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Infrastructure Meeting -
Dec. 10th, 6:15pm
ECC Meeting -
Dec. 10th, 7pm
Finance Meeting -
Dec. 17th, 6:30pm
Council Meeting -
Dec. 17th, 7pm

*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 :
568-4820 or email at
chandrabuswell@yahoo.com.

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.

Please contact Chandra Buswell for submissions. While this newsletter welcomes submissions for evaluation, it is not an open forum. Submissions will be evaluated for consistency with the informational purpose of the newsletter. The editorial staff may reject any submission or edit submissions for both content and space. Photos will not be returned.
Chandra Buswell 568-4820
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Next deadline - 12/20/18

LIGHT UP FAIRFAX

CRAFT FAIR & HOLIDAY EVENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 2018 @ 4:00 PM

FAIRFAX MUNICIPAL BUILDING
5903 HAWTHORNE STREET

Bring your family for a holiday celebration!

Treats and Hot Chocolate
Christmas Caroling ~ Crafters from 4-8pm
Horse drawn carriage rides throughout the Village
*Please sign up in the Rec Center for your family's ride!
A visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus in SantaLand
Kids – bring your letters to Santa! A special mailbox will be on hand!
RESIDENTS - Could you please help us make this event extra special by bringing with you 1-2 dozen cookies?
Thank you in advance for your support.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS AND WEATHER ALERS NOW AVAILABLE

Smart 911, a web-based alert system that can provide critical emergency and medical information to 911 dispatchers—even when calling from a cell phone is now available to all Fairfax residents and businesses.

Smart 911 allows you to set up a safety profile so that 911 operators can view your address, medical information, emergency contacts and other critical information about your household or business. It is up to you how much information you would like to provide. You can also receive notifications on your cell phone about severe weather, traffic issues and other emergencies in your area.

For more information and to sign up for this service, please go to www.alerthc.org.

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FREE SPAGHETTI DINNER

FOR ALL FAIRFAX RESIDENTS,
CHURCH FAMILY & FRIENDS
Saturday, January 19, 2019, 5:00 – 7:00

The Fairfax Church of the Nazarene
3802 Watterson Rd, Cinti, Oh. 45227
(513)271-5063



Sunday School: 9:30am (for all ages)
Sunday Church Services: 10:30am & 6:00pm
Children’s Church: 10:30am
Wednesday prayer service: 7:00pm
*Christmas Program: Sunday, December 16, 10:30am
If your kids would like to participate in the Christmas program
please have them attend church for practice
on Sunday mornings at 10:30am

FROM THE MAINTENANCE
DEPARTMENT

NEW POLICY FOR LARGE LOAD BRUSH PICK-UP: Fairfax must make a change in our program where residents can request a truck be dropped off at their home so that larger amounts of brush can be loaded by the resident and then hauled away by the Maintenance Department. A fee of \$15 will now be charged to remove a truckload of brush, due to that cost now being charged to the Village. A resident must come to the municipal building and make payment ahead of time. Once payment is made, a resident may contact the Village Maintenance Department at 527-6508 to arrange for the truck to be dropped off.

Residents may still place smaller amounts of brush, tied in twine, and cut into 4 foot lengths on the curb for free pick up. Small branch, twig and brush pick up at the curb occurs every Monday morning.

The Village will provide the FREE service of delivering bulk mulch, gravel or limestone to residents if they make arrangements and payment with Hafner & Sons or Evans Landscaping ahead of time. We can also pick up larger trees at a nursery and have it delivered to your home. Again, contact 527-6508 for more information or to make this arrangement.

A general reminder for the winter months: turn off the valve for any outside water faucets. Remove your hose from the hose bib to prevent any remaining water in the hose from freezing around the bib.

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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 513-742-2900

Report Street Light or Traffic Light Out

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

Kiwanis Holiday Nut Sale in Full Swing

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont has kicked off its annual nut sale fundraiser, with all proceeds benefiting local scholarships. Just in time for the holidays, their large variety of offerings are great for family or client gifts, or just snacking at home! Cashews, mixed nuts, and a variety of chocolate covered offerings are perfect for any occasion.

“Our annual nut sale has continued to grow year after year,” said Chairman David Peterson, “We have a blast being involved with the school concerts and really appreciate them letting us be a part of that. It’s gotten to the point where people expect us to be there and look forward to it, which is great to see.”

This year’s fundraiser will once again feature \$10 and \$5 offerings, including several non-nut varieties. Holiday nuts will be available at all school concerts as well as several local businesses including Mac’s Pizza Pub and Snappy Tomato Pizza in Fairfax, and Ace Hardware in Mariemont. They can also be purchased at MariElders during regular hours. Orders can be placed by phone contacting David Peterson at 814-598-6235.

The annual nut sale is the club’s holiday fundraiser for local scholarships. Each year, the Kiwanis Club of Mariemont raises nearly \$15,000 for students in Fairfax, Terrace Park and Mariemont through events such as the Art & Craft Fair and spring golf outing. Now in its 53rd year, the Kiwanis Club has raised nearly \$250,000 for local scholarships benefiting over 70 students.

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont meets every Tuesday morning at 7:45 AM in the Mariemont Elementary school cafeteria. A continental breakfast is served at 7:15 AM. Meetings end by 8:30 and always feature a local speaker. We invite you to be our guest an upcoming meeting. For more information visit MariemontKiwanis.org. Follow along on social media via Facebook and Twitter (@MariemontKClub) with #KidsNeedsKiwanis.

To the Residents of Fairfax and
Members of the Fairfax Swim
Club:

It is with great sadness that we announce that the Board of the Fairfax Swim Club has voted to permanently close the swim club due to lack of funds required for major improvements and operating expenses. Over the past ten years we have seen membership dwindle and found it harder and harder each year to make ends meet. To our members, we thank you for 55 years of fun and memories. We thank the original two hundred families who had the foresight and passion to build such a wonderful place for friends and neighbors to enjoy the summers. We also like to thank all of the former and current village council members and the mayors for their support over the years.

Sincerely,

The Fairfax Swim Club Board

The Fairfax Civic Association Board

LEGION OLYMPICS

Think you have what it takes
to take home the gold?

When: January 5, 2019

Where: Fairfax Rec Center

Time: 7-10 pm (21 and over)

Minute to Win It based games

\$10.00 entry fee

Split the pot and Raffles

Benefits the St Joseph Orphanage

Bring your “A” game, and may the best
Olympian win.

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Best Decorated House Contest

Be one of the best holiday decorated houses in Fairfax
and you could win a \$25 gift certificate....
well, and some bragging rights.
The voting will be done on December 20th
and the winner
will be announced in the January Forum,
along with a list of previous years winners.
*We will not award the same house twice.
This contest is meant to be fun and light hearted
to help create the holiday spirit.
We look forward to seeing Fairfax glow
with holiday cheer!



Join this fun group each month at 7:30pm in the Fairfax Rec Center.
5903 Hawthorne Ave.
Books are reserved at the Mariemont library at least a month before each discussion date.
Feel free to bring a beverage and a snack.
December 18th - "The Light Between Oceans" by M.L. Stedman
January 15th - "The Four Ms. Bradwells" by Meg Waite Clayton
February 19th - Double Identity by Margaret Peterson Haddix

The MSF's Annual Fund Drive is Underway!

Great schools don't just happen – they are made by parents, guardians and communities who bring their support to the dedicated teachers and staff who educate our children. The Mariemont School Foundation (MSF) supports educational initiatives across the schools in our district that are outside the scope of the budget and are critical to students' long-term success, including:

- World language instruction and the *Explorations* program in our elementary schools
- Friday *Expeditions* programming for junior high students
- *Master classes* and our *Intercessions* for the high school
- District-wide initiatives, such as
 - o *Life and Leadership Series* focusing on issues of wellness, college readiness, and careers

Scholarships and *Special Funds* to support individual student needs and travel-based programs, including Camp Kern (elementary), the Washington DC trip (junior high) and the Global Leaders Summit (high school).

MSF funding comes in large part from the families whose children are enrolled in one (or more) of the four schools that comprise the district. These funds are used to support vital and enriching experiences that impact students across the district.



Thank you to the donors who have contributed thus far to the 2018-2019 Annual Fund Drive

Leaders (\$2,500 - \$5,000)	Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Waterson	Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Grimmer	Toyota Matching Gifts Program
	Susan Davis-Ali	Mr. and Mrs. Randy Huber	Mr. and Mrs. Brett Tritsch
	Mr. and Mrs. David Lindner	Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kapcar	Meagan and Andy Ulrich
Honors (\$100 - \$499)	Mr. and Mrs. Van Young	Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kromer	Jason and Leslie Willett
	Mr. and Mrs. Ted Beach	Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Martin	Fabrizio Zanardo and Marjana Lukic-Zanardo
	Faith and Rick Bryan	Maggie and Brian Nichols	Blue & Gold (Up to \$99)
Scholars (\$500 - \$2,499)	Mr. and Mrs. William Black	Laura and Greg Organisciak	Chandra and Justin Buswell
	Bret and Susie Fiorina	Mr. James Rech ('65)	Rob and Erin Herking
	Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Hinebaugh	Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sharp	Christine Lewis
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	Mr. and Mrs. Terrence Howe	Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tepe	Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Popowics
	Mr. and Mrs. David Rogers	Mr. and Mrs. Blake Tollefsen	Mr. and Mrs. Mark Schlafman
	UBS Matching Gifts Program		
	Lisi George		

Donations can also be submitted by check via mail to: Mariemont School Foundation, 2 Warrior Way, C/O 45227

Please take a moment to donate now at <http://mariemontschoolfoundation.org/give/annual-fund-drive>

Donations of any size WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR DISTRICT, and are tax-deductible. Mariemont schools are great because we support them-and giving to the Annual Fund Drive is an important way to support district-wide initiatives that have the potential to touch every student across his or her entire Mariemont experience. Let the tradition continue!

NEW! Rec Chess & Game Night

New information!

We have expanded our chess night to include board games!
Please join us at 6:30-8pm on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the
month for some old-school fun!

Held in the Fairfax Village Municipal Building, 5903 Hawthorne Ave, Fairfax, OH 45227. Just come on downstairs, we will be in the Scout Room.

Of course, we still have chess for those who want to play, just have added a few other fun board game favorites.

If you have games you'd like to donate, please don't hesitate to contact us at fairfaxchess@yahoo.com to arrange pick-up.

If you'd like to bring in something to play that night, that's great too!

This is a very casual format and we'd love for you to come! Young children are welcome, but remember that we are not responsible for them!

Any questions, or to sign up to mentor, please email facilitators Anita Hunt and Sarah Maier at fairfaxchess@yahoo.com.

Preschool Playgroup

Children 0-6 years
and their parents
or caregivers.

Wonderful opportunity to let the kids
play and socialize.

Carpeted room with toys.

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

R.G. Cribbet Center
5903 Hawthorne Ave.

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

No RSVP necessary, just come on in.

Questions?

Email villageoffairfax@gmail.com

REC. Arts

Hands on projects for kids in kindergarten to 6th grade. Class sizes vary and are limited to child/adult ratio. Waiting lists may occur. Held in the Fairfax Rec Center.

Schedule:

December 21st—Small Gift Jamboree

Classes are only \$10 per child.

To sign up, email recartsfairfax@gmail.com to receive an enrollment form. Enrollment forms must be returned with payment to guarantee space in the program.

Questions can also be sent to the above email address.

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. 9th, 2018.**

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 inside our recreation center.

Participants will be provided with (1) 8' banquet table and 2 chairs for \$20. 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.

Robbie Curran, Gabe Hartnett, Bennett Turan, and Griffen Wilner's Eagle Projects Create Lasting Legacies

By Erika Turan

Over the past several months, four Scouts from Mariemont's Troop 149 have completed Eagle projects that will help to benefit their communities for years to come.

Robbie Curran, a 2018 Mariemont High School graduate, built a handrail and added landscaping to the baseball field at Mariemont Junior High. He finished his project in March. He deferred his diploma and is currently participating in work study and life skills programs through Mariemont High School. Robbie was the team manager for the junior varsity and varsity high school baseball teams, and wanted to contribute something to the team's home field as well as the community he lives in.

Bennett Turan built an outdoor classroom for 24 students at Mariemont Junior High in May. The classroom features one ton of landscaping flagstone, benches, boxwood plants and a teacher's podium built of composite materials. Bennett is an honors 8th grader at Mariemont Junior High and is the Troop's youngest ever (and fastest achieving) Eagle Scout. He is on the school's soccer, cross country and track teams. He is also a member of the Order of the Arrow, the National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America.

Griffen Wilner made significant improvements to a path used by Mariemont Junior High students in October, removing overgrown vegetation, painting guardrails, installing safety posts and laying more than three tons of limestone gravel to make the path safer and more inviting. Griffen is an honors 9th grader at Mariemont High School and joins his older brother Lucas as an Eagle Scout. He is on the school's cross country, track and swim teams.

Gabe Hartnett constructed a 30-foot flagpole and planted landscaping at Mariemont's Dogwood Park. Located at the foot of Mariemont's iconic Bell Tower, the flagpole will serve as both a landmark and feature for events like the village's Fourth of July celebration and summer bell tower concerts. Gabe is an honors senior at Mariemont High School, where he is a member of the swim team. He loves to snowboard and rows for Cincinnati Junior Rowing Club.

Like all of Troop 149's Eagle Scouts, they had significant help from their fellow Scouts in the construction of their projects and are grateful for the support.

All of these scouts were members of Pack 1 here in Fairfax and earned their Arrow of Light with Pack 1 before joining Troop 149.

Learn more about Troop 149 at mcc149.com.

