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ECC Meeting -
January 8th, 7pm
Council Meeting -
January 15th, 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
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and businesses in our
village.

Articles and photographs
are welcomed. Please
contact Chandra Buswell
for more information.
Photos will not be
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reserves the right to
select and edit articles for
both content and space.

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Next deadline - 1/20/18

Eighth Annual Family Bowling Day

January 21st ~ 1:30pm to 3:30pm

@ Madison Bowl

4761 Madison, Cincinnati, OH 45227

To sign up for the two games of the day email:
chandrabuswell@yahoo.com or jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org

\$8 per person.

This is a family friendly event that is intended
for all bowling skill levels.
There will be trophies and split the pot.

*Lanes of 4-5 players. Small numbers may be put together.



Best Decorated House Contest Winner!

3759 Meadowlark

Congratulations! A big THANK YOU to everyone who
decorated their home and made Fairfax so festive this
holiday season.





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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.



The local “Chicks Who Like to Read” book club, which meets monthly at the Village of Fairfax Recreation Center collected about 180 “gently” used books to donate to 5 local nonprofit agencies to distribute to young clients during the recent holiday season. The nonprofits that were the recipients of these books were: ProKids, VEIL (Vida Eterna Iglesia Luterana), Boys Hope Girls Hope, The Children’s Home of Cincinnati, and Taft Elementary School. Many, many thanks to the members of this book club who participated in this very worthwhile event.

Join these fun ladies 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.

January 16th—*At the Water’s Edge* by Sara Gruen

February 20th—*Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel

Save the Dates

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

January 21st—**Bowling Day**

February 24th—**Chili Cook-off**

-Email chandrabuswell@yahoo.com for a registration form.

More information in the February Forum.

May 6th—**Flying Pig Marathon**

May 19th—**Yard Sale Day**

May 20th—**Golf Scramble**

May 28th—**Memorial Day Ceremony**

Dates for the Concert in the Park, the Fairfax Festival, the Kids Halloween Party, and the Light Up Fairfax event are still being worked out.

Watch for more information in coming months!

2018 RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Fairfax partners with Rumpke to provide residents with curbside recycling service. Recycling is collected every-other-week on Tuesdays.

Please place recycling containers at the curb the night before scheduled collection. All recyclables should be completely enclosed in the Rumpke issued container. If you don’t currently have a recycling container at your home, please contact Rumpke at 1-800-828-8171. There is no additional cost to participate.

*EXCEPTION – During the weeks of Christmas and New Year’s – recycling collection will occur on Wednesday.

Not sure what you can recycle? See reverse side to learn more.



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Zumba at the Rec Center

Thursday evenings at 6 PM. \$5 @ class.
All fitness levels welcome and encouraged! No dance experience needed. 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/>

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.

ATTENTION:
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Mariemont Boys Basketball Tribe Pride Past, Present, Future

On Friday, November 25, 2017 Mariemont High School had its first Alumni vs. Varsity basketball scrimmage in decades. 15 alums coached by dads Joe Kromer and Matt Lundeberg played the 14 person Varsity Roster while families, friends and other alums cheered them on. Former program coaches, Brad Lockhart and Chuck Stewart, were referees and Athletic Director Tom Nerl provided colorful announcing.

The evening started out with a beautiful a Capella rendition of the Star-Spangled Banner sung by Senior Max Geers. Before the game started, Coach Leon shared that he wanted to make Mariemont Basketball a tradition again and this is about building the program. The players on both teams were interviewed to get their take on how they thought things would play out. Andy Gray, Class of '97, said he was going to have fun. Brian Vianello, Class of '94, and Ryan McKenrick, Class of '02 hoped to not get hurt. Andrew Hall and Gage McClure of the varsity, with the arrogance of youth, touted it would be fun but they were going to take the Alumni down. All were correct! It was fun, no one was hurt and the Varsity won, but barely. The Alums jumped out to a first quarter lead of 26-16, even with a last second 3-pointer by Cameron Lackney narrowing the score. The varsity battled back to tie the score at 40 at halftime. A great game in the second half saw Varsity pull out an 89-87 victory!

In addition to the game, there was other family fun too. After the first quarter, there was an "Over 60 Free Throw Competition" which was won by Terrace Park resident Mike Pope, Class of '65, who holds the single game scoring record at Mariemont at 48 points (and that was well before the three-point jumper arrived). Halftime the crowd saw a preview of future Warriors, as 6th grade Mariemont players scrimmaged. After the third quarter the under 12 crowd competed in a dribbling competition with Cooper Matarese racing through first. Split the Pot winner Ron Trubisky donated back his winnings to the program, helping increase our overall funds raised for the program to \$1626 from sponsorships, raffles, concessions and donations by attendees. Given the success of this event, we hope to do it again in 2018 on the Friday afternoon following Thanksgiving. Thanks to all the parent volunteers who helped make this event a success (Cindy & Rick Tripp, Chrissy Jones, Courtney McClure, Dawn & Graham Harden, Jerry Garrison, Jessica and Donny Hudson, Joe Kromer, Julie & Patrick Dougherty, Matt Lundeberg, Teresa Gilbertson) and to our Sponsors (Comey & Shepherd, Total Wealth Planning, Photo Phanzie Photography, Repair Parts Warehouse, Guaranteed Rate, Garrison & Associates, Lundeberg Chiropractic & Acupuncture, Buskens Bakery, Life Cen-

Varisty Front Row: Manager Scott Holland, Anthony Garrett, James DiMichele, Evan Sizer, Cameron Lackney, Andrew Hall.

Back Row: Coach Scott Vonderhaar, Cole Harden, Gage McClure, Jackson Trester, Brad Westmeyer, Ryan Matarese, Jacob Doughtery, Head Coach Jim Leon, Tyler Lundeberg, Brett Gilbertson, Charlie Tripp, Student Coach Jacob Hudson, Coach Darrell Callo-way



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Alumni Front Row: Scott Holland '17. Second Row: Ryan McKenrick '02, Adam Jacobs '17, Andrew Sizer '17, Luke Garrison '17, Alex Goheen '10, Chip Stewart '11, Andy Gray '97, Danny Renner '14

Back Row: Coach Joe Kromer, Joey Kromer '15, Brennan Crowley '15, Connor Dougherty '16, Jacob Trester '16, Will Kippins '08, Brian Vianello '94, Coach Matt Lundeberg.



Fairfax Police & Little Miami Fire Dept. Annual Toy Collection

Support for needy local families.

Police car and ambulance were filled with toys collected and \$1,500 in cash.

Toys were distributed to local needy families as well as Shriner Hospital's Toy Program.



Preschool Playgroup

Children 0-6 yrs and their caregivers.
Fairfax Rec Center
Thursdays from 9:30am - 11:00am.
5903 Hawthorne Ave.
Hosted by the Village of Fairfax
and the Mariemont Preschool Parents
Group.

Calling all COOL CATS and FOXY MAMAS!
Come join our... **Disco Party!!**

Benefiting **Denise Patterson***

Saturday, March 3rd, 2018 at the Fairfax Recreation Center
5903 Hawthorne Ave, Cincinnati, Oh 45227
7:00pm-11:00pm

We are excited to announce that door prizes, a D.J., food and beer are included with your \$15 donation!!!! "Jungle Juice" will be provided for purchase. Also, we'll have a photo booth, raffle tickets and split the pot also available for purchase.

*CONTEST PRIZE FOR THE GROOVIEST CONSTUME!!!!!!

*If you would like to donate items for raffle, food, beer or anything, please contact Tara Zellner 513-307-9936.

*Longtime resident of Fairfax. Denise's daughter graduated from Mariemont in 2017.
All monies raised will help with medical bills and expenses.



TAX TIPS AND TOPICS

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.

2017 TAX RETURNS for VILLAGE of FAIRFAX

All residents, 18 years or older must file (including those who have retired) 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. Withholding tax is required for employees working in the Village of Fairfax including those less than 18 years of age.

TAX RATE: 1.75% for 2017 Returns and the 2018 estimated tax.

DUE DATE: 1) Resident and individual 2017 tax returns are due April 17th, 2018 (to comply with federal due date). 2) Business tax returns also due April 17th, 2018 if operating on a calendar year or 4 months after the close of a fiscal year. Extensions also are due April 17th, 2018 and are for filing the return NOT payment of tax. If you file an extension with Fairfax, you must pay 100% of 2017 estimated tax liability by April 17th, 2018 to avoid interest/penalty.

OBTAINING FORMS: 1) Forms are available in the lobby of the Municipal Building 8:30AM - 5:00PM Monday - Friday. 2) January of each year tax forms are mailed to registered residents and businesses of the Village. However not receiving a form does not excuse anyone from filing a tax return. 3) Tax forms and instructions also are on our website www.fairfaxoh.org.

REGISTRATION: New residents or if you moved since filing your last tax return, you must register by mail or phone (Tax Office at 513-527-6506). Give name, address, SS#, date moved in and landlord's name if applicable. If registering by phone, please spell all names.

Refunds / Amount Collected Minimum of TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) or less shall not be collected or refunded.

TIPS FOR FILING YOUR FAIRFAX 2017 TAX RETURN

Completing Worksheet A

Residents: Qualifying Wages on line 1. Complete Worksheet A on the back of the Fairfax Return. This total will not always be the same as the amount reported on your Federal Tax Return. *Cafeteria plans are not taxed. * Use the Medicare wages box 5, when adding the W-2 income. Deferred compensation such as 401-K plans, pension plans etc. are still subject to Village of Fairfax Earnings Tax. Add any taxable amounts in a box other than box 5, ei. sick pay.

****Include original W-2 from all employers.**

**** Tax Paid Other Municipality.** Credit for Tax Paid to Other Communities, are only able to be credited up to 1.75% of any wages taxable to Fairfax and taxed by the other community.

1) Your W-2 should show the amount of wages taxed by each city, how much local tax was paid and to which city the tax was paid in box 18.

- 2) If tax is paid to other city at a rate lower than 1.75%, the difference is due to the Village of Fairfax.
- 3) For local taxes paid directly to another municipality (not shown on your W-2), provide a copy of your tax return filed with the other community. No credit can be given without this or other verification.
- 4) No credit is given for county tax (This mostly applies to those working in Kentucky)

Completing Worksheet B

Other Taxable Income on line 2.

Attach the correct Federal form for verification of each item.

Carry total to front, list on line 2.

- 1) Include 1099 Miscellaneous Income forms issued by your employers.
- 2) Include Federal Schedule C for profit or loss from a business. This applies if you are self-employed or a sole proprietor.
- 3) Include Federal Schedule E for any rental property that is located in Village of Fairfax. Attach Schedule E even if no tax is due, loss carry forward is 5yrs. unless exhausted.
- 4) Include Federal Form 2106, Employee Business Expense if you take this deduction. Allowed only if expenses apply to income taxable to the Village of Fairfax. Use line 5 of Worksheet B and mark it 2106 Expns.

NOTE: Unemployment Compensation received in 2017 will not be taxed this year.

DO NOT include interest or dividends from your savings or investments on the Fairfax Tax Return. Interest and dividends are not reported for municipal earnings tax.

DO NOT include 1099-R Income. This form reports a distribution from a pension, 401-K, etc. when you change employers, or make a withdrawal from a retirement plan.

Joint returns: A husband and wife may file a joint return even if they filed separately on their State and Federal returns. If a wife uses her maiden name please indicate that on the form.

Estimated Tax for 2018: Estimated tax due quarterly on any estimated liability of \$200.00 or more. NEW Quarterly Due Dates: 1st quarter due with April return; 2nd quarter due June 15th; 3rd quarter due Sept. 15th; 4th quarter Jan. 15th, 2019 to avoid interest charge. The estimated tax form is on our website www.fairfaxoh.org or call 527-6506 to have a form mailed to you.

HRS: 8:30AM to 5:00 PM, Mon. - Fri. Appointments 5:00 – 6:00PM contact the Tax Dept.

Business Tax Returns are due April 18th, 2017 if operating on a calendar year or 4 months after the close of any fiscal year, unless an extension is submitted to the Village of Fairfax. When filing include a copy of the Federal Tax Return filed by your company/business and attach supporting schedules for items added or deducted on Fairfax schedule X, (reverse side of our return). Sole proprietors may file on an Individual Return and attach Federal Schedule C.

Withholding on Employee Wages: Earnings Tax of 1.75% must be deducted by each employer on all wages earned in the Village of Fairfax. Employee Withholding is submitted monthly when the Withholding for any month in the previous quarter was \$200.00 or more; and is due the 15th day of the following month. Quarterly Withholding is due on the last day of the month following the close of each quarter.

Annual Reconciliation of Withholding is due February 28th each year. You must attach W-2's or computer print out giving the same information for each employee and copies of any 1099 Misc. forms issued for work done in the Village of Fairfax. See form for all filing requirements.