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# *Memo from the Mayor*

**BRUCE G. RINKER**



A resident asked the other day: “Mayor, who’s responsible for the part of my front yard that lies within the right-of-way?”

This is the kind of question law schools were made for. It is straightforward, direct and basic; it should require a comparable answer, shouldn’t it? But consider if the answer comes from the person (or that person’s lawyer) who is the property owner, or the municipality, or a pedestrian, or a motorist, or a neighbor, or a homeowner’s association, or a canvasser, or a missionary, or a delivery truck driver, or a utility company. If I spend my hard-earned dollars and invest some additional sweat equity into landscaping that area, can I expect to be repaid if someone trashes my personal work of art? What if my very expensive granite pavers get ripped off, or if someone walking over them trips and falls because they weren’t adequately seated, or drives over them and cracks them? What if the municipality orders me to remove them? What if my neighbors object and demand they be removed? What if the gas company comes along, rips them out, cracks them - - can I rightfully demand their replacement and full restitution?

When is the last time any of us looked at the language written in our deed? What are easements? Restrictive covenants? “Legal highways?” What are the terms and conditions of my homeowner’s association? Who can enforce them? Who pays?

Or, let’s make our simple question even simpler - - and more vexatious:

*What is property?*

I am reminded of an old Bill Cosby routine in which he poses, philosophically, “Why is There Air?” As we conjure up Nietzsche, Aristotle or Aquinas, he answers for us: “Why, to fill footballs, basketballs, soccer balls. . . .” So much for metaphysics. Is “property” something solid, or is it a figment of our imagination? How do we resolve the many conflicts inherent in the ownership or possession of property?

Is “property” the same in the United States as it is in France, or Japan, or India or anywhere else around the globe? Or closer to home, is my understanding of property the same as yours? We use the term daily, yet do we really know what property is? To put it another way, when is property “public,” or when is it “private?” *Where* are the boundaries, or *what* are the boundaries between our individual property rights and those of the general public? Is the boundary line clearly drawn, such as the lot line between me and my neighbor, or the lot line between me and the street? Is the line as clear as we believe? Why does my deed depict my front boundary line in the center line of my street - - where all the traffic runs -- and just where is the right-of-way line in my front yard? Why are they not the same thing?

I have had a fair amount of experience in public office and in private practice. I still marvel at how readily people will insist upon their competing rights to the same swath of real estate, or at least while acknowledging that it may be someone else’s property, nonetheless assert the right to limit that person’s use of it. Case books

are filled with bitter boundary disputes that began over seemingly innocuous slights, transformed into long term Crusades.

I am not answering these questions.

Yet, I do offer this:

We in Village Hall have tried over the years to practice more than to preach. We have endeavored to augment the collective value of our *property* by investing in extensive improvements to essential infrastructure, expanding our greenspaces and recreational amenities, promoting quality development of public facilities, encouraging aesthetically pleasing and environmentally responsible land management, and, above all, respecting individual freedoms while stressing the importance of our common cause. We safeguard our public assets and the democratic process. We believe the legitimacy of government comes from within and rarely can be imposed from without. We are therefore less concerned about drawing boundary lines between government and citizen, because we firmly believe that government works better as the expression of our citizenship.

*E Pluribus Unum.* Words to live by.

I suspect that many communities look upon our good fortune with no little envy; I do not find it necessary to compete – although, to be candid, we clearly enjoy benefits unique to a community of our size. I have long appreciated our having the wherewithal to do more than sit and smile smugly about having a good thing. We put all of our assets to work. We have grown as a community to accept and cherish and truly appreciate the value of *community*. In that equation “property” is multidimensional, because we derive much greater benefit than the sum of our component [property] parts. Our pledge is to sustain our many assets; to engender a strong community spirit, and to inculcate in our heirs the same sense of union, the same sense of stewardship and the same sense of values without which our property values would depreciate.

So, tell me, whose responsibility is that front-yard strip of property?





**BILL  
BUCKHOLTZ**  
Council President

“I Just Know  
Things”



I have a theory: call it a hunch. As a matter of fact I have many hunches. Some are mini-dissertations; others, semi-scientific hypotheses. My kids call them lectures... booor--ing. Co-workers call them endless tangents – musings of a madman. Strangers are often amused and occasionally fascinated. Longtime friends and family are totally exhausted by my perpetual imagination. I like to think of my theories as ‘extensions of logic’; fact-free foundations of life; undocumented socio-scientific principles; ‘the meaning of life’... the meaning of *my* life.

I constantly seek out opportunities to inject these strange yet déjà vu-ish stories into articles, essays and conversations; often to attract and/or aggravate the academe—those guardians of mortal intellectualism—wardens of the establishment. It is my job to poke fun at these ministers of temporal, temporary, provincial knowledge. My mission is to impart a unique brand of wisdom to seekers of the higher truth – deeper, timeless levels of truth. Of course I have somewhere between little and no documentation to support my arguments; my position comes from the gut. Facts are a nuisance, evidence is optional and the scientific method tends to be cumbersome. My perceptions of reality spring from a different well—call it a feeling; the sixth sense; perhaps intuition. *I just know things.*



One of my strongest and longest hunches is that school can be the fast track away from knowledge and wisdom. It is, however, the swiftest road to conformity – the acceptance of and surrender to a life as the bureaucrats, autocrats and demagogues insist it should be. As children, we master the basics pretty well on our own – walking; talking; acquiring food, attention and love. Even animals discover the physics of hot and cold, the math of few and many, the power of the senses, the logic of reason. Certainly higher functioning primates can come to realize the ethics of good and bad, the cause and effect of emotion, the essence of innocence, the art and influence of performance, the self-satisfaction of inspiration and creativity. The sense and spirit of these profound attributes seem to develop intuitively... in the blink of an eye.

School, the daily grind that we, by law, shuffle our children through for the lion's share of their youth. The slap on the butt followed by thirteen plus years of meticulously planned routines. I call it the disruption of their natural development; a disconnection from the universal collective consciousness (as described by French sociologist and cultural anthropologist Emil Durkheim, two hundred years after Montesquieu, the most quoted political thinker by our own founding fathers); the dumbing down of Carl Jung’s synchronicity. How is it that we arrogantly ignore the development of human development and understanding that has been collecting in our DNA since the beginning of time? Public



education is the undoing of our primal knowledge and innate memories. Using economist Paul Krugman’s book title totally out of context: “*The Great Unraveling—Losing Our Way in the New Century,*” might well describe civilized man’s losing battle with the natural world into which we are born. And our schools, save for a handful of true and dedicated educators, (we know who they are), have become the problem not the solution.

School, yes the daily grind that we, by law, shuffle our children through for nearly the entirety of their youth has become a bastion of mendacity, boredom and conformity. Thirteen plus years of youth is the disruption, great undoing of the connection they have of the innate process of human understanding that has been collecting in each persons DNA since the beginning of time.

A neighbor recommended a book, in fact, he insisted that I read *Blink* by Malcolm Gladwell. The book, *Blink*, is a collection of stories, research and years of hard work that provide us creative types—us rightbrain-leftbrain-highbrain-spiritualectuals—the facts, the data, the rigorous studies that substantiate the things that we already know and truly believe. Data, by the way, does not become information until analyzed; and information is useless when taught out of context. Education is wasted on the young. Information presented *on time* and with relevance produces understanding. This kind of learning is positively electrifying, just sit in on one of Pat Ward’s life science classes. Now you get students climbing the walls for

knowledge. Learning should be done in an ecstatic state of mind. The human brain processes information 30 million times slower than a computer yet we can recognize a person's face instantaneously. So far, a computer cannot.

With all respect to the captains of our local public learning ship: be it the Starship Enterprise—doubtful, “Going where no man has gone before” more likely analogous to the Titanic; the Hindenburg, hmmm... not good—at best the putt-putt-putt of the early steamboat monotonously paddling up and down the Mississippi—our children belong in their own canoe, fighting the rapids and negotiating the sharp turns in the crooked river of life. They need to hone their natural skills, survival instincts and intuitive senses; and, at the same time, they desperately need to see the world as members of the global culture. This is how we win the war on hatred, xenophobia and disparity. This is how we prepare our children for the future. This is how we battle terrorism. This is how we give our babies a fighting chance. Mother Earth needs her children to come home as their best selves – as fighters, inventors, discoverers and well-equipped humanitarians – who they once were generations past and who they can someday become. This is how we give them the tools they'll need for survival. School is not for everyone. Some kids just don't do well in school. It has been suggested that 'A' students end up working for 'C' students; and dropouts turn into corporate raiders who buy and sell those companies run by 'C' students. They do well in spite of school.

What made explorers and inventors follow their instincts? What is the difference between experts and analysts? How do LeBron James or Tiger Woods do what they do? In the article *Expert Minds* by Philip E. Ross published in Scientific American (July, 2006), John Bock, an anthropologist at California State University states, “The history of human expertise begins with hunting, a skill that was crucial to the survival of our early ancestors. The mature hunter knows not only where the lion has been; he can also infer where it will go. Tracking skill increases, as repeated studies show, from childhood onward, rising in “a linear relationship, all the way out to the mid-30s, when it tops out. It takes less time to train a brain surgeon.” Ross points out, “Experts are made, not born.”

Blink is not for amateurs: the unenlightened, unprepared or unconscious. Snap judgments can be dangerous, at best a fifty-fifty proposition. Old souls born with uncommon abilities, natural inclinations that act and react in a dimension where time and thought are the quicksand of spontaneity. But just as the cognitive mind can impede decision-making skills so can snap judgments fail in life and death situations. It is here that education is of maximum importance. In the case of LeBron James or Tiger Woods: they must first be gifted with the natural ability; then they must study, learn and practice relentlessly making the skills of their craft *second* nature. In the game they must turn off their cognitive brain and abandon all that they have learned all that they have

studied and return to their native senses... their natural abilities, their intuition. This is the power of thinking without thinking; and if you *blink* you might miss it... *I just know things.*

**PATSY MILLS**

Council Ward 2



Hanging baskets and pots of flowers were a pleasing site throughout the Village this summer.



(This petunia volunteered to beautify the walkway to the Bennet VanCuren Historical House this year)

Signs of Fall will be here soon. Remember to rake your leaves to the curb but not on the street.

Reminder Senior and Handicapped Villagers: send in your snow plowing applications.

Senior Flu Shot Program is available to Seniors and/or adults with chronic illnesses at the Civic Center this year.

Summer brought special activities for the residents. 50's Night was well attended by the car enthusiasts, Thursday Night Concerts were a special time on a summer night except for the few rain days, Independence Day Fireworks were great with another well attended affair and swimming pool and ball diamonds were enjoyed by many.

Coming activities are the Ice Cream Social at the Historical House September 12, followed by the monthly meetings the second Wednesday of each month, Garden Club's meetings, the Flower Show on October 7. These meetings are at the Community Center. The annual Craft Show on November 24 is at the John Relic Service Building.



Halloween and Christmas parties for the children. Santa arrives in the Village on December 2 with singing, donuts and hot chocolate, Menorah Lighting, December 3, Singing Angels will entertain at the new Civic Auditorium December 15.

There is also a Holiday Lunch for the Village Seniors. The *Voice of Village* has all information regarding these wonderful activities.

I like to mention all these activities because of all the volunteer hours that the residents give to make these affairs happen. All residents are welcome to join any or all of these committees. It is work but it is fun and you do get to meet neighbors. Nothing is more fun on a summer night than selling popping corn at the Concession Stand.



(The Shamrock & Marrie Families)

Kenwood Homeowners' had their annual pot-luck and swim party on August 16 at Parkview Pool. The residents and their families enjoyed

the usual hot dogs and hamburgers



cooked by the Chairman Larry Evans and his family (pictured above). The potluck was delicious, especially the desserts. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the swim time.



(The Mills & Lincoln Families)



**THOMAS J. MARRIE**  
Council At Large



A very nice donation was made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation because 50's Cruise Night was such a success. Thanks to all who helped make it possible. This contribution from your Village makes wishes come true for some children with life-threatening medical conditions. When a child's wish is granted, it gives them hope, strength, & joy. Hopefully this makes all of you feel good.

A big thank you to Eunice Kalina and our Human Services Department for setting up the meeting to assist our seniors in applying for the new Homestead Tax Exemption. This was a wonderful idea and many, many Village residents took advantage of it. The average savings on their (our) tax bills will be approximately \$400.00. A special thank you to our own Joanne O'Brien (Walnut Drive) and her assistant, Elaine Apanaites, from the County Auditor's Office for their outstanding assistance. Sincere thanks to these ladies for their knowledge, hard work, and assistance to our Village seniors. Another great Village program!

Speaking of our Human Services Department – they sent out a questionnaire to our seniors and the information makes the Village aware of situations – especially safety issues. If you haven't replied, please do so.

Application for Issue 2 funding has been put into process by Phil Brett, our Finance Director, for the "Seneca Road Project". Hopefully we will get this funding, but with or without it, this project will be done in 2008. Design work has already started.

The Service Department is ready for our Fall leaf pick up again this year. They will do another great job for us, as they have done in the past.

Thanks to all of the associates in our Service Department for taking such outstanding care of our public areas, flowers, and gardens again this year.

The Worton Park Bridge is done and what a beautiful job our associates did.

Work is in process for a “Little Children” soccer field.

John Marrelli (Building Commissioner) and Doug Metzung (Service Director) and their associates are extremely busy trying to get just about everything done in our Auditorium and Civic Center. Work is moving along and all of you will be very pleased with this project when it’s finished. Our Civic Center will certainly be something to be proud of and the envy of the east side.

The Recreation Department as well as the Human Services Department are offering many Fall & Winter trips and/or activities. Check your Village magazines and newsletter.

Speaking of our Recreation Department – have you seen the new Fall Brochure – it’s another excellent job by Bill Thomas, our Recreation Director, and it’s full of great programs.

Our Summer softball leagues are finished and we were maxed out and our Fall leagues have already started. We had 16 Co-Ed, 16 Men’s, and eight – 50 & over teams.

Our 3 to 7 year old Start Smart instructional parent/child programs have always been outstanding thanks to Danielle Echt, our Assistant Recreation Director. It’s always a success because of her hard work and superior effort.

Summer camps also maxed out & approximately 250 children had a wonderful time and educational experience with all of the programs.

Our Adaptive Recreation program for people with disabilities is really

wonderful and has big participation. It’s such a good program. It’s won a National Award for our Recreation Department. Thank you Bill Thomas, Danielle Echt, Sean Supler, and the many volunteers for making this possible.

Our 8th Annual Parkview Sizzler Swim meet was very successful drawing about 345 swimmers and between 600 and 700 spectators.

Our Triathlon was also very successful. 138 athletes (all in great shape) participated.

The Debbie Hudacko Walk/Run was a big success again with approximately 148 participants: runners (117) and walkers (31) competing in all ages.

The Suburban Swim League Championship was hosted by us this year and would you believe that 929 swimmers participated and approximately 2,000 parents, relatives, and friends attended this important sporting event.

Summer concerts at the Gazebo were a big hit again this year, drawing people from all over the city as well as our residents.

Thanks to Dave Perout and his whole crew for a great summer at the pool.

Just a reminder – the 30th Annual “MARC” Art Show (Mayfield Area Recreation Council) will be held from Sunday, September 30th thru Saturday, October 27th at our Mayfield Library during regular library hours. They are in need of patrons (\$15 & \$25) if you wish to help. Call Bill Thomas if you decide to help. Judging will be on

September 29th at 10:00 a.m. All types of art work (painting, textiles, pottery, oils, photographs, etc.) will be on display.

The Highland Road projects (sewers & underpass) are making progress & should be completely done by October/November. Applications for sewer tie-ins have already been entered. Remember call the Building Department, 440.461.2213, for applications before any contractor does your work to connect to the main sewer. This also applies to the Metro Park and Zorn Lane projects.

If you wondered – the construction site activity by Progressive Campus II along I-271 is for their new electrical substation.

Mayfield Village recently won a \$47,000 grant from NOACA (Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency) for planning transportation for livable communities. Special thanks to Phil Brett, our Finance Director, for acquiring the grant for our Village. Good planning will give us great projects.

The shopping area between Wilson Mills and Sandalwood on S.O.M. is looking better, but it’s not done yet.

Thanks to our Police & Fire Departments for their assist to an ill motorist who said they saved his life.

A very big thank you to all our volunteers in all of many different committees, organizations, & different groups. Your involvement is sincerely appreciated by everyone in Mayfield Village.





**PATRICK J. DEARDEN**  
Police Chief



Back in June you may have noticed the lot next to the Fire Department being cleared. This is yet another step toward the construction of the new Police Station, which we anticipate to begin soon. Once the building process has started it should take 12-14 months for completion. While this may be the first you have heard of this project, it has been in the making for almost 1 ½ years and has encompassed many committee meetings and hard decisions by those involved. I want to thank the Mayor and Council for their continued support of this project, and the many committee recommendations that have been necessary to get to this point. I look forward to the challenges that remain ahead for us and want to ensure the residents that upon completion, this facility will serve not only the Police Department but the residents of our community for many years to come.

life threatening allergic reactions to the hospital.

**The danger of bee stings:**

The two greatest risks from most insect stings are allergic reaction (which occasionally, in some individuals could be fatal) and infection (more common and less serious).

**What to do if you are stung:**

If you have been stung by a bee, wasp, hornet, or yellow jacket, follow these instructions closely:

- Bees leave behind a stinger attached to a venom sac. Do not try to pull it out as this may release more venom; instead gently scrape it out with a blunt-edged object, such as a credit card or dull knife.
- Wash the area carefully with soap and water. This should be continued several times a day until the skin is healed.
- Apply a cold or ice pack, wrapped in cloth for a few minutes.
- Apply a paste of baking soda and water and leave it on for 15 to 20 minutes.
- Take acetaminophen for pain.

*Other remedies for pain and itching may include:*

Dabbing on a tiny amount of household ammonia. Over-the-counter products which contain ammonia are also available for insect stings.

Taking an over-the-counter antihistamine, if approved by your physician.

Be sure to follow dosage instructions for children.

**When to seek medical attention:**

Seek immediate medical attention if you are stung in the mouth or nose as swelling may block airways. Also seek emergency care if any of the following symptoms are present, as these could indicate an allergic reaction:

- large areas of swelling
- abnormal breathing
- tightness in throat or chest
- dizziness
- hives
- fainting
- nausea or vomiting
- persistent pain or swelling



Remember, if you have been stung by a bee or wasp and experience any of the above symptoms call 911, especially if you experience breathing difficulty or hives.



**DOUGLAS METZGER**  
Service Director

**“Rain Gardens”**

I’m not sure how many of you are aware of the growing popularity of Rain Gardens, but as a Service Director, I am becoming increasingly aware of their importance in our community.

As development in our area increases, impervious or solid surfaces such as rooftops, driveways, roads, and parking lots become more



**DAVID R. MOHR**  
Fire Chief

**“Bee Stings”**

During this summer and fall bees are everywhere and are very aggressive. Already the Mayfield Village Fire Department has treated and transported several persons having

common. These surfaces obviously shed rainwater quickly and increase storm water runoff. Consequently, this increases the chance for pollutants like fertilizer, pesticide, pet waste and yard debris to enter our waterways and flow untreated to our streams and lakes.

In 1990, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) developed a program to control storm water discharge. Phase II of this program requires municipalities to develop storm water management plans that comply with EPA mandates.

Mayfield Village is a member of the Chagrin River watershed community and is charged with complying with these Phase II regulations.

Installing a Rain Garden in your yard is an easy way to keep pollutants out of our local waterways while making your yard more beautiful.

Rain Gardens are landscaped areas planted with perennial native plants that grow well in wet conditions. They are typically built in a depression and are designed to capture and filter storm water runoff around your home.

A Rain Garden is not a pond and, if designed correctly, should hold water for a maximum of 48 hours. A Rain Garden will not attract mosquitoes as mosquitoes need standing water for 7-12 days to complete their life cycle. A Rain Garden could actually improve a mosquito problem by helping to eliminate standing water.

Rain gardens are not hard to maintain and are not expensive to install. A Manual for Homeowners with do-it-yourself instructions on how to design, build and maintain a

Rain Garden is available at both the Mayfield Village Administration and Service Departments. Or give us a call at 440.442.5506 and we'll be happy to mail a copy to you.

Help be the solution to local water quality and flooding problems while enhancing the beauty of your yard and providing habitat for wildlife like birds and butterflies.

Controlling storm water runoff with Rain Gardens is just one way to comply with the EPA's Phase II requirements.



**WILLIAM D. THOMAS**  
Recreation Director

**“Recreation Corner”**

As always Summer is just a memory in our minds now. Parkview Pool has now closed for the season. But for much of the summer with the exception of about a week and a half of rain and cool temperature, Parkview Pool was the place to be. It was evident by the 22,830 pool users that used the pool this season. This does not include the approximate 4,800 swimmers and spectators who attended our Annual Parkview Summer Sizzler Swim Meet and the Suburban Swim League Championships that were held this year in cooperation with Highland Heights.

The Learn to Swim and other aquatic programs this season had the largest turnout ever in the 9 year history of Parkview Pool. Over 400 swimmers participated in Learn to Swim Session I and II during morning and evening classes; Deep Water Exercise for Adults, Aquacize, Scuba

Diving, Advanced Swimming, Spring Board Diving, Wildcat Aquatic Club, the schools swim team and lifeguard training.

A number of our one day summer excursions were very popular and had great reviews from attendees. Some of the excursions included the 8th Annual White Water Rafting at Ohio Pyle, Pennsylvania; boat trip, lunch and tour of Lake Chautauqua; Spring Flower Festival at Kingwood Gardens in Mansfield; Edsel and Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Point Shores, Michigan and our always popular casino trips.

Our early childhood Start Smart programs, under the direction of Assistant Recreation Director Danielle Echt, including soccer, baseball and golf were again full with children and parents eager to learn new skills.

The 5th Annual Girls 5th - 6th grade Sand Volleyball League was another huge success over the summer. Girls from the Mayfield School District and South Euclid/Lyndhurst played 4 v 4 volleyball at Wiley Park on Sunday mornings.

For the third summer in a row, the Skyhawks Sports Specialty Camps saw increased enrollment and new program offerings. These camps, ranging in ages from 3 year olds up to 16 year olds, included soccer, basketball, golf, track, flag football, cheerleading and a variety of multi-sport camps.

Our Adult sports programs under the directions of our Youth/Adult Sports Coordinator, Sean Supler, were at maximum team enrollment for all leagues. Over the summer we

offered Coed 18+ Soccer; Men's 18+ and 50+ Softball, Coed 18+ Softball and Coed Bocce.

The Recreation Department now focuses its attention on Fall activities. Some of these activities, such as the adult sports programs, start right after the summer programs end in order to conclude before Daylight Savings and cooler weather is upon us.

We look forward to seeing you in a fall excursion, special event or specialty class soon. And as always if you have a class offering suggestion, please don't hesitate to call us. Have a great autumn!



**JOSEPH W.  
DIEMERT**

Law Director

**"New Teen Driver  
Law Goes Into Effect"**



Some of you may be unaware of the law which went into effect on April 6, 2007, that limits the number of passengers inside the car of a driver under the age of 17. This law, called Substitute House Bill 343, also places new restrictions on driving hours of teens.

With more than 15% of all fatal car crashes occurring with teen drivers, this Bill comes as an effort of Ohio officials to minimize deaths related to teen driving. According to statistics from the State Highway Patrol, youths who are 16 and 17 make up just over 2 percent of all licensed drivers in Ohio, but they were to blame for 9 percent of all crashes involving deaths and injuries from 2001 to 2005.

Mayfield Village currently has in place its own restrictions on minors' under the age of 17 with probationary licenses. According to section 335.031 of the Codified Ordinances of Mayfield Village, the curfew restricts minors under the age of 17 from operating a vehicle between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.

However, these restricted hours have changed due to the passing of H.B. 343. Under the new law probationary license holders and permit holders under the age of 17 are prohibited from driving between 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and 6:00 a.m. Probationary driver license holders between 17 and 18 years of age will be restricted from driving between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. These restrictions do not apply once a driver turns 18. This is a change to the previous restriction of 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. curfew for underage probationary license and permit holders as imposed by the Mayfield Village Ordinance.

The new law does not change the ages with regard to obtaining a license or permit. The ages remain the same: 15½ years old for a permit, and 16 years old for a driver license.

Exceptions to these rules state that an individual is allowed to drive to and from work during prohibited hours provided he or she has proper documentation from an employer; if the individual is driving to and from an officially sanctioned school event; if there is an emergency event requiring travel; or if the minor is accompanied by his parent or guardian.

Furthermore, House Bill 343 holds that an individual who is under 17 and holds a valid Ohio Probationary Driver's License may have only one passenger who is not a family member in the vehicle unless the teen driver's parent or guardian is present. Family member for purposes of this bill includes: a spouse; child or stepchild; parent, stepparent, grandparent, or parent-in-law; aunt or uncle; sibling; brother-in-law, or sister-in-law; and a son or daughter of a stepparent.

Under the Bill, if a license holder is under the age of 17 and has been convicted of a traffic violation, he or she must be accompanied by his or her parent or guardian for the six months following the conviction. This requirement expires when the license holder turns 17, regardless of whether or not the full six months has passed.

In addition to the new rules for teen drivers, Substitute House Bill 343 has also changed the rules for using seat belts in the back seat of a vehicle. According to the new law, backseat passengers between the ages of 4 and 15 must now be buckled up while in a vehicle, or placed in an approved child safety seat.

Current law already requires children under the age of 4, or children weighing less than 40 pounds to be kept in a child restraint while in a vehicle. The new law adds the seat belt requirement for children age 4 to 15. A violation of this prohibition on a first offense is a minor misdemeanor and the offender must be fined at least \$25, and on each

subsequent offense, is a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

Should an officer come into contact with a teen driver who is in violation of the curfew and/or passenger maximum law, the teen driver will not be permitted to drive any further and a parent or guardian will be notified. Violations would be a misdemeanor, with potential fines up to \$150.

Teen drivers may also face penalties as proscribed under the Mayfield Village curfew ordinances.



**JUDGE MARY  
KAYE BOZZA**

Lyndhurst

Municipal Court

Judge Mary Kaye Bozza enjoys public speaking throughout the community as part of her outreach educational programs. She recently addressed the Keenagers Organization Senior Group at the Bethany Covenant Church in Lyndhurst, and the AARP Group in Mayfield Heights. She finds the seniors a very enthusiastic audience. She discussed safety issues that are applicable to the seniors, when they are shopping and doing their personal banking. Judge Bozza entertained questions reflecting the diversity of each community in the jurisdiction, and the types of cases heard from each one. The Judge continues to encourage field trips to

Court to further educate the community about the legal system.

Judge Bozza and staff would like to extend good wishes to our past student interns, Alix Nourredine from Beachwood High School, Jessica Shvarts from Brush High School and Jennifer Ciszewski from Mount Union College. These students completed their school project requirements at the Court during the month of May. We will soon be welcoming Ryan Telzrow, a student majoring in Justice studies at Kent State University. He will be beginning an internship at the Court on August 27 to satisfy his final semester requirements toward graduation.

The Court said good-bye to Bailiff Sue Calihan, who retired in June after 5 ½ years of service. We now welcome Christopher Mitchell who was recently appointed as a probation officer.

Judge Bozza continues to sponsor the “Make the Right Choice” community outreach program designed to address the consequences of driving under the influence. The next Men’s audience is scheduled for Friday, September 28, 2007 at the Lyndhurst Community Center at 1341 Parkview Drive. The most recent Women’s audience was held on July 20th.

If you are interested in attending the Court’s outreach programs, plan a field trip to Court, or would like to arrange for Judge Bozza to speak at your organization, please contact Patti Anderson at 440.461.6500 extension 205.



**SEAN SUPLER**

Youth/Adult Sports Coordinator

“Another Edition of the Supler Sports Section”

The 2007 Summer sports season has come to a conclusion and we could not have asked for a better ending. The weather throughout the summer was great and the competition was even better.

We would like to thank all the coaches, participants and sponsors, which made our youth softball programs another success. Without the sponsors who donate money for uniforms and equipment, these programs wouldn’t be possible. The following sponsors deserve recognition: Parker Orthodontics; Village Family Dental; Ken’s Auto Service; Spirit of Clay; Migelito’s Pizza; Real Estate Mortgage; Gallo & Gallo Attorneys; Schulte & Mahon-Murphy Funeral Home; Stephan Hovancsek & Associates and Farmer Jones Produce Market. Thanks again to all the coaches and participants.

The adult softball leagues brought out some of the best competition in the area. All leagues, including the Men’s 18 and Over, Men’s 50 and Over and Coed 18 and Over, featured closely matched championship games which only added to overall strength and excitement of the leagues. Congratulations to the

following teams who won the championships in their respected leagues: Men's 18+ Competitive-The Wright Place & Recreational-Mill Tavern/Cleveland Sporting Goods; Coed 18+ Competitive-Firehouse Café & Recreational-American Family Insurance/Michael Bambrich Agent; and the Men's 50+- Fairways. Thanks again to all teams who competed this year and we hope to see you all back again next summer.



**DANIELLE ECHT**  
Assistant Recreation Director

### “Annual Sizzler Swim Meet & Triathlon in the Village”

The Summer Sizzler was held on Sunday, July 29 at Parkview Pool. There were 345 swimmers participating in the event and approximately 600 – 700 spectators on hand cheering them on. The 8th Annual Sizzler went extremely well due to hard working volunteers and committee members, dedicated pool staff, officials, coaches, and determined swimmers. Swimmers and their families came from areas like Berea, Eastlake, Hubbard, Medina, Shaker, Vermillion, and West Geauga; overall, 29 different teams were represented. There have been days for the meet in the past that have been rainy, cold, or too hot but this year was just perfect. The sun was shining and it was a very comfortable day for everyone at the

pool. Each year the Village receives compliments from those in attendance about how nice Parkview Pool is and how much people love coming to this annual meet. Parkview Pool continues to live up to its reputation as a top notch facility. Thank you to everyone for working together to keep it that way and for enjoying it each summer. We hope that individuals and families had a good time at the evening swim that night and we thank you for your understanding of the pool closure to the public during the day!

The 7th Annual Youth and Family Triathlon has grown beyond coordinator Michael Wolfe's wildest dreams. The first triathlon in the Village had approximately 25 people participating and each year it has grown with a few additional participants. This year, Mayfield Village had 138 participants on Sunday, August 12. There were people from Michigan, Indiana and various locations throughout Ohio. The factor for this annual event which makes this triathlon totally unique is that it is for youth and families and people just starting out in the sport. It is quite a friendly event where safety and fun are the biggest concerns. Mr. Wolfe and his family are huge components aiding in the success and continued growth of participants in this triathlon. This group voluntarily stuffs flyers into windshields at various races throughout the Cleveland area, makes sure the course for the day is free of debris, answers every single question participants have before the first event begins, and helps out with things like registration, directing traffic, setting up bike

racks, body markings, and directing participants along the course. Their work, along with many other volunteers, and pool staff, create the atmosphere and desire that keep the youth and families coming back each year. It truly was a wonderful event for all that participated. Thank you to all volunteers for making this happen.

### Citizen's Advisory Committee

**JIM MASON**

All the members of the Citizen's Advisory Committee hope that all of you have had an enjoyable summer. For the most part the weather cooperated and it was a most pleasant and enjoyable time.

There were lots of great leisure activities in the Village & hopefully you were able to experience some of them.

Our committee also took the summer off but will be meeting in September, October, and November and reviving and planning for projects/activities for the rest of the year.

As always, we welcome your comments/suggestions for ways to add to our quality of life. We are an active group & want to make sure we meet our neighbor's expectations.

One of our projects will be a service activity around Thanksgiving, but we welcome your ideas so let us hear from you – see me, Jeff in our Administration Department, or any of the committee members.

Our special thanks to all the Village employees for all their great work & keeping our community beautiful for all of us.

## ABC Quilters Update

**SHIRLEY SHATTEN**

Here's an update that missed that last issue of the Voice of the Village. The ABC fifth grade quilters and the adults who put the quilts together had another good year. Our quilts went to many area hospitals and inner-city needy groups.

This year we had a first. Eleanor Steven, the quilter who writes our labels and sews them onto the quilts had her 94th birthday party on our Wednesday meeting day. She was surprised with the most beautiful flower arrangement. The flowers were presented by our special friends, Jim Dolatowski and Tom Olivio. The flowers were the hit of the day!

From the very beginning of our program, these great men did everything they could to help us. They made us a cart for transporting our sewing machines back and forth for sewing and storage on their own time. How lucky we are in the Village to have dedicated people like these two men.

We're looking forward to the Fall semester and whatever group comes over to the senior center to design and tie quilts. We will get together one time during the summer.

Our group has been asked to become part of the Mayfield Village Human Services Department. This will give us the opportunity to reach more people and possibly get more sewers so we'll be able to make more quilts.



## Worton Park Homeowners' Association

**NANCY JOHNSON**

Worton Park residents are excited about the facelift given to our five bridges by the Service Department. Our dated green iron railings have been replaced with stone walls which have a graceful arch and a stone cap. We thank Mayor Rinker for collaborating with us when this idea began a few years ago, and the Service Department taking it to completion. A very classy addition to our neighborhood!

Street reps have been visiting each house, updating information and collecting annual dues. If you missed your street rep, you can still pay your dues. Ours is a voluntary homeowners association. Dues are used for neighborhood beautification and to offset the expenses of social events: the Block Party, Community Garage Sale, and Clam Bake as well as a winter event. We have also set aside a fund for contributions in memory of neighbors who have passed away.

Our quarterly meetings are held in January, April, July and October and are open meetings. If you would like to be emailed an agenda or want to become more involved with your homeowners' association, please contact your street rep or myself.

## Mayfield Township Historical Society

**RICHARD NEGRELLI**

The Ice Cream Social & Open House on September 12, 2007, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., begins our Fall Schedule of

programs. The Historic House at 606 S.O.M. Center Road, and the shiny new pavilion with its copper dome, and Golden Goose weather vane, hosts this annual event. Our "Shades of Purple" quilt raffle will be held at 8:30 p.m.

Our maintenance crew have been repairing, painting, and contracted for new roofing for the Historic House, this summer. The new Print Shop and "Out House" have been installed. It is not for use!

Did you know that a Star on the door meant for male use, and a half moon was for female use. We are proceeding to add a star for general use – (Historic note).



The Library has been used this summer. We have been contacted & visited by families of several early settlers, who found information they were delighted to add to their genealogies.

The Quilters have completed four quilts as of September 1st and have three more ready to be finished. Good work ladies.

Fall Programs:

MV Community Room – 7:30 p.m.



Wednesday, November 14, 2007 – “Cleveland and the Civil War” Guest speaker – Scott Longert of the Western Reserve Historical Society. This is our famous “Pie Night”. Bring your favorite pie to share.

Turkey Raffle – By subscription – Tickets available thru Historical Society members beginning November 1st. Drawing will be held November 13th. Winners will be contacted.

Wednesday, December 12, 2007 – 6:30 p.m. at Mayfield Village Community Room – Holiday Pot Luck Dinner – Bring a covered dish to share for 6 or more – or Veggie – Salad or Dessert. Join us and begin this festive time with family & Friends.

**Mayfield Village Garden Club**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

All programs are held in the Community Room on Wednesdays, unless otherwise noted.



Yearbooks will be distributed.

Sign up for upcoming events

October 24 - Preparations for Craft Show. Make bows, wire pine cones and decorations to put in our live arrangements for Craft Show.



November 19 (Monday) - Greens workshop - 9:00 - 4:00 at Service Bldg.

Assemble arrangements for Craft Show.

November 23 (Friday) 9:30 a.m. - noon. Set up arrangements in Service Building.

NOVEMBER 24 - Saturday CRAFT SHOW- 9:00 - 4:00

November 28- Regular meeting - Tom Stazzone will make a variety of arrangements in members' containers.



December 5 - 6:00 p.m. Potluck dinner at Community Center. Husbands are welcome to attend.

After dinner musical program.

Garden Club meetings are free and open to the public.

Call Elaine Schramm, President if you have any questions. Phone: 440.449.1474.

**"HOOHA" CHRISTMAS TREES**

Mayfield Village Garden Club decorated 36 - 2 foot artificial Christmas trees for our troops overseas. Pat Catan's Craft Stores donated 2,000 trees. Various organizations decorated them. One of our members, Mildred Hecker, donated all the small size ornaments and decorations which were hot glued on the trees. The USO will ship them packaged in large plastic bags. AT&T Telecom Pioneers is a sponsor of this project.

Several members contributed "comfort" items, such as food products, personal hygiene items and



morale boosters. These will be shipped separately with the trees.



**Cuyahoga County Public Library, Mayfield Regional**

**440.473.0350**

**Book Discussions**

**Book Lovers' Book Discussion.**

Tuesday, October 23, 2:00 p.m. Kafka on the Shore by Haruki Murakami.

**Monday Evening Book Discussion.**

Monday, November 19, 7:00-8:00 p.m. The Romance Reader by Pearl Abraham.

**Book Lovers' Book Discussion.**

Tuesday, November 27, 2:00 p.m. The Measure of a Man by Sidney Poitier.



## Programs

**Meet Stephen Post.** Monday, October 8, 7:00 p.m. Dr. Stephen Post will discuss his latest book [Why Good Things Happen to Good People: The Exciting New Science that Proves the Link Between Doing Good and Living a Longer, Happier Healthier Life](#) (coauthor Jill Neimark). Dr. Post is Professor of Bioethics, Philosophy and Religion at Case Western Reserve University's School of Medicine. To register call the library at 440.473.0350 or visit <http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org>.

Get a Sneak Preview of the Writers Center Stage featured authors the week before they come to Cleveland. Cuyahoga County Public Library's Literature Specialist, Laurie von Mehren, will introduce you to their work, tell you about their lives, and share interesting highlights. This free, fun and informative 45-minute program includes time for your questions. Registration appreciated but not required.

### Sneak Previews

Wednesday, October 17, 7:00 -- Sneak Preview of **Ira Glass** and **David Rakoff**

Wednesday, November 28, 7:00 -- Sneak Preview of **Russell Banks** and **Michael Ondaatje**

**Writers Center Stage** is the Cuyahoga County Public Library Foundation fundraiser that brings famous authors to Playhouse Square four times a year. You don't have to be a subscriber to enjoy Sneak Previews, but you can get tickets to Writers Center Stage by calling 216-749-9486.

Understanding Medicare Part D. Monday, October 22, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. This program will be presented by Semanthie Brooks of the Benjamin Rose Institute.

To register, call the library or visit <http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org>.

### Art Programs

The NE Ohio PMC Guild (Precious Metal Clay) will display their jewelry in October and November.

Holiday Card-Making Workshop. Saturday, October 20, 10:00 am – 12:00 p.m. To register please call the library at 440.473.0350 or visit <http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org>.

The **Mayfield Scrapbook Club** will meet on the following dates:



Saturday, October 13, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 17, 9:30 am – 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 6, 5-9 p.m.

All events will be held in the meeting room. These will not include instruction but are for experienced scrapbookers who can work on their own. To register please call the library at 440-473-0350 or visit <http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org>.

## MAYFIELD CITY SCHOOLS

### LAURIE UHLIR

**“EXCELLENT:”** Mayfield School District earns top rating from the Ohio Department of Education on state report card.....



Mayfield City Schools once again have been rated an “Excellent” district by the Ohio Department of Education during the release of the ODE’s annual report card on Aug. 14th.

Mayfield Schools have earned the **“Excellent”** designation six of the last seven years, and continuously for the last four years.

Across the state, 139 of Ohio’s 610 school districts have earned the “Excellent” rating, down from 192 districts rated “Excellent” during the 2006 rating cycle.

Despite the district’s top rating, Superintendent Dr. Phillip Price says there is still much room for improvement.

“It’s not about having the highest score in the state. It’s about getting individual kids to where they need to be in their learning,” Dr. Price said.

Mayfield schools earned 27 of the 30 state indicators which includes proficiency test scores, attendance and graduation rates.

The three state indicators Mayfield did not meet are 5th grade Mathematics (74.7 percent); 5th grade Social Studies (69.7 percent); and 8th grade Social Studies (71.7 percent). The state requirement for passage is 75 percent. The Social Studies indicator is the newest gauge on the state report card, and was tested for the first time during the most recent testing cycle.

Another improvement area for Mayfield Schools is the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) report for Mayfield High School. AYP is a measure representing the federal

mandate that holds schools accountable for the performance of subgroups, as well as all students.

However, of the 27 indicators Mayfield students did meet, scores far exceeded the state required 75 percent. Notably, Mayfield eleventh-graders, who took the Ohio Graduation Test, earned a 97.1 percent in Reading and Writing; 95.7 percent in Mathematics; 91.4 percent in Science; and 94.2 percent in Social Studies.

“Overall, our scores certainly are cause for celebration, but cautious celebration,” said Susan Beatty, Mayfield Director of Curriculum. “We also have challenges based on some of our results, particularly the three state indicators which we did not achieve, and meeting AYP. For our students, we want to embrace learning as our mission.”

For more information, call Laurie Uhlir, Director of Community Relations, 440.995.7222.

### AUTUMN LEAF PICKUP REMINDER

Leaf pickup by the Service Department will begin in mid-October and will continue through early December. As you and your landscapers begin cleanup, please keep the following in mind:

• No branches, twigs or grass may be mixed with your leaf piles as it will clog and damage our equipment. Leaf piles containing such material will not be picked up.

• Leaves should be placed on your tree lawn as close to the street as possible.

• Leaves should not be placed in street circles. Please keep them on your tree lawn.

• Please place the leaf piles away from mailboxes and light poles—it makes them much easier to pick up.

• There is no set schedule for leaf pick up. Leaves on all Village streets will be collected at least once per week.

• There will be no spring leaf collection.

Thank you for your cooperation. Remember to call the Service Department (440.442.5506) beginning March 1st to get your name on the mulch delivery list.

### Human Services/ Commission on Aging

**EUNICE G. KALINA, M.A.,  
HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR**

Summer fun included two picnics, a trip to Hartville with Schnurmann Luther House and trips to Lake Chautauqua and the Edsel Ford House with Parks and Recreation. Several new wood carvers and new walkers participated in those respective programs. The Game and Card Groups met faithfully and painting and computer classes were held. Representatives from the Cuyahoga County Auditor’s Office were in the Village on August 14 answering questions and registering over 75 eligible homeowners for the new Homestead Exemption benefit.



## TRIPS

### THE NUTCRACKER BALLET

Announcing the triumphant return of San Jose Ballet in Dennis Nahat’s The Nutcracker! We will enjoy orchestra seating at this special show at the State Theatre on Wednesday, November 28. We will board a bus and depart from the Mayfield Village Civic Center at approximately 6 p.m. and return about 10:45 p.m. The cost, \$52 for seniors 60+ and \$55 for adults includes admission and transportation. Deadline to register: Wednesday, November 7.

### SENIOR SPEAKER SERIES

The following programs will begin at 2 p.m. in the Community Room and will last one to two hours. The speakers will be available to answer questions after their presentations. There is no charge for these programs, but reservations are necessary so that we know how many people to expect. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact us at 440.919.2332 at least one week before each program.

#### Gait Training and Fall Prevention

Wednesday, October 31

Beth Bednar of NovaCare of Mayfield Village will present a special program on how to improve your gait to help prevent falls.

#### Disaster Preparedness

Wednesday, November 7

Elizabeth Gerland of the American Red Cross will present a special program focusing on what we can do to be prepared for a disaster.

## HOLIDAY PARTY

Mark your calendars now and make reservations for the annual senior Mayfield residents' holiday party Saturday, December 15. The event which includes luncheon, entertainment, and door prizes will be in the Community Room from 1 to 4 p.m. Doors open at 12:30. The deadline for reservations is Friday, December 7. It is not too early to make your reservation now.

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES

### Every Monday:

Participants enjoy **Games, Puzzles, & Projects** in the Community Room, 1-4 p.m. Monopoly, Scrabble, Sudoku, Mah Jong, and Jigsaw puzzles are some of the offerings. If you have a favorite game, bring it with you. Or, bring your current knitting, crocheting, embroidery, or needlepoint project. If you need help with a new or current project, you can ask Jan. Jan is always working on some type of needlework project and will generally be available to answer your questions. Light refreshments are served. There is no charge for this activity. No Games Mondays, September 3, November 5, and December 24.

### Every Monday and Thursday:

**Seniors: The Senior Computer Corner** is available for Mayfield Village residents 1-4 p.m. A computer with internet access and a printer are available to senior residents of Mayfield Village. Even if you have never used a computer before, you are welcome. Donna will generally be on hand to assist you.

Nominal charge for printing only. Please call MV Human Services Department to make a reservation. There will be no Computer Corner on September 3, October 15 and 18, and December 24.

### 1st and 3rd Tuesdays monthly:

The **Wood Carvers** meet in the Community Room, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Cost: 50¢ (Additional charge for wood and tools.) Beginners are welcome. Bring fish-filleting gloves, knife, and a current project or start a new one. Contact us for more information. No carving November 6 and January 1st.

### Every Tuesday & Thursday:

Join us for **Cards** in the Community Room, 1-4 p.m. Cost: 25¢ Games currently being played include bridge, pinochle, and hand and foot. Light refreshments/occasional lunches. No cards Tuesday, November 6; Thursday, November 22; and Tuesday, December 25 and January 1st.

### 3rd Tuesday of each month:

**Blood pressures are checked** at approximately 1:30 p.m. by MV Fire Department members. This is a free service.

## CLASSES

### Computer Training

Computer training classes taught by Tech Wise in cooperation with MV Human Services Department are in progress. The series includes basic computer skills, word processing, and the Internet. A digital camera class is also on the current schedule. Classes are hands-on, using the

buddy system and are held in the Community Room. Each class is limited to 12 total students. The cost for each two-part series is \$39. Please contact us for course descriptions, pre-requisite information, and the fall schedule.

### PLATES & SLATES

(using decoupage and paint techniques)

**No experience necessary!**

**Mod Podge Holiday Plate** — Monday, November 5 – 10 a.m.-12 noon.

Pat will teach you the mod podge decoupage technique. You may choose from a variety of holiday fabrics to create a beautiful plate to take home. The \$15 fee includes instruction and materials.

**Paint a Snowman Plate** — Monday, November 12 – 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Pat will show you how to create a reverse picture (painting on the back of the plate.) You will create a beautiful snowman plate to take home. The \$20 fee includes instruction and materials.

**Paint a Slate** — Thursday, November 15 – 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Pat will show you how to paint a snowman on a slate to take home. The \$20 fee includes instruction and materials, except waterproof sealer that students will need to purchase and apply on their own after the slate dries.

### One Stroke Painting For Beginners and Advanced

If you have always wanted to learn to paint, this may be the opportunity for which you've been waiting. Donna Dewberry certified instructor

Patty Brown will teach you several simple strokes to paint flowers, leaves, and ribbons using water-based acrylic paints. Fall classes begin Thursday, September 20, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please contact us for more information.

## MCE CLASSES

The following is just a sampling of classes offered in cooperation with Mayfield Community Education and Recreation that may be of special interest to senior adults:

**Line Dancing** —  
(Beginners and Intermediate)

Love to dance but don't have a partner? Need some exercise but keep putting it off? You can do both if you join us for such dances as the Alley Cat, Ruby Baby, Achy Breaky Heart, Electric Slide, the Macarena, and some western dances. Intermediate classes are generally scheduled on Friday mornings in the Community Room.

### Chair Yoga

Refresh and relax your mind, body and spirit while helping your body to gain flexibility and strength. Postures will be gentle and can be adapted to your physical capability. Also, most stretching and poses will be done while in a chair. No previous yoga experience necessary.

### Seniorcize (55 plus)

This fitness class, offered one evening per week or two mornings per week, is especially designed for the older adult to increase muscular strength, endurance and flexibility. Come sweat to the oldies as we do low-impact exercises to burn calories

and fat. We do not get down on the floor.

### NEW--Tai Chi Exercise for Seniors

This new Tai Chi class is designed especially for adults ages 60 and over or individuals with limited mobility. The eight-week fall series begins Thursday, September 27.

Please contact us for a complete list of classes offered in cooperation Mayfield Community Education and Recreation and for details such as course numbers, dates, times, and locations at 440.919.2332.

## PERSONAL SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION

### 2007 Questionnaire Results

In May, the Human Services Department sent a letter with a questionnaire to each Village residence regarding the personal safety and transportation needs of adults age 50 years and older, younger adults with disabilities, and their caregivers. To those who responded, we thank you for helping us identify the unique challenges you are facing and letting us know how we can assist in improving your quality of life. We received 159 responses and shared them with the appropriate Village departments. The following is a copy of the questionnaire and the responses to it:

#### PERSONAL SAFETY

1. I would like the Mayfield Village Police Department to have my emergency information on file (i.e. person(s) to contact, special assistance needs, etc.):

Yes: 92 No: 23 Maybe: 22

2. I have a chronic medical problem and my health equipment requires the use of electricity. I will need emergency power, (i.e. a generator) in the event of a power failure.

Yes: 8 No: 124 Maybe: 1  
I use a breathing machine: 5

3. If severe weather requires an emergency evacuation of my home, I will have transportation (and can drive myself) to leave immediately.

Yes: 115 No: 14 Maybe: 27

4. In the event of an evacuation from my home, I will need assistance with:

Wheelchair: 9

Medical Equipment: 3

Other: 3

5. I live alone and would like someone to contact me daily to make sure I am okay:

Yes: 3 No: 118 Maybe: 10

6. I need general assistance such as:

Errands/Shopping: 9

Snow removal in front of an entrance: 33

Visitor/Companion: 2

Companion (while a repairman is in my home): 3

Changing a high light bulb: 3

Note: Per our request in question #7, several of you offered additional comments or concerns and described your special assistance needs.



## TRANSPORTATION

8. If the Village offers transportation service to and from the activities and programs offered at the MV Community Room, I will utilize the service:

Yes, frequently: 4  
Yes, occasionally: 13  
No, never: 66  
Maybe: 54



9. If the Village offers transportation service to and from medical appointments, I will utilize the service:

Yes, frequently: 4  
Yes, occasionally: 23  
No, never: 50  
Maybe: 58



10. If the Village offers transportation service to and from grocery shopping, the barber or beauty shop, etc., I will utilize the service:

Yes, frequently: 5  
Yes, occasionally: 12  
No, never: 67  
Maybe: 52



Note: Several of you indicated that while you do not have a need for transportation at this time, you may have a future need. We are researching all viable options for transportation. We will keep you posted. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns. 440.919.2332.

## **MEALS ON WHEELS**

Homebound or recovering from surgery? Hillcrest Meals on Wheels can help.



Dedicated volunteers deliver nutritional meals prepared by Hillcrest Hospital to the homebound in the Hillcrest area for a nominal fee. If you are in need of this meal service, please contact Eunice Kalina at 440.919.2332 for information about qualifications and meal plans.



## **MEALS ON WHEELS NEEDS YOU**

Additional volunteers are needed to help with this worthwhile program. If you can spare as little as two hours per week to help with this service, please contact Dottie Goldstein, Program Coordinator, at 440.449.3551.



The Department of Human Services' office is located in the former conference room at the rear of the Community Room, 6621 Wilson Mills Road. There is a separate outside entrance on the southwest side of the building. The office is open 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Our department sends newsletters describing activities, programs, and trips scheduled between issues of the Voice of the Village and the Parks & Recreation Brochure to those persons on our mailing list. If you or a senior friend would like to be included on our mailing list, please contact us at 440.919.2332 with your name and address. (If you received the August/September 2007 Human Services' Newsletter, you are already on our list.)

**Mayfield Village  
Garden Club**

## **HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW**

**November 24, 2007**

**9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**John D. Relic  
Service Center  
610 S.O.M. Center Road**



**!!!SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**Friday, December 21, 2007  
starting at 6:00 P.M.**



**Mayfield Village**

**Wetland Committee**

**is hosting the  
Annual Winter Solstice**



**Star gaze, hike, enjoy bonfire  
talks and hot dog cookout**

**Reservations taken at the**

**Civic Center - 461.2210**

**by December 19**





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MAYFIELD HEIGHTS  
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HIGHLAND HEIGHTS



# MIPOD

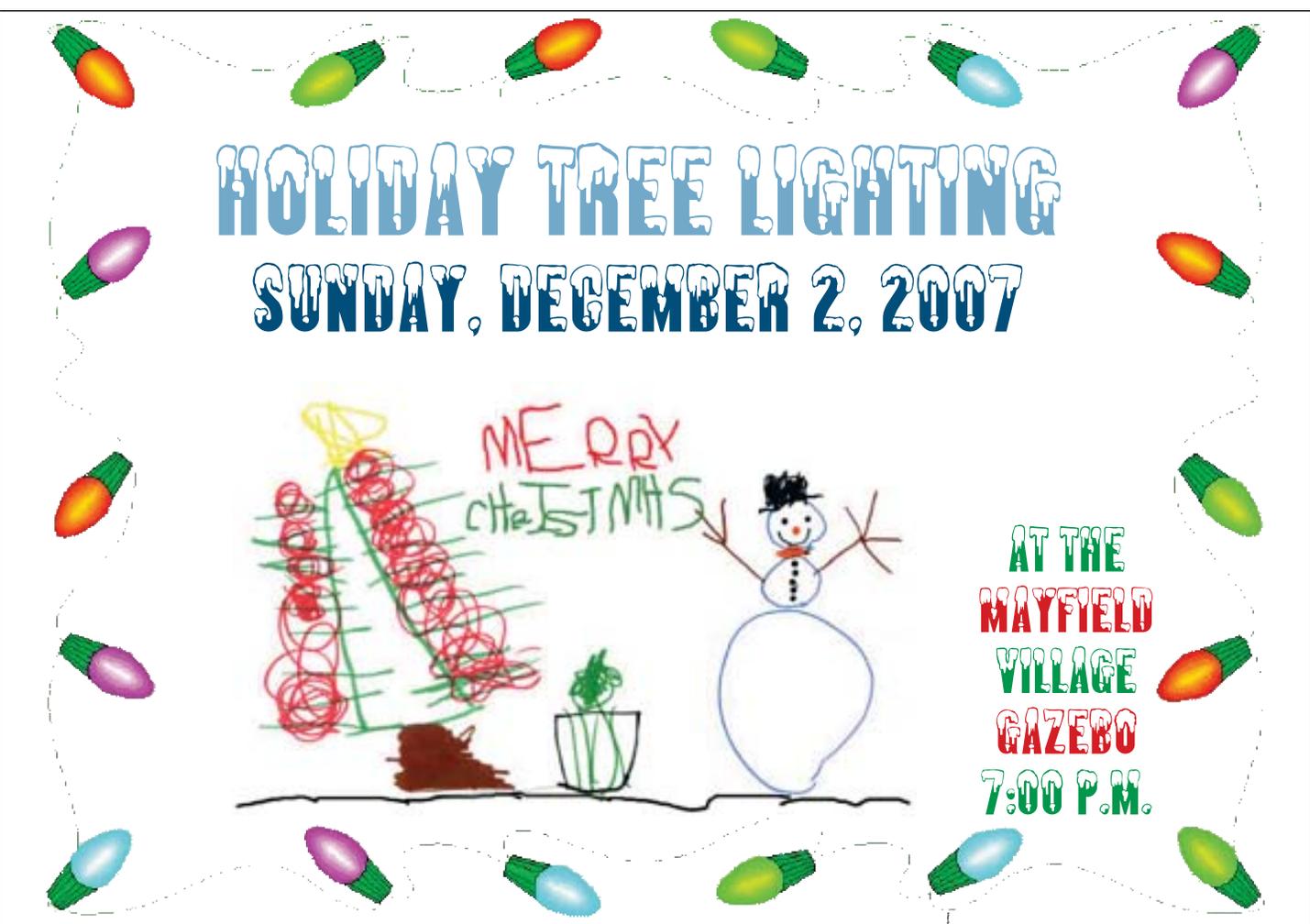
## We need you!

The Mayfield Village, Mayfield Heights, Gates Mills, and Highland Heights, Mass Inoculation Point of Dispensing AKA MIPOD team is seeking volunteers ages 16 and older, or 12 to 15 with parent volunteer, to staff a clinic in the event of a public health emergency. This clinic would be activated if medication or vaccinations would need to be administered to the public. Volunteers are needed with or without a medical background. Non-medical volunteers would assist with paperwork, data entry, bus monitoring, escorting, kitchen help, and other various tasks, while, persons with medical backgrounds are needed to vaccinate, dispense medication, evaluate patients, staff the sick room, and other assignments. The best part about volunteering in the MIPOD program is the minimal time commitment, unless we activate. Other than a couple of meetings during the year, and our annual drill, we only request you to keep your information current with us. So we urge you to complete the attached registration form and return it to school with your child's beginning of the school year paperwork, and you will receive further information on how to obtain your official MIPOD shirt and parking permit. If more than one person would like to volunteer just attach a piece of paper with the needed information, or contact Cheryl Garinger at the Mayfield Village Fire Department – 440.461.1208 – [cgaringer@mayfieldvillage.com](mailto:cgaringer@mayfieldvillage.com), for additional registration forms.

**Thank you for volunteering!**

**Save the date  
November 4, 2007**

**Medication dispensing  
Drill at Mayfield High School  
Details will be forthcoming.**



**HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2007**



**AT THE  
MAYFIELD  
VILLAGE  
GAZEBO  
7:00 P.M.**

**MENORAH**  
**LIGHTING**  
**CEREMONY**



Tuesday, December 4, 2007  
7:30 p.m.



Meet at the Gazebo for the lighting &  
refreshments will follow at the Civic Center

# SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2007



10:30 a.m.- Mayfield High School driveway off Lander Road (for Ridgebury/Lander area residents)

10:50 a.m.- Worton Park, S. Woodlane, N. Woodlane, Hemingway, Norman, & Joyce.

11:10 a.m.- Marlboro Court off Aintree Park Drive, Northboro, Foxboro, Beechers Brook and Derby.

11:30 a.m.- Seneca, Glenview, Beech Hill, and Bonnieview.

11:50 a.m.- Hanover, Hardwood Court area, & Village Trails.

12:10 p.m.- Robley, Ravine, Oakwood, Kenwood, Thornapple, Meadowood, Eastgate, Butternut, and Walnut.

12:30 p.m.- Wildwood, Bramblewood, Timberline, Zorn, Metro Park, & Hickory Hill.

12:45 p.m.- St. Bartholomew's parking lot (for Highland, White, and SOM Center Road north residents).

1:30 p.m.- SANTA ARRIVES AT THE MAYFIELD VILLAGE CIVIC CENTER!!

Don't forget to bring a canned good for our "Share our Strength"  
Hunger Drive to any Mayfield Village  
holiday event or to our Police Station any time

## THE SINGING ANGELS

Saturday, December 15, 2007  
7:00 p.m.

Tickets on sale beginning November 26, 2007

at the Civic Center from 8:30 - 4:30

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