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ANNUAL FAIRFAX CHILI COOK OFF WINNERS 2019

Thank you to everyone who attended the annual Fairfax Chili Cook Off on Saturday April 6, 2019. This year, the event was held at the Little Miami Joint Fire District Station 66 on Wooster Pike. The venue was excellent and we even had some of the fire fighters enter their own chili for the competition.

Congratulations to this year's winners!

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| Best Mild Chili | Justin Buswell |
| Best Medium Chili | Tracey Price |
| Best Hot Chili | David Jollis |
| Best Specialty Chili | Krista Rackley |
| Best Vegetarian Chili | Melanie Phillips |
| Best Decorated Table | Barb Blankemeyer |

And this year, for the first time, the Judge's Overall Winner and People's Choice Award went to the same chili—congrats to Justin Buswell!!!

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- Infrastructure Meeting -
May 13th, 6:15pm
- ECC Meeting -
May 13th, 7pm
- Finance Meeting -
May 20th, 6:30pm
- Council Meeting -
May 20th, 7pm

*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.

Please contact Chandra Buswell for submissions. While this newsletter welcomes submissions for evaluation, it is not an open forum. Submissions will be evaluated for consistency with the informational purpose of the newsletter. The editorial staff may reject any submission or edit submissions for both content and space. Photos will not be returned.

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Next deadline - 5/20/19

2019 Ted Shannon Memorial Golf Outing



This year's event will be held on Sunday May 19th, 2019 at California Golf Course. First tee time is at Noon. Teams of 4 will tee off every 7 minutes from the front and back nine of the course. If you are interested in entering a team, please contact Mayor Carson Shelton at 527-6504 or cshelton@fairfaxoh.org. Cost is \$65 per player or \$230 per team of four. The fee includes two golf carts per team, a gift at the golf course, and dinner afterwards at the RG Cribbet Recreation Center in Fairfax. There will also be a chance to win some door prizes.

Please join us to commemorate former Mayor Ted Shannon. The funds raised from this event help support the events the Village holds throughout the year such as the June Concert in the Park, the Fairfax Festival and Light Up Fairfax event in December.

Memorial Day Services

May 27th at 11am

Fairfax Municipal Building,
5903 Hawthorne Ave

- Call to Order
- Welcome and Remarks
- Posting of Colors by Color Guard
- National Anthem
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation
- Essay Winner "What Memorial Day Means to Me"
- Thomas F. Litkenhaus Memorial Award—Citizen of the Year
- Benediction

Please stay for hot dogs, chips and drinks following the ceremony.

Thank you to the Mariemont High School Band.

13th Annual Concert in the Park

Featuring:

Amy & the Arrangement

June 21st
7pm-11pm

Ziegler Park; end of Southern Ave in Fairfax

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

The Fairfax Civic Association will be selling soda, water, pizza, and snacks to support their programs.

There will be no beer sales, feel free to bring your own. No glass please.

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BUILDING ON EXCELLENCE

**Mariemont High School
GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY**

SAVE THE DATE

MAY 30, 2019 @ 6:30 P.M.

Stay for an open house immediately following the ceremony. A final chance to see the building before construction begins!

Village Wide Community Yard Sale Day

May 18th from 9am-1pm



Join your neighbors for a community wide yard sale.

The Community Yard Sale Day will be advertised in local newspapers courtesy of the Village of Fairfax so all you have to do is set up.

*It is suggested that you put signs out at the main intersections to direct customers to your home.



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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 513-742-2900

Report Street Light or Traffic Light Out

Jill Kessler, Fairfax P.D. 513-272-9941

CALL FOR FAIRFAX CITIZEN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS AND VETERANS

The Village is currently taking nominations for the Fairfax Citizen of the Year to be honored at the Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 27th, 2019. Your nomination should include a background of the resident and their service to the community. The nominee cannot be a current employee of the Village.

The Village is also continuing to compile a list of veteran's from the Village to be honored at Memorial Day. We have a nice list started, but know there are more names that could be added. If you know of a family or friend that was a former or current veteran of any branch of the armed forces, please submit their name, branch of service, and service dates (if known).

All information can be submitted to the Village Administrator: jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org

Light Ohio Blue – Week of May 8 to May 16

The Village of Fairfax has joined the Light Ohio Blue campaign to show and generate support for law enforcement personnel who protect our communities throughout our great state.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week. The Light Ohio Blue campaign coincides with activities associated to Police Week. This year's dates are Wednesday May 8 to Thursday May 16.

Residents in Fairfax are encouraged to show their support for law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty and those currently serving, both sworn and civilian staff.

How can you help? The Fairfax Police Department will have blue lights available starting May 1st. We ask that you replace your porch light with a blue light bulb during the week of May 8 to May 16. We will also have blue ribbon available. On Police Memorial Day – May 15, we encourage you to wear blue.

For more information, please contact the Fairfax police department at 513-271-7250 or visit <http://lightohioblue.org>



Fairfax Recycled 115 Tons in 2018

Congratulations, Fairfax residents! In 2018, we recycled 115.33 tons of metal, glass, plastic, and paper. Residents saved resources, conserved energy, and reduced pollution by not sending these items to the landfill.

The recycling efforts in Fairfax: • Conserved enough energy to power every home in Fairfax for 9 days. • Reduced more air pollution than if every household in Fairfax rode their bicycle to work for 6 weeks. • Saved 999 trees from being harvested.

On average, each household in Fairfax recycled 275 pounds in 2018. That's 13.38% of all the waste we generate.

Want to start recycling? Call 800-828-8171 to request your recycling cart today. Check out the list below to make sure you recycle the correct items.

Bottles and jugs, Cans, Glass Bottles and jars,

Cartons, Paper (newspaper, cardboard, mail, and paperboard)

Have a question about recycling? Call Hamilton County's Recycling Hotline at 946-7766 or visit HamiltonCountyRecycles.org. Love all things recycling? Follow Hamilton County Recycles on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or Pinterest.

Because what we do matters.

Rec Chess & Game Night

Please join us at 6:30-8pm on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month for some old-school fun!

Held in the Fairfax Village Municipal Building, 5903 Hawthorne Ave, Fairfax, OH 45227. Just come on downstairs, we will be in the Scout Room.

Of course, we still have chess for those who want to play, just have added a few other fun board game favorites.

If you have games you'd like to donate, please don't hesitate to contact us at fairfaxchess@yahoo.com to arrange pick-up.

If you'd like to bring in something to play that night, that's great too!

This is a very casual format and we'd love for you to come! Young children are welcome, but remember that we are not responsible for them!

Any questions, or to sign up to mentor, please email facilitators Anita Hunt and Sarah Maier at fairfaxchess@yahoo.com.

*Please note, there is not RCGN on the first Monday of June, July and August. Only the 3rd Monday.



Join this fun group 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.

May 21st - "The Lost Girls" by Heather Young

June 18th - "Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine" by Gail Honeyman

Additional books to come!

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SCAMMER ALERT



Today, scammers are more prevalent than ever and will say and do anything to steal your money. Recently, the number one way for a scammer to get to your money is by the use of gift cards. If someone calls you with urgent news or a convincing story and then pressures you to pay them by buying a gift card like iTunes, Google Play card, etc. and then giving them the codes off the back of the card – **STOP!! – IT IS A SCAM!**

Gift cards are the number one payment method that imposters demand. They may pose as an IRS official, Law Enforcement Officer, family member with an emergency, public works employee, or a service members asking for donations. Scammers may even call you with great news that you won a contest. These people know how to play into your fears, hopes and sympathies. They like to use gift cards because once they have the code on the back, the money is gone and it is almost impossible to trace. Knowing about these scams can help prevent them, so please share this information with your friends and loved ones. If you paid a scammer with gift cards, call the card company and let them know the cards were used in a scam.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT GIFT CARDS ARE NEVER ASKED TO BE USED AS A LEGITIMATE FORM OF PAYMENT.

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Google Play 1-855-466-4438

CPR/AED/First Aid for Certification & Renewals

Classes Open for Registration:

May 15th 5:45pm-8:45pm CPR/AED Adult & Pediatric

May 16th 9-noon CPR/AED Adult & Pediatric

May 18th 10am-noon CPR/AED/First Aid Adult & Pediatric Blend-
Learning Skills Assessment



June 19th 5:45pm-8:45pm 5:45pm-8:45pm CPR/AED Adult & Pediatric

June 20th 9-noon CPR/AED Adult & Pediatric

June 22nd 10am-noon CPR/AED/First Aid Adult & Pediatric Blended Learning Skills Assessment

Location: Village of Fairfax Municipal Building, Scout Rm. 5903 Hawthorne Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45227

Space is Limited – Registration Required - \$60 per person/class

Contact Julie Renner

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Julie Renner Consulting, LLC has been providing insured, professional community & on-site employee programs since 2007 as an independent contractor. Julie is an American Red Cross Certified Instructor & ACE Certified Health Coach with community & healthcare program experience. Class registrations require payment more than 24 hours prior to class in order to hold the seat. Blended Learning Sessions will require Online Course Completion Certificate to be present before skills testing takes place, the link will be provided during registration communications.

A Spotlight on The Dance Coalition

Monica Chaney and Allison McElfresh are the talented dynamic duo of The Dance Coalition. Although living parallel lives as dancers their paths did not cross until a chance meeting interviewing for the lead coach position of the Turpin High School Dance Team. "We clicked right away over our love for dance and our passion to give every dancer the chance he or she deserves. Together, we mentor many dancers, all deserving of the best dance experience available, which includes diverse techniques, healthy habits, and a nurturing growth environment," Chaney says.

It was not long before they realized dance was not the only thing they had in common: both had professional aspirations to open a dance studio and utilize space as a positive experience for dance families.

"We had opportunities in the works of owning our own studios but realized we would be able to serve the community better as a partnership and thus, the coalition was born. We saw the importance of this opportunity and that to let this pass us by would be to ignore fate," McElfresh says.

Partnership is a key component of The Dance Coalition and in this respect they complement each other. Their combined list of credentials and experience covers both the business and art of dance. "Monica brings the business of competitive endurance and I bring the breath of artistic freedom. Together we've united in order to lift up the community of dancers into their positive and ever-changing teenage lives," McElfresh says.

Chaney and McElfresh feel their combined skill are what sets their studio apart. "What is unique about The Dance Coalition is our method of integrating superior dance instruction with classroom academics in order to build brilliant dancers," explains Chaney.

The Dance Coalition will provide different programs: recreational, competitive, teacher/assistant training, adult group fitness/child watch, and the adult dance company "Unite". The recreational program will train 1 to 2 hours a week. The competitive program is geared toward those considering a career in dance and wanting to compete in an elite arena. The sustaining adult program welcomes 18+ that may have danced as children/ teenagers or are non dancers, but seek a desire to incorporate the art into their adult lives through Ballerobica, Shine Dance Fitness, Zumba, Uplift, adult Hip Hop, and Yoga Sculpt.

The Dance Coalition's education does not simply revolve around the physicality of dance it also involves the history, literature functionality and sustainability of the academic art. "One does not simply excel at ballet and become a prima ballerina at the New York City Ballet," Chaney says. "If a dancer is serious about ballet, they understand the history of the art and have a solid grasp of the physics, self-efficacy, and strength behind it then he or she increases their chances of landing that dream role."

The Dance Coalition's holistic approach requires a wide breath of knowledge for their students and this is reflected in the curriculum. "We encourage our dancers a "dream role" is they are their best number 1 and to learn as many genres as possible. Our ever-growing genres include: Classical ballet, musical theater, tap, jazz funk, hip hop, contemporary, lyrical and conditioning/acrobatics. Along with these classes students will engage how to seek knowledge by partaking in academic lessons, teacher/assistant training, day preschool camps, Reading Through Dance, and monthly social workshops. All focus on areas of essentials such as: Developing self -efficacy, cooperative learning, and social responsibilities through the Ohio Standards of Dance Education." A true dream is using art to inspire these kids. Celebrating their interest into their own happiness, independence, and hugging their parents thanking them for putting them at the D.C., puts the tears back into our eyes. "McElfresh says.

The D.C. "Movement is Life" opens June 9TH at 12 AND 2PM at Mariemont Elementary tickets www.thedancecoaliton.com

COMPETITION Company auditions are May 11th

Summer classes/Camps are now open registration for dancers and non dancers

Unite Dance Company Auditions May 10 for 18+ 7pm

For questions until then you can email Chaney and McElfresh at thedancecoalition@gmail.com or visit their website at www.thedancecoalition.com.

Fab Affair Returns Raises Record Funds for Foundation, Boosters and Arts Association

Friends and families of the Mariemont School District came together March 9 for the 9th annual FAB Affair. This was truly a Gold Standard, record-breaking night for the Foundation, Arts Association, and Boosters, which will **each** receive over \$20,000. These funds will touch a wide variety of activities that enrich the students' academic experience.

So many great experiences were up for auction, including private river cruises, back yard concerts, even Hamilton tickets. Silent auction competition hit a whole new level with 21 incredible items and packages to bid on. Nearly 1,000 raffle tickets were purchased with a chance to win one of 14 baskets. A huge thank you to the Mariemont athletic teams and arts groups who assembled amazing baskets and packages through generous parent donations.

Event sponsors and participants in the inaugural paddle raise provided a generous base of support to fund programs including Warriors Beyond (programming designed to ignite a passion for learning in each student based on his or her own interests), supplementary funding for all arts events, and funding to enhance the athletic experience for all students.

Mark your calendar now for FAB 2020!! FAB 2020 will take place March 14, 2020 at one of Cincinnati's most beautiful and historic arts venues, Music Hall! We are so excited to take FAB back downtown and celebrate the important role the arts play in our vibrant city. This is one FAB you won't want to miss!

About FAB Affair: The Mariemont City Schools "FAB Affair" (Foundation Arts, and Boosters) is an annual fundraising event to support three organizations: the Mariemont School Foundation (MSF), the Mariemont Athletic Boosters, and the Mariemont Arts Association (MAA). The event features dinner and drinks, basket raffles, and a live auction, during which time high-dollar packages are sold. Event planning responsibility rotates between the three benefitting organizations, with MAA overseeing the 2019 event.

REC. Arts

Hands on projects for kids in kindergarten to 6th grade. Class sizes vary and are limited to child/adult ratio. Waiting lists may occur.

Held in the Fairfax Rec Center.

Schedule:

May 11th - Make Wind Chimes



Classes are only \$10 per child.

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.

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