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MARIEMONT COMMUNITY SWIMMING POOL

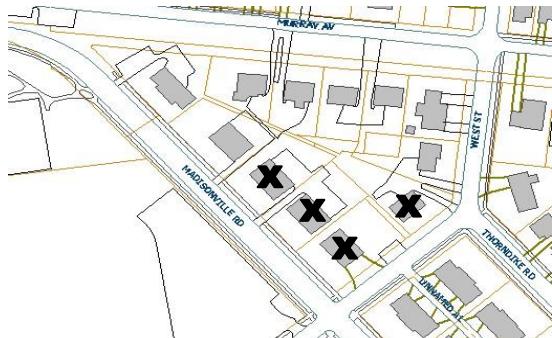


It's not just a pool anymore! If you haven't visited the pool so far this year, you might want to purchase a one-day pass just to see all the changes and additions. Thanks to the donation of Dick Savage, we have a new freezer and to thanks residents Tom & Pat Calder, Paul & Karri Haffner, and Steve & Sarah Martin, the pool now offers tetherball and ping pong. Also parties are planned for pre-teens, teens, adults and families. Grills have been added, as well, and adding music is being discussed, all helping to make the pool a fun summer gathering place for residents of all ages. . . . well worth the cost of membership!

A great time for grown-ups to check out the pool will be on Saturday, July 17th, from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. That is when we will be having the **ADULT POOL PARTY AND COOKOUT** – a casual evening of good food, good friends, and plenty of fun with ping pong, cornhole, and swimming. All Mariemont residents and their guests are welcome, but you must be at least 21 years of age to attend. Tickets are on sale at the pool. Cost is \$12 per person and includes beef tenderloin sandwiches, brats and soda. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share (Last names beginning with A-H bring an appetizer; I-Q bring a side dish and R-Z bring a dessert). You may bring your own alcohol, but please drink responsibly. No glass containers, dishes, bottles or cups will be permitted. Proceeds from the party will help to fund the new grills and other improvements to the pool. For more information about the pool party, please contact any of the following: Don Slavik at 271-4741, Joan Erhardt at 830-7157, Maria Borgerding at 272-2762, Barbara Policastro at 561-0277 or Gretchen Thomas at 561-6008.

NEW ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF NAMED

At the regular Council meeting of June 14th, Jeff Travers was appointed as Assistant Fire Chief. Jeff has been a part-time supervisor of the Fire Department for several years and has been a firefighter/paramedic for almost 30 years. Jeff has a Masters Degree from Xavier University in education, which should serve the Village well, as we need in-house training for our firefighters. Mr. Travers will certainly fill the bill. He will work well with the Police Department and Chief Hines. He also works well with our closest mutual aid partners, Little Miami Fire District, which is very important. He will be responsible for formulating new policies that will make our fire department even better.



NEW CONDOMINIUMS ON MADISONVILLE ROAD

With the passage of the Residence D Zoning and the purchase of the apartment buildings along Madisonville Road, Greiwe Development plans to start construction of Emery Park Condominiums by the end of summer. The apartment buildings indicated by an "X" at right will be the first to be torn down. The condominiums that will replace them will be one and two-bedroom units. Prices for one-bedroom units will start at \$295,000 and the two-bedroom units will be priced from \$350,000 to \$450,000. The construction should take about 18 months to complete.

FIREWORKS!

Once again, our Independence Day fireworks show was a huge success! The weather was much more cooperative than in 2009 and the turn out for this annual event seems to grow each year. Of course, the fireworks display could not have taken place without donations from our residents and others. Special thanks go out to those whose generous contributions help make the fireworks possible. By far, the largest contribution we received was from Andy Kulesza and the company he is associated with, Kramig Insulation, which offers commercial and industrial services for insulation, partition walls and doors, as well as hazardous materials removal for items such as asbestos. Thanks also to the Mariemont Civic Association and to the Rye Family at Cincinnati Steel Treating, whose donations were also among the highest we received.

BARBECUE AT THE BARN



The Mariemont Civic Association and Woman's Art Club Foundation will be hosting an "Out-Do Barbeque" at 'The Barn' on Saturday, September 18th from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m., at 6980 Cambridge Avenue. The event will feature fabulous food, fantastic entertainment and fun-filled silent and loud auctions. Proceeds and donations will help the needy in the Village, fund lighting for the barn's west parking lot, and provide for an art scholarship. Attire is casual. Cost for the event is \$20 per person. Checks should be made payable to the Mariemont Civic Association and sent in care of Mrs. Joseph Miller, 6989 Bramble Hill Drive, Mariemont, Ohio 45227.

BLOCK PARTY IN OLD TOWN

The first annual block party for citizens who live on Chestnut, Maple and Murray Streets is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, August 14th, and will include food and fun activities for residents of all ages. To get things kicked off, we are in need of some fellow neighbors to help us with the planning and execution duties. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Andrew at 937-903-6154 or by e-mail at Dreweyj@gmail.com.



COUNCIL MEETINGS ON TV



Videos of the Village of Mariemont Council meetings will now be available through the Intercommunity Cable Regulatory Commission. The video of each meeting will be shown on Tuesdays at 5 PM, on Saturdays at 3 PM, and on Mondays at 7 AM. If you are a Time Warner Cable customer and you have a cable box connected to your TV, you will find the meetings on Channel 8. If you do not have a cable box, you should tune to Channel 15. Those residents who do not have Time Warner Cable can watch the meetings on their computer by visiting <http://www.icrctv.com/mariemont>. We hope this service will encourage residents to become even more involved with our Village government.

ARBOR DAY

The Village celebrated Arbor Day this year on April 23rd with the planting of a dogwood tree in front of the Bell Tower. We had perfect weather for the planting and had a wonderful turn-out with members of the Parks Advisory Board, students, employees and residents joining in.



CAUTION!

We have received several calls reporting that both children and adults riding bikes are not stopping at stop signs and/or intersections. Parents need to remind their children that they must follow the rules of the road when riding bikes. Not only is it the law, but it helps to prevent accidents. There have been a couple of close calls recently when kids on bikes ran a stop signs. Let's keep everyone safe by following the rules!

CLEANING UP AFTER DOGS

We have received some complaints lately regarding people not properly cleaning up after their dogs and some people are not cleaning up at all. Rumpke is also reporting they are finding dog waste mixed in with yard waste and in recycling bins. Not properly cleaning up after your dog is unsightly, offensive, and a health hazard, especially for our kids. Please make sure you clean up after your dogs and throw bagged dog waste into your trash can.



GRANT FUNDS RECEIVED



Village Engineer, Chris Ertel, has secured a grant in the amount of \$42,000 from the Ohio Public Works Commission Small Governments Projects fund. It will be combined with another grant from the Municipal Road Fund of \$14,000 and Village funds of \$14,000 to pay for the Plainville Road rehabilitation project. This project will provide for resurfacing of Plainville Road from Chestnut Street to Murray Avenue. Thanks to Chris for all the work he put in to get us this grant.

GOLF OUTING

The Mariemont Alumni Association will be hosting a golf outing on Saturday, August 21st at Avon Fields Golf Course, which is located at 4081 Reading Road. Everyone is welcome! You do not need to be a Mariemont graduate to participate. Cost is \$75 for individuals and \$300 for foursomes and includes 18-hole greens fee with cart, lunch and beverages, complimentary raffle tickets and more! For information or to reserve tickets – or for sponsorship – please contact Mark Evans at 240-3166 or markevans2@gmail.com or visit the association's website at <http://www.mariemontschools.org/alumni>.



PIANO ON THE SQUARE



Council has agreed to work with Cincinnati Public Radio and Comey & Shepherd Realty to place a piano next to the fountain on the Village square as part of British artist Luke Jerram's "Play Me, I'm Yours" program. Pianos donated to Cincinnati Public Radio will be painted and placed around the region for the public to play and enjoy. Mr. Jerram will paint half of the pianos and area student artists will paint the other half. These pianos will act as a 'blank canvas' for the public to participate in creating art. People are encouraged to sit and play the pianos. The piano will be on the square for three weeks in August. It will, of course, be covered during periods of rain or bad weather. We hope residents and visitors to Mariemont will enjoy the opportunity to participate in a program that has already seen success in such places as Sydney, Australia, Sao Paulo, Brazil and London, England.

DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE

The Mariemont Preservation Foundation has asked us to remind everyone that the 2010-2011 Village of Mariemont Directory is now available. They can be purchased for \$10 each from MPF at 3919 Plainville Road, or The Villager at 6932 Madisonville Road or at the MariElders Center at 6923 Madisonville Road. For additional information, you may contact MPF at 272-1166.



LAWSUIT BROUGHT BY JOHN ALTMAN

I had promised to bring you updates regarding the lawsuit brought against the Village by resident John Altman. Things are progressing and there will be a preliminary injunction hearing on July 20th and 21st, before Judge Ethna Cooper. I will give you a report on the hearing in the August bulletin. So far, the Village's solicitor has been paid \$1,600.00 of our tax dollars in his supervision of this lawsuit.

Sincerely,


Dan Policastro, Mayor