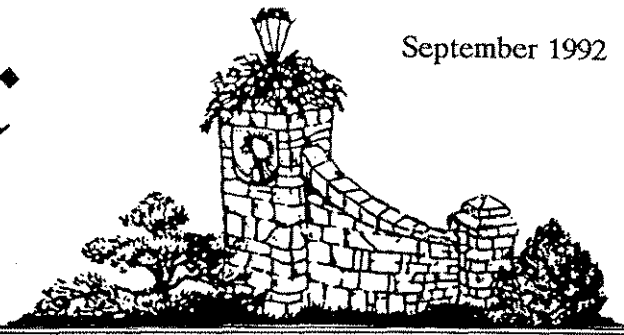


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Minerva Park Community Association



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

MPCA General Membership Meeting

The Minerva Park Community Association's annual general membership meeting, for all MPCA dues paying village residents, will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, 1992 in the Community Building. Please mark your calendars -- hope to see you there! Here is a tentative agenda for the meeting:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Committee Reports: 1992 Activities
- III. Treasurer's Report
- IV. Constitution/Bylaws Amendments
- V. Election of 1992-93 Executive Board
- VI. Old/New Business
- VII. Adjourn

See MPCA Meeting Highlights (page 3) for more info.

LABOR DAY

According to the American Book of Days, Labor Day began in 1882, when the idea of setting aside a day to honor workers was suggested by "Mack" McGuire, founder and general secretary of a labor organization, in conjunction with other labor leaders who were influential in previous years of organizing labor. The Central Labor Union approved McGuire's idea and on Tuesday September 5, 1882, the first Labor Day was celebrated in New York City. Two years later it was changed to the Monday observance. The original holiday included a parade of approximately ten million workers and bands with banners who marched up Broadway to Union Square then to Reservoir Park for concerts, picnic, and orations (speeches). Labor Day was recognized as a legal federal holiday in 1894, and succeeding first Mondays in September have been observed since, with parades, bands, and public officials honoring the labor force.

September Calendar

- 01 - Hawthorne School starts (grades 1-5)
- 03 - Planning & Zoning, 7:30 p.m.
- 04 - Hawthorne School starts (kindergarten)
- 07 - Labor Day
- 13 - MPCA Annual Membership Meeting, 2 p.m.
- 14 - Village Council, 8 p.m.
- 17 - The VILLAGER Deadline, 5 p.m.
- 22 - Autumn Begins
- 28 - Rosh Hashanah

Neighborly Notes

Recycling Reminder - Please, if you move, leave your green recycling container behind! Since the village provided your house with the container, we ask that you leave it for the next resident. Thank you.

Moms In Touch - There are mothers in Minerva Park who are interested in having a Moms In Touch group for Hawthorne Elementary, Heritage Middle, and Westerville South High schools. "Moms In Touch" is a non-denominational, international organization of mothers who support our public schools by praying for the staff, teachers, and students of each school building. If you are interested, please call Lynn Aseltine at 895-2098.

Dogs - Have you ever been attacked by a dog? I have and it isn't fun. Dogs are nice pets, but they can't help attacking people. They are trained to keep people off their property. Some dogs go to the pound because people complain about them. Then the dogs have to be put to sleep, and that's sad! So why don't you help; obey the law by keeping your dog on a leash or have a back yard fence, so these dogs can have a happy, healthy, and long life. Please pitch in and make Minerva Park a safe place for joggers, walkers, and runners. Thank you - Sarah Eisentrout (Age 11)

Sunshine Committee Reminder - If you know of someone in the park who isn't feeling well or someone who has passed away, please call Ann Saville, Sunshine Committee chair, at 882-8452, so that get-well wishes or condolences can be expressed. If you can't reach Ann, please contact Marge Kratoville at 882-8193.

Directory Update

(Don't forget to update yours!)

Two more "Unknowns" are now known (they have unlisted numbers):

Betty & Frank Schwarzbach at 2853 Lakewood Drive
Paulette & Clarence Loop at 5275 Westbridge Road

If you have any changes please call Chris at 898-7863.

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Corn Roast Thanks

The Minerva Park Board would like to thank everyone who attended our Annual Corn Roast. We had a good turnout, and everyone enjoyed the good food. A special thanks to all the generous people who donated lots of wonderful items for our bake sale and all those who bought them! Everyone enjoyed the pie-eating contest and Joe Justus' face painting.

The pool needs and appreciates all of your support.

Reno's **Floral & Gift Gallery**



Reno Volpe 899-9189	5779 Cleveland Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43231
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MPCA Meeting Highlights August 12, 1992

COME OUT AND VOTE!

An important part of the Sept. 13 annual MPCA general membership meeting will be the election of 1992-1993 officers to serve on the MPCA executive board. If you are interested in serving on the executive board, know someone who is or would simply like more information about what being on the board entails, please contact one of the three committee members. They are: Barb Wohlfarth (882-5558), Rolla Wagner (895-2236) and Claudette Shannon (891-7036). Please come on out to the meeting and vote!

For your information, here is a brief description of what duties these officers perform:

President -- Shall preside at all meetings of the association and the executive board. Shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the bylaws or the executive board. Shall provide leadership and direction for the association and executive board. Shall coordinate the work of the executive board, association committees and outside organizations to promote the objectives of the association. Shall oversee the appointment of executive board members to a three-member nominating committee prior to each association election.

Vice President -- Shall act as an aide to the president and shall perform the duties of the president in the absence or inability of that officer to serve. Shall serve as parliamentarian for the executive board to assure that all meetings conform to Robert's Rules of Procedure.

Secretary -- Shall record the minutes of all general membership and executive board meetings and perform such other duties as may be delegated by the executive board. Shall keep typewritten or clearly legible records of all past and ongoing meetings in a log book. Shall tally all election ballots.


Treasurer -- Shall be responsible for keeping all association funds in order and for recording all transactions. Shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and expenditures. Shall be responsible for working with other executive board members to develop an annual budget for association activities, and for presenting that budget at the annual general membership meeting. Shall make disbursements in accordance with the approved budget. Shall present a financial statement at every regular meeting and at

other times when requested. Shall be audited annually by an auditing committee consisting of three (3) executive board members and/or an auditor selected by the executive board.


Standing Committee Chairpersons also serve on the executive board, but are selected by the members of each individual committee to represent their committee on the board. If no chair is selected, the activity is not funded or undertaken by MPCA. Each committee chair is responsible for developing a work plan and budget for their committee for the coming year, and submitting it to the board for approval. The committee chairs are also responsible for volunteer solicitation, event publicity and coordination of funds and resources to successfully achieve committee goals. Currently, the MPCA bylaws recognize Standing Committees for the following activities: Card Party, Children's Activities, Christmas Dinner Dance, Minerva Park Phone Directory, Garage Sale, Lake Clean-up, Membership Dues, Minervaflora, Newcomers, Northland Community Council, Sunshine, and The VILLAGER newsletter.

Village Council August, 1992 Update

Many apologies for all the inconvenience caused by extensive road construction and repairs these past few weeks. Nearly all of the work is out of our control as it is being done by the City of Columbus. The Village Engineer, Lee Rupp, assured it would probably be completed by the end of August, or early September (barring any weather complications). Again, so sorry for all the inconvenience.



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Dollars and Sense

Contributed by Randy Ryan

Ways to cut your tax burden. Would you include in your will a debt-ridden spendthrift who already has taken more of your money than you can remember? Probably not, especially if he's the Uncle Sam we all know and respect. But unless you create a solid estate plan, the old moocher could end up with a big share of your life's savings after you're gone.

Fortunately, the federal tax code contains an assortment of opportunities that help to protect your estate from the government's grasp. The most generous is the marital deduction, which simply allows you to leave as much as you want to your spouse, tax free. In addition, you can take advantage of the unified credit, which permits you to pass a total of \$600,000 to persons other than your spouse (also free of federal estate or gift taxes).

But if you figure inflation and appreciation on your assets, there is a good chance that your estate will be above the \$600,000 mark. You may pass your estate to your spouse tax-free, but when he or she dies, your children (or other named heirs) will have to pay taxes on any amount over the exemption allowed to pass tax-free.

This money could pass on without a penny of federal estate tax owed by using one or more of these estate planning strategies.

Bypass trusts allow you and your spouse to give up to \$1.2 million in assets to your children or other beneficiaries, free of federal estate tax.

For example, if your net worth is \$800,000, you will can place the first \$600,000 of your estate in a trust for the benefit of your spouse during his or her lifetime. Your children can receive the assets after your spouse dies. And the remaining \$200,000 is left directly to your spouse (free of federal estate tax because of the unlimited marital deduction). Your spouse then receives all the income the trust earns and as much principal as he or she needs for health care, maintenance, support, and education. When your spouse dies, the amount in the trust is distributed among your children or kept for their care if they are minors, free of federal estate tax, because the trust is not considered a part of your spouse's estate. However, in order to receive tax protection, the wills of both partners must be coordinated with each other.

Another popular trust is useful for couples with life insurance policies sizable enough to push the surviving spouse's estate above the \$600,000 mark. By transferring ownership of your policy to an irrevocable life insurance trust, you can remove the value of your insurance from your estate so that the money won't be subject to federal estate taxes. Upon your death, the proceeds go into the trust free of federal estate taxes. Even though you may have mastered tactics for getting around federal estate taxes, it also is important to know how your state taxes affect the estate or portions of it. The first concern is residency, especially if you spend time in two or more states. You may generally consider yourself a resident of a state if you pay income tax, vote, bank, register a car, obtain a driver's license, and live there. At present, the District of Columbia and 49 of our 50 states impose some form of state death tax that could cost your heirs even if you're not liable for federal estate or gift taxes. Nevada is the only state without a death tax. In addition, many of these states and the District of Columbia impose a credit estate tax; before making any plans for your estate, be sure to find out what the rules are where you live.

Protecting your life's savings from the government's reach can be a complicated and unpleasant chore. But unlike death and income taxes, estate taxes are by no means a certainty. To craft a solid estate plan, consult your financial planner, attorney, or other professionals.

Pool News

Pool Task Force - Recently in July, Pool Board member Tom Shannon thought of the idea to put together a Task Force to study needed repairs for the pool; how to pay for them, and ultimately, the future of the pool. Board President Wally Himmelstein approached the Village Council, and the MPCA for representatives from their organizations to be on the Task Force. Those appointed were: Don Champney from MPCA, Lynn Eisentrout from Village Council, Randy Ryan member-at-large, and Wally Himmelstein and Bob Jackson as Pool Board representatives. We have had two meetings and are studying funding alternatives, engineering studies, prior bids received, and what other communities have done in similar situations.

Uppermost in our minds is to maintain the pool and its contribution to the community and to increase membership next year.

The Birthstone of September is the Genuine Sapphire

Characteristic: Prosperity.

The genuine Sapphire possesses outstanding beauty and has a noble history. Sapphires have always been highly valued by the Royal Family of England and their collection may be seen on ceremonial occasions.



Happy Birthday!

September Birthdays

3rd	Jim Mussio
8th	Don Champney
19th	Holly Liebold
19th	Ella Wagner

It is said in mythology, those possessing a genuine Sapphire will enjoy prosperity. Sapphires are primarily mined in Australia, Cambodia, Thailand and Ceylon, in close proximity to Ruby mines.

If you would like to have your birthday listed, or if you know of a problem with the current list, please contact Madge LeDonne at 891-3188.

Minerva Park Squad Report



In July, the squad made 183 runs; 33 runs into Blendon Township and 6 into Minerva Park. 65 patients were transported to local hospitals.

Members volunteered a total of 1619 hours for the month, bringing the total year-to-date to 11,099 hours. Special thanks to Curt Gannon (185 hours), Colin Chong (130), and Frank Meredith (129). Curt continues to lead year-to-date with 1127 hours.

The continuing training of our members remains a major focus. Several members have recently completed advanced training and have new state certification at the advanced Emergency Medical Technician or Paramedic levels. A triennial state refresher course is currently being given to all members requiring one during the next year. The August training meeting will cover emergency childbirth.


The nature of many of our emergency runs is changing as the summer progresses, with the number of injuries increasing greatly, especially those involving children. With yellow jacket season upon us, residents with allergies should ensure their medicines are up-to-date.

Donations to the squad fund are still coming in; we will have a final accounting for you shortly. Thanks to all who have been so generous.

Neighborhood Block Party Held

While the rains curtailed some of the activities, it didn't dampen the spirits of those attending the Fourth Annual Jordan Road Block Party, held at the home of Peggy Haning, Saturday, August 15th. Neighbors, friends, and families gathered for an afternoon and evening to enjoy good conversation, games, swimming and excellent food. The culinary talents of many shown through with the "pitch in" picnic/barbecue. The rains finally let up and the sun came out allowing for fast paced games of Volleyball and the children playing on yard toys. A few residents were missed as they were too ill to attend, however, they were remembered with sincere thoughts. Peggy was a gracious hostess, aided by co-hostesses Sue Hard and Virginia Rambo.

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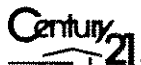
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Flora says

'Tis the season for the annuals! With all the rain, most of them are gorgeous and huge. Perennials, bulbs, and flowering shrubs and trees are spectacular in their respective seasons, but in August and September the annuals take center stage. You will notice that at AmeriFlora and all famous gardens and commercial plantings, use is made of all forms of plant material for year-round effect; the wise homeowner does the same.

The best part about writing this column this month is that all of you will be able to admire the yards mentioned. One of the nicest things about annuals is that we can use them to change the look of our landscapes. Let me hasten to add "if it ain't broke, don't fix it", but there are people who thrive on change.

Each year the Northland Civic Association awards a prize to the best landscaped residence in the area. We are proud of the fact that Dr. John Lude (2806 Maplewood) was the 1991 winner and the Jones' (5073 Maplewood) won in 1990. The committee to select our nomination this year chose the home of Cecilia and Edward Carfagna (3081 Minerva Lake). Here's hoping for three winners in a row. The Carfagna's received honorable mention in the 1990 color Columbus city-wide competition which included evaluation of the back yard as well as the front. Looking only at the front, our judges were instructed to make their choice on that basis. Other homes making the final list were:

Alder Vista

2653 (Van Scyoc) Good design and color in front, great back yard.

Minerva Lake Road

3128 (Blair) Large front bed, highly visible side yard and gazebo.

3119 (Pilkington) Great blue spruce; A border along the drive is blooming constantly; visible gazebo.

Berry Lane

2921 (Schryer) Nice hosta bed in front with begonias at the side.

E. Shore Court

2886 (Schatz) Nice color: mostly pink and lavender with accents of yellow and red in hanging baskets.

E. Shore Drive

5244 (Hale) Area towards the street features yellow marigolds surrounded by lots of green foliage arranged around a large rock; nice design and color around the porch entrance.

Wildwood

2832 (Reno Volpe) Uses red this year, both begonias and geraniums.

2838 (Miller) Next door has masses of salmon impatiens; as you approach you have the impression of a large, colorful expanse of yard.

Lakewood

2847 (Graves) and 2853 (Schwartzbach) Neighboring yards that compliment each other with plantings in the strip between the driveways. You may never see larger, more red impatiens than they are raising.

2681 (Dawson) Nice designs with many begonias, impatiens, yellow marigolds, and purple as well as white alyssum.

2690 (Gale) An English country style entrance garden with much color and variety.

Maplewood

2739 (Thomas) A new planting developing over the past 2 years. Nice design, very neat with good red color in both geraniums and impatiens.

2814 (Flechtner) A striking view with the use of stone, beds of pink, red, and white begonias with yellow potentilla, and large areas of dwarf snaps in mixed colors. A good neighbor for the Lude's next door, colorful and immaculate in all seasons.

2781 (Weber) Nice design and color; good use of perennials. We are saying goodbye to the Webers and hope the new owners will also be "Into Gardening".

2540 (Summers) Another colorful English garden using mostly perennials.

2681 (Yoakam) Lots of annual color.

5081 (Anderson) Pleasing display developed to accommodate shade and tree roots. A bed for sun-loving plants along the curb of the corner lot had day lilies blooming well into August.

2811 (Iris and Tony Volpe) Specializes in hostas and begonias. In addition, they have 2 huge urns, filled with light pink impatiens, flanking the entrance.

This completes the choices based on the front yard look. Many yards, including my own, look better from the back than from the street. Anyone else who has hidden gardens, I'd love to come admire them, won't (Continued on page 8)

HI Neighbor

SEPTEMBER 1992



by RAY BEOUGHNER

PARK PERSONALITY



RANDY RYAN

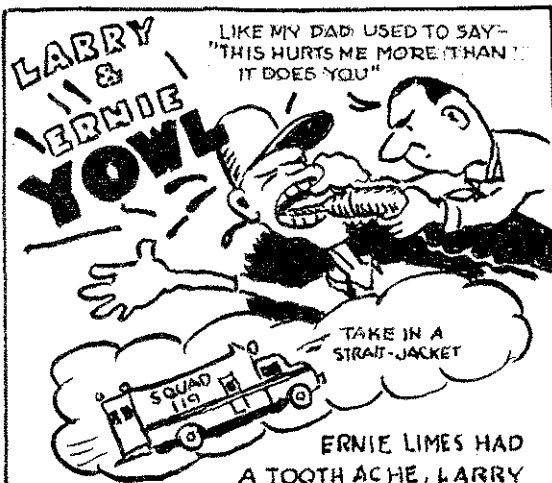
RANDY, WIFE SANDY AND TWO CHILDREN ERICA AND PATRICK, LIVE AT 2587 BRIAR ROSE. THEY CAME HERE IN 1981, RANDY AND SANDY ARE MUCH INVOLVED IN PARK AFFAIRS, PRINCIPALLY CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES AND THE POOL. RANDY WRITES A FINANCIAL COLUMN FOR THE VILLAGER AND HIS KNOWLEDGEABLE INFORMATION IS WELL RECEIVED. HIS OCCUPATION IS FINANCIAL PLANNING. HE IS SELF EMPLOYED. A GOOD NEIGHBOR.



THIS IS THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM THE VILLAGE HAS HAD TO FACE IN YEARS. SOME WANT THE TABLES HERE, SOME THERE, AND SOME DON'T WANT THEM AT ALL. NEIGHBORS ARE UP IN ARMS AGAINST EACH OTHER AND FAMILIES ARE SPLITTING OVER THE ISSUE. THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON IS NEEDED.

ROLL AWAY THE BARELLS

FOR WEEKS, WE HERE IN THE PARK HAVE HAD TO RUN BARRICADES. ALL OF OUR STREETS TO CLEVELAND AVE., AND OUR ONLY ENTRANCE FROM WESTERVILLE ROAD OFTEN TOTALLY BLOCKED. THEN SLURRY SEALING CLOSED STREETS INSIDE AT THE SAME TIME. WHEN IT'S ALL OVER, IF IT EVER IS, WE SHOULD HAVE A BIG PARTY - WITH CANS AND BOTTLES MAYBE BUT ABSOLUTELY **NO BARELLS!**



ERNIE LINES HAD A TOOTHACHE. LARRY KNOWING HOW ECONOMIC MINDED ERNIE IS, OFFERED TO REPAIR SAID GRINDER AT HALF WHAT A DENTIST WOULD CHARGE, SAYING HE HAD MORE TOOLS THAN ANY DENTIST. ERNIE JUMPED AT THE OFFER. STAN'S WILL NOT BE CLOSED WHILE HE RECOVERS FROM THIS ONE

MYSTERY DEEPENS

BABY PIG STILL MISSING



DLUSKY'S NOTORIOUS HOG

WE THOUGHT THE CUTE LITTLE PIG THAT APPEARED ON DLUSKY'S DOORSTEP WAS THE DAUGHTER OF THEIR PARANOID HOG. NOT SO. THAT OLD BOAR CAN NO MORE BE THE MOTHER THAN ME. DID HE EAT HER? WAS SHE KIDNAPPED? THE OLD PORKER KNOWS BUT IS NOT TALKING. THE SPBSQ HAS BEEN RETAINED AND ASSURE US THEY'LL LEAVE NO PAGE UNTURNED IN THEIR SEARCH. INCIDENTLY, WHERE WERE YOU AT 3:11 AM. JUNE 31 DICK DLUSKY?

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you please give me a call. The other day the Thompsons (2530 Lakewood) invited me to see their new deck, it is handsome. Their impatiens are gorgeous and almost as plentiful as those in Dr. Lude's yard. If you haven't seen this yard, you should drop a hint when you see any of the family out front; they like to show it off.

The MinervaFlora committee will meet right after Labor Day. If you have any suggestions for us or would like to join us, please call me at 882-5444.

WANTED

The MinervaFlora committee needs some bricks to place under and around the benches, along the lake, and by the playground to help eliminate grass and weeds growing in hard to cut areas. If you have any new or used bricks to contribute, please leave word, with the number available, at the Community Building (M-W-F from 9-12; phone 882-5743). We will arrange pick-up.



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Police News

- 7/17 **Breaking and Entering** - Person(s) unknown did gain entry into Business Professional Of America by smashing out a window. The building was ransacked. No loss had been determined at the time of the report.
- 7/18 **Burglary in Progress (False Alarm)** - Dispatched to the 2500 block of Minerva Lake Road, the alarm was set off by a neighbor.
- 7/19 **Distress Alarm (False Alarm)** - Dispatched to

- the 2700 block of Minerva Lake Road, the alarm was set off by the home owner while changing a battery.
- 7/20 **Theft** - Person(s) unknown did remove a cushion off a chaise lounge chair from the rear of a residence in the 3100 block of Minerva Lake Road.
- 7/22 **Theft** - twelve business checks were taken from Meeks Rentals. Later, a possible known suspect cashed some of the checks at a local food store.
- 7/23 **Telephone Harassment** - A resident in the 2500 block of Wildwood Road received a life threatening telephone call from a possible known suspect.
- 7/24 **Drunk Driver** - A resident in the 2800 block of Maplewood Drive reported that a drunk driver was on Maplewood.
- 7/24 **Dead on Arrival** - A resident in the 5200 block of Elmhurst Avenue passed away after a long term illness.
- 7/24 **Criminal Damaging** - Person(s) unknown did punch two holes in the radiator of a 1985 Pontiac Fiero GT on the 2600 block of Jordan Road.
- 7/26 **Burglary in Progress (False Alarm)** - Dispatched to the 2500 block of Wildwood Road. Upon checking the residence, an open door was found. The residence was checked and secured.
- 7/26 **Theft** - Person(s) unknown did remove one portable cellular telephone from a 1991 Jeep on the 2600 block of Jordan Road.
- 7/29 **Criminal Mischief** - A possible known suspect did spray paint a boat, tow truck, and truck cap while they were parked at Cho's Marathon gas station.
- 7/29 **Suspicious Person** - A male subject was observed following a female employee at the Felcon Building on E. Dublin-Granville Road.
- 8/01 **Telephone Harassment** - A resident in the 2500 block of Lakewood Drive received harassing telephone calls.
- 8/06 **House Fire** - A gas can left in a garage in the 2900 block of Minerva Lake Road was possibly the cause of a house fire. Minimal damage.
- 8/10 **Theft** - Three subjects took a hat from a juvenile, while riding bicycles in the 2600 block of Woodley Road.
- 8/12 **Criminal Mischief** - Person(s) unknown possibly shot out the glass of a flood light at the Ohio District Council building on E. Dublin Granville Road.