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ECC Meeting -
October 12th, 7pm
Council Meeting -
October 19th, 7:30pm

R.G. Cribbet Recreation Hall rental, Community Room rental, Ziegler Park Picnic Shelter reservations, Ziegler Park soccer field use permits.
Call Chandra Buswell, Rec. Dept. Supervisor :

We hope you enjoy this issue of the Fairfax Forum which is published by the Village of Fairfax monthly for the residents and businesses in our village.

Articles and photographs are welcomed. Please contact Chandra Buswell for more information. Photos will not be returned. Due to limited space, the editorial staff reserves the right to select and edit articles for both content and space.

Chandra Buswell
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Nov. deadline - Oct. 20th

Children's Halloween Party

Friday, October 23rd 7pm - 8:30pm Free!

RG Cribbet Recreation Center

GAMES AND ACTIVITIES! GOODIES AND TREATS!

Please bring a snack to share!! NO CANDY!!

Drinks available for sale in the concession stand.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CALL CHANDRA AT 271-8154 TO VOLUNTEER

*This is a family friendly event best suited for preschoolers/young elementary aged children however all are welcome.

OPERA IN THE PARK

THE MARIELDERS and the Cincinnati Opera requests the honor of
your presence at
THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO:
The Essentials
on
Sunday, October 11, 2015
Dogwood Park in Mariemont
4:00pm to 6:00pm
Be sure to RSVP to this light-hearted presentation of Mozart's masterpiece.
Tickets: \$25 for adults
\$5 for children under 12
4:00pm – 5:00pm Dinner served by Smoker EZ
4:30pm Carillon Concert
5:00pm Opera Performance
Tickets available at THE MARIELDERS, 6923 Madisonville Road,
513-271-5588

The Warrior Run

Save the date for this year's race!

The Warrior Run (www.cincywarriorrun.org) promotes the value of good mental and physical health among youth.

5K RUN • 1 MILE WALK • SAT., OCTOBER 10, 2015 • 1 mile at 5:15 pm • 5K at 5:30 pm

Bell Tower @ Dogwood Park, off Pleasant in the Village of Mariemont

The Warrior Run: The Race for Life, an event featuring a 5K race and one-mile walk. Both courses start and finish at the Bell Tower @ Dogwood Park, off Pleasant Street, in the historic Village of Mariemont.

The **family-oriented** fundraiser benefits Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center's (CCHMC) Surviving the Teens® program **plus** local in-school mental health programs. Enjoy a fun filled evening including the race, great food, fun music, carnival style kid's games and a movie at dark!

Visit us online at www.cincywarriorrun.org —Registration is open--
make sure to check out the special youth pricing!

Do you have a home based business?

Are you a crafter?

Then you are invited to participate at the Annual Light Up Fairfax event to be held on **Sunday, Dec. 6th, 2015.**

Light Up Fairfax will include caroling, horse-drawn carriage rides, a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus, cookies and hot chocolate with the craft show/boutique inside our recreation center.

Participants will be provided with (1) 8' banquet table and 2 chairs for \$15. An additional table may be rented for \$15.

We look forward to featuring lots of great crafts at this year's event! If you have any questions, please contact Chandra Buswell at chandrabuswell@yahoo.com or 513-568-4820.

VILLAGE
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253-3092

Melissa Bradford

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Recreation Dept.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Solicitation Permits:

Anyone going door to door in the Village must register with the Police Department. If you are unsure about anyone coming to your door, please contact the police department at 271-7250.

Communicator:

All residents and businesses can be added to the automated communicator system for emergency notifications and community announcements. Please contact the police department at 271-7250 to register.

Rumpke missed pick-ups (Solid Waste or Recycling)

513-742-2900

Report Street Light or Traffic Light Out

Jill Kessler, Fairfax P.D. 513-272-9941

Twig/branch pick up is available on Mondays.

Please remember that piles of yard waste or similar debris must be bundled in 4 foot lengths and bound with twine or placed in a container for easy pick-up. If you have a large amount of yard waste to remove, please contact Joe Huskey in the Maintenance Department at 527-6508. The Village will provide a truck to your residence for you to load up with items and we will dispose of it for you at no charge.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Cooler temperatures and shorter days mean that Halloween and turning the furnace on are just around the corner.

Parents, if you have children who will be Trick or Treating make sure they have light colors or reflective tape on their costumes, go with friends, walk on sidewalks, careful crossing streets and only go to homes with porch lights on. It is also a good idea if a group of parents follow behind the children no matter what age they are. If you are giving out treats please turn on your porch lights and make sure there is a clear walkway to your home. We want everyone to have a Happy Halloween!

We would like to thank everyone who donated goodies to the troops and took time to sign Christmas cards and donated money to cover the cost of shipping. We had great success again this year with donations to the Yellow Ribbon Project. This means so much to the men and women who serve our country.

We also thank everyone who donated baked goods to the Neighborhood Watch. We will take the money we made and divide it up between the Police, Firemen and Civic Association for their Holiday Baskets they deliver to the shut ins in the Village. We will have a little left over to cover our drinks the up coming year. Thank You Thank You!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Our next meeting will be October 15th @pm in the Recreation Center. Everyone is invited to attend. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Working together we can make Fairfax an even better place to live, work, shop and play.

Mariemont Rec Basketball Sign-ups

for Grades 2-6 are open.

Visit www.mariemontsports.org

Superintendent Steven Estebb is hosting a school chat on **Wednesday, October 28 from 8:30-9:30am at Dunkin' Donuts** in Fairfax. There is no agenda, but Mr. Estebb would like to take a little time to talk with parents and community members about the schools and answer any questions you may have. Stop in any time and stay for as long as you would like. All are welcome!

MariElders Information

Health Insurance Assistance

Its open enrollment for Medicare and secondary insurances – if you have question or want to enroll in a different plan our expert Melissa Bales will be here on October 22 at 9:00am. She will be setting up 1 hour appointments to discuss your insurance. Please call Kathy to set up an appointment at 271-5588.

Craft Show

THE MARIELDERS will be hosting its 4th Annual Lollipop Craft Show on Saturday, December 12 from 10am to 4pm at the Mariemont Elementary School. At this time we are seeking crafters for the show. For more information on booth space or an application please call Kathy at 271-5588.

ATTENTION:

Home Owners...

If you have a plumbing problem, Don't Panic!.. "How To Get A 'Top Talent' Plumber to Show Up On –Time. So You Don't Waste Time"

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www.forseeplumbing.com

forseeplumbing@yahoo.com

(513) 271-6720

State License PL16160

Master Card and Visa accepted

Fairfax residents; present this ad and receive \$10 off the \$39 service call fee.

Village Rec Programs

Basketball Open Gym:

Free Adult Open Gym every Wednesday from 8:30pm to 10pm. Mariemont Junior High (3806 Southern Ave)

ZUMBA!

Every Thursday 6pm

Fairfax Rec. Center

Only \$5 a class! www.zumba.com.

Preschool Playgroup

Children 0-6 years and their parents.

Fairfax Rec Center on Thursday mornings from 9:30am - 11:00am.

5903 Hawthorne Ave.

Hosted by the Village of Fairfax and the Mariemont Preschool Parents Group.

Book Club

The Book Club meets monthly in the Community Room of the Fairfax Rec Center.

To find out when they meet and which book they are currently reading you can call the Rec Dept at 568-4820

COALITION CORNER

LEGALIZATION OF MARIJUANA

On November 3rd, voters will go to the polls and determine whether or not marijuana will be legalized for medicinal and recreational use in the State of Ohio. The proposed Marijuana Legalization Amendment (Issue 3), if passed, would control the licensing, regulation, manufacturing and taxation of marijuana, as well as laws governing possession. A competing measure, Issue 2, will also appear on the ballot. If Issue 2 passes, it would invalidate any initiatives that voters approve on the November 3rd ballot that establish economic monopolies. Specifically, it would invalidate the [Marijuana Legalization Initiative](#) which limits the number of “grow sites” for marijuana to 10 statewide.

As of mid-September, The Cincinnati Enquirer reports that 9 individuals and organizations have taken official stands in support of Issue 3 while 39 organizations and individuals have expressed their opposition. Opinion has been heated on both sides of the issue, however, many of the prominent organizations that care about the welfare of our children and teens stand opposed. Opponents include: The American Academy of Pediatrics, Ohio Chapter; The Ohio Children's Hospital Association (of which Cincinnati Children's is a member); The Ohio State Medical Association; The Ohio State Coroner's Association; The Ohio School Boards Association and the Drug Free Action Alliance among others. Drug Free Action Alliance has created a new webpage which includes resources helpful to understanding the initiatives. Go to www.DrugFreeActionAlliance.org/marijuana for:

Op-Eds, Articles and Medical Opinions

Ohio Marijuana Ballot Initiative Language and Concerns

Concerns from National Associations

News from Other States

As states have sought to legalize marijuana, our youth have begun to perceive marijuana as a safe alternative to alcohol and tobacco use. The 2014 Pride Survey of Mariemont High School and Mariemont Junior High School students, indicates an increase in marijuana use among teenagers in our community. Results also indicate that "age of first use" of marijuana is 14.5 years. This is unfortunate news because research indicates that marijuana use can be particularly damaging to a developing adolescent brain.

If you are looking for more information about the harmful effects of marijuana on the adolescent brain and suggestions about how to address the topic with your child, Partnership for Drug-Free Kids offers a "Marijuana Talk Kit" to parents. Please visit www.drugfree.org/MJTalkKit for a free copy.

The Warrior Coalition is a community organization focused on protecting the children of the Mariemont City Schools District from substance abuse. Our mission is to provide awareness, education and prevention programs to support our parents and to encourage our children to make healthy choices.

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- • Fall Clean-up
- • Mowing/Mulching
- • Aeration/Over seeding
- • Gutter cleaning and more!

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(513) 497-8183 or hedgeabove@gmail.com

Barefoot Warriors Soccer to Support

On Sunday, October 4 Mariemont High School will host a sand soccer "Barefoot Warriors" tournament. The proceeds from this event will benefit mental health programs in the Mariemont City School District in conjunction with the [Warrior Run: The Race for Life](#), which is scheduled for October 10. This 4-on-4 soccer tournament will be played on the sand volleyball courts at [Hahana Beach](#) on Wooster Pike and is **open to all ages and activity levels**. Hahana Beach will also donate a portion of their sales to the cause. To register for the event, visit https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=122478.

Mariemont High School Distinguished Alumni Selected ***Recipients Include an Entrepreneur, Health Care Executive and U.S. Ambassador***

The Mariemont Alumni Association and the Mariemont School Foundation are pleased to announce the recipients of Mariemont High School's third annual Distinguished Alumni Award. The award recognizes Mariemont High School graduates of at least 10 years who have notably distinguished themselves by extraordinary contributions and/or remarkable accomplishments in their chosen career; skill, trade or business; in civic duties; in military service; in philanthropy; in volunteerism; in the arts; in the sciences; in education; in religion; or any other field, endeavor or pursuit.

The recipients are **Donn M. Davis**, class of 1981, Managing Partner, Revolution Growth; **Michael L. Fordyce**, class of 1969, President/CEO, Craig Hospital; and **Mark W. Lippert**, class of 1991, United States Ambassador to South Korea. The third class of recipients was selected from nominations submitted to a committee including Mariemont Alumni Association (MAA) and Mariemont School Foundation (MSF) board members.

On Friday, October 2, these truly distinguished alumni will spend the day at Mariemont High School, where they will meet the faculty, visit with students and share their stories of success. At 5:30pm, they will be featured as honored guests in the school district's annual Homecoming Parade. Finally, the Distinguished Alumni will be formally introduced and honored before the start of the Homecoming Game at Kusel Stadium.

The Mariemont School Foundation is a non-profit organization whose mission is to support the long-term success of our students and community through initiatives that enhance educational excellence in the Mariemont School District. Your support of our Annual Fund Drive is critical to our success. For more information contact Scott Weston, MSF Trustee, at 513-349-5854. Nominations for 2016 will be solicited in the spring. Visit <http://mariemontschoolfoundation.org/> for more information.

FALL FESTIVAL THANKS!

The weekend of September 18 and 19th was the Fairfax Fall Festival and it was back and better than ever. Thank you to everyone who helped volunteer to make the event a success! The Festival Committee worked hard all year to plan and organize the event. We appreciate the work that went in to the festival set-up and tear down by the Village Maintenance Department as well. We had so much support for the event this year and would like to send a special thanks to all those companies and individuals that provided Festival Sponsorship and/or donations to our Bid-n-Buy and Raffle:

Advanced Implant Dentistry
Annie Wittrock
Bath Visions
Beach Waterpark
Bill's Auto Repair
Ceilidh Group
Cincinnati Rec Commission
Cincinnati Sports Club
Cincinnati TaeKwonDo
Comey and Shepherd
David Kubicki
Dominion Liquid Technology
Fairfax Block Watch
Fairfax Civic Association
Fairfax Police Department
Fairfax Youth Organization
Freedom Center
Gloria Daley/Fairfax Presbyterian Church
Havell's
Industrial Thermal Systems
Jack Herman's Soccer Camp
Jennifer Hoover
Lambda Research
Lambda Technologies

Liquidator's World, Inc
Little Miami Joint Fire District
Lundeberg Chiropractic
Mac's Pizza
Madeira Benevolent Association
Mariemont Kiwanis
Mariemont Insurance
Mariemont Theatre
McBride Dale Clarion
Monica Hill
Mt. Lookout Hair Design
Patricia Auer
Penn Station—Red Bank
Print Management
Prus Construction Company
Rainbow Environmental Services
Renewal Therapeutic Massage
Reisenfeld & Associates
Scentsy Products—Nikki Coley
Servatii Pastry Shop
Sharon Lally
Skyline Chili—Fairfax
Snappy Tomato Pizza
Stacey McIntyre

Tina Mattix—Huff Realty
Various Views
Walmart
Wessel's Workplace

Did you play Split the Pot at the Fairfax Fall Festival? We are still looking for our winners!

Please check your tickets. The winning numbers are 311811 and 3270968

If you have either ticket, please bring it to the Village offices to claim your prize!

ATTENTION: 2014 Returns with Extension for Village of Fairfax are Due 10-31-15

All extended Returns are due Oct. 31, 2015

If you use a tax preparer, please verify that your Fairfax return was/will be filed on time. Late filing fees apply to extended Returns after 10-31-15. Interest applies from 4-15-15.

We will prepare your Fairfax Return free of charge. Individuals need to bring all 2014 W-2’s, 1099 Misc. forms and/or other income statements to our Tax Office. If you were self- employed or had rental income during 2014, bring your completed Federal Schedule C or E. *If you misplaced your 2014 W-2’s, etc. contact your employer or tax preparer to get new copies. “Businesses need to attach a copy of their Federal Return.”

HOURS: 8:30AM to 5:00PM (lunch 12:00 – 1:30) 5:00 – 6:00 & Sat. by appointment
Don’t forget the drop box by the side door for after-hours payments and papers.

ALL RESIDENTS 18 YEARS OR OLDER MUST FILE a tax return with the Village of Fairfax, even if no tax is due. This includes those who rent. Taxes are based on an individual's earned income. Owners of rental property must also file a return.

OBTAINING FORMS: 1) Tax forms and instructions are available from our Website, www.fairfaxoh.org 2) Forms are also available in the lobby of the Municipal Building 9:00AM – 5:00 PM Monday - Friday. 3) In January of each year tax forms are mailed to registered residents and businesses in the Village. **Not receiving a form does not excuse anyone from filing a tax return.** *To Register, as a new resident or if you moved since filing your last tax return, call the tax office 527-6506 or submit the form on our website.

Received a notice that the 2014 Tax Return you filed was incomplete? You need to reply promptly. Any incomplete Tax Return is considered “unfiled”. After 30 days of the 1st notice is also subject to late filing fees and possible legal action.

If you receive a correction notice stating additional tax due, you must submit tax due and “signed copy of the corrected 2014 Tax Return” by the due date in your notice.

POLICY FOR LATE FILING FEE and LATE PAYMENT OF TAX

- 1) Late filing fee of \$15.00 to \$30.00 charged even if no tax is due.
- 2) Past due Tax, penalty 1% per month and/or interest 1% per month on balance due.
- 3) 1st time filers are exempt from late filing fee, but still pay penalty and interest.
(However, if a taxpayer does not respond to our letters, they still can be subject to late filing fee, penalty and/or interest, and possible legal action.)

The purpose of this article is to provide you with a quick overview of Village of Fairfax Earnings Tax Requirements. Not all regulations/policies can be covered here.

Bored at home? The Tax Dept. is looking for an adult volunteer to come in 4-5 times a month to fold & stuff envelopes, file, etc. Call 527 – 6506 if you are interested.

Cincinnati Sports Club
Upcoming Health and Wellness Events



Breast Cancer Awareness Month—Have You Scheduled Your Mammogram

October 6, 8, 13, 15, 20 and 27: 8am-10am
Representatives from The Christ Hospital Imaging Center will be at the Club to assist you in scheduling your appointment.

Hearing Screenings— Tuesday, October 6, 9am-11am and Tuesday, October 13, 9am-11am
Complimentary hearing screening. Please call 527-4000 to schedule your appointment.

Why You Have Shoulder Pain & What You Can Do For It—Tuesday, October 13, 6pm-7pm
Dr. Robert H. Rolf, MD, Board Certified and Fellowship Trained Orthopedic Surgeon from Beacon Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine present this educational session with the Arthritis Foundation. Please RSVP to 399-8094.

Saturday Sleep Lecture—Saturday, October 17, 11am
Sleep: For The Health of It! Understanding the numerous health benefits of sleep and how good it can be as a part of your healthy lifestyle routine will magnify your outcomes in other areas of your health and wellness. Join professionals from The Christ Hospital for this eye-opening conversation. RSVP by calling 527-4000.

Save The Date: Health Fair + Fun Fest— Saturday, November 7, 10a-4pm
Health related information, health screenings, fitness & dance demonstrations, retail vendors and more. This event is free and open to the community.

All health and wellness events take place at the Cincinnati Sports Club
Two Convenient Entrances
3950 Red Bank Rd or 5535 Murray Ave - Cincinnati, OH 45227
513-527-4000
To find a physician for your health and wellness needs, visit

NEW GIRL SCOUT TROOP FORMING!!!

Troop 45353

troop45353@gmail.com
Brownies (Grades 2-3)

At Girl Scouts, girls are always counting down to the next adventure! Maybe it’s artistic. Maybe it’s an experiment. Maybe it is getting outside or helping the community.

Make new friends and have a ton of new experiences!!

Begins in October - However, you can sign up year-round to join in the fun!!

Troop 45353 will be guiding girls to be compassionate and engaged leaders, effective decision makers, and responsible community members. We will meet in Fairfax multiple times per month. For more information please emailtroop45353@gmail.com or visit www.girlscoutsofwesternohio.org. We welcome any inquiry you have. We look forward to hearing from you!!