

Mariemont Parks Offer “Breathing Spots” for Residents

By CLAIRE KUPFERLE

Driving into Mariemont on Route 50 East, there is an immediate sense of being surrounded by trees. Green spaces crowd right up to the roadside, and Wooster Pike becomes divided, graced with grassy medians and mature trees. On the right as you enter the Village are Whiskey Hollow and Dogwood Park, 20 acres of dedicated parkland. Other parks lie along this stretch of highway as it pushes through Mariemont.

Residents of our fair Village are fortunate to enjoy a variety of parks, gardens, woods, and green spaces. Like so much in Mariemont, this did not come about by accident but was carefully thought out by Mary Emery and John Nolen, the town planner. A brochure from the 1920's which advertised the “new town” of Mariemont says, “In...parts of the village there will be...‘reservations,’ insuring for all time...tracts of woodland, little parks, open spaces that will be used for the common welfare.” In fact, in the original plan for Mariemont, 50 acres were set aside to remain undeveloped.

Mrs. Emery and Mr. Nolen believed that there was great value in beauty. They knew the “advantages of parks and ‘breathing spots,’ isles of safety and floral gardens.” The design of Mariemont was based on “garden cities” in England such as Port Sunlight and Hampstead Garden Suburb, where green spaces were considered vital to the health and well being of the residents. In fact, the early brochure for Mariemont notes that children from the English planned communities were healthier and grew taller than their contemporaries living in cities.

Since Mariemont was conceived as an alternative to the poor housing conditions in the city of Cincinnati, much was made of the country-like feel of the town. “In other parts of Mariemont there are village greens for outdoor entertainment, parks and public squares



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The Concourse covered with wisteria offers a shady retreat. (Photo courtesy Joe Stoner.)

Mariemont Tax Reminder

Mariemont has mandatory filing for all residents over the age of 18 whether a tax is due or not. Retirees who have no other income and are registered with the Tax Office as retired are not required to file. Mariemont Final tax returns are due on April 15. Extension requests must be in the office by that date. This will extend the due date for the filing but payment of any anticipated tax should be included with the request. The declaration for 2014 and the first quarter payments should also be included with the extension request. Forms are available online at www.mariemont.org, in the Tax Office, or in the Administration Building.

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Please be sure to complete the declaration of estimated tax on the bottom of the form. If the declaration for 2014 is over \$100 you are required to make quarterly payments to avoid penalty. First quarter payments are due with the filing. We will send statements for the remaining three quarters.

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Tax Administrator

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Mariemont Parks *(cont'd)*:

where people can sit in safety with their children and feel that they are really out in the country although in fact but a short distance from their homes.”

Dogwood Park is the largest of Mariemont's parks. It features the soaring Bell Tower, one of only a few working carillons in North America, as well as ball fields, a forest preserve, and the Clarence Erickson Shelter. The Dogwood Park trails are maintained as a bird and wildlife sanctuary, complete with walking trails. The athletic fields host baseball, soccer, T-ball and softball games. Every Sunday afternoon in the summer, concerts are conducted from the 100-foot Carillon. The Bell Tower was a gift to the Village from Mary Emery's sister, Isabella Hopkins. Hiking along Whiskey Run Creek, you can perhaps hear faint cheers from a ball game drifting into the valley, or maybe catch the stray laugh of a child swinging high at the Tot Lot. As you wind further along the trail in summertime, splashes and lifeguard whistles become audible. All these diverse activities take place in Mariemont's largest park, Dogwood Park. Covering over 20 acres, Dogwood Park provides recreational opportunities for Mariemont residents of all ages.

In the past, however, quite different activities were taking place in the area. The section of Dogwood Park that comprises the swimming pool complex and John Nolen Pavilion was the site of a prehistoric Indian village, which was occupied from about 1400 to 1650 A.D. Although these people were gone before the first settlers arrived, they left ample evidence of their lives along the bluff.

In the 1800s, much of the land that now consists of playing fields was under cultivation to provide food for a growing settlement. A distillery was set up in the ravine near the creek to make whiskey from the corn that was grown here. It was operated by Joseph Ferris and earned his farm the name “Whiskey Hollow.”

Once Mary Emery acquired the land, it was quickly converted to recreational use.

The ball fields were graded in 1925, and two years later a lagoon was created where an old millpond had been. The Boathouse was then added, and for about 20 years residents enjoyed boating and ice skating on the two-acre lagoon. It was drained in the 1940s, but the Boathouse and nature trails remain.

Below the swimming pool is the area known as the South 80. This low-lying land along the Little Miami River is used for hiking, primitive camping for Boy Scouts, and gardening. Allotment gardens can be



Mariemont's Bell Tower at night.

(photo by Ron Schroeder)

rented by residents and the process will be enhanced by plans to dig a well to provide a local water source.

Playground equipment brings young residents to the Tot Lot in Dogwood Park. Children can enjoy swings, slides, and climbers in a fenced-in area. The Mariemont Pre-School Parents Group partnered with the Village to purchase the equipment. Down the stone steps from Dogwood Park, you come to the Boathouse, which originally served to store canoes and rowboats for paddling around a two-acre lagoon. Drainage problems forced the Village to empty the lagoon in the 1940's. Flooding damaged the building several years ago, and the Boathouse is not currently in use.

Deeper into the Village towards the Little Miami River is the Concourse, built in 1924-25. This semi-circular limestone and wisteria-covered structure affords an excellent view of the river valley. This serene park is the location of many photo ops, from homecoming and prom pictures to weddings and senior photos. It is the site of the Mariemont Preschool Parent's Group annual Easter parade and egg hunt and the Taste of Mariemont, presented by Mariemont Preservation Foundation.

Driving along Wooster Pike, the motorist passes Dale Park, which covers about five acres on the north side of Wooster Pike. The area was originally a soggy meadow, with a layer of quicksand that threatened to swallow up a steam shovel being used to dig out the basement of Dale Park School. The quicksand was drained into the creek that runs through the old crawfish meadow. In addition to the school, now owned by Cincinnati Waldorf School, the park encompasses the area of the lich gate near the cemetery, as well as the section containing the Family Statuary group (formally known as Les Infants). The parkland around the charming statues is formal and well tended. Compacted limestone paths lead to the statues and seating area, and the perennial beds are kept full of color in the growing season. The addition of decorative lighting allows passersby to enjoy the statuary even at night.

Proceeding along Wooster Pike, one comes to the Mariemont Square with its daffodil fountain and park benches. Just past the Square is a three-acre wooded lot dedicated in 1961 to Mariemont's first Mayor, E. Boyd Jordan. A granite monument marks the site at the corner of Miami Road and East Street. This small park is largely a natural landscape featuring a fine grove of American Beech trees. The trees continue into the median dividing the Pike. Some maple, oak, and hickory (with an understory of mainly dogwood) fill out the park. It is important to keep the woods natural and unmowed, since the beech trees reproduce by dropping their nuts into the fallen leaves which decompose to form new soil, nurturing the saplings and replenishing the beech grove. Efforts to remove invasive

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honeysuckle have been very successful and the trees seem to be thriving.

Just before passing out of Mariemont into Columbia Township, one of Mariemont's newer parks can be seen on the left. Isabella F. Hopkins Park was created by the Village in 1966. At that time, this corner of Wooster Pike and Pocahontas was occupied by a gas station and strip of motel rooms, which the Village acquired and turned into a park. This small, formal green space is dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Emery's sister. It is laid out with walkways bordered by perennial beds and shrubs. Teak benches line a large patio. The Garden Club has been active in improving the park over the last two years. The park is lovely all year round, but it is especially showy in the spring, with its large magnolias and dogwoods.

Parks and green spaces are worked into the fabric of Mariemont, creating a wonderful atmosphere. The mix of formal gardens and natural landscapes contributes a great deal to the charm and appeal of Mariemont.

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Mariemont Residents Choose 'Livingood Park' as Name for Final Development

Greiwe Development is pleased to announce Livingood Park as the name of its final condominium development in Mariemont. The development's name was suggested by multiple Mariemont residents (see one resident's letter) with the intention of honoring Charles Livingood.

Livingood was the trusted confidante of Mariemont founder Mary Emery, and worked many years in real estate as an employee of Thomas Emery's Sons. As the overseer of Mariemont's construction, he hired nationally known town planner John Nolen, visited numerous garden communities in England for inspiration, presented the village concept to Cincinnati's leaders, and led the project from the beginning and following Mary Emery's death.

Greiwe Development expects to break ground for 23-unit Livingood Park this spring, completing the extension of the historic Village Square in Fall 2015. For more

information on Greiwe Development and the residential developments in Mariemont, visit www.MariemontLifestyle.com and look for updates on Facebook: facebook.com/MariemontLifestyle.

I am writing in reference to the name suggestions that you are seeking for Phase IV. I am a Mariemont resident and have been for over 9 years. Before getting to my name suggestion for Phase IV, I would be remiss if I did not mention how truly impressed and proud I am of the work you and your company have done for this great Village. Your vision to provide modern day living to a historical village is nothing short of remarkable. It is my hope that all of my fellow Mariemont residents share my sentiments.

In looking at the preliminary list of names in the February Town Crier, one name that was not listed but I feel would make the most sense is "Livingood Park".

Having Jordan Park, Emery Park, and Nolen Park, it would seem to make sense to have the word "Park" in the final name. And what better person than that of Charles Livingood to attach the name to said property? To me, "Livingood Park" would complete the "Park" naming theme and pay great homage to the man that helped fulfill Mary Emery's vision. If Mr. Livingood were alive today, I think he would be honored and humbled that someone has taken such great care in modernizing this village but keeping his original vision in mind.

No matter the name that is ultimately chosen, you have done great things for this village, and I wish you nothing but continued success well into the future. Thank you.

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Dear Friends of the Mariemont Schools Community:

We are writing to tell you about the local Kiwanis Club and what we are doing in the community as well as to invite you to join us in making more happen in the future.

You may be familiar with the Kiwanis Club, but you may not know much about

scholarships per year to Mariemont High School graduates. We raise this through activities we sponsor like the Fall Arts & Crafts Fair, Annual Holiday Nut Sale, and our Spring Golf Scramble.

For more information please call Todd Keyes (515-1551) or visit our website at MariemontKiwanis.org. Thank you for your interest and support; we hope to see you at a future meeting.

KIWANIS CLUB of mariemont

us or what we do. We're a social and civic-minded group made up of men and women of all ages, passionate about service and improving the lives of the students in our school community. Here are just some of the things we are doing:

FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Kiwanis has awarded up to \$15,000 in

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Kiwanis sponsors and supports community service/leadership clubs like Builders Club, Key Club, and the Stock Investment Club.

Members actively support the MarieElders, Southern Ohio Kiwanis for Kids (in cooperation with Children's Hospital) and the Kiwanis International project to eliminate Neonatal Tetanus.

All of this leads to how you can help us make these things continue to happen. Besides supporting the above activities, we ask you to consider becoming part of the Kiwanis family either as a Regular Member or as a "Friends of Kiwanis." "Friends" are invited to attend meetings, participate in club activities as they like and will receive email updates on club news. We'd like to invite you to call us or attend any of our upcoming meetings to learn more about membership or the Friends program.

Meetings are Tuesdays at 7:45 am-8:30 am in the Mariemont Elementary cafeteria. We offer a continental breakfast starting at 7:15 followed by our meeting and interesting featured speakers.

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Annual Kiwanis Golf Scramble Set for May 10

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont will hold its 14th annual golf scramble on Saturday, May 10 at Reeves Golf Course at Lunken Airport.

Hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Mariemont, this annual event is the club's spring fundraiser for local scholarships. Each year, Kiwanis Club of Mariemont raises nearly \$15,000 for students in Fairfax, Terrace Park and Mariemont.

Cost is \$80 per golfer and includes all fees, golf cart and lunch. Participants can form their own foursome or ask to be organized with others. Prizes will be awarded. Contact Jed O'Connell at 513-561-1082 to sign up or visit MariemontKiwanis.org for more information. Interested supporters can also become a hole sponsor. The deadline to register is May 6.

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont meets every Tuesday morning at 7:45 AM in the Mariemont Elementary school cafeteria. A continental breakfast is served at 7:15 AM. Meetings last less than one hour and feature a local speaker. We invite you to be our guest at an upcoming meeting.

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Neighboring with Nina

By NINA IREDALE



Spring has sprung! I can't wait for all the spring flowers and trees to bloom here in Mariemont! Please remember, it's never too late to contact me so I can include you

and/or your family in the next edition of the *Town Crier*.

7058 Mt. Vernon was purchased by Eric and Kim Smith in October and both are from Cincinnati. Kim is actually a 2007 graduate of Mariemont High School, (her maiden name was Donovan). Eric graduated from Finneytown High School. They actually have video of Kim's brother and Eric playing high school basketball against each other! Kim and Eric met when they were both juniors at Miami University and married in September of 2010. They spent 4 years living and exploring Downtown before moving to Mariemont. Eric works in Finance for the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and Kim works for US Bank in Corporate Marketing.

Tom and Alexandra (Alex) Ziegen purchased 3837 Homewood in January.

They moved here from Cleveland and chose Mariemont because of its great school system and neighborhood feel. They have a 1-year-old boxer named Quincy. Tom owns Keepers Turf that installs synthetic grass for dog runs, backyards and putting greens. Alex is a co-manager for the fashion retailer Express.

Jeff Seemann purchased a condo at 3817 Petoskey in January and has a 15-year-old daughter, Charlotte Snare, who is a freshman at Mariemont. Charlotte loves her new school. Originally from Canton, they lived in Oakley prior to moving to Mariemont. When Jeff asked around town about where he should move for a great school district, everyone said, "Mariemont." Also making the move is their 4-year-old cat, Spike. Both love how friendly and nice everyone is here in Mariemont! Jeff is a Digital Content Producer for websites and is looking to finish his degree at UC starting in August.

4306 Grove Avenue was purchased by Drew and Jamie Albrecht in February. They moved here from Liberty Township where they lived with Drew's parents while saving money to purchase their first home. They had rented in Mariemont previously and knew this is where they wanted to live.

They like Mariemont because it is close to family, downtown, the bike trail, and is dog friendly. They have two Japanese Chin rescue dogs named Totoro and Lobot along with a cat named Eleanor. Drew is a software developer for a small downtown firm called Digital Media Group and a graduate of UC. Jamie is currently a full time student at Cincinnati State in the Medical Laboratory Technology field and she works part time for MedVet Medical and Cancer Center on Red Bank. They both enjoy movies, spending time with friends and family and loving their pets.

Brian and Maggie Nichols purchased 6619 Mariemont Avenue in April of 2013. After the nearly year-long renovation, they have finally moved into their new home. They previously lived on Mt. Vernon with a stop-over on Maple Street during the renovations. Brian and Maggie have 2 children, Parker (1st grade) and Clara (pre-K). They are excited to be in their new home and know the new location across from Dogwood Park will be great for baseball and soccer seasons!

I'd like to WELCOME all of our new neighbors and if you know of someone new to Mariemont, please have them contact me at niredale@sibcycline.com or 272-1551 (home) 484-2647 (cell).



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Elementary PTO brings Carnival to town!

By JILL WELCH

Thanks to the Mariemont Elementary PTO (MEPTO) the carnival came to town on February 22. Students and their families were invited to enjoy the festivities at the Elementary School, which included 4 huge inflatables, games, refreshments, raffle baskets, and a cake walk.

The event was the MEPTO Annual Winter Carnival and was chaired this year by Janine Cutcher. "This year's carnival was a great success thanks to a dedicated committee, the parent volunteers and school staff that worked the Carnival booths, as well as a supportive community. This is an event that requires the involvement of many but anyone who witnessed the sea of smiling faces will agree that it is more than worth it! The MEPTO looks forward to building upon the success of this year's Carnival year after year," said Cutcher.

Game Booths, which were set up all around the school, included Angry Birds, Pringle Ring Toss, Wimpy Kid Wipeout, 2-Liter Ring Toss, Face Painting, and the Super Hero Slide. Along with the games, the gymnasium was filled



Two Mariemont Elementary students taking a quick break from the fun to pose for a picture.

with a 24-foot inflatable dual lane slide and 3 other bounce houses for the kids to enjoy. Students from Mariemont High School and the University of Cincinnati as well as members of the Mariemont Elementary parent community volunteered to work the game booths and helped to make the event a huge success.



First grade teacher, Amy Kapcar, cheers on a group of students during the Cake Walk. (photos by Ron Schroeder)

The Cake Walk, facilitated by members of the Mariemont Elementary School faculty, has become a crowd favorite at the Carnival and this year was no exception. The Cake Walk was held in the auditorium and was one of the most visited activities at the event. The planning committee is extremely grateful to all of the teachers who volunteered their time and goodies to the Cake Walk.

In addition to the support of the families and faculty, this year's committee was also fortunate enough to find a number of local businesses who were willing to support the event. From donations for the raffle baskets to game sponsorship, the committee was thrilled with the outpouring of support. A big thanks to the Mariemont Theatre, The Quarter Bistro, Web Extreme Entertainment, Mac's, Northland Ice, Madison Bowl, Sushi Cincinnati, Wine Merchant, Lobsta Bakes, Chuck at the Dilly Café, Flamingo Air, Nicola's, LaRosa's, Cincinnati Museum Center, Skyline Chili, Graeter's, Dunkin' Donuts, Fifty West, El Trio, Mango Tree, Marco's Pizza, Magic Wok, Out-a-Site Pest Control, Time Timer, Lawncscapers, Eyecare on the Square, Image by Biro Photography, Eads Fence (Matt Welch), Kevo Lacrosse, Sibcy Cline Realtors (Katie Kauffeld), Kellogg Company, Play it Again Sports, Procter & Gamble (Puffs and Charmin Brands) for their generous support of this year's carnival.

The MEPTO Winter Carnival has become one of the major fundraisers for Mariemont Elementary. The MEPTO is proud to report that

the Carnival raised over \$13,000 which will be given back to the school for programs, resources, and services that enrich and maximize the education of each student at Mariemont Elementary. This significant achievement could not have happened without the support of our community, local businesses, and the families of Mariemont Elementary.

The 2014 MEPTO Winter Carnival was best summed up by the Principal of Mariemont Elementary, Ericka Simmons. "The Carnival was about Community! I greatly enjoyed seeing our Mariemont Elementary students' smiling faces and expressions of joy as they moved about the building playing games, jumping around on the inflatables, getting their faces painted, and filling their bags with prizes!"

The carnival was well organized and proved to be a fun February family event thanks to our parents, volunteers, and involved community.



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Mariemont DAR Holds Annual "Focus on Education" Meeting

Three students, one from Mariemont High School and two from Milford Junior High School were honored at the March 15, 2014 annual "Focus on Education" meeting of the Mariemont Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution. Miss Sarah Blatt-Herold, senior at Mariemont High school and daughter of Alison Cohen and Josh Blatt was honored as the Mariemont Chapter DAR Good Citizen of the year. The DAR Good Citizen program and scholarship contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship and is open to all senior class students enrolled in accredited public or private secondary schools. One student is chosen from each high school and the application is submitted to the local DAR chapter. The qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism must be documented through a student essay, official grade transcript and two letters of recommendation. In addition, a 500-word essay is written within a two-hour-time period with no assistance or reference materials. Sarah was honored for her well-rounded contributions to her school and community in the areas of scholarship and extra-curricular volunteerism.

Awards were also presented to two students from Milford's 8th grade class. Mrs. Sherri Smithson submitted projects from students in the 8th grade to be judged by the Mariemont Chapter. Ashley Burgess received the first place award and Elisabeth Miller received second place in the DAR American History Essay Contest. This contest is open to students in public, private and parochial schools, and registered home-study programs in grades 5-8. The contest was established to encourage young people to think about our nation's great history and relate to it on a more personal and creative level. Each year a selected topic is published by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and contests are conducted throughout the United States. Chapter first-place winners are submitted to district, state and ultimately the national level.

This year, students were asked to write an original story imagining a life as a child during



From left to right are Sarah Blatt-Herold, Ashley Burgess, and Elisabeth Miller.

the American Revolution. Points were given for historical accuracy, adherence to the topic, organization of materials, interest, originality, spelling, grammar, punctuation, and neatness.

Following the awards presentation, Mrs. Jeanne Devine, Mariemont Chapter member, presented a program highlighting the history of the DAR sponsored schools throughout the nation, specifically the Martha Berry School in

Rome, Georgia. Berry College was founded in 1902 by DAR Member Martha Berry to provide a high school education to rural youth and became the first approved DAR school in 1904. The school was self-sufficient as students were not only well educated, but were involved in the farming, building and all aspects of the boarding school atmosphere. It was developed into a college in 1926, and today, it is one of the outstanding comprehensive colleges in the South, with fully accredited art, science and professional programs as well as specialized graduate programs in education and business administration. Mrs. Devine presented the story of her "Grandpa George" who was a student during the school's early years. Mrs. Devine shared pictures and anecdotal stories surrounding his experiences as a student and a graduate. DAR chapters throughout the nation support specific schools in areas in which poverty is an issue as well as schools specifically established for Native Americans. For more information on the Mariemont DAR chapter or DAR's education mission, please contact Jan Mauch, Regent at jan.mauch@me.com.



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Seeing Beyond: The Aha Moments That Are Changing Lives

By HEATHER MCGUIRE

Sometimes, you walk into the typical doctor's office and you know what's ahead... a long wait, followed by a much shorter appointment, and an impersonal staff. Sometimes it feels more like a revolving door rather than a place of healing. Sometimes you wish you had more time with your doctor or maybe you wish they would simply talk to you like a friend. And then sometimes... there is a place that just gets it right. Dr. Ehryn Cartwright, owner of Eye Care on the Square, isn't your typical doctor. She provides comprehensive patient care by offering everything you want in a doctor. She has premium equipment, the unhurried, quality time you really want with your doctor, and has staffed her office with people who are friendly, caring, and organized. This doctor's office definitely gets it right... and her patients are noticing.

Dr. Ehryn Cartwright didn't always know she wanted to be an optometrist, but when she stepped into the role, she knew that this is what she was meant to be doing and she never looked back.

"I had to go back to my high school for some transcripts," she said of the moment she was first introduced to optometry. During what would become a fateful meeting with her high school guidance counselor and an "aha moment," it was suggested that Ehryn look into optometry. Her guidance counselor knew Ehryn had always wanted to be in the medical field. "At this point, I still had never had an eye exam in my life!" she said with a laugh. "Then I started shadowing an optometrist and I loved it. It's a great profession, it's very rewarding— you get to improve people's life because vision is so important."

One of the things that intrigued Dr. Cartwright so much about this field is that optometry isn't just about getting your eyes checked. "It's about whole health, because the eye is the window to the rest of our bodies," she said. "It's the only place we can see the

blood vessels functioning without cutting into the body, it's the only place in the body that we can look at a nerve without cutting... to see how healthy that tissue is." There are a multitude of health conditions that you can identify by looking into the eye.

Shakespeare said, "Eyes are the window to the soul." Dr. Cartwright fully embodies this spirit and her passion is palpable. "It's very, very important for people to get their eyes checked yearly because it can tell us so much more— for adults and children," she said. It can certainly be as simple as needing glasses, but the eye provides a window into which Dr. Cartwright can see so much more.

Dr. Cartwright opened Eye Care on the Square in June of 2013 and she couldn't be happier. For the five years prior, she worked at a private practice in Northern Kentucky. With two young boys, working closer to home has made being involved with them and their school functions so much easier. It also allows her friends to be patients as well. "We've lived in the community for six years now... and when people ask where I practice, Northern Kentucky isn't convenient," she said. "So being close to home made it easier for friends that we've made here in the Village to come see me as well."

Liz Steger is one such friend. Liz recently took her five-year-old daughter, Caroline, to get an eye exam. "From the moment of our first phone call to the office of Dr. Ehryn Cartwright, we experienced exceptional service," said Liz. Dr. Cartwright and, Jen, the receptionist, took excellent care of the Stegers by doing things like navigating the complicated world of insurance to figure out the best options, doing a thorough family history check, and making Liz's daughter feel safe, secure, and comfortable during the exam.

"I was nervous about doing a comprehensive eye exam on my five-year-old," said Liz. "But Ehryn made us both feel so comfortable from the moment we walked in the door." Dr. Cartwright kindly took Caroline through her first eye exam, praising her frequently, explaining everything that she



Dr. Ehryn Cartwright

(photos by Ron Schroeder)

was doing, and even doing an eye exam on her stuffed animal! "I was very impressed with her as a provider and will continue to recommend her to family, friends, and neighbors," Liz said. "One final perk is that her office is beautiful with a huge selection of great frames and sunglasses."

Dr. Cartwright acknowledges that while she is first and foremost a licensed optometrist and that her first priority is assessing and treating ocular health, she is also a retailer. Glasses have become an important accessory to any outfit, so she likes to make sure that her office is stocked with the latest brands and styles.

It's more than friends and patients who are noticing Eye Care on the Square. In true Mariemont form, the community has reached out and embraced Dr. Ehryn Cartwright and her practice. "I always knew Mariemont was close knit and supportive of small businesses,

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but I think I've been surprised by how supportive the businesses are of each other," she said. She is overwhelmed with gratitude for how she has been welcomed into the community.

"As a Mariemont resident, it's exciting for me to be caring for my friends and neighbors," said Dr. Cartwright. As many gratifying moments as she has on a daily basis, one of her best moments remains the first pair of glasses she sold in her very own office. "My first patient was very excited," she remembered. "She had been in need of glasses for at least 15 years. It was a life changing moment for her."

Looking well past the color of our eyes, Dr. Ehryn Cartwright sees deep within us and can change the way we see the world.

Stop in and see Dr. Ehryn Cartwright and her friendly & helpful receptionist, Jen, at Eye Care on the Square. It's literally right there on the square at 6833 Wooster Pike or give her a call, 513-376-9330.

Another new business has been started by Mariemont entrepreneurs Barb Gunn and Sue Hendricks, who are making the difficult world of medicine an easier and more pleasant experience. They recently opened Assisted Transition, a placement, referral, and advisory service for the elderly. During a difficult time, they can provide a source of great comfort, vast experience, and tender compassion.

Sue Hendricks and Barb Gunn are in the life changing business as well. Having an aging loved one is difficult enough, but when the time comes that they need additional help and daily support, the situation can go from difficult and sensitive to emotional and nearly impossible. Sue and Barb opened an Assisted Transition franchise in September and they can provide the experience, knowledge, and compassion needed to make this situation the best and most successful it can be.

Barb Gunn has vast experience in the area of aging. "I have worked in the field of aging all my life," she said. "Most recently I ran a multi-service agency for seniors doing meals-on-wheels, medical transportation, and ran a series of senior centers in the Northern Kentucky area." The most rewarding work she did was to run an Alzheimer's Day Treatment Center for a number of years. "I was working with Alzheimer's patients and their families," said Barb. "And it was the

most rewarding position I had."

Both Sue and Barb have gone through painful personal experiences with aging family members. "Sue went through it finding placement for her father-in-law," said Barb. "I went through it finding placement for my father, when he became ill... and then the next year helping my mother... and my grandmother." After these difficult experiences, Barb knew that this was what she was meant to do... those around her agreed that this was her gift. "My mother and my sister kept saying, 'you're really good at this.'" They knew that this was her calling. And while she had worked in aging since she graduated from college, she felt that there was something more... something else to do.

Around the time that Barb started

"Sue is standing there with me and this woman is explaining the model of this franchise and I thought, 'this is what we have been talking about for the last couple of years,'" Barb explained of their "aha moment." "It's exactly what I've been saying I want to do, and it also has the business model, the backing-- all of those things. We know aging, we know people, we know what they need, but what are all the things you need to have in place to start your business?" Now they had their answer. It was the perfect fit.

"We decided on Assisted Transition because this is very much hands on, we get really involved with the people we are going to be helping," Barb said. "Sue and I actually have an inventory of communities, facilities that we have gone on tour and know about."



Barb Gunn and Sue Hendricks

wondering where else this particular calling may lead her, Sue started organizing what they affectionately refer to as "Soup Suppers." "We'd all come home from the end of the week to unwind and talk about what we wanted to do," Barb explained. "It all comes back to soup!" Sue laughed. They would come together at these dinners and talk about what they wanted to do... next. Barb kept talking about this "boom" in aging and that she would like to start a business in relation to that.

Serendipitously, they attended a bridal show for Barb's daughter and, in the lower level of this convention center, they came across a booth called, Assisted Transition.

Sue added, "And I felt the compassion that this business was going to give us to give to the aging."

When people find themselves with a parent who can no longer take care of him or herself, they often don't know what to do. "They don't even know where to begin," said Barb. "There's so much to know and when you're under stress and you're in a crisis situation, it's hard to think clearly. We're going to take that worry away from you. We have the information, we've already sorted through it, and we can let you know what's available."

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Aha Moments (cont'd):

Assisted Transition will help with every aspect of finding the perfect location. "We are going to do a very extensive assessment with the clients that we're working with," said Barb. They will thoroughly understand what their clients want and need... everything from their personal preferences to their financial situation so that they will be able to find the perfect place.

"The other part of the model is, there's no cost to the client. We're not going to charge you," said Sue. Barb explained, "If someone then moves to a retirement community or an assisted living facility, that community is going to pay us after that person has moved in and stayed there for a while." And for the people who aren't ready to leave their homes, but they need some additional help... well, Assisted Transition can help with that too. "We also have relationships with home care companies," said Barb.

They're not limited to Cincinnati and its surrounding counties either. "We can place anybody anywhere," said Sue. "Say, if your family is in Chicago, we have relationships with the franchises in Chicago and we would work together to get your loved one there. That's why we picked a franchise."

They did their research and chose to work with a franchise like Assisted Transition because of what they could offer in terms of reputation, business backing and support, and the model they wanted to use. "This is us!" Barb remembered saying after they attended the Assisted Transition training.

They are looking forward to educating the public about the vast amount of services, support, and activities that these communities have to offer. These days, it's not your grandparents' "old-folks-home" anymore. Sue and Barb with Assisted Transition are here to show you how great of an experience this can be. "I have been blown away with what these communities have to offer," said Sue. While these communities are being redefined in a new and beautiful way, Assisted Transition is redefining the experience of finding a space that suits your needs or the needs of a loved one. To learn more, give them a call at 514-878-0480 or contact them at shendricks@assistedtransition.com.

What's Happening at the Mariemont Branch Library

April

Children

Tales to Tails: Practice your reading with therapy dog Tater Tot. Thursday, April 10 at 4:00 pm. Ages 5 to 10.

Stuck on Reading Book Club: Each month, the club features a children's book series. Read at least one book from the series then stop in the library to complete an activity and earn a magnet. Collect three magnets to receive a free pizza coupon from Snappy Tomato.

Movers and Shakers: Wednesdays at 10:30 am. Bring the little ones for stories, songs and dance as they learn about the library. Ages 1 to 4.

Library Babies: Wednesdays at 11:30 am. Lap songs and books for infants.

Pre-school Story Time: Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Join us for stories and crafts. Ages 3 to 5.

Crafty Kids: Thursday, April 24 at 4:00 pm. Ages 5 to 10.

Teens

InBeTween Club: Thursday, April 17 at 4:00 pm. Ages 10 to 18.

Anime Club: Saturday, April 26 at 1:00 pm. Ages 10 to 18.

Adults

Tree Care for Beginners: Find out how to select and care for the trees in your yard. Tuesday, April 22 at 6:30 pm.

Downloads Class: If you are struggling with downloading eBooks to your Kindle or other device, we offer an introductory class Monday, April 7 and April 21 at 6:30 pm. Please call to register as this is an individual, one-on-one session.

Which Craft Needlecraft Club: Stop by with your current work in progress for pointers or just to have fun with co-enthusiasts. Knitting, crochet, needlework-- whatever you like to do. Saturday, April 5 and April 19 at 10:30 am.

Technology Classes: Interested in brushing up on computer basics or just starting out with technology? We offer one-on-one instruction Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. Call the branch and schedule a session.

Book Club: *The Last Runaway* by Tracy Chevalier will be discussed Thursday, April 24 at 6:45 pm. Copies are available at the branch.

Mariemont Branch Library, 3810 Pocahontas Ave., 369-4467

Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, Noon to 8:00 pm. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10:00 am. to 6:00 pm.

Upcoming Health and Wellness Events at the Cincinnati Sports Club

General Joint Screening –

Shoulder, Knee, Back or Foot

Thursday, April 10, 9:30 am-11:30 am

Whatever it is that is bothering you, come and get it checked out. The Christ Hospital Wellness and Physical Therapy Center will provide a complimentary joint screening at the Cincinnati Sports Club. A brief history and exam designed to troubleshoot and modify activities and exercise programs will be covered. Please call 527-4000 to reserve your time.

The New Healing Injection – Learn Why Blood Injections are Replacing Cortisone Injections

Thursday, April 10, 6:30 pm-7:30 pm

Dr. Marcheschi of The Christ Hospital

will discuss the PRP (Platelet Rich Plasma) process which is a new treatment that uses a person's blood to treat soft tissue injuries affecting muscles, tendons, or ligaments. PRP uses your body's own healing and regenerative resources to replace unhealthy tissue with healthy tissue. Please call 527-4000 to RSVP



Muscle-Tendon-Ligament Screening

Tuesday, April 15, noon-1 pm

Have a muscle, tendon or ligament

problem? Let a sports medicine doctor show you how these issues are evaluated using ultrasound. The Christ Hospital will provide complimentary screenings at the Cincinnati Sports Club. Please call 527-4000 to reserve your time.

How Massage Can Complement Your Workout

Wednesday, April 30, 6:30 pm

Tonics Spa and Salon Licensed Massage Therapist Libby Plogman explains the benefits of adding Therapeutic Deep Tissue Massage to your regular workout routine. Therapeutic Massage improves flexibility and reduces risk of injury, as well as providing a host of other benefits. Please call 527-4000 to RSVP.

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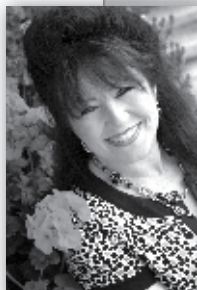
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If you have any questions regarding this Take Back Drug Initiative, please contact Chief Rick Hines or Warrior Coalition member, Lila Wells.

Chief Hines also asked that in order to get all important police notifications, residents should visit www.nixle.com to register.

Warrior Coalition Events

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT: Interactive Awareness Program to help adults protect youth from risky behaviors - Thursday, April 10 at 7:00 pm - Mariemont High School Auditorium-Adults only.

WARRIOR COALITION TASK FORCE Meeting- Monday, April 14 at 7:30 pm- Terrace Park Community Building.

Mariemont Police DRUG TAKE BACK DROPOFF DAY-Saturday, April 26 10:00 am - 2:00 pm-Drop off unwanted prescription medicine for proper disposal.

New Paper Recycling Containers Provided at Caraustar

Instead of just thinking "green" the folks at Caraustar (Cincinnati Paperboard) have started a program for local residences and small businesses to be "green." They have placed two containers at 5500 Wooster Road out in the concrete lot for local people to put their clean recycled paper into. The paper from the containers will be processed into paper on the site. They are working with Republic Services to place the containers on the property to help reduce paper going to landfills. There is no charge for this service.

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April 17, Maundy Thursday, 7:00 pm

April 18, Good Friday, 12 noon & 7:00 pm
with sung Passion

April 19, Easter Vigil, 7:00 pm

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9:15 am Holy Eucharist
with brass, Rite II

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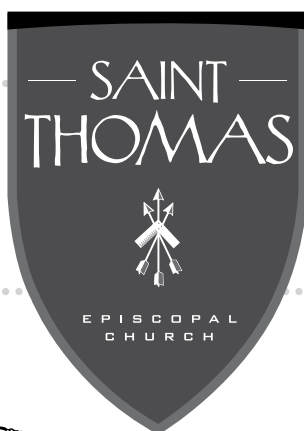
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SCHOOLS

MHS DECA Students Reach the Top 10 in Ohio

Mariemont High School students from the Great Oaks/Mariemont High School Satellite DECA chapter competed at the Ohio DECA Career Development Conference on March 14-15. DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management. Many of the Mariemont High School students placed in the top ten in the state:

The team of **Gus and Grace Haffner** in Travel and Tourism

Will Hobart in Business Management and Administration

Michelle Hacias in Hospitality and Tourism

Also placing in the top ten and moving on to the international competition in May:

Sarah Morgan: 1st in Principles of Marketing

Madeline Falknor: 1st in Hospitality and Tourism

Mikey Barrett: 2nd in Business Management and Administration



A number of Great Oaks/Mariemont High School students placed in the top ten of the Ohio DECA Career Development Conference on March 14-15.

McKinnon Pennell: 3rd in Business Services
Marketing

Andrew Grissom: 4th in Marketing
Management

Nick Payiatius: 4th in Principles of Finance

John Peck and Katie Robinson were recognized with State Emerging Leader Awards.

Junior High Power of the Pen Teams Write Place in History

Congratulations to the Mariemont Junior High School (MJHS) 7th and 8th grade Power of the Pen teams for a successful, regional tournament at Princeton Community Middle School March 15 and 16. Forty area schools participated in the competition, with approximately 115 writers per grade level.

The MJHS 8th grade team came in 1st place overall! Also for 8th grade, Kaleigh Hollyday placed 12th. The last and most prestigious award was the sweepstakes award and Mariemont Junior High came in first out of 40 schools! This is the school's second year to bring home this traveling trophy!

The 7th grade team came in 4th place overall. Also for 7th grade, Amelia Popowics placed 7th while Katie Copetas placed 1st. Katie also received a Best of Round award, and Catherine Geary also won a Best of the



PICTURE: Ellery Bledsoe, Kaleigh Hollyday, Sophia House, Hannah Coates, Katie Copetas, Alex Wilson, Lucy Hanley, Conor Mackey, Anna Scheeser, Elizabeth Elin, Catherine Geary, coach Leslie Jordan, Ameila Popowics, coach Jill Strall. Not shown: Kayla Dewey, Analise Hinebaugh, Olivia Walker, Gracie Teghtmeyer

Best award.

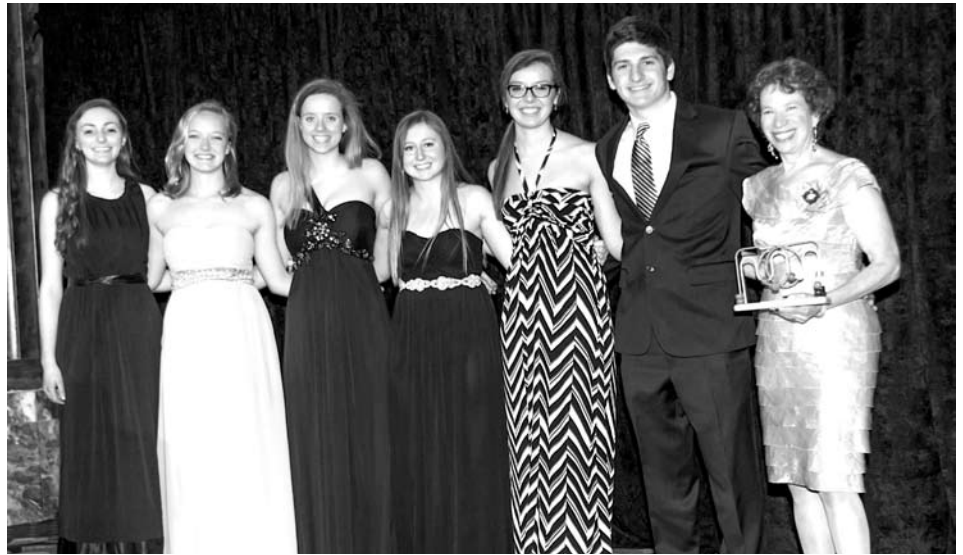
The writers that placed and received Best of Round awards will compete in the

state competition at Wooster College on May 23. We are so proud of all of our Writing Warriors!

SCHOOLS

MHS Students Named Champions for Children

Seven Mariemont High School students were recently named as the 2013 Champions for Children: The Next Generation by 4C for Children. Olivia Earhardt, Holly Huber, Addison Shelley, Sarah Blatt-Herold, Abigail Moreton, Ryden Lewis and Jon Bezney were honored at the 8th Annual Champions for Children Celebration for their work on the "5K for Eliminate" Mariemont Key Club project. This event raised over \$12,000 to eradicate maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT) around the world. Funds from the 5K race went to Kiwanis International's campaign to save thousands of babies and mothers, who would otherwise die of MNT. By providing over 6,600 vaccinations (at \$1.80/vaccination), that number of mothers, their newborns and all future siblings will be protected from tetanus. We are proud of our fundraising Warriors!



From left to right: Olivia Earhardt, Holly Huber, Addison (Addie) Shelley, Sarah Blatt-Herold, Abigail (Abby) Moreton, Ryden Lewis, and (not pictured) Jon Bezney received the 2013 Champions for Children: The Next Generation award from Sallie Westheimer, 4C for Children president/CEO.

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Kindervelt Bake Sale Supports Heart Institute

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**Lila Wells, Kindervelt 54
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Mariemont's Kindervelt 54 uses projects big and small to generate funds for the Heart Institute. On March 10, Amy Weiss and Lila Wells ran the Kindervelt 54 Bake Sale held in the CCHMC lobby. They both enjoyed the rainy March morning seeing CCHMC personnel, patients, and visitors while doling out homemade goods provided from the entire group. Congrats Kindervelt 54, for generating proceeds of \$336 to contribute to the Heart Institute! The next bake sale is April 23, 2014. For more information about Kindervelt 54, visit www.facebook.com/Kindervelt54.

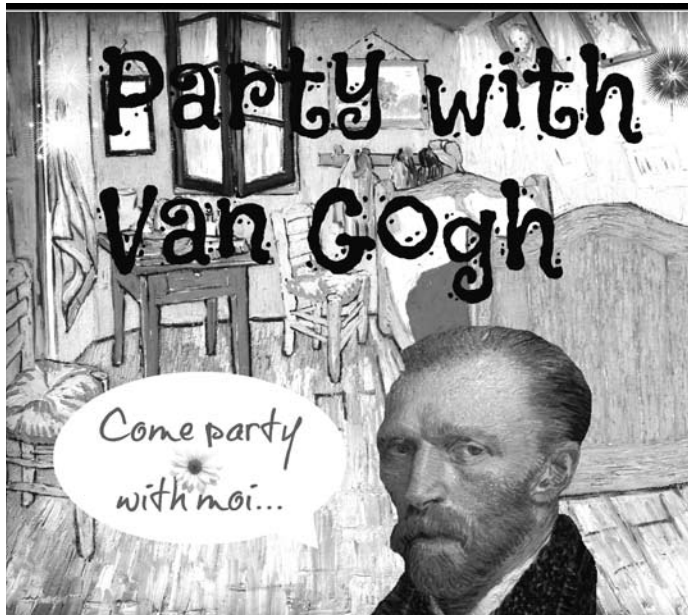


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Tickets for this evening are \$50 per person and registration is open at www.artatthebarn.org. Please RSVP by April 18. Proceeds for the event will support the continuation of our Impressionist Lecture Series as well as the mission of the Barn. A Bientot!



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Saturday, April 12, 9 am-noon

Mark your calendar to visit the Barn for the 2014 Macy's ArtsWave Sampler Day - *Native American Traditional Arts: Seeing, Touching, Making*. With thanks to the



Mariemont Preservation Foundation (MPF), Madison Clayworks and artist Mary Louise Holt, we have put together a morning for families and adults to come and learn about our local Native American ways and culture.

Sampler Day Schedule

9:15 am – The Mariemont Preservation Foundation (MPF) will kick off the morning with a fun, interactive presentation, geared toward elementary school children, about local Native American history. There will be a "touch" table allowing children to handle various items, as well as a display of arrowheads, pot shards, and other artifacts unearthed right here in Mariemont. The MPF has an extensive collection and is generously sharing them with us, just for this special morning.

10 am– Children can make pinch pots with ceramic artists Sandy Gantzer from Madison Clayworks, and also make a beaded bracelet of their own design. Parents can accompany their child or...

10 am– Attend a presentation, "The Great Eastern American Wilderness, Its Wildlife and Native People" by Mary Louise Holt, a renowned historical narrative artist. Travel back through time with the artist as she takes you into this wilderness with compelling stories and her own original paintings. Mariemont Preservation Foundation will enrich the program with historical displays, video and a "quiz board" about Native American tools. Sampler Day is open to the public and admission is free.

121st Annual Juried Art Show

Opening April 6, The show runs through April 27

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WOMAN'S ART CLUB CULTURAL CENTER



Mary Louise Holt displays her painting of Mariemont's "first" village.

The Woman's Art Club of Cincinnati is the oldest continuously operating art club for women in the United States. The Club was formed in 1892 to support female artists at a time when women were not welcome in the organized field of art. And now, the club will host its 121st Annual Juried Exhibit. Original works of art from Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky female artists will be judged and awarded prizes totaling over \$4000.



"In the Pink" by Monica Achberger

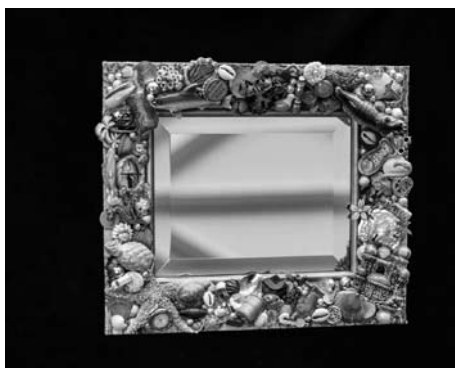
Enjoy original works in oil, acrylic, watercolor, fiber arts, and sculpture. Twenty percent of sales from the event benefit the

Woman's Art Club. Judge for the show is Thom C. Robinson, a signature member of the Oil Painters of America and the Small Painting Society of Brown County. He is also a member of the Indiana Plein Air Painters Association and the American Impressionist Society. The focus of the jurying process will be on draftsmanship, color and composition.

The exhibit opens April 6 from 1-4 pm and the Awards Presentation begins at 2 pm. Gallery hours are April 9-27, Wednesday – Sunday from 1-4 pm. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

Coming in May...

"A May Affair – an Eclectic Art Show"
Opens May 2, 7-10 pm



Jen Garrett - "espy" picture frame

Check our website for regular gallery hours. An exciting new show is coming in May. Three women, three different media, three different viewpoints. Come and enjoy the diverse talents of Diane Corman, Deborah Fox, and Jen Garrett.



Deborah Fox - "vintage Vanity"



Diane Corman - "Good and Evil"

Great News for the Barn - Working to Complete the Dream

As you know, the Barn is in the midst of

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WOMAN'S ART CLUB CULTURAL CENTER

Party with Van Gogh (cont'd):

a major renovation to our second floor. This transformative renovation will allow the Barn to be used in so many new ways, particularly in the area of the performance arts. The Loft provides wonderful open space and, with the use of original materials, the restoration is faithful to the Barn's origins. There is much work being done and much work still being planned. However, thanks to a generous gift, the future looks bright. Recently, the Loft

renovation was financially assisted by the The Helen G., Henry F. & Louise Tuechter Dornette Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee. The Barn sincerely thanks the Dornette Foundation and Fifth Third Bank for this grant, allowing the renovation to proceed. Come to the Barn, climb up to the Loft and envision the fun to be had in our new performance space.



Tim Boone working in the Loft

Just for Kids at the Barn

What's new for kids and teens at The Barn? Check out what we have planned.

Summer Camp – The schedule for the ever-popular Summer Camp at The Barn is almost set. The chart (right) provides the list of offerings with more coming soon. While registration is not yet open, you can be notified by email when online signups will begin. Just go to www.artatthebarn.org and enter your email address in the lower right hand corner to subscribe to Barn emails. Don't delay, these classes fill up quickly!



Summer classes at the barn fill up quickly!

SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE 2014

July 7 - 11	10am - noon	Grades 1 - 4	Recreating Recyclables
		Grades 4 - 7	Mosaic Madness
		Grades 1 - 4	Music Makers
	2pm - 4pm	Grades 1 - 4	Great Books, Great Art
		Grades 7 - 12	Art of Monoprinting
		Grades 4 - 7	Manga & Anime
July 14 - 18	10am - noon	Grades 1 - 4	Pinterest Crafts
		Grades 4 - 7	Crazy Sculpture
		Grades 4 - 7	Pan Pastel Portraits
	2pm - 4pm	Grades 7 - 12	Draw & Paint at the Easel
		Grades 4 - 7	Ceramics
		Grades 7 - 12	Improv
July 21 - 25	10am - noon	Grades 1 - 4	Paint Like an Egyptian
		Grades 4 - 7	Synchronicity (Arts of India)
	TBD	Grades 7 - 12	Digital Art & Animation
	2pm - 4pm	Grades 1 - 4	Creative Printmaking
		Grades 1 - 4	Multicultural Art Adventure

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SCHOOLS

PI Fun at Mariemont Elementary

Students, teachers and mathematicians celebrated Pi day on 3-14-2014. The sixth grade math students at Mariemont Elementary joined in on the fun at the annual sixth grade Pi competition led by math teacher, Mr. Gary Browning.

While learning about how to decipher the circumference of circles, all of the sixth grade math students were invited to memorize Pi to as many place values as they could for the chance to compete in the annual Pi contest. The Pi contest runs just like a spelling bee, but instead of spelling words the students recite the digits that make up the value of Pi. Ten mathematicians qualified for the championship round.

Three students served as judges, calling up each participant to the stage and keeping track of the total number of digits recited correctly. While all of the sixth grade students and teachers looked on each Pi contestant



Mariemont Elementary students celebrate Pi Day by memorizing Pi up to 300 digits!

came up to the stage and began reciting, "3.1459265358979...." Students recited from 20 to over 300 digits!

Congratulations to all of the Mariemont Elementary sixth grade mathematicians!

Mariemont Latin Club Enjoys Successful Convention

Mariemont Latin Club enjoyed another successful Latin Convention this past weekend. Highlights included 1st Place

finishes in Graphic Arts for Kayla Wood and Sam Telgkamp, 2nd for Micaela Duever and Abby Takas and 3rd for Holly Huber. Evan

Doran received a 2nd and Andi Christopher a 4th in Modern Myth. Freshman Gordon Goodwin led in the Academic Contests finishing in the top 10 in 7 categories, including a 1st place in Roman Life and 2nd in Mythology. A complete list of Mariemont's Results will be posted on the Latin Club Bulletin Board.

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Hats off to MHS DI

Congratulations to the high school DI team who performed at the Regional Tournament on Saturday. The team took first place in their challenge and will advance to the State Tournament on April 26! In addition, the team received the Renaissance Award for outstanding Design, Engineering or Performance. Team members are Addie Shelley, Andi Christopher, Gabbie Robb, Graham McCarthy, Julia Lynch, Matt Benloehr and Brooke Kelly.

VILLAGE

New Village Church Acquires Historic Building

THERE IS A NEW CHURCH IN TOWN!

The Village Church of Mariemont recently acquired a new church building in the Historic District of our community. Founded by long-time resident and Mariemont High School alum Pastor Todd Keyes, this traditional-style church was established with the desire to meet the spiritual needs of community members in the context of our unique village.

When the opportunity arose to start a new church in the Village, Pastor Keyes did not hesitate. "Like the founders of our Village, I believe that providing for the spiritual needs of this community is of the utmost importance," he explained. "I have long been called to serve the people of Mariemont, and I am excited about the opportunities this new ministry will provide."

The newly acquired church building originally served as the Village tool shed in the 1920's during the initial construction of our community. It was located on the corner of Wooster Pike and Beech Street. The building was eventually moved by rolling it along logs to its current location on the corner of Oak and Maple Streets where it was renovated and served as the first schoolhouse and community center of the Village before it was given to the Masons for their local lodge.

Pastor Keyes and his members are excited to renovate the current building so that these facilities can continue to serve the community as a "tool shed" in the shaping of people's lives, as a school in the spiritual and moral education of our young people and adults, and as a community center and social hub in the Historic District of Mariemont.

Todd is ably supported by his wife, Jamie, who is qualified in elementary education and widely experienced in children's ministry. The church meets every Sunday morning at 10 am and invites everyone to visit during the Easter season, beginning with a Palm Sunday service on April 13. Easter services on April 20 will consist of a sunrise service at 6:45 am at the John Nolen Pavilion across from the Mariemont Pool as well as a traditional Sunday service at 10 am at their new Oak Street building.



The building was used as Mariemont's first school while construction of Dale Park was underway in the 1920's. (photo courtesy of Mariemont Preservation Foundation)

Children's lessons and activities are planned.

www.VillageChurchofMariemont.org.

Information is available on the church's website,

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Business Beat

By KIM BEACH

Chances are if you have walked down Miami Road towards the Square, you've noticed the TV in the window of Walsh Asset Management. You can catch stock market news by day and sports in the evenings and on weekends, a perfect metaphor for Tom Walsh's two passions – investing and sports. These passions have parleyed themselves into Tom's two businesses, Walsh Asset Management and The Ultimate Sports List. Tom has lived with his wife Holly in Mariemont for the past eight years. He came to realize this great community would be a perfect fit for his businesses, which he moved from downtown to the Square in 2010.

A native Cincinnati, Tom graduated from St. Xavier High School and continued on to Miami University where he earned a B.S. in Business/Finance. The Oxford campus has continued to lure him back over the years. He taught Principles of Investments and Securities Markets to seniors and graduate students as a Visiting Instructor of Finance. He is also a member – and former President – of the Red & White Club Board of Directors, the national fund raising organization for Intercollegiate Athletics. You'll also find him rooting for the Spartans of Michigan State University, where he received an MBA in Finance. Tom is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and a member of the Cincinnati Society of Financial Analysts. Locally he advised the Green Envy Investment Club at Mariemont High School from 2008-13, and currently coaches boys basketball at Mariemont Junior High.

Tom founded Walsh Asset Management fifteen years ago. His company specializes in investment management, business retirement plans and retirement planning, with clients ranging from individual investors to company 401(k) plans. He spent the previous fifteen years in the investment arena, holding positions in research, trading, sales and portfolio management.

"Throughout my years of working in the investment business, I developed my own philosophy on investing," Walsh told us. "It's a quantitative process that takes out the day-to-day emotion. In 1999 I decided it was time to form my own business and offer that approach to my own clients."

Tom chaired the Organizing Committee for the 1996 NCAA Hockey Championship,



Thomas J. Walsh

and that experience led him to form his second business, The Ultimate Sports List (TUSL), in 2010.

The Ultimate Sports List is a website for the sports traveler. It ranks the world's 150 greatest sporting events based on fan voting, and its users can interactively share and discuss their experiences at those events. Members create their own sports bucket list, and then check off those they have attended and receive a rating based on the number and rank of those events. The lists can be shared with their friends via social media.

"Although my primary business is investing, TUSL has been a fun and interesting venture," Walsh said. "I am very fortunate to be able to have two businesses that follow my

passions."

So check out the window at Walsh Asset Management next time you stroll through the Square. You can get updates on the stock market during the day, and see your favorite teams play after hours. If Tom is at his desk by the window, stop in and say hello. If you drop in next week, you might even catch a little of the Masters on TV.

To contact, visit the websites at www.walshassetmgt.com and www.tusl.com. Follow Tom on twitter @ThosJWalsh and @TUSL.

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VILLAGE

News from MariElders

Senior Citizen Day

When: Wednesday April 9 at 8:30 pm
Cost: \$7 for members,
 \$9 for non-members

Where: Meet at MARIELDERS
 Madeira High School has once again invited us to spend Senior Citizen Day with them. We will first be served a continental breakfast, and then be treated to their production of Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella, followed by lunch of roasted turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas, rolls, and cherry crisp. This is always a good time so sign up with a paid reservation by April 4.

Museum Days

When: Tuesday April 22 at 10:30 am
Cost: \$3 for members,
 \$5 for non-members, lunch on own

Where: Meet at MARIELDERS
 The Cincinnati Art Museum is our destination this month. We will see their current exhibition of Genius and Grace: Francois Boucher and the Generation of 1700. This exhibit features over seventy master drawings from the Horvitz Collection, Boston, widely considered the preeminent collection of early French art in the United States. The exhibition will feature works by a group of artists known as "The Generation of 1700." This talented group of artists born in or around the year 1700, such as François Boucher, Charles-Joseph Natoire, Carle Vanloo, and their contemporaries, will be celebrated for their virtuoso compositions whose curvilinear elegance epitomizes the French grand manner. From Boucher's sumptuous reclining female nude, to a rare, early pastel by Jean-Baptiste-Siméon Chardin, to Director of the French Academy Charles Coppel's mature self portrait. We will then

have lunch at the Terrace Café in the Art Museum. Sign up with a paid reservation at the Center front desk by April 18.

Easter Tea Party

When: Thursday April 17 at 12:00 pm
Cost: \$4 for members,
 \$6 for non-members

Where: MARIELDERS Basement
 Celebrate Easter with us a little early, with a lunch tea among friends. Sign up with a paid reservation at the Center front desk by April 11.

MARIELDERS 3rd Annual Spaghetti Dinner

When: Friday April 25 from
 5:00 to 8:00 pm
Cost: \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children

Where: Fairfax Recreation Center
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News from MariElders (cont'd)

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Author Lunch

When: Wednesday,
April 30 at
12:00 pm

Cost: \$4 for members,
\$6 for non-
members

Where:

MAIRELDERS Basement

Local author Kandy Witte will be here to debut her new mystery novel, *Bingo-You're Dead*. This book is a mystery surrounding a murder down at the local senior center. Join us for this entertaining look into her new book and feel free to ask the author questions about her craft. We will enjoy a nice lunch, book reading, and prize giveaway. Sign up with paid reservation by April 25.



The MariElders Center for Adults 55 and Over is located at 6923 Madisonville Rd.

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VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

Council Minutes for March 10, 2014

Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to accept the recommendation of the Safety Committee which met on Wednesday February 26, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the 2014 budget request for a new unmarked police car and 11 new service pistols. Committee Members Jim Tinkham, Maggie Palazzolo and Joe Miller were present. Chief Hines was present for the Police Department. After discussion about the age and condition of the existing unmarked police cruiser it was unanimously agreed that the Committee recommends the purchase of a new unmarked Ford Fusion at a price not to exceed \$29,000. After discussion about the age and existing service pistols being used by the Police Force it was also unanimously agreed that the Committee recommends the purchase of eleven Sig Sauer P227 semi-auto pistols at a price not to exceed \$5100. It is recommended that the Ordinance to purchase the police vehicle be done on an emergency basis. On roll call; six ayes, no nays.

Vice-Mayor Miller read the following miscellaneous announcements:

Outstanding Citizen Award Applications are due to Mrs. Van Pelt by Thursday March 20, 2014

Village Offices will be closed Friday April 18, 2014 in Observation of Good Friday.

Ordinances:

"To Amend Section 151.026(A)(1) of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances to Increase the Number of Members of the Architectural Review Board from Five to Seven" had a second reading.

"To Purchase a 2014 Ford Fusion Police Vehicle and To Declare Emergency" had a

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first reading. Ms. Schwartz moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third readings. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. The Ordinance had a second reading. Police Chief Hines said he is happy to report that the purchase price was \$10,000 less than what was budgeted. This vehicle does not have a police package. The Ordinance had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Tinkham to adopt the Ordinance. On

roll call; six ayes, no nays. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-8-14 was adopted.

Ms. Schwartz said, concerning the new recycling cart program, she spoke with Mrs. Singleton and out of the 398 responses about a dozen have expressed opposition. The majority of residents are happy with the lidded carts.

Mariemont's Annual Town Meeting Was Held Sunday, March 23



Town Crier, Bob Keyes, opened the proceedings.



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SCHOOLS

MSF Accepting Nominations for Mariemont High School Distinguished Alumni Award

The Mariemont School Foundation (MSF) and the Mariemont High School Alumni Association seek nominations for its Distinguished Alumni Award. A nomination form and guidelines are available on the School Foundation website, www.mariemontschoolfoundation.org/alumni/mhs-distinguished-alumni/ or by contacting Scott Weston of the MSF at swestonoh@gmail.com or (513) 359-5854. Nominations are due May 31, 2014.

The Distinguished Alumni Award will recognize Mariemont High School graduates graduated at least 10 years who have notably distinguished themselves by their significant contributions in their life or in their work. Full qualification criteria can be found on the Mariemont School Foundation website.

Nominations will be considered by a committee comprised of Mariemont School Foundation trustees and Mariemont High School Alumni Association members. The number of recipients each year is at the discretion of the committee. Nominations



will remain on file five (5) years.

This year's Distinguished Alumni recipient(s) will join the ranks of the inaugural class of Mariemont Distinguished Alumni, whose background and profiles can be found on the Mariemont School

Foundation website.

Distinguished Alumni Award recipients will be recognized during Mariemont's Homecoming Weekend in the Fall of 2014. A permanent, dedicated space at Mariemont High School also honors recipients.

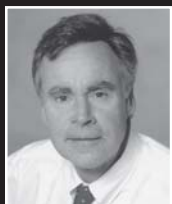


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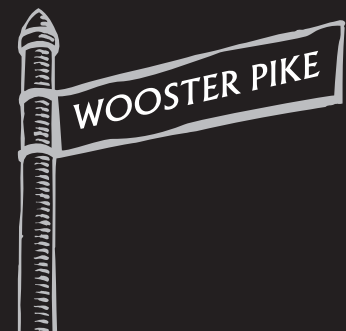
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