. 2nd reading accepted (ayes were Bierman, Danzuso, Park-Curry, Stanley, Walter; nays were Segovia).

Resolution 2011-31 - Authorizing the Mayor and [Acting] Fiscal Officer to enter into contract with the District Advisory Council of the Franklin County General Health District to provide for plumbing inspections in 2012. 2nd reading accepted.

Resolution 2011-32 - Adopting the 2012 Rules of Council. First reading accepted (ayes were Bierman, Danzuso, Park-Curry, Stanley, Walter; nays were Segovia).

Resolution 2011-33 - Submitting a temporary appropriations budget for the first three months of 2012. 2nd reading accepted.

Safety: Councilman Todd Walter will meet with Chief Nuesse about department expense reports.

Service: The Mayor reported that all three original contracts have been signed by Davey Tree Company for this year's Leaf Pick-up Program and that she and Councilman Roberto Segovia believed that the program is ready to begin. If you have any feedback about this year's program, please contact Councilman Segovia at mp-segovia@minervapark.org. Councilman Segovia requested that his phone number not be published. (The number published in last month's Villager has been disconnected.) You may also contact other Service Committee members, Kent Stanley (392-0449, mp-stanley@minervapark.org) and Todd Walter (891-5166, mp-walter@minervapark.org). You are always welcome to contact me at 891-0895 (home), 882-5743 (office), or mayor@minervapark.org.

Discussion continued about the Local Waste contract. Councilman Segovia still believes that the Village has overpaid Local Waste and that, if there is any question of changing the contract to include “pass-throughs” of tipping fees and fuel costs, the contract should be rebid. Legal Counsel suggested continuing this discussion in a Service Committee meeting.

Streets: Councilman Kent Stanley had no report.

Old Business: Legal Counsel presented the Facts and Findings in the Jason Gross hearing for Council's final approval. Council agreed that Officer Gross violated two sections of the Minerva Park Police Department's Policies and Procedures: Section 1.9 (ability to read, understand, and comply with orders) and Section 1.4 (insubordination). They determined that a 21-day suspension without pay was appropriate and would begin on September 27. A roll call was taken, and the members signed the document affirming their decision as they voted. The motion was approved.

Addendum: There were two Special Council meetings on September 21 & 26 to hear a termination appeal by a Minerva Park police officer who was disciplined for violating Rules of Policy and Procedure. The Council did not uphold the recommendation for termination but instead recommended progressive discipline and an unpaid suspension of 21 days.

Following the Clerk-Treasurer's resignation - as reported in the June Villager - the Village has been seeking a Fiscal Officer. The Mayor appointed Nancy White as Fiscal Officer, and Council held a Special Council meeting on October 4 to approve that appointment.

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the joy of the Lord is your strength
Nehemiah 8:10
By Karen Cogley, Green Team Member

BATS Fact & Fiction

Saturday, November 5
1:00p • Community Building

The Green Team will sponsor an interesting presentation about bat conservation, why they are important to our Village, and bat house construction.

The speaker will be Carrie Morrow, Asst Resource Manager, Franklin County Metro Parks. Come and share her passion about bats and their benefits!

Truths

Bats are good neighbors to have around. A single brown bat can eat up to 1,000 mosquitoes in one hour. They are a great natural pest controller. You can help by providing bats with a nice bat house.

Myths

1. They get tangled in your hair. This is probably the most farfetched notion about bats there is. Movies have portrayed bats getting tangled in people’s hair, especially ladies’ hair. Notice, however, that once the bat gets tangled in their hair, the victim screams, thrashes about, and then the bat flies off. This never happens in real life. Bats can navigate in absolute darkness or during the day, maybe even better. What possible reason would a bat have to tangle itself (endangering itself in the process) in someone’s hair? There is no reason, just myth.

2. Bats fly around at night searching for human prey. While it is true that bats fly around at night, most bats eat insects and fruit. There is one bat, the vampire bat, that seems to stick in people’s heads when they think about bats. The vampire bat got this name from the creature in literature and folk tales, that it is an undead being who subsists on the blood of other humans. The vampire bat does drink blood as its source of food. Vampire bats generally drink from cattle and other large herbivores and present no danger to humans.

Vandals Destroy Precious MP Trees

By Greg Wittmann, Neighborhood Naturalist

Asian Longhorned Beetle on “Most Not Wanted” List

As if the Emerald Ash Borer were not enough to ravage and destroy our precious ash trees, now the Asian Longhorned Beetle poses a huge threat to many of our maples, Ohio buckeyes, elms, willows, poplars, and other valuable trees. The #1 preventive method is DO NOT MOVE FIREWOOD OR OTHER NON-TREATED LUMBER such as pallets and crates.

The Asian Longhorned Beetle (ALB) (Anoplophora glabripennis) probably traveled to the U.S. by way of solid wood packing material from China. Intercepted at ports and found in warehouses throughout the United States, the ALB essentially girdles the tree by boring in the trunk stems and branches, cutting off the flow of food supplied to the roots.

According to the U.S. Dept of Agriculture, the only effective means to eliminate ALB is to remove infested trees and destroy them by chipping and burning, just the same as with the Emerald Ash Borer. Early detection of infestations and rapid destruction of infested trees are crucial to eradication of the beetle.

What to Look for

• Adult beetles are 3/4” to 1-1/4” long with a jet black body and mottled white spots on the back. The long antennae are 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 times the body length with distinctive black and white bands. The feet have a bluish tinge.
• In summer, sap may flow from egg niches from larvae boring and feeding inside the tree.
• Round holes 3/8” in diameter on the trunk and branches.
• Oval to round pits in the bark where the adult female has chewed to lay single egg niches.
• Accumulation of coarse sawdust around the base of infested trees, where branches meet the main stem and where branches meet other branches. This is created by the beetle larvae as they bore.

To learn more about the ALB, do a search on ohiodnr.com and fs.fed.us.
Leaf Pick-up

Leaf pick-up will be throughout the week, from 8:00a to 6:00p.

- No foreign materials, please, such as brush, twigs, or grass clippings. Objects such as stones, bricks, or large rocks can cause severe damage to the vacuum collection equipment. Please be a responsible neighbor and keep your curb and street area free of this debris.

- Rake leaves to the curb area only – not into the street. Leaves left on the grass may cause discoloration, but yellowing is not long-term and grass recovers quickly. Leaves placed in the street become wet and may block storm sewers.

- Refrain from on-street parking during collection. Collecting leaves from behind parked vehicles significantly inhibits ability to provide timely pick-up.

- On cul-de-sacs or circles, please park in your driveways, so the leaf collection machinery can navigate the tight turns on the street.

If you have any questions, contact Roberto Segovia, mp-segovia@minervapark.org. We hope you enjoy the wonderful changing of the seasons!

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September 2011
Citation payments ................... 58
Village General Fund .............. $3,390
Computer Fund ..................... $91
Remitted to the State ............ $1,044
Total Court Receipts ............. $4,622

Minerva Park Police

August - MP Police made 2 misdemeanor arrests; all were transported to the Franklin County jail.
8-6 .... 8p, 2700 blk Wildwood Rd, endangering children
8-6 .... 10:05p, A&G Commerce, 5308 Cleveland Ave, criminal simulation
8-6 .... 11:05p, 3000 blk Wildwood Rd, phone harassment
8-8 .... 11:30a, 2700 blk Jordan Rd, breaking & entering reported
8-10 ... 12:10p, 2500 blk Minerva Lake Rd, domestic dispute
8-13 ... 4:48p, 2800 Lakewood Dr, missing juvenile
8-15 ... 12:12a, 2800 blk Lakewood Dr, missing person
8-22 ... 7:20p, Newcomer Funeral Home, 3047 E. Dub-Gran, menacing by stalking
8-26 ... 4:09p, 3100 blk Minerva Lake Rd, domestic violence •

September - MP Police made 1 misdemeanor arrest; all were transported to the Franklin County jail.
9-2 .... 11:15a, 3000 blk E. Dub-Gran, info-only report
9-5 .... 9a, 2500 blk Wildwood Rd, neighbor dispute
9-8 .... 8:03p, 2800 blk Lakewood Dr, missing person
9-9 .... 5:56p, 2900 Berry Lane Ct, menacing reported
9-11 .. 2:58p, 2800 blk Maplewood Dr, missing person
9-13 .. 7:06p, 2800 blk Lakewood Dr, missing person
9-16 .. 3:22p, 2800 Maplewood Dr, domestic dispute, weapons under disability, drug paraphernalia
9-18 .. 4:38a, 2600 Minerva Lake Rd, barking dog
9-18 .. 4:46p, intersection Minerva Lake Rd & East Shore Dr, domestic dispute
9-19 .. 3:36a, 3100 blk Minerva Lake Rd, theft
9-26 .. 7:30p, Mini Storage Depot, 5199 Westerville Rd, breaking & entering reported
9-27 .. 6:55p, 5199 Westerville Rd, breaking & entering reported
9-27 .. 7:10a, 2800 blk Maplewood Dr, missing person reported
9-30 .. 12:10p, 2800 blk Maplewood Dr, aggravated menacing between Apr 1 & Sep 30 reported •
1st Annual MP Health Fair Successful

By Lisa Stockdale
MP Resident

Despite the rain, wind, and colder temperatures, the Minerva Park Health Fair on October 20 at the Community Building was a huge success. Mayor Lynn Eisentrout called the event "wildly successful" and said it was the best turn-out for a first event since the carriage rides.

The event was organized and sponsored by Freedom Home Health. Freedom provided information about their new Low Vision Rehabilitation Program, blood pressure screenings, and free ice cream for the residents. They also rented a 20’ x 40’ tent to make room for additional vendors and promoted the event through direct mail, door-to-door reminders, and numerous flyers and announcements.

Sponsors were solicited to help cover the costs of the event. Sponsors included Lovett’s Pizza & Subs, Rosati Windows, Blind Acre Media, Meijer, Roosters, State Senator Kevin Bacon, HER Realtor Gena Latimer, and Columbus Prescription Pharmacies. Lovett’s was the most generous sponsor, coming in at the platinum level and promoting the event by tagging their delivery boxes with health fair flyers.

Health-care providers who attended included Always Best Care Services, Columbus Prescription Pharmacies, Critical Care Systems, Farabaugh Chiropractic Clinic, Forest Hills Center, Freedom Home Health, Heritage Day Health Centers, Home Instead Senior Care, HomeWell Senior Care, Mt. Carmel St. Ann’s Hospital, Newcomer Funeral Home & Crematory, Oakleaf Village of Columbus, Raisin Rack of Westerville, Solis Women’s Health, and Vitas Innovative Hospice Care.

The providers donated gift cards for the door prize drawing ranging in value from $25-$100 from various retailers and restaurants, including Meijer, Bob Evans, Red Lobster, Menards, Kroger, O’Charleys, AMC Theaters, Starbucks Coffee, and Speedway. They also donated Ohio State University, Bed & Bath, Raisin Rack, and Italian Extravaganza gift baskets as door prizes. Other door prizes were donated by Lovett’s Pizza & Subs, Roosters, Donatos Pizza, and Nazareth Restaurant.

Forest Hills Center, Newcomer Funeral Home & Crematory, and HomeWell Senior Care all made donations to the Minerva Park Community Association. These donations totaled $100 and were especially kind and generous because the MPCA was not directly involved in the organization or sponsorship of the health fair. The MPCA did donate a full-page ad in the October Villager in an effort to help promote the event.

Other activities included a healthy lunch menu provided by Lovett’s Pizza and Subs, free baked goods provided by Revelation Word Ministries, and music provided by WMNI AM 920.

According to Lisa Stockdale, Community Liaison for Freedom Home Health and Minerva Park...
resident, the health fair was possible because our community worked together to bring awareness and information to our seniors. Lisa said, "We couldn’t have done it without the support of Mayor Eisenhour and small businesses like Lovett’s Pizza. It’s good to live in a community where the notion of community service is still alive and well." •

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Minerva Park’s Ballot

Below is a representation of the ballot you’ll see at the polls this election. You may make your selections on this sheet and take it with you to the polls.

- **Judge of Municipal Court**
  - Barb Pfeiffer - R
  - Andrea C. Peeples - D

- **Judge of Municipal Court**
  - David Young - D
  - W. Dwayne Maynard - R

- **Judge of Municipal Court**
  - Michael T. Brandt - R
  - Andrea C. Peeples - D
  - David Young - D
  - W. Dwayne Maynard - R

- **Clerk of Municipal Court**
  - Lori M. Tyack - D
  - Angela White - R

- **Mayor of Minerva Park**
  - Lynn Eisentrout
  - Martin E. Grosh

- **Minerva Park Council**
  - Anthony Benedetti
  - Charles Legg
  - Jessica Rhoads
  - Kent Stanley
  - Todd A. Walter
  - David M. Way

- **Blendon Township Trustee**
  - Liz Ward - U
  - James F. Welch - D

- **Blendon Township Fiscal Officer**
  - Wade L. Estep - R

- **Westerville Board of Education**
  - Cindy Crowe - R
  - Carol French - R
  - Al Hammond - D
  - Peter Wilms - U

- **#1 Proposed Constitutional Amendment**
  To increase the maximum age at which a person may be elected or appointed judge, to eliminate the authority of the General Assembly to establish courts of conciliation, and to eliminate the authority of the Governor to appoint a Supreme Court Commission.

  Proposed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly.

  To amend Section 6 of Article IV and to repeal Sections 19 and 22 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Ohio.

  A majority yes vote is required for the amendment to Section 6 and the repeal of Sections 19 and 22 to pass.

  This proposed amendment would:
  1. Increase the maximum age for assuming elected or appointed judicial office from seventy to seventy-five.
  2. Eliminate the General Assembly’s authority to establish courts of conciliation.
  3. Eliminate the Governor’s authority to appoint members to a Supreme Court Commission.

  If approved, the amendment shall take effect immediately.

  A "YES" vote means approval of the amendment to Section 6 and the repeal of Sections 19 and 22.

  A "NO" vote means disapproval of the amendment to Section 6 and the repeal of Sections 19 and 22.

  SHALL THE AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?
  - Yes
  - No

- **#2 Referendum**
  Referendum on new law relative to government union contracts and other government employment contracts and policies.

  A majority yes vote is necessary for Amended Substitute Senate Bill No. 5 to be approved.

  Amended Substitute Senate Bill No. 5 is a new law relative to government union contracts and other government employment contracts and policies.

  A "YES" vote means you approve the law.

  A "NO" vote means you reject the law.

  SHALL THE LAW BE APPROVED?
  - Yes (To approve the law)
  - No (To reject the law)

- **#3 Proposed Constitutional Amendment**
  To preserve the freedom of Ohioans to choose their health care and health care coverage.

  Proposed by Initiative Petition.

  To adopt Section 21 of Article I of the Constitution of the State of Ohio.

  A majority yes vote is necessary for the amendment to pass.

  The proposed amendment would:
  1. In Ohio, no law or rule shall compel, directly or indirectly, any person, employer, or health care provider to participate in a health care system.
  2. In Ohio, no law or rule shall prohibit the purchase or sale of health care or health insurance.
  3. In Ohio, no law or rule shall impose a penalty or fine for the sale or purchase of health care or health insurance.

  If approved, the amendment shall take effect immediately.

  A "YES" vote means approval of the amendment to Section 6 and the repeal of Sections 19 and 22.

  A "NO" vote means disapproval of the amendment to Section 6 and the repeal of Sections 19 and 22.

  SHALL THE AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?
  - Yes
  - No

- **#2 Referendum**
  Referendum on new law relative to government union contracts and other government employment contracts and policies.

  A majority yes vote is necessary for
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23 members volunteered a total of 419 hours for the month, bringing the total for the year-to-date to 5,366.8 hours. Leading volunteers for the month were Tina Quinn (49 hours), Norm Jones (43 hours), and Anthony Marrazzi (37.3 hours).

#19 Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement and Increase) Westerville Public Library
A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.
A replacement of 0.80 mill of an existing levy and an increase of 1.2 mills to constitute a tax for the benefit of the Westerville Public Library for the purpose of current expenses at a rate not exceeding 2 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to $0.20 for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2011, first due in calendar year 2012.
☐ For the Tax Levy
☐ Against the Tax Levy

#20 Proposed Income Tax and Property Tax Westerville City School District
A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.
Shall the Westerville City School District be authorized to do both the following:
1. Impose an annual income tax of 0.5% on the earned income of individuals residing in the school district, for a continuing period of time, beginning January 1, 2012, for the purpose of providing for the current expenses of the school district?
2. Imposed a property tax levy outside of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of providing for the

#22 Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement) Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Formerly Franklin County Board of MRDD)
A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.
A replacement of a tax for the benefit of Franklin County for the purpose of serving children and adults who have mental retardation and developmental disabilities by providing community programs and services by the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities at a rate not exceeding 3.5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to $0.35 for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for a period of 6 years, commencing in 2012, first due in calendar year 2013.
☐ For the Tax Levy
☐ Against the Tax Levy

#59 Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement) Village of Minerva Park
Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage.
A replacement of a tax for the benefit of the Village of Minerva Park for the purpose of current operating expenses at a rate not exceeding 3.2 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to $0.32 for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for a period of 5 years, commencing in 2011, first due in calendar year 2012.
☐ For the Tax Levy
☐ Against the Tax Levy

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