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# TED SHANNON MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING September 27, 2020



The Village of Fairfax, along with the Mariemont Kiwanis organization, will host the annual Ted Shannon Memorial Golf Outing on Sunday September 27, 2020. This event has been rescheduled from May. Golfing is an allowable outdoor activity and teams of 4 can be formed. Or, if you are a single golfer, you may still sign up and we can place you on a team. Please contact the Village Administrator at <a href="mailto:ikaminer@fairfaxoh.org">ikaminer@fairfaxoh.org</a> for more information or to register. Cost is \$65 per player and includes 2 golf carts for your team of four. The event will be held at California Woods Golf course. Monies raised from the event will go to support Village recreation events as well as the Kiwanis scholarship program for graduating seniors of Mariemont High School. This scholarship has directly benefited many Fairfax residents over the years and the Village greatly appreciates the partnership we have made with such a worthwhile organization.

# First Tee Time is 12 Noon For Men and Women— \$65 per Player

Make your own team or singles will be assigned to a team
\*Gift for each golfer \*Closest to the Pin Award - all Par 3's

\*Longest Putt Award \*1st - 2nd - 3rd Place Awards

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## **MariElders September 2020**

MariElders, your local senior center, has been closed due to the pandemic, since March 23, 2020. Our doors will remain closed until the Ohio Department of Aging and Governor DeWine allow us to reopen.

So how are our local seniors doing during this pandemic? Overall, they are healthy and staying safely indoors. However, most are bored out of their minds, and missing their friends and family. The isolation is difficult, especially when online events and Zoom meetings aren't easy to understand – and, let's face it, it's just not the same as sitting with your friends, playing Canasta.

What is MariElders doing during this closure?

First, our Van is always running! We will take our members – individually and in a constantly cleaned vehicle – to the grocery, haircuts, doctor appointments and anywhere else our members need to go!

Second, we have partnered with The National Exemplar to provide delicious lunches to our members!

Third, we are still offering activities... they are just virtual now. Book Clubs, Art Classes, Tai Chi, and more!

What can YOU do to help our local seniors?

Call them! If you have a family member or neighbor that has been isolated due to this pandemic, please call them. They will welcome the conversation.

Offer to do something specific for them! Offer to pick up groceries for them when you are headed to the grocery store. Offer to mow their lawn, or carry their cat litter, or take out their garbage cans every week, or run to a non-grocery store for them so they don't have to expose themselves to so many germs – like Ace, or the Post Office, or a specialty food or pet store.

#### MariElders news continued:

If you know of a senior that could use the services that MariElders offers, or if you are over 55 years old and want to become a member to enjoy our free services, please call 271-5588!

We look forward to the day we can safely reopen our doors to our many active seniors in our area!

Special thank you to:

Ritze's Auto Service – making donations to our center "to keep our neighbors safe"!

National Exemplar – for feeding our members with amazingly delicious lunches!

Mariemont Preservation Foundation – for donating toward our new stairlift!

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### Mariemont BSA Troop 149 Celebrates Awards, Eagle Projects

By Simon Jadeed

Recently, many members of Mariemont Troops 149 and 1149 received awards recognizing excellence in volunteerism from the Blue Jacket District. Fairfax resident Rob Curran from Troop 149 and Sheila Rasmussen from Troop 1149 were named Outstanding Scouts BSA Leaders. Ethan Wood from Troop 149 and Tierney Rasmussen from Troop 1149 were named Outstanding Youth Leaders.

The 2020 Scoutmaster of the Year is Fairfax resident Mike Wood from Troop 149. The Meritorious Service Award was given to Daren Wilner of Troop 149 and Troop 1149. The Order of the Heart Award was given to Eric Marsland of Troop 149 and Troop 1149. The Silver Acorn award was given to Nancy Drexel of Troop 1149 and Amy Thompson of Troop 149.

This is important because it recognizes the hard work that the adult and youth leaders put in to making us successful. It also demonstrates both the integration of the girls into Mariemont scouting and the success of their troop. I believe that these outstanding individuals deserve recognition for their hard work and praise for everything they have done for scouting and the people in scouting. You can learn more about Scouting in Mariemont at mcc149.com.

Troop 149 is also pleased to announce its newest Eagle Scouts. Over the past year, the following Scouts have achieved the rank of Eagle:

- Mac Marsland: Mac built a two-sided horse shelter for Camp Ernst.
- Malachi Hammond: Malachi built a pollinator garden for the Center for Spiritual Living of Greater Cincinnati.
- Ethan Wood: Ethan built and installed a community bulletin board at Mariemont Junior High School and did landscaping around it.
- Kyle Romick: Kyle built a produce stand for Interparish Ministries.
- Jackson Hacias: Jackson built benches for the Mariemont Boat House.
- Alex Mantle: Alex built a safety town for the Mariemont Preschool to teach kids traffic safety.
- Tony Mershon: Tony built and installed bird houses along the South 80 trail to bring back the blue bird population.
- Andrew Herlinger: Andrew installed new landscaping and planted a tree at the Mariemont Municipal Building.
- Trevor Stith: Trevor re-did the landscaping around the Mariemont pool and installed park benches.

Congratulations to all leaders and scouts representing all communities within the Mariemont City School District. We are very proud of your accomplishments!!



#### **An Update From Kiwanis of Mariemont**

We are so looking forward to Fall and the start of school (whatever the form). Like everyone we have adjusted and have been working remotely and meeting weekly via Zoom. We hope to begin meeting face to face soon, but will continue to Zoom or adopt a hybrid plan this fall.

We have mixed news about our fundraisers:

- The Arts and Craft Fair in Mariemont is still on schedule for Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> in the heart of downtown Mariemont. It will be held outdoors with social distancing and mask guidelines in place. Plans are still being finalized for the layout and walking paths. Let's all pray for good weather and the opportunity for a great event.
- Our Annual Golf Outing was postponed in the spring. We've combined efforts with the City of Fairfax and will be hosting our event with them on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Visit MariemontKiwanis.org for more information.
- The Fairfax Fall Festival has been cancelled for this year. We look forward to seeing you at the beer truck again next year!

Our scholarship winners continue to be our focus, and we have added two new grant winners as two others have graduated. In spite of the loss of some fundraisers, we continue to have resources. College, in whatever form, is still on and so are we.

Some of the other school programs we provide are being affected as well. The schools will not be accessible to visitors (beyond the office) so our direct face-to-face engagements will be delayed.

We have also created the Kiwanis of Mariemont Children's Fund, a charitable foundation and 501(c)3 organization designed to support the efforts of our club. This will take the pressure off of our future fundraising events as our only source of funding. This is positive news as upcoming events could be unexpectedly canceled due to the latest COVID-19 numbers.

If you are looking for an opportunity to volunteer in a group with a good mission, consider joining us for a Zoom meeting. Please contact our president, Lance Hollander at Ihollander@mariemontschools.org for the link. We meet every Tuesday at 7:45 AM for 45 minutes. Our September speaker topics will include updates on the Mariemont City School Restart Plan and high school construction as well as a presentation on the BEWell initiative and broadcast/esports program.

Kiwanis of Mariemont was formed in 1966 and is one of the best active Kiwanis clubs in Ohio.

Kids Need Kiwanis. Kiwanis Needs You.