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ECC Meeting -February 13th, 7pm Council Meeting -February 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 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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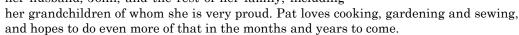
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Mar. deadline - Feb. 20th

TAX CLERK RETIRES

Patricia (Pat) Auer, Tax Clerk for the Village of Fairfax, will be retiring after 28 years of service to the Village. Pat began her career at Fairfax in November 1988. Her official retirement date will be February 28, 2017.

After retirement, Pat would like to take a cruise - it will be the first time for such an adventure and she is looking forward to it. She also plans on spending more time with her husband, John, and the rest of her family, including



You may contact Pat for any tax questions or needs until February 28th. (527-6506) The Village has hired Ann Willis as Pat's successor. Ann will be featured in the March edition of the Fairfax Forum.

On reflecting on her years at Fairfax, Pat said, "I have always enjoyed working with and assisting both residents and businesses with their tax questions and forms". We congratulate Pat on her retirement, her many years of service to the Village and wish her all the best!

VILLAGE OF FAIRFAX CHILI COOK-OFF



11:00 am-1:00 pm SATURDAY, February 25th



Do you make a great pot of chili that gets raves from family and friends? Then prove it at the Annual Fairfax Chili Cook-off at the RG Cribbet Recreation Center!

To enter your chili, please email chandrabuswell@yahoo.com or jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org (or call 513-527-6503) for a registration form and submission requirements. There is NO FEE to enter a chili. You do not need to be a Fairfax resident to participate. This event is open to everyone!

The judging panel will be made up of judges from the community including our own school superintendent Steve Estepp. The judges will vote on an over-all winner as well as winners in each of the categories; vegetarian, mild, medium, hot & specialty.

Everyone is welcome to attend and be a judge because a People's Choice ballot is included with admission.

The Champions program at Mariemont Elementary will be there with fun activities for the kids!

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children (12 and under). Admission includes sampling chili, a vote for the People's Choice award, drinks, rolls, and snacks.

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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.

Upcoming Health and Wellness Events

Injury Screening—Feb. 2, 6:30-8:30pm, Feb. 13, 9am-12, Feb. 23, 6:30-8:30pm Are you having pain or discomfort while exercising? An injury that has limited your ability to perform daily tasks? Club Physical Therapist Vic Troha, M.D. will offer complimentary weekly health screenings for joint, muscular, or neurological pain. Registration required; call 513-527-4000 or visit the Club to reserve your 20-minute appointment at least 24 hours prior to the screening.



Healthy Pursuits: The Flying Pig Marathon—February 8, 6:30pm-8pm

What does your Flying Pig training regimen look like? On Wednesday, 2/8 from 6:30-8pm, experts from The Christ Hospital Physical & Occupational Therapy Practice will discuss common injuries, stretching and strengthening, increasing distance without overuse injuries, and more. Register at any Club service desk to attend.

Hip Screening—February 8, 6:30pm-7:50pm

If you feel like your hips are out of alignment or if hip pain is hindering your daily activities then come in for a free screening with Club Physical Therapist Vic Troha, M.D. Often time's hip dysfunction can result in further damage to other areas of the body. Don't hold off and get a free evaluation. Registration required; call 513-527-4000 or visit the Club to reserve your 20-minute appointment at least 24 hours prior to the screening.

Cincinnati Sports Club Anniversary Open House - Saturday, February 11, 9am-3pm

Come and see the experience of the Cincinnati Sports Club yourself during our Anniversary Open House. Proudly serving the eastside since 1990.

Hearing Screening - Free and open to the public. Tuesday, February 14, 9:30am-11:30am

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

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REC. APTS...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:

February 17th - Carnival masks

March 18th - Sew a cinch top pouch

April 14th - Fairy/Gremlin Garden

May 13th - Flower Pots

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

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.

RUMPKE RECYCLING DATES

Rumpke recently mailed out a postcard to all residents with a calendar highlighting the recycling pick-up days for 2017. **Please make sure to reference this calendar.** The Village published a similar calendar in the Forum a few months ago, and there are some incorrect dates on it, so please disregard that schedule. If you did not receive you Rumpke calendar for 2017 in the mail, please contact the Village Administrator at 527-6503 and one can be mailed or emailed to you. The recycling pick up dates for February and March 2017 are as follows:

February 7

February 21

March 7

March 21

Family Theater at The Barn in Mariemont

On Saturday, Feb. 25 at 10am, beat the Winter Blahs with some great family theatre at The Barn!

The Children's Theatre of Cincinnati will be performing their touring musical, "Harriet Tubman"! Only \$5/adult and child, thanks to underwriting from the Mariemont Preservation Foundation!

Show takes place at The Barn (Woman's Art Club Cultural Center), 6980 Cambridge Ave., Mariemont.

Recommended for ages 6 and up.

The year is 1849. Watch as Harriet Tubman journeys back into slave country to rescue her family and many others. Traveling by the cover of night and cloaked in extreme secrecy, Harriet never lost a passenger during her trips on the Underground Railroad. The story of this amazing woman known as "Moses," whose image will soon grace the redesigned \$20 bill, comes to life in this exhilarating musical drama. For ages 6+.

Register online at thebarn.cincyregister.com/mpf2016

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Zumba at the Rec Center is back!!!

Thursday evenings at 6 PM. \$5 @ class.

All fitness levels welcome and encouraged! No dance experience needed. Just come to have fun, get out of the house and feel great! Show me proof of membership at Cincinnati Sports Club, and your rate will be just \$2 a class. (receipt or your membership card)

The music is lively and upbeat. Give it a try!

Instructor: Paige Strickland Any questions: 513-265-7916

http://paigestrickland.zumba.com/

Save the Dates

Village events to jot down on your calendar. Watch for more information on each as dates get closer.

February 25th—Chili Cook-off May 7th—Flying Pig Marathon May 20th—Yard Sale Day May 21st—Golf Scramble May 29th—Memorial Day June 23rd—Concert in the Park September 16th—Yard Sale Day August 25th—Fall Festival August 26th—Fall Festival October 27th—Halloween Party December 3rd—Light Up Fairfax

Please note that in the January Forum the Fall Festival was listed as Sept. This was an error.

The new dates for the festival are in August.

Thank you!



Join us 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.

February 21st—Millers Valley by Anna Quindlen

March 21st—Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult

April 18th—A Man Called Ove by Fredrik

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.

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CARING FOR OUR SENIORS

The Police Department's Caring for Our Seniors Program is looking for additional residents who may want to be included in this service. For those of you that may not know what this program is, it is available to elderly or physically disabled Fairfax residents. Police Department personnel would check in on them from time to time, especially during power outages and extreme weather conditions in winter and summer. This program will also try to provide assistance for things that might need to be done around the home. If the police department cannot provide the assistance, they will assist in finding the right person and/or resource for the resident's needs. We'll also stop by to just talk to make sure they are doing okay.

If you are interested, know of someone who would benefit from our program, or to get more information, please contact Detective Lee Day at 513-272-9982. You can also fill out the form below and return it to the police department or call Detective Day to pick it up from your residence.



Village of Fairfax Police Department Col. Jeffrey W. Bronson, Chief of Police

5903 Hawthorne Avenue, Fairfax, Ohio 45227 Phone: 513-271-7250 Fax: 513-271-7030



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Day Phone:	
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Resident Sees Coyotes in Fairfax; Submits Information For Neighbors

Coyotes are common in Ohio. They help keep rodents in check, and bird populations flourishing. Shy and reclusive, they mostly try to avoid us. But if they get comfortable in the neighborhood, they can lose their natural fear of people and become bolder--known as *habituation*. Wooded areas and parks are common spots for coyotes. Underbrush and piles of clutter can also be welcoming to them. Most often, a coyote sighting is no cause for alarm. But *you should call Police if you notice a coyote (or any animal) that looks hurt, sick or habituated.*

<u>Haze Them Away</u>: Bold coyotes should be given the clear message to leave. *Hazing* uses deterrents to move the coyote out of backyards and play spaces. *The simplest method of hazing involves being loud and large*. Stand tall, wave your arms and yell, approaching it if necessary, until it runs away. *However, if the coyote "holds its ground," acts aggressive or displays odd behavior, don't approach--call the Police for assistance.*

<u>Keep Them Guessing</u>: Using different hazing tools is important, so that coyotes don't get used to the same devices, sounds and actions. Some examples:

Noisemakers: Voice, whistles, air horns, bells, "shaker" cans full of marbles or pennies, pots, lids or pie pans banged together

Projectiles: sticks, small rocks, cans, tennis balls or rubber balls

Other: hoses, water guns or spray bottles with vinegar water, pepper spray or bear repellent

<u>Be Persistent</u>: If a coyote has not been hazed before, they may not immediately run when you yell. If this happens, you may need to walk toward the coyote and increase the intensity of your hazing. The coyote may run, but then stop after a distance and look at you. *Continue to go after the coyote until it completely leaves the area*. And remember to call Police if the coyote is reluctant to leave, aggressive or acts oddly.

Neighborhood Collaboration for Keeping Coyotes Out

Being proactive is best. Never feed them directly or entice them with these attractants:

Don't keep pet food outside.

Clean your grill after using, or store inside your garage when not in use.

Securely cover your trash and recycling bins.

If possible, put your trash out in the morning rather than in the evening.

Don't add meat, bones, etc. to your compost pile.

Make sure your compost pile is tightly and securely covered.

If you have fruit trees, pick up the fallen fruit.

Keeping cats indoors is always safest, but at least between dusk and dawn hours.

Don't keep dogs tied up outside. Any dog tied up is no match for a coyote.

Don't ignore them. If you see a coyote in your neighborhood, always haze them away.

Interesting Facts about Coyotes

The Latin name for coyotes is Canis latrans, which translates to "barking dog."

They can eat just about anything, and can live in many places, including large urban areas.

Covotes are usually fearful and cautious around people.

They are most active between dusk and dawn, but can be seen any time of day or night.

Coyotes have been clocked running short distances at speeds up to 40 mph. Most coyotes can easily jump a 6-foot fence.

Coyotes typically breed during Feb and March, then produce their litters in April and May

Gestation (length of pregnancy) is around 60-63 days, the same as for domesticated dogs.

Coyotes are monogamous.

Coyotes can successfully mate with dogs — their offspring are called "Coydogs."



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2017 FAB Affair

You're invited to a FABulous Night at the Ball Park to eat, drink and be giving!

On Saturday, March 11th the Mariemont School Foundation (MSF), Arts Association (MAA) & Boosters organizations will host the 7th Annual FAB Affair at the Great American Ball Park.

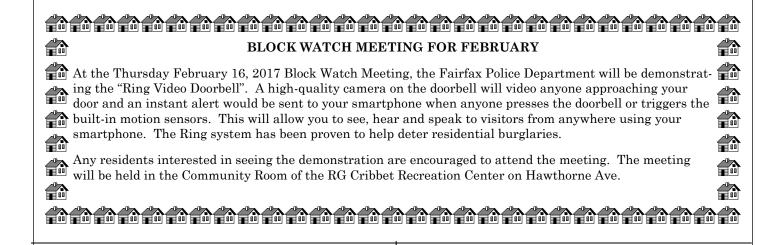
The FAB committees work hard for months to put together an exciting event that is sure to please everyone. The goal of the evening is to raise enough funds for the three organizations to split which provides support back to schools through their specialty niches.

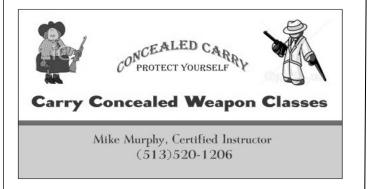
This is such a fun event, and each year it grows with current parents plus returning alumni, alumni parents and supportive businesses from around the region. It's all about giving back while hanging out or catching up with friends you've made through the school community.



The 2017 FABulous Night at the Ball Park includes dinner,

transportation, basket raffles and a live auction plus always a few surprises! You can purchase tickets or become a sponsor for the event through the link at MariemontSchools.org.







*Discounts for elderly, police/fire, and military