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MPCA Garage Sale FUNDRAISER
Saturday, September 16
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Registration deadline: Sep 9, 8 p.m.
Cost: $5 plus 10% of your proceeds
$10 Late Registration Fee after Sep 12, 8p (you will not be on the map)

It’s that time of year again! Clean out your closets, attics, garages, and basements for the annual Minerva Park Community Association Garage Sale. This event always attracts a large number of buyers, so don’t miss out!

This is one of your Community Association’s biggest fundraisers. The Community Association funds several projects to enhance the Village, and your registration fee plus 10% of your proceeds are vital to that effort.

As in the past, the $5 registration fee (or a $10 late fee) covers the cost of group advertising in local newspapers, balloons for your mailbox, and maps or participating homes for your distribution. Please register promptly … you will miss the opportunity to have your sale put on the map if your registration is late.

To register, please drop off or send the attached form and a check for $5 payable to “Minerva Park Community Association” to the Community Building, 2829 Minerva Lake Rd. The registration deadline is September 9, 8p.

Registration packets will be delivered before the event. Volunteers (with an official MPCA badge) will be coming around to collect your 10% proceeds at 4:00p that afternoon, so please have your envelope ready.

As always, we need volunteers to help make this event a big success. Contact Dani Wolf (614-937-1994) or Jean McCall (614-327-5326) if you would like to help with packet creation and distribution, or advertising.

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Registration
MPCA Garage Sale Fundraiser

Name
Phone

Address

NO
non-registered sales

NO
food or drink sales

This also is a fundraiser for our own Fire/EMS Department and sponsored by them. Please direct people to the Community Building throughout the day to purchase hot dogs, hamburgers, and baked goods. No food or drink sales at residences, please.

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MPCA News

MPCA Officer Elections

Community Association officer elections will take place at the September 13 meeting, 7p. Open officer positions include treasurer and vice president. I would love to talk to anyone that may be interested and answer any questions about the roles or the organization. We would love to see some new (or old!) faces on the team. Please email me if you would like to meet. We would love to have someone chair the Garage Sale Committee. Duties include organizing garage sales, tallying registrations, updating the map, making and distributing packets, placing advertising, and collecting revenue. We would love help with the directory and the website, as well as a volunteer coordinator to help connect with volunteers.

Our community is growing and changing, and the MPCA will be as well. We hope to add new events to traditional events, or bring back events we haven’t held in a while, but we can’t do that without your help. We love to have residents attend the meetings, we love hearing the new ideas, and most importantly we need folks to be able to commit to executing those ideas. I look forward to hearing from you!

MPCA President Dani Wolf

Candidates Night

October 18 • 6-8 p.m.

Save the date for Candidates Night, location TBD.
Contact MPCA President Dani Wolf (president@mymPCA.org, 614-937-1994) with your interest in volunteering for:
• advance set-up
• that evening, organizing the questions into categories for discussion
• moderator
Four council seats will be on the November ballot, and this will be your opportunity to learn about and question the candidates.

MPCA President Dani Wolf

Police Report

July - MP Police made no arrests.
3.....10:30a, StRt 161 at Farview Dr, driving under suspension
4.....1:20p, 2800 blk Minerva Lake Rd, driving under suspension
6.....5:25p, Westerville Rd at Corporate Dr, driving under suspension
6.....7:34p, 3000 blk Minerva Lake Rd, dogs running at large
9.....2:29a, E Shore Dr at Minerva Lake Rd, driving under suspension
9.....7:07a, 2700 blk Minerva Lake Rd, criminal mischief reported
9.....7:17a, 2600 blk Minerva Lake Rd, criminal mischief reported
11.....11:33a, Great Value Storage, 5199 Westerville Rd, theft reported
15...11:10p, Minerva Lake Rd at Farview Dr, aid & transport
21...12:34a, 3000 blk Minerva Lake Rd, domestic disturbance
27...8:50a, 2700 blk Lakewood Dr, theft reported
28...3:00a, 2600 blk Maplewood Dr, public intoxication

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Mayo’s Report

Lynn Eisentrout

Because of the passing of my 8-month-old granddaughter, I will pick up with the Mayor’s Report next month. Please pray for our family during this very difficult time, and thank you for your understanding.

Mayor Lynn Eisentrout

Committee Meetings - Residents are invited to attend and observe committee meetings. Dates and times are posted at the Community Building, Pool, Playground, minervapark.org/calendar, or call 614-882-5743.

Legislation, Jennifer Pauken, jpauken@minervapark.org or 614-891-5880. There are several ways to review the Village’s resolutions and ordinances. Enacted legislation is posted at minervapark.org/legislation. Pending legislation is included in Council Meeting packets that are posted near the bottom of the home page, minervapark.org/#packets. Hard copies are available at the Community Building. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Finance, John Michels, jmichels@minervapark.org or 614-273-9026. Visit minervapark.org/fiscal for the latest Village financial information.

Streets, Michael Braun, mbraun@minervapark.org or 614-406-3758. No report submitted.

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 2017

Medic 119 made 10 runs - no runs into Blendon Township (exclusive of MP) and no runs into Minerva Park, with 7 patients transported to local hospitals. 14 members served a total of 166.8 hours for the month, bringing the year-to-date total to 1,276.8 hours. Leading staff for the month were Johnathan Marsh (21.8 hours), Derek Wei (21.8 hours), and Aaron Zangmeister (20 hours).

Residents are invited ...

Monday, September 18
7:00p Community Building
to have “Coffee with Council.”
This is your opportunity to meet with your Council Members and discuss Village issues.

Village Financials

If you have questions about information provided here, please call Fiscal Officer Kim Pulley at 614-882-5743.

July 2017

Beg balance Gen’t Fund ........$559,474
Receipts..................................$138,980
Disbursements ......................($126,466)
Ending balance .......................$571,988

Coffee with Council

Mayor’s Court

Mayor’s Court is open to the public — our next sessions are September 6 & 20, 8 a.m. If you have questions, please call 614-882-1408.

July 2017

Citation payments ......................30
Village General Fund ...........$2,766
Computer Funds .................$245
Remitted to the State ..........$655
Columbus ......................... $27
Capital Recovery System ......$0
Total Court Receipts .......... $3,448

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Help You, Please!
The title of Code Enforcement Officer connotes someone who ensures others are punished for breaking the rules. That is the last thing I wish to do.

I believe 50% of my job is education, helping both residents and businesses understand Minerva Park’s zoning ordinances. The other 50% is helping Minerva Park residents and businesses achieve their goals while obeying Council’s duly passed legislation as it pertains to the zoning code. While this might seem “high and mighty,” it is truly how I approach my job of working for you.

I attempt to achieve the education component through a variety of means. Three examples are Villager newsletter articles, writing proactive letters to real estate agents representing properties for sale, and working with the Planning and Zoning Commission and Village Council to revise the zoning code.

Helping residents and businesses achieve their goals sometimes is more difficult for me, because some non-code-complying projects are started before contacting me. This can be as simple as replacing a driveway, something that is lightly regulated in the Village, but the zoning code stipulates that driveways must be 3’ from property lines. Currently this is not achieved throughout the Village with driveways existing before the ordinance became effective, being grandfathered as an existing condition. The code does permit neighbors with adjacent driveways to conjoin them with no set-back from the property line. This may gain greater flexibility and produce a win-win situation.

Ordinances are written for the typical conditions encountered in the Village, but there are some situations where a variance is appropriate. One example is fence height, which is limited to 6’ to keep light and air flowing through the Village. Where lots are very shallow and abut two-story houses outside the Village municipal boundary, such as on Maplewood Drive, I can envision the rationale for a higher fence precisely to achieve the usual amount of privacy a back yard affords on a typical lot.

So let me help you achieve your goals. I am a registered architect in Ohio, have worked as an architect for more than 40 years, have built two houses doing most of the labor myself, and have a vast knowledge of the building industry. I am willing to give advice, help interpret Village ordinances and the zoning code, help you fill out forms, and guide you to the appropriate city or county agency when applicable.

Please let me help you. Remember, I do work for you.
Scott Doellinger, 614-882-5743

Sign Up Online
... to volunteer a few hours of service to your Village.

• Children’s Halloween Party (Oct 28) ... https://www.volunteersignup.org/YRYMM

... or contact BettyAnn Zimmerman at 614-815-2257, bettyann@mympca.org.
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Halloween Party

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Next deadline: Wednesday, September 20, 5p