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Cincinnati Sports Club—Health and Wellness Events

General Joint Screening – Shoulder, Knee, Back or Foot—Thursday, October 9, 9:30am-11:30am

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.

Flu Shots—Monday, October 13, 6pm-7pm – Cost is \$21

Staying Hip with Arthritis—Tuesday, October 14, 6pm-7:30pm.
Joint Sessions hosted by The Christ Hospital at the Cincinnati Sports Club. The classic sign of arthritis is joint pain. Inflammatory arthritis of the hip is characterized by a dull, aching pain in the groin, outer thigh, or buttocks. Pain is usually worse in the morning and lessens with activity; however, vigorous activity can result in increased pain and stiffness. Learn more about symptoms and treatment options for hip arthritis. Call 527-4000 to register for this free session.

Muscle-Tendon-Ligament Screening—Tuesday, October 14, 6pm-7pm
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. Please call 527-4000 to reserve your time.

The Healing Power of Blood – Innovations in Treating Tendon and Joint Pains—Tuesday, October 28, 6:30pm-7:30pm

Dr. Marcheschi of The Christ Hospital will discuss the PRP (Platelet Rich Plasma) process which is a new treatment that uses a person's blood to treat soft tissue injuries affecting muscles, tendons, or ligaments. PRP uses your body's own healing and regenerative resources to replace unhealthy tissue with healthy tissue. Please call 527-4000 to RSVP.

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

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ECC Meeting -

October 13th, 7pm

Council Meeting -

October 20th, 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 : 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 - November

Deadline – October 20th

Children's Halloween Party

Friday, October 25th 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.

MJH student wins Warrior Coalition Logo Design contest

Last Spring, the Warrior Coalition conducted a logo design contest at Mariemont Junior High School. Digital Arts teacher, Troy Woolery, introduced the contest to his students and discussed the mission of the Warrior Coalition, as well as the dangers of substance abuse. With over twenty submissions, the Warrior Coalition is proud to announce that Terrace Park resident, Reid Stautberg, was the winner. A special thank you to local graphic designer, Katie Lyons, who generously helped Reid “fine tune” his design. Reid was awarded a \$50.00 Visa gift card from the Warrior Coalition and his design will appear on all promotional material used to promote healthy choices by our youth.



Congratulations, Reid!

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

Two upcoming meetings:
*Oct. 13th at 7:30pm at Village Church of Mariemont. Corner of Oak St and Maple St.
*Marijuana and the Teenage Brain: A Warrior Coalition event for students and parents. Oct. 27th at 7:00pm at Mariemont High School auditorium.

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The 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 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. I 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 card and donated money to cover the cost of shipping. We had over 550 cards signed. This means so much to the women and men who are away from family and friends for the holidays.

The next meeting of the Neighborhood Watch is October 16th @7pm in the Recreation Center. Molly Connaughton, the principal of the Mariemont Jr. High School will be our guest speaker. She will be talking about the up coming school levy this November. Everyone is invited to the meeting. 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.

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 \$6 a class! www.zumba.com.

Village Yoga

Every Thursday at 7:15pm

Fairfax Rec Center \$6

Dress comfortable and bring a towel or a mat

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.

Meet Jacob Hudson By Leah Pittman


Jacob Hudson is a 14 year old freshman at Mariemont High School and like most kids his age he loves to play video games, basketball and Tae Kwon Do, which he is a red belt at the Tigers Lair Martial Arts. Like most kids, school is not his favorite place to be but he does like to hang with his friends and his favorite subjects are Computer Program and Latin. UNLIKE most kids Jacob's age he is a Type 1 diabetic.

Jacob joins the more than 29 million Americans living with diabetes. According to the American Diabetes Association website, www.diabetes.org, in type 1 diabetes, the body does not produce insulin. Insulin is a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy needed for daily life. With the help of insulin therapy and other treatments, even young children can learn to manage their condition and live long, healthy lives. Diabetes is a problem with your body that causes blood glucose (sugar) levels to rise higher than normal. This is also called hyperglycemia. Type 2 diabetes is the most common form of diabetes. If you have type 2 diabetes your body does not use insulin properly. This is called insulin resistance. At first, your pancreas makes extra insulin to make up for it. But, over time it isn't able to keep up and can't make enough insulin to keep your blood glucose at normal levels.

Jacob was diagnosed shortly after his 13th birthday in April of 2013. Since then he has had to learn to live life a little differently than most of us. Jacob now has to count carbs before and after he eats, he has to be aware of where his glucose levels stand and know how to adjust accordingly by either drinking water or taking a glucose tab. He can't ride his bike or participate in activities without taking his kit with him and when he goes to Kings Island he has to check is blood several times as heat, adrenaline and dehydration can all affect his glucose levels. Jacob also has to educate his friends and family about his disease, so they too can help manage his care.

These are not the only things that have changed, people not understanding what diabetes is and how it affects the body is another hurdle Jacob has faced. Due to this misunderstanding by most of the general public Jacob has put efforts forth to educate and inform the public about Diabetes and how it affects him and his family. This past June, Jacob got to meet Nascar Nationwide Driver Ryan Reed, through Ryan's Mission Drive to Stop Diabetes and learned that Ryan too was trying to educate the public on the growing epidemic of diabetes.

In 2014 the CDC issued a report stating that over 29 million Americans living in the United States had either Type 1, Type 2 or gestational diabetes. Ryan learned that 50% of the Nascar population was afflicted with Type 2 diabetes and made it his mission to begin to educate and inform the Nascar fans about diabetes. Ryan partnered with the American Diabetes Association to spread the word and a bring awareness. The Drive to Stop Diabetes program made its way to the Kentucky Speedway in June and Jacob, his mother and father were the first to volunteer. They felt that this was a way that they could give back, little did they know that this event would be the catapult into the fast lane.



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. 7th, 2014.**

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.

Pirates in the Park

BROUGHT TO EVERYONE BY THE MARIELDERS

Welcome aboard mates! Join in the fun as the Cincinnati Opera performs a mini version of the *Pirates of Penzance*. Sunday, October 12, Dogwood Park at the Bell Tower will be transformed into a pirate’s island with an evening full of music, food and adventure for the whole family. This event will cast off with a Carillon concert, performed by Mr. Richard Gegner at 4:00pm. A BBQ dinner feast will be available from 4:00pm until 6:00pm. The opera will follow en plein air.

Tickets are \$25 per person and \$5 for children under 12 for dinner and the opera. Don’t miss this captivating performance by the Cincinnati Opera. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the MARIELDERS weekdays 9am-4pm, 6923 Madisonville Road, Mariemont. For more information please call Kathy Chapman at 271-5588 or visit our website marielders.org.

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Kiwanis’ Annual Art & Craft Fair a Success

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont held its 29th Annual Fall Art and Craft Fair Sunday, September 7th under beautiful late summer skies in the heart of downtown Mariemont. Nearly 100 vendors from across the Tri-State were featured and enjoyed by many area residents.

The Kiwanis Club would like to extend special congratulations to the following award winners: First Place Art, Lince Art Studio (LinceArtStudio.com), Second Place Art, Marc Wavra Photography (MarcWavra.com), First Place Craft, Anne Huddleston, and Second Place Craft, Heidi Wineland (HeidiWineland.com). Vendors were judged by local artist Deborah Ridgely, local crafter Grace Wenstrup, art historian Virginia Holmes, and art teacher Tracy Binegar.

Kiwanis also thanks our food vendor, Village Church of Mariemont, as well as several local businesses who donated raffle prizes: Kroger Mariemont, 50 West Brewing Co., Pizzelii Pizza, Graeter’s Mariemont and Fifth Third Fairfax.

The Annual Fall Art and Craft Fair is Mariemont Kiwanis’ largest fundraiser for local scholarships. Along with our annual spring golf outing and upcoming holiday nut sale, the fall fair helps raise close to \$15,000 for scholarships for graduating seniors of the Mariemont School District.

In addition, Kiwanis works closely with students in the surrounding communities to provide mentoring relationships and support local youth activities. For information about how you can become more involved in serving our youth visit their website at www.MariemontKiwanis.org. You can also find them on Facebook (Mariemont Kiwanis) and Twitter (@MariemontKClub).

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont meets every Tuesday morning at 7:45AM in the Mariemont Elementary school cafeteria. A continental breakfast is served and guests are welcome anytime. Meetings last less than one hour and feature a variety of local speakers.

ATTENTION: 2013 Returns with Extension are Due 10-31-14

All extended Returns are due Oct. 31, 2014.
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 10-31-14. Interest applies from 4-15-14.

We will prepare your Fairfax Return free of charge. Individuals need to bring all 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, bring your completed Federal Schedule C or E. *If you misplaced your 2013 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 - 4:30 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 2013 Tax Return you filed was incomplete? You need to reply promptly. Any incomplete Tax Return is considered “unfiled” and after 30 days of the 1st notice is subject to legal action and late filing fees. If you are not sure what to submit to complete your return, call the Tax Office 527-6506.

If you receive a correction notice stating additional tax due, you must submit tax due and “signed copy of the corrected 2013 Tax Return” by the due date in your notice. Other corrections also require “signed copy” of the corrected 2013 Return.

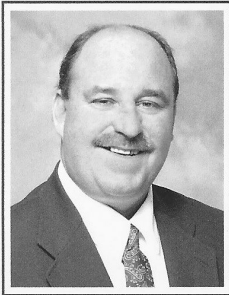
POLICY FOR LATE FILING FEE and LATE PAYMENT OF TAX

Late filing fee of \$15.00 to \$30.00 charged even if no tax is due.

Past due Tax, penalty 1% per month and/or interest 1% per month on balance due.

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.



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BOARD APPROVES PROPOSED CUTS IF SCHOOL LEVY DOES NOT PASS

Stating that they are hoping for the best on Election Day but that they must prepare for the worst-case scenario, the Mariemont Board of Education approved a list of \$1.9 million in cuts that will be phased in if the November 4 levy does not pass.

“None of us wants to implement what appears on this list and it is not what we hope for our future and what earned us the #1 rating in the entire area from *Cincy Magazine*, stated Ken White, board president. “Regardless, we believe in open and honest communication with our public about what is at stake and that’s what this is about.”

Dee Walter, board vice president agreed. “Since the last levy our schools have seen significant losses in funding from the state and have enacted reductions to offset those losses. In fact, we did all that while stretching the last levy to last one year beyond what we promised voters. Now, this levy represents the lowest millage rate that will protect what we have.”

During the evening’s presentation, Tom Golinar, district treasurer, along with Superintendent Steven Esteppe noted that the \$1.9 million in cuts is based upon what the district knows today regarding funding. In other words, that cut amount could increase if the state of Ohio enacts further, unforeseen cuts to Mariemont City Schools, or if they implement any unfunded mandates over the next several years.

In arriving at the list, Superintendent Esteppe also noted that while efforts were made to protect students and programs, the reality is that district’s budget is largely earmarked to the classroom already so that it is not possible to spare what happens in the schools each day. “The fact is that cuts hurt our schools and without a doubt our schools would look very different if we had to implement these cuts,” stated Steven Esteppe, superintendent. “It is clear that much is at stake for the schools that we care about and this helps inform residents before they vote in the November election.”

Listed below are the board-approved \$1.9 million in cuts that will occur over the next two years if the Tuesday, November 4 issue does not pass.

- Phase 1 (Implemented during the 2015/16 school year – \$900,000 cut)
- Eliminate classroom instructional aides in elementary classrooms
 - Reduce elementary art, general music and PE and implement the PE waiver for MHS students
 - Eliminate the district College & Career Planning Center counseling position
 - Reduce media center hours in all schools
 - Eliminate one administrative position
 - No base pay increases for district staff
 - Reduce transportation to state minimum
 - Increase pay-to-play fees & caps

- Phase 2 (Implemented during the 2016/17 school year – \$1 million cut)
- Eliminate six teaching positions across all grade levels
 - Eliminate three support positions
 - Eliminate one administrative position
 - Eliminate all fields trips (including Camp Kern)
 - Reduce technology integration specialists
 - No base pay increases for district staff

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