

Voice of the VILLAGE

QUARTERLY

WINTER 2005

440-461-2210



Ice Cream Social- Roberta Square and Pat Negrelli



MTHS Toy Show, LGB Train 1985



Ice Cream Social- (left to right) Betty Jo Mooney, Wanda Hejcl and Jill Barber



Council President Bill Buckholtz and Michele- winners of the "Rainbow Sherbet" quilt



Beach Toys



Roger Remec, the last hurrah retirement party with Patsy Mills, Alice Connelly, Dottie Buzek, Pat Negrelli and Jean Britton



WWI trucks and bus

Mayfield Township Historical Society



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VILLAGE PHONE NUMBERS:

All Emergencies (Police, Fire, Ambulance)	9-1-1
Animal Warden (contact MVPD)	461-1234
M.V. Civic Center (Administration)	461-2210
Lyndhurst Municipal Court	461-6500
M.V. Police Dept. (Non-emergency)	461-1234
M.V. Finance Dept.	461-2210
M.V. Fire Dept. (Non-emergency)	461-1208
M.V. Building Department	461-2213
M.V. Service Department	442-5506
M.V. Parks & Recreation	461-5163
Mayfield City Schools (General Number)	995-6800
Mayfield High School Pool (after 6 p.m.)	995-6840
Mayfield Library	473-0350
Mayfield Schools - Adult Education	995-7600
J & J (M.V. Rubbish Carrier)	800-201-0005
Parkview Pool	446-1688
Weather/Cancellation/Activities Hotline	440-954-4114

2005 VILLAGE ROSTER

<i>Mayor:</i>	Bruce Rinker	Worton Park	442-3677
<i>Council President:</i>	William Buckholtz	Ward 4	Worton Park 442-5959
<i>Council Pres. Pro Tem:</i>	Thomas Marrie	At Large	Walnut Drive 449-2307
<i>Council:</i>	Joanne Cinco	At Large	Echo Drive 423-0363
	Joe Saponaro	At Large	Oakwood Drive 442-2833
	William Marquardt	Ward 1	Bramblewood Lane 442-7295
	Patsy Mills	Ward 2	Kenwood Drive 449-4922
	Dr. Stephan Parker	Ward 3	Hardwood Court 446-1537

Department Heads:

<i>Building Commissioner:</i>	John Marrelli	440-461-2213
<i>Director of Finance/Economic Development:</i>	Philip Brett	440-461-2210
<i>Director of Parks & Recreation:</i>	William Thomas	440-461-5163
<i>Engineer:</i>	Thomas Cappello	216-731-6255
<i>Fire Chief:</i>	David Mohr	440-461-1208
<i>Law Director:</i>	Joseph Diemert	440-442-6800
<i>Police Chief:</i>	Patrick Dearden	440-461-1234
<i>Property Manager:</i>	Lloyd Chapman	440-460-0806
<i>Service Director:</i>	Douglas Metzger	440-442-5506

RUBBISH REMINDER

J & J Refuse, Inc. collects rubbish and recyclables for MV residents on a weekly basis free of charge. Large items including appliances are also picked up free of charge on your rubbish day. Branches must be bundled and tied in lengths of 4' or less. If you are a new resident, contact the Civic Center to find out what day collection is in your neighborhood. Also contact us if you need a recycling bin or a brochure describing acceptable materials for recycling. This information is also on our website.

• The 2005 Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays will not affect collection.

Also remember that per Village ordinance, rubbish may be placed at the curb no earlier than 6 p.m. the night before your collection day, or it must be out no later than 7 a.m. on pick-up day.

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SERVICES PROVIDED AT THE CIVIC CENTER:

- Dog License (for Cuyahoga County residents)
- Golden Buckeye Card Applications
- Home Energy Assistance Applications
- Notaries Public
- Parkview Pool Passes (restricted dates)
- Progressive Fitness Center Passes (MV residents must show proof of residency and photo ID)
- Solicitation Applications
- Voter Registration (Cuyahoga County residents)

RESERVATIONS/RENTALS:

- Senior Center/Community Room
- Wiley Park (Pavilion, Ball Diamonds, Volleyball Courts)
- Gazebo
- Parkview Pool
- Parkview Pavilion/Playground (adjacent to Pool)

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- CHAD Stickers (Children Have An Identity; safety seat ID)
- Bicycle Licenses (\$1.00)
- Fingerprints (for residents and those employed in MV)
- TTY (also referred to as TDD; a TTY is a device that enables people who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech disabled to use the telephone by typing messages back and forth to one another)
- EMD - All MV Police Dispatchers are trained in Emergency Medical Dispatch and will provide you with pre-arrival instructions when the situation allows.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- Odor Investigation (If you smell gas, burning odors, smoke or anything out of the ordinary, the FD will respond to investigate. We will attempt to identify any hazard present and if possible eliminate it and notify the appropriate agencies.)
- Downed wires (If you notice a wire down in the road, in your yard or anywhere else, notify the FD. We will investigate, determine if there is a hazard, secure the area and notify the appropriate agencies.)
- Carbon Monoxide (If you suspect that you may have CO in your home or if your CO detector is in alarm or making noise, the FD will respond and will check for dangerous levels with our equipment. We will then attempt to isolate the problem, contain and hopefully eliminate the hazard, ventilate when necessary, notify any additional agencies that might be needed and tend to anyone who might be ill.)
- Public Assist (i.e. invalid and shut-in assists.)
- Smoke Detectors and Smoke Detector Batteries (for the elderly, disabled and those unable to provide their own, the FD will provide and install these lifesaving devices at no cost. The FD will also check your existing smoke detector.)
- CPR and Basic Life Support Training (The FD conducts at least one CPR training course a year; available to all residents; free of charge)
- Car Seat Inspection and Installation (By appointment)
- Family Bicycle Helmet Program (By appointment; helmets may be purchased at our cost)
- Public Fire Safety Education (The FD offers ongoing educational programs focusing on Kindergarten and 3rd grade students. A safety program/fire extinguisher training is also offered to MV businesses.)
- Educational Tours and Presentations (Tours of the Fire Station and educational presentations are offered by appointment to groups throughout the year. Residents may stop by during normal business hours.)



Memo from the Mayor

by Bruce G. Rinker



Moving one's household is no mean feat; moving a government's household is no less daunting – as many of your Village employees will attest.

But with every move comes an unusual mix of excitement and sadness; of

anticipation and nostalgia; of promise and reflection. As our new home takes shape in the Civic Center, the spirits of Mayfield's historic homestead (since the early 1800's) have been swirling and conjuring some memorable images. As we are poised at the threshold of renewing Mayfield Village's central district, it seems as if we are being beckoned to retrieve something special from our past and carry it forward into our future. Indeed, I believe we will in a tangible way recapture the spirit of the country crossroads once marked by the intersection of SOM Center and Wilson Mills Roads as the center of wide-open Mayfield Township. We can and will blend timeless qualities by physically reframing the streets, pathways, byways and open spaces, constructing new and appealing buildings, offering diverse uses in an accessible, walkable setting.

We are concurrently moving to revitalize the depleted Beta Park, a 160-acre warehousing campus spawned in the interstate boom of the late '50's into the '70's that seemed forever to close the door on the rustic Mayfield of yesterday, just as it opened a gateway to the burgeoning I-271 corridor. Much as the prodigal son lured away by the promise of fame and fast fortune, Beta Park has now returned to our doorstep, older, wiser and ready to take on new responsibilities of tending hearth and home.

Some of you recently attended a stimulating P&Z workshop, to which we invited a number of the Beta Park stakeholders whose properties are integral to the Village's sustainability. With the guidance of City Architecture, which has been commissioned to help us bring a three dimensional vision of a walkable town center into focus, we got a glimpse of the wonderful opportunity we truly believe we can refashion from a largely drab and utilitarian place.

Meanwhile, our move across the street yielded some old photos from the attic: vintage shots of wagons, horses, winter sleighs and country lanes. They are a bit eerie; sepia-toned and spectral images from another time. The

moment of recognizing the locations of these pictures is startling: one shot depicts a long, graceful swath of woods, now the steel and concrete right-of-way of I-271; another is a picturesque country road fading to the horizon and the dog-eared edges of the photograph – it is today the multi-lane Wilson Mills thoroughfare (and we jump a little upon realizing that simply standing in the photographer's shoes would risk our being mowed down by traffic from every direction); another picture displays a modest farm pond, quietly laying just beyond the newly-minted Center Elementary School and its playgrounds; the same area is today bounded by a ragged chain-link fence, which itself corrals four functional office buildings, set down barracks-like, as appealing as the military miniplex they seem to be. And then there are aerial photographs, reminiscent of History Channel stills; yet, they were in fact taken only a little more than 30 years ago. It seems odd in looking at I-271 to recall the wooded medians that had been placed there originally, as though they might conceal the wolf with their sheep's clothing. (Nostalgia for the early days of the interstate?!)

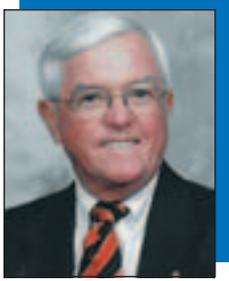
But the fact is we aren't just cataloguing our past. We are embarked on a course that began several years ago and we do not intend to turn back. Yet, neither are we turning our backs on an important heritage that is the foundation of this community. To the contrary, we, too, are older, wiser and earnestly shouldering the responsibility of tending this Village's hearth and home. I sense we all recognize that we are in this together, that many of us are eager at the prospect of assuring Mayfield's bid to sustain itself as a wonderful place in which to work, reside, or sojourn.

Between our neighborhood and business district residents, each of us investing in the land within our borders, each of us assuring that a healthy renewal of resources and revenues will work to our mutual and best advantage; we will succeed. Imagination, ideas, invention, motivation and direction – all these qualities characterize the can-do spirit we have embraced, and which is so essential. We continue to make this a walkable, urban village, harnessing our natural resources as much as our human resources, for our benefit today and for future generations.

Just think, some distant day in the future, a person will be flipping through the archives and come across the pictures we are taking today; my bet is they will not be faded images preserving the days gone by, but vivid scenes that capture the days that came to be.



Council comments



Thomas J. Marrie
Council at Large

Sincere thanks to our Village's effort to help the people who were affected by Hurricane Katrina. The associates and residents of Mayfield Village donated a large amount of money to the Red Cross to help the cause.

A very, very special thank you goes to two of our local firefighter heroes. Our Village firefighters, **John Panzero** and **Gino Carcioppolo** spent over a month assisting in the rescue and relief efforts of this terrible disaster. They left their families and volunteered for this duty. Also, thank you to **Sgt. Rick Whitehead** of our Police Department who also gave of his time. Their contribution is to be admired and applauded.

We all are very proud of these three unselfish and dedicated gentlemen. Aren't we fortunate to have these employees in our Village.

God bless all of you.

John, Gino and Rick were honored with resolutions recognizing their efforts at the October Council meeting.

The **Summer Sizzler** swim meet was a huge success with over 440 swimmers and 700 to 800 spectators.

Speaking of huge successes, **Dave Perout**, our Village resident and Parkview Pool manager, reported that we had over 10,000 more uses of our pool in 2005. Thank you to Dave and his staff for their outstanding job and attention to detail giving us an enjoyable and safe pool. Aren't we lucky to have this great asset in our Village.

Many residents enjoyed the extension of the pool season through Labor Day. **Bill Thomas**, our Recreation Director, will try to do this again next year as long as all safety standards are in place.

The **Polar Express** ride (with Santa Claus) on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad is a total sellout again this year. Eighty tickets went on sale at 8:30 and were totally sold by 8:50. Bill got 240 more and these were sold immediately. There is a waiting list at this point.

The **Halloween Window Painting Contest** and the children's **Halloween Party** held on October 29th were both very successful and we thank all the volunteers for their efforts. Without these volunteers many of these wonderful events for our children and grandchildren would not be possible.

Bill Thomas tells us the new ball fields are looking great and should be ready for use next year.

We have an unbelievable amount of activities available to our residents of all ages; water exercise, yoga, cards, fitness, table games, bowling, chess, baseball, basketball, and concerts, just to name a few.

Hope all of you got your **flu shots** at the **Mayfield Village Civic Center on Nov. 9th**. We want all of you to stay strong and healthy and enjoy life. Thanks to the volunteers who helped make this possible.

We strongly encourage all our residents to attend **Council**, along with **Planning and Zoning** meetings, to be aware of what is going on in your Village. This is your Village and your input is always welcome and encouraged.

Our new computer network system should be completely finished by year end and being used by all departments. This communication advance will make the Village much more efficient in our day to day operation. **Chief Mohr** has been a tremendous help and has saved us money because of his effort.

Hopefully, **Wilson Mills Road** will be opened to traffic by the time you read this. At least Cuyahoga County said it would. Thanks to all of you for your patience on this county project.

Don't forget our **Red Cross Blood Drives** which are held every two months.

We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving and a wonderful holiday season!



Joanne Cinco
Council at Large

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve Mayfield Village since 1988. During my tenure, I have dedicated every effort to improve the quality of life in Mayfield Village. I have served in almost every capacity as a Council Member including the position of Council President as well as serving as the chairman or member of most committees including some of the most demanding: **Wage Negotiation, Finance, Drainage & Infrastructure, and Safety and Service**. Working together with my fellow Council Members and various Administrations, I have helped guide the Village through momentous change and formidable challenges and look to continue my efforts to meet the challenges facing the Village now and in the future.

The best teacher is experience. My experience with the Village includes the critical negotiation and vote in favor of the economic development package that guaranteed **Progressive's** continued presence in the Village; the purchase and subsequent development of **Parkview Golf Course**; the construction of **Parkview Pool**; the acquisition of more than 150 acres of real property that is now controlled by the Village; the widening of **S.O.M. Center Road**; and the purchase of the Mayfield Methodist Church which now serves as the **Village Civic Center**.

The Village faces numerous challenges and opportunities including the revitalization of the **Village Center and Beta Drive**, contract negotiations, construction of the new **Police Station**, integration of new technology into the Village and the conversion of remaining septic systems to sanitary sewers while mitigating the financial burden of such conversions on Village residents.

I have constantly sought to develop and refine my skills and improve my understanding of public service. Upon entering office in 1988, I possessed a Bachelor's Degree in Business from Ursuline College. Balancing my personal and professional lives, I



returned to school and earned my Master's Degree in Urban Studies from the Maxine Levin College of Urban Studies at Cleveland State University with an emphasis in Organizational Development. While studying at the Levin College, I worked with the Village to take advantage of the professional planners and public analysts at Cleveland State University to provide analytical assistance to the Village as it undertook the challenge of overseeing the development of the **Northwest Quadrant**.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving you for 18 years. I look forward to serving you for another four years!



Patsy Mills
Council Ward 2

After the long hot summer, autumn leaves will be falling. A reminder to place leaves only on your tree lawn for pick-up.



Senior snow plowing is in place. Let's hope that the need of the plow service will not be a constant happening. It would be nice to see a mild winter, perhaps a little snow the end of December and a few flakes in January.

Most of the east side of the Village should have received their new trash containers. I find mine very convenient, hope the residents feel the same.

The new **S.O.M. Center Road** project still has work to be done and is in progress with the light signalization, tree plantings, and fencing. It truly is a pleasure to drive on this road. The Wilson Mills Road Project will be an on-going project through September 2006. New asphalt is being applied along with the arch bridge structure over the Chagrin River. This inconvenience has given the motorist a chance to enjoy the detour through the MetroParks.

A **Beautification Committee** is now being formed. This Committee will consider projects in the area for better landscaping etc. at the entrance ramps at Rt. 271 and other areas. Anyone interested in helping call the Civic Center and leave your name and phone number.

Reminder that the annual **Mayfield Village Garden Club Craft Show** is November 26, 9 a.m. till 4 p.m. Please support this project. Proceeds are used for scholarships for the Horticultural Students at Mayfield Senior High.

The **Historical Society's Annual Holiday Pot-Luck Dinner** will be at the Community Room December 14, at 6:30 p.m. Join us, bring a favorite dish. Santa usually is there with popcorn balls. A fun night!!

Happy Holidays to you and your families.



Dr. Stephan Parker
Council Ward 3

Fall and Winter greetings to Ward 3 and Village

residents. Summer and early fall were once again splendid in Mayfield Village. It was great to see so many people out and about participating in so many of the activities and programs offered in the Village. As usual, the Village continues to be a buzz of activity this winter. Please take advantage of the many activities available. For information please call the Civic Center or check out our web site at mayfieldvillage.com.

SOM Center Road is open and traffic is flowing. After a long construction schedule things are really looking good. There are still some finishing touches to be done, but the overall response has been very positive. Thanks to all Village residents, especially those living along SOM, for their patience during the lengthy construction process.

Wilson Mills Road resurfacing and repairs are well under way. The street is scheduled to open sometime in December, barring any unforeseen delays. Please note that next summer

the bridge over the Chagrin River just south of Wilson Mills is scheduled to be closed for three months as they replace the existing structure. Hopefully, with the completion of these two projects, we will have many years of uninterrupted traffic flow.



Many residents have expressed concerns regarding the potential planned residential development on approximately six acres located between the Beech Hill and Hanover Woods neighborhoods. At the time of this article, the developers have postponed their request for a hearing before the Planning and Zoning board until further notice. There are a number of issues that would need to be resolved, including but not limited to a Village wide referendum vote to rezone the property. We appreciate your questions, concerns and patience and will keep you advised.

Our "New" Civic Center continues to prove itself. The additional space has allowed our staff more room to accomplish their every day tasks more efficiently. Many of the various Village departments are now housed under a single roof. Please take a moment to stop by and visit this new facility and the incredible staff that support our Mayor, Council and Departments, making Mayfield Village the best place to live and work.

Our Departments continue to do a great job! You may have already received the garbage bins being distributed by the Service Department to each homeowner. There are two sizes available to residents. We hope that you will find these heavy duty bins helpful for your garbage storage during the week. Kudos to Bill Thomas and his Recreation Department staff for the extended pool weekends. They worked very hard to make the summer last just a little bit longer. It was very much appreciated.



Thanks to the Police Department for extending Halloween an extra ½ hour this year. I am sure that the kids in our community greatly appreciated their efforts. Recognition must go out to those members of the Fire and Police Department who assisted in Katrina Relief. Those individuals helped make a difference in the shattered lives of the residents of these devastated areas. Once again, whether at home or away, our safety service personnel continue to go above and beyond the call of duty. We are very fortunate to have such an incredible group of individuals. Thank you.

I would personally like to thank the residents of Ward 3 for allowing me the opportunity to serve as their Council Representative. I am truly honored to represent you and your community. It is only by working together that so many wonderful things have been accomplished for our community. Please continue to contact me with your concerns and comments. Together we can make a difference.

Wishing all the residents of Ward 3 and Mayfield Village a wonderful and special holiday season. May the New Year bring you Health and Happiness, and a renewed spirit of Peace to our World.



Bill Buckholtz
Council President

Without a long introduction about how thankful we need to be but rarely are... or our failure to salute those who mean so much to us day after day, year after year... I would like to publicly express my sincere appreciation and recognition to the employees of Mayfield Village who make us elected officials look so good and to all those folks with whom I have cultivated long-lasting and meaningful bonds. I would also like to thank the part-time residents of our community – our commercial and corporate population, and extend my warmest and heartfelt gratitude to our full-time residents – our friends, our neighbors, our constituents – those among us who we ultimately serve.

So without further ado I wish to thank the following people: my fellow Council members – Joanne Cinco, Tommie Marrie, Bill Marquardt, Steve Parker, Joe Saponaro (the “new guy” with the endless ideas, energy and follow-up) and Patsy Mills (God bless our “elder stateswoman” – always pitchin’ and keeps on stitchin’; bakes cookies/ chicken and keeps on tickin’ – keeps us posted on all Village goings-on – community activities, regional events, meetings and just about everybody’s business under the sun!) “Hey, Patsy how’s that log cabin coming along?” “Will the pot-bellied stove be ready to cook Thanksgiving Dinner?”

I wish to thank our department heads and administrative folk who never stop learning and bettering themselves and their departments for the good of our community and residents – (in no particular order): Doug Metzung, John Marrelli, Dave Mohr, Pat Dearden, Bill Thomas, Eunice Kalina, Phil Brett (how’s that new book coming “Abacus XP for Dummies”), Lloyd Chapman, Vince Feudo, our Law Department – Joe Diemert, Diane Calta and Tom Hanculak, Tom Cappello - Engineering, and hummm... let’s see am I forgetting anybody... oh yeah, and good ol’ what’s his name.... Mayor Bruce G. Rinker chief executive officer, top administrator, ‘the Boss’, the pilot/ navigator, left-brain leader, right-brain conductor, innovative quarterback – you know him...the guy who sits next to me at Council Meetings!

O.K. *enough syrupy praise for these, half-baked and over-cooked candied yams. Let’s get on to the main course (the well seasoned bird, the savory stuffing, the creamy-buttery mashed potatoes and gravy with just enough lumps to know that everything is homemade,)* ... **the people who we really need to be thankful for:** Main Administrative Offices – Mary Beth Betsa (*turbo-charged*), Lee Stone, Debbie Thomas, and Jeff “*wiz-kid & nice guy*” Thomas; Recreation – Donna (there aren’t enough words in the entire VOV to say *thanks*) Roman, Danielle Eht, Service – Diane Wolgamuth, Jim Dolatowski, George Maher; Building – Debbie Garbo, Police & Council – Terry Skomrock, Police – Kim Reilly, and Maura McKinley, Fire – Cheryl Garinger, Finance – Susan (at least someone’s good with numbers) Jerome, Janice Reale;

All members of our **SAFETY FORCES – Firefighters John Panzero, Gino**

Carcioppolo, and Police Sgt. Rick Whitehead who went down south to help organize and implement relief efforts, as well as all our safety forces who stayed here in the Village and watched over us; **F/T Firefighters** – Ken Shrefler, Michael Girbino, Craig Neyman, John Lisy and **P/T Firefighters** – Mark Adams, A.J. Aljabi, George Ballash, Donald Bear, Jason Brothers, Paul Byrne, Frank Dworning, Timothy Grote, Frank Guarino, Robert Jamieson, Mike J. Kalinowski, Jeffrey Lanhan, Nicholas Lanzara, Timothy Lucas, Eric Mannion, John Marjak, Chris Mitchell, Ken Richards, Mike Santilli, Bob Saracene, Charles Sedgley, Bruce Sundman, Bryan Sustin, Al Taddeo;

Police Lieutenant Rich Edelman; Sergeants – Paul Jablonski, Timothy Schutt, Donald Smith, Doug Sullivan; **F/T Patrolmen** – William Annandono, Christopher Cross, Stuart Galicz, Mark Justice, Stephen LaBuda, Paul Matias-SRO at MHS, Kevin Miller, Mark Schooler, Kathryn Troyer; **P/T Reserve & Aux. Patrolmen** – John (“Jay”) Argie, Robert Bandelow, Brett C. Dalton, Thomas Dearden, Matt Grose, Robert Grose, James Johnson, Matthew Kostrab, William “Scott” Niehus, John O’Donnell, Daniel J. Predovic, Thomas Slivers, Albert Hehr III, Frank Kovacs, Kathryn Tomaro, Mark Arndt, K. Sean Cameron, Paul Goetz, Jonathan Goetz, Nino Monaco, Kenneth Mott, Lawrence Puskas, Larry Sherlock, Ken Whitmer, Gary Zalar; **Police Mechanic** Ken Whitmer, **Asst. Mechanic** Larry Sherlock;

F/T Dispatchers – Theresa Bowers, Sharon Cinkan, Diane Doyle, Toni Frusteri, Christine Tosti; **P/T Dispatchers** – K. Sean Cameron, Thomas Dearden, Matt Grose;

Service – George Ballash, Paul Byrne, Eugene ‘Gino’ DeLuca, Tom Olivo, Michael Schaeffer, Scott Sipos;

All Committee, Board and Commission Members, Homeowners’ Associations and Village-wide activity and community volunteers:

Activities Committee – Chris Barni, Diane Catalano, Joan Catalano, Mary Alice Chandramouli, Marilyn LaRiche-Goldstein, Laura Lynch, Jill Pappenhagen, Mary Peto, Elliot Ross, Al Scaccia, Elsa Simek, Nona Stella, Debbie Thomas, Ralph Vara, Edie Wohlgang;



Architectural Review Board – Dorothy Buzek, Ron DiNardo, Thomas Marous, Ivo Tombazzi, John Wilson, Josh Klein;

Board of Appeals – Pat Caticchio, Wes Marrotte, William Russ, Shirley Shatten, Joe Prcela;

Charter Review Commission – Pat Caticchio, Christopher Caryl, Bob Haycox, Eric Jochum, Wes Marrotte, Jim Mason, Joe Prcela, Ralph M. Vara;

Citizen's Advisory Committee – Sandy Batcheller, Laurie Blood, Joan Catalano, Jeff DeMuth, Martha Doran-Boyd, Nancy Farmer, Art Goldstein, Al Hehr, Shirley Jay, Eric Jochum, Carole Marrie, James Mason, Mary (Bridey) Matheny, Joanne O'Brien, Kay Phillips, Jeffrey Schiemann;

Civil Service Commission – Brian Cinco, James Mason, Tom Puette;

Commission on Aging/Human Services – Eunice Kalina, Marge Hutchinson, Jan & Robert Perna, Ruth Petche;

Historical Society – Al Scaccia, Richard Negrelli, Joan Leppelmeier, Connie, Steinberg;

Ordinance Review – Jerry Catalano, Wes Marrotte;

Planning & Zoning Commission – Jim Farmer (The Voice of Reason), Garry Regan (The Voice), Eric Jochum, Wes Marrotte, Dr. Sue McGrath; (Jim, Garry, and I graduated from Cleveland Heights High School – We did a great job of messing up Cleveland Heights, we owe it to Mayfield Village to give it our best).

Records Commission – Shirley Flugan, Nancy Plastine;

Recreation Board – Pat Andrzejczyk, Peggy Konieczny, Shelly Kovacevic, Mary (Bridey) Matheny, Mary Murphy, Mary Moran-Boyd, Dave Perout, Meg Stifler, Kate Sullivan, Ralph Vara;

SOM Widening Committee – Don Abate, Sandy Batcheller, Blasé Pietrafese;

Drainage & Infrastructure/Stormwater Mgt. – Jerry Catalano, Tom Marsalis;

2020 Vision & Implementation Committee – Mary Kaye Bozza, Jean Britton, Jerry Catalano, Dave Declemente, Robert Finnie, Jill Green, Robert Haycox, Randy Hyde, F. Eric Jochum, Eunice Kalina, Zivile Khoury, Wes Marrotte, Dr. Sue McGrath, Joanne

O'Brien, Tony Panzica, Valerie Perout, Joseph Prcela, Shirley Shatten, Brian/ Kate Sullivan, Ralph Vara;

Wetlands Committee – Dr. Phillip M. Price, Laurie Uhlir, Becky O'Linn, Linda Butler, Dr. Ron Fleming, Steve LaBuda, Andrea Mastrobuno, Deb Marcinski, Wes Marrotte, Karen & Wally Mueller, Kay Phillips, Shirley Shatten, Barbara Schmidt, Beth Stickley, Mary Beth Zatkos;

Garden Club – Karen Dengel, Nancy Gray, Patsy Mills, Jean Britton, Dottie Buzek, Marge Comella, Louise Wuescher, Mariana Treu, Ellana Miklos, Rita Kelly, Dale DiOrio, Nancy Rozell, Jeanne Wilson, Elaine Schramm, **and all the hard-working volunteers too numerous to mention!**

Homeowners' Associations – AINTREE NORTH Blase Pietrafese, AINTREE PARK Joe Prcela, HANOVER WOODS Jeff Schiemann, KENWOOD Ed Shamrock, MAPLES OF AINTREE (Condos) Sid Munosz, WORTON PARK Ted Wetzel; **And to be sure, "Hat's Off" to all sub-committee members, street captains and volunteers!**

Last but not least, a very special thanks to all the residents of Mayfield Village, those who grew up here, raised families here, recently moved in or left us over the course of time — we truly work for you!

And a special thanks to anyone and everyone who attends our public meetings – particularly and most notably Wanda Hejcl, Gary Busa and, of course, Marge Eisenberg!

Thanks to all members of the corporate and business communities who have invested time and capital, blood, sweat and risk, who have chosen to operate commercial enterprises within the Greater Mayfield Village Area and to all professional consultants, contractors and the many regional entities with which we have cooperative interactions.

And last but not least, **the pumpkin pie with the perfect crust and real whipped cream** - And the countless supportive family members, wives, kids, parents, and friends who silently and invisibly offer heaping portions of support and bear the sacrifice of public service.

With my deepest love and boundless thanks to Michele, Sam, Mikey, Grandpa Mike, Grandpa Norman & Grandma Judy, and to All This Thanksgiving Holiday Season ... Peace, Health and Happiness!



Police Department

by Police Chief,
Patrick Dearden

ATM SAFETY TIPS

We are constantly reminded in the news of the potential problems associated with using ATM's (automated teller machines). More and more the public is taking advantage of this convenient form of banking. With that in mind, here are a few useful safety tips that can serve us all well.

1. Avoid isolated ATM's and use those in busy areas.
2. Have your transactions and card ready before you reach the ATM.
3. Beware of your surroundings. Don't use the ATM if you see something/someone suspicious. If you have already started your transaction, use the cancel feature.
4. Consider bringing someone with you, especially if it's after dark.
5. Don't let yourself get blocked in at the machine. Make sure the car ahead of you has pulled away before you approach. Keep your doors locked and windows closed, except when performing your transaction.
6. If you have to leave your car to use the ATM, shut off the engine and lock the doors to prevent someone from getting inside while you're at the machine.
7. Place money received, your card, and receipt in your pocket or purse immediately after the transaction. Wait to count the money when you are sure you are in a safe location.
8. Remember to take your receipt.
9. Don't let anyone else use your card or give out your PIN over the phone.
10. Finally, always report a lost or stolen card immediately to the bank and the Police Department.

Please enjoy the upcoming holidays, but do so safely.





Service Department
by Doug Metzung,
Service Director

Delivery Of Trash Toters Has Begun!

Several neighborhoods in Mayfield Village have already received their Trash Toters (upright trash containers on wheels) and the Service Department expects to complete delivery Village-wide by the end of the year. So far, the response to the Toters has been overwhelmingly positive.

One 95-gallon Trash Toter is being provided free-of-charge to each Mayfield Village residence. Residents are contacted prior to delivery and are permitted to opt for the smaller 65-gallon Toter. After all deliveries are completed, any remaining Toters will be offered to residents for purchase.

Participation in this program is not mandatory, however, use of the Toters should result in less litter on Village streets. Trash will continue to be collected as it is currently. The amount of trash allowed will remain unlimited. If the Toter is filled, excess trash can be placed alongside it and it will be collected.

Questions should be directed to the Service Department at **442-5506**.



Village Prosecutor
by Vince Feudo

Carrying Concealed Handgun Permits

As has been widely publicized, in 2004 the Ohio Legislature enacted a law which permits individuals to obtain a permit to carry a concealed handgun. The permit, commonly known as a “CCH Permit” does not give a holder carte blanche to improperly handle a firearm. To the contrary, the CCH Permit comes with great responsibility, and if a permit holder fails to abide by the rules, he or she can be charged with a crime and have the CCH Permit suspended or permanently revoked.



There are numerous crimes that a CCH Permit holder can be charged with regarding the mishandling of his or her firearm. These range from a minor misdemeanor for carrying a concealed handgun but failing to immediately show a police officer the permit, to a fourth degree felony for carrying the concealed handgun into a “prohibited place.” “Prohibited places” include a police station, State prison, local jail, airport terminal, school safety zone, courthouse, a building or open air arena where liquor or beer is served via a Class D liquor license, a place of worship, an aircraft, a building owned or leased by the State or a local government, or onto private property when a sign prohibiting a person from carrying firearms on the premises or property is posted.

Additionally, a CCH Permit will be immediately suspended by the Sheriff who issued it if the permit holder is arrested or otherwise charged with any felony, any violation of Ohio’s drug laws, a misdemeanor offense of violence such as assault, domestic violence or menacing by stalking, or

using a weapon while intoxicated. Similarly, a CCH Permit shall be suspended if the permit holder becomes the subject of a Temporary Protection Order from a court in this state or any other state. Such suspensions remain in effect until the criminal case is concluded.

Convictions of certain crimes result in a revocation of the permit, for a minimum of three years to a lifetime ban. At the toughest end of the spectrum, if a permit holder is convicted of any felony, a violation of Ohio’s drug laws, or assault on a peace officer, the Sheriff who issued the CCH Permit must permanently revoke it. For resisting arrest convictions, the CCH Permit is revoked for ten years and two or more convictions for simple assault or negligent assault will result in a five year revocation. Lastly, a three year revocation is handed down for being convicted of a misdemeanor offense of violence or falsifying a CCH Permit. Keep in mind that these administrative suspensions and revocations are in addition to the penalties the offender faces if convicted of one of the specified crimes.

If you have any questions in connection with the concealed handgun laws, more information can be found at the Attorney General’s website at <http://www.ag.state.oh.us>, or by contacting the Cuyahoga County Sheriff’s office.



SUGGESTION BOX

The Mayfield Village
Suggestion Box
has been moved to
6622 Wilson Mills Rd.
(directly across the street)



Candle Safety

Your Mayfield Village Fire Department has responded to several fire calls involving candles

this year. Remember that a candle is an open flame. It can easily ignite any combustible nearby.

Facts and figures

- ❑ During 2002, an estimated 18,000 home fires started by candles were reported to public fire departments. These fires resulted in an estimated 130 civilian deaths, 1,350 civilian injuries and an estimated direct property loss of \$333 million. Homes include one- and two-family dwellings, apartments and manufactured housing.
- ❑ The estimated number of home candle fires was unchanged from 2001 to 2002. For the first time since 1991, the number of home candle fires has stabilized rather than increasing.
- ❑ Candle fires accounted for an estimated 5% of all reported home fires.
- ❑ Two-fifths (40%) of the home candle fires started in the bedroom, resulting in 30% of the associated civilian deaths.
- ❑ Reported home candle fires have more than tripled since the low of 5,500 in 1990.
- ❑ December had almost twice the number of home candle fires of an average month.
- ❑ Half (50%) of home candle fires occurred when some form of combustible material was left or came too close to the candle; Eighteen percent occurred after candles were left unattended, abandoned or inadequately controlled; Five percent were started by people (usually children) playing with the candle.
- ❑ Falling asleep was a factor in 12% of home candle fires and 25% of the home candle fire deaths.

- ❑ Christmas Day was the peak day of the year for home candle fires in 1999-2002. New Year's Day and Christmas Eve tied for second.

Source: National estimates based on NFIRS and NFPA survey.

Safety tips:

- ✓ Extinguish all candles when leaving the room or going to sleep.
- ✓ Keep candles away from items that can catch fire, like clothing, books and curtains.
- ✓ Use candle holders that are sturdy, won't tip over easily, are made from a material that cannot burn, and are large enough to collect dripping wax.
- ✓ Keep candles and all open flames away from flammable liquids.
- ✓ Keep candle wicks trimmed to one-quarter inch and extinguish taper and pillar candles when they get to within two inches of the holder. Votives and containers should be extinguished before the last half-inch of wax starts to melt.
- ✓ During power outages, avoid carrying a lit candle. Use flashlights.

Remember to change your smoke detector batteries.



Matthew J. Dolan
State Representative
98th House District

It is an honor to serve as your state representative in the 98th House District. I appreciate this opportunity and look forward to working with you to make Ohio a better place to live and raise a family.

During the first months of this General Assembly, the House has been working hard to craft a balanced state budget

that improves Ohio's economy and exercises fiscal responsibility. To continue funding vital services provided by state and local governments, changes needed to be made to the Ohio tax structure to allow businesses and individuals to succeed.

We focused our efforts on tax reform and improving education. Tax reform is needed to transform Ohio's economy to reflect emerging business trends and needs and help Ohio business grow to keep and create jobs. Additionally, the House continued its tradition of improving funding to educate Ohio's children and also added a provision to reduce the cost of healthcare plans for teachers across the state.

I believe Ohio's Budget is responsible and takes the necessary steps to spur economic development and contain growth in spending.



I also am proud to report that the House has taken action on legislation I introduced on creating police power for security officials employed by amusement parks located around the state of Ohio, including Geauga Lake, as well as House Bill 4, which will assist Ohio in receiving more federal money for fighting crime.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I can be reached in Columbus at (614) 644-5088 or in the district at (440) 338-3566. Once again, it is a honor to serve you in the Ohio Legislature.

Press Release from Cuyahoga County Auditor Frank Russo-

**NEW HEAP
(New Home Energy Assistance Program)
GUIDELINES FOR
2005-06**

**are available. Please call
216-443-7050
for more information.**



Marge and Cy Kormos enjoy the afternoon sun in Loudonville on the senior fall trip



Stefanie Avsenek and June Ramsthaler enjoy watching the Blue Jay perched on Cy Kormos' hand at the Ohio Bird Sanctuary in Ashland

Commission on Aging/ Human Services

by Eunice Kalina

The Senior Gentry holiday party is Saturday, December 10 from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Mayfield Village Community Room. This annual event is free of charge and open to Mayfield Village residents who are at least 60 years of age. The festive afternoon includes lunch, favors, door prizes, and entertainment. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. The deadline for reservations is Friday, December 2. Please note that the Suggestion Box has been moved to the entrance of the Civic Center.

Cards

Escape the winter doldrums by visiting the Card Group each Tuesday and Thursday in the Community Room from 1 to 4 p.m. The admission charge remains at 25 cents per person which includes refreshments. Games played include bridge, pinochle, and hand and foot.

Blood pressures are checked on the third Tuesday of each month by members of the Mayfield Village Fire Department at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Meals On Wheels

Hillcrest Meals on Wheels delivers meals to the homebound for a nominal fee. These meals are delivered by dedicated volunteers. At the present

time this organization needs additional individual volunteers to help with the program. If you could spare only two hours a week and would be interested in helping to provide this service, please contact Dottie Goldstein, the program coordinator, at (440) 449-3551. If you are in need of this service, contact me at the Civic Center, 440-461-2210 at ext. 289.

High school Play

Once again Mayfield High School is inviting senior citizens who reside

within the school district to attend the spring musical March 2 at the high school auditorium. The 2006 production is the lively classic Damn Yankees. The performance is at 7:30 p.m. There is no charge for this event, but tickets are required.

The deadline for ticket requests is Monday, February 2. Tickets can be obtained in the Community Room between 1 and 4 p.m. Thursday, February 23 or Tuesday, February 28.

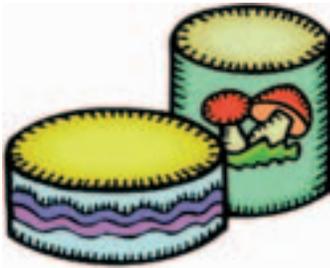
RESERVATION FORMS— Return to Village Suggestion Box or Mayfield Village Civic Center

DAMN YANKEES Deadline February 20

_____ of _____ would like _____
Name(s) Phone Number Number
of tickets to the play March 2

HOLIDAY PARTY Deadline December 2 (Party December 10. Doors open at 12:30 p.m.)

_____ of _____
Name(s) Phone Number
will attend the Holiday Party.



Holiday Food Drive

by Lt. Rich Edelman

As in the past years I will be collecting food for distribution to area hunger centers. Your contributions are truly appreciated by those less fortunate than us. Please bring your non-perishable food items to the Police Department between now and Christmas Day. In addition to food items, the hunger centers are also in need of things like disposable diapers, hygiene items, etc. If you have something in mind to donate but aren't sure, give me a call and we can figure it out together. I can be reached at the Police Department, phone 461-1234, extension 128. If you reach my voicemail, please leave me a message and I'll call you back as soon as possible.

Last year the food drive was held in connection with a holiday concert by Cleveland's own **Singing Angels**. This was such a huge success that we're doing it again! This year's concert is on **Saturday, December 17 at 7 p.m.**, so mark your calendars.

I hope I get to meet and talk with as many of you as possible during this holiday season as you share your bounty with those in need.



ABC Community Quilters

by Shirley Shatten

Thank you Mayor Rinker:

Center School's Fifth Grade Quilters were thrilled to meet our Mayor when he presented the adult quilters with a much needed sewing machine! We will be able to make many more quilts with the new machine. We thank you again for the gift, Mr. Mayor.

Our new group was fast learners and will be tying quilts the next time they come to the community center for lunch and quilt making.

We have a long list of hospitals and other needy agencies to supply this year.



Jim Bezdek, a retired Center School fifth grade teacher, showed the children films of past classes and different groups who were recipients of quilts. He also joined the group on their first day of attendance. Mr. Bezdek was the first teacher in the Mayfield system to give fifth graders the opportunity to learn about quilting as a way of giving back to the community. Our students became volunteers at a young age. He did an excellent job of making our program a very desirable one for the group. We know the new fifth graders will have fun this year.

AARP Tax Assistance

We are sorry to report that AARP will not be doing taxes for senior citizens in Mayfield Village this year. You may call Highland Heights at 461-2440 or Mayfield Heights at 442-2626.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Together we can save a life!

BLOOD DRIVE

The Community Room is being established as a regular blood drive center (every 56 days).

The dates have been established through 2006:

All are Fridays from 2 – 7 p.m.

January 6, 2006

March 3, 2006

May 5, 2006

For more information call 1-800-294-3347.





HALLOWEEN PARTY 2005



by Danielle Echt

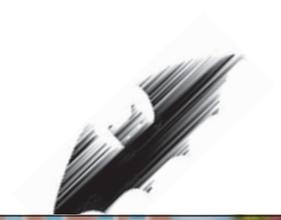
Kudos to the Key Club, Venture Crew/Boy Scout Troop 705, the Recreation Board, Service Department, Mayfield Village Police and Fire Departments and many other resident volunteers for another job well done!!

The Mayfield Village Youth Halloween Party was on Saturday, October 29 at the Community Room. Even the most little Village residents came out to this party. The babies and little ones had the cutest costumes this year....check out Tinkerbelle, the bee, and Mickey Mouse. The winners in the 3 - 4 year and 5 - 7 year old age groups included the most beautiful fall princess/fairy to ever visit Mayfield Village-it was obvious that this costume was made with love as Paige's family members crafted this one of a kind winner. The other top costume winners included a scary skeleton, Prince Philip from Sleeping Beauty, a witch complete with orange and black striped leggings, an Indian Chief with a very bright and colorful headpiece and several others (see photos). The oldest age group had some creative costumes including a hippie decked out in a lime green outfit and peace medallion, the Croc Hunter and a musician, all among the top three winners.

The judges could not get over the creativity this year for the costumes for all of the age groups. As I walked along through the party-goers I noticed a bunch of new costumes for Halloween 2005.

There were a lot of activities for the attendees to participate in. The **Service Department** improvised with the hayride and was able to keep it going despite the vehicular and pedestrian traffic at Center School, the ever spooky and always changing haunted house by the **Boy Scouts** and **Venture Crew**, viewing the police car and fire truck, the pumpkin carving contest (the turnout this year was higher than past years and all the pumpkins were great...it was a tough decision to determine the top placers), guessing the number of candies in the jar (congratulations to the Landry family for being the closest and just three pieces off from the total!) and **Key Club** ran approximately 10 games which included bowling, golf, the swamp (this game may have been the most popular as kids enjoyed picking a prize from the pool filled with leaves and goodies), Pin the Nose on the Witch and face painting. Of course the **Recreation Board, Patsy Mills** and **Wanda Hejcl** were also on hand to keep the cider, donut holes, candy bags, toothbrushes (thank you **Dr. Parker!!**) and balloons flowing smoothly into the proper hands.

I know Bill and I say this often, but we mean it with sincerity, thank you to all volunteers and our residents for your dedication and participation in Mayfield Village activities. The party went smoothly thanks to everyone's efforts and I know there were happy kids walking out of the Community Room at 2:30 p.m. We hope everyone had a safe and happy Halloween and we hope to see you again in December for the Winter Holiday Party!!





Recreation Corner

by Bill Thomas and Danielle Echt

As always, we had a busy fall with a lot of programs. We continue to offer programs for a variety of ages, youth, teens, adults and families. Below is a recap in regards to some of our offerings this fall.

Halloween

Over thirty-five 6th – 8th graders painted on storefront windows in Mayfield Village and Mayfield Heights. Participants began painting on October 13th with chilly temperatures but luckily no rain. Window designs were painted through the weekend and judges Patsy Mills, Jean Britton and Betty Jo Mooney judged the paintings on October 21st. Congratulations to 8th graders at Mayfield High School, **Katelyn Stickley** and **Claire Ewers**. They painted on Gary Ann Hair Studio and took the honors as first place winners. Second place went to **Sloane Welsh** again, an 8th grader at St. Francis who showed her creative talents at Micro Center. Twenty three merchants donated their windows and prizes to the event. We say this about a lot of our programs as they continue to grow, but this is the biggest turnout of participants for the contest to date! Thank you to everyone, merchants, parents and painters for participating!

Mayfield Schools, Mayfield Heights and Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation worked together to offer the **3rd Annual Wildcat Teen Halloween** event for 6th -8th graders at Mayfield High School on Friday, October 28. Students played games like volleyball, knockout, ran an obstacle course and danced to music and sang tunes with karaoke. Probably the biggest highlight of the evening was the Pie Throwing Contest. Teachers from the Middle School and High School volunteered to take turns during the night as students cheerfully aimed for their teacher while armed with a whipped cream pie. The teachers made this activity possible! Merchants throughout the school district donated prizes and gift certificates to raffle off during the event. Thank you to the committee, Mayfield School staff, PRIDE, volunteers and merchants who



Halloween Window Painting– 1st Place Winners



Halloween Window Painting– 2nd Place Winners

made this evening possible. A great time was had by all.

Adult Sports

Eight teams played in the Adult Coed Soccer League this past fall. Congratulations to **Cresthaven** for earning the title of both League and Playoff Champions. **Firehouse** made it to the playoffs and became Playoff Runner Up while **Strikers** took home the honor of League Runner Up. Adult Coed Softball concluded in early October with **Scalpers** awarded League Champions and **Graham Slams** making

a huge come back and earning the right of Playoff Champions. The Men's 18 and Over Softball season concluded with **Mulligan's/RP Carbone** and **Ava's Alley** finishing as League Champions in their division and **Metro Appraisal** playing hard to become Playoff Champions. The Men's 35 and Over Softball season ended with ?? as League Champions. Thanks to all participants for playing in the league.



Youth Activities

Youth programs were popular again this fall. Among the favorites were the Mayfield Volleyball Association (MVA), Start Smart Soccer (3 – 5 year olds) and Football (5- 7 year olds), Adaptive Yoga Reach and Exercise and Fitness, Women's Self Defense and a Ceramic Pumpkin Clay Class. All of these programs had high enrollment and were very successful. As always, we will continue offering these programs throughout the various seasons plus a variety of others!

Cuyahoga Valley Train Rides

As we have done in the past, we offered both the [Scenic Limited](#) and [Peninsula Explorer](#) railroad trips through the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. Both trips left the Rockside Road boarding station at 10:15 a.m. on Friday, October 14. We had 10 - 15 families on each trip. Everyone was able to enjoy the bright sunshine and beautiful changing colors of the Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

In the later part of summer, Bill suggested that Mayfield Village offer the train trips a step further. He decided to offer a trip on [The Polar Express](#), again through the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. So the trip was set up for Thursday, November 17 and Bill was very optimistic about it. Danielle on the other hand was skeptical of the whole trip because it was so early in the season and The Polar Express seemed more like a holiday tradition.

Both agreed to offer the trip anyway to see how it went.....and well you will never believe the outcome! Not only



did Mayfield Village sell out of the trip on November 17, 80 tickets/one coach was sold in 15 minutes. Bill was able to secure another coach on a different day, those 80 tickets/the second coach were gone within a few hours. This went on two more times as Mayfield Village was able to offer a total of four coaches, 320 tickets, on The Polar Express! As of this writing, only 2 tickets remain. Everyone was very excited about this trip and we can't wait to hear about the whole experience from the participants. Please give us your feedback if you are one of the lucky families who got tickets for these train rides. Look for a brief update in the next VOV.

Winter Preview

As it gets darker even earlier, most of us probably turn our attention to winter activities and indoor programs. But for those of you that enjoy the thrill of the slopes and the wind in your hair, check out our ski trips this year.

Here's some of the programs that Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation has planned for you this winter:

[The MBA](#) (Mayfield Basketball Association) is underway for students in the Mayfield School District. Girls and boys can play in their separate leagues using various gym facilities at the local schools. The girls start out with 4th grade and the boys with 3rd grade. Both go up to 8th grade. Remember if league enrollment is not sufficient, some leagues may be combined.

The upcoming holidays will keep everyone busy with the [Menorah Lighting Ceremony](#), [Tree Lighting Ceremony](#), [Youth Holiday Party](#), and again visiting Mayfield Village....the melodic [Singing Angels](#). Our annual winter Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad trips will be offered on December 11 for both the [Christmas Tree Adventure](#) and [Santa Claus on Board](#).

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Recreation continued-

If you like to ski or snowboard or just want to learn how to do either, Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation is teaming up with surrounding communities to offer four ski trips.

Holiday Valley (January 16), **Peek 'n Peak** (February 11), **Holimont** (February 20), are day trips while **Smuggler's Notch** in Vermont will be a weekend trip (January 19-22). These trips are opened to families, teens and adults.

For those of you who prefer enjoying the winter months indoors, we have plenty of activities to keep you busy! Mayfield Village and **Spirit of Clay** (located in the plaza North of Heinen's) are offering an extensive array of programs including slumped clay, glass fusing, evening clay classes and holiday ornaments and decorations. Youth horseback riding continues with **Maypine Farms** on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and **After School Bowling** for 6th – 9th graders is a great way to end the school week on Fridays.

The adaptive recreation programs continue to serve persons with a disability and programs include basketball clinics, cross country skiing, self defense, game nights, **Yoga Reach**, **Indoor Water Exercise** and the **Abakadoodle** art program.

The **Youth Winter Break Excursions** are a great way for friends to get together during holiday break and allow mom or dad some extra shopping time. Trips include **bowling**, **the Rainforest**, **USA Skate**, **Spirit of Clay**, a **movie**, **ice skating** and activities at **Velocity Sports Performance Center**. **Chess** and **Start Smart Basketball** will also be offered again this winter. Adults can choose one of the three basketball leagues that suit them or join dodgeball in conjunction with Mayfield Heights. For those adults looking for something more creative and less active than our adult sports, check out one of the clay classes... there are several for adults only.

Call us at **461-5163** if you have any questions about a program or would like to register for a program with a credit card.



Travel Abroad (Yes – even Canada and Mexico) – WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

By Terry Skomrock

I was planning my honeymoon trip to Niagara Falls, Canada when a co-worker told me to be sure to register my trip with the U.S. Department of State. I've been out of the country many times before and have never heard of doing this, so I checked out the website. It soon became very clear why anyone traveling outside the United States should check out this website for valuable information and why you should register your trip abroad.

The web site's home page can be found at www.state.gov.

Under the top heading is a link called Travel and Living Abroad. Once you click this, you are directed to the Travel and Living Abroad information page with various links to important information such as: Emergencies and Warnings, Emergency Services for U.S. Citizens, International Parental Child Abduction, Travel Warnings, Consular Information Sheets, Public Announcements, List of Current Warnings and Announcements, and Crisis Awareness and Preparedness.

U.S. embassies and consulates help to locate U.S. citizens overseas when relatives or friends are concerned about their welfare or need to notify them of emergencies at home. The Department of State and U.S. embassies and consulates abroad handle over 200,000 welfare and whereabouts inquiries a year. If there are terror alert warnings or severe weather warnings for the area you are traveling in, US Embassy personnel will come and find you and advise you of same, if you register your travel itinerary with them. For example, in the case of a natural disaster like the Tsunami, this information assists Embassy personnel in locating and helping out US Citizens abroad.

The U.S. consular officers assist Americans who encounter serious legal, medical, or financial difficulties. Although consular officers cannot act as your legal counsel or representative, they can provide the names of local attorneys and doctors, provide loans to destitute Americans, and provide information about dangerous conditions affecting your overseas travel or residence. Consular officers also perform non-emergency services, such as helping Americans with absentee voting, selective service registration, receiving federal benefits, and filing U.S. tax forms. Consular officers can notarize documents, issue passports, and register American children born abroad.

You don't have to register your trip to get travel information from the Department of State. A current listing of all Travel Warnings, Public Announcements, and Consular Information Sheets can be found at www.travel.state.gov. You can even sign up to get e-mail information on countries you are going to visit.

The Office of American Citizens Services and Crisis Management (ACS) exists to serve Americans traveling or residing abroad. Their primary goal is to meet the needs of American citizens. ACS administers the Consular Information Program, which informs the public of conditions abroad that may affect their safety and security. ACS supports the work of their overseas embassies and consulates in providing emergency services to Americans in cases of arrest, death, crime victimization, repatriation, medical evacuation, temporary financial assistance and welfare-and-whereabouts cases. The ACS also assists in non-emergency matters, such as birth, identity, passport, citizenship, registration, judicial assistance, and estates. ACS can facilitate the transfer of funds overseas to assist U.S. citizens in need, repatriate the remains of loved ones who have died overseas, assist with medical bills, assist victims of crime, and help U.S. citizens who are detained in foreign prisons.



According to the website, when you register your trip, all personal information you provide is secure and protected by the Privacy Act of 1974. After surfing this website and its related links, I did indeed, register my trip and retrieved all Embassy and Consular information in Canada and I am taking the information with me on my trip. I hope anyone that travels utilizes this website.

Hope you have a safe trip.

CONGRATULATIONS



Terry Heckler, Executive Assistant to Police Chief Pat Dearden, was married to Mr. David Skomrock on October 15.

May they have a long and happy life together!



WINTER SKI TRIPS

*Holiday Valley –
Monday, January 16, 2006*

*Peek ‘n Peak –
Saturday, February 11, 2006*

*Holimont –
Monday, February 20, 2006*

*Smuggler’s Notch –
January 19-22, 2006*

American Cancer Society - Relay For Life: Working on our 2006 Goal

by Terry Skomrock

As you’ll recall from our last VOV, the **3rd Annual Mayfield Cancer Relay for Life** was held in July at the Mayfield High School track. Our team, the Mayfield Village People (**MVPs**), has participated since the first Relay held here three years ago. The MVPs team consists of employees, families and friends of employees who helped raise \$ 2,775 for the 2005 Relay. We are now working on our fund-raising events for the 2006 Relay. Our goal will be to raise \$ 5,000 and we’re long past the planning stages and into the action stage. In September, we had meetings and decided on how we were going to raise money to reach our goal. We have commitments from citizens and businesses in Mayfield Village for donations for our raffle events. By the time you are reading this article, two events will have already passed you by. We had the **Mayfield Holiday Inn** donate an overnight get-away package consisting of a room for two plus breakfast. We also received a donation from **Fisher’s Tavern** for dinner to go along with that package. The raffle costs \$1 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5. We also sold carnations for \$2 each for Sweetest Day.

Please participate with us in helping us reach our goal. Throughout 2005 and into July of 2006, we will be raffling off many prizes. So far, we had a turkey basket (from **Heinen’s**) raffle in November; a holiday raffle for December; in January 2006, Heinen’s is offering a fully cooked meal, delivered along with a bottle of champagne. In February and March we are tentatively planning a gasoline giveaway. On April 8, 2006, we will be serving a **Pasta Dinner** in our Civic Center Fellowship Hall. (The Pasta Dinner we had in 2005 was a huge success – great food for a good cause). In May, we will raffle off **Parkview pool passes**. In June, we are planning an entertainment package, such as a Geauga Lake or Cedar Point ticket raffle. We are conducting other raffles, but haven’t set dates yet. **Dr. Greg Fedele**, Plastic Surgeon, is donating a skincare treatment/chemical peel, done by **Meg Bacon**, a Certified Medical Aesthetician, valued at \$ 100. We will accept donations for goods and services

for other future raffles as well as monetary donations.

At the Relay itself, our booth will again hold a **Chinese Auction** and a **50/50 Raffle**. We have commitments from our own employees already. **Lee Stone** is making a fleece blanket to raffle off and **Janice Reale** is making a baby afghan. **Patsy Mills** always donates a “grand prize” gift for our Auction and has committed again for 2006. On Saturday morning, July 15, 2006, there will be a huge **Flea Market** held on the Mayfield High School Track. There will be about 40 vendors set up and all proceeds will go to the **American Cancer Society**.

We have great prizes and other giveaways at minimal costs. Please participate because every dollar we receive is a dollar toward our goal. Contact Lee at the **Civic Center (461-2210)** or Terry at the **Police Department (461-1234)** for tickets or more information on our raffles and events.

Remember, mark your calendars – Our **Pasta Dinner** will be held on April 8, 2006 and the 2006 Cancer Relay for Life will be held on July 14th and 15th and the Flea Market will be held on the 15th.

The MVPs encourage you all to get involved in one way or another. Whether it is buying raffle tickets, joining our team, or merely coming up to the track in July 2006, to show your support, you will realize how you, as one person, can help fight cancer and make a difference. It is truly a moving experience and we hope to see at our events and hope you will participate in our fund-raising endeavors. Thank you!!

HELPING HANDS AND SINGING HEARTS CONCERT BY THE SINGING ANGELS

Saturday, December 17, 7:00 p.m.

*Mayfield Village Civic Center
6622 Wilson Mills Road*

*Tickets: Adults \$10.00
Seniors and children 12 & under \$8.00*



*Please bring a canned good for our
"Share our Strength"
Hunger Drive and Mittens
for our Mitten Tree.*

*We will also have a 'Holiday Bake Sale
Benefit' with all proceeds going to the
American Cancer Society.*



Progressive Fitness Center

Becoming a Member/Renewal – Mayfield Village Residents Only

1. Purchase a 6 or 12-month membership (3-month Summer Student membership) at Mayfield Village Hall during regular office hours.
2. A photo I.D. (drivers license, school I.D.) with current address and current utility bill are required at the time of purchase.
3. Bring receipt to the Fitness Center.
4. Complete an enrollment form and schedule a 15-minute orientation (not for renewal)

Progressive Fitness Center offers:

- ✓ Certified Fitness Staff to help reach your fitness goals while instructing proper technique and safety.
- ✓ Cardiovascular, Cybex strength training and free-weight equipment.
- ✓ Private aerobic studios with all necessary equipment provided.
- ✓ Fully appointed locker rooms which include soaps, shampoos, towels, hair dryers, lockers and saunas.

Group Fitness Classes

The Progressive Fitness Center offers a comprehensive group fitness program designed to accommodate all fitness levels. The schedule includes a wide variety of classes offered early morning, lunch and evening.

Personal Training:

Get one-on-one training and assistance in the development and/or improvement of your exercise program. Your trainer will help you reach your physical fitness goals. Call 440-395-0103 for details and registration information.

*Facility Hours:

6 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday
 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Friday
 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday
 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday

*Hours are subject to change.

Fees:

6 months.....\$130.00
 12 months...\$260.00
 3 month student.....\$65 (between May 15 – Sept. 15)
 Guests....\$8 per visit per guest. All guests must be 16 years or older and must be accompanied by a Fitness Center Member.

Please call the Fitness Center for more details **440-395-0103**.

High School News

by *Laura Swiney*

Fall in the Village is finally here and already is proving to be a productive and exciting season. This early autumn at the High School brought huge successes for charity fundraising, football, theatre, and more. Practice for the fall play, **Othello**, is under way, and the showing nights were November 9th-12th. Wildcats football had a solid season with many victories and memories alike. Cat fans rejoiced this fall with the **Wildcat team** and their winning season! **The Pride of Mayfield** participated in Hudson's band bash, as well as hosted their own, and with eight other district schools participating, it was a musical triumph and a night to remember! Mayfield schools also raised over \$16,000 to donate to **United Way**, through several different, fun activities such as seniors dressing up as celebrities and collecting money at school, the hosting of a first-annual classic car show, and a United Way mixer as well. Thanks to all of those who donated. **The Red Cross Foundation blood** drive was held on November 9th. Another annual event was **Homecoming**, which is always a huge success. The theme this year was Saturday Knight Fever, and was on October 22nd. The homecoming parade accompanied this, which could be seen on Lander Road as always. Thanks for your continual school support and spirit, and together we can look forward to the winter season!



Lyndhurst
Municipal Court
 Judge Mary Kaye Bozza

The Lyndhurst Municipal Court participated in the **Lyndhurst Home Days Celebration**, September 9th through 11th by organizing a booth that displayed community outreach programs available to our local schools and interest groups. Judge Bozza's staff members volunteered their time and proudly presented the accomplishments of the Court since 2000.

It's back to school time and Judge Mary Kaye Bozza encourages the local schools to schedule field trips to the Court.

Lyndhurst Municipal Court will sponsor **Senior Projects** in spring of 2006 for local high schools. We are able to select four students. It would be prudent to inquire and reserve a spot by January 2006, for Senior Projects to be completed by May 30, 2006.

In our continuous efforts to improve the efficiency of the Court, we are in the beginning stages of establishing an electronic link with the Highland Heights Police Department for importing and exporting data relating to new cases and their adjudications. This process will save data entry time for both the police personnel and the Court's staff. It will enhance efficiency and accuracy as the cases are entered and as the Court's decisions are reported. The Court is confident that the other police departments will participate in this computerization process in order to share the same benefits.

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 extension 205** or visit our website at www.lyndhurstmunicipalcourt.org.



Wetlands Preserve

by Barb Schmidt

As a Village resident or guest, are you looking for a quiet place to take a walk and/or to observe nature's seasonal cycles? We invite you to take a walk along the Wetland's path into a secluded natural area right here in our Village! The loop gravel path is level and will take you through forested, meadow and water habitats. During daylight hours, many folks are seen running or jogging along the path. Early in the morning or evening is an ideal time to observe wildlife as they browse for food or otherwise become visible to visitors.

If you are a "birder", you might take a bird list from the trail guide box as you watch and walk. This list, compiled by bird enthusiasts **Karen** and **Wally Mueller**, lists over 100 different species seen in the Wetlands over the past several years. Some birds use the area at spring and fall migration times, while others nest and/or remain year round.

If your interest is in plants, the sides of the path and adjacent meadows give seasonal floral displays. Most of the pine tree seedlings planted on the mound last spring are surviving and in time, will be visible above the current plant growth. Watch the change of seasons as deciduous trees lose their leaves. Did you know that the bright colors on these leaves were present all summer – but hidden beneath the green chlorophyll color of summer leaves? As the trees begin their dormant winter period, food production in the leaves ceases, the green color fades and reds, oranges and yellows emerge.

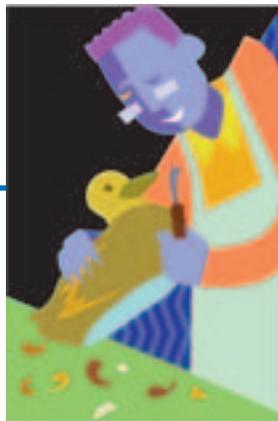
If your interest is in reptiles, read what Wally Mueller observed during this past summer. "In mid-June as I was walking along the Wetlands path, I observed two large female snapping turtles digging nests. One near the

gabion dam was actually depositing eggs – too many to count! I checked the nesting area on subsequent walks. After approximately 90 days, young snapping turtles were seen emerging from their incubation and making their way to the nearby stream!" What a neat observation this was!

Check the kiosk near the beginning of the trail for updated self-guided trail guides which match newly placed numbers on trees or stakes near the path. Thanks to **Ron Fleming** and **Tim Stickley** for their work on this project. Thanks also to **Wes Marrotte** for his work on the large trail map mounted on the back of the kiosk.

If the suggestions above have you thinking, "I'd like to get involved with the maintenance and programming of the Wetlands", be aware that the Wetlands Committee sincerely welcomes your ideas and interest. Leave your name with Lee Stone at the Civic Center, and we'll contact you!

Whatever your interest, be it exercise, relaxation or wildlife viewing, use the Mayfield Wetlands! It's a great Village resource! Look inside this VOV for our Winter Solstice flyer. What a fun way to start winter!!



DON'T FORGET Holiday Craft Show

610 S.O.M. Center Road
Saturday, November 26, 2005
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Have fun shopping for
Holiday items, crafts, and many
unique gifts!

Citizens Advisory Committee

by Jim Mason

The additional "eyes and ears" of the Village-Citizens Advisory Committee continues to meet monthly to discuss numerous items of interest. With the re-opening and completion of the widening of S.O.M. Center Road, traffic flow has picked up and the police are monitoring "speeders"....we are concerned about safety for all and urge our citizens to observe the posted limits.

Other items discussed and under consideration include the possibility of lighting the trail system and inside both tunnels as well as on S.O.M. Center where there is no median.

Wilson Mills Road work is scheduled to be done by the end of November.

Formation of a Beautification Committee is being planned and membership recruitment has begun.

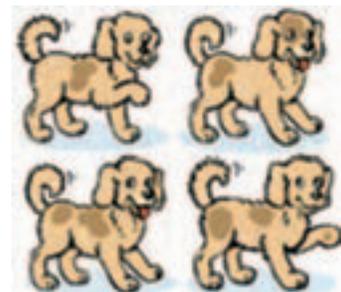
Efforts to keep our Village "clean" have intensified. "Toters" (refuse containers) will soon be visible and available for all residents.

We welcome your suggestions and ideas. Let us hear from you.

DOG LICENSES AVAILABLE AT THE CIVIC CENTER

Remember to give your dog his
Christmas present by purchasing
a dog license!! 2006 licenses
must be purchased by
January 31, 2006.

Licenses are sold year round in
case you get a puppy during
the year.





Volunteer Opportunities In The Mayfield City School District

Contact: Susan Olson,
Adult Volunteer Services, 440-995-7796

Residents are welcome to volunteer in our schools

Mayfield City Schools welcomes the residents of our school communities, including our senior adults, to share their time and skills in volunteer positions. The interaction among volunteers and students contributes to the health of our community and enriches the educational experiences of our students. Please browse the many volunteer opportunities listed below. We will be happy to answer your questions and provide additional information to see if your interests and expectations meet our needs. Some volunteers may be encouraged to make a weekly commitment to provide consistency in the school environment, while other volunteer positions last only as long as the project requires. If you have a special background, skill, or interest, we may be able to customize a volunteer position especially for you.

Volunteer positions within the classrooms and offices

Volunteers are needed to assist with clerical duties in offices and libraries. Some of these duties are weekly and others are one-time only projects. Tutors are needed to provide remedial and/or enrichment tutoring in English, math, and science. Volunteers are needed to help teachers in pre-school and elementary classrooms. Tutors are needed to help our foreign-born students improve their English skills at the elementary and high school levels. The foreign language department at the high school is seeking a volunteer to help organize classroom materials and maintain a showcase of students' class work and souvenirs.

Coaches needed for 5th and 6th grade Science Olympiad Competition

Coaches are needed to instruct small groups of selected 5th and 6th grade students to prepare for the Science Olympiad regional competition held in February, 2006. There are 24 different subject areas. Some of the areas for which we need coaches include bugs, rocks, weather, bridge building,

catapults, chemistry related "mystery powders" and metrics. Please contact us to for information on the other subject areas.

Club leaders needed for Middle School after-school clubs

We would like to start a few after-school clubs for our 6th and 7th grade Middle School students. We are seeking volunteers to lead a small group of students in any of the following areas of interest: baseball card collecting, chess, board games, stamp collecting, and square/contra dancing. Please let us know if you have another interest that would lend itself as an after-school activity.

Instructors needed to teach basic aid principles to 4th graders

Mayfield City Schools teaches the American Red Cross "Together We Prepare" program to all of its 4th graders. We are seeking volunteers with a health or medical background to teach a 4th grade class. This program is taught once a week in the spring for approximately 6 weeks. Training is provided and is self-taught.

Art Docents needed to teach basic art appreciation in Kindergarten thru 3rd grade

The Art Docent program at Mayfield City Schools was created to present a few masterpieces of the world's greatest artists to students in Kindergarten thru 3rd grade. Training is taught in-house to new docents. Each docent is assigned one classroom and gives a monthly presentation during the months of January thru May, for a total of 5 presentations. Docents may work alone or as a team.

History Docent Program

We would like to initiate an "Old Schoolhouse" history docent program this year for our elementary students, using the historical former schoolhouse at Wilson Mills and S.O.M. Center Roads. If you are in your 60's, 70's or 80's and have a recollection of some interesting facts related to your own school days, such as the school building, classroom, supplies and books that were used, or your teachers, classmates, transportation, etc., you may be interested in becoming a docent.

Home Economics Assistant

Home Economics is taught at the Middle School and students are taught

basic sewing and cooking skills. Volunteers are needed to provide one-on-one assistance to students who are learning to sew for the first time. Sewing machines are not used, only hand work. Volunteers are also needed to assist the teacher in preparing and organizing class supplies.

Foreign language tutors

Tutors are needed to help our English-speaking students improve their skills in Spanish, Italian, German and French.

Science Fair Judges

The High School is seeking judges for the science fair that is held each January.

Local Business Opportunities

Businesses are needed to host Career Shadow days for our high school students. There is one day assigned for sophomores and one day assigned for juniors. The Middle School is seeking businesses to host and motivate middle school students in math and science, possibly in the form of a tour and sharing with professionals in these fields.

Sewers and Fabric needed

The 5th graders at Center Elementary School meet weekly with the ABC Quilters, a group of senior adult women, to design beautiful quilts that are donated to organizations serving At-risk Babies and Children (ABC). The quilts are sewn by machine using straight stitching. The ABC Quilters are in need of help with sewing the quilts. Sewers may come to the Mayfield Village Community Room during the program time with the students, or may choose to have the unfinished quilts delivered to their homes where they can sew at their own convenience. The ABC Quilters also accept donations of 100% cotton fabric to be used for the quilts. Material can be dropped off at the Mayfield Village Civic Center, 6622 Wilson Mills Rd.

Speakers' Bureau

Occasionally we are asked to find a speaker in a particular topic area to address a class that is studying that subject. Please let us know if we may add your name to our Speakers' Bureau list.

"The strength of one generation meets the needs of another."



Mayfield Regional Library Winter Programs

440-473-0350

Music Program

Holiday Program. December 6, 7 p.m.
The Cleveland Boys' Choir will perform.

Book Discussions

Book Buffet. Wednesday, January 11, 2006, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Lipstick Jihad: A Memoir of Growing Up in Iran by Azdeh Moaveni.

Evening Book Discussion. Monday, January 23, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar Nefisi.

Book Lovers' Book Discussion. Tuesday, January 24, 2 p.m. Empire Falls by Richard Russo.

Book Buffet. Wednesday, February 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Oh The Glory of it All by Sean Wilsey.

Evening Book Discussion. Monday, February 20, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Light on Snow by Anita Shreve.

Book Lovers' Book Discussion. Tuesday, February 28, 2 p.m. The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini.

Displays

Lou Goldstein will display his glass and jewelry during the month of December.

Jessica Harwell will display her Jewelry/Arts & Crafts in February.

Art Show

Marc Golub will exhibit his digital photography in December in the gallery.

Instruction

Individualized computer tutoring sessions are 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 library software catalog, the Internet or Microsoft Word. Tutoring times are Tuesday – Saturday, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., and Thursday, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Please call (440) 473-0350 and ask for the Information Desk to make your appointment.

Kenwood Homeowners' Association

by Mickey Evans

Leaves are falling and soon, maybe even by publication date, there'll be a few SNOWFLAKES in the air—let's hope not, because fall is such a beautiful season regardless of all the leaf raking. Remember to rake your leaves to the curb, and our faithful leaf suckers will gather them. I hope you've had a chance to notice our pretty mum plantings by our entranceways. The flowers of summer are gone, and the colors of fall are here.

Isn't it wonderful getting out onto Wilson Mills without all the traffic coming up or going down the hill. We'll enjoy it as long as we can—completion date in December will soon be here.

Looking ahead: There will be the annual Kenwood Homeowners' Association meeting sometime in March or April—you'll receive a mailing on the time and place as the date gets closer; and of course, there's the pool party next summer to look forward to again – **August 6, 2006, 3:00 to closing.**

This year is almost over, but if you haven't sent your dues for Kenwood Homeowners, please send them to **CAROLE MARRIE at 6711 Walnut Drive, Gates Mills**, or drop them off there to her. It will help keep our small treasury in the black.

And, as always, if you have any concerns about our association, please contact our president, **ED SHAMROCK at 461-2694**, and he'll do his best to answer any of your questions or address them where they will get results.

Have a happy colorful fall and a wonderful holiday season!



Hanover Woods Homeowners' Association

by Jeff Schiemann

If you missed the **Clambake** you missed a really great time. Roughly 60 Hanover Woods residents were in attendance on October 2nd for great food and greater friendship. Thanks to Joanne Schiemann for opening her home and all who helped with the set up and tear down. We tried a Sunday afternoon this year for the first time and it seemed like everyone "fit" with the idea. A good time was had by all. We had four new couples who recently moved in to the area attend and it was great to meet some new faces. The weather cooperated. Too bad the Tribe didn't.

Stay tuned for another "**Wine & Cheese**" affair, probably in early February.

Business wise, the Board of Trustees is a little light these days. Two of our Trustees have sold their homes and moved on. That leaves two spots open on the Board. If you have any interest, please give **Jeff Schiemann** a call at (440) 442-5550. The Trustees are attending and watching the Council meetings and other workshops in the Village regarding the rezoning of the parcels directly adjacent to our west. We will likely send out some information fliers or hold a meeting as the project progresses. The sign at the front of our development is just beginning to look a little weathered. We plan to address the sign and the whole entrance next spring. One more reminder, your compliance with the deed restrictions that make and keep our subdivision the beautiful place that it is, will be appreciated by all of your neighbors.



Worton Park Homeowners' Association

by Ted Wetzel Association President

Our neighborhood association's objectives are simple: to build more and deeper bonds among our neighbors and to build our property values. To solidify these objectives within a cooperative framework, the neighbors recently adopted, by popular vote, the Worton Park Home Owners' Association By-Laws. The street reps have worked to develop the By-Laws over the past 9 months. Particular thanks go to neighbors **Jack Phillips** and **Nancy Johnson**, as well as Attorney **Diane Calta**.

The neighbors have enjoyed the warm months. In July we gathered to picnic at the **Parkside Pool**. On Oct 1, over 40 neighbors enjoyed a clear, relaxing night in the street on Hemingway Road including a clambake, our first official annual meeting, a campfire, a dance lesson, karaoke, and many laughs with good food and drink.

Many neighbors took advantage of the summer to improve their property. Home additions, new landscaping, new driveways...are all signs of a vibrant neighborhood. At the **Pine Tree Park** (the Joyce Road entrance), we have plans to add a bench or two for neighbors to relax. Also, the Village Service Department has plans to bring a new look to the "bridges" where the creek passes under the roads. The timing is not yet determined but the bridge facelift is certain to add to the neighborhood charm when completed.

Worton Park neighbors have a history of being involved. Joining a committee is a modest time investment and is rewarded by enjoying time with your neighbors while doing something you like (social committee, seasonal decorations committee, for example). We are now seeking ideas for a winter social event.

Maybe this year the autumn winds will blow the leaves right to the curb. We can always hope.

Mayfield Township Historical Society

by Al Scaccia, President

A new fence is planned for the Historic House. We are returning to a white picket fence as it had been when the Bennett house stood at the corner of S.O.M. Center & Wilson Mills Road during its first 150 years.

We had a successful **Ice Cream Social**. New faces were seen on the Open House tours.

The "Rainbow Sherbet" quilt was won by Mayfield Village Councilman **Bill Buckholz** and the Table Cloth by **Helen Moore** of Gates Mills.

Our October fundraiser is "**Toys I Remember**", a display at the Historic House. Admission is \$3.00 adults & \$ 1.00 children. It is a precious memory of childhoods past.

The **Turkey Raffle** is a drawing only in November. Tickets are available through Mayfield Township Historical Society members. Winners will be notified two weeks before Thanksgiving.

These Fundraisers are being used for a new Instant Heat hot water tank. It will save on fuel costs as it will be used only on demand. We need your support and patronage now, more than ever, due to rising costs and maintenance.

The Christmas Pot Luck is on December 14th at the Mayfield Village Community Room at 6:30 pm – Bring a dish to share – Veggie – Salad – Casserole – Dessert. We have special entertainment, Santa, too.

Our program schedule is varied and interesting this fall and through the coming year—

Mayfield Village Community Room

December 14, 2005, 6:30 pm

Christmas Pot Luck –

Bring a dish to share – Seasonal musical entertainment plus Santa of course.

February 8, 2006, 7:30 pm

"Mary Todd Lincoln" –

The most misunderstood First Lady. Mayfield's own –Dr. Phillip Price.

March 8, 2006, 7:30 pm

"If This Old House Could Talk"

with Dick Fetzer – Cookie night – Bring your favorite cookies.

April 12, 2006, 7:30 pm

"President Theodore Roosevelt"

by Robert Hodder.

May 10, 2006, 7:30 pm

"Colonial Williamsburg"

To prepare us for our Quilt Show in October.

Please join us for these meetings and events. All are welcome.



My Faith In Humanity

by Cheryl S. Garinger

As the relief efforts of Hurricane Katrina continue, I am proud and honored to say that two of my co-workers and dear friends have courageously volunteered their services to aid in the relief. **John Panzero** and **Gino Carcioppolo**, career firefighters with the Mayfield Village Fire Department, placed their personal lives on hold to assist others in need. It is an interesting combination as John is the senior fire firefighter with the Mayfield Village Fire Department and Gino is the newest member of the fulltime staff. When the request from FEMA was made, these two didn't even hesitate at the opportunity to join in the effort. John, the father of three, and at this time dealing with personal life difficulties, placed everything on hold to pack up and leave. Gino a fine young man, with maturity beyond his years, was packed and ready to go while anxiously awaiting the decision from FEMA. The call came, and the two packed up and departed, amongst many friends and co-workers, on September 4th, from the Mayfield Fire station.

Before leaving, John said, "that while I will miss my children terribly, the one thing that I will miss the most is seeing my son play in his football games." It is my hope to find someone that will be able to record these games for him. The generosity shown by these two, along with many others doing the same, is the faith that we should all have in the good of mankind. I am proud and honored to call these two my friends; I only wish that I could join them and all of the others. Even though I can not join them in the hands on relief, I will do my part and make a cash donation to the **American Red Cross**, and hope that other Americans will also donate to the charity of their choice. I express my sincere thanks and gratitude to John, Gino, and all of those who are helping out in what is as of this date the worst disaster this country has ever experienced. In addition, my sincerest sympathy to those who have lost loved ones; and my prayers to all the survivors whose lives have been turned upside down.

Mayfield Village Garden Club

by Penny Juracic

The Garden Club meets the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Mayfield Village Community Room, unless otherwise noted. The Garden Club also has "**Out-to-Lunch**" dates.

November 26 will be our annual **Holiday Craft Show** at the Service Garage, 610 S.O.M. Center Road from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is \$2.00. Along with over 60 crafters, the Garden Club will be selling live evergreen arrangements, sways and wreaths. Come purchase your holiday craft items in preparation for the holidays. Proceeds go to scholarships for the Mayfield School District Horticulture students.

December 7 will be our **Holiday Pot Luck Dinner and Installation of Officers** for 2006 at 6:00 p.m.



MITTEN TREE

Please bring mittens, scarves, hats and gloves etc. to Charter One Bank, 789 S.O.M. Center Road or the Mayfield Village Civic Center. The Mitten Tree is in need of decorations so please help us decorate!!! They will be distributed to the needy in January.

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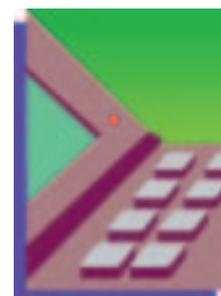
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Agendas and minutes are posted on the Village website.

Holiday 2005 Events



Helping Hands & Singing Hearts Concert by

The Singing Angels

Saturday, December 17 — 7 p.m.

**Mayfield Village Civic Center
6622 Wilson Mills Road**

\$10 Adults

**\$8 Seniors (60+)
and Children
age 12 & under**

Experience the holiday magic of the world renowned Singing Angels. Tickets may be purchased after November 8th at the Civic Center during regular business hours (Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.) Only 280 tickets will be sold. For more information, contact Mayfield Village Parks & Recreation Department at 440-461-5163. Please bring a canned good for our "Share our Strength" Hunger Drive and mittens for our tree.

Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony

Sunday, December 4 — 7 p.m.

At the Mayfield Village Gazebo—6621 Wilson Mills Road

Embrace the holiday season and join us at the Gazebo for a special performance by the Center Elementary School's Cyclone Choir and the lighting of the big evergreen inside the Gazebo. Sip on hot chocolate or coffee to stay warm and munch on donuts.

Be good—Santa may be watching.

Please bring mittens, hats or scarves for our mitten tree at Charter One Bank. The items will be donated to the needy.



Please bring a canned good for our "Share our Strength" Hunger Drive.

Menorah Lighting Ceremony

Monday, December 26 — 7 p.m.

Please note that this year we will gather to light the second Hanukkah candle since the first candle will be lit on December 25. Then, we will go to the Civic Center to cook the potato latkes and enjoy refreshments.



Please bring a dozen or so of your favorite potato latkes for others to sample.

Also, please bring a canned good for our "Share our Strength" Hunger Drive.