

FAIRFAX FORUM

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My husband and I really enjoy being members at the Cincinnati Sports Club through the Village of Fairfax. The club gives us a sense of belonging to the community in a way we would not have without this opportunity. It's our little piece of country club living in our favorite village. We have recommended the club to our neighbors and they have now joined! We not only workout in a great gym, but the Club also provides great social events as well. We have also taken advantage of the health and medical resources they provide, including nutrition seminars. Thanks to both the Village of Fairfax and the Cincinnati Sports Club for making this wonderful opportunity available to us.—Lori B.

**BEST
DIETS**

WORLD REPORT

U.S. News

FAST WEIGHT LOSS

2017

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Satisfy Your Weight Loss Goals

- Group Coaching
- Never Go Hungry
- Physical Activity

HMR
WEIGHT MANAGEMENT

**AUTHORIZED
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Now available at the Cincinnati Sports Club

CincinnatiSportsClub.com
513-527-4000
Membership not required

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**ECC Meeting -
March 12th, 7pm
Council Meeting -
March 19th, 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.

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
568-4820
Jenny Kaminer 527-6503
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Next deadline - 3/20/18

2018 Ted Shannon Memorial Golf Outing

This year's event will be held on Sunday May 20, 2018 at California Golf Course. First tee time is at Noon. Teams of 4 will tee off every 7-9 minutes from the front and back nine of the course. If you are interested in entering a team, please contact Mayor Carson Shelton at 527-6504 or cshelton@fairfaxoh.org. Cost is \$65 per player or \$230 per team of four. The fee includes two golf carts per team, a gift at the golf course, and dinner afterwards at the RG Cribbet Recreation Center in Fairfax. There will also be a chance to win some door prizes.



Please join us to commemorate former Mayor Ted Shannon. The funds raised from this event help support the events the Village holds throughout the year such as the June Concert in the Park, the Fairfax Festival and Light Up Fairfax event in December.

NOTICE

START TIME CHANGE FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Council will now be held at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of every month beginning in March 2018 except for all succeeding January and February months, when the meetings shall take place at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of those months.

CALL FOR FAIRFAX CITIZEN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS AND VETERANS

The Village is currently taking nominations for the Fairfax Citizen of the Year to be honored at the Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday May 28, 2018. Your nomination should include a background of the resident and their service to the community. The nominee cannot be a current employee of the Village.

The Village is also continuing to compile a list of veteran's from the Village to be honored at Memorial Day. We have a nice list started, but know there are more names that could be added. If you know of a family or friend that was a former or current veteran of any branch of the armed forces, please submit their name, branch of service, and service dates (if known).

All information can be submitted to the Village Administrator: jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org

VILLAGE CONTACTS

www.fairfaxoh.org

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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.



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.

March 20th—*Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger

April 17th—*Troublemaker* by Leah Remini

May 15th—*Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly

June 19th—*All the Missing Girls* by Megan Miranda

July 17th—*The Girl Who Wrote in Silk* by Kelli Estes

Rec Chess Night

Rec Chess Night is held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Fairfax Village Municipal Building. 5903 Hawthorne Ave, Fairfax, OH 45227. Just come on downstairs, we will be in the Scout Room.

Although we welcome all ages, young children must be accompanied by an adult as the facilitators are not responsible for supervision.

*If you are interested in mentoring at Chess Night, this is a great opportunity for service hours!

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



Community Process Continues in High School Facility Project

Since the Mariemont High School Master Facility Plan process was announced nearly two years ago, community involvement has been a key focus. As I have shared in my blogs, podcasts and videos, the needs at Mariemont High School are many and will only continue to compound if we don’t take action now. But, working together, I know we will find the best possible solution for our students, staff and community in order to maintain our excellence in the classroom and continue to provide a tremendous value to our residents.

We cannot, have not and will not go at this process alone. Hundreds of community members have volunteered their time to help us in our planning for the future of Mariemont High School. Back in the fall of 2016 we started to look at our needs by forming the Community Facility Task Force and Futures Team, bringing together over 50 community members and staff to help identify areas to explore and evaluate. This work was followed with the creation of a Steering Committee of nearly 30 community members and staff to begin exploring possible solutions.

Then, in spring of 2017 over 250 residents attended one of three Community Design Workshops where MSA Architects, Turner Construction and the Steering Committee presented seven options for feedback and input. These workshops resulted in the Board of Education narrowing from seven to three options for further exploration.

This past fall we completed work with six community-driven Facility Teams. Each team participated in an in-depth investigation into specific areas including design/architecture, academic learning spaces, technology, finances, arts and athletics. Over 100 community members spent a period of two months researching and prioritizing the wants and needs of the high school. Presentations summarizing these findings were presented to the Board of Education and served as the building blocks for the Board’s decision to eliminate two of the three remaining solutions on the table and focus now only on a hybrid repair/replace model for the high school.

A third-party, statistically valid community survey also was conducted this fall, shedding light on the fact that 71% of district residents believe something needs to be done at Mariemont High School. And thanks to so much help from our community, we are getting closer to determining what the final plan will be.

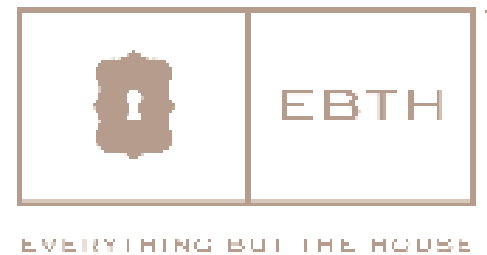
We continue to listen. And we are relying on the community for input as we move forward with this process. Facility team presentations, survey results and all other facility updates can be found on the [Facility Project page of website](#).

This spring the community involvement will continue with the formation of a community finance committee and a facility project team. These teams, comprised of staff, parents, community members and board of education members will collaborate with architects and construction consultants to review district financial needs, make preliminary design decisions and move forward recommendations to the Board of Education later this spring.

Additionally, all community members will have another opportunity to hear the latest facility updates and ask questions at one of four upcoming school chats. Dates for those school chats are as follows:

- Wednesday, Feb. 21 | Terrace Park Community Center | 7 p.m.
- Thursday, March 8 | Online Chat | 7 p.m. (check our website and Facebook page for how to connect)
- Tuesday, March 13 | Fairfax Community Center | 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 20 | Village Church of Mariemont | 7 p.m.

The importance of community involvement in this process cannot be understated. Our residents have always been committed to our schools and today is certainly no different. We must work together to protect our most precious asset, our children, and give them every possible advantage to succeed in college, career and beyond.



SAVE THE DATE!

Mariemont School Foundation is partnering with Everything But The House (EBTH) to benefit Mariemont City Schools!

Do you have a great household item just collecting dust? If so, donate this item to the 2018 Mariemont School Foundation Auction! The Foundation is looking for items with an estimated value of \$150 or higher to be included in this benefit auction. Items can include fine jewelry, art, silver, designer fashion, sports memorabilia, unique collections and more! Have a vacation home, vehicle or unique experience to donate? Let us know! All donated items will then be auctioned on ebth.com, allowing the sale to reach district residents, as well as EBTH's global bidder base. More bids in our auction mean maximized revenue for our schools! Clean out those closets and donate!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - DROP OFF DATE

Saturday, April 21, 2018

9:00-12:00 at Mariemont Elementary

1:00-4:00 at Terrace Park Elementary

Or

EBTH Wilmer (large items or by appointment)

697 Wilmer Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45226

For more information, contact Sarah Grimmer at 513-910-1497

info@mariemontschoolfoundation.org

The Mariemont School Foundation is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, subject to applicable limitations, donations made to the Mariemont School Foundation may entitle donors to the charitable contribution deduction provided in Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Community Easter Egg Hunt



When: Saturday, March 24

Time: 1:00

Where: Ziegler Park Picnic Shelter

On Southern Ave

For Ages: 2 - 11

(Rain Date: March 31 @ 1:00)

Hosted By:

The Fairfax Church of

The Nazarene

3802 Watterson Rd

Cincinnati, Ohio 45227

Pastor Jack Bimber

271-5063

Sunday, Easter Service at 10:30

Weekly worship schedule:

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Sunday church service 10:30

Children's Church 10:30

Sunday evening 6:00

Wednesday Pray meeting 7:00

REC. Arts

...at the Fairfax Rec Center

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

Schedule:

March 17th - St. Patrick's Day Shamrocks

April 13th - Spring Fairy/Gremlin Homes and Painted Rocks

May 12th - Succulent Gardens and Superhero Candy Bars

Classes are only \$10 per child. Times are 9:30am-11am.

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.



SAVE THE DATES

We will need many volunteers to make the festival a success.

Please save the dates of August 24th & 25th in your calendars.