

the Villager



The Publication of your MINERVA PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



It's time to clean out your closets and start digging through your basement and garage in preparation for the annual Minerva Park Community Association Garage Sale on Saturday, August 16. This event always attracts a large number of buyers, so don't miss out!

As in the past, the \$5 registration fee covers the cost of prominent advertising in local newspapers, balloons to mark your mailbox, and maps for distribution. There is also a \$5 late registration fee, so please be prompt.

This is one of the MPCA's biggest annual fund-raisers, so please do not cheat your community of improvements and event money by having an unregistered sale the same day. The Community

MPCA Garage Sale FUND-RAISER Saturday, August 16

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Registration deadline: August 13, 7:00p

Cost: \$5 plus 10% of your proceeds

\$5 Late Registration Fee after August 13 (you will not be on the map)

Association funds several projects to enhance the village, and we need your help. We will be watching for unregistered sales and will ask you for your fair contribution. Those folks who have unregistered sales and do not pay their 10% contribution will not be eligible to participate in the 2009 garage sale.

To register, send the attached form and a check for \$5 payable to "Minerva Park Community Association" to 2718 Alder Vista.

Registration packets will be distributed this year on August 15 after 4:00p. Late registrations can be made that evening, but you will not be on the map. Volunteers will be coming personally to collect your 10% proceeds between 3:30 and 4:00 the day of the sale, as opposed to your mailing your proceeds to us.

As always, we need volunteers to help make this sale a success. Please contact Dianne Poncinie at 882-0012 if you can help with packet creation and distribution, advertising, or collecting money.

**NO
unauthorized
sales**

**NO
food or
drink sales**

This is also a fund-raiser for our own Emergency Squad. 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.

Enclosed is my check for \$5, payable to "Minerva Park Community Association," for participation in the MPCA 2008 annual garage sale FUND-RAISER. Additionally, I will submit 10% of my proceeds.

Registration

MPCA Garage Sale FUND-RAISER - August 16, 2008

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

AUGUST DATES

- 5 (4p) Mayor's Court
- 7 (7:30p) Planning & Zoning
- 9 (8a) Council Work Session
- 11 (7p) Council Meeting
- 13 (5p) Villager Deadline
- 13 (7p) Garage Sale Deadline
- 13 (7:30p) MPCA Meeting
- 16 (9a-4p) Garage Sale
- 16 (9p-midnight) Wine & Cheese
- 19 (4p) Mayor's Court

MPCA News

Fickle Weather and MPCA Summer Events ...

Fickle weather caused the rescheduling of the first two MPCA Summer Pool Events, but join us

on August 16 for a **Wine & Cheese** night at the pool from 9p to midnight. BYOW to enjoy or share. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided. \$5 per person charge.

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Garden Tour

The Garden tour escaped the rain until the last half hour of the event. Most garden participants reported 50 visitors or more stopping by their gardens during the 3-hour tour. Visitors included residents, former residents, and others from Central Ohio. A couple from Virginia visiting the area saw the notice in the newspaper and decided to take the tour. Everyone remarked on the diversity of the gardens and beauty of the Village. Thanks to the Beatrices, Thitoffs, Wrights, Ludes, Gales, and Mike Simms & Kathy Yelverton for opening their gardens that day.

Founders Day

Founders Day was held at the Pool on Saturday July 26 from 5-8pm. The rainy weather held off except for the last hour or so, but it was just a passing shower. More than 135 people enjoyed food provided by MP resident-owned Acme HotDog and Sausage Company, swimming, paddle boat riding, the amazing Maze, and visiting with neighbors. Many thanks to all who helped with the event, including Sara Schumacher, David Van Scoy, Jason & Gretchen Pershon, Marilyn Herboltzheimer, Dianne & Mark Poncinie, Mayor Lynn Eisentrout, Dick Busick, Steve & Lisa Thitoff, David Way, Sid & Bonnie Townsend, the dessert contributors, and others who helped clean-up and set-up, including John

Friedel, Georgeanna Canniff, and the lifeguards. Thanks go to the EMS for another terrific maze – Chief Hoechstetter, Lt. Tim Lockard, Katie McDonald, and Tony Huffman. Dennis Carson, his crew, and Continental Office Environments supplied the cardboard. The box maze was a rousing success and almost up to the task of withstanding the rain and a game of tag that paid little attention to cardboard walls. In the end, the kids won. Thank you finally to all of the parents who helped recycle the cardboard when the kids were finished reshaping it.

4th of July Parade

Mayor Lynn Eisentrout; Council Members Sharon Bierman, Pam Park-Curry, Jeff Rigg (and wife Nikki), Todd Walter, and David Way; and MPCA President Bob Gale led a contingent of Minerva Park dignitaries in the NCC 4th of July Parade. Youngsters Max Way and Jack Rigg walked the parade route, handing out candy. The MP Police were represented by Sgt. Adam Beach, Cpl. Matt Fenstermaker, and Officer Rick West. The EMS Squad made its appearance, with Chief Rick Hoechstetter and Captain Tina Quinn.

Children's Safety Day

The day was fun for all. About 150 people attended, and 60 youngsters were fingerprinted, played various games, and enjoyed the renovated playground. We had plenty of food and a bouncy house, and Melody the Clown made balloon animals for the kids. We appreciate the contributions of McDonald's (2091 Dublin-Granville Rd.), Image Print (6417 Busch Blvd.), Fiesta Jalisco (2670 Dublin-Granville Rd.), Meijer (5555 Cleveland Ave.), MonaVie Nutritional Juice (monavie@corpcuttingdies.com), and Rebecca Stickel.

Family Fun Night

With nearly 200 attendees, thanks go Bonnie Townsend, Jason & Gretchen Persohn, Martin Bridgette, Dave Way, Georgeanna Canniff, and John Friedel, Steve & Lisa Thitoff, Tom Shannon, and many others.

Street Reps

The Village is in need of Street Reps to help get information to residences of Minerva Park. The Village needs about 50 people to help, and currently we have 20. This is to enhance the sense of connectedness people feel with their neighborhoods as a means to increase community pride and a feeling of sense of place. If you can help, please call Bonnie Townsend, 890-2427.



MPCA Membership Drive & Resident Directory

This year, the MPCA membership drive will run from **August to mid-September**.

Please pay your \$15 MPCA dues promptly when volunteers stop by to collect and gather updated

directory information. The deadline for all updated directory info is September 15. •



MAYOR'S REPORT

Lynn Eisentrout



It's hard to believe how quickly the summer is flying by. I hope it's been a safe and relaxing time for everyone and you've had the opportunity to visit our beautiful pool.

Recognition: We have a resident who deserves our thanks and recognition. On June 16, one of our little pool members (a 1½-year-old) was pulled unconscious from the baby pool after his mother and other adult family members summoned help. Shannon Morrison, Wildwood Road resident, pool member, and City of Columbus firefighter, immediately began infant CPR and revived the child, who has recovered and is fine. Had it not been for Shannon, pool lifeguard Nathan Geers, and pool manager John Friedel, we may not have had such a happy ending.

Power Surges/Outages: These continue to be a problem. Please keep me informed of time, duration, and the nature of these "electrical occurrences" so we can follow up with our community liaison and the AEP crews. My email address is mayor@minervapark.org and office phone is 882-5743. If you experience an outage, please call AEP Customer Service 1-800-277-2177, prompt #1, then prompt #3 to generate a work order for your home.

All Council members were present for the regular Council meeting held July 14. The following departmental reports were made:

Police: Chief Bob Hillard reviewed his monthly report. Foot patrol is active, Theo Burson will be the newest member of the

police department, and we will be receiving our new radar gun from the State that was awarded to us for the police department's participation in the Click-or-Ticket program last year. Chief Hillard, Sgt. Adam Beach, and Officer Rick West were thanked for their efforts in making the Children's Safety Day, held June 22, such a huge success.

EMS: Chief Rick Hoechstetter reviewed his monthly report. Chief Hoechstetter, along with Norm Jones, Tanya Crenshaw, Brad Demeter, and Tony Mazaretti, were thanked for their assistance with the Children's Safety Day.

Engineer: Mike Flickinger included his report with the Street Committee report.

Law Director: Kerry Boyle had nothing at this time.

Planning & Zoning/Code Enforcement: Dick Busick reviewed his monthly report. A shed permit and two fence permits were approved at the July 10 meeting. Zoning was approved for a North Bay resident who had installed two entranceways and partially installed a deck without the proper permits and has been under a stop-work order. Several notices were issued for high grass and weeds, one for an inappropriate truck, and one for an overall improperly maintained property.

Minerva Park Community Association: Councilman Dave Way reported that the Garden Tour was very successful; the Annual Garage Sale will be August 16, followed by a Wine & Cheese event at the Pool.

Northland Community Council: Don Champney reported that the Shark Bar has been boarded up pending a second hearing in the Franklin County Environmental Court. Northland Area Business representatives have been very vocal in their opposition to this business re-opening as well as any business of the same type. Minerva Park was well represented in

the Northland Fourth of July Parade. The Farmers Market is open on Tuesdays from 4-6 p.m. in the Columbus Square Shopping Center.

The following committee reports were made:

Community: Councilman Dave Way reported a very good turn-out (approximately 150 people) for the Children's Safety Day. A Fall Lake Clean-up may be scheduled because of the cancellation of both Spring Lake Clean-ups.

Finance: Councilwoman Sharon Bierman received approval of the warrants paid out in June totaling \$159,134.34.

Legislation: Council President Pam Park-Curry asked the Council to consider the following legislation:

Resolution 2008-10 - Submitting a tax budget for the expenses and other expenditures of the Village. Third reading accepted, passed.

Resolution 2008-14 - Authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer to enter into contract for the collection and removal of rubbish, trash, recyclables, garbage and yard waste from Village residences. Second reading accepted.

Resolution 2008-15 - Establishing the hourly wages for the Clerk of Courts. Rules suspended, three readings waived, passed as an emergency.

Resolution 2008-16 - Supporting a proposed Westerville to Arena District Bikeway. First reading accepted.

A legislative committee meeting was scheduled for July 21.

Safety: Councilman Todd Walter had nothing to report.

Service: Councilman Kent Stanley had nothing to report.

Streets: Councilman Jeff Rigg reported that the Village will hire AJ Asphalt to repair the potholes. •

MAYOR'S OFFICE HOURS

M – 8a-1p and 4p-6p
 Tu – 4p-6p
 W, F – 8a-noon
 Th – 6p-8p
 Sat, August 9 – 10a-noon

Medic 119 ...

Where are you?

June 2008

In June, Medic 119 made 17 runs - 5 into Blendon Township (exclusive of MP) and 1 into Minerva Park; 11 patients were transported to hospitals.

22 members volunteered a total of 433.4 hours for the month, bringing the total for the year-to-date to 2,416.3.

Leading volunteers for the month were **Norm Jones** (58.8), **Bradley Demeter** (48.5), and **Tonya Crenshaw** (46.3).

MP Runs

6-8 Injured person



Mayor's
Court

Mayor's Court is open to the public — our next sessions are August 5 & 19 - 4:00p.

If you have any questions, please call Charline Garrabrant, Clerk of Courts, at 882-5743 (Community Building).

June 2008

Complete payments - 37	
Village Computer Fund	\$ 185
Village General Fund	3,162
Remitted to the State	1,041
Total Court Receipts	\$4,388



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Minerva Park
Police

June - MP Police made 8 misdemeanor arrests and 2 felony arrests; 9 were transported to Franklin County jail.

- 6-4 12:17a, Westerville Auto Group, 5309 Westerville Rd., false alarm
- 6-4 2:00p, 2700 blk Minerva Lake Rd., resident dies of natural causes
- 6-4 1:30p, 5300 blk E. Shore Dr., resident reported harassing phone calls
- 6-5 9:27a, Farmers Insurance, 5272 Cleveland Ave., false alarm
- 6-8 1:45p, Kumasi Central Market, 5258 Cleveland Ave., false alarm
- 6-10 ... 9:55a, Farmers Insurance, false alarm
- 6-14 ... 5:38p, 2700 blk Minerva Lake Rd., aggravated menacing
- 6-18 ... 9a, Accra Int'l Market, 5266 Cleveland Ave., false alarm
- 6-23 ... 8:24a, 2800 blk Maplewood, theft between 6-18 and 6-23 reported
- 6-24 ... 6:44a, Accra Int'l Market, false alarm
- 6-30 ... 4:45a, Hawthorne Elementary School, 5001 Farview DR., theft reported •

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\$ 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).

June 2008

Beg balance general fund	\$446,693.19
Revenue collected	70,450.02
Expenses	(115,489.91)
Ending balance	\$401,743.30



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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:

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Next deadline:
Wednesday, August 13, 5:00p

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