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Upcoming Events

*Recreation Spring Party
Lunch & Egg Hunt
March 31*

*Mother's Day
Pancake Breakfast
May 13*

*Fabulous 50's Cruise Night
June 9 (Rain Date June 10)*



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FINANCE DEPARTMENT
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PARKVIEW POOL
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SERVICE DEPARTMENT
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MAYFIELD HIGH POOL
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MAYFIELD LIBRARY
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MAYFIELD SCHOOLS
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Memo from the Mayor

BRUCE G. RINKER



2007 promises to be a busy year balancing construction projects and planning proposals. Here is a preview of good things to come - - once we thaw out.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

We began our extensive **SANITARY SEWER CONVERSION** of Zorn, Metro Park and Highland Roads last year. As we have done with other projects, we also decided to revamp storm sewer systems. Despite best laid plans, as often happens once a project is literally in the ground we encountered the need to expand the storm sewer improvements during our first phase in Metro Park and Zorn Roads. We gulped at the increased cost, \$600,000.00 of unbudgeted expense, but were fortunate enough to be in a position to absorb that expenditure without adversely impacting the cost of the project to residents. Work has already commenced on the Highland Road phase as we literally clear the way for constructing the pedestrian underpass linking the north and south sides of Highland Roads and provide the future linkage between the Metroparks and our extensive municipal parks at the north end of town with the balance of the community to the south. (More on that below). By the time we brace ourselves for next winter, we expect to have completed not only the storm and sanitary sewer improvements, but also the relandscaping of all three neighborhoods.

Speaking of **NEIGHBORHOODS**, we will complete the construction of decorative walls over the culverts of the creeks that criss-cross the Worton Park area. As I have written on these pages previously, we encourage everyone to take a look at these treatments for ideas of similar improvements we might add in the other neighborhoods. Many will note the renovation of the two entrywalls to Aintree North Subdivision. We have already received preliminary ideas from residents in Hanover Woods for comparable entryway treatments there. We anticipate constructing entryway features at Thornapple and S.O.M. Generally speaking, between our more conventional public works projects, the ongoing efforts of the Garden Club, our newly-formed Beautification Committee and homeowners' groups throughout the Village, we will strive to coordinate, community-wide, projects that beautify and enhance the value of our neighborhoods and thus the Village as a whole.

WILEY PAVILION will be reconstructed. The existing foundation is in good shape; however, the wood structure itself has been on its last legs for some time. (Actually, we had thought a couple of brusque Alberta Clippers might give us a hand.) After many months of planning and discussion, with substantial contribution from our volunteers in the Historical Society, Service Department employees and Architect Ron DiNardo, we believe we have a very handsome structure to replace the one constructed many years ago by Gus Amendola and his able workers. The new pavilion will feature a striking stone fireplace, adorn the adjacent grounds of the Bennet-Van Curen museum and architecturally complement that facility as well.

We will establish Wiley Park as a first-phase starting point for the **GREENWAY TRAIL** that is to run between S.O.M. Center Road and 271. The trail creates the opportunity for residents to enjoy and discover the extensive green and undeveloped spaces lying within that corridor. It will become a *linear park*. We believe we should be able to rough in much of the trail from Wiley all the way up to Parkview Pool, this year. Depending upon the extent of material we unearth in the course of the Highland Road construction, we plan to lay as much trail as we can. And in keeping with the overall theme of the conservation methodologies we practice in the greenway corridor, we will redistribute the earth and stone we dig up in Highland to the west frontage of S.O.M., extending the mounding treatments south from the ballfields toward Highland Road itself.

Much of this relandscaping will focus on the former **COSTANZO FRONTAGE**, in anticipation of the new entryway to Progressive's Campus III opposite Hickory Hill. We hope to design the front 3 acres of the property to be both a green screen and a new wetland mitigation zone. The trail will traverse the new terrain.

We also look to commence this Spring with the **REPLANTING** of the dozens of moribund trees planted as part of our S.O.M. widening project. Service Director Doug Metzger has spent a lot of time studying this entire 2 ¼ mile stretch of S.O.M. to stage the replanting and enhance landscaping over the next few years. We expect some of the improvement to be readily apparent, but other features will be more subtle as they are added over time. The south underpass area will also get some close attention.

We will repave **SENECA** this year. We expect to redo the remaining streets in the Beech Hill neighborhood over the next two to three years, as well.

Finally, we continue to remodel the **CIVIC CENTER**. This year we expect to complete renovation of the front foyer area in the heart of the facility. By year's end we should have four new/remodeled restrooms on the main floor. We are also hoping to make some real changes to the former sanctuary area, our new Civic Auditorium. We have been heartened by the positive feedback residents have provided during the course of all of these changes. We are confident everyone will be pleased with our progress.

PLANNING PROPOSALS

Progressive Insurance Company's **CAMPUS III** is still in the planning stages. Candidly, we had anticipated the construction of Campus III would have been underway by now; however, the site significantly impacts a few acres of wetlands under the jurisdiction of the United States Army Corps of Engineers. The process of obtaining wetland impact permits has grown more challenging with each passing year. Nonetheless, we understand that the plans for the site are under review by the Corps and every effort is being made by Progressive to complete that task diligently. Our sense is that Progressive personnel are champing at the bit. Experience has demonstrated that once the starting gate opens, the race will be on. Stay tuned for updates during the course of this year. As it is, we do not anticipate the new *South Commons Boulevard* will be under construction until approximately this time next year. Again, this timetable could change. We will let you know if it does.

Plans for the **POLICE STATION** are also in their final drafting phase. The next step will be to get in to much more engineering and architectural detail for purposes of establishing specifications to be submitted to the bid process. The new station, to be located just north of the fire station, will be two stories high, with a fully outfitted basement featuring a firing range that will serve the entire seven-community SPAN organization, and perhaps other communities as well. We have retained the same architectural firm, RCU, that designed the fire station. Although we do not have a final structure to display, our goal is to complement, not replicate the fire station. And with the valuable input of Building Commissioner John Marrelli and Village Architect Ron DiNardo, we intend to install a geothermal heating and cooling system, as well as utilizing photovoltaic cells in the roof for capturing solar power. We are endeavoring to employ state-of-the-art technologies in building materials, as well. Overall, the Village can and should demonstrate the efficacy of long-term, environmentally sustainable building and operational practices.

We have initiated vigorous dialogue with residents in the Aintree Park network of streets concerning the redesign of the **RALEIGH/WILSON MILLS/BETA** hyper-intersection. Something of an historical quirk, Beta and Raleigh intersect Wilson Mills only short distances apart from each other - - but the confluence of traffic movements there is anything but desirable. We are presently exploring some five different alternative reconfigurations, which include complete closure, repositioning Raleigh opposite Beta, and a few options in between. Interestingly enough, our police and fire departments advise that complete closure would not impair the delivery of safety services. On the other hand, the accessibility provided by Raleigh for many residents in the neighborhood will unquestionably be affected by complete closure. Therefore, we have tried to work through this cautiously. Many will note that for a two-week period we

barricaded the entryway as part of an exercise in seeing just how it would work - - or not. (Although we have tried to keep all residents in the neighborhood apprised of what we are doing, there were a few surprises! We know that the challenge of staying informed is often in simply keeping on top of the many ways communications are now handled in this digital age of ours.) When all is said and done, we anticipate a vote of all residents in the neighborhood will inform our decision. One certainty: the redesigned intersection will be safer and the area will be far more attractive with landscaping improvements we plan to install.

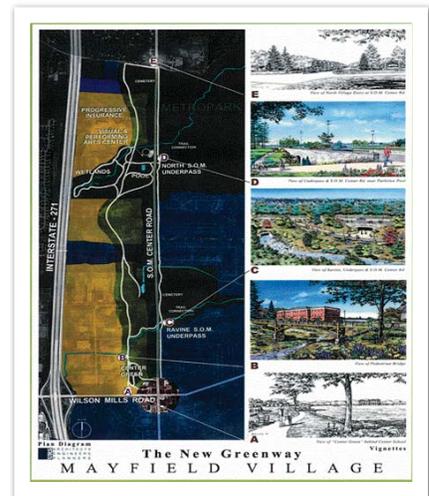
Finally, we continue to explore and plan the future of the Village. The **2020 VISION COMMITTEE** has been reconnected with this *implementation*. In the near term, we expect to make some cosmetic improvements to the center of town; but, more significantly, we are looking to revising our Planning and Zoning Code to allow for a central mixed-use zoning district that potentially would incorporate not merely the Wilson Mills/ S.O.M. crossroads, but extend in to the Beta Park area, as well. We will convene a town meeting soon to review and recap a lot of the work the 2020 Committee and *City Architecture* have achieved over the last two to three years. Along those lines, we have been encouraging *Heinen's* to design a north entryway to utilize the area adjacent to the Civic Center. We think this could be a very tangible way to enhance the Village Center, while improving the services Heinen's provides to our community.

We continue planning and endeavor to push the envelope of ideas that will revitalize and energize the Village as a whole by redeveloping its central district. The concept of **MIXED USE** - - mostly residential, with some office and retail amenities mixed in - - could create a very desirable, walkable and livable environment for all generations. I have addressed this process in general terms previously and will continue to explore the ways in which we can preserve the historical attributes of Mayfield Village while staking our claim to the future.

We look forward to a productive 2007!



Wiley Pavilion



Highland Road Underpass



BILL BUCKHOLTZ
Council President

100 YEARS AGO: IT MAY BE HARD TO BELIEVE...

Once again I would like to thank my colleagues for electing me Council President. I will not tell you what's been going on in Mayfield Village and what we hope to accomplish in the future – I'll leave that to other Council Members, the Mayor and Department Heads. I figure if you're reading this article, then you can see all that for yourself – and, I might add, are darn proud of this town we live in! Instead I will go for the odd perspective (what a shocker). Here are some interesting stats that have been floating around the Web... actually excerpted from a book called *When My Grandmother Was A Child* by Leigh W. Rutledge, E.P. Dutton, 1996 and quoted in an article published in the "Hur Herald", Hur, West Virginia ...**THOUGHT YOU OUGHT TO KNOW:**

The average life expectancy in the United States was forty-seven.

Only 14 percent of the homes in the United States had a bathtub.

Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone. A three-minute call from Denver to New York City cost eleven dollars.

There were only 8,000 cars in the US and only 144 miles of paved roads.

The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.

Alabama, Mississippi, Iowa, and Tennessee were each more heavily populated than California. With a mere 1.4 million residents, California was only the twenty-first most populous state in the Union.



**MY GREAT GRANDPARENTS,
PEARL & WILLIAM**



**MY GRANDFATHER, SAM
BUCKHOLTZ**

The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.

The average wage in the U.S. was twenty-two cents an hour. The average U.S. worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.

A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year, a dentist \$2500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1500 and \$4000 per year, and a mechanical engineer about \$5000 per year.

More than 95 percent of all births in the United States took place at home.

Ninety percent of all U.S. physicians had no college education. Instead, they attended medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and by the government as "substandard."

Sugar cost 4 cents a pound. Eggs were 14 cents a dozen. Coffee cost 15 cents a pound.

Most women only washed their hair once a month and used borax or egg yolks for shampoo.

Canada passed a law prohibiting poor people from entering the country for any reason, either as travelers or immigrants.

The five leading causes of death in the U.S. were: 1. Pneumonia and influenza, 2. Tuberculosis, 3. Diarrhea, 4. Heart disease, 5. Stroke.



CLEVELAND PUBLIC SQUARE, 1915.



MY GRANDFATHERS STORE, COLLINWOOD 1931.

The American flag had 45 stars. Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Hawaii and Alaska hadn't been admitted to the Union yet.

Drive-by-shootings -- in which teenage boys galloped down the street on horses and started randomly shooting at houses, carriages, or anything else that caught their fancy -- were an ongoing problem in Denver and other cities in the West.

The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was thirty. The remote desert community was inhabited by only a handful of ranchers and their families.

Plutonium, insulin, and antibiotics hadn't been discovered yet.

Scotch tape, crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented.

There was no Mother's Day or Father's Day.

One in ten U.S. adults couldn't read or write. Only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.

Some medical authorities warned that professional seamstresses were apt to become sexually aroused by the steady rhythm, hour after hour, of the sewing machine's foot pedals. They recommended slipping bromide -- which was thought to diminish sexual desire -- into the woman's drinking water.

Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at corner drugstores. According to one pharmacist, "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach and the bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health."



CLEVELAND PUBLIC SQUARE SOUTH SIDE LOOKING EAST TOWARD EUCLID AVENUE, 1865.



CLEVELAND EARLY 1800S

Coca-Cola contained cocaine instead of caffeine.

Punch card data processing had recently been developed, and early predecessors of the modern computer were used for the first time by the government to help compile the 1900 census.

Eighteen percent of households in the United States had at least one full-time servant or domestic.

There were about 230 reported murders in the U.S. annually.

LIFE DOESN'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THAT!

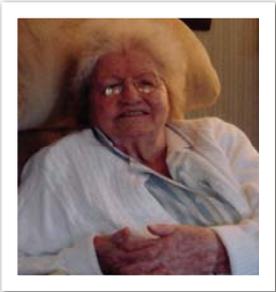


PATSY MILLS
Council Ward 2

**REMINISCENCES OF
MAYFIELD VILLAGE.**

A pleasant afternoon with Olive Phillips and her daughter Sally revealed past times of Mayfield Village.

Olive was born in Mayfield Village on June 22, 1913 to Harry and Edith (Atkins) Lockemer. Olive has spent her years living in different houses along S.O.M. Center Road. The house that Olive lives in today was originally her grandparent's home. Olive's parents were farmers in the area as were her grandparents, great grandparents and other relatives. The farming consisted of raising sweet corn, some cattle, and tending the orchards of apples, peaches, and pears. Produce from the farm was sold to people traveling along S.O.M. Center Road. Their farm area was sold in 1928 and is now Whitehaven Cemetery.



SOM Center Road was a dirt (hard) road until 1917 when it was paved with bricks.

In 1928 asphalt was applied over the bricks. Her parents bought their first car, a Buick in 1920. Electricity was installed at the family home about 1923, and they were able to purchase an electric refrigerator to replace the old icebox, kerosene lights, and finally the coal stove. She has fond memories of 10 people telephone line.

Olive spent her early childhood doing what children did, playing in the fields, making up games, climbing trees and tending to her two younger brothers. She remembers the Home Coming Days, Turkey Raffles, parties at the Grange,

Church Suppers and Fall Bazaar, and the Sorter's Cousins Club.

Olive was a student for two years at Ohio Wesleyan where she studied Library Sciences until the Great Depression called her home.

Olive and Ralph were married in 1936. From this marriage they had 4 children, Sally, Ralph, Laurence, and John. Ralph, who worked for Eaton Mfg. Co, passed away in 1987.

Olive has 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

In her history she adds that her great grandparents were among the founding members of the Mayfield Methodist Church, now the Mayfield Village Civic Center, her grandmother was a Sorter, one of original settlers to the Mayfield Township, her father, Harry was Mayfield Village's first Mayor and her mother's family were settlers from Mayfield Heights in the Iroquois Road area.

Olive has lived quietly along S.O.M. Center Road next to the Wiley Park watching the Village scenes change. Thanks to her for the nice afternoon visit.

DID YOU KNOW ??????

Each year Lakeview Cemetery has a 'Flag Retirement' service, Flag Day, June 14th. Scout Leader Paul Lynch and Scout Troop 705 participate in the meaningful ceremony.

All flags that are tattered and need to be disposed of can be brought to the Civic Center.

Remember to fly 'OLD GLORY' in all its majesty.

Hope all had a wonderful Holiday.

Please check the Mayfield Township Historical's and the Mayfield Garden Club's articles. Great things are happening at these organizations.



JOANNE CINCO
Council At Large

This year, eleven residents filed applications for drainage assistance through Mayfield

Village's Drainage & Infrastructure Program. The Village's Engineer, Service Director, and Building Commissioner have completed physical inspections of most of the properties and the Committee is working to evaluate and prioritize projects.

The Codified Ordinances of Mayfield Village provide that each property owner is responsible for the maintenance of ditches which carry drainage from other properties through their own property even if they are on the public right-of way. This Program, however, is designed to help improve yard drainage of residential properties within the Village and to assist residents with the funding of any necessary repairs.

The criteria used by the Committee to determine whether an application will be granted are:

- the number of properties affected by the drainage problem;
- whether there are any health & safety issues caused by the drainage problem (e.g. the possibility of personal injury or whether the condition prevents or hinders access by safety and service vehicles);
- whether the drainage problem is causing any property damage;
- whether and to what extent the drainage problem is caused by a topographical nuisance.

The Committee typically will not entertain applications where the drainage problem is caused by landscaping or other improvement. For

instance, if a new driveway or a swimming pool is installed disturbing the natural flow of water, the application will be denied. Such problems are, in most cases, the responsibility of the homeowner and would not qualify for Village intervention.

Work on all projects that are accepted is expected to begin in late spring or early summer. This year's deadline for applications is November 30, 2007 for work to be done in 2008.



JOSEPH SAPONARO
Council At Large

As I am writing this article the snow is continuing to fall. I

hope that while you are reading it that the snow has melted and spring is underway! As we approach warmer weather and all that accompanies it, you will see beautiful flowers blooming around the Gazebo that was a great effort of the Beautification Committee! Thank you for all who showed up to plant and beautify, especially Jean Britton, Carole Marrie, Joe Doran, Peter Gall, Marge Eisenberg, and Patsy Mills.



In addition, thank you to all the volunteers and committee members that have given of their time this year for Mayfield Village. Your hard work and effort has not gone unnoticed. Finally, I am in my final year of my term and will be up for re-election in November of this year. I thank you all for the

opportunity to serve you during these last 4 years and welcome the opportunity to serve as Council-At-Large for the next 4 years. Call upon me for any questions, comments, kudos or concerns you may have.



THOMAS J. MARRIE
Council At Large

Congratulations to Cheryl Garinger (Fire Department) on her recent award for her outstanding

leadership on managing the MiPod project which was a great success.

Our Village was beautifully decorated again this past holiday season. Special thanks to two great groups, our Service Department associates and the ladies from the Garden Club. Thanks to all of you for your time and effort.

The annual Christmas & Holiday Party held on December 9th was a great success. Santa (Dave Perout) was terrific. The Recreation Board members work hard to make this event very special for the kids and their effort is truly appreciated. Thanks also to Danielle Echt, Tommy Betsa, Mike Buckholtz, and Kristen Rinker for their assistance.

Last fall we had 260 boys and girls playing basketball in the MBA program and 35 more playing in a traveling league. We also have 7 teams in each of the Men's 18+ and 35+ basketball leagues. The Men's 18+ and 35+ baseball leagues didn't finish their regular season due to wet weather. We have about 25 6th – 8th graders in a bowling league. The Red Storm Team was the winner in the Fall Coed Soccer League.

Youth and adult baseball will be in full swing in the very near future. Weather permitting we should have the pool painted for use this summer. The new

rubberized surface at the playground has been installed. This should help many of our residents enjoy the summer months.

Congratulations to Bill Thomas, our Recreation Director along with his assistants Danielle Echt, Sean Supler, and our Recreation Board on receiving a prestigious award at the World Recreation Conference for our Therapeutic Adaptive Program.

Our thanks to Ralph Vara for all his work and effort organizing our 4th of July fireworks display which is sure to be terrific again.

Our associates in the Service Department performed another great year of leaf pick up. The snow stayed away making it just a little easier for us.

It's great to see students from Notre Dame Cathedral Latin's High School and Mayfield High School's government class attending council meetings. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend council meetings, because your input is important: it's your Village.

Plans are being worked on for the new pavilion at Wiley Park since the old one has seen better days.



DR. STEPHAN PARKER
Council Ward 3

WINTER GREETINGS to all our residents. I hope everyone had a warm and peaceful holiday season.

The weather was unseasonably warm this November and December, but most of us will take it. While I enjoy the extended relief from the sometimes harsh Cleveland winter, it would have been nice to see a dusting of snow at the holidays. As always, the holiday tree lighting and menorah lighting ceremonies continue to be wonderful events. I am always impressed with the

classy holiday display our Village has - one that embraces all of our residents and one that our residents can be proud of. A special thanks to our department staff and the volunteers who helped out with the various decorating and ceremonies.

COUNCIL CONTINUES TO WORK HARD on many issues. The new Progressive complex continues to work through its preliminary details. Hopefully all the necessary pre-construction issues can be resolved so that work can proceed this spring or summer. It should be a fine business complex that Mayfield Village can be proud of. Beta Drive continues to undergo a transformation. We are trying to attract both high tech companies and businesses that can provide valuable services to the surrounding communities. Council will continue to explore ways to bring quality companies and tax dollars to our community.

WORK ON THE HIGHLAND ROAD UNDERPASS should commence this Spring. The road may be closed to traffic for approximately a 40 day period, however the closure would allow the project to be completed much sooner and at a reduced cost. We hope this will not inconvenience anyone too greatly.

IN PRIOR MONTHS THE BEECH HILL NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS AND SEWERS have been questioned. Be assured that the Village continually evaluates areas for road and sewer improvement needs. Our Service Director has done an excellent job, in cooperation with our Village Engineer, in evaluating our needs and prioritizing projects so that we can continue to improve our infrastructure in a systematic and sensible way. While our attempts at acquiring all available state and federal funding and grants for such projects remains an important and sometimes complicated effort, safety

remains our utmost priority. We have been assured by the Service director that the streets and sewers are safe and will be addressed in the appropriate timeframe. As always, we welcome resident's questions and concerns.

COUNCIL has once again convened after our holiday break. January is always a busy month with extra meetings. Congratulations to Bill Buckholtz on being re-elected Council President, and Tom Marrie on being re-elected president pro-tem. We look forward to a very productive year as we continue to work together to make Mayfield Village the best place to live.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME INVOLVED? Ward 3 has many residents who donate their time on various committees. If you would be interested in participating in your community on a committee, please call Mary Beth at the Civic Center (or me) to find out what committees are available. There are many to choose from. We welcome your participation and will make every effort to find a place for you to help out and be involved.

SPRINGTIME WILL SOON BE UPON US. We are in the process of planning our annual events and hope that you will attend many of these events. Our Recreation Department has many activities and programs designed for all ages. If you need a Parks and Recreation brochure or would like information, please call the Recreation Department. The leaf mulch program continues to grow in popularity. If you would like to receive leaf mulch from the service department, please remember to call early to get on the delivery list. It's a perennial favorite and the list grows longer each year. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me or the Civic Center. Many of the positive changes that happen in our village are initiated by a single call or note from a concerned citizen. Your voice will be heard.

WISHING ALL WARD 3 AND VILLAGE RESIDENTS a wonderful and warm winter. We are all looking forward to the sights and sounds of spring - just a few short months away.



PATRICK J. DEARDEN
Police Chief

On a daily basis we continue to receive an alarming number of calls relating to children being left in cars

unattended. A recent mailing from a national organization called **KIDS IN CARS** provides some simple safety tips for parents:

- * Children should never be left alone in a vehicle, even to run a quick errand.
- * Try to use drive-through services, where available, rather than leaving your auto.
- * Make advance arrangements or plan extra time when dropping off or picking up your children to insure they are safely escorted to their destination.
- * Use debit/credit cards at the gas pump rather than going inside to pay.
- * Keep vehicles locked at all times, even in the garage or driveway.
- * Never leaves keys within reach of children.
- * Make sure all young passengers have left your car after it is parked.
- * Teach children not to play in or around vehicles.
- * Consider installing a backup device.
- * When a child is missing, check vehicles & trunks immediately.
- * If a child becomes locked inside, get them out as quickly as possible.

The Mayfield Village Police Department will respond to assist in unlocking your

doors if this situation occurs. Should you wish more information on this topic KIDS IN CARS can be contacted at www.kidsincars.org. **PLEASE MAKE CHILD SAFETY YOUR #1 PRIORITY.**



DAVID R. MOHR
Fire Chief

A disaster is something most people do not think about. In Mayfield Village we are fortunate to live in an area not susceptible to hurricanes and earthquakes. However, we are faced with severe thunderstorms, blizzard conditions or ice storms. You may remember during the summer of 1994 areas of the Village were without electrical power for 4 days. In 2003, the Great Black Out caused an electrical power disruption for 24 hours.

Disasters can happen anytime and anywhere. When a disaster strikes, you may not have time to respond. A highway spill or hazardous material incident could mean evacuation; winter or ice storm could confine your family at home for days. Unfortunately, in today's world, the threat of terror must be included in a home disaster plan.

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

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

PREPARE YOUR KIT The following supplies are suggested by the Federal

Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

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

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

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

POSSIBLE CONTAINERS INCLUDE

- ☉ A large, covered trash container
- ☉ A camping backpack
- ☉ A duffle bag

WATER

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

☉ Store one gallon of water per person per day.

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

FOOD

☉ Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking, and little or no water. If you

must heat food, pack a can of sterno. Select food items that are compact and lightweight. *Include a selection of the following foods in your Disaster Supplies Kit: Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, and vegetables.

FIRST AID KIT Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for each car. A first aid kit* should include:

- ☉ Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes
- ☉ Assorted sizes of safety pins
- ☉ Cleansing agent/soap
- ☉ Latex gloves (2 pairs)
- ☉ Sunscreen
- ☉ 2-inch sterile gauze pads (4-6)
- ☉ 4-inch sterile gauze pads (4-6)
- ☉ Triangular bandages (3)
- ☉ Non-prescription drugs
- ☉ 2-inch sterile roller bandages (3 rolls)
- ☉ 3-inch sterile roller bandages (3 rolls)
- ☉ Scissors
- ☉ Tweezers
- ☉ Needle
- ☉ Moistened Towelettes
- ☉ Antiseptic
- ☉ Thermometer
- ☉ Tongue blades (2)
- ☉ Tube of petroleum jelly or other lubricant

NON-PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

- ☉ Aspirin or non aspirin pain reliever
- ☉ Anti-diarrhea medication
- ☉ Antacid (for stomach upset)

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

- ☉ Laxative

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

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES

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

- ☉ Emergency preparedness manual*

- ☉ Battery-operated radio and extra batteries*

- ☉ Flashlight and extra batteries*

- ☉ Cash or traveler's checks, change*

- ☉ Non-electric can opener, utility knife*

- ☉ Fire extinguisher: small canister ABC type

- ☉ Tube tent

- ☉ Pliers

- ☉ Tape

- ☉ Compass

- ☉ Matches in a waterproof container

- ☉ Aluminum foil

- ☉ Plastic storage containers

- ☉ Signal flare

- ☉ Paper, pencil

- ☉ Needles, thread

- ☉ Medicine dropper

- ☉ Shut-off wrench, to turn off household gas and water

- ☉ Whistle

- ☉ Plastic sheeting

- ☉ Map of the area (for locating shelters)

SANITATION

- ☉ Toilet paper, towelettes*

- ☉ Soap, liquid detergent*

- ☉ Feminine supplies*

- ☉ Personal hygiene items*

- ☉ Plastic garbage bags, ties (for personal sanitation uses)

- ☉ Plastic bucket with tight lid

- ☉ Disinfectant

- ☉ Household chlorine bleach

CLOTHING AND BEDDING

- ☉ *Include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person.

- ☉ Sturdy shoes or work boots*

- ☉ Rain gear*

- ☉ Blankets or sleeping bags*

- ☉ Hat and gloves

- ☉ Thermal underwear

- ☉ Sunglasses

SPECIAL ITEMS

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

FOR BABY*

- ☉ Formula

- ☉ Diapers

- ☉ Bottles

- ☉ Powdered milk

- ☉ Medications

FOR ADULTS*

- ☉ Heart and high blood pressure medication

- ☉ Insulin

- ☉ Prescription drugs

- ☉ Denture needs

- ☉ Contact lenses and supplies

ENTERTAINMENT

- ☉ Games and books

IMPORTANT FAMILY DOCUMENTS

Keep these records in a waterproof, portable container:

- ☉ Will, insurance policies, contracts deeds, stocks and bonds

- ☉ Passports, social security cards, immunization records

- ☉ Bank account numbers

- ☉ Credit card account numbers and companies

- ☉ Inventory of valuable household goods, important telephone numbers

- ☉ Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates) Store your kit in a convenient place known to all family members. Keep a smaller version of the Disaster Supplies Kit in the trunk of your car.

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

Ask your physician or pharmacist about storing prescription medications.

HIGHWAY ADVISORY RADIO SYSTEM

Mayfield Village recently purchased a Highway Advisory Radio System to be used as a community radio station. The transmitter broadcasts at **1640** on the A.M. radio band.

This radio station will be used for emergency civil defense announcements, Mayfield Village community information and Village



events and activities. The primary objective for this radio station is to provide Mayfield Village residents information in the event of an emergency. Currently Beachwood, Pepper Pike and Solon are successfully using this radio station to keep their residents informed of local issues.

An additional advantage of this service includes a severe weather warning option that would preempt and broadcast the specific weather warnings for our communities.



DOUG METZUNG
Service Director

MULCH: Once again this spring, the Mayfield Village Service Department will be delivering, free of charge, up to 4 yards of mulch and/or wood chips to all residents who request it. Deliveries will begin in late May and will continue until we get to the end of the list or we run out, whichever comes first.

We will begin taking orders on March 1st. Call the Service Department at 440-442-5506 to get your name on the list. Deliveries will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be a limited supply of wood chips this year, so get your name on the list early.

Remember—there is no spring leaf collection.

TRASH COLLECTION & RECYCLING:

I am pleased to report that many residents took note of my last article regarding trash collection and have been calling the Service Dept. to report the disposal of large and heavy items several days before collection. This has resulted in a much smoother collection process and we thank you for your assistance.

In this issue of the Voice of the Village is the list of recycling events for the year. On various dates during the year, in cooperation with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District, we will be collecting computers, household hazardous waste and scrap tires. Please note these dates on your calendar and take advantage of them to get these items out of your basement or garage and disposed of properly. Also, remember that used motor oil is accepted year-round at the Service Department.

The Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District is a great resource for environmental and recycling information. They provide information on everything from “backyard composting” to “how to stop unwanted mail” to “clothing donation” on their website at www.cuyahogaswd.org. I encourage everyone to check them out to learn more about what is being done in Cuyahoga County to reduce the amount of waste being disposed of in Ohio’s landfills.

Recreation Corner

BY: BILL THOMAS
Recreation Director

With our real winter finally arriving 2 ½ months late (balmy or rainy weather November through mid January), we can now start wishing for spring flowers, outdoor activities, and swimming at Parkview Pool.

To help you get in the mood, look for the Spring/Summer Brochure to arrive in your mailbox within the first few weeks of March.

Some new programs’ highlights include a variety of day excursions to Kingswood Gardens in Mansfield for Spring Flower Festival, Station Dinner Theatre in Erie, PA, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Point Shores, Michigan, Lake Chautauqua for tour,

boat cruise and lunch, our many casino trips and adventurous White Water Rafting.

For our youth who always wanted to build a rocket and shoot it off, look for Rocket Man and for our young teens (7th – 9th grade) A Super Friday Night Special with kickball, dodgeball, wiffleball, disc golf, volleyball, cornhole and ultimate frisbee during 4 Fridays.

For anyone 8 years old to 92 who wanted to learn how to scuba dive, Parkview Pool in cooperation with *Just Add Water*, will be offering scuba class in a variety of formats. Discover Scuba is for all ages 8 years and older who want to learn the basics, to Kids Scuba camp for 10 – 14 years, Seal Team for 8 years and up and the scuba classes that lead to certification that are completed in three days!

The Adaptive Committee continues to offer an expanded fun Friday night option for individuals with physical, sensory or developmental disabilities. This includes Cosmic Bowling, a Captains game complete with fireworks, and a splash party and picnic at Parkview Pool. In addition, look for the popular programs like our kickball and beach volleyball leagues.

We also have a weekend of scrapbooking for those 21 years and older and a program with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District for teenagers. There is much more that we offer so please look through the brochure and call us with any questions. Don’t forget to sign up for classes before the registration deadline if possible. If we don’t have enough participants signed up by the deadline then we will have to cancel and we would rather not have to do that.

We only have a few months left of real winter so look for the Spring/Summer Parks and Recreation Brochure and get ready to recreate!

Lyndhurst Municipal Court

BY: JUDGE MARY KAYE BOZZA

Judge Bozza recently concluded her 8-year service as a member of the Ohio Supreme Court's Commission on Professionalism. The Commission's most significant contribution to the legal community is the implementation of the Lawyer-to-Lawyer Mentoring Program. Judge Bozza is proud to announce she will be mentoring Belinda Gest, a resident of Richmond Heights, who was admitted to the Ohio Bar in November of 2006. The Court welcomes Belinda, as she will be shadowing Judge Bozza throughout 2007.

Judge Bozza addressed the student body at Regina High School in November of 2006 regarding safety issues and alcohol awareness. The students were very interested in the civil and criminal liability that attaches to hosting teenage parties if alcohol is involved.

Eva Marie Szabo from Mayfield High School brought her Criminal Justice class to the Court on December 5, 2006. This was an excellent field trip for them, and perhaps will spark an interest in their further education of the law. She plans to make this opportunity a yearly event.

Bob Bell from Brush High School brought 30 of his "Step Up" students to observe Court proceedings on November 5, 2006. These students participate in an accelerated honor program. They took full advantage of the question and answer session with Judge Bozza, after Court was concluded.

It is time for applications for senior projects and internship opportunities. The Court has limited space for these projects, internships and mentoring programs for spring 2007. We currently have four openings. Please call Patti Anderson at 440.461.6500

extension 205 if you have an interest in any of these opportunities.

The latest presentation of the Court's Community Outreach Program "Make the Right Choice" for the male audience was held on January 26, 2007 at the Lyndhurst Community Center. This presentation continues to educate the community about the serious consequences of driving under the influence. The audience was comprised of about 80 male alcohol related offenders. Judge Bozza's "Make the Right Choice" female audience was held on March 2, 2007.

The court is proceeding with the computerization of the Probation Department. This new implementation of our software program is designed to facilitate case management of defendants who are being supervised by the Lyndhurst Municipal Court Probation Department.

The Court said goodbye to bailiffs Ray Villani and Joe Capasso who retired at the end of 2006. Judge Bozza and staff welcomes our new bailiffs Dave Watson and Kevin Bergem to the Lyndhurst Municipal Court.

For additional information about the Lyndhurst Municipal Court, its community outreach programs, or to invite Judge Bozza to be a guest speaker at your favorite group or organization please call Patti Anderson at (440) 461-6500 ext. 205 or visit our website at www.lyndhurstmunicipalcourt.org.

Mayfield Village Prosecutor

BY: VINCE FEUDO

BEWARE OF ADVANCE FEE SCAMS

As of 1996 a worldwide scam that is still in existence today has garnered over five billion dollars. It is referred to as "Advance Fee Fraud" or "419 Fraud". Most "Advance Fee Fraud" letters and emails originate from, or are traceable

back to Canada, Great Britain, Nigeria and the United States.

Here are some of the ways you can identify advance fee scams: (1) the victim receives an unsolicited fax, email, or letter concerning either a money laundering or another illegal proposal; (2) the victim receives an apparently legal and legitimate business proposal by normal channels of communication, such as "over-invoiced" or "double invoiced" crude oil or other supply and service contracts where the perpetrators want to get an overage out of a foreign country; or (3) the victim receives a purported "bequest" left to them in a will.

The common thread in all of the scam variations is that at some point, the victim is asked to **PAY MONEY UP FRONT**, be it an "Advance Fee", "Transfer Tax", or "Performance Bond" in order to extend credit or grant "COD" privileges. If the victim pays the fee, the scammers create additional phony "complications" which require still more advance payments until the victim either quits, runs out of money, or both.

If you receive any communication which you suspect may involve one of these scams you should take the following course of action to protect yourself and others:

If you are a United States citizen or resident and **HAVE SUFFERED NO FINANCIAL LOSS** write "No Financial Loss - For Your Database" on the documents you received and either fax them to the U.S. Secret Service 419 Task Force at 202.406.9450 or mail them to U.S. Secret Service, Financial Crimes Division, 950 H Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001. Actual hardcopy of the scam document(s) is required to add the information to the Task Force Database for legal reasons. Merely telling Task Force about it will not suffice. You may also email the

documents, especially any banking data the perpetrators may have given you, marked "No Loss" to 419.fcd@ussf.treas.gov.

Similarly, if you are a United States citizen or resident **BUT YOU HAVE SUFFERED A FINANCIAL LOSS** you may contact the main Secret Service office in Washington at 202.435.5850 or the local Cleveland field office at 216.706.4365. You may also file a complaint via the web with the Internet Crime Complaint Center at <http://www.ic3.gov/>, which is a partnership of the National White Collar Crime Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it isn't.

Citizen's Advisory Committee

BY: JIM MASON

The newly appointed/re-appointed Committee is working closely with our citizens & neighborhood associations on projects and programs to add value for all of us.

We welcome all our citizens' comments & ideas on ways to continue improving the quality of life in our Village. Many of your suggestions have been implemented be it improved signage, landscaping, quicker response to service calls – we thank you for letting us hear from you & we welcome your active participation in our efforts.

We look forward to an active & energetic year in 2007 – all our collective efforts will ensure that our community will continue to prosper. Our committee meets on a monthly basis to not only get updates on projects & programs but to insure our citizens that their concerns are being reviewed and acted upon by other citizens of Mayfield Village.

ABC Community Quilts

BY: SHIRLEY SHATTEN

We delivered many attractive quilts to Mt. Zion Baptist Church near the Cleveland Clinic. Linda Newsome is in charge of helping people of all ages in her community. She has been coming to speak with our students since we started our program over ten years ago. She lets the students know how our donations help.

This year we had a first. Two mothers of our fifth graders joined us because their children asked them to come and visit. They came for lunch with their children and had such a good time that they have joined us. They have volunteered to take some of the designed quilts home and sew the squares together. Aren't we lucky?

Our group is always happy to welcome new people. This makes us able to make more quilts to donate.

Observations of a Wetland Walker

BY: WALLY MUELLER

I often hear the statement, that not much wildlife is seen when walking the Wetland. I guess that can happen but it rarely happens to me. Most of my walks occur near dawn and dusk when more activity happens. Many sightings are heard first then observed, so let your ears be like your eyes.

What is seen in the Wetland? Here are a few examples:

In the spring, the male woodcock calls in the meadow area. At dusk, he begins his calls and performs a rather dazzling aerial display. As the sky darkens, one needs a flashlight to observe this unusual behavior, and watch his return to his nesting site.

One June day walking the trail towards the gabion dam, I encountered a rather large snapping turtle digging a nest in the path. She laid her eggs and then covered the nest with gravel from the path. Three months later, we had the thrill of watching young turtles emerge from the nest.

Early in May, the call of the Baltimore Oriole is heard. This is a bird that builds a sac-like nest high in the treetops. The weaving involved is amazing, and only takes a couple of days. Later in the fall when nesting is over, and the trees shed their leaves, the nest can be observed. The last two years when winds blew the nests to the ground, I found the nests on the ground below the trees. Our naturalist partners at North Chagrin Metroparks use the nests in their educational presentations.

Unfortunately, a dead fox was found last spring, and taken to the Metroparks for identification. It was identified as a gray fox – very unusual for this area. I learned that a study has been ongoing in Geauga County, because of the lack of sightings over the past few years. The fox was mounted, and is now part of the North Chagrin collection.

I have also encountered other



mammals, such as deer, coyotes, mink, and raccoons. Over 100 different

species of birds, that migrate through the Wetland or make their homes there have been observed and recorded on the bird list found in the kiosk box.

Mammals frequently observed in the Wetland are deer. The picture (on previous page) is evidence of a beautiful eight-point buck standing off the trail. I also encounter deer nestled on the ground.

Bring binoculars for closer observation. It's a great feeling to know that many kinds of wildlife depend on this area for their survival.

Wetlands Committee

BY: KAREN MUELLER

About 40 brave individuals attended the annual Winter Solstice program. Steve LaBuda created his usual roaring bon fire, even in the rainy weather. Patsy Mills and Elsa Simek, from the Activities Committee cooked up some delicious hot dogs, Deb Marcinski and Beth Stickley led some more brave families on a Wetland walk, and Wally Mueller gave a brief presentation about the meaning of the solstice.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CIVIC CENTER STAFF FOR ALL THEIR HELP.

Two events for the spring will be:

FRIDAY, MARCH 30, AT 8:00 P.M., an Amphibian evening program will take place in the Wetland. Hopefully, spring peepers will entertain participants as we walk and listen for the signs of spring. Please call 44.461.5163 to let us know you are coming.

SATURDAY, MAY 12, AT 7:30 A.M., Wally and Karen Mueller will lead their annual bird migration walk. Please call 440.461.5163 to let us know you are coming.

Kenwood Homeowners'

BY: MICKEY EVANS

Holiday lighting was beautiful in the Kenwood area—thanks to all of you who illuminated your homes for all of us to enjoy! **JEAN BRITTON, CAROLE AND TOM MARRIE, AND PATSY MILLS**, as our bowmaker, made all our entrances festive as well with the beautiful green wreaths they hung. You never let us down in the beautification of our Kenwood area.

Winding up the winter activities was our theatre party at Chagrin Little Theatre—"No Sex Please, We're British"—an enjoyable evening for all of the Kenwood Homeowners group who attended. It was a GREAT comedy with lots of chuckles, and thanks to **LARRY EVANS AND NANCY CAPPS** for their help in organizing this. Just what we needed to help with the winter doldrums that often set in after the holidays.

Now with winter behind us, we can turn our thoughts to spring, which we hope will be early this year since winter was so mild. We're looking forward to our **ANNUAL MEETING on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18 AT 7:30 P.M.**, at the **COMMUNITY ROOM** with an update on the village by **MAYOR RINKER**. Circle the date now; enjoy getting together with your neighbors on that evening, savor the tasty desserts and beverages, and find out what's going on around town. You'll be getting an information flyer from our Communications person, **LINDA LINCOLN**, as the date comes closer.

By the time you read this, hopefully you'll be thinking of putting that snow equipment away and will be watching for the bulbs to start their way up through the garden spots. And watch for the bulbs to sprout around the gazebo, also—**PATSY MILLS** had a

part in that, too, along with the Beautification Committee of the village.

Enjoy the sights around the neighborhood!



Worton Park Homeowners'

BY: NANCY JOHNSON

The warm weather in November and December provided the opportunity for many of our neighbors to put up great light displays for the holidays. Wreaths adorned the street signs and the newly renovated bridge on Worton Park Drive, thanks to the **DECORATIONS COMMITTEE**.

Noteworthy events for early 2007 included a night out at the Boneyard for the adults and distribution of the updated neighborhood Directory.

We bid farewell to some beloved neighbors and welcome newcomers.

After several years as Association President, **TED WETZEL** has passed the baton to me. I will try to carry on the great momentum that Ted and rest of our leaders have begun.

Our annual social calendar consists of an event in February, the Block Party in June, Annual Garage Sale in August, and Clam Bake/Annual Meeting in October. In between, we fit in quarterly meetings to plan these events and conduct other business. Annual dues are collected in early fall.

We still have some street rep and officer vacancies to fill. There are several committees that can use extra hands and minds as well. If you are looking to become involved, there is a place for you -- please contact myself or any street rep.

A Combined Effort Among Many

BY: DANIELLE ECHT

Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation Department works closely with many groups and individuals to develop programs for Village Residents and Mayfield School District Residents. These people are involved in the planning process, implementation, supervising, coaching, volunteering, and evaluation of the various programs. Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation Department depends on a large list of individuals to create quality programs for people of all ages and abilities.

The interaction among the Service Department staff and Recreation staff is crucial, especially during the warmer months when most of the Mayfield Village programs and events are outside. Bill, Sean and myself also work closely with the other departments in Mayfield Village. The communication among the various departments is critical to the overall function of the Village. The Administration, Finance, Building and Service Departments help us create and maintain various programs.

Our department constantly meets with the Recreation Board and other specialized committees for all of the programs offered. The Recreation Board Members play a key role in planning and volunteering during the seasonal parties for Village Residents. They also give us feedback about programs and facilities. The Adaptive Recreation Committee is a smaller committee which helps with special needs programming. Without this committee, there would not be Adaptive Recreation programs. Many in this group are parents of special needs children or teachers at the Mayfield Schools who work directly with this population. Bill and myself also sit on the Activities Committee where ideas for 50's Cruise

Night, the Fourth of July Celebration and other traditional Village events are exchanged and evaluated. There is a committee for the designing and updating of recreational facilities and a committee for the Summer Sizzler Swim Meet. There is even a committee for the dedicated soccer fields and one for the youth track meet! All of the members from each committee works hard and is dedicated to Mayfield Village.

Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation Department has established positive relationships with the school boards and staff, surrounding recreation department staff as well as local and surrounding businesses members. We co-op with Mayfield Community Education and Recreation and Mayfield Heights Recreation Departments quite often. This allows us to offer more programs and trips to you and allows us to reach a larger population of School District Residents. The schools allow us to use their facilities during the winter months. We've combined efforts with Willowick, Eastlake and West Geauga to continue offering boys slow pitch softball. Our department partners up with local businesses such as Spirit of Clay to jointly offer classes and we've coordinated horseback riding with Maypine for several years. The relationships are yet another key component for the programs that come out of this parks and recreation department!

After we brainstorm and plan with the various departments and committees, schools and other organizations, we have one more final step to make sure the program goes and that is when we rely heavily on our instructors and coaches...mostly which are volunteers! There are instructors for the adaptive programs, chess, therapy dog class, and swimming programs. There are volunteer coordinators for the track meet, girls volleyball, Start Smart, adaptive kickball and the triathlon.

And then there are just "volunteers". These volunteers are everywhere, at almost every program and doing a multitude of tasks. You may see them coaching softball or basketball, passing out water during the Debbie Hudacko Walk/Run, running hospitality or taking pictures during the Sizzler, chaperoning the Wildcat Teen Halloween event and/or directing participants during the triathlon. These people are the backbone of our programs because we simply could not have a majority of our programs without volunteers.

MAYFIELD VILLAGE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

MISSION STATEMENT: Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation Department's mission is to coordinate with members of the Mayfield Village Recreation Board, residents, volunteers, Mayfield Community Education (Mayfield City Schools), and surrounding recreation departments to develop a wide variety of recreation activities and programs for citizens of Mayfield Village and the Mayfield City School District. Through these programs the department will promote a "sense of community", promote health and wellness, and provide a positive learning experience for all participants.

Bill, Sean, and myself work hard to coordinate programs and get everything in order and ready to go. But without the above mentioned groups, individuals, and even those that may have been accidentally forgotten...there wouldn't be any programs and/or special events. All of our fellow employees, committee members, instructors, coordinators, volunteers, surrounding recreation counterparts and partnerships help us as a department align with our Mission Statement. We appreciate everyone's efforts!

Supler Sports Section

BY: SEAN SUPLER

The 8th season of the MBA is in full swing and all signs point to yet another successful year. We have a total of 260 kids divided among 28 teams depending on their grade level. Our Girls 6th-8th grade league started their season off in November and finished in mid December with the Hawks being crowned 2006 Champions. All other leagues including Girls 4th-5th and Boys 3rd-4th, 5th-6th and 7th-8th started in January and will finish up in March. The MBA program would not be possible without our coaches who volunteer their time to teach players the fundamentals of basketball. So thank you coaches, we really and truly appreciate everything you do for us.

Looking ahead to the Spring/Summer Season, registration for Adult Softball, Bocce, and Soccer are open so please feel free to contact us about signing up. We will also be starting our first ever Wiffle Ball League for adults ages 18+, so come join this new fun and exciting league. We look forward to another sports filled season!

Holiday Activities Revisited

BY: DANIELLE ECHT

The Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony was one of the traditional holiday events in Mayfield Village. Groups from Center School and Mayfield High School wore Santa hats while singing and playing a variety of winter holiday songs. Many Village residents showed up to the event despite the cold to enjoy the sounds of the season and to mingle with friends, family, and neighbors. Mayor Rinker made a few brief announcements and wished everyone a happy holiday season. Santa made an appearance wishing everyone a Merry Christmas while handing out red and green popcorn balls. His elves were also

on hand to pass out candy canes. Donuts and hot chocolate were available to the residents. There wasn't any snow on the ground that day but it was definitely cold-it began snowing lightly during the event. It was a nice evening with beautiful music and decorations and a highly anticipated event among the residents and their families.

The next activities all took place on the same day so it was a very busy day for Santa Claus, the elves and other volunteers from various committees and departments. December 9th was another beautiful day in Mayfield Village. Santa started off by hopping on the fire truck while the reindeer rested in the Metroparks, so that he could visit all the families and individuals in Mayfield Village. He started at 10:30 a.m. and rode through the entire Village, stopping to pass out more popcorn balls while visiting with residents. After his travels from St. Bartholomew's to Mayfield High School (and everywhere in between), Santa was on his way to the Youth Holiday Party in the Mayfield Village Civic Center. Jolly Old St. Nick arrived to the building earlier than expected but several families were already there anxiously awaiting his arrival. Santa Claus walked into Civic Hall and the kids immediately stopped working on their crafts or put their cookies and punch down to observe Santa's every move. Shortly after his arrival, more and more excited kids with their families arrived. Each child took a turn sitting on Santa's lap as they had their picture taken and received a small gift from the elves. The final event for the day was the musical tones of the Singing Angels at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center. The Angels arrived early so that they could rehearse and get ready for their holiday performance. Volunteers made sure they were all set before the show began and then the singing began. It was a full house and the world

renowned Singing Angels gave another stellar performance. A small reception was held in the Civic Hall afterwards for all that attended. It was a great ending to a day full of family, friends and traditions.

The Menorah Lighting took place on Friday, December 15. The ceremony was held near the gazebo to start with and was coordinated by Michael Wolfe. As the first candle was lit, participants gathered near the menorah to sing songs and to recite the story of Hanukkah. After that the group continued on to Civic Hall to continue the celebration with donuts, juice, cocoa, coffee and latkes. The residents who participated in the event had a nice evening to gather outside and enjoyed the Hanukkah celebration.



SPECIAL THANK YOU'S to some Village employees and committee members who had a key role in the planning and implementation of these events: Activities Committee for the Tree Lighting and Singing Angels, Recreation Board for the Youth Winter Holiday Party, Diane Wolgamuth and the Service Department who helped plan, set up, and take down for every event, Michael Wolfe for the Menorah Lighting, and Debbie Thomas and Mary Beth Betsa from the Administrative Offices who were on hand and behind the scenes coordinating each event along with the committee members. Thank you to all who attended the events and we look forward to seeing you all soon!

Human Services/ Commission on Aging

BY: EUNICE G. KALINA, M.A.

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

Our department sends newsletters to those persons on our mailing list. If you are not on the list, you may be missing activities, programs, and trips scheduled between issues of the Voice of the Village and the Parks & Recreation Brochure. Contact us at 440.919.2332 to put your name on the list. (If you received the Winter Human Services' Newsletter, you are already on our list.)

Are your **INCOME TAX** forms completed? If you need some help perhaps **AARP** can offer the assistance you need. Tax counselors will be available in our Community Room Monday, April 9. Call our office 440.919.2332 to schedule an appointment and learn what documents you must bring to the appointment. This service is available to persons who are at least 60 years of age.

AARP will offer a **SAFE DRIVING** class (2 sessions) in our Community Room for licensed drivers who are at least 50 years of age. The program will be Wednesdays, June 6 and June 13 from 12:30-4:30 p.m. The fee is \$10 and checks should be payable to AARP. Many insurance companies offer a discount to persons who have completed this course. The deadline for registration is Friday, May 25.

TRIPS

If you missed our holiday party or our winter trips to Oglebay's light display and Carousel's production of **SINGING**

IN THE RAIN, you will want to pay special attention to our upcoming outings and events so as not to be left out of these great excursions.

DIANA

Wednesday, April 18. Enjoy the award-winning exhibition celebrating the life of Princess Diana at the Western Reserve Historical Society. View her wedding gown, 28 designer dresses and rare home movies.

Lunch will be at Tommy's in the Coventry area (with time for browsing the shops unique to this area). Choose from a vast and varied menu and pay individually. Selections range from soups, salads, wraps, sandwiches, spinach pies, and assorted egg dishes or falafel.

Weather permitting, we will make a stop at Lake View Cemetery to view Daffodil Hill on our return.

We will leave from the Civic Center at 10:30 a.m. and return at approximately 4 p.m. The cost for this trip is \$28. If you wish to rent the audio accompanying the tour at the museum the additional \$4.50 is payable the day of the trip.

GLENN MILLER

Wednesday, May 23 we will travel to the Palace Theatre for a musical program by the "official" Glenn Miller orchestra. Please contact our office at 440.919.2332 for further details.

LET FREEDOM RING

Begin the Fourth of July holiday by joining us on a trip to the Station Dinner Theatre in Erie, Pennsylvania for a luncheon of southern baked chicken or Yankee pot roast accompanied by appetizer, dessert, tea, coffee, or iced tea. Lunch will be followed by a patriotic musical show including tunes by John Philip Sousa, Irving Berlin and others.

We will leave from the Civic Center at 10 a.m. and return at approximately 5 p.m. The cost for the day is \$50. Contact our office at 440.919.2332 to reserve your spot.

25TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Saturday, May 19 our anniversary party will celebrate the 25th year of our Senior group. Mark your calendars now for this extra-special event which will be in our Community Room from 1 to 4 p.m. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. As always there is no charge for this event which is for Mayfield Village residents who are at least 60 years of age. There will be appetizers, lunch, favors, entertainment, and door prizes.

Reservations can be made by calling 440.919.2332 by May 11. We look forward to celebrating with you at this special event.

TRANSPORTATION

The study of transportation in our community for seniors or those with disabilities continues. We would welcome our readers' input on this important matter. Please contact our office 440.919.2332 and advise us of your needs, ideas, and concerns.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

EVERY MONDAY:

Games and Puzzles in the Community Room 1:00-4:00 p.m. Free activity. Monopoly, Scrabble, Sudoku, Mah Jong, Jigsaw puzzles, etc. Light refreshments. No games May 28.

1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS MONTHLY:

Wood Carving in the Community Room. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Cost: 50¢ (Additional charge for wood and tools) Beginners are welcome. Bring fish-filleting gloves, knife, and a current project or start a new one. Contact Don Erickson with questions at 440.461.4030.

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS:

Cards in the Community Room. 1-4 p.m.
Cost: 25¢ Games currently being played include bridge, pinochle, and hand and foot. Light refreshments/occasional lunches. The group recently enjoyed a Valentine luncheon before cards.

3RD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH:

Blood pressures checked at approximately 1:30 p.m. by MV Fire Department members.

1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS MONTHLY:

Movie Matinée at Governor's Village, 280 North Commons Blvd. 2-4 p.m. Free. Call our office, 440.919.2332, to learn the current offering.

MEALS ON WHEELS**HOMEBOUND OR RECOVERING FROM SURGERY? HILLCREST MEALS ON WHEELS CAN HELP.**

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

MEALS ON WHEELS NEEDS YOU

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

CLASSES**COMPUTER TRAINING**

A new series of computer training classes taught by WebWise Seniors © in cooperation with MV Human Services Department began January 18. In addition to the classes offered last fall, the new schedule includes: Basic Word Processing Using Microsoft Word 1 & 2;

Microsoft Excel 1 & 2; Buying and Selling on e-Bay 1 & 2; and Basic Digital Cameras 1 & 2. The cost for each two-part series is \$39. Classes are hands-on, using the buddy system and are held in the Community Room on Thursday mornings. Each class is limited to 12 total students. Please contact us for information or a flyer with course descriptions, pre-requisite information, and schedule.

Cuyahoga County Public Library, Mayfield Regional**BY: STEVE GALLANT****PROGRAMS**

WOMEN IN HISTORY: ZORA NEALE HURSTON. Saturday, March 10, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. The life of Zora Neale Hurston will be portrayed by an actress who will hold a question and answer session after her performance. On Monday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. the library will show a movie based on the author's novel Their Eyes Were Watching God. Registration is required for each program.

POETRY WRITING WORKSHOP WITH MICHAEL SALINGER. Saturday, March 24, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To register please call the library.

EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT HYDRANGEAS. Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m. A representative of the Cuyahoga County Cooperative Extension Service will present a talk on the different types of hydrangeas, requirements for cultivating and pruning them, and seasonal interests such as drying and using the flowers. Registration is required.

ANTIQUES PROGRAM. Ken Yenke, columnist for the *Sun News*, will present a program on antiques Saturday, April 21 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. After giving a presentation on the evolution of toys from the Victorian era

through the 1900's Mr. Yenke will evaluate toys and other items brought in by the attendees. Each person may bring up to two items or photographs for him to appraise.

SCRAPBOOKING PROGRAM. Patti Stephens will present a workshop on scrapbooking Saturday, April 28 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

THE MONDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION. Monday, March 19, 7:30-8:30. *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls.

BOOK LOVERS' BOOK DISCUSSION. Tuesday, March 27, 2:00-3:00. *The Bookseller of Kabul* by Asne Seierstad.

THE MONDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION. Monday, April 16, 7:30-8:30 p.m. *The Tender Bar* by J.R. Moehringer.

BOOK LOVERS' BOOK DISCUSSION. Tuesday, April 24, 2:00-3:00 p.m. *Three Tall Women* by Edward Albee.

THE MONDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION. Monday, May 21, 7:30-8:30 p.m. *The Dive from Clausen's Pier* by Ann Packer.

BOOK LOVERS' BOOK DISCUSSION. Tuesday, May 22, 2:00-3:00 p.m. *House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros.

CLASSES OFFERED

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

Mayfield Township Historical Society

**BY: RICHARD NEGRELLI,
PRESIDENT**

HAPPY NEW YEAR - 2007

We have an ambitious schedule for the coming year. January is membership month. We need your support and patronage to continue our work and services to the Mayfield Township community.

We began our 31st year with the February 14, 2007 meeting and the election of officers:

Richard Negrelli – President
Elton Leppelmeier – Vice President
Connie Steinberg – Treasurer
Pat Negrelli – Temp/ Secretary

The society will host the Northern Ohio Consortium of Historical Societies on May 5, 2007 at the Mayfield Village Civic Center. We will serve a Luncheon at the Historic House on June 13 for the Daughters of the American Revolution – Shaker Chapter (DAR). We were asked to join the Northeastern Ohio Inter – Museum Council and will be attending some of their meetings, held at Historic sites, throughout the area. Our museum will be in their brochure. We meet to share ideas and sort through problems common to these group efforts, and hope to gain insight into dealing with them.

House chairman Al Muhle assures us that the Print Shop construction is progressing well.

The Quilters have three new quilts underway and will have a lovely 2007 Raffle Quilt ready for the Ice Cream Social in September.

Open House for the Mayfield Township Historic House is on the third Saturday of each month 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tours may be arranged for groups. Fee is

\$3.00 adults and \$1.50 for children.
Call 440.461.0055 or 440.442.2212.

The Mayfield Township Historical Society meets at the Mayfield Village Community Room at 7:30 p.m. with scheduled programs on the following Wednesdays. For more information contact Pat Negrelli at 440.946.2682.

March 14, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. – **“THE VICTORIAN ERA CRAZY QUILTS”** with Laura Loen. Bring your favorite cookies to share.

April 11, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. – **“ARCHIBALD WILLARD IN THE SPIRIT OF ‘76”** with Brent Morgan.

May 9, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. – **“THE HISTORY OF CHESTERLAND & GEauga COUNTY”**. Celebrating their 200th year by Sylvia Wiggins.

We hope to see you at our meetings.

MESSAGE FROM MIPOD

BY: CHERYL GARINGER

I hope everyone had a happy new year and a wonderful holiday season. The MiPod committee is gearing up for another productive year of planning and preparation in the event of a public health emergency. Last year, we exceeded our initial goals. The November 5th, public health emergency drill, performed in conjunction with the senior flu shot programs of the four Mayfield City School district communities, was an overwhelming success. We vaccinated 740 people in 3 hours. Our 220 volunteers were enthusiastic, helpful, and the main reason for the success of the exercise. I am very lucky and thankful to have such dedication from the resident volunteers, to the Mayfield school bus drivers, custodians, and other key school employees. This drill was an incredibly valuable tool for testing our plan, and we learned a lot. I am confident we could activate and

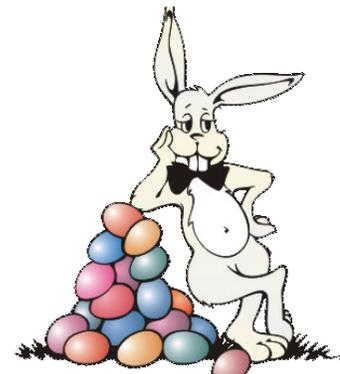
successfully provide this emergency service to the community today.

If you would like to be a volunteer on the MiPod team, please contact Cheryl Garinger at 440.461.1208 or by e-mail at cgaringer@mayfieldvillage.com. Anyone aged 16 and older can be a part of the team.

Spring Party & Egg Hunt

**SATURDAY, MARCH 31
12 NOON - 1:30 P.M.
MAYFIELD VILLAGE
COMMUNITY ROOM**

Village residents & their families are invited to attend! This special event is geared towards 11 year olds & younger. The Easter Bunny will be on hand for pictures, a pizza lunch, cookies & juice will be served and there will be other activities to participate in. The egg hunt will start just after the magic show ends shortly after 1:00 p.m. Come dressed ready to be outdoors for the egg hunt and bring a bag/basket for the eggs!



2007 RECYCLING DATES

Mayfield Village, in cooperation with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District, is sponsoring several recycling events for Village residents. The listed items may be dropped off at the Service Department, 610 S.O.M. Center Road, on the following dates:

COMPUTERS: (including monitors, keyboards, software, & cell phones).

Monday - Friday, April 9 - 13 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 7 & 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday, August 20 - 24 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 18 & 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:

Monday - Friday, April 30 - May 4 from 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 28 & May 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE & SCRAP TIRES:

Monday - Friday, September 3 - 7 from 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 1 & 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ACCEPTED:

OIL OR SOLVENT-BASED PAINT (liquid and aerosol) and related products, including sealers, primers, coatings, varnishes, polyurethane's, shellacs, paint thinner, mineral spirits, turpentine, and spray paint. **LATEX PAINT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND SHOULD BE DRIED OUT AND DISPOSED OF WITH YOUR REGULAR TRASH.**

PESTICIDES (bug & rodent killers), herbicides (weed killers), insecticides (bug killers), & fungicides (mold killers).

Caustic cleaners including oven cleaner, drain cleaner, muriatic acid, etc.

Automotive products, adhesives, roof tar, driveway sealer, motor oil, mercury, kerosene, gasoline, lighter fluid, car/vehicle batteries, fluorescent bulbs.

TELEPHONE BOOKS:

Collected at all Metroparks locations from June 1st to August 31st.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CALL
440.442.5506**

MAKE IT A HABIT...REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE!

2007 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

31 - Recreation Spring Party Lunch & Egg Hunt

MAY

13 - Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast
19 - Commission on Aging Party

JUNE

9 - Cruise Night (Rain Date 6/10)
11 - Teen Adventure Camp Begins
14 - Summer Concerts Begin (Thursdays)
19 - Junior Camp Begins
30 - July 4th Celebration (Rain Date 7/1)
30 - Singing Angels' Special Concert

JULY

8 - 18th Annual Debbie Hudacko Run/Walk
29 - Summer Sizzler Swim Meet

AUGUST

12 - 7th Annual Triathlon
13 - Special Summer Concert - Steel Drums

SEPTEMBER

13 - Summer Concert Ends

OCTOBER

27 - Recreation Halloween Party
31 - Trick or Treating (6:00 - 8:30 p.m.)

NOVEMBER

6 - Election Day
24 - Holiday Craft Show

DECEMBER

2 - Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony
4 - Menorah Lighting Ceremony
8 - Santa Ride through the Village
8 - Recreation Christmas Party
12 - Historical Society Potluck Dinner
15 - Commission on Aging Holiday Party
15 - Singing Angels Concert



New England Music Workshops

Mayfield Village is proud to announce that New England Music Workshops will be at the Civic Center on April 14, 2007. The workshop will feature folk singer and champion fiddler, Lissa Schneckenburger. Lissa started performing at the age of 7. She has six recordings under her belt, including three solo efforts. She has performed around the world including in Russia, Canada, and most of the states. Lissa describes her style as New England fiddling with many Celtic influences. New England fiddling refers to a syntheses of other musical styles (many Celtic based) brought to New England by immigrant

musicians from the 1600's to present day. Besides Ms. Schneckenburger's workshop, other musicians will be conducting workshops at the Civic Center on April 14th. A fee will be charged for each workshop. Please call 216.521.2518 for program details.



FABULOUS 50'S CRUISE NIGHT



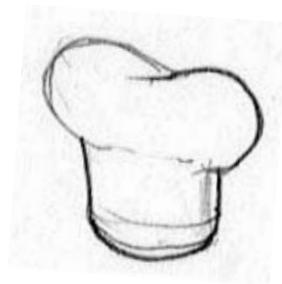
SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2007

6:00 - 10:00 P.M.

(RAIN DATE: JUNE 10)



Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast



Sunday,
May 13, 2007

8:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Pre-Sale:

6 - 12 yr. \$2.50
Senior (60+) \$3.50
Adults \$4.00

At Door:

6 - 12 yr. \$2.50
Senior (60+) \$4.00
Adults \$4.50

Kids 5 & Under

FREE

