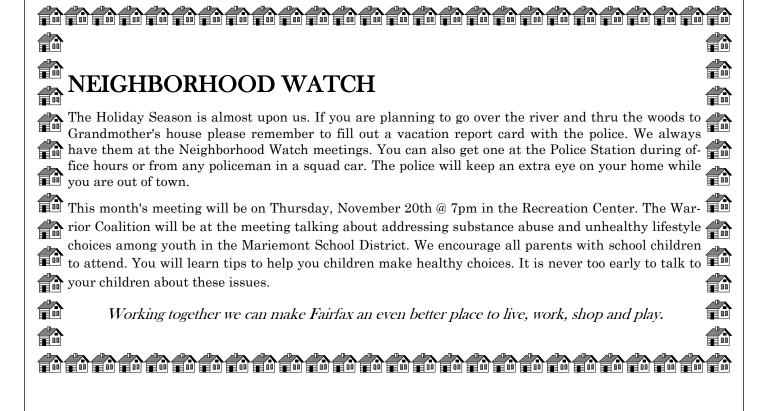
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ECC Meeting November 9th, 7pm
Council Meeting -

November 16th, 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 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.

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Dec. deadline - Nov. 20th

LIGHT UP FAIRFAX

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 2015 @ 4:00 PM

FAIRFAX MUNICIPAL BUILDING 5903 HAWTHORNE STREET

Bring your family for a holiday celebration!

Treats and Hot Chocolate

Christmas Caroling ~ Crafters from 4-7pm

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. ©

ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS AND VETERANS

The Village of Fairfax is working to compile a list of residents who are active duty members, as well as a list for veterans who served our armed forces. The Village would like to recognize these members at the Memorial Day services each May. We have collected some names after this past Memorial Day, but know there are many more out there we are missing from the list.

If you, or a family members served in the military, or if you know of someone currently serving, please send their name, branch of service, dates of service (if known). Information can be emailed to jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org or you can mail it to the Village – 5903 Hawthorne Ave, 45227. We appreciate your assistance in this effort.

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Recreation Dept.

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.

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!

FROM THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT 527-6508

568-4820

The trees have finally decided to let go of their leaves and leaf pick-up is now underway. For any new residents, you can rake your leaves to the curb in front of your homes. The Maintenance Department will be out daily picking up leaf piles. Please remember that your street may not get picked up each day. Depending on the amount of leaves put out, Maintenance will get as much as they can in a day and then pick up where they left off the next day until they get to every street. Leaves will be picked up through the month of November.

As we approach winter, please remember that when snow or ice come our way, to park your cars in your driveway whenever possible. Plowing of the streets is much easier, safer and more efficient when the plows can get to all of the curbs. Fairfax American Legion Post 554 Veteran's Day Open House

Wednesday, November 11th

Open to ALL Fairfax and surrounding neighborhood veterans, not just members.

Open at 3pm

Come for comradery, complimentary beverages, and a light lunch.

3712 Southern Avenue, feel free to park in Frisch's parking lot

presented by Squadron 554 Sons Of The American Legion and the Fairfax Legion Auxiliary VOLUME 23, ISSUE I I FAIRFAX FORUM

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.

ATTENTION:

Home Owners...

If you have a
plumbing problem,
Don't Panic!..
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Village Rec Programs

ZOMBAI

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Preschool Playgroup

Children 0-6 years
and their parents.
Fairfax Rec Center on
Thursday mornings from
9:30am - 11:00am.
5903 Hawthorne Ave.
Hosted by the Village of
Fairfax and the Mariemont
Preschool Parents Group.

Book Club

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

To find out when they meet and which book they are currently reading you can call the Rec Dept at 568-4820

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

St. Margaret - St John Annual Turkey Dinner Sunday November 8th 3pm - 7pm

Cost: Adult - \$9.00 Children - \$5.00

There will be a raffle and split the pot

Everyone is welcome to attend. Bring your family and friends

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MARIELDERS NEWS

Mobile Mammography Unit

The Jewish Mobile Mammography Unit will be at THE MARIELDERS on Wednesday, November 11 from 1:00 to 3:30pm. We cannot stress how important it is for women to have a mammogram done. Last year one of our own members was not going to have it done and the staff talked her into it. Thank goodness we did because she had stage 1 breast cancer and today she is doing great. So please call the Center and make an appointment.

Thanksgiving Luncheon

On Friday, November 20 THE MARIELDERS will be celebrating Thanksgiving with an allout feast. There will be turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls and of course pumpkin pie. After lunch we will be watching the 1947 version of Miracle on 34th Street. The price for this luncheon and movie is \$6.00 a person, please pay at the front desk by November 18.

Lollipop Craft Show

The Lollipop Craft Show will be held at the Mariemont Elementary School on Saturday, December 12 from 10am to 4pm. We have over 50 crafters selling their wares. Each booth has very different items. Here is a small list of available crafts: folk art painting, wooden ornaments, photography, jewelry, handmade pottery and many more.

Santa's Gift shop will be open again this year. This shop is only for children to shop in for their families. No gifts will be over a dollar and the gifts will be wrapped by Santa's Elves.

Lunch will also be served during the day by the Mariemont Girl Scouts.

If you are looking for one of a kind gift this is the place to shop. All proceeds from this event will go to THE MARIELDERS.

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- • Mowing/Mulching
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Do you 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. 6th**, **2015**.

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.



Marijuana – Where do you stand?

As Ohio faces potential legalization of recreational and medical marijuana (Issue 3) this November, opinions about marijuana can be found in every newspaper, social media outlet and nightly news program. Where do you stand on weed? Do your children know where you stand? If you are unsure as to your opinion on the subject, more than likely, your children are too. This uncertainty can open the door to adolescent experimentation.

In the United States, as state laws surrounding marijuana begin to loosen, attitudes begin to soften. As perceived risk of the drug begins to decrease, use of marijuana increases. Yet, studies show that as knowledge about marijuana increases, use of the drug decreases. This is good news for our children...if we talk to them about marijuana.

Adults need to know about the potential risks to young people and the developing brain. Marijuana has the potential to negatively impact adolescent brain development and function. Marijuana use also changes the way many people think, impacts the choices they make and alters the way they behave. In the short term:

Marijuana causes cognitive dysfunction when it comes to memory, perception of time and ability to complete complex tasks and learn.

Marijuana n<mark>egativ</mark>ely impacts decision-making, including increased risky sexual behaviors
Marijuana impairs coordination and balance, leading to an increased risk of accident, injury and death.

In the long term, marijuana use has been linked to:

Higher incidences of students dropping out of school.

Poorer life outcomes and life satisfaction, including career and relationship matters

Poorer physical health and an increase in mental health problems, including depression, anxiety and suicidal thoughts among teens

Addiction – about 1 in 11 marijuana users become addicted and odds for addiction increase to 1 in 6 for those who began using in their teens.

Your parental influence is powerful when it comes to your children and the decisions they make. Talk to your kids or grandkids about the dangers of marijuana. Ask them their opinion on the topic and listen closely to their response. Their opinion may not be the same as your opinion. Keep your cool. This is your opportunity to present the facts to them, to let them know your stance and to make your expectations for non-use clear.

Sources: Drug Free Action Alliance "KNOW!-Empowering Parents to Raise Their Children to be Substance-Free

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Kiwanis Club of Mariemont Celebrates Volunteerism

Like Bedford Falls without George Bailey, it might not be such a "Wonderful Life" without the many volunteer organizations that pick up the slack and add the special touches that make our community a great place to live.

With that idea in mind, the Kiwanis Club of Mariemont planned to commemorate Kiwanis International's 100th anniversary and their own club's 50th. They selected a way that not only recognizes all the volunteers making a difference, but also encourages more people to volunteer through an active and visible campaign. "It's caring and generous people coming together that makes such a remarkable difference around here," said John Wenstrup, who helped spearhead the project. "We see this spirit of volunteerism throughout the community and that's what we want to recognize and celebrate." It was with this thought that the Kiwanis Club of Mariemont Volunteerism Rolling Display was conceived.

The design was created and the float built by many local club members, through donations from community businesses. The images used recognize the volunteers who provide their time and talent supporting the schools, sports programs, senior care and other community services and organizations.

The float became a rallying point for the Kiwanis Club with many members involved during construction. "One of the unanticipated aspects of the project was actually the camaraderie of putting this whole thing together," said outgoing president, David Peterson. "It's amazing what you can learn about one another when you spend hours painting and building together."

Kiwanis plans to keep the float in action throughout its 50th anniversary year as a way to increase awareness of its mission: **To serve the children of our community**.

Attracting new members to Kiwanis, or any of the many other service groups in the area is their intended goal. "We just want people to know there are ways they can get involved in making our communities an even better place to live, work and play," said Dave Boyles, current Kiwanis Club president. "If just one more person chooses to roll up their sleeves and get involved in community service, we'll see this as a success."

The float debuted in front of Snappy Tomato Pizza in Fairfax and has been in the Terrace Park Labor Day Parade and the Mariemont's Homecoming festivities. It has also been in the Milford High School homecoming parade and is available to loan to other Kiwanis clubs as well. The float will continue to be on display for a few weeks at a time within the four communities the Kiwanis Club of Mariemont serves.

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont meets every Tuesday morning at 7:45 AM in the Mariemont Elementary school cafeteria. Meetings last just 45 minutes and feature a local speaker of interest. All our invited to attend. For more information visit MariemontKiwanis.org.

Snappy?

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Fairfax Residents,

You are Invited to The Fairfax Church of the Nazarene's



Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

On Sunday, November 22, 2015 At 10:30 a.m.

Join us in showing The Fairfax Police Department our support and appreciation.

> Reverend Jack Bimber 3802 Watterson Rd. Cincinnati, Oh. 45227 (513) 271-5063