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Memo from the Mayor

BRUCE G. RINKER



I have served as Mayor since early 1993 and can honestly say that I have always found my responsibilities to be stimulating and rewarding. As I consider all that has transpired since taking office, I can see we have benefited well from good planning and great fortune. We have been goal-oriented and opportunistic. We continue to strive to improve our environment and quality of living in Mayfield Village.

Our good fortune has not been accidental; it has unquestionably been the product of many able hands. To paraphrase an old campaign slogan, "It's the *people*, _____!"

This year, especially, I have been struck by the consistent and steady feedback from residents and visitors alike who go out of their way to tell me how much they appreciate the people who work for Mayfield Village. From the everyday to the unusual, from a simple request to an emergency, across the board the good work our employees do in serving the public reaffirms the golden rule of doing unto others as you would have them do for you. I observe with a certain amount of pride the great character, capability, professionalism - - and good humor - - displayed by our department heads as they seem to welcome their responsibilities and shoulder them with ease. Those qualities are manifested throughout their respective departments. In short, our "government" works because our Village employees work so well; they make it easier for all of us to appreciate good government.

As we look beyond our borders, we can't help but notice how communities struggle throughout the rustbelts of our nation. We are keenly aware of the challenges we face here in Greater Cleveland. In the effort to get our arms around all of this, leaders are trying to find solutions. The groundswell for "regionalism" reflects it. Democratic government is, if anything, singularly occupied with process. We have a shifting economy, people are moving out, world economics and politics are knocking on our doors. We seem to be pushed and pulled in all directions and seek some reliable compass points. Time will tell just how we succeed sorting it all out. Personally and professionally I have long wrestled with the inherent contradiction between *regionalism* and *home rule* as competing models of "good government." Economies of scale favor regionalism, but personal service favors home rule.

In Mayfield Village, we have at least proven to ourselves and neighbors that thoughtful and attentive local government serves an essential purpose. How do we retain the best of these village qualities and still improve our region? In the suburbs, we cannot ignore the challenges of the central city that remains the axis of our corner of the world. Ideally, our ability to be effective at the local level can be expanded. But make no mistake, good government does not happen, it is achieved. We can thank so many good workers and volunteers for that.

At the risk of sounding trite, I ask you to take a ride over to Wiley Park and look at the new pavilion and its grounds. All things considered, it is a pretty basic public works project that has turned out exceptionally well. But consider for a moment how it all came about. The old pavilion needed to be replaced. Volunteers from our Historical Society and Recreation Board; the professional staff and department heads in Service, Building, Parks and Recreation; our consulting engineer and architect; an accommodating Council, and the ever-present, essential community support for our facilities -- all made it happen. That's a lot of people! Usually, too many cooks kill the broth. Yet here, they all came together to make the project successful. The pavilion symbolizes in a rather understated but elegant way just how we get the job done, and done right. It is more than a structure; it is a creation. In addition, the spontaneous and even inspired handiwork of Service Department employees who took it upon themselves to relandscape the adjacent yard and hand-build a retaining wall made of recycled sandstone block have transformed the Park itself. Those finishing touches were not initially planned, but grew out of positive energy that can only exist when people are encouraged to do their best and work together. We raise the bar each time we succeed. Everyone benefits: those who take pride in what they produce, those who use and enjoy the new facility and those who simply like to be in a community where such attention to detail and quality speak well for us all.

So when I say I feel privileged to have this job, I mean it.

The fact is, we *have* achieved something special. We are lucky to have a good thing going and I believe all of us want to keep it going. We will continue to put our many resources to work; to build quality; to promote public-mindedness; to reward creativity and hard work; to serve one another well.

Sustainability is another popular handle for still another overworked term, “smart government.” Entire seminars and symposia are devoted to those words. Among other things, they promote conserving and recycling non-renewable resources. But at the end of the day, it comes down to people and to the importance of *common* sense -- the sense to know that we have much in common, that we are all in this together. Come to think of it, we learned about good government in kindergarten: how to share and play nicely; to say “please” and “thank you”; not to push, swear, lie, steal, stare or whine; how to make conversation, give a firm handshake and get along with each other. Then, we all grew up

As we enjoy the summer season and (hopefully) bask in more sunshine during the weeks ahead, and as we enjoy the many amenities our Village has to offer, let’s be sure to continue expressing our thanks to all those who make this a sustainable, smart government. Let’s continue getting along with one another.

We’ll be sure to have cookies and milk waiting for you at Village Hall! (I’ll bring my coffee).





**BILL
BUCKHOLTZ**
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

**“Writing Class or
No Class”**

Being born smack dab in the middle of this baby boomer thing means that nothing I have to say or do is truly unique. Every time I think of something monumentally relevant or innovative or significant, turns out, a bunch of people have already done it, said it or thought about it. My first AARP card: retirement info; estate planning; nursing homes; colonoscopy; hip replacement; hormone replacement; hair color; cosmetic surgery; spa treatments; nutritional supplements; emotional therapy; psych counsel; legal counsel; spiritual guidance; soccer-van upgrade to sport-coupe; travel plans; buying a camper; buying a boat; memories; old photographs; new interests; new hobbies; reading; building equity; downsizing; slowing the pace; pruning the life style; quality time; forgetting things; running out of time; selling the camper; selling the boat; cleaning out the garage; remembering less... making lists... telling stories... writing a story. Any of this sound familiar?

This winter past I enrolled in a writing class. We have such programs right here in Mayfield Village at the Civic Center. An intimate group of us – baby boomers and several Generation Xer’s met once a week to talk about ourselves, talk about writing, write stuff and talk about each other’s writing. Didn’t seem like much at first. The teacher, Scott Lax, noted Cleveland writer-personality and Director of Fairmount Center’s School of Writing, led the sessions in his signature, laid-back, anything-goes manner. Book, film, TV and

socio-political references served up a steady drip of b. b. boomers’ clear-sailing solution. The almost thirty-somethings, the clinging to forty for dear lifers, and a couple of us just north of fifty-ites, all formed a bond. It happened so quickly, transparently, right under our noses. None of us really noticed. Powerful stuff—art and education—for any unfulfilled, used up, forsaken adults. When people, who have prematurely willed their energies and identities to kid’s, pets and employers, (a.k.a. having the life-force sucked out of you), begin to recapture remnants of the spirit of their youth, defibrillate that child-like wonder-heart still faintly beating inside, the creative juices flow and could easily fill the diving well at Parkview Pool. Middle-age inspiration is better than a cruise, shrink, yoga and golf combined.

Most of you know me as a high-brain creative writer at best. VOV articles that ramble are my specialty, so why change now? But change I have and change I must as this boy embarks on yet another new career... ‘Bill the Writer’... make that ‘Will the Writer’. I don’t know that I’ll become any better at it but I am already a success of sorts. You see, I am writing all the time: on paper, on plastic, on napkins; on the bus, on the computer; stories from my past, adventures of the future, even a fruit salad of topics I know nothing about. Ever since my deeply satisfying encounter with the writing class and other adults who feel they have something to say, I have been unable to stop writing. Now I read about writing, think about writing, writing for fun, writing for profit, but most importantly, writing as catharsis – for me, this is a good thing. (If you’re going to be obsessive compulsive about everything, take up something that’s not self-destructive or harmful to others.) Turns out I’m

not the only one. Noted author, Walter Mosley, has recently published a book called *This Year You Write Your Novel*. I heard him in an NPR interview entitled *Stop Reading and Start Writing*— that means I’m not the only one taking up writing these days.

The two questions asked on the first day of writing class are: “Why are you here?” and “Why do you want to write?” I write because I have a goal, a vision, a plan – and most people who know me – back me 100% on this one. I need to shut up and stop talking! I am tired of telling my stories over and over and over again. They are quite entertaining but come on already! If I could write them down somewhere – on the pages of a book perhaps – then I could close the book and place it on a shelf and be done with it. If people read it... fine. If no one reads it... fine. At least I will get it out of my head and off my chest. Sound like a plan? This is why I write. To tell the tale one more time and alas, sit back and relax. I’m tired.

This fall Mayfield Village will proudly host the first annual Fairmount Writers’ Conference in our newly renovated Civic Auditorium. The Writers’ Conference, October 13th and 14th, promises to be a **World Class Literary Experience – Symposiums, Workshops, Readings and Lectures**. The two-day event is already drawing attention to Northeast Ohio and will feature: **Ron Powers**, a Pulitzer Prize and an Emmy winner, co-author of, **Flags of our Fathers**; **Ann Hood**, author of the current best selling novel, **The Knitting Circle**; **Ted Gup**, a legendary investigative reporter who worked under Bob Woodward at the Washington Post and later at Time

Magazine; Cleveland writer **Mary Doria Russell**, who once taught anatomy at CWRU and went on to write three critically acclaimed novels, *The Sparrow*, *Children of God* and Pulitzer Prize nominee *Thread of Grace*; **Peter Scott**, author; **Charles Michener**, former senior editor of The New Yorker and Newsweek, currently a writer for The New York Observer; and, of course, Fairmount's **Scott Lax**, Conference Director and Moderator, wrote *The Year That Trembled*, called "articulate with passion, humor and heartbreak" by the Midwest Book Review, and one of 1998's "Milestones in Fiction" by The Denver Post. He produced the feature film based on his novel and a screenplay adapted for the stage.

I have taken several classes with Scott Lax in both fiction and nonfiction writing. He has a gift – he knows writing, but more importantly, he knows people – that's the gift. He made everyone in the class feel special and unique. He made writing magical and real at the same time. Scott provided motivation, direction and encouragement. He opened doors and allowed me to be myself – whoever that is – and now I am writing... all the time... and that's what a writer does!

For conference details and programs in the arts go to:
<http://www.fairmountcenter.org/writers-conference.htm> or
<http://www.mayfieldvillage.com>.



**JOSEPH
SAPONARO**
COUNCIL AT LARGE

"Happy Summer to all!"

We are truly fortunate to have such a beautiful place to call home. Hopefully everyone is taking advantage of the many amenities that we have in Mayfield Village. Take a swim or sun bathe at Parkview Pool, hike or bike through the Greenway Corridor and Metro Parks, listen to some great music and meet some new friends on Thursdays at the Village Gazebo, participate in the many different programs offered through our Parks and Recreation Department or walk up to the Village center to eat and shop while enjoying the hanging flower baskets and flower pots through the central corridor of Mayfield!

The Beautification Committee did a wonderful job of beautifying Mayfield Village and I have received many compliments from residents and visitors alike. Keep up the good work! If any resident is interested in volunteering on this committee, please give me a call.

Thank you to everyone for your patience during "orange barrel" season -- safety is paramount for all so leave early to get to your appointments or outings and this will help to alleviate any frustrations. Speaking of safety, please be sure to keep your pets on leashes or within the bounds of your property.

There are many things going on in Mayfield Village and I hope that you are reading the minutes of the Council meetings or attending the council meetings to keep informed. If there are any questions, concerns or comments that you may have,

please call me to discuss.

Finally, it is hard to believe that 4 years have gone by and it is time for me to run for Council-At-Large in the Fall. I would appreciate all of your support and will continue to proudly serve the residents of Mayfield Village with integrity and candor. A special thank you to Mary Beth Betsa, Jeff Thomas and Debbie Thomas for their warm reception and tireless efforts to make Mayfield Village a destination to visit! This is one of the many reasons why our Village has been ranked as one of the top 3 suburbs in Cleveland Magazine's annual rating for the past 3 years.



**THOMAS J.
MARRIE**
COUNCIL AT LARGE

Congratulations and thank you to Phil Brett, our Finance Director, who worked for over a year with the EPA and the Water Pollution Loan Fund to acquire funding to decrease the cost of the sewer projects on Highland, Metro Park, and Zorn. This will provide funds at 3.25% thus saving every homeowner approximately \$1,000.00.

Speaking of sewer work – on Zorn and Metro Park all the sewer work is done as well as the primary and intermediate asphalt work and the driveway aprons. The final grading and seeding work should be done by the time you read this.

The Highland sewers and all the connections are in and the underpass work will start soon. Traffic will be maintained throughout the process and the total job in the area should be done by October or November.

On Thursday June 7th, Mayfield Village received the Economic Development Award from the Northeast Ohio Organization.

Congratulations are also in order for Danielle Echt of our Recreation Department for her article and pictures about our Start Smart program, for children ages 3-5 and 5-7, which was published in a national magazine.

The Recreation Department and its staff are busy (as usual) and in full swing. The Adult Softball and Soccer teams are completely full. Flag Football for the youth has already begun with a total of 4 teams. In the Youth Softball we have 4 teams for the 6-8 co-ed, 1 team for the 9-11 year old boys in a travel team, 1 team for the 12-14 boys travel team, and 6 teams for the 14-18 year old league.

Our pool will be hosting the Suburban Swim Meet this year. When that happens, Highland Heights will supply passes for our pool members.

The **NO-SMOKING** ban at the new ball fields is working out OK.

The Spring Party and Easter Egg Hunt for our little folks was a huge success and maybe the biggest one yet.

These are just some of the wonderful recreation programs that Mayfield Village offers its residents and another great reason to live in our Village.

The 2020 Vision group are meeting again and discussing the things and needs that will make Mayfield Village an even better place to live. Sincere thanks to everyone in this group for all their effort and work.

Our Village won an award from the Ohio Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects for our Upper 40s and Foster's Run Stream Restoration projects. Only 7 projects in the state were selected for this award.

Our Village also received the **2007 Community Recycling Awareness Grant** from the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District. These funds will certainly be put to good use.

We all know that neighbors do not like to see a gas well being drilled in their neighborhood - but as a matter of information, the State of Ohio controls the gas well drilling not the Village of Mayfield. Council has already passed an Ordinance condemning the State's ruling, but there is nothing we can do to overrule the State.

Have you seen our **beautiful** new pavilion at Wiley Park? It is truly beautiful and a great asset for our Village.

The Human Services Department offers many, many programs for our seniors. Eunice Kalina and Donna Roman work hard at improving the programs that are offered. The group's 25th Anniversary luncheon was well attended and enjoyed by all. Want to get involved??? Call Eunice or Donna for information at 440.919.2332.

A great big **THANK YOU** to the ladies in the Garden Club for all their efforts to help beautify our Village.

Also a big **THANK YOU** to the Beautification Committee for all of their planning and hard work on all the planters & hanging baskets throughout our Village center. This

was a big undertaking. It's things like this that make Mayfield Village a better place to live.

Active Homeowners Associations are very important and one of the wonderful examples is the Kenwood Homeowners Association. Sincere thanks to its President, Larry Evans, for the hanging basket, and to Jean Britton and Carole Marrie who personally landscaped the cul-de-sac at Butternut & Walnut Drives by themselves.

Thanks to our Service Department, especially Jim Dolatowski, for all the help getting the floodlights installed at the softball parking lot.

Thanks also to our Service Department for all their help with all the flower planters and hanging baskets. The tree re-planting along S.O.M. is finished and so is the area of the pool and underpass.

The Fire Department did a great job with the fire safety training for all 4th grade students and the safety education of all the 3rd graders using the Fire Safety House.

Congratulations to Brittany Shrefler (South High School), daughter of Ken Shrefler, our Fire Department Lieutenant and his wife Judy, for her outstanding achievement in the Academic Decathlon held in Hawaii. She plans to study Biomedical Engineering in College.

THEY DID IT AGAIN!!

The Service Department pulled the miracle again on Wilson Mills & S.O.M. Center Roads. After a huge turn out on 50's Cruise Night - we awoke the next morning and there wasn't a piece of litter to be found anywhere - you wouldn't know anything took place.

A BIG THANKS to the group at the Service Department!!

Also a big **THANK YOU** to all the committee members and volunteers that helped to make the 2007 **Fabulous 50's Cruise Night** a huge success! We would not be able to put on events like this without all of your help.



PATSY MILLS
COUNCIL WARD 2

Cleveland Magazine awarded Mayfield Village as number three in the area.

Criteria for this award are economical development, property values, tax rates, education, and community services. Something to be very proud of.

Additionally an award from North East Ohio Economic Development Team for Job Retention. The Village was one of 4 cities to receive the honor.

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast was a great success. Thanks to the Service Department for all their work before and after. The Garden that the Service Department does each year was beautiful again. Lovely place to have your picture taken with your mother or special person.

The Volunteers that flip the pancakes, fry the sausages, and all the servers. About 840 people were served.



Garden Design by the Mayfield Village Service Department, many thanks for all their work at the Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast.

The Mayfield Village Garden Club always has a nice boutique of flower arrangements and garden related items for sale. The Garden Club participated in the Garden Show at the Botanical Gardens and received a 2nd place award for their container garden. Congratulations.

The Mayfield Township Historical Society in cooperation with the Mayfield School District were able to assist the 3rd & 4th grade students with their study program regarding Ohio History. Favorite rooms in the house are the Music Room, the Log Cabin, and School Room. The students sent individual thank you notes about their experiences at the House. The latest addition is a Print Shop (pictured to the right). Mark your calendar September 12th for the annual Ice Cream Social at the new Wiley Park Pavilion. Ice Cream, Homemade Cookies, and a tour of the House, what could be better!

The Wiley Park Pavilion is complete. Our Service Department has added their special landscaping touches to the area along with some new tables and grills. Stop and see it and visit the adjacent gardens at the Historical House.

Activities Committee has been busy planning the Village activities for the summer.

Fifties Night was the best yet. A great crowd.

Band concerts are on Thursday Eve-

nings starting at 7:00 p.m. Chairs are available and there is ice cream, beverages, and popcorn. Enjoy the music on a starry night.

It will be a busy summer. Enjoy all the activities; the pool, watch baseball or soccer games, band concerts, or a nice walk in the park.



Merv Marino, Al Muhle, Elton Leppelmeier, & Jim Plastine
The printshop at the Bennett VanCuren Historical House
Dedicated to Jim Plastine

DAVID R. MOHR
FIRE CHIEF



A disaster is something most people do not think about. In Mayfield Village we are fortunate to live in an

area not susceptible to hurricanes and earthquakes. However, we are faced with severe thunderstorms, blizzard conditions or ice storms. You may remember during the summer of 1994 areas of the Village were without electrical power for 4 days. In 2003, the Great Black Out caused an electrical power disruption for 24 hours.

Disasters can happen anytime and anywhere. When a disaster strikes, you may not have time to respond. A highway spill or hazardous material incident could mean evacuation;

winter or ice storm could confine your family at home for days. Unfortunately, in today's world, the threat of terror must be included in a home disaster plan.

After a disaster, local officials and relief workers will be overwhelmed and will not be able to reach everyone immediately. Help could be minutes, hours, or days away. Would your family be prepared to cope with the emergency until help arrives?

Your family will cope best by preparing for disaster before it strikes. One way to prepare is by assembling a Disaster Supplies Kit. Once disaster hits, you won't have time to shop or search for supplies; but if you've gathered supplies in advance, your family can endure an evacuation or home confinement.

Prepare Your Kit The following supplies are suggested by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

☉ Gather the supplies listed as you may need them if your family is confined at home.

☉ Place the supplies you'd most likely need for an evacuation in an easy-to-carry container. These supplies are listed with an asterisk (*).

☉ The basics you should stock for your home: water, food, first aid supplies, clothing and bedding, tools and emergency supplies, and special items. Keep the items that you would most likely need during an evacuation in an easy-to carry container--suggested items are marked with an asterisk (*).

Possible Containers Include

☉ A large, covered trash container

☉ A camping backpack

☉ A duffle bag

Water

☉ Store water in plastic containers such as soft drink bottles. Avoid using containers that will decompose or break, such as milk cartons or glass bottles. A normally active person needs to drink at least two quarts of water each day. Hot environments and intense physical activity can double that amount. Children, nursing mothers, and ill people will need more.

☉ Store one gallon of water per person per day.

☉ Keep at least a three-day supply of water per day (two quarts for drinking, two quarts for each person in your household for food preparation/sanitation).*

Food

☉ Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking, and little or no water. If you must heat food, pack a can of sterno. Select food items that are compact and lightweight. *Include a selection of the following foods in your Disaster Supplies Kit: Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, and vegetables.

First Aid Kit Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for each car. A first aid kit* should include:

☉ Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes

☉ Assorted sizes of safety pins

☉ Cleansing agent/soap

☉ Latex gloves (2 pairs)

☉ Sunscreen

☉ 2" sterile gauze pads (4-6)

☉ 4" sterile gauze pads (4-6)

☉ Triangular bandages (3)

☉ Non-prescription drugs

☉ 2" sterile roller bandages (3 rolls)

☉ 3" sterile roller bandages (3 rolls)

☉ Scissors

☉ Tweezers

☉ Needle

☉ Moistened Towelettes

☉ Antiseptic

☉ Thermometer

☉ Tongue blades (2)

☉ Tube of petroleum jelly or other lubricant

Non-Prescription Drugs

☉ Aspirin or non aspirin pain reliever

☉ Anti-diarrhea medication

☉ Antacid (for stomach upset)

☉ Syrup of Ipecac (use to induce vomiting if advised by the Poison Control Center)

☉ Laxative

☉ Activated charcoal (use if advised by the Poison Control Center)

Tools and Supplies

☉ Mess kits, or paper cups, plates, and plastic utensils*

- ☉ Emergency preparedness manual*
- ☉ Battery-operated radio and extra batteries*
- ☉ Flashlight and extra batteries*
- ☉ Cash or traveler's checks, change*
- ☉ Non-electric can opener, utility knife*
- ☉ Fire extinguisher: small canister ABC type
- ☉ Tube tent
- ☉ Pliers
- ☉ Tape
- ☉ Compass
- ☉ Matches in a waterproof container
- ☉ Aluminum foil
- ☉ Plastic storage containers
- ☉ Signal flare
- ☉ Paper, pencil
- ☉ Needles, thread
- ☉ Medicine dropper
- ☉ Shut-off wrench, to turn off household gas and water
- ☉ Whistle
- ☉ Plastic sheeting
- ☉ Map of the area (for locating shelters)



- ☉ Soap, liquid detergent*
- ☉ Feminine supplies*
- ☉ Personal hygiene items*
- ☉ Plastic garbage bags, ties (for personal sanitation uses)
- ☉ Plastic bucket with tight lid
- ☉ Disinfectant
- ☉ Household chlorine bleach
- ☉ Clothing and Bedding
- ☉ *Include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person.
- ☉ Sturdy shoes or work boots*
- ☉ Rain gear*
- ☉ Blankets or sleeping bags*
- ☉ Hat and gloves
- ☉ Thermal underwear
- ☉ Sunglasses

Special Items

- ☉ Remember family members with special requirements, such as infants and elderly or disabled persons

For Baby*

- ☉ Formula
- ☉ Diapers
- ☉ Bottles
- ☉ Powdered milk
- ☉ Medications

For Adults*

- ☉ Heart and high blood pressure medication

- ☉ Insulin
- ☉ Prescription drugs
- ☉ Denture needs
- ☉ Contact lenses and supplies

Entertainment

- ☉ Games and books

Important Family Documents

Keep these records in a waterproof, portable container:

- ☉ Will, insurance policies, contracts deeds, stocks and bonds
- ☉ Passports, social security cards, immunization records
- ☉ Bank account numbers
- ☉ Credit card account numbers and companies
- ☉ Inventory of valuable household goods, important telephone numbers
- ☉ Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates) Store your kit in a convenient place known to all family members. Keep a smaller version of the Disaster Supplies Kit in the trunk of your car.

Keep items in airtight plastic bags. Change your stored water supply every six months so it stays fresh. Replace your stored food every six months. Re-think your kit and family needs at least once a year. Replace batteries, update clothes, etc.

Ask your physician or pharmacist about storing prescription medications.





**PATRICK J.
DEARDEN**
POLICE CHIEF

With summertime once again upon us, a few issues demand renewed attention. One is traffic safety in our neighborhoods, which includes speeding and other bad driving habits that raise the potential for serious accidents and injuries. The Police Department is making every effort to keep our Village streets safe. We are increasing enforcement time on all our major roadways in the Village to reduce the volume of speeders. At the same time, speed monitoring devices and increased enforcement in the residential areas will hopefully have the same impact. If you feel there is a persistent problem on your street, please contact the traffic bureau so our efforts can be directed accordingly.

On another note, this time of year lends itself to graduation parties and other social get togethers. Ohio law makes very clear the duties and responsibilities of those hosting parties. Parents need to raise their awareness, and that of their children, to the issues associated with underage drinking or the consumption of alcohol during parties.

Finally, with the nice weather come the door to door solicitors. Village Council revised the soliciting ordinance in 2006 to provide stricter regulations. The following are highlights of the changes:

1.) The ordinance now clearly defines and distinguishes the difference between solicitors and canvassers. Solicitors (those seeking to obtain funds for any cause) require

a permit, whereas canvassers (those seeking to impart or obtain information without a request for money) need only to register with the Police Department.

2.) All solicitors are now required to file an application for a permit with the Police Department. Upon verification, we will issue a permit that is valid for 15 days.

3.) Solicitors shall wear their permit in plain view, and must present it to any resident or Village representative upon request.

4.) Soliciting/canvassing shall only be conducted between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. No soliciting/canvassing can be done on legal holidays.

5.) Solicitors/canvassers are prohibited from making contact at homes where a **“NO SOLICITORS”** sign is displayed at the entrance. These stickers are available at the Civic Hall and/or the Police Department.

6.) The Police Department will be maintaining a registry list of those residents who wish not to be contacted by solicitors and canvassers. This list will be given to each solicitor/canvasser for their reference. Residents are still required to post a **“NO SOLICITORS”** sign on their doors even if they are included on the registry.

7.) There are a few groups who are exempted from the requirements of the ordinance. First is the Girl Scouts, to permit for their cookie drive. Second is the local school district for any fundraising efforts. In addition, the Jehovah Witnesses have a modified registration plan which we have conducted with them for

several years. Residents should contact the Police Department if they are confronted by individuals who are not in compliance with our local ordinance.

Please make every effort to ensure not only your own safety, but also that of your neighbors while we try to enjoy the nice weather.



**JUDGE MARY
KAYE BOZZA**
LYNDHURST
MUNICIPAL COURT

The Court is pleased to announce that we have digitalized the

Courtroom recording process. The new system stores recordings electronically. Some of the advantages of this new system are the saving of physical storage space, the elimination of the cost of cassette tapes, and enabling us to provide defendants and court reporters recordings electronically via email or by CD.

The latest presentation of the Court's Men's Community Outreach Program "Make the Right Choice" was held on January 26, 2007 at the Lyndhurst Community Center. This presentation is designed to educate the community about the serious consequences of driving under the influence and other alcohol related offenses. The audience was comprised of about 80 male alcohol related offenders. Judge Bozza sponsored a "Make the Right Choice" Women's Workshop most recently held on March 2, 2007. Judge Bozza designed this workshop in response to the marked increase in female OVIs and/or alcohol related offenses and underage alcohol house parties, since 2004. Judge Bozza's goal is to provide an informative and

supportive environment to a diverse group of women, educating them about the physical, emotional and psychological effects of alcohol and drug usage. The next Women's program is set for Friday July 20, 2007.

Judge Bozza has recently learned of a seminar being offered by the Ohio Highway Patrol in conjunction with AAA. The classes are designed to reinforce the traffic rules for Senior Citizen drivers. They are held on the last Wednesday of every month. The current classes are being offered in Elyria, however, Judge Bozza's staff is working with AAA and hopes to expand the seminar to include an east side location. The class is free of charge and covers new drivers' laws and mature drivers safety issues. Anyone interested may contact the Elyria State Patrol at 440.365.5045 or contact the Court at 440.461.6500.

Judge Bozza and staff welcome Jessica Shvarts from Brush High School and Alix Nareddine from Beachwood High School this semester to complete their senior projects. Jennifer Ciszewski, a college student from Mount Union College will be shadowing Judge Bozza. Also visiting the Court were juniors Angelica Geremia from Berkshire High School and Jason Petrof from Benedictine High School, who were observing Court proceedings during their spring break.

On April 27, 2007 Judge Bozza spoke to the Keenagers Group at the Bethany Covenant Church.

Eva Marie Michael from St. Paschal Baylon School brought 33 of her students to view Court Proceedings on February 28, 2007. This is an excellent field trip for them, and perhaps will spark an interest in their

further education of the law.

In our continuous efforts to improve the efficiency of the Court, the Court has established an electronic link with Highland Heights, Mayfield Heights and Gates Mills Police Departments for importing and exporting data relating to new cases and their adjudications. The Court is confident that the other departments will follow. This integration process improves efficiency and accuracy regarding case reporting between the Cities' and Villages' Police Departments and the Court.

For additional information about the Lyndhurst Municipal Court, its community outreach programs, or to invite Judge Bozza to be a guest speaker at your favorite group or organization please call Patti Anderson at 440.461.6500 ext. 205 or visit our website at www.lyndhurstmunicipalcourt.org.



JOHN MARRELLI
BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Here's a summertime tip for any homeowner who may be

contemplating waterproofing their foundation.

Sometimes, the problem with that leaky wall or basement floor doesn't require excavating the foundation at all.

A simple flushing of the main storm drain piping from the house to the street has corrected the problem for many homeowners, is far less expensive than waterproofing and

usually has to be done with a waterproofing job anyway.

With today's technology a small camera can be inserted into the sewer piping to check it for breaks or blockage. This testing can save time and money by pinpointing the problem.



BILL THOMAS
RECREATION DIRECTOR

"Recreation Corner"

Since early May, Mayfield Village

has enjoyed a warm and dry weather season which is very conducive for outdoor recreation activities and special events. As this update is being written, we finally experienced our first summer thunderstorm. The thunderstorm was truly welcomed. This was the first time I can remember the grass looking very dry and we haven't finished the month of June.

Fortunately because of this unseasonably warm and dry weather, Parkview Pool has been doing booming business at the "turnstile", selling a lot of individual and family pool passes and the Learn to Swim and Aquatic classes have far exceeded enrollment expectations. Over **350** learn to swim and aquatic class participants signed up for our first session alone. In our Pool Admissions we have had **4,290** pool users and we are not thru June yet.

Our 3 summer day camps, Junior Camp, Sports n' More and Teen Adventure Camp, have close to **250** campers enjoying themselves each day in a very active program with camp administration and counselors

who make it a fun and positive experience for all our campers.

In a short three years Mayfield Village Recreation, with an active Adaptive Recreation Committee made up of parents, school employees and student and community volunteers, have established a well rounded program that is a leader in the field with over **200** people with disabilities. With the collaborative effort of Solon's Blue Ribbon person with disabilities, Mayfield's CEVEC and school programs, LEAP (Linking Employment Ability and Potential), Hilltop Assisted Living and High Five Club, persons with disabilities enrollment and joint programs have increased drastically. A year round program for this population is now ongoing. The popular programs include: Basketball Clinics; Friday Game Nights; Indoor Water Exercise; Spring Outside Fun; Yoga Reach; Cosmic Bowling; Softball; Kickball; Beach Volleyball and Pool Party, just to name some of the Spring/Summer activities.

This summer a number of excursions have been offered. With the support of neighboring recreation departments, trips to Presque Isle Downs Casino in Erie, Pennsylvania, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House and The Summer Wind on Lake Chautauqua had over **115** participants sign up. The annual White Water Rafting trip in conjunction with our Teen Adventure Camp trip should exceed **85** participants.

Under the direction of Assistant Recreation Director, Danielle Echt, our 3 to 7 year old Start Smart Instructional parent/child programs continue to fill at capacity year round. This spring, instructional soccer, baseball and golf had close to

100 participants enjoy for the first time with all our volunteer instructors, a fun and positive learning experience.

Two spring youth/family special activities offered were Rocket Man and Make and Fly-A-Kite. On Saturday, May 11 over **50** boys, girls and parents enjoyed building and shooting rockets made of empty 2 liter pop bottles and flying hand made kites on a beautiful sunny and breezy day that was so conducive in making the experience fun for all.

The youth sports program comprised of over **350** participants is made up of a variety of activities including lacrosse, girls sand volleyball, boys and girls volleyball clinics, flag football, slow pitch softball, girls fast pitch softball and youth community track meet. Through the efforts of volunteer and paid coaches, all youth participants are having fun and learning positive team sportsmanship.

For the last 3 summers, Mayfield Village Recreation, Mayfield Community Education and Mayfield Heights Recreation have been teaming up to offer one week Skyhawks Sports Specialty Camps. These one week camps for all ages include: soccer; basketball; golf; track/running; cheerleading; football and multi sports camps with over **50** participants signed up as of this writing.

Mayfield Village will again offer our **8th Annual Parkview Summer Sizzler Swim Meet** on **Sunday, July 29**. We expect over **400** swimmers to participate again this year. New this summer, Mayfield Village and the City of Highland Heights will host

the **Suburban Swim League Championships** at Parkview Pool. Over **1,000** swimmers and nearly **3,000** spectators will be on hand. Parkview Pool is the only pool in the entire league that has 10 swim lanes. With the cooperative effort of the two communities, Highland Heights will open up their pool during the two Sundays the swim meets are held in order to accommodate Parkview users who are unable to use the pool. Then on Sunday, August 5 from 7:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. Parkview Pool will host a Luau with a steel band for the enjoyment of both communities.

Finally, our Adult Sports Programs, under the direction of the Youth/Adult Sports Coordinator Sean Supler, continue to have maximum team participation in all Adult Sports including Men's 18 and 50 and over Softball, Coed Softball, Bocce and Coed Soccer which totals **46 teams** in all leagues.

Look for your Fall Parks and Recreation Brochure around mid August. And as always your comments and program suggestions are always welcome. Please feel free to contact us at 440.461.5163. Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation Department hopes you and your family have a safe and enjoyable summer season.





DANIELLE ECHT
ASSISTANT RECREATION DIRECTOR

“Spring Party & Egg Hunt”

We had an enjoyable

celebration with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, March 31. The annual party and egg hunt started at 12 Noon and ended at approximately 1:30 p.m. The Recreation Board and other volunteers went about taking care of getting the Community Room ready with decorations and games. As the youth and families of Village Residents poured into the community room, they were able to participate in a variety of activities. Meg Stifler

helped the children paint and decorate small plastic pots and gave each child a bag of marigold seeds to take home and grow. The

Betsa family volunteered their time by coordinating two games where the participants were able to win small prizes. Migelito’s delivered pizza for lunch time and Heinen’s baked butter cookies and chocolate chip cookies for the event. The families and children ate their lunch, colored pictures at the tables and observed the crowd mingling with the Easter Bunny. Kids were able to have their pictures taken with the Bunny thanks to Patsy and Wanda who were on hand to work the Polaroid camera. Swifty the Clown



made an appearance and proved to be extremely popular with everyone in attendance; the line to receive one of his balloon creations wrapped throughout the Community Room during the entire event. Rick Smith Junior was not able to perform his magic at the party but was able to

send a fellow magician in his place. The kids watched the magic show and applauded the many tricks and stunts that were performed. A special congratulations

goes to Ms. Lydia Betsa who guessed the exact number of candies in the jar and won it all!!! The various age groups, from newborns to eleven year olds, participated in the egg-hunt that was held on the lawn near the gazebo.

The children anxiously awaited their turns and then scrambled to collect as many eggs as they could. Everyone received prizes and candy. It was quite an enjoyable day with family and friends and there was quite a good turnout. Thank you

to the many volunteers and residents who made this party a fun experience for all-we appreciate your dedication to the Village and the participation in all of our programs.



SEAN SUPLER
YOUTH/ADULT SPORTS COORDINATOR

The 2007 spring and summer youth sports programs have been a huge success.

Our 3rd annual 6th-8th grade Flag Football League had another action packed season filled with close games which crowned the Browns, coached by Dave Blood, as the champions. The youth school/community track meet offered 100 students in grades 2nd-6th the opportunity to participate in events including 100, 200, 400 and 800 meter races and the 4 x 100 team relay. Thanks to Mike Petrik and all the volunteers for helping out with another successful track meet.

The youth softball programs are in full swing now with kids of all ages competing. Our coed 6-8 year old league allows the volunteer coaches to teach the fundamentals of softball while the age groups 9-11, 12-14 and boys high school 14-18 slow pitch teams compete against teams from surrounding cities including Eastlake, Willowick and West Geauga.

The adult coed soccer season is gearing up for the playoffs with Firehouse winning the regular season. Cresthaven, Storm F.C. and Spectators round out the top 4 positions for the playoffs.

Adult Softball has grown again this year with a total of 40 teams playing in three different leagues including Men’s 18+, Men’s 50+ and Coed 18+. This season has proved that all teams are competitive and have an equal shot at winning the championship. Good luck to all teams in both soccer and softball as the seasons draw to an end.

Looking towards the fall season, please remember that sign ups will be in July for adult softball and soccer along with the many youth sports and activities scheduled during the school year.

Mayfield Township Historical Society

RICHARD NEGRELLI
PRESIDENT

We are proud to announce that "This Old House" has seen about 300 visitors this spring. The Mayfield School System has accepted our invitation to include The Historic House in their 3rd & 4th grade curriculum on Ohio History.

The visitors were wide eyed, full of questions and most interested to learn about life in Mayfield Township before iPods, TV games, Computers, and the Internet.

The Mayfield Womens' Club came to help us Spring Clean the Museum as their Foundation Civic project. They had so much fun that they have signed up to do it again next year. Thank you ladies.

St. Clare's Cub Scouts and parents came for a meeting night and were equally pleased at what we have to offer the community. The United Church of Christ, Richmond Heights Senior Group came to tour our facilities and enjoy a nostalgic view of our displays.

We will be hosting two more groups these next two months. The Chagrin Valley Historical Societies Consortium and the Shaker DAR Chapter Luncheon in June.

The new Wiley pavilion has been completed with a fireplace and has a very classy look. With plenty of time to spare before our Ice Cream Social.

Our 1900 Print Shop site is done - House Chairman Al Muhle and Merv Masino have done a great job. This too, will be open at the Social.

We are very pleased that the Mayfield Township Historical Society has become a more major place of interest in the Township communities. Pay us a visit - see for yourselves. We are open Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and the third Saturday of each month. Call for a tour of Mayfield Township's past, at \$3.00 it beats a \$20,000,000 trip to the moon.

September 12 - Ice Cream Social 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. in our new pavilion - Cookies and Ice Cream \$3.00 includes a tour of the Historic House with new print shop.

October 10 - "The Terminal Tower at 75" by author Greg Deagan - Guest Speaker.

November 14 - "Cleveland and the Civil War" by Scott Longert of the Western Reserve Historical Society. This is our infamous pie night - so bring your favorite pie to share.

December 12 - Our holiday Pot Luck - 6:30 p.m. - Bring a covered dish, vegetable, or dessert.

All of our meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at the Mayfield Village Community Room unless otherwise noted.

Mayfield Village Garden Club

NANCY ROZELL

The summer is going fast with trees and flowers green and in their glory. Stop by the gardens at the Historic House to see how lovely they look. We also care for a few plants and trees at the Historic Cemetery on Wilson Mills Rd.

At the Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast and Plant Sale our green thumbs were visible as Garden Club members dug perennials from their

gardens to sell at very reasonable prices to attendees. We hope to expand this next year.

We planted a terrace container at the Cleveland Botanical Garden Show in May. It was judged 2nd place among other entrees in the same division. It will be on display for the entire summer.



The end of May we had an end of year dinner at Pine Ridge Country Club. We enjoyed a social evening reviewing our past year's activities and installing the officers for the coming year.

June 3-5, 2007 was National Garden Week. To celebrate we planted flowers for a Monarch Waystation. This has been established just to the right of the entrance to the Mayfield Village Wetlands (which is across from the swimming pool).

We are now getting ready for a Flower Show to be held Sunday, October 7, 2007 from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the Mayfield Community Center. Mark your calendars now to plan to attend. More details later.

Our members work on many projects providing beauty to our community. The Holiday Craft Sale and the Mother's Day Plant provide funds for scholarships given to students from the Horticulture center to assist them with college expenses.

Call Elaine Schramm @ 440.449.1474 for information about meetings and events.

Mayfield Village Wetlands

KAREN MUELLER

The Wetlands are alive with spring and summer plant and animal activities. Our evening and early morning events yielded great views of woodcocks displaying in the evening, and nesting sites of Baltimore Orioles and a red tailed hawk. Most all areas are lush now with new growth, limiting visibility of bird activity, however the sounds reveal the many species, as well as the evening sounds of our amphibian friends.

Deb Marcinski, our naturalist has been working hard on several projects. To help all of us have a better understanding about the preservation and beautification of the Mayfield Village Wetlands, she has written the following:

A natural area is not like the garden in your back yard. It is not mowed weekly or landscaped to give a neat appearance. Plants grow where they may, thriving where they are suited and failing to get established if the seeds land in an area unsuited to its needs.

The Mayfield Village Wetlands is just such a natural area. Being a wetland means that at least part of the area is wet at least part of the year. It is these wet areas that make a wetlands so special.

In the past, wetlands have been seen as an area that merely needs to be filled in with extra dirt before the area can be developed. Currently, after losing most of Ohio's wetlands to such development, we have learned that wetlands are actually a good thing and provide us with services.

As heavy rains fall and the water surges through an area, a wetlands can catch, slow down and absorb some of this water, preventing flooding. In the aftermath of the storm surge, over the next few days, the wetlands slowly releases this water, recharging the groundwater levels. If you have ever lived where your water came from a well, you know the value of groundwater.

While this water is percolating through the wetlands, it is cleaned of heavy metals, debris and other contaminants and purified to a great extent. When the water finally reaches Lake Erie, which does provide your drinking water, it is much cleaner than water that has channeled directly through the storm sewers.

One of the challenges to your wetlands is alien and invasive plants. Many of the plants, even in natural areas, are not native to this area, having come from Europe and Asia. Some of these plants easily establish themselves, out-compete the native plants and eliminate them. The invasives that are common in this area are phragmites, purple loosestrife, Japanese knotweed, and reed canary grass.

To control these plants, Crowley's has been hired by the village to selectively spray these plants. Over the past two years, Japanese knotweed has been eliminated and phragmites is down to a couple dozen stalks. Purple loosestrife is greatly diminished, so the main challenge is now the reed canary grass.

The herbicide that is being used is rated specifically for wetlands. Any spray that drifts and strikes water breaks down immediately and poses no threat to the wildlife.

Areas where these invasive plants have been driven back are now being reseeded with a variety of native seeds. Most school groups that get to visit the wetlands also may be given some seed to throw into open areas. We now have ironweed and blue vervain growing in the meadow areas.

Last year the wetlands was registered a Monarch Waystation with the organization Monarch Watch. To qualify the wetlands had to have both host plants for the monarchs to lay eggs on and where their larva could continue to feed (milkweed) and plants where the adult butterflies could find nectar. There are many nectar sources throughout the seasons at the wetlands.

This year, a more formal butterfly garden will be created along the edge of the wetland area. This was a large stand of Japanese knotweed, now it will be a haven for butterflies. The Mayfield Village Garden Club has agreed to adopt this garden. They will help plant and maintain it for the pleasure of butterflies and people as well. The official Monarch Waystation sign will be posted by this garden.

A copy of the Monarch Waystation certificate is in the kiosk at the entrance to the wetlands. There are other informational notices as well for you to read. These are changed seasonally. If you have never walked the wetlands trail, or haven't seen the wetlands for a long time, take some quiet evening or early morning and enjoy this mile-long loop trail. You may hear or see some of the many birds, insects, amphibians and mammals that call this area home.

Citizen's Advisory Committee

JIM MASON

Welcome to Summer 2007.

Your Citizen's Advisory Committee has been very active during the first half of the year – our members have volunteered for the Pancake Breakfast, Cruise Night, & assisting on the Summer Concerts. We have been working with the Beautification Committee on clean-up projects and floral arrangements. We are also working on improving communication for all our seniors – let us know how we can help.

Mary & Merv Singer took the lead in getting us engaged in the Memorial Day weekend services at Whitehaven Cemetery – many thanks for their efforts to make the Day and event a memorable one.

We brought to the Administration the issue of improved lighting at the Civic Center parking lot – it is now in place and functioning very well.

For our new residents we look forward to meeting you & hearing from you on issues of interest/concerns. And, to all our neighbors, we welcome your suggestions and comments for improving the quality of life in our Village.

We are discussing a program to assist others around the Thanksgiving holiday. More to come!

Our neighborhood & homeowner's associations are meeting from time to time. Let us hear about your projects & we look forward to being of assistance, if possible.

Have a great Summer – enjoy all the activities in the Village.

Aintree Park Homeowners Assoc.

DAVE PEROUT

Pool Party Sunday July 15th

Save the date for a great family night of swimming, eating, and commiserating! More information will follow.

Relocation of Raleigh Drive

Well, the Raleigh vote is in, but before that some thanks. Thanks to all the residents and to Mayor Rinker and the department heads that attended our several lively meetings this past winter. Everyone's interest, input, and availability are what make the Village unique. A special thanks to Service Director Doug Metzger for his inspired idea to close the road. We had great attendance at the following meeting. Also, thank you to the staff at the Civic Center who did all the copying, mailing, and meeting set up.

The vote was overwhelming (over 90%) to keep Raleigh Drive open. The winning option is to keep both directions open (Option 4). Because Mayfield Road construction is diverting a large amount of traffic to our SOM/Wilson Mills intersection, construction is not going to begin before some of the traffic issues are resolved since Raleigh would need to be closed for a period of time.

Aintree North Homeowners Assoc.

BLASE PIETRAFESE

The electrical work is almost finished at our entranceway, so as soon as CEI hooks it up, we will have our Aintree North signage illuminated at night. AT&T has been working at the entrance almost every day, upgrading the phone box. They will landscape the southeast fence side when their work is completed. We

have landscape estimates for areas in front of the new stanchions, and work will begin as soon as everything else is finished.

Our cul-de-sacs have been trimmed, mulched, and treated for weeds, so hopefully, they will look nice throughout the season. Your dues partially pay for this service.

We hope everyone has a safe & healthy summer-please remember to drive slowly thru our development & watch out for the children.

Please do not hesitate to call any Board member with any questions or concerns.

Kenwood Homeowners Assoc.

MICKEY EVANS

Summer has certainly come to our community, and our flags are again flying for the season of patriotic holidays. A big **THANKS** to **Larry Evans**, our president, for hanging the plants at all our street entrances, and to **GALE'S** for giving the Association a discount on those beautiful hanging plants. The summer looks like a warm one, so it will keep Jordan and Irene Javier, our hanging plant watering volunteers, busy watering them, along with the help of our street reps, **Bob Evans** (Thornapple) and **Amy Evans** (Kenwood), **Paul and Lynn Fikaris** (Oakwood), **Jean Britton** (Walnut and Butternut), and **Lisa Wargo** (Sandalwood). Thanks for your help, and let's hope it rains occasionally to keep those plants and our plant waterers happy!

Also, remember that our street reps, listed above, are there to help with any concerns you may have. Those concerns will be directed to the Association Board, and they will try

to help or take your concerns to where they can be addressed. Our next board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, Sept. 19** at 7 p.m. at **Larry and Amy Evans's** home at 725 Kenwood.

Thanks to **Tom Marrie** for spreading the mulch at our circle at Walnut and Butternut and to **Jean Britton** and **Carole Marrie** for planting those beautiful flowers. That team always does a great job there.

Thanks, too, to **Larry and Rachel Evans** for hanging the flags and replacing those that were worn. And speaking of "worn," there are still some fences in our neighborhood that are in great need of repair or replacement. Please take care of them to enhance the beauty of our community.

The next event will be our **swim party and picnic** on **Sunday, August 26, from 3 until 9 p.m.** at the Village's Parkview Pool. More information will be coming as the time draws closer. The grills will be on so, put the date on your calendars now for a day of good food, socializing, and swimming.

See you around the neighborhood!

Worton Park Homeowners Assoc.

NANCY JOHNSON

Summer in Worton Park brings out a variety of walkers, riders and gardeners. We love our neighborhood and truly appreciate its tranquility after surviving the endless road construction traffic all around us on Wilson Mills, Mayfield Road, and Highland Road . . . just to name a few.

Worton Park Events Schedule: **-Block Party in July** **-Neighborhood Garage Sale in August** **-Collection of annual dues in September** **-Clam Bake & Annual Meeting in October**

Look for flyers on your mailbox announcing each of these events and providing you an opportunity to sign up and/or help out, if you desire.

This year we are utilizing a landscaper to maintain the large garden on Joyce Rd. The annual dues also offset costs associated with social events, neighborhood beautification and holiday decorations.

We will be holding our next quarterly meeting in July.

Cuyahoga County Public Library, Mayfield Regional

STEVE GALLANT

Music

Steel Drum Concert. Monday, August 13, 6:30-8:30 PM. Jeff Cavallo will perform at the Mayfield Village Gazebo.

Book Discussions

Monday Evening Book Discussion. Monday, September 17, 7:00 – 8:00 PM. *Outside Valentine* by Liza Ward will be discussed.

Book Lovers' Book Discussion.

Tuesday, September 25, 2:00 PM. *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen will be discussed.

Displays

Patti Stephens will display her handmade greeting cards in the library's display case in June. They will include cards for graduation,

Father's Day, sympathy, birthday, and patriotic and summer themed cards.

Program

Blogging 101 June 23. Saturday, June 23. 2:00-3:00 p.m. This program will present the basics of web logs, what they are as well as why and how to start one. To register, please call the library or visit <http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org>.

Instruction

Individual computer instruction is available at the library. We can teach you how to use a mouse, set you up with a free email account, or get you started using the Internet or the library catalog. Tutoring times are scheduled Tuesday – Saturday 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., or Thursday 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Please call 440.473.0350 and ask for the Information Desk to make your appointment.

High School News

LAURA SWINEY

Summer has struck the Village of Mayfield yet again, and many exciting events are set to take place. With the end of school comes excitement, and a chance to reflect on the year behind and plan for the future ahead. Mayfield's graduating Class of 2007 had the opportunity to do this as they proudly took the stage of the Palace Theatre by storm and received their diplomas. Many congratulations and best wishes for future prosperity are extended to them.

Also in Mayfield's recent past was Prom 2007; an unforgettable night at the Signature of Solon country club. Festivities went off without a hitch, as did the much-anticipated After-prom at the Mayfield Middle School. The parents who dedicated their time to the After-prom Committee certainly showed their efforts through

the many elaborate decorations, games, prizes, and overall success of the After-prom event.

Mayfield's choral department also finished off strongly, with new additions to show-choir for the upcoming year and triumphs of the current season. Their numerous competitions were great successes, much to the pleasure of Mayfield. The band's spring concerts also finished the concert band year off sensationally, and their preparation for marching band next year (including a week of band camp during the August month) is off to a phenomenal start. Their efforts shown in the 2006-'07 year were rewarded June 11th as they assembled at Cedar Point for a day of fun.

Many fall sports teams have already scheduled to begin practices during the summer, and with the dedication and physical endurance of our tennis, softball, football, and other teams, it is certain that the payoff will be an incredible sports season for Mayfield.

With all the excitement of summer, and the reflection of the past and agenda for the fall, it is positive that Mayfield High's students will have many memories to look back on, plan for in the future...and of course, make during the summer.

Human Services/ Commission on Aging

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

As we approach summer we look back at some pleasant events we enjoyed during the past few months. The party celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the formation of our senior group was deemed

outstanding by all in attendance. A delicious lunch, beautiful music, lovely favors and door prizes all made for a wonderful afternoon.

We enjoyed trips to the Princess Diana exhibit, the "official" Glenn Miller orchestra, and the Hartville Flea Market. Continue reading to see what future trips are scheduled.

Fall Foliage/Bridges & Beyond

Our annual fall foliage trip this year will be a guided tour of some of the bridges of Ashtabula County including one currently under construction which will be the largest one in the country. Lunch will be at Tarsitano's Winery with a choice of chicken or steak followed by a shopping opportunity at Brant Apple Orchard. Our departure time from the Civic Center will be at 8 a.m. Wednesday, October 17 and our return will be approximately 5 p.m. The deadline for reservations is Monday, October 1. The cost for this outing will be \$46.

Pennsylvania/ Mansions & More

Usher in the winter holiday season by joining us Friday, November 9 as we travel to the Buhl Mansion, Tara, Daffin's (candy store) and Kraynak's known for its holiday displays, gifts, collectibles, trains, greenhouse, and much more. Lunch featuring homestyle family dining will be at Tara, a replica of the renowned setting of *Gone With the Wind*. We will leave from the Civic Center at 8:30 a.m. and return at around 4:30 p.m. The cost for this trip \$40.00, and the deadline for reservations is Wednesday, October 31.

Celebrate Summer Picnics Fun...Food...Friends...

Celebrate summer and picnic with us at the beautiful new pavilion at Wiley Park, 610 S.O.M. Center Road (across from Whitehaven Cemetery.) Two summer picnics are planned at 12:00 noon: Friday, July 20 and Wednesday, August 8. The menu will consist of typical picnic fare: hot dogs, hamburgers, potato salad, baked beans, and dessert. The cost is \$1 for Mayfield Village residents and \$2 for non-Village residents. Please call us at least one week before each picnic and we'll put your name on the reservation list. During our picnic on Friday, July 20, we will have an opportunity to tour the Bennett VanCuren Historical House adjacent to the picnic area. Bocce will also be played.

Flu Shots

Mayfield Village will offer our traditional flu shot program this year in conjunction with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health.

As of this writing the dates for the pre-registration sessions and the actual vaccination date have yet to be determined. The cost will be \$25 for those not on Part B of Medicare. More information will be available in mid August. Watch for notices regarding this important program in the next *Voice of the Village* and in our department's newsletter as well as on the marquee in front of the Gazebo.

Personal Safety and Transportation

In May, we sent a letter to each Village residence with a questionnaire to help us learn more about your personal safety and transportation needs. We asked how we can assist in improving your quality of life. Please contact us if you did not receive the mailing or if you need another copy.

Upcoming Programs

The following events 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.

Social Security Wednesday, September 19

Brandon Smith, a public affairs specialist with Social Security will give a general overview of Social Security including Medicare.

Fall Prevention and Flu Preparedness Wednesday, October 3

April Vince, a social worker with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health will give an important informative program on preventing falls and being prepared for the flu season.

Fire Safety Wednesday, October 10

Michael Girbino, Mayfield Village Fire Lieutenant will present a special program on fire safety geared toward older adults. Points of discussion will include identifying hazards and risks, establishing fire exit drills, the importance of smoke detectors, and safety in the kitchen. Note: The week of October 8 is *National Fire Prevention Week*.



Ongoing Activities

**Every Monday:
Games, Puzzles, & Projects** in the Community Room, 1-4 p.m. Monopoly, Scrabble, Sudoku, Mah Jong, Jigsaw puzzles, etc. 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. She always working on some type of needlework project and will generally be available to answer your questions. Light refreshments. No charge. No Games Monday, Sept. 3 or Monday, November 5.

**Every Monday & Thursday:
Senior Computer Corner** 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.

**Every Monday & Wednesday:
Senior Stroll/Nature Walk** in the Metropolitan Park. Meet Marie at 9 a.m. in the parking lot off S.O.M. across from the soccer fields and walk at your own pace for half or 3/4 of an hour. Call 440.919.2332 to register for the six-week session beginning Monday, July 23. Fee \$3.

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays monthly:
Wood Carving** 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 meeting Tuesday, November 6.

**Every Tuesday & Thursday:
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. Group will not meet Tuesday, November 6; Thursday, November 22; and Tuesday, December 25.

**3rd Tuesday of each month:
Blood pressures checked** at approximately 1:30 p.m. by MV Fire Department members. This is a free service.

**1st & 3rd Wednesday monthly:
Movie Matinéés** at Governor's Village, 280 North Commons Blvd. 2-4 p.m. Free. Call our office, 440.919.2332, to find out what's playing. No movie on July 4.

Classes Computer Training

A new series of computer training classes taught by WebWise Seniors® in cooperation with MV Human Services Department is in progress. 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 current schedule.

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. A summer series of

painting classes began June 20. Please contact us for more information.

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.

Your Commission on Aging Representatives

Five Village residents and one Council representative serve on the Commission on Aging. Members have met several times already this year to help us plan your parties, discuss the personal safety and transportation questionnaire you just received, and talk about new activities and programs for you. Feel free to talk to a member of the Commission on Aging if you have any comments or suggestions. Members include: Marge Hutchinson, Ruth Petche, Marie Urbancic, Jan and Bob Perna, and Council Representative Patsy Mills. A special thank-you to these members for volunteering their time to enrich our community.



Village residents enjoy the senior 25th Anniversary Party. L-R: June Gottschling, Ruth Klein Marge Schindelar, Pat Shibley, Al Shibley, & Ed Gottschling.

MCE CLASSES

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.

Morning Workout

Come have fun with easy-to-follow, low-impact aerobic exercises geared for adults of all ages and fitness levels. Instruction will include aerobic, weight and flexibility training. A Saturday Morning Workout class and an Evening Workout class are also offered.

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 for Seniors

A new Tai Chi class is in the works for fall, designed especially for the senior adult. Details will be published in the fall MCE & Recreation booklet, and the August/September Human Services Department Newsletter.

For details such as course numbers, dates, times, and location of classes offered in cooperation MCE and Recreation, please contact us at 440.919.2332.



Senior strollers take a break at Sunset Pond. Top L-R: Marie Urbancic, Joanne Stenger Bottom L-R: Betty Lustrik, Ruth Petche

A Recap of Recent Events

**MARY BETH BETSA
ADMINISTRATOR/
CLERK OF COUNCIL**

Summer has certainly gotten off to a good start! With pleasant daytime weather and cool comfortable evenings, families have had the opportunity to go out and enjoy the various events in the community.

**The Mother's Day
Pancake Breakfast**

was again an absolute success. Greeted by smiling volunteers serving all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, fruit and beverages to a non-stop crowd, visitors had the

opportunity to purchase a plant from the Garden Club, get their pictures taken with Mom, and enjoy their breakfast as sounds of the harpist surrounded the room. The children clung to their souvenirs created by balloon artist Swifty the Clown while all were amazed at the magical talents of Rick Smith Jr. What a way to start a Mother's Day!



Happy Mother's Day! May 13, 2007

During the **Memorial Day** weekend at Whitehaven Cemetery, the Scouts, members of the Young Marines, churches, veterans groups and individuals gathered on Saturday morning to place flags at the graves of veterans in preparation for the annual Memorial Day Tribute which was held the following afternoon.

For years, Betty and William Playford spent their Memorial Day weekends sprucing up the graves of Veterans at

Whitehaven. William served in the Navy in World War II and believed that the veterans should be remembered for their service. This was his way of saying "Thank You." Their efforts grew into a longstanding tradition. In fact, William and Betty enlisted the help of area veterans' groups in raising \$60,000.00 to build an 8-foot granite pylon engraved with

emblems of all of the Armed Forces. The Playfords donated the metal eagle sculpture perched atop. The memorial was dedicated in 1991.

Although William has been gone for almost 10 years, this tradition continues.

This year's program at the memorial included patriotic music and recognition to the 50 veterans who died during 2007. It is hoped that this will continue through the years. Special thanks go out to Mayfield



Village residents **Merv and Mary Singer** for their hard work in organizing volunteers, assisting with the program and providing refreshments during the tribute.

On June 9th, Mayfield Village held their Annual **Fabulous 50's Cruise Night**. Thousands of visitors rode



the Trolley up to Wilson Mills and S.O.M. to walk around and view the classic cars cruising down Wilson Mills, sampling foods or enjoying the entertainment provided at various locations. Volunteers were on hand to assist. Proceeds from this event were donated to Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Summer Concerts at the Gazebo began the next Thursday after Cruise Night with the sounds of Bob Kravos filling the Village. These

concerts are held every Thursday until September 13th from 7:00-9:00 p.m. All are invited to sit back, relax and enjoy the music. Famous Mayfield Village popcorn and a variety of ice cream and beverages are sold at the concession stand. Volunteers will be pleased to serve you. For a schedule of the remaining concerts, please call administration at 440.461.2210.



first public attempt at this stunt. The festivities continued through the day at the pool. In the evening, the crowds gathered to listen to the sounds of the Singing Angels and dance to the music of Nightbreeze. Most hopped on

Volunteerism is the voice of the people put into action. These actions shape and mold the present into a future of which we can all be proud.--Helen Dyer



Our **Independence Day Celebration** began with a number of activities at Parkview Pool, including entertainment by Steel Drummer Jeff Cavallo, well-known caricature artist E.J. Fairbanks, Swifty the Clown balloonist, inflatables, famous juggler Billy Talent, and the magic of the nationally known Rick Smith Jr. Rick amazed the crowds by performing magic tricks which included escaping from a locked trunk. The highlight of his program was his grand finale, the

the trolley with their chairs to ride up to the Village for a night of relaxation and entertainment. Rick Smith Jr. returned to mingle with the crowd and individually perform his magic tricks. As the Singing Angels performed Winter Wonderland, Rick Smith Jr. created snow with playing cards. Children lined up close by, while caricature artist E.J. Fairbanks drew their portraits. Lines also formed at the concession stand with people ordering the famous Mayfield Village popcorn and ice cream treats.

Upcoming Events

Summer Concerts:

Through September 14th

Summer Sizzler:

July 29, 2007

Mayfield Village Triathlon:

August 12, 2007

To Volunteer for any of these events, please call 440.461.2210



“Harry Houdini’s Bag Escape.”

The crowd watched as he was tied up, handcuffed, locked in a mailbag and jumped into the diving well at Parkview. Amazed, the audience witnessed Rick emerging from the water triumphantly. This was Rick’s

The evening concluded with the grand finale – fireworks. Volunteers assisted through the day.

We hope that you have been able to attend at least one of the above events. Without your interest and participation, they could not have been as successful as they were. In addition they would not have run as smooth

without the assistance of the number of the volunteers. We thank all who willingly gave of their time for the benefit of the enjoyment of others. To put a smile on another’s face is priceless. **THANK YOU!**



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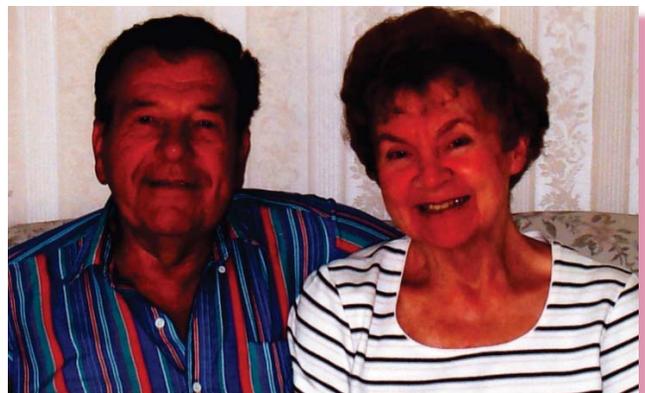
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50th Wedding
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