FAIRFAX FORUM

Village of Fairfax 5903 Hawthorne Street Fairfax, OH 45227

Submissions Fax: 513-271-4178 Email: fairfaxforum@fuse.net

PRSRT STD **US POSTAGE** PAID Cincinnati, OH Permit No. 4747

Membership not required



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.



Now available at the Cincinnati Sports Club

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.

Volume 26. Issue 3

Village of Fairfax www.fairfaxoh.org

Dept. Supervisor : 568-4820 or email at

We hope you enjoy this

village.

months.

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

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.

chandrabuswell@yahoo.com



issue of the Fairfax Forum which is published by the Village of Fairfax monthly for the residents and businesses in our

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.

Articles and photographs

Chandra Buswell 568-4820 Jenny Kaminer 527-6503 fairfaxforum@yahoo.com

Next deadline - 3/20/18

Fairfax Forum

March 2018



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

CALL FOR FAIRFAX CITIZEN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS AND VETERANS

VILLAGE CONTACTS

www.fairfaxoh.org

Mayor's Office	527-6504
<u>cshelton@fairfaxoh.org</u>	
Police Dept.	271 - 7250
<u>jbronson@fairfaxoh.org</u>	
Administrator's Office	527 - 6503
jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org	
Clerk's Office	527 - 6505
janderson@fairfaxoh.org	
<u>bblankemeyer@fairfaxoh.org</u>	
Tax Department 527-650	6
Building Department	527 - 6507
<u>jhester@fairfaxoh.org</u>	
Property Maintenance	919-8477
Maintenance Dept.	527 - 6508
<u>jhuskey@fairfaxoh.org</u>	
Recreation Dept. 568-4820	
<u>chandrabuswell@yahoo.com</u>	

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.

MARIELDERS NEWS

Italian Festival

Mark your calendars and dust off those dancing shoes the Italian Festival will be on Friday April 13. Tickets, available at the Center are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. Join us for a great meal and live music from the Paul Wagner Band. Doors open at 5:30 at the Fairfax Cribbet Center.

FAIRFAX FORUM

Just the Guys Bridge

If you're a gent and enjoy bridge a new group is playing every other Friday afternoon at the MARIELDERS lower level. For March the dates are the 9th and 30th at 1:00. If interested please call the Center at 271-5588 and leave a message for Russ.

Genealogy

Mr. Lee Cole will be here to assist in researching your genealogy on Tuesday afternoons in March. He will be explaining his program starting Tuesday, March 6 at our monthly members meeting (11am).

Documentary – Extremis

Extremis is a 2016 American short documentary film following the doctors, families and patients as they make end-of-life decisions. The movie will be shown on March 14 at 1pm with a discussion group to follow.

Anatomy

Health Benefits of Anatomy will be the topic for the March 14 and 28 class that starts at 9:15am. Please sign up for these classes by calling 271-5588.

Great Decisions

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book and meeting in a Discussion Group to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today. This new program will be held once a month with the first class on March 7 at 1:00pm. For more information regard cost please call the MARIELDERS at 271-5588.

These are just the highlights of all the great things happening at THE MARIELDERS for more information check us out at marielders.org.

Congratulations to the 2018 Chili Cook-off Winners!!!



Judges Overall - Justin Buswell

Mild - Justin Buswell

Medium - Nick Moore

Hot - Joe Huskey

Specialty - Whitney Maloney

People's Choice - Krista Rackley

Best Decorated Table Display - Whitney Maloney

The Village would like to thank your judges: Jim Renner (Mariemont High School Principal), Forrest Sellers (Community Press Newspapers) and Jim Puthoff (Little Miami Joint Fire District, Chief)

A special thank you to Champions Preschool for the fun children's activities.

Are you getting tired of all the unwanted knocking at your door? Are you tired of looking through your peep hole only to see someone trying to sell you something that's not Girl Scout cookies? Well, now you finally have a voice. If you would like to register to be on our new NO KNOCK list with the Fairfax Police Department to prohibit peddlers, canvassers and other solicitors (except nonprofit, religious organizations, or political groups) from seeking contact with you at your home, just contact Jill Kessler with the Police Department. You can either call her directly at 513-272-9941 or email her at <u>ikessler@fairfaxoh.org</u>. Only one resident needs to apply and your address will be on our registry until you tell us differently. In turn, when someone registers to be a solicitor with the Village of Fairfax, they will receive a list of addresses who wish not be disturbed. Also, please note that no resident names are kept on file.

Just a few things to remember when you come in contact with a solicitor: They must have a blue card from the Fairfax Police Department that states they are registered to canvas our area; they must visibly wear their ID badge to identify who they are and with what company; hours of soliciting in our area are 9:00AM – 8:00PM; may not remain on your premise when asked to leave; and they may not enter onto your property if you have clearly posted a "No Solicitation Permitted"

sign.

513-271-7250.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{\sim}$

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 Thursday mornings from ☆ \overleftrightarrow 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 \bigstar ☆ *The Playgroup would love new toys if you have some gently ☆ used toys or playing structures that you could donate. ☆ Thank you! ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ $\stackrel{\frown}{\simeq}$ \bigstar ****

If you are ever unsure CALL THE POLICE DEPARTMENT NON EMERGENCY NUMBER.

***** ☆ $\stackrel{\frown}{\sim}$ \bigstar ☆

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"

Forsee **Plumbing Co.**, Inc.

#1 Plumber in Cincinnati 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.





EVERYTHING BUT THE HOUSE

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

0r

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



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

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.

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



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.