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City News

Oakwood Beautification Awards

The Oakwood Beautification Award Program recognizes residential, business and rental property owners who have enhanced their property through the use of trees, flowers or plant material, or by making architectural modifications or building improvements to existing structures. Awards are given during the months of May, June, July, August and September. Monthly award winners are selected by members of the Property Maintenance Board, and will have a sign placed in their yard to recognize their beautification efforts.

School News

Seventh Annual Harlamert Foundation Entrepreneurship Competition Students awarded \$5,250 in cash prizes

In March, 21 Oakwood High School students were awarded cash prizes totaling \$5,250 in the seventh annual Oakwood High School Entrepreneurship Competition. This annual contest, sponsored by The Oakwood Schools Foundation, thanks to generous support from Irvin Harlamert (OHS '48), emphasizes the importance of the entrepreneurial spirit on the success of our society and encourages students to explore and understand the value of owning their own business.
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Library News

Walk to San Francisco – As a community!

Wright Library's adult Summer Reading Club theme is Exercise Your Brain. We're encouraging our community to walk, run, or roll for a combined 2,400 miles this summer – enough to get from Wright Library to San Francisco. Want to participate? Return a completed 10 mile form from the Reference Desk or submit a form online at www.wrightlibrary.org for a chance to win weekly prizes! Make a personal goal to walk 20, 50, or 100-plus miles this summer and help Wright Library in our bid to trek 2,400 miles from Dayton to the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco. We'll mark our progress and learn about other cities as we reach them along the way, such as Indianapolis (115 miles), Omaha, Neb. (730 miles); and Reno, Nev., (2,175 miles). Let's get moving and exercise our brains as we go! Participants will be eligible for the end-of-summer grand prize of a Fitbit fitness tracker.



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BLANKET CONCERT SERIES**
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WILL ROCK YOUR SUMMER**
More than 100 programs for kids and adults this summer!

Recycling Services

Under Oakwood's program, all recyclables may be co-mingled in a single can, or multiple cans if needed. These cans must have recycling stickers on them which are available at the city building, 30 Park Avenue and the Public Works Center, 210 Shafor Boulevard. The cans also must follow the same guidelines as refuse cans – 35 gallons or less and less than 60 pounds. Recyclables include glass; plastics with the 1-7 designations in the triangle on the bottom; aluminum, steel, and bi-metal cans; newspaper; cardboard; paperboard (like cereal boxes); junk mail; magazines; and phone books. The City of Oakwood uses refuse trucks that have separate compartments for the garbage and recyclables. The garbage is taken to the Montgomery County Transfer Station and the recyclables to Rumpke.

Yard Debris Disposal

As you finish up the spring yard and garden projects, here are a few things to remember:

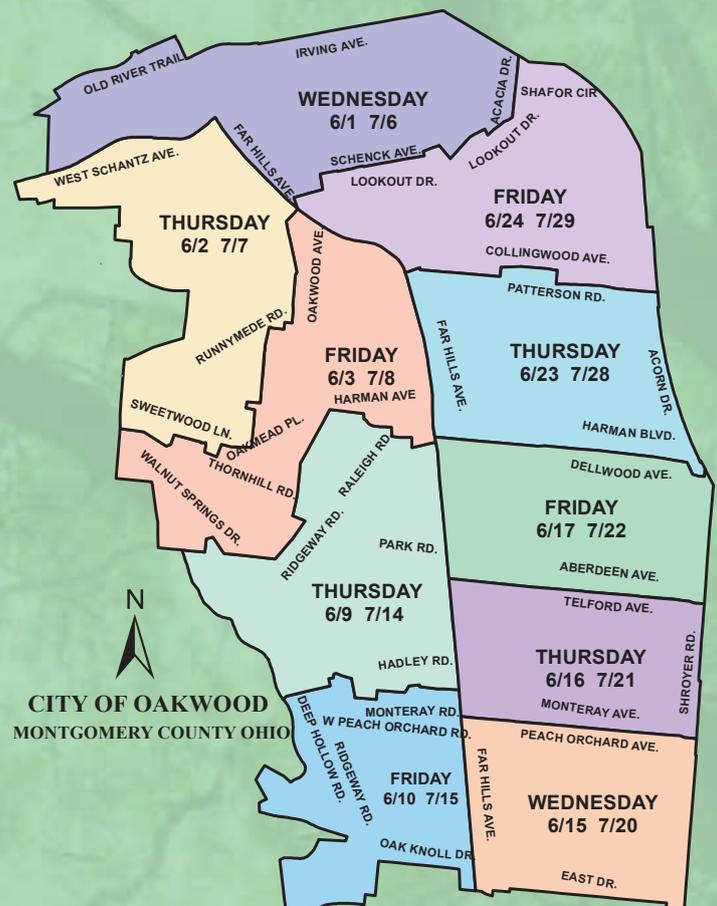
- Place larger piles of yard debris including brush and branches into the tree lawn area just behind the curb. Remember that branches should be no longer than 6 feet and should be placed in manageable piles. Also, please do not place these piles around trees, fire hydrants, cable TV boxes or posts/poles.
- Under no circumstance should you place anything in the gutter (except leaves in the fall) or anything except yard debris in the tree lawn area.
- Place small amounts of leaves, small twigs, dead flowers and other such smaller green waste items in with your regular trash... or better yet, drop them in the dumpster at the Creager Field parking lot.
- If you would like to dispose of your yard debris by means other than the monthly city pick-up, you have three options: 1) You may drop it off at the Foell Public Works Center, 210 Shafor Blvd, on the first Saturday of the month between 9 a.m. and noon; 2) You may drop it in the yard debris dumpster at the Creager Field parking lot (corner of Shafor and Irving); or 3) You may call for a dumpster, free of charge (yard debris only).
- Do not stack loose debris around or on top of trash cans.
- Please remember the 35 gallon and 60-pound limits on trash cans and that all cans must have lids.
- Please recycle as much as you possibly can... it saves us money.
- Remember the three (3) can limit for regular trash (or one roll waste container for alley properties).
- Grass clippings are not accepted, either with regular trash, with curbside collected yard debris, or in dumpsters.
- Contractor generated material is not accepted.

Please refer to the adjacent map for your scheduled pickup days.

2016 Sidewalk, Curb and Driveway Apron Project

The 2016 sidewalk, curb and driveway apron repair project is taking place in the area east of Far Hills Avenue from Patterson Road to Irving Avenue. The purpose of the program is to maintain the concrete structures located within the city rights-of-way in good, safe condition. Residents affected by the work received personal notification regarding their responsibilities. Please call Engineering Technician Tom Long at 298-0777 if you have any questions. For those who choose to do the repair work themselves, please remember to obtain a permit in advance.

YARD DEBRIS PICKUP SCHEDULE June and July

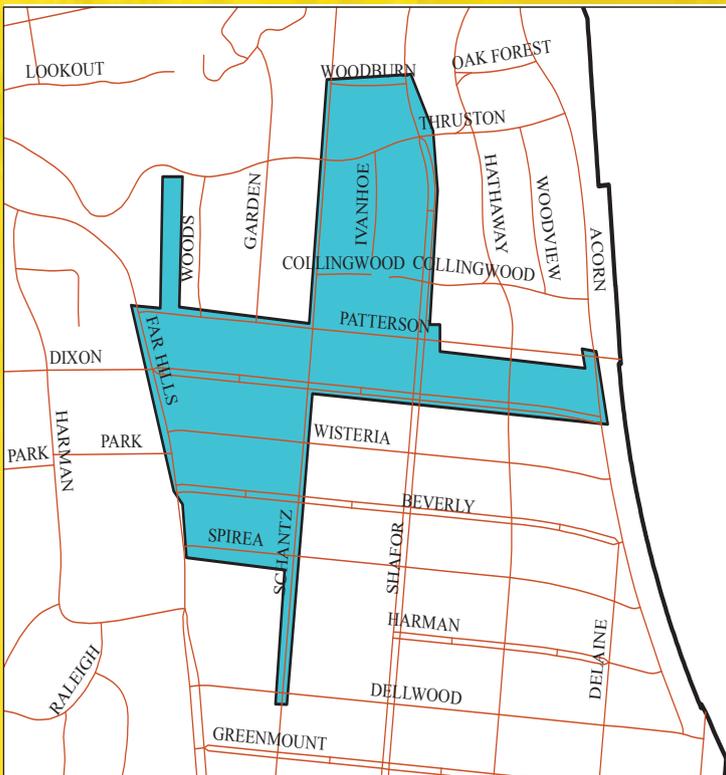


FAR HILLS AVE. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 6/9 & 7/14

SHROYER RD. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 6/23 & 7/28

2016 Vectren Gas Line Improvements

Vectren continues replacing the underground gas distribution pipes and home service lines in the Oakwood neighborhoods identified on the map below. The work involves installing new polyethylene piping systems in place of old steel and cast iron pipes. Vectren is also moving indoor gas meters to outside wall locations. This work is the continuation of a multi-year Vectren project in Oakwood. Oakwood residents personally affected by the work will receive detailed information from Vectren. Although this is not a city of Oakwood project, please feel free to contact Public Works Inspector/Foreman Tom Long at 298-0777 with questions about the work.

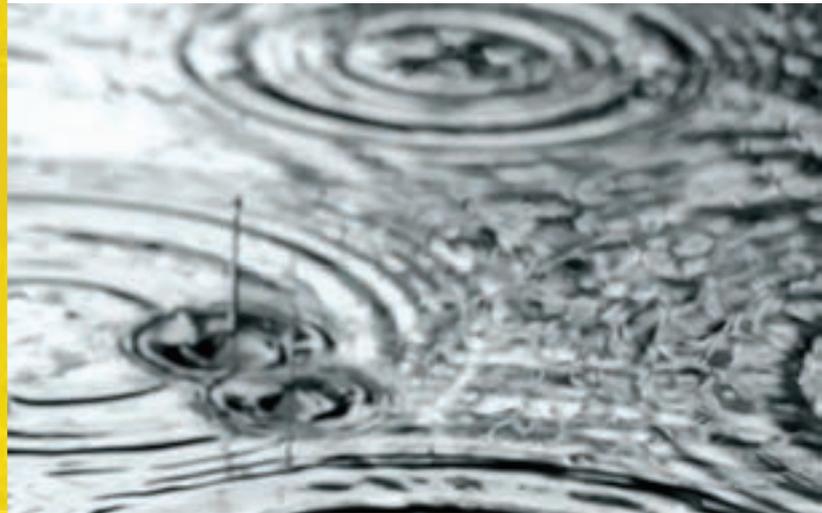


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Legend

Stormwater Program

The city of Oakwood operates a stormwater management program in accordance with a required EPA permit. Oakwood stormwater permit actions include: Dry weather screening of outfalls to verify absence of illicit connections; educating residents on stormwater matters; requiring sediment and erosion controls on construction sites larger than 1 acre; regular street sweeping; and staff education on stormwater impacts. The overall goal of the program is to improve the quality of the water in our rivers, lakes and streams by limiting pollutant release into receiving waters. There are several ways that citizens can aid this effort: 1) do not place any material in the street except leaves during the 10 week collection period in the fall; 2) do not dump oil, lawn debris, or other materials into the storm sewer – this is a direct path to your streams and there is no treatment of this water; 3) limit as much as possible the use of fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides; and 4) clean up after your pets as the bacteria in the animal waste is very harmful to the streams. The Miami Conservancy District (MCD) has many materials available if you would like additional information. These can be found at: <http://www.miamiconservancy.org/water/riversmart.asp>.



2015 Water Report

The city of Oakwood has prepared the 2015 Consumer Confidence Report for the city's public water system. This was done in accordance with federal regulations under the Safe Drinking Water Act. The report can be viewed on the city website at www.oakwoodohio.gov/ccr.pdf. The report includes detailed information about our city water system during the 2015 calendar year. The report shows that the city provides high quality water for Oakwood residents and businesses and operates the public water system in compliance with all state and federal rules. A paper copy of the Consumer Confidence Report is available on request by calling the Public Works Center at 298-0777.

How to Help Prevent Criminal Activity

FBI data shows that criminal activity rises in the summer -- an average of 10 percent, according to FBI statistics. A significant portion of this rise results from thieves preying on vacationing families, and more than half of the U.S population will take a vacation away from home this summer. There are some simple safeguards you can take that will greatly reduce the risks of becoming a victim:

- Stop your mail and newspaper delivery, or have a friend or neighbor collect it daily. If your mailbox is overflowing while you are away or newspapers pile up, criminals will be alerted that you aren't home.
- Exercise some discretion when you talk about your trip. Your blog isn't the best place to announce that you'll be away from home for a month. Being aware of who's around when you discuss your trip in restaurants and even at work isn't a bad idea either. Make sure that your children are discreet, too. No one is saying that you should be suspicious of everyone you meet, but even a chance remark has the potential to lead to unintended and unfortunate consequences. The less information you put out there, the less likely it is to reach the wrong ears and eyes.
- When you leave, make sure all doors and windows are locked and fastened. Doors should have deadbolt locks with a one-inch throw and reinforced strike plate. Before departing, examine your house from the street and make sure no valuables, like expensive electronics or artwork, are visible from the street. If a passerby can see your belongings, so can criminals.

- Even if you stop newspaper delivery and mail service, there are still some gotchas that can make it obvious that you're not around. If you're a diligent homeowner who mows his lawn every week and things start to look overgrown and neglected, it's easy to come to the conclusion that you're not around. Because you can't plan for every contingency, have someone in the area check your house regularly. Whether it's a neighbor or relative, nothing beats having a person check the premises every day or two while you're gone.
- Sign up for the Safety Department's Vacant House Check (VHC) program. Officers of the Oakwood Safety Department can check your home while you are away. Sign up by telephone (298-2122) or in person with the Safety Department Dispatcher. The dispatcher will obtain some basic information such as: the length of your absence, who may be authorized to be on your property while you are away (friends, relatives, lawn/landscape crews, etc.), and some basic emergency contact information. Officers will then check on your home periodically while you are gone and will contact you if there are any issues of concern

Rushing out the door to begin enjoying a vacation can cause people to overlook several easy ways to ensure their homes will be protected. Taking the necessary precautions to protect your home while you're away will save you those nagging worries so you can thoroughly enjoy your trip!

2016 Asphalt Pavement Resurfacing

The City will resurface the following streets under the 2016 Asphalt Pavement Resurfacing Program:

- Dellwood Avenue, E. Schantz to Shroyer
- Glendora Avenue, Irving to Schantz
- Sorrento Avenue
- Oak Knoll Drive
- Orlando Terrace
- Oakmead Place
- Walnut Springs Drive
- E. Dixon Avenue, Far Hills to Acorn
- Volusia Avenue, Oakwood to Mahrt
- Mahrt Avenue

The city will spend approximately \$370,000 on the project. It is a continuation of the city's commitment to maintaining an excellent roadway system. In advance of the repaving, a city contractor will replace damaged or deteriorated concrete curb

and other concrete structures along the project roadways. Oakwood public works employees will test operate underground water distribution system valves on the project roadways, also in advance of the repaving, and will make repairs as needed. The public works department will also adjust the height of manhole lids as needed.

The asphalt pavement work is expected to take place in July or August and will involve removal of the old asphalt surface and placement of new asphalt. The city's paving contractor will place "No Parking" signs on each street a day or two ahead of construction. Please watch for these signs and stay a safe distance away from the construction operations. Property owners on the affected streets will receive additional project details as the construction period approaches. Call Engineering Technician Tom Long at 298-0777 for questions.

Smith Gardens 2016 Blanket Concert Series

The Friends of Smith Gardens and the city of Oakwood are pleased to present the “2016 Blanket Concert Series”. The series is a community favorite and this year’s schedule offers something for everyone. Bring your blanket and join us at Smith Gardens, located in the 800 block of Oakwood Avenue at the corner of Walnut Lane. Parking is available on Oakwood Avenue, some adjacent side streets and around the City Building. These concerts are FREE and open to the public. In case of rain, the concerts will be held in the Great Room at the Oakwood Community Center, 105 Patterson Road.

Sunday, June 12th at 7:00 P.M. ~ The Elements

This auspicious nexus of four seasoned artists, Sandy and Michael Bashaw, Rick Good & Sharon Leahy, combine the energies of choreographer, composer, dancer, director, musician, playwright, sculptor, singer and songwriter. Playing their own smart, original material, along with the songs of Woody Guthrie, Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen, Roger Miller, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones and The Carter Family among others, **The Elements** are drawn to melodies, harmonies and rhythms that call out to them with a feeling generated or a memory triggered, regardless of the source. Add the excitement of Sharon’s step dancing and you have a show that brings Modern American Folk and Traditional Music to a new level of entertainment.

Sunday, July 17th at 7:00 P.M. ~ Bad Sines

Bad Sines is a band of many sounds. Their energetic live shows are a tapestry of your favorite pop and rock songs from the last 40 years. Whether they’re playing an iconic pop hit or one of the bands engaging original songs, band front man and Oakwood resident David Burris breaks down the separation between artist and audience and makes the show a party of friends. **Bad Sines** has performed at several local venues including the Dublin Pub and The Dark Horse Tavern.

Sunday, August 7th at 7 P.M. ~ Soul Express

Soul Express is a Dayton, Ohio based dance band specializing in Motown and Memphis soul classics from the 1960s and early 70s. Members Tom Beyerlein, Ken McCall, Chris Demmons, Ron Beavers and Gary Jackson have been playing clubs, festivals, parties and family-friendly concerts in the Miami Valley since 1999. They live to play good music, have fun and get people up on their feet dancing, so bring your dancing shoes! This show is sure to be a family favorite!



Pre-School Story Hour At Smith Gardens

The OCC, in conjunction with Wright Memorial Public Library, is pleased to present another fun season of “Story Hour at Smith Gardens”. Spend a magical morning in the Gardens as the Children’s Librarian reads enchanting stories to your preschooler. Friday dates: June 24, July 22 and August 26 at 10 a.m. In case of rain, meet in the Garden House.

Oakwood Community Center

Swim Lesson Registration: Registration will be held at the OCC on Monday, June 6 beginning at 9 a.m.

Safety Town Program: Safety Town is designed to teach small children, ages 5 and 6, street crossing safety, home safety and think safety. Two sessions will be held at Orchard Park Elementary School in Kettering. The first session is Monday-Friday, June 20-24 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. with the registration deadline on Wednesday, June 15 at 9 p.m. The second session is Monday – Friday June 27- July 1 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with the registration deadline on Wednesday, June 22 at 9 p.m. Register at the OCC. Class is limited to 30 students per session.

Oakwood Dolphins Swim Team: Swim begins on Monday, June 6. The season runs through Friday, July 15. Any Gardner Pool member 18 and under may register to join this team.

Annual Ice Cream Social: This tradition is held before school resumes in the fall and is scheduled for Sunday, August 14 at Shafor Park. Tickets will be available beginning Monday, July 11.

Call the OCC at 298-0775 for more information on these and other events.

Oakwood Junior High/High School 2015-2016 Year in Review

Math Department

The math department provides students with math and reasoning skills necessary to take them to the next phase of college or career readiness through awareness and preparation for Ohio Next Generation of Assessments.

- Students again scored well on the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT), Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT), Preliminary ACT (PLAN), ACT
- Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) 99.4% passing rate
- Ohio Achievement Assessments (OAA) 97% passing rate
- 7 students took Advanced Placement (AP) tests in Calculus or Statistics
- New textbooks, College Preparatory Mathematics (CPM) for Algebra 1 and Geometry, were used this year. The series is compatible with the Ohio Core Mathematics Standards and Practices. In 2016-17, we will begin to use CPM Algebra 2.
- Laura Connor and Jay Lane were speakers at the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics State Convention. Mrs. Connor spoke about preparing students for college mathematics, while Mr. Lane spoke about summer STEM activities.

English Department

During the 2015-2016 school year, the English department examined course curricula and data, mentored students, and coached nationally recognized academic teams.

- In English Language and Composition, 90% of students earned a 3 or above (55.5% nationally).
- In English Literature and Composition, 79% of students earned a 3 or above (53.3% nationally).
- The department received a donation to fund a Chromebook mobile lab, allowing students to research scholarly sources, compose literary analysis and research papers, produce visual aids for group presentations, and practice taking electronic assessments.

Awards and Recognition:

- The Academic Decathlon team, coached by Lori Morris, won the United States Academic Decathlon (USAD) Division III National Championship.
- Freshman Lauren O'Connell earned an Award of Distinction and a \$100 prize in the Dottie Yeck Good Life Writing Contest.
- Mira Sidhu placed first, Mary Kidwell second, Ben Wilson third, and Kambrie Riddle fourth in the Oakwood Rotary Four Way Test Speech Contest, applying the principles of the Four Way test to real life experiences with family, service, art, and athletics.
- 8th grade Power of the Pen Team coached by Mindy Hoffer won First Place at the District Tournament; 7th grade team placed fourth. Six members qualified to compete at the state tournament.



8th Grade Power of the Pen Team: Charlie Blumer, Sachi Wilson, Paisley Bokros, Clare Vanderburgh

Science Department

The science department strives to provide students with a challenging course of study that not only teaches concepts, but how to think critically about the content area. Through inquiry labs and hands on approaches our students are consistently challenged.

- Physical Science and Chemistry students earned \$10,000 in prize money as part of Believe in Ohio competition. Elizabeth Ordeman was a district winner and participated in the state competition.
- Students participated in The Martian, COSI autopsy, Sam Rhine Genetic presentation, and Kings Island Physics Day.
- 96% of AP Biology students scored a 3 or higher, 85% of AP Chemistry students scored a 3 or higher and 77% of AP Physics students scored a 3 or higher. Half of our students testing in the AP sciences scored a 4 or 5.

The OHS Engineering Program continues to evolve, with students participating in a wide variety of projects, embedded with our four courses, including:

- 2016 AIA Student Design Contest
- Modeling an integrated circuit mounting system for a CAT scan pump
- Designing a robotic system that sorts marbles
- Genetically modifying bacteria

Professionals from our community in the fields of civil engineering, material science, architecture, and manufacturing shared their knowledge and expertise with students.

Real world opportunities included:

- Dayton Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Norwood Medical
- COSI
- UDRI Microbiology Labs



Special Education Department

The special education department spearheads the collaboration of teachers, parents, administrators, related service personnel, and students to improve educational results for Oakwood students with documented identified needs.

- The Oakwood Schools Foundation awarded a grant to purchase 10 Microslide Viewers and Lesson Sets, providing students access to visual information that can be difficult to see under a traditional microscope.
- Miami Valley Hospital, Brookdale Place, Dorothy Lane Market and Ashley's Bakery provided vocational training opportunities for students.
- OJHS students participated in electives for gifted students such as *Beginning Robotics*, provided OJHS students enrolled in gifted electives learning opportunities to develop coding and engineering skills by using Mindstorms software and materials.
- A Parent Share Fair provided OJHS students the opportunity to showcase their historical research and current event studies for the History Day topic of Exploration/Encounter/Exchange.

World Language Department

The newly named World Language Department completed a two-year audit that resulted in the selection of new student materials for the 2016-17 school year. In aligning with the Ohio State Standards of communication and culture, selection of instructional materials was based on integrated authentic materials, presentation of functions and structures, online resources, supporting activities, and strong alignment to AP themes.

- The Oakwood Schools Foundation awarded a grant for the purchase of a ChromeBook Lab.
- Five teachers attended the Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages.
- Spanish and French students in levels 1-5 participated in the National Language Exams with many earning bronze, silver and gold medals.
- Forty-six Spanish and French III, IV and V students were inducted into La Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica and La Société Honoraire de Français.
- Through a student exchange program with Rotary International, four students were selected to serve as global ambassadors. Spending the 2016-2017 school year in France, students will be immersed in the language and culture, while living with host families and attending French high schools.

Practical Arts Department

Business Education

- HR Block Budget Challenge
- Davis Portfolio Development Competition at the University of Dayton
- Finance Challenge at University of Cincinnati
- Law and Your Life class visited the Montgomery County Jail and Court

Junior High GTT/ Engineering

- Implemented new state-of-the-art prototyping equipment and design tools into the seventh and eighth grade curriculum
- Students learned about and used Autodesk Inventor, a powerful design tool used by engineers
- Students produce a variety of assigned projects using 3-D printers and lasers

Computer Science

- OJHS Computer Applications won the national FBI-SOS Internet Safety Challenge
- OHS Broadcast students planned and organized a one-take lip dub video for the OJHS/OHS
- OJHS and OHS CyberPatriot Teams advanced through 5 competitions, with 2 OJHS teams finishing 1st and 2nd in the State

High School Physical Education

- Created and tracked personal fitness goals
- Participated in yoga led by professional yoga instructors
- Participated in Zumba led by professional Zumba instructors
- Participated in a variety of activities in order to learn skills necessary to participate in lifetime physical activities, including golf, softball, badminton, volleyball, and frisbee
- Visited and evaluated community resources for physical activity

Health

- Created video PSA's on dating violence
- Participated in a dying and grief unit
- Experienced the negative effects of drinking by using Fatal Vision goggles
- Participated in suicide awareness and prevention unit
- Learned and practiced infant, child, and adult CPR

Consumer Science

- Everyday Foods and Advanced Foods participated in several cook-off contests
- It's All Material students created individual keepsake quilts
- Needle Arts students tried their hand at crocheting, needlepoint, and cross-stitch projects
- Rags to Runway students learned to read and follow a pattern creating an original outfit

Fine and Performing Arts Department

The Fine and Performing Arts Department strives to enhance the student experience through exposure, experience, and technical practice, allowing students to cultivate creativity that will prepare them to become a well-rounded young adult.

- Marching band celebrated reaching 100 members, and is still growing. The Oakwood Jazz Project provided students the opportunity work with professional saxophonist and educator Bill Burns. Four students selected for various Honor Bands, 9 students performed at OMEA Solo and Ensemble.
- Art 3, Portfolio, and AP Studio Art students collaborated with the Drama Department over a 3 month period to create over 25 amazing animal masks for Children of Eden.
- Symphonic Chorale received a Superior rating at OMEA District Contest and competed at the State competition.
- A Cappella has been approved as a class for the 2016-17 school year.
- Orchestra participated in the fall concert with grades 7-12, the winter concert, and Pirates of the Caribbean, junior high band and orchestra concert, and finished up with the Cherry Pie concert for 6-12 grades orchestras; 14 students participated in Solo & Ensemble this year, many of them receiving the top rating.
- 4 Oakwood art pieces were named Regional Winners in the Governor's Youth Art Exhibition this year.

Social Studies Department

The social studies department continued to increase collaboration with teachers, both inter- and intra-departmentally, to develop online resources, implemented the greater use of primary source documents at all levels, promoted greater citizenship and civic responsibilities, and differentiated learning experiences for all social studies students.

- ACT college readiness benchmark scores show that in 2015, 79% of Oakwood students were ready for college social science courses (54% national average).
- 131 OHS students took AP exams for six social studies courses, with 89% passing with scores of 3, 4, or 5.
- During the fall 2015 testing cycle, 98% of students taking the American Government End of Course Exam earned a proficient, excellent, or advanced ratings.
- In 2016-17, Western Civilization parts I and II will be offered as College Credit Plus (CCP) courses in cooperation with Wright State University.
- In January, 2017, the department will sponsor a trip to the Presidential Inauguration in Washington D.C. for American Government, Civics, and AP U.S. History students.
- Federal Magistrate Judge Michael Newman provided an overview of the judicial system and being a federal judge to 170 juniors and seniors in AP American Government, American Government, and Civics classes.
- Ohio State Representative Jim Butler spoke with OJHS social studies classes about state and local government.

Guidance Department

The mission of the guidance department is to help students with their academic, social, and personal development through individual meetings, class meetings, group presentations, and opportunities for leadership development. Counselors are dedicated to staying current with best practices to provide the support necessary for students to realize success.

OHS:

Attended College Connection at the University of Dayton • Hosted parent meetings and financial aid meetings • Attended the NACAC Conference • Presented scheduling information to 8th grade parents and College Credit Plus information at Curriculum Night • Hosted the 5th Annual College Admissions Panel including professionals from University of Alabama, Miami University, Ohio University, Ohio State University, and University of Dayton • Attended local college presentations • Served on the Admissions Advisory Boards at Ohio University and Ohio State University

Prevention/Intervention:

Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Dayton Area Drug Survey • Joel Penton motivational presentation • Anthony Munoz Leadership Conference Josten's Leadership Conference • South Suburban Coalition Meetings • Mentor Program at elementary schools • 40 Assets initiatives, Hospice visits, Take a Stand Oakwood • Career Fair for sophomores and juniors • Homeroom Activities • Senior Service Activities



Sharing Stories and Building a Community

When the Alumni Association formed 20 years ago, the idea was “to unite the alumni, by sending a newspaper twice a year with articles of interest to all graduates, such as dates of class reunions, school events, and in general, what is happening with the schools and community.” Today our goal of uniting alumni remains, but now we have more tools, and involve current students. The result - we hope - will be a seamless experience wherein students are introduced to the Alumni Association and its purpose while still in school, and upon leaving OHS, are immediately linked into the community.

To that end, the OHS Alumni Association started a new tradition this year - the OHS Alumni-Student Advisory Board. Four individuals were adventurous enough to take a chance on Director Amy (Borgert) Martin, and be a part of the group. Katherine Connell, Madeline Groff, Nathan Hess, and Nicole Hess made contributions to the alumni community by coming up with the idea of having Alumni Interviews in “The Dome” student newspaper, and asking for more alumni mentorship in the areas of careers and college. It was a fun and informative year, and we look forward to continuing the group with more students next year, and a slightly different group meeting format focused on individual student projects and regular group feedback. Any high school student who is interested may join. In addition to the interviews in *The Dome*, the Alumni Association has started “5 on Friday,” a brief interview with a randomly-selected alumni in which they are asked 5 questions. This short and sweet interaction lets alumni get to know their fellow Lumberjacks, and those that have come before or after them. When the interview is complete, it is posted on the Alumni Association website, and then shared on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The communications including social media and the newsletter distributed twice a year are working to enhance the communication and build our alumni community.

We welcome everyone in the community to share in what the OHS Alumni Association is doing, and if you are interested in signing up for our newsletter, please email alumni@oakwoodschoools.org, like us on Facebook at Oakwood High School Alumni Association, or follow us on Instagram and Twitter (@OakwoodHSAIumni).

In April, OSF sponsored a donor luncheon event for representatives of graduating classes from 1947 through 2007. Twelve alumni representing reunion classes joined OAA director Amy (Borgert) Martin, '98 and OSF Board Chair, Phil Schnell, to hear an update on OSF's direction, recent grant allocations, and most importantly, how their gifts have been managed and distributed.

Oakwood Alumni Association alumni@oakwoodschoools.org **(937) 298-8711**

Seventh Annual Harlamert Foundation Entrepreneurship Competition (Continued from cover)

Participants in the 2016 competition were asked to shadow an entrepreneur for a day and submit a written summary that included a personal reflection. Winners of the “Inspired” Award and \$350 each were: juniors Connor Hart, Connor Quigley, Noah Teeters, and Maison White. Winners of the “Innovator” Award and \$250 each were seniors Jack Eifert, Emma Flanagan, Mary Kate Vaughn, and Brett Wedding; juniors Mick Geehan, Michaela Hayes, and Elizabeth Ordeman; sophomores Katie Connell and Madeline Groff; and freshmen Charlie Almoney, Rachel Dalrymple, Allison Kordik, and Megan Weeda. The “Creators” each took home \$150 and included: senior Jean Baker; sophomores Isabella Severino and Jimmy Wood; and freshman Kati Meyer. Superintendent Dr. Kyle Ramey and OHS Principal Paul Waller, were on hand for the awards, which were presented by OHS economics teacher Mitch Miller and business teacher Michael Rado. The Oakwood Schools Foundation provides significant annual support to the Oakwood City School District by funding grants, scholarships and special wish list items, all for the benefit of Oakwood students.



Irvin Harlamert (OHS '48), and OHS faculty members Mitch Miller and Michael Rado congratulate the 2016 winners of The Harlamert Foundation Entrepreneurship Competition.



Come Back
LUMBERJACKS

*After-game tailgate party with
live music, appetizers and cash bar*

Come hang out with old friends and make some new ones!

October 1, 2016 - 5:00 p.m. - Midnight
DAYTON COUNTRY CLUB
Same as 2015

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For more information please contact Jennifer Whaley, Fund Chair at
937-572-3221 or osf@oakwoodschoools.org

OAKWOOD CITY SCHOOLS JUNE/JULY 2016

June 2016

- 6/1 WOE Exchange Day
- 6/13 7 p.m. Board of Education Meeting

July 2016

- 7/4 4th of July Holiday/Board Office Closed
- 7/11 7 p.m. Board of Education Meeting

The Oakwood Schools
master calendar can
be viewed online at:
www.oakwoodschoools.org



Check out our website!

The Oakwood Schools website is a great source of information about events and activities of the district and schools. Check us out at www.oakwoodschoools.org

Save the Date:

Sam Andrews Educational
Hall of Honor
Induction Ceremony
Thursday, October 6, 2016 4 p.m



First Day of School August 16, 2016



Wright Memorial Public Library

Hours: 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sunday



Left to right, first row: Caroline McLaughlin, Molly Thompson, Grace Spitzmiller, Griffin Calaway, Gabby Schalm

Left to right, back row: Madeline Groff, Diane Bengson, Cathleen McLaughlin, Callie Martindale, Rey Arcenas, Rachel Dalrymple

Wright Library Teen Advisory Board wins state award for video

Wright Library honored its volunteers in April during National Library Month with an ice cream sundae reception. Attendees watched the award-winning video by the Library's Teen Advisory Board. The teens wrote, produced and edited a video to promote summer reading. Their video, "Get in the (Hunger) Games: Read" won first place in the Collaborative Summer Reading Program for Ohio. Wright Library has 63 teen volunteers.

Maintaining reading over the summer

I usually start the summer with gusto. We pick up the summer reading packet from the library, check out a haul of books, and set out with great intentions. And then, well, life happens. Here are a few strategies to keep your kids (and yourself) reading all summer. - *Tracy Staley, public relations specialist and parent of three little readers.*

- 1. Take a book to the pool.** Older kids have to pop out for breaks, and even the younger set get tired of the water occasionally. Tuck a few books in your pool bag to encourage them to read during the downtime.
- 2. Pick a series.** Starting a series at the beginning of the summer can be a great goal for continued reading. Our librarians can help you and your child pick the right books for their interests and reading level.
- 3. Pick something to research.** Ask your child to research your upcoming vacation or a new bike he wants he buy. Our reference librarians are always available to help with research or questions.
- 4. Visit the library for programs.** Wright Library has more than 100 free programs this summer, including book buddies, which pairs a younger reader with a teen volunteer. Regular storytimes, teen and elementary programming and special events are all entry points into the stacks for your child.
- 5. Go digital.** Does your child prefer a screen to the printed page? Consider downloading ebooks and audiobooks from our digital resources. With just your Wright Library card, you can access a diverse collection. Need help? Just ask!

We are listening.

As Wright Library plans for its future, we want to hear from the community!

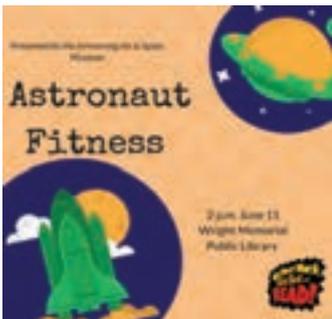
Share your thoughts and sign up to get regular updates about Wright Library at www.wrightlibrary.org, fill out a comment slip at the Library or sign up on our mailing list at the Circulation desk. Thank you!





Five Ways Wright Library will Rock Your Summer

- 1. Meet me in San Francisco.** Need some encouragement for staying healthy this summer? Track your miles with Wright Library's Move It! Club. We'll see if we can make it from Oakwood to San Francisco (2,400 miles!), and many other stops along the way. Find walking routes and other ideas as wrightlibrary.org/SRC. Rack up some miles at our Walk through Woodland Cemetery event June 12.
- 2. Belly dancing.** Yep, at the Library. The Alhambra Dance Troupe brings to the library fiery, dynamic, and joyous belly dancing on July 9. Appropriate for all ages, with audience participation encouraged. You'll leave the program humming a tune, tapping your knee, and maybe even moving your core! (Belly dancing is just one cultural event at Wright Library this summer: check our full calendar for Native Flute, Indian dancers, Funk Lab and more!)
- 3. Astronaut Fitness, anyone?** The Armstrong Air and Space Museum will teach kids what it takes to be fit for space exploration on June 11! Kids will participate in activities that optimize mission readiness, critical for months spent in space.



Museum staff will demonstrate the difficulties of working in an Apollo-style spacesuit.

- 4. Expert advice.** Jason Ordway, coach of the University of Dayton's cross country team and winner of the Columbus Marathon, will talk about his career and offer advice to expert and novice runners alike at Wright Library July 14.
- 5. Cool prizes.** Kids and adults can earn prizes for reading all summer. Track your reading for weekly prizes and to be entered in grand prize drawings at the end of the summer. For more information on how to track your reading, visit wrightlibrary.org/SRC2016.

JUNE

- 1 10:30 a.m. Book Buddies (E)
- 3 10:30 a.m. Books & Blocks (P); 2 p.m. For Teens Only (T); 6:30 p.m. Spectrum Playdate (E); 7 p.m. Writers' Café (A)
- 5 2 p.m. Next Chapter Book Club (adults with developmental disabilities); 2 p.m. Let's Go Lego (E)
- 6 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime (I); 2 p.m. Boosters (E)
- 7 10:30 a.m. Terrific Tales on Tuesdays (P); 6:30 p.m. Teen Writing Club (T)
- 9 1:30 p.m. Device Users' Group (A)
- 10 10:30 a.m. Books & Blocks (P); 2 p.m. For Teens Only (T)
- 11 10:30 a.m. Family and Friends CPR (A) (must register); 2 p.m. Astronaut Fitness (E);
- 12 2 p.m. Elementary Podcasting (E); 2 p.m. Next Chapter Book Club (Adults with developmental disabilities); 2 p.m. Walk at Woodland Cemetery (A)
- 13 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime (I); 2 p.m. Boosters (E); 6 p.m. Family Kickball (F)
- 14 10:30 a.m. Terrific Tales on Tuesdays (P); 6:30 p.m. Teen Writing Club (T); 7 p.m. Book Club (A)
- 15 10:30 a.m. Book Buddies
- 17 10:30 a.m. Books & Blocks (P); 2 p.m. For Teens Only (T); 6:30 p.m. Spectrum Playdate (E); 7 p.m. Writers' Café (A)
- 19 2 p.m. Next Chapter Book Club (adults with developmental disabilities); 2 p.m. Let's Go Lego (E)
- 20 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime (I); 2 p.m. Boosters (E)
- 21 10:30 a.m. Terrific Tales on Tuesdays (P) 6:30 p.m. Teen Writing Club (T); 7 p.m. Wright Library Poets (A)
- 23 1:30 p.m. Device Users' Group (A)
- 24 10 a.m. Storytime at Smith Gardens (I,P); 2 p.m. For Teens Only (T)
- 25 2 p.m. Paws to Read (P,E)
- 26 2 p.m. Elementary Podcasting (E); 2 p.m. Next Chapter Book Club (Adults with developmental disabilities)
- 27 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime (I); 2 p.m. Boosters (E)
- 28 10:30 a.m. Terrific Tales on Tuesdays (P) 6:30 p.m. Teen Writing Club (T)
- 29 10:30 a.m. Book Buddies (P,E)

JULY

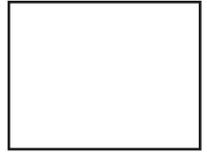
- 1 10:30 a.m. Books & Blocks; 2 p.m. For Teens Only; 6:30 p.m. Spectrum Playdate (E); 7 p.m. Writers' Cafe
- 7 6:30 p.m. "Brush, Book, Bed" Healthy Bedtime Habits (F)
- 9 2 p.m. Alhambra Belly Dancing
- 10 2 p.m. Elementary Podcasting (E); 2 p.m. Next Chapter Book Club (Adults with developmental disabilities); 2 p.m. Molecular Gastronomy Demonstration
- 11 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime (I); 2 p.m. Boosters (E); 6 p.m. Family Kickball (F)
- 12 10:30 a.m. Terrific Tales on Tuesdays (P) 6:30 p.m. Teen Writing Club (T); 7 p.m. Book Club (A)
- 13 10:30 a.m. Book Buddies (E); 7 p.m. Your Running Questions Answered with UD Cross Country Coach Jason Ordway (T,A)
- 14 1:30 p.m. Device Users' Group
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- 29 Books & Blocks (I,P); 2 p.m. For Teens Only (T); 6:30 p.m.
- 30 Oakwood Nature Walk (A,F); 10 a.m.
- 31 2 p.m. Next Chapter Book Club (adults with developmental disabilities); 2 p.m. Let's Go Lego (E)

I = Infant P = Preschool E = Elementary A = Adult T = Teen F = Family



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Bill Duncan is an Asset Builder!

Bill Duncan has served on Oakwood City Council since 2003, and was elected Mayor of the City of Oakwood in January 2010. Bill, a certified public accountant, and wife Terri have been residents since 1989, and are the parents of two OHS graduates Jennifer ('99) and Brian ('02).

Committed to leading and serving his community, Bill is a graduate of Leadership Ohio and has been an active member of numerous professional and community organizations, including Goodwill/ Easter Seals of the Miami Valley, Rotary Club of Dayton, American Institute of Certified

Accountants, Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants, Wright State University Foundation, WSU Alumni Association, Accountancy Board of Advisors of the Raj Sojn College of Business, and Church of the Cross United Methodist Church.

Recognizing the importance of working together as a community to support young people and empower them with opportunities to make a difference in their lives, Bill speaks to students in our schools about local government and states, "Our country, now more than ever, needs ethical leaders so we continue to be a force for good in our world. I strongly encourage all youth to embrace Asset 37, Personal Power, by making good decisions, taking the initiative, and respecting others through honesty, kindness, and compassion."

Assets: 3 Other Adult Relationships, 7 Community Values Youth, 9 Service to Others, 14 Adult Role Models, 30 Responsibility, 37 Personal Power, 40 Positive View of Personal Future

40 assets

building blocks for healthy development of young people

Our community endeavors to intentionally and strategically construct building blocks to help our young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible.

Visit the Oakwood community's 40 Asset website at www.oakwoodschoools.org/About Us/40 Assets for information, news, events, and more!