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Infrastructure Meeting -
Aug 12th, 6:15pm
ECC Meeting -
Aug 12th, 7pm
Finance Meeting -
Aug 19th, 6:30pm
Council Meeting -
Aug 19th, 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 eval-
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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 - 8/20/19



AUGUST 16TH & 17TH
6PM-11PM
RIDES, GAMES, PRIZES,
CINCINNATI ZOO ANIMALS,
FOOD, DRINKS, MUSIC,
AND MORE!

WE HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!

We **NEED** many volunteers to make the festival a great event for all. If you would like to help out, and receive a free t-shirt, please email chandrabuswell@yahoo.com. Volunteers also get a soda and piece of pizza at the event.

The festival is also looking for items for the bid-n-buy/raffle. If you have an item or service that you would like to donate, please email jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org.

If you are a crafter/vendor and would like to put up a tent at the event, please email chandrabuswell@yahoo.com for an application.

Fairfax Day at the American Sign Museum!

September 8th

Village residents are invited to take a walk down
memory lane at the American Sign Museum.

Museum hours are 12pm-4pm.

We have arranged a private guided tour at 12:30pm by
Lenny Diaspro, Fairfax resident and ASM Board Member.
You are also welcome to explore the museum on your own.

Residents of Fairfax will receive the discounted rate of \$10
for adults; children under 12 are free with paying adult.

*Use coupon code FAIRFAX at the admission counter to receive discounted rate.

American Sign Museum, 1330 Monmouth Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45225



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Find out more about Free Adult Classes!
Fall Registration for Dance Classes
now OPEN!

Get more information at
<http://thedancecoalition.com>

Chess & Board
Game Night
August 19th
6:30-8pm

Join us 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.

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 Anita
Hunt or Sarah Maier at fairfaxchess@yahoo.com.

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COMMUNITY
INFORMATION

Solicitation Permits: Anyone going door to door
in the Village must register with the Police De-
partment. 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 an-
nouncements. Please contact the police depart-
ment 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



Saturday, September 21st
9am—1pm

The village will advertise through the local pa-
pers.

You are welcome to draw attention to your loca-
tion with signs at the corners of the streets.

Residents are welcome to host yard sales at
anytime during the year; this is just an at-
tempt to attract more customers by having mul-
tiple sales in one area

REC. Arts...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:

- September 21st — Back to School Mariemont T-shirt Bags
- October 18th — Pumpkin Painting & Halloween Garland
- November 23rd — Tie Dye Shirts & Thankful Painted Rocks
- December 14th — Holiday Wreaths & Ornaments

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.



REMINDER – NEW BUILDING PERMIT PROCESS

The Village now contracts with the Hamilton County Building Department and no longer issues permits in-house except for sidewalk/apron permits and permits for fences and sheds of a limited size. Residential and commercial properties, are however, required to first obtain a Zoning Certificate from the Village of Fairfax for all projects BEFORE submitting a building permit application to Hamilton County

For all new projects including new construction, additions, roofs, HVAC, building alterations, demolitions, construction of decks, etc. a zoning application must be filled out and submitted to Zoning Officer Mr. Tony Perkins. The zoning application is available online at www.fairfaxoh.com or a form can be picked up from the municipal building or requested from the Zoning Official at tperkins@fairfaxoh.org.

Once a zoning certificate is issued, to apply for a building permit, go to [www.hamiltoncounty.gov/government/departments/buidlings and inspections](http://www.hamiltoncounty.gov/government/departments/buidlings_and_inspections). There you can download permit applications, schedule an inspection or contact the Building Department for building code related questions. All building permit fees are now payable to Hamilton County before the issuance of a permit.

As stated above, there are some items that do not require a building permit, but just need a completed zoning application for zoning approval. Examples are fences and sheds of a certain size. The Zoning Official can inform you of what items need just zoning approval and which require both zoning approval and a building permit from Hamilton County.



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.

August 20th: "Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng

September 17th: "Handmaid's Tale" by Margaret Atwood

October 15th: "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah

Be sure to LIKE the Village of Fairfax Facebook page for more updates and event information!

FAIRFAX WELCOMES NEW CLERK'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE

Rob Doppes started with the Village of Fairfax in January 2019 in the position of Assistant Clerk-Treasurer. Rob's duties include payroll and payroll tax processing, accounts payable and receivables, recording receipts for the Village, monthly bank reconciliations, and the preparation of the annual Village budget, to name a few.

Rob grew up in Mt. Washington and attended McNicholas High School and the University of Cincinnati where he earned his BBA Majoring in Accounting and after college obtained his CPA license.

Rob has been married to his wife Pam for 32 years and has two sons named Nathan and Aaron. His son Nathan is engaged to be married in May 2020. He also has a 98-pound German Shepherd/Retriever mix named Willie. Rob has four brothers and one sister and 15 nieces and nephews. His parents will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary in November of this year.

When not keeping the Village's finances in order, Rob enjoys playing golf, landscaping and remodeling projects in his home. We are glad to have Rob here – please welcome him to the Village if you see him in the Village!



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. 8th, 2019.**

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 \$20. 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.

ATTENTION:

Home Owners...

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DR. CHARLES METZ HOME TO BE DEDICATED IN MADISONVILLE— Relative of Longtime Fairfax Residents

Dr. Charles L. Metz will be honored for his lifetime achievements in medicine, civil affairs and archeology at a dedication and ribbon cutting on Friday August 16, 2019 at 11:15 AM at the Metz House—6111 Madison Rd, 45227.

Dr. Metz was the grandfather of longtime resident Ann (Metz) Shannon and is great-grandfather of current resident Ted Shannon, III. Dr. Metz was a community doctor beginning in 1871 for the Madisonville area and surrounding communities and he practiced for 55 years. His practice extended to areas as far as 60 miles away. With his horse and buggy, Dr. Metz delivered 3,357 babies in the area. He organized and led the promotion of the first high school, library and fire department in Madisonville. He was also a world-known archeologist who made this region celebrated for pre-historic antiquities. His work was on display at the World's Fair of 1893 and artifacts he procured are on display in museums worldwide today. He also mapped Serpent Mound and his archeological methods helped preserve the importance of the Mound Builders. What an accomplished and amazing career!

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR RESIDENTIAL STREET PROJECT

At their last meeting, Council awarded a contract to Adleta Construction Company for the storm sewer repairs, curb replacement and the pavement removal and repaving of Nightingale Court, Nightingale Drive and the 3800 block of Lonsdale. As this publication goes to press, a pre-construction meeting will be held on July 31, 2019 to determine start dates. Traffic will be maintained during construction, but from time to time there may be short delays during portions of the project. Once the construction scheduled is received by the Village, more details will be sent out to the residents on those streets.

Work on Murray Avenue at the Virginia Avenue intersection will also begin soon. Prus Construction will be performing this work which will add an underground storm sewer pipe to capture an underground water/spring in that area as well as repave the east bound approach to Murray with concrete because of the heavy trucks that go in and out of Virginia Avenue. In the future, that intersection may be widened, if possible, since trucks of today are much larger and longer than in past decades, but there are underground utilities and fiber optic on the bike trail side of Murray that may impede our ability to do so. This issue will be investigated more thoroughly with Cincinnati Water Works and other utility companies down the road.

We thank residents for being patient during the work that the Metropolitan Sewer District recently performed on lower Watterson Road. They installed a new sewer line that replaced a very old sanitary sewer line. We did not receive the requested advance notice on the actual start date of that project, so we appreciate the residents living on that stretch of Watterson's cooperation and patience, as well as those residents that had to deal with a detour for several weeks.

PLEASE HELP THE HILTGEN FAMILY COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY! 3714 Germania Street, Fairfax

Fairfax Community & Mariemont School District residents,
The Hiltgen family needs our help

We will be hosting a **“COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY”** at The Hiltgen's house on **8/24 & 8/25, 8/31 & 9/1 at 7am-3pm**. Stop in for a bit or stay all day. Give as much time as you can. All are welcome. Experience is welcome but is not necessary. Chris Rackley and Scott Naticchioni will be organizing jobs for all to do.

Hiltgen Family Story

The Hiltgen's house caught on fire about two years ago in Fairfax. Toni is a single mom with two boys, London & Roman that works full time. This family has been through a nightmare with her insurance company and contractors. Upon moving back into her house after being out of it for over a year, she found much of the work done improperly and left unfinished. She has had multiple contractors, each one took her money and did not deliver work as promised. The worst damage coming from one contractor who did not repair her roof, gutters and windows. This caused severe water damage to the exterior walls of their home. Toni has been doing all the work herself. She is strong and humble and has never asked for any help. **Fairfax community and Mariemont School District residents, it's time to step up and help a neighbor in much need.**

The Fairfax Civic Association will be providing food and drinks. If you would like to donate water or food please contact Tracy Naticchioni. The Civic will need help with food each day.

If you have any extra building materials that you would like to donate, nails, screws, plywood, etc... drop off at the address above.

The Hiltgen's also need help financially to get their house back to being a home. You can give through GoFundMe at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/njkrd-support-a-family>. Hosted by Toni's Family, Friends and The Fairfax Civic Association. **Please share this information with everyone you know.**

Any questions please contact Tracy Naticchioni at tracynatch@msn.com or 513-561-8017 or Chris Rackley at rackleys@zoomtown.com

