Getting Ready for the New Year

1 Update your listing in the MPCA Resident Directory.
Your Community Association produces a resident directory annually, containing important contact information for the MP Police and Fire Departments, MPCA committees, government officials, Planning & Zoning, local schools; trash collection; resident listings; MP map; and local-area advertising. It’s important that we publish accurate information, so please make sure your listing is correct. The directory is offered as a benefit of membership in your Community Association and can be purchased by non-MPCA members.

2 Join your Community Association. For an annual donation of only $20 (paid by mail or in person) or $21 (paid online), you can help support a wide variety of social events (some for MPCA members only) that help make our Village a special place to live. These include Christmas Carriage Rides; the children’s Halloween Party, Christmas Party, and Easter Egg Hunt; Family Fun Night; Wine & Cheese events at the pool; Garage Sales; Candidates Night; Nancy Fisher Memorial Scholarship; Garden Tour; Garden Awards; Festival of Lights; Duck Award for good citizenship; Welcoming Committee; Sunshine Committee; Resident Directory; the Villager newsletter, and more.

3 Give back to your community. Officers and committee assignments will be decided at the annual MPCA business meeting on September 14. Your Community Association is seeking nominations for president and secretary, each to serve a 2-year term. Learn about these offices and committee assignments by contacting MPCA President Dani Wolf, president@mympca.org.

Update your resident listing and/or join your Community Association online at mympca.org/2016-membership-registration/ ... or fill out the information below and mail it to MPCA, 2829 Minerva Lake Road, Columbus 43231.

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☐ I am interested in officer, committee, or volunteer opportunities.
☐ I wish to join the Community Association for 2016-2017. Attached is my check for $20 made payable to the MPCA.
Family Fun Night 2016
By BettyAnn Zimmerman

Family Fun Night 2016 was a record-setting fundraiser! Minervans came out in full support of this annual event. It was a perfect day for a pool party – hot, humid, and sunny – as folks enjoyed paddle boat rides, ice cream sundae, lawn Twister, and other outdoor games in the green space. The hula hoop competition had some talented entrants, and Cristol, the face painter, happily decorated all kinds of cool designs on folks. At the raffle tent, participants entered to win lots of great prizes, including passes or tickets to King’s Island, Football Hall of Fame, Columbus Children’s Theater, Magic Mountain, COSI, Lazer Craze, Columbus Crew games, Cleveland Browns merchandise, and so much more! Fire Chief Rick Hoechstetter even brought the MP emergency vehicles by as a special surprise for folks to tour inside and out. More than 340 people came out in support this year.

FFN 2016 never could have happened without all the gracious volunteerism by MP residents. A special shout out to Mayor Lynn Eisentruit, Dani & Brian Wolf, Sean & Sam Hagan, Darren Zimmerman and kids, Russell Dobbins, Donna Kopecky, Jenny Lin, David Hays, Dick Busick, Tom Shannon, Mia Iacampo, Jana Iacampo, Lisa & Steve Thitoff, Bob Gale, John Friedel, new residents Mark & Lesa Brugger, Sandra Williams, and many others. Thank you for your help at this event! Thank you also to Bartha, a national events, production, and staging company, for the use of their sound and audio equipment. And finally, thank you to those who helped out during the paddle boat rides. You are all rock stars and gratefully appreciated!

Minerva Flora News
Annually the MinervaFlora Committee bestows a Four Season Garden Award, this year for mid-summer. Judges were out in the first part of August, judging nominated gardens for color, curb appeal, variety of plants, overall appearance of the property. Winners receive a certificate of recognition and are added to a plaque of award winners at the Community Building.

Winners this year are Timothy Flautt and Frank Hillis of 5274 Cardinal Ct. Judges mentioned the attractive front curved bed and its nice stone path. The lawn and beds are very well manicured. The side yard is beautiful with a weeping tree and potted color. There are nice (not overdone) concrete sculptures and gazing ball that added to its appeal. The variety of texture with the mix of shrubs, trees, annuals and hostas is attractive.

Nominated gardens included 2829 Lakewood Drive, 2794 Lakewood Drive, 2585 Minerva Lake Road, 3202 Minerva Lake Road, 5375 Park Lane Drive. Our thanks to all of these residents for helping to make Minerva Park a beautiful neighborhood.

Candidates Night
Your MPCA voted to cancel Candidates Night for the November 2016 general election.
M/I Homes Project: As you can imagine, with the development’s infrastructure work moving forward, we have been very busy with quite a few meetings and constant communication with all parties involved.

The new road (Farview & 161) is for the most part completed and looks good. Two of the four homes directly related to this project have been purchased by M/I Homes. Of the two remaining homeowners, we believe one has decided to stay, with the fourth still undecided. While I initiated the dialogue(s) between these residents and M/I Homes many months ago, their subsequent conversations and negotiations remain confidential, and I am not privy to them.

Traffic related to the dirt moving portion of the project has been routed to the new road as opposed to using Minerva Lake Road as originally discussed. Utility line work began in August, as did preparing the clubhouse for demolition. Removal of asbestos from the clubhouse began in early August with a tentative target date of demolition in late August, early September.

There has been some discussion by residents about tree removal during Phase One, especially the number of trees. It IS sad to watch, but here are just two examples as to the lengths we are going to in ongoing efforts to preserve trees. At a most recent meeting, the City of Columbus, M/I Homes, EMH&T, a construction company rep, our Engineer, and I met to discuss sanitary line placement. There was a quite a long discussion about how to strategically place one line to preserve one tree. Time and again during this meeting, those in attendance recognized the importance of trees to Minerva Park in this new development and a neighborhood that will be ours long after M/I Homes is gone. Secondly, I have walked the tree lines with Ron (M/I Homes) and discussed tree by tree whether they can be preserved as is, trimmed and preserved, or needed to be removed. I will continue these talks with M/I Homes, keeping our message of tree preservation out in front, loud and clear. We must be realistic, though, and know that some trees will need to be removed, and some should have been removed long ago.

The design of the entry marker to be located at 161 and Farview has been finalized and will reflect stonework as seen at our other entrances. We will post the rendering of this marker on our Village website approximately the first week of September.

Pool: As expected with the very hot summer, we are doing fairly well with $44,950 collected as of August 20. Most of this revenue comes from guest fees. We will have a more complete report once the pool closes. Family Fun Night was very successful and well-attended – thank you, MPCA!

Police: Chief Kim Nuesse reported that the 2009 Ford Charger was sold on-line auction for $5,575. Drivers approaching the intersection of Ponderosa Drive and the service road are not looking to see that this is not a 4-way stop, creating near-crashes. She has resolved this problem with the installation of signage “cross traffic does not stop” beneath the existing stop signs. The police will continue to monitor this intersection. She also reported that Minerva Park’s crime rate is about 37% lower than the national average. The surrounding area is much higher, at about 60% more above the national average.

Engineer: Village Engineer Mike Flickinger reported on some flooding issues and sewer back-up issues that some residents are experiencing and the plans the Village has to address them. The Village is in the process of complying with the Director’s Findings and Orders, directives from the EPA to inspect, evaluate, and remediate any sanitary and storm sewer overflow issues. One of the orders, sewer evaluation, has been implemented by smoke testing, manhole inspections, and general assessment work. The Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Survey (SSES) report is in draft form and hopefully will be accepted by the Village by the end of August and then submitted to the Ohio EPA. There is a combined Service/Streets Committee meeting on August 29 where this will be discussed and then passed on to the Council with committee recommendation for approval or disapproval. Part of the report indicated deficiencies in the sewer system. Mike added that some of these deficiencies are in the Jordan Road, Park Lane Court, and Park Lane Drive areas. When the Ohio EPA reviews and approves the SSES, we’ll look at those potential deficiencies further to determine if there are corrections that need to be made. Our engineering firm, CH2MHill, has prepared a scope of work for sewer cleaning and sewer inspection in the Jordan Road, Park Lane Court, and Park Lane Drive areas. This is Step One of a cleaning and inspection program that will entail a five-year cycle of cleaning and inspecting one-fifth of the length of Village sewers each year, depending on available finances. This will allow us to be proactive in the maintenance of the sewer system, rather than reactive. This program recommended by the SSES. This scope of work has gone out to a contractor that already has performed work in the Village and throughout Central Ohio. Once the deficiencies are determined in the Jordan Road, Park Lane Court, and Park Lane Drive areas, a program will be developed.
Committee Meetings - Residents are invited to attend and observe committee meetings. Dates and times are posted at the Community Building, Pool, Playground, minervapark.org, or call 614-882-5743.

Legislation, Jennifer Pauken, jpauken@minervapark.org or 614-891-5880. No report submitted. Enacted legislation is posted at minervapark.org/legislation/. Pending legislation is included in Council Meeting packets posted near the bottom of minervapark.org. Hard copies are available at the Community Building.

Finance, John Michels, jmichels@minervapark.org or 614-273-9026. No report submitted.

Streets, Michael Braun, mbraun@minervapark.org or 614-406-3758. Nothing new to report.

Community, Russell Dobbins, rdobbins@minervapark.org or 614-565-3965. No report submitted.

Safety, Scott Hansan, shansan@minervapark.org or 614-302-2433. No report submitted.

Service, Brian Wolf, bwolf@minervapark.org or 614-948-2372. No report submitted.

July - MP Police made no arrests.
7.... 5:39p, Minerva Lake Golf Course, trespassing
8.... 4:00a, 2600 blk Lakewood Dr, property damage reported
30.. 5:44p, 2600 blk Jordan Rd, criminal damaging & menacing reported
July 2016
Medic 119 made 24 runs - 1 run into Blendon Township (exclusive of MP) and 1 into Minerva Park, with 12 patients transported to local hospitals. 13 members served a total of 211.7 hours for the month, bringing the year-to-date total to 1,486 hours. Leading staff for the month were Thomas Baillet (32.5 hours), Jonathan Marsh (28.5 hours), and Tim Lockard (23.3 hours).

MP Runs
7-23 .... Ill person

Hawthorne PTO meetings will be held 2nd Wednesdays in the cafeteria, with the first one Sept. 14 at 7, and a picnic Sept. 24. More at hawthorneschool.org.

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Reservation deadline Dec 1
For MPCA members - story on page 1

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Next deadline: Wednesday, September 21, 5p

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