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Cincinnati Sports Club— Upcoming Health and Wellness Events

- Nutrition For Your Skin—Tuesday, June 3, 6pm-7pm. Bioelements Esthetician Rhonda Smith shares the latest techniques in nourishing your skin with a personal skin analysis. Please call 527-4000 to reserve.
- General Joint Screening Shoulder, Knee, Back or Foot—Friday, June 6, 4pm-6pm. Whatever it is that is bothering you, come and get it checked out. The Christ Hospital Wellness and Physical Therapy Center will provide a complimentary joint screening at the Cincinnati Sports Club. A brief history and exam designed to troubleshoot and modify activities and exercise programs will be covered. Please call 527-4000 to reserve your time.
- **Hearing Screening**—Wednesday, June 11, 6pm-7pm. Free screening with Connect Hearing. Please call 527-4000 to reserve your time.
- Muscle-Tendon-Ligament Screening—Monday, June 16, 7am-8am. Have a muscle, tendon or ligament problem? Let a sports medicine doctor show you how these issues are evaluated using ultrasound. The Christ Hospital will provide complimentary screenings at the Cincinnati Sports Club. Call 527-4000 to reserve your time.
- **Relax and Relate**—Tuesday, June 24, 6pm. The Christ Hospital Relax and Relate Series returns. Join professionals from The Christ Hospital for an evening of women's health conversation with others like yourself. Enjoy appetizers, chef demo, yoga instruction and chair massage. Please call 527-4000 for your reservation.

To find a physician for your health and wellness needs, visit www.thechristhospital.com or call 513-585-1000.

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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 as a service to 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.

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Next Issue - July

Deadline - June 20th

8TH ANNUAL CONCERT IN THE PARK

FEATURING - SPEARPOINT!

JUNE 20TH 7PM - 11PM

ZIEGLER PARK

Bring chairs, a blanket, maybe a cooler...it is a great time for everyone!

The Fairfax Youth Organization will be selling burgers, hot dogs, and other foods. The Fairfax Swim Club will be selling pizza, snow cones, candy, etc..

If you are part of an organization that would like information on booth space please email chandrabuswell@yahoo.com or call Chandra at 538-4820.

The Neighborhood Watch

Hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather. It is so nice to see the sun and to be able to ditch the coats after the harsh winter we had. It is good to see so many people walking around the neighborhood.

With the end of the school year many people are planning their vacations. Please remember to fill out a vacation report and give it to the police. You can get the form at the police station, or from a policeman who is driving thru your neighbor-

hood. Fill out the simple form and return it to the police station and the police will keep an eye out on your home. This is a nice perk of living in a small village. Also either stop your mail/ newspaper or have someone pick it up everyday and keep it for you until you return. Line up someone to cut your grass etc. so your home looks lived in.

The next meeting of the Neighborhood Watch is June 19th @ 7pm in the Recreation Center. This will be the last meeting until Sept. Hope to see you there.

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

Book Club

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

To find out which book they are currently reading you can check the Village of Fairfax Facebook page or by calling the Rec Dept at 568-4820.

New members are always welcome! PAGE 2 VOLUME 22, ISSUE 6 FAIRFAX FORUM

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Village Yoga at the Fairfax Rec Center!

Village Yoga welcomes all levels of yoga practice and experiences, from beginners to advanced. This class will incorporate a style of yoga called Taoist Yoga, Taoist Yoga involves movement, breathing, and meditation, and uses the terms Yin and Yang to describe the practice. Yin movement focuses attention on stretching the connective tissues and joints, while Yang practices are dynamic and emphasize movement and strengthening muscles.

Sarah is a native to Cincinnati and has been a Fairfax resident for 5 years. She has always had a deep connection to the extraordinary world of healing practices and voga. Sarah is a certified Reiki Master/Teacher and completed her 200 HR certification in Taoist Yoga from You Do Yoga in 2014.

Village Yoga

Where: Fairfax Recreation Department

When: Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. (after Zumba)

How long: 1 hour

Cost: \$6 per person

*Please dress in comfortable clothes that you can move and stretch in.

YOU'RE INVITED!

The school board office is hosting an open house to celebrate the retirement of Becky Jones, who has served this community as the assistant to the superintendent for the Mariemont City School District for 44 years.

The entire school district community is invited stop by and thank her for her decades of service to the district.

Drinks and light refreshments will be provided.

The open house is scheduled for 9-11am on Monday June 9 at the Board of Education office, located behind Mariemont High School at 2 Warrior Way, 45227. Please join us in thanking Ms. Jones and wishing her well!

The Fairfax Church of the Nazarene

Hosts

Heroes of The Old Testament Vacation Bible School

> July 28, 29, 30, & 31 6:30 - 8:30 For ages 5 to 11 Snacks, music, stories, crafts, & games

Lots of fun for all!!

ZOMBA

Every Thursday 6pm!! Fairfax Rec. Center! Only **\$6** a class! www.zumba.com

Basketball Open Gym:

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

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MARIELDERS NEWS: 271-5588

Mahjong

When: Tuesday Afternoons at 1:00pm Cost: FREE Where: MARIELDERS Basement

Mahjong, mah-jong or mah-jongg is a Chinese game that dates back more than 2,000 years. The ancient game takes patience to learn and requires a bit of strategy to play. It's like playing cards with tiles. If you know how to play join us and if not our instructor Jannette Allen will teach you.

Museum Days: Krohn Conservatory

When: Thursday June 12th at 10:00am

<u>Cost:</u> \$7.00 for members, \$9.00 for non-members (lunch on own) Where: Meet at MARIELDERS

The 2014 Butterfly Show, Pura Vida: Butterflies of Costa Rica, presented by Macy's Foundation, is a lush tropical hideaway that celebrates the spectacular animals, plants and ancient cultures found in this abundantly diverse country. Cascading waterfalls, colorful parrot fish, and mysterious stone sculptures will set the stage for thousands of free flying butterflies. including the country's brilliant Blue Morpho Butterfly. After the show we will head to Rookwood Pottery Restaurant for lunch. Sign up with a paid reservation at the Center front desk by June 10th.

Police and Fireman Cookout

When: Friday June 13th at 12:00pm

<u>Cost</u>: \$4.00 for members, \$6.00 for non-members <u>Where</u>: MARIELDERS outside weather permitting June is National Safety Month and so we have a cookout to honor our local police and fire departments. Join us as we say thank you for their service to our community. Sign up with a paid reservation at the Center front desk by June 9th.

<u>Iunk Sa</u>le

When: Saturday June 21st from 9am to 3pm Cost: Whatever you may buy! Where: MARIELDERS

Join us for our annual junk sale! Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to shop till they drop! We also need volunteers to work the day of the sale! Sign up on the Center bulletin board if you are available.

Tour of Beau Verre Stained Glass and Lunch

When: Thursday June 26th at 9:00am

Cost: \$10.00 for members, \$12.00 for non-members, lunch on own Where: Meet at MARIELDERS

G.C. Riordan & Company's Beau Verre Studio, is the oldest documented continuously operating stained glass studio in the United States. Take a tour back in time with us as we explain the history of the building and studio. View stained glass windows as the sun cascades through and cast different hues of colors on the floor. Learn how we create stained glass windows and see our artisans at work. Then we will have lunch in the restaurant that belongs to the studio called Stained. Sign up with a paid reservation at the Center front desk by June 15th.

Reds Baseball Game Against The Cubs

When: Thursday July 10th at 11:00am

<u>Cost</u>: \$20.00 for members, \$25.00 for non-members <u>Where</u>: Meet at MARIELDERS

Let's go out to the ballgame and see The Cincinnati Reds take on the Chicago Cubs. We will be taking a bus to the ballpark, it will drop us off at the elevators, and we will take the elevator right to our seats. Our seats are located right next to food and the bathroom. They are also under cover so you will not get wet if it rains and you are not in direct sunlight. Please join us for this fun game! Sign up with a paid reservation at the Center front desk by July 1st.

Stream Cliff Farms Day Trip

When: Wednesday August 13th at 8:30am

Cost: \$75.00 for members, \$80.00 for non-members Where: Meet at MARIELDERS

We will take deluxe motor coach transportation to Stream Cliff Farms, after arriving we will have a tour of the gardens, each a fabulous lunch, and then make a flower/herb 2 gallon planter to bring home. The history of Stream Cliff dates back to 1821. Sign up with a paid reservation at the Center front desk by July 10th.





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Congratulations to the Mariemont High School Concert Band for receiving an "Excellent" Rating at the Ohio Music Education Association State Large Group Adjudicated Event on May 3. Mariemont High School qualified for the state competition in March with a superior rating at the OMEA District Contest.

Our band's performance was received extremely well by the adjudicators.

Congratulations on a fantastic year, Mariemont Band!



Do Your Share for Cleaner Air this Summer

Summer weather is quickly approaching, and that brings the potential for a smog alert. A Smog Alert is issued the day before the Southwest Ohio Air Quality Agency expects to see levels of air pollution that are unhealthy for sensitive groups such as children, the elderly and people with asthma, bronchitis and other respiratory problems.

Smog is a term used to describe air pollution, with the two primary pollutants being ground-level ozone or particulate matter. While a smog alert is possible any time of year, our region typically has higher ozone levels in the summertime because it is formed as a chemical reaction in the presence of sunlight and heat.

Consider taking the following actions to reduce do your share for cleaner air:

Take the bus (METRO: 513-621-4455 or TANK: 859-331-8265)

Carpool or vanpool (RideShare: 513-241-RIDE)

Ride a bike, in-line skate or walk instead of driving

Combine trips or eliminate unnecessary vehicle trips

Refuel your vehicle after 8 p.m.; do not top off when refueling and tighten the gas cap

Do not idle your vehicle

Avoid quick accelerations and sudden stops as they increase fuel consumption

Keep your vehicle maintained with properly inflated tires and timely oil changes

Avoid use of gasoline-powered lawn equipment

Avoid use of oil-based paints and stains

Conserve electricity

Spread the word

Receive air quality notifications by email at www.EnviroFlash.info, on Twitter (@SWOhioAir) or online at South-westOhioAir.org.

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2014 TED SHANNON MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

The weather was fantastic for the Sunday May 18, 2014 annual Ted Shannon, Jr. Memorial Golf Outing at California Golf Course. The golfers enjoyed 18 rounds of golf followed by dinner provided in part by Mac's Pizza Pub at the RG Cribbet Recreation Center. We would like to thank the following for sponsoring teams, being hole sponsors and/or donating raffle prizes for the event:

Bramble Towing Cincinnati Sports Club Dennis Ashmore Kardinal Co. Roofing Parson-Bishop Services, Inc. Sinclair Building Group, LLC Successful Products Barr & Prevost Engineers Cincinnati Recreation Commission KES Accounting Services Mac's Pizza Pub Rumpke Silver Spring House Thaman Rubber

Proceeds from the golf outing help to support other events the Village hosts during the year such as the Concert in the Park, Fall Festival and December's Tree Lighting and Santa Land.



MEMORIAL DAY 2014

Mariemont Elementary student and Fairfax resident, Lucas Wilner read his Memorial Day essay "What Memorial Day Means to Me".







The Thomas F. Litkenhaus Citizens of the Year Award was bestowed upon Peggy Kersker. A long-time resident who exemplifies the definition of a good citizen and has devoted endless time and energy serving the well being of the residents and children of this village.



The Thomas F. Litkenhaus Citizen Award was established as a memoriam for Thomas Litkenhaus, a volunteer fireman of the Village of Fairfax, by his family and friends. The award is made through the recommendation of a committee established by the Little Miami Joint Fire District who will supervise the funds and the Fairfax Events Committee. Peggy Kersker was the twenty-sixth recipient of this fine honor.

Peggy graduated from Mariemont High School in 1973. She is the proud mother to Dr. Jennifer Lang and Steve Kersker, and grandmother to Bobby Lang, and has been married to her husband, Alton, for 41 years. Peggy is currently employed as an office aide at Mariemont Elementary, however, she has served on many boards and associations, including:

Was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader (1984-1994) and assistant leader (1998-2003)

Was a softball coach for Fairfax Youth Organization in 1991

Supported the Fairfax Knothole Association from 1985-1995

Served on the Fairfax Elementary School Retirement Committee

Served on the Fairfax Community Improvement Committee and Beautification Committee

Served on Fairfax Elementary PTO (1984-1991) and was their President in 1991 Served on the Fairfax Elementary Preservation Committee from 1986-1988 Served as a Fairfax Elementary School Aide in 1987, an Extended Time Aide



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SGA Auto Service, a New Fairfax Business

SGA Auto Service is an innovative business redefining what it means to be in the automotive repair industry. With a comfortable blend of professional and casual, we have developed an ideal atmosphere to conduct quality business in. While avoiding the over-the-top & flashy nature of big corporations, we bring you sincere services rooted in pure skill and simplicity. We like to let our work speak for us by providing excellence and quickness at an inexpensive rate.

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OOPS!! FORGOT TO FILE YOUR FAIRFAX RETURN?

Please submit any "unfiled" 2013 Tax Return promptly, along with any tax due. Village of Fairfax Tax Returns were due April 15, 2013. Late filing charge applies even if no tax is due, unless you filed a Fairfax extension.

All residents 18 years of age or older must file a tax return with the Village of Fairfax. This includes those who rent.

Tax Returns are on our website at www.fairfaxohio.org or available in the lobby of our Municipal Building. The lobby is open Mon. – Fri., 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Taxes are based on an individual's earned income. You must submit W-2's, 1099Misc. forms, Schedule E, Schedule C and other income statements (interest, dividends, retirement income and unemployment are NOT taxed by Fairfax). Prompt filing avoids additional penalty and interest charges.

Late filing charge: waived on 1st offense, \$15.00 2nd offense, \$30.00 3rd offense and \$30.00 thereafter. Penalty1% and interest1% assessed monthly on unpaid tax, even if you had an extension. **Extension is for filing the return, not payment of tax.**

NEED HELP WITH YOUR RETURN?

We will prepare your Fairfax Return free of charge. Bring your 2013 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 2013 also bring your completed Federal Schedule C or E.

HOURS: Usually Mon. - Fri. 8:30am - 5:00pm (lunch 12:00 - 1:30)*

Weekdays are on walk-in basis, evenings by appointment.

*Changes in days/hours are listed on our voicemail, call 513-527-6506. Also you may mail or drop off paper work and/ or payments in the lock box on the left side of Municipal Bldg. Pay with a check or money order, do not leave cash. Be sure to include your name and phone number with any paper work, as well as a payment toward any tax you expect to be due. We will prepare returns in the order received and bill any additional tax due including late charges.

YOU FILED YOUR RETURN BUT GOT A CORRECTION LETTER OR REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION?

Please respond promptly, to avoid additional penalty/interest and late fees. If you have questions about a letter you received, you may call or come into our office. Note that taxpayers who do not reply or make a payment by the due date in their letter can be subject to further action.

This is a quick overview of Village of Fairfax Earnings Tax Requirements. Not all regulations/policies can be covered here. Additional information and instructions are on our website www.fairfaxohio.org OR call us at 513-527-6506.

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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 event 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 year-round on Mondays. Please remember that any 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 pickup. 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.

Anti-Idling is the Easiest Green Thing You Can Do

Helping the environment doesn't have to be expensive or difficult. One of the easiest ways to help improve our air quality is to avoid idling your vehicle when parked or not in use.

Idling wastes money and natural resources, affects the environment and harms our health.

Thirty seconds of idling can use more fuel than turning off the engine and restarting it. Not idling a vehicle is a quick and easy way to save money.

Vehicle exhaust contains carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, particulate matter and volatile organic compounds, all of which at certain levels can harm the environment and our health.

Remember to turn your engine off at the ATM, active railroad crossings and while waiting to pick-up friends and family. Children are particularly susceptible to emissions from idling vehicles because their respiratory systems are still developing and they breathe at a faster rate than adults.

We can all help to improve the environment, save a little money, and breathe easier by turning off our engines while we wait.

To find out more ways to do your share for cleaner air, visit the Southwest Ohio Air Quality Agency online at www.SouthwestOhioAir.org or by visiting Facebook (www.facebook.com/SouthwestOhioAir) or Twitter (www.twitter.com/SWOhioAir).

Mariemont Cub Scouts hosted an Ultimate Frisbee Camp at Ziegler Park.

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