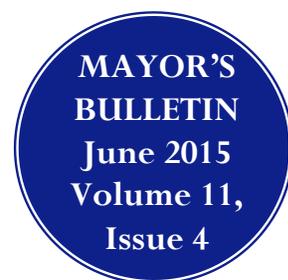




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MEMORIAL DAY PARADE – MONDAY - MAY 25TH

As is our annual tradition, the Village will have a Memorial Day Parade. Line up for the parade starts at the Parish Center at 8AM. The parade starts from there at 8:30 AM and heads east to the Municipal Building for the reading of the Memorial Day Essay Contest winner's message and the presentation of the Outstanding Citizen of the Year. The parade will then turn and go west to the Pioneer Cemetery. It will end with the donut, juice, and coffee sale at the Parish Center. This is an important fundraising event for the Civic Association, so your participation is greatly appreciated. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Little League teams, soccer teams and other youth organizations are invited to march in the parade. *We want to remind all veterans who have not already done so to contact the office and provide us with your name, the branch of the military in which you served, and the years you served. We want to be able to read the names and honor all of the Village's veterans at the parade.*

COME & ENJOY ANN BUNTIN BECKER PARK

Children in the Village will have a new place to play this summer, thanks to the new equipment in Ann Buntin Becker Park. In addition to the playground structure, there will be two new Freddy the Frog spring riders installed and several other new features, as well as a new bench. The plan for the park was a collaborative effort, with Health and Recreation Committee Chairwoman Mary Ann Schwartz, Committee Members Maggie Palazzolo and Dennis Wolter, the Mariemont Preschool Parent Group (MPPG), and representatives from Waldorf School working together to create a play area for kids of all ages. A donation from MPPG and a grant helped to offset some of the costs. The Waldorf School is also contributing. The Service Department hopes to have work completed by early summer.



VANDALISM AT THE BELL TOWER AND TOT LOT

Recently vandals caused damage to the door of the Bell Tower and broke the handles off the whale spring rider in the Tot Lot. This was the second time that the spring rider was vandalized. These events often coincide with the onset of warmer weather. Our Police Officers will be diligently patrolling all the parks and anyone caught causing any property damage will be made to pay for the damage and possibly incur other punishments. In the meantime, we are happy to report that a new Wally the Whale has now been installed at the Tot Lot to replace the broken one.

POLICE DEPARTMENT GETS NEW SPEED MONITORING EQUIPMENT

The Village of Mariemont Police Department has used grant funds to purchase a new 'speed trailer'. The new equipment replaces an old speed trailer that was outdated and no longer worked properly. This speed limit warning device will be placed at various locations throughout the Village, showing drivers the posted speed limit and displaying the speed at which they are actually traveling. These types of devices have been shown to reduce speeding, making streets much safer for both drivers and pedestrians. The grant money came from a program that rewards communities which have excelled in increasing traffic safety by focusing on keeping drunk drivers off the road and diligently enforcing all traffic safety laws



ASPCA WALK FOR THE ANIMALS

The Village hosted its first ASPCA Walk for the Animals on April 18th. This fundraising event was supervised by 6th grade elementary school teacher Natalie Lynch. The 5K run/walk started and ended at Dogwood Park. The group was able to raise money that will help support all areas of the ASPCA's mission, including animal adoption, advocacy, and law enforcement. Pictured at right are participants Olivia Sullivan, Alyssa Bach, Ellie Trubisky, Megan Weinland, Gideon Christ. Those who participated but are not pictured include Jackson House, Jack Gerdson, Andrew Getgy, Myah Girodullo, and Ellie Hunt. We should all be very proud of these kids for organizing and participating in such a good cause.

SUMMER SAFETY – SLOW DOWN - WATCH FOR CHILDREN PLAYING

With warmer weather and the end of the school year quickly approaching, children will be spending more time outside, riding bikes, and walking to and from the pool, the parks, and the Square. To insure their safety, drivers must SLOW DOWN! Except for a short stretch on Wooster Pike, all other streets in the Village have a speed limit of 25 MPH. The Police Department will be closely monitoring drivers' speed and using the new speed trailer to help detect trouble spots. Adhering to the speed limit is not just a matter of obeying the law; it's the best way to keep our children SAFE!



POOL AND TENNIS MEMBERSHIPS

Online registration is now available at www.mariemont.org. Scroll down to the bottom of the home page and you will find the buttons near the bottom left-hand corner. Click on the registration links, fill out the form, and then continue to PayPal to make your credit card payment. You may also register using the forms that were in the April and May issues of the Town Crier. Once you have completed the forms, you may mail them or bring them to the office at the Village of Mariemont, 6907 Wooster Pike, Mariemont, OH 45227. Additionally, you can register for swim pool membership in person at the pool on Thursday, May 21st, from 7PM to 9PM. Remember, the cut off for the 'Early Bird' rate is May 22nd. *If you would like to purchase a family membership to the pool, but cannot afford to pay the entire fee in one payment, please contact the Mayor at 615-5729 to discuss a possible payment plan. We want to do all we can to make sure all Mariemont children have the opportunity to use the pool.*



YOGA BY THE POOL – JOIN US WHILE YOUR KIDS SPLASH

This summer there will be a morning yoga class held once each week at the Madisonville Site across from the pool. The classes will be led by Village residents Lucianne Crowley, Leslie Pennell, and Brenda Westfall who are all Certified Yoga Instructors. The classes will be appropriate for ALL LEVELS. Instructors will direct both the beginning and experienced yogis with modifications to suite their practice. Classes are open to all Mariemont citizens. Just bring your mat and a water bottle and you will be ready to begin your day with yoga and your neighbors. For questions or more details, please e-mail brenda@worthyoga.com.

TOWNHOME GARDEN BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST

For the 5th year, the Village will be sponsoring a Landscaping Beautification Contest for owners and tenants of the Historic Townhome district. Gardens will be judged on the overall appearance of the yard, flower beds, and other landscape features. Contestants can enter either their front yard or back yard or both. Tenants should get the OK from their landlord before planting. Judging will be done by members of the Parks Advisory Board on Monday, June 15th, and the winner will be announced at the June 18th meeting of the Mariemont Civic Association. Prizes include a one-year family membership to the Mariemont Swimming Pool, cookie and crackers ‘towers’ from Kellogg, as well as gift cards from the National Exemplar, the Mariemont Theatre, Mio’s, Kroger, and more! Those wishing to participate should contact the Village office at 271-3246.



BETTER ONE OR TWO! EYECARE ON THE SQUARE CELEBRATION

Dr. Ehryn Cartwright is pleased and excited to announce that June 18th marks the two year anniversary of Eyecare on the Square. As a sign of her sincere appreciation, Dr. Cartwright is inviting the community to her office for an evening of celebration. Enjoy drinks, light bites, and good company on Thursday, June 18th. Festivities begin at 6PM.

MARIEMONT CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Raffle tickets are now on sale for the Mariemont Civic Association’s Spring Fundraiser. The winner will be able to choose one of three different prizes: ‘A Night in the Village’ for two, which includes dinner at the National Exemplar, tickets to the Mariemont Theatre, a room at the Mariemont Inn, and breakfast at the National Exemplar OR a signed numbered print of a 17th Century Indian Village by artist Mary Lou Holt OR a baseball signed by Pete Rose with the message “Sorry I Bet on Baseball”. (The Pete Rose baseball has been donated by Steve Wolter, brother of Councilman Dennis Wolter, and owner of Sports Investments memorabilia store.) Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Proceeds from this fundraiser help people throughout our community with such things as preschool tuition, assistance with swim pool memberships for kids, donations to our Boy Scouts for their Eagle Scout projects, donations for Girl Scouts for their Gold Award projects, donations to help offset travel costs for our Destination Imagination grade school teams, a \$1,000 donation for the fireworks, contributions toward the cost of “Shredder Day” and the annual Porsche Rally, and much more. As you can see, any money spent on a raffle ticket stays right here in our community. Contact any member of the Civic Association for your tickets or call the office at 271-3246.

The Mariemont Civic Association has lined up some great speakers for their upcoming meetings. All Civic Association meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month from March through November at 7PM in the Village Church of Mariemont on the corner of Oak and Maple. Here is a list of some of the speakers who will be appearing:

- **May 21** – University of Cincinnati Professor Ken Tankerley will discuss new-found Indian villages in the South 80 Park
- **June 18** – Developer Michael Heines will be sharing his plans to develop the steam plant property by building 12 houses on the site after the Steam Plant has been taken down. Demolition of the steam plant is planned for mid-summer.
- **September 17** – Railroad historian George McIlveen will give a presentation on the John Robinson Circus which had its winter quarters in Terrace Park and the railroad cars that were used to transport the animals and equipment. His presentation will include fascinating stories about the circus, the circus animals, and their trainers, as well as a miniature circus display.

These should all be very interesting presentations, so please feel free to join us to hear any or all of these wonderful speakers. Attending one of these meetings will give you a wonderful opportunity to see if you would like to become a member of the Civic Association.

UPCOMING EVENTS



ANNUAL MARIEMONT MEMORIAL DAY 5K EVENT – SUNDAY – MAY 24TH

Once again, the Mariemont 5K run will wind along its scenic course through the Village on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. All ages and abilities are welcome to participate. The course is USATF certified for those looking to set a new personal record. A short run for kids will be held on the track at 9:45 AM. For online registration or to download a form, go to sprunning.com and click on register/results. New prizes for this year’s top finishers include Tri-State Running Company gift certificates.

DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT SCHEDULED – SATURDAY – MAY 30TH

Due to the success of last year’s event and the request of several residents for us to do it again, the Village of Mariemont Police and Fire Departments will sponsor a paper-shredding event on Saturday, May 30th, from 9AM to 12 NOON in the parking lot of the Municipal Building. They will be partnering with a local company called Document Destruction. Shredding documents helps to protect residents from identity theft when disposing of outdated documents. Some of the items you might consider shredding are tax returns, credit and debit card statements, utility bills, legal documents, financial statements, cancelled and unused checks, bank and brokerage account information, insurance policy information, and doctor bills. The documents are processed through an industrial paper shredder, leaving confetti-sized pieces. The shredded remains are recycled for the betterment of our environment. We thank the Mariemont Civic Association for donating again this year to the cost of this service.



FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS – FRIDAY – JULY 3RD - DONATIONS NEEDED

The annual fireworks show will be on Friday, July 3rd. The fireworks will be combined with patriotic music from the Carillon performed by Richard Gegner. We have a good start at off-setting that cost with a donation from Mariemont Civic Association of \$1,000. However, we still need the help of our citizens. Any amount you would like to donate would be appreciated and can be mailed to the Village office at 6907 Wooster Pike, Mariemont, OH 45227.



The Mariemont Men’s Softball League 2015 season got off to a roaring start with the Tramps edging out the Gophers in the first game of the season with a score of 9 to 6. Joining the league this year is a team from Terrace Park known as the Parkers. They played the Sox in the second game on Sunday, with the Sox taking the game with a final score of 15 to 2. If you’re looking for a fun family activity, come watch the games on Sunday at 1PM and 2:30PM at the Bell Tower ball field. If you would like to play in the league, it’s not too late to sign up for this year. Just call the Village office at 271-3246.

Sincerely,

Dan Policastro, Mayor