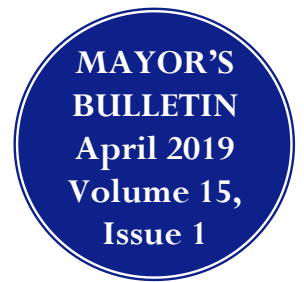




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MARIEMONT RECOGNIZED AS CLEAR LEADER

Late last year, we received correspondence from Silverton Village Manager Tom Carroll regarding Mariemont's standing in Hamilton County. Mr. Carroll had been doing research on First Suburbs as part of an International City/County Management fellowship. His goal was to identify best practices that have worked to improve the Midwest's first suburbs. What Mr. Carroll found is that the Village of Mariemont has always been a stable, uniquely-planned, and well-run community. While most communities are experiencing depopulation and declining tax bases, Mariemont continues to thrive. Out of the 33 First Suburbs in Hamilton County, only eight experienced property tax value increases since 2008. Mariemont was the clear leader in terms of new development and property value growth. Mr. Carroll stated that Mariemont has been the overall most successful community over the last decade. Those of us who call Mariemont home have always known that this is an exemplary community. It is nice to see others recognizing it as well.



SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

Over the last few years, we have repaired or replaced 500 +/- sidewalks. If you notice a sidewalk that is uneven due to Village tree roots pushing the concrete up, please notify the Village office at 271-3246 or call me on my cell phone at 615-5729. We hope to make more repairs this summer.

FARMERS MARKET COMING BACK TO MARIEMONT

Thanks to the efforts of Village resident Leah Geldbaugh, the Village of Mariemont will once again have a Farmers Market. Starting on May 19th, the market will be held every Sunday from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, through October 6th. It will be located in the Mariemont Elementary School parking lot. Vendors will be offering fresh fruits and vegetables, eggs, and other farm fresh foods. Leah has done an excellent job pulling together a terrific group of vendors that should make this Farmers Market a great success! If you are interested in participating, please call Leah at 513-549-9499.



CRA BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

The Village of Mariemont is seeking to appoint two members to our Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council (CRA). The CRA shall make an annual inspection of the residential properties within the district of which an expansion has been granted. The CRA also hears appeals. If interested, send a simple resume to info@mariemont.org.

WALDORF SCHOOL ANNOUNCES SPECIAL EVENTS FOR REMAINDER OF 2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Having recognized that special events at their school can cause parking issues for those living around the school, the Cincinnati Waldorf School has provided the Village with a list of events for the remainder of the 2019 school year. Their schedule is as follows:

DATE	DAY	TIME FRAME	EVENT	ANTICIPATED PARKING
04/25/19	Thursday	4PM-9PM	6th Grade Medieval Games	Highest Amount of Extra Cars
05/01/19	Wednesday	8-11:45AM	May Morning (Maypole Dancing)	High Amount of Extra Cars
05/03/19	Friday	Mid Morning	5th Grade Play	Moderate Amount of Extra Cars
05/03/19	Friday	6PM-8PM	5th Grade Play	Moderate Amount of Extra Cars
05/04/19	Saturday	9AM-3PM	May Fair	High Amount of Extra Cars
05/22/19	Wednesday	Mid Morning	8th Grade Project Presentations	Moderate Amount of Extra Cars
05/22/19	Wednesday	6PM-8PM	8th Grade Project Presentations	Moderate Amount of Extra Cars
05/29/19	Wednesday	8AM-12PM	Field Day	High Amount of Extra Cars
05/29/19	Wednesday	1PM-2PM	8th Grade vs Faculty Softball Game	At Dogwood Park
05/29/19	Wednesday	5PM-8PM	8th Grade Graduation	To Be Held at Mariemont Elementary Highest Amount of Extra Cars

SERVICE DEPARTMENT HELPS VILLAGE RECEIVE TREE CITY USA DESIGNATION

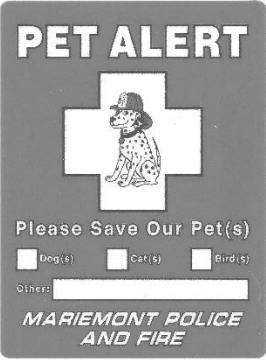
Once again, the Village of Mariemont was designated a Tree City USA community. We have received this honor for the 28th year in a row and we couldn't be more proud. Our Service Department has been working very hard putting in new trees to replace those that had to be removed due to insect infestations and disease. Service Department Superintendent John Scherpenberg has done an excellent job of evaluating the Village-owned trees and preparing a work list of trees that need to be trimmed and/or removed to make room for new healthier ones. The Mariemont Preservation Foundation has committed to donating \$10,000 toward our tree program. Part of their contribution purchased new trees for the Center Street island which the Service Department planted.



POLICE DEPARTMENT MAINTAINS AAA PLATINUM TRAFFIC SAFETY STANDING

This has been an outstanding year for our Police Department! In December, the department received the AAA Platinum Traffic Safety Award for the ninth year in a row. There are approximately 148 police departments in the Greater Cincinnati/Tri-State area. Of those 148 departments, only 10 received an AAA Traffic Safety award and we are one of the very few to have received the Platinum Award for seven years straight! This award signifies how dedicated our Police Department is to traffic safety and to the safety of our residents. Congratulations to Police Chief Rick Hines and the members of the Mariemont Police Department!

HELP OUR FIRST RESPONDERS MAKE SURE YOUR PETS ARE SAFE DURING AN EMERGENCY



What would happen to your pets if there was a house fire while you were not at home? If you were home, would you put your family at risk trying to rescue your pets instead of running outside for safety? I have worried about this with my own pets so when I learned that pet alert window decals were available for local fire and police departments, I immediately looked into getting some for Mariemont. Now the Village of Mariemont Police and Fire Departments have the window decals that can alert them to the presence of pets in your home. During an emergency, these decals let first responders know that your pets may need to be rescued. They will do all they can to get your pets to safety. Our Fire Department even has an oxygen mask made specifically for reviving animals. The mask was obtained at no cost through a partnership with the Invisible Fence company. While the safety of our residents will always be the first priority, we know that pets are part of the family and we want to protect them, too. Please stop by the Police Department to pick up a decal like the one shown at the left and place it in a window where it can easily be seen by first responders. Make sure to indicate on the decal the type and number of pets in your home. This is the best way to make sure your pets get out safely.



Asst. Fire Chief Jason Kiefer (right side of the photo) accepts animal rescue oxygen mask



FIRE DEPARTMENT EARNS #2 ISO RATING

Our Mariemont Fire Department has once again achieved a Class 2 ISO rating. An ISO rating for fire departments is set by the Insurance Service Office and is based off of data supplied to them in part by the Fire Departments that serve the area. The system ISO uses to determine the rating of a fire department is called the Fire Suppression Rating Schedule. This ISO rating schedule examines many factors especially focusing on training and equipment. It also examines the location of the fire station in the community, the water supply in a community, and the fire department's communication or dispatch system. The schedule includes a rating scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being the best score. Out of the more than 1300 fire departments in the State of Ohio, there are only 68 fire departments with a Class 2 rating, and only 4 rated as a Class 1 department. What does this mean for Mariemont residents? Your ISO rating will help your insurance carrier determine the rate at which to charge to cover your home or business. The better ISO rating your community's fire department has, the lower your insurance rates will typically be. Hats off to Police/Fire Chief Rick Hines and Asst. Fire Chief Jason Kiefer for keeping our fire department as one of the best in Ohio.

TAX DEPARTMENT WELCOMES NEW STAFF ASSISTANT

As you may have heard, Debbie Combs, Staff Assistant for the Village Tax Office, retired at the beginning of March. We were fortunate to find a wonderful replacement in Deanna Darrah. Deanna comes to us from Norwood's tax department and brings with her many years of experience. She has been an invaluable addition to the department and has already done a great job assisting residents in meeting the April 15th tax-filing deadline.

UPCOMING EVENTS – PLEASE SEE MARIEMONT.ORG CALENDAR FOR DETAILS

- ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION – Friday, April 26th, 4PM, Lytle Woods for planting of a London Plane tree
- MARIEMONT 28th ANNUAL 5K RUN – Sunday, May 26th, 9AM, Mariemont Community Pool
- MEMORIAL DAY PARADE – Monday, May 27th, Line up starts at 8AM at the Parish Center
- DEDICATION OF LOUISE SCHOMBURG GARDEN – Friday, May 31st, 12 Noon, Old Towne Square
- SHREDDING DAY – Saturday, June 1st, 9AM-11AM, Municipal Building Parking Lot



Sincerely,

Dan Policastro

Dan Policastro, Mayor

SIGNUPS FOR MENS SOFTBALL LEAGUE HAVE BEGUN



Several years ago, I worked with the Village to put together a Men's Softball League. The league consists of 4 teams from a wide range of ages and skill levels. Three of the teams are Mariemont residents and one is from Terrace Park. You don't have to be an elite ball player to be a part of a team. Our league isn't fancy, but it is fun! Our games start around the end of May and end with tournament games being played around the last week in July.

If you were on a team last year, please contact your team manager. If you have not been on a team before, please contact me at 513-615-5729 or just fill out the form below and return it to the Village office by May 1st so the coaches can include you in the draft. If you are new to the Village, this is a great way to meet your neighbors.



SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____
