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CITY NEWS

Orchardly Park Improvements



The city of Oakwood is completing a major improvement project at Orchardly Park. This is the first of a two phase project to completely rebuild most of the park. The 2008 (Phase I) project constitutes a vast majority of the total work and involves reconstructing all of the park playground areas and replacing equipment and amenities that were

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SCHOOL NEWS

Intra-District Enrollment Information

Board policy provides that Oakwood City School District will consider requests for intra-district transfers between Harman and Smith Schools under specific conditions, based upon established criteria. Families should contact principals directly for information on these criteria.

Applications for intra-district transfers may be submitted to the school principal beginning April 15, 2008 and no later than June 1, 2008. The principal will notify the parent(s)/guardian(s) in writing by August 1, 2008 as to whether the intra-district placement is granted or denied.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Wright Memorial Public Library 2007 Report to the Community

Dear Oakwood Residents:

I am pleased to share this report with you of Wright Library's activities during 2007. We strive to make the Library an active contributor to community life in Oakwood and to the lives of our individual patrons in several ways.

- Education and support for the parents of preschoolers in equipping their young children to be ready to learn when they start kindergarten
- Supplementary materials to support the K-12 curriculum
- Year-round programs to enhance students' reading skills

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installed 18 years ago. The existing tennis courts and basketball court will remain as is. Current plans for a future Phase II include improvements to the basketball court, installation of a new picnic shelter, a new baseball backstop and creation of some passive recreation space along the west side of the park.

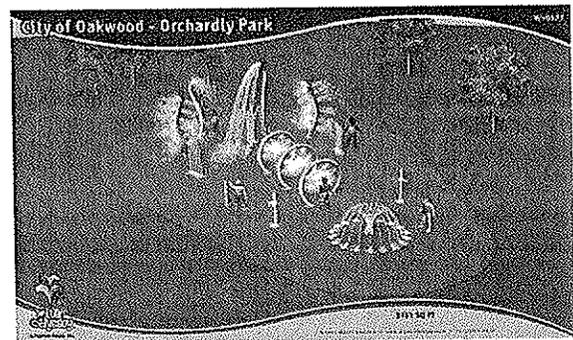
The new playground area will be built in the northeast quadrant of the park where the multi-sports lawn area is currently located. A new multi-sports lawn area will be constructed in the southeast quadrant.

The new playground will include two distinct play areas with state of the art equipment and amenities. One area will have equipment generally designed for young children, up to five years old. The other area will be designed for children in the five to 12 year old range.

Both playground areas will be constructed in a manner and with equipment so that they are accessible to children who are physically challenged. Project plans also include construction of an exciting water splash park feature, a new restroom and storage building, and miscellaneous site furnishings. The water feature will replace the old kiddie pool and will offer several play stations where children can cool off.

The city is making a major public investment in our most heavily used city park. City Council unanimously approved the project recognizing the importance of Orchardly Park and the vibrant southeast area of our city.

The city hired the local design firm Envision-Works to assist with the project. Preliminary planning for the project began last year. Preparation of the final design and construction documents took place over the last



several months and included input from many Oakwood citizens including young children looking at plans and making suggestions. Most of this input came through two public meetings.

Construction of the new playground areas will take approximately three months to complete and will be open for play in mid June. For more information or to see the construction plans and park renderings, please visit the Oakwood Community Center at 105 Patterson Road.

Gardner Pool Hours

Gardner Pool will open Saturday, May 24 and operate daily from Noon - 8:00 P.M.

April/May City Council Meetings

City Council will conduct public meetings on the following dates:

Regular Sessions:

- 7:30 P.M., Monday, April 7
- 7:30 P.M., Monday, May 5

Work Sessions:

- 5:00 P.M., Monday, April 21
- 5:00 P.M., Monday, May 19

All meetings will take place in the conference room/council chambers at 30 Park Avenue.

Tax Season Approaches

2007 Oakwood income tax returns are due April 15, 2008. The city of Oakwood has a mandatory filing requirement. Every individual, 18 years of age or older, must file an annual return, whether or not any tax is due. Should you require an extension of time to file your return, your extension request must be submitted to the tax office on or before April 15, 2008. Payment of the estimated tax liability must accompany the request as an extension of time to file is not an extension of time to pay the tax due.

Normal business hours for the tax office are from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Extended hours will be provided during the filing season as follows:

- Monday (April 14) and
- Tuesday (April 15) from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

If you have any questions regarding the Oakwood income tax, please contact the tax department at 298-0531.

Holiday Closing

Monday, May 26, 2008 - Memorial Day. City offices including the OCC and Public Works Center will be closed. The OCC Office and Health Center will be open from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 24 and from 12:00-5:00 P.M. on Sunday, May 25.

Trash pickup for all routes during the week of May 26 will take place one day later than usual. Monday's route will be picked up Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be picked up Wednesday; Wednesday's route will be picked up Thursday; and Thursday's route will be picked up Friday.

Important Leisure Services Dates

- **Father/Daughter Dance:** Saturday, April 12, 7:30-9:00 P.M.
- **Joy of Drawing:** Join David Smith on Tuesday afternoons for an adult drawing class beginning April 22.
- **Annual 6th Grade Dance:** Friday, April 25, 8:00-9:30 P.M.
- **Bike Rodeo/Bike Maintenance:** Saturday, April 26. Bike Maintenance is from 9:30-10:30 A.M., Rodeo for K-6 is from 10:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.
- **Salute to Seniors Luncheon:** Wednesday, April 30, 11:30 A.M.
- **American Red Cross Babysitting Course:** Saturday, May 10, 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

For further details or information, please contact the Community Center at 298-0775.

Friends of Smith Gardens Perennial Sale

The twenty-second annual Friends of Smith Gardens Perennial Sale will be held on Friday, April 18 and Saturday, April 19 at the OCC, 105 Patterson Road. The hours are from 3:00 to 8:00 P.M. on Friday and 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on Saturday.

A wide variety of perennials, hostas, ferns, herbs, ornamental grasses, wildflowers and daylilies will be available. A complete listing of plants at the sale will be available at the OCC, or by mail, beginning Monday, March 24, 2008. Volunteers are needed to help. If anyone is interested, please contact Carol Collins at 298-0775.

Dumpsters

As an alternative to special pickups, residents can request dumpsters for disposing of debris. There is a \$50 delivery and pickup charge for the dumpsters and the person requesting the dumpster will also be responsible for the costs incurred by the city for dumping the discarded materials. The dumpsters are to be used for resident generated debris and are not for contractor use. If you would like to use the dumpsters for disposing of brush and branch material, rather than waiting for the regularly scheduled bi-weekly pickup, please call to schedule a dumpster delivery. There is no charge when using dumpsters for brush and branch disposal. Call 298-0777 to schedule this service.

Spring Yard and Garden Cleanup

As you get ready to tackle 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' 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 except yard debris in the tree lawn area.
- Place small amounts of leaves, small twigs, flowers and other such smaller yard debris items in with your regular trash. Please do not compact the debris into the cans as this makes it difficult to remove.
- Do not stack loose debris around or on top of cans.
- Please remember the 35 gallon and 60-pound limits on trash cans and that all cans must have lids.
- Grass clippings are not accepted, either with regular trash or with curbside yard debris

Please refer to the map below for your scheduled brush and branch and special pickup days.

2008 Curb, Walk and Apron Project

The 2008 curb, sidewalk and driveway apron repair project will take place in the area east of Far Hills from Patterson Road to the north corporation limit. The purpose of the program is to maintain the concrete structures located within the city rights-of-way in good, safe condition. We have inspected the area and marked sections of concrete requiring repairs. Residents affected by the work will receive personal notification regarding their responsibilities.

Please call Engineering Technician Bart Bornhorst 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 and that all work must be completed by June 14th.

Special Pickups

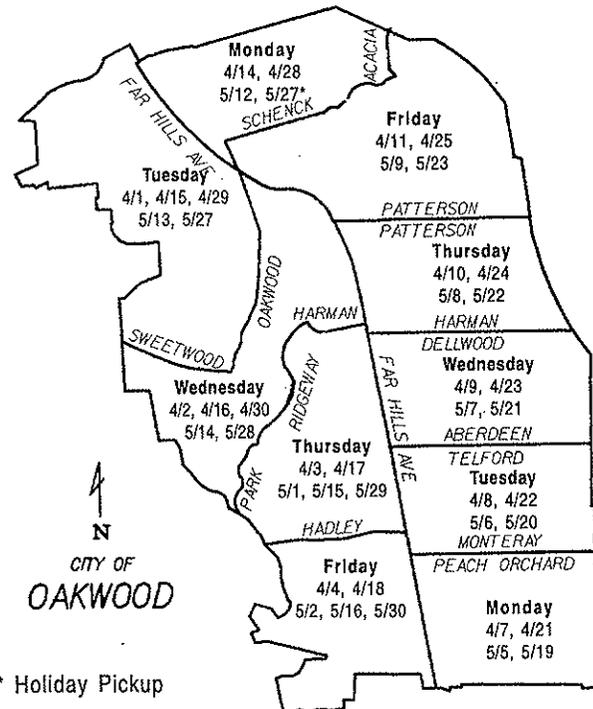
Special pickups can be scheduled by calling 298-0777. All Oakwood property owners are entitled to two special pickups per calendar year at no cost. Additional pickups will be charged at \$50.00 each. If you are a tenant, you must coordinate your special pickups with the property owner. For special pickups, all items must be placed in an open area where the city bucket loader can safely access them (e.g., on driveways away from structures and fences). Special pickups are suspended from mid-October through the end of the year due to leaf collection activities.

Mulch Program

Citizens will have two options again this year for obtaining leaf mulch. For those who want mulch delivered, we offer 3 cy for \$65 and 6 cy for \$85. Please call 298-0777 to place an order. We will be taking orders beginning in March on a first come, first served basis. Mulch deliveries will take place on a total of 6 Saturdays. There will be an initial period of deliveries beginning on April 12th and ending on May 17th.

On the same six Saturdays, residents can obtain free mulch from the public works center at 210 Shafor Blvd. between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., but must haul the material themselves. City personnel will assist in loading the mulch.

Curbside Yard Debris Collection Schedule



The following two roads are scheduled as follows:
 Far Hills Avenue: 4/3, 4/17, 5/1, 5/15, 5/29
 Shroyer Road: 4/10, 4/24, 5/8, 5/22



Oakwood Centennial Club

As part of our 100th birthday celebration for the city of Oakwood, we are creating The Centennial Club. Throughout our centennial year, members of The Centennial Club will be recognized in various ways. There are no costs to belong. A member does not even have to live in Oakwood at the present time. Here are the simple requirements for membership:

- Write down your present age
Write down the total number of years you have lived, or worked, in the city of Oakwood. They need not be consecutive years
If those two numbers equal at least 100, you're a member!

Please fill out the contact information below. Fill in as many blanks as are appropriate. Return the copy to the Oakwood Community Center Desk or Oakwood City Hall.

Name _____

Street Address _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____ email Address _____

My history:

Age _____ Years of residency or work _____ Total age plus residency _____

Please return completed form to: Oakwood Community Center, 105 Patterson Road
Oakwood City Building, 30 Park Avenue
Drop Box, Park Avenue (across from City Building in alley by Ashley's)
Mail to: Centennial Club, 30 Park Avenue, Dayton, OH 45419

THAT DAY IN MAY

Oakwood's family festival, "That Day in May" will be held May 17, 2008. Plan on attending this year's festival which promises to be packed full of fun activities and events for the whole family.

◆ SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2008 ◆

Pancake Breakfast 8:00 – 11:30 A.M.

Oakwood High School Cafeteria

Silent Auction 8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Oakwood High School Cafeteria area

Fun Run 8:30 A.M.

Begins at Oakwood High School Stadium

Oakwood 5K and 10K Runs 9:00 A.M.

Community Parade 12:00 Noon

Begins in the Far Hills Business District
then North on Far Hills to Dellwood

Games and Rides 12:00 – 4:00 P.M.

Shafor Boulevard side of Stadium

Music, Displays and Food 12:00 – 4:00 P.M.

Oakwood High School Stadium

Hawthorn Hill Visitation

The Wright family home will be open, free of charge, for tours to all Oakwood residents on July 11, 12 and 13. This is an incredible opportunity you will not want to miss. The tours will be held on one hour intervals between 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on July 11 and 12 and 1:00 and 4:00 P.M. on July 13.

Please call 298-0600 for reservations. All tours are limited to 15 people. No one under age 5, please. Your photo I.D. will be your ticket. Walking is encouraged, but parking is available at the Oakwood Municipal Building. This event has been made possible by the generosity of the NCR Corporation. Deadline to sign up is June 1, 2008.

Summer Job Opportunities

The city of Oakwood is currently accepting applications for summer employment in the following areas: Pool Concessions; Lifeguarding; Park Supervisors; Boulevard Maintenance; Smith Gardens; General Maintenance (including roadways, water system and refuse); and Day Camp Counselors. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age at the time of employment in order to be eligible for the Boulevard, Smith Gardens and General Maintenance positions and for the Day Camp Counselor positions. The minimum age for all other positions is 16. Employment applications are available at the City Building or the Community Center. Equal Opportunity Employer.

Annual Fire Hydrant Flushing

The annual fire hydrant flushing will begin the week of April 7th and last approximately 5 weeks. Please watch for news releases in the *Oakwood Register* regarding the timing for your particular street.

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- Opportunities for people of all ages to learn and connect with others at programs and discussion groups
- Books and other media to foster personal development, mental stimulation, and lifelong learning
- Research help in person, by phone, and online
- Training for adults in basic Internet skills
- Information for effective decision-making
- Reliable research databases that can be accessed easily through the Library's web site
- Good stewardship of community resources

I invite you to take frequent advantage of the many opportunities available at your Library this year. We'd love to get to know you as a regular patron.

Best regards, Ann Snively
Director

2007 Highlights

It was a record-breaking year for attendance at Library programs. The Youth Services staff kept children engaged with a full schedule of programs year-round, including "Pizza and Pages" for school-agers, a mother-daughter tea party, and a mother-son superhero party. A Teen Specialist joined the Library staff in the fall to focus on materials and programs for sixth through twelfth-graders. Programs for adults included author visits from Carrie Bebris, Bud Mercer and Bill Vernon, training in new Internet technologies, and a program on appraising collectible books. The "On-the-Road" book discussion club (led by a reference librarian) started meeting at Starbucks on the first Tuesday of the month.

Wright Library enhanced technology for patrons by adding wireless Internet access and by redesigning and updating the Library's web site.

Video fines were lowered to encourage more use of the Library by making it less likely for people to accumulate large fines. Patrons were able to pay off old fines during the month of November by contributing to "Food for Fines." More than two tons of food were collected for the Dayton Foodbank.

The Library celebrated several administrative achievements during the course of 2007. The results from the biennial audit were excellent. Managers and staff worked together on updating job descriptions and implementing a new performance appraisal system. A community group met to begin the process of creating a new strategic plan for the next four to five years.

Thanks to Volunteers and Contributors

Library volunteers deserve special thanks and recognition. Volunteers gave 1,055 hours of their time and talents to the Library last year. This was nearly twice as much volunteer participation as the previous year. The total doesn't even include the countless hours of service given by the Library's Board, Advisory Council, the Wright Memorial Public Library Foundation Board, the community strategic planning group, and the Citizens for Wright Library levy campaign committee.

Oakwood Rotary Club members not only contributed their time by doing a lawn clean-up, but the Rotary Foundation also gave the Library a grant of \$1,000 in support of the Summer Reading Program. The Four Seasons Garden Club gave the Library a grant for landscaping the patio area and also sent a crew of volunteers to help with the planting.

A generous patron, Ms. Earline Grice, donated funds to refinish the front door. Richard Pryor donated a lovely wooden patio bench in memory of his mother, Dr. Mary Pryor.

Library Use

Items borrowed: 441,067
Patrons in Library: 163,184
Hits on entire Library web site: 2,439,051
Questions answered by reference librarians: 29,116
Use of online research databases: 13,690
Books borrowed on interlibrary loan: 3,188
Library programs presented: 425
Program attendance: 9,322
Meetings held in Library meeting room: 366

Added to the Collection in 2007

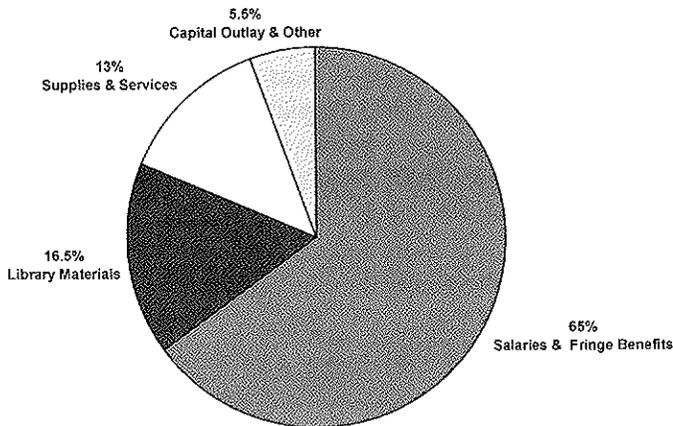
Books: 11,812
Magazines: 2,974
DVDs and videos: 1,839
Audio CDs and cassettes: 1,107

Financial Overview

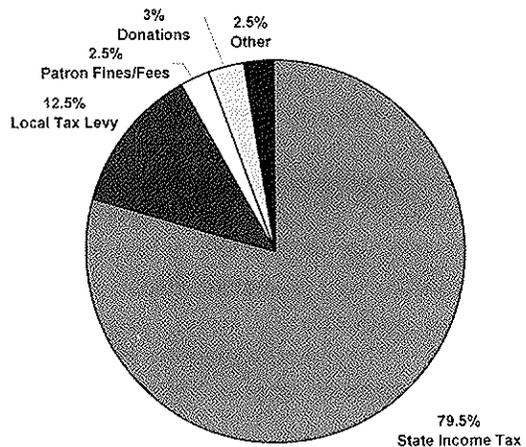
State funding for public libraries remained frozen at the 2003 level throughout 2007.

In May, Oakwood voters approved the replacement of a five-year .94 mill levy that has been in place since 1997. This levy did not increase millage, but will provide a small increase in revenue because of changes in property valuation. This will enable the Library to maintain current services.

2007 EXPENDITURES
\$1,672,000



2007 REVENUE
\$1,848,761



Detailed financial information is available in the Library administrative office. Please contact Ann Snively, Director, or Debra Schenk, Fiscal Officer at 294-8572 if you would like additional data.

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- Rick Smith

Annual Book Sale

The annual Book Sale will be held May 20-25 in the Library meeting room. There will be a preview on Tuesday, May 20 from 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. Prices during the preview are \$2 each for hardback books and \$1 for paperbacks, videos, and all other items. The sale continues through the rest of the week, 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Wednesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 P.M. on Friday, and 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. on Saturday and Sunday. Regular prices are \$1 for each hardback book and 50 cents for all other items. Sunday is bargain day with all items \$2 per bag.

Sale books come from donations and items withdrawn from the Library's collection because they are in poor condition or no longer needed.

Volunteers are needed to set up and to help during the sale. Contact Linda Cosgrove, Administrative Services Coordinator, at 294-7171 if you would like to volunteer.

Author Visits in April and May

On Thursday, April 17 author Dr. Charlie Palmgren will present a program about his new book, *Ascent of the Eagle: Being and Becoming Your Best*. Dr. Palmgren is a behavioral psychologist, corporate consultant and Episcopal priest. About his book, Dr. Palmgren says, "People have scoured the world for gurus, teachers, mentors, and books to help them find the answer to one of life's great questions: 'Who am I?' You know who you are. You have just forgotten." In his book, he describes the process that will help you remember. The author will have copies for sale and will be available at the end of the program to sign them.

David Shone, author of *Crimson Snow: the Last Desperate Days of Imperial Russia* will visit the Library on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 P.M. for a program and book-signing. *Crimson Snow* is a historical novel set in the winter of 1916 as drastic changes were taking place in Russia.

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Referrals for Gifted Identification Now Being Accepted

According to Ohio House Bill 282, all public school districts in Ohio are required to identify students for giftedness. This law, however, does not mandate any services for identified gifted and talented students. Areas of gifted identification include superior cognitive (ability and achievement), specific academic (math, reading/writing, science, social studies), creative thinking, and visual/performing arts (visual art, dance, drama, music). Assessment procedures vary for each area of identification. All teachers, counselors and administrators receive notification of students who have qualified as gifted in any of the domains.

If you would like your child to be assessed for gifted identification, referral forms are available in the school offices and through the building Teacher Enrichment Specialists (TES).

The referral form can be completed by parents/guardians, teachers, or peers of children who perform or show the potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared with others of their age, experience, or environment (state definition). If your child has been identified as gifted in one or more of the above domains, additional referral/assessment for that domain is **NOT** necessary. Once a student has been identified as gifted in a domain, the student maintains that gifted identification throughout her/his schooling. To maintain eligibility for services, scores attained within the previous 24 months are used. Matrices for gifted services are available online on the Teacher Enrichment Specialists' websites or at your child's school.

Whole-grade gifted assessment is regularly completed throughout a child's school career. In grades 3, 5, and 7, students take the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and the Cognitive Abilities Test. These tests can be used to help identify students as gifted in the domains of Superior Cognitive, Specific Academic, and Creative Thinking. The SAT and ACT can also be used to identify giftedness. Additionally, our Teacher Enrichment Specialists (TES) coordinate assessments based on parent/teacher referrals.

Nota Bene: In first and second grade, students who are identified by their teachers as needing enrichment move in and out of the Focused Learning Experience (FLEX) groups run by the gifted teacher. In kindergarten, first and second grade, there are no gifted services that are provided based on standardized test scores.

Federal Projects Reviewed

The Oakwood City School District receives federal funds through several sources, including those listed below. In the near future, we will be renewing our applications for these funds for the 2008-2009 school year. Allocations for the 2008-2009 school year have not yet been determined by the Ohio Department of Education, therefore the amounts below reflect what we have received during the 2007-2008 school year. While some funds may increase, others will likely decrease. Public input on the use of these federal funds is welcome, and may be directed to Kathy Bartalo, Director of Educational Services, at 297-7802.

Title I - Targeted Assistance: During the 2007-2008 school year, Oakwood received \$37,670 from this program to provide supplemental remedial instruction for elementary students in reading. These funds have covered part of the salary of one Title I teacher.

Title II A - Improving Teacher Quality: During the 2007-2008 school year, Oakwood received \$34,995 from this fund. Combined with the funds from Title V - Innovative Programs, \$2,894, this money was used to reduce class size by hiring an additional first grade teacher.

Title II LEP – Limited English Proficiency: During the 2007-2008 school year, Oakwood received \$2,472 toward the salary of one part time tutor for children who are learning English as their Second Language (ESL).

Title II D - Technology: During the 2007-2008 school year, Oakwood received \$122 to provide professional development in the use of educational technology.

Title IV - Safe and Drug Free Schools: During the 2007-2008 school year, Oakwood received \$4,369 from this fund. Oakwood used these funds toward the salary of our Prevention/Intervention Counselor.

IDEA Part B - Special Education: During the 2007-2008 school year, Oakwood received \$358,734 to supplement state and local funds expended to provide services to students with disabilities. Oakwood used these funds to pay for instructional services we purchase from other providers, primarily Montgomery County MRDD for services at Lange Preschool, and to provide salaries for 3 special education teachers.

ECSE – Early Childhood Special Education: During the 2007-2008 school year, Oakwood received \$2,533 to support the provision of special education services for 3, 4, and 5 year old children with disabilities. These funds have been used to purchase services from the Montgomery County MRDD for the program they provide to our children in the Lange Preschool Program.

Oakwood Schools Education Foundation Endowment Campaign a Success

The Oakwood Schools Education Foundation wrapped up 2007 by announcing the completion of its *Visions for Tomorrow* campaign to create a special endowment fund within the Foundation. The goal to raise \$500,000 for classroom teacher grants was realized after an 18-month effort. The community responded to personal requests and mailings by the Foundation and its members, who were able to illustrate the need to fund programs that provide opportunities to stretch the boundaries of learning for all Oakwood students.

Announcements of teacher and administrative grants are made in the spring and fall each year. The community may read about our total grant cycle in the annual "Report to the Community," distributed each spring. During the past 15 years, over \$366,500 in grants have been awarded in all academic areas.

Two weeks ago, the Oakwood High School science department announced some of the classroom activities made possible by the grant awarded for the purchase of 20 microscopes. Forensic Science students now are able to closely examine the characteristics of dollar bills, hair and other items. With the ability to manipulate equipment, students who are visual or tactile learners benefit academically.

Another announcement in January told of Oakwood students being linked with 8,000 other students nationally in the WeatherBug Achieve program. Using the Internet, students can compare data with other schools. Of emphasis is the learning opportunity to present real world situations dealing with math, science and geography, together with oral and analytical presentation skills.

These are just two examples of the use of grant funds totaling \$54,000 in 2007 alone. In 2006, the Foundation filled grant requests for \$38,300, illustrating how the need for grant money continues to increase each year and the possibilities afforded by having the Endowed fund. The *Visions for Tomorrow* fund is open to future gifts to increase the amount available for investment in coming years. Please consider making contributions or bequests to benefit students today and for future generations. For more information, please contact the Foundation office at (937) 297-5332.

We sincerely thank each and every contributor who created the *Visions for Tomorrow* Endowment fund, now totaling \$506,550. You truly make a difference in the lives of our students.

Sam Andrews Educational Hall of Honor Nominations

The Oakwood City School District is accepting written nominations for the Sam Andrews Educational Hall of Honor. Nominations must be submitted to the Superintendent, Dr. Mary Jo Scalzo, 20 Rubicon Road, Dayton, OH 45409, by April 18, 2008. Information is available on the district home page at www.oakwoodschoools.org, by calling Sandy Maresh at the Board of Education at 297-5332, or email at maresh.sandy@oakwood.k12.oh.us.

Prior nominees include: Year two nomination – Dolores Barnes, Smith Elementary School Teacher (1951-1955), Oakwood Junior High School Tutor (1976-1980), Harman Elementary School Tutor/Teacher (1980-1988) and Lester Steinlage, Oakwood High School Math Teacher (1972-1995). Letters of support for both Dolores Barnes and Lester Steinlage are currently being accepted. Nominees will be selected in June and the induction ceremony will be held in September 2008.

May 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				OAT Testing Lumberjack Ice Cream 11:30 a.m.	OAT Testing	JA Dance 7 p.m.
	AP Test Band Parent Mtg 7 p.m. City Council 7:30 p.m.	AP Test	AP Test Plan Comm 4:30 p.m.	AP Test JH/SH PTO Mtg 11:45 Zoning App 4:30 p.m. Superintendent Neighbor- hood Mtg 7 p.m. Harman Grand Affair 7 p.m.	AP Test Harman Gr. 1 Parent Show 2:30 p.m. Smith/Harman Gr. 6 Track & Field Day	CARE Walk JH Band Music in the Park Contest Smith PTO Spring Festival
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	AP Test Board of Education Mtg 7:30 p.m. JH Cheer Tryout Clinic 3:45 p.m. Ath Booster Mtg 7:30 p.m.	AP Test Cheer Tryout 3:45 p.m. Board of Education Work Session 5 p.m. JH/SH Band Concert 7 p.m. Author visit-Library 7 p.m.	AP Test JH Smith Gr. 6 Visit JH Cheer Tryout Clinic 3:45 p.m. JH Sports Recognition 7 p.m.	AP Test SH Awards 8:30 a.m. Muse Machine 1:30 JH Cheer Tryouts 3:30 p.m. Choir Concert 7 p.m.	AP Test JH Harman Gr. 6 Visit Smith Class Picture Day	That Day in May Prom 8 p.m.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	City Council Work Session 5 p.m. SH Spring Sports Banquet 6:30 p.m. Library Board Mtg 6 p.m.	JH Orch Cherry Pie Concert 7 p.m. Library Book Sale Preview Night	JH/SH Band Award Banquet 6:30 p.m. JH Cheer Parent Mtg 7 p.m. Library Book Sale Smith How to do First Grade Mtg 7 p.m.	Elementary Band Concert at Harman 7 p.m. Library Book Sale	Library Book Sale	Library Book Sale
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Library Book Sale	Memorial Day- No School City Offices Closed Library Closed	Class of 2008 Academic Award Program 6:30 p.m.	JR Sports Physicals 6 p.m.	JH Awards Ceremony 8:30 a.m. JH Lumberjack Leader Fun Day 11 a.m.	Senior Breakfast 9 a.m.	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Kindergarten Screening and Parent Orientation Dates Set

Parent Orientation – Lange School
Tuesday, April 8, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.

Screening Appointments – Lange School
April 14-17, 2008 – 8:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Children who will be five years old on or before September 30, 2008, may be registered for Kindergarten. Children who will be five years old between October 1, 2008 and January 1, 2009, may be considered for early entrance. Parents interested in early entrance may contact Lange School to request an application and testing information. Children referred for early entrance should participate in Kindergarten Screening.

It is important to note that state law makes Kindergarten a mandatory prerequisite for first grade. **All first graders must have successfully completed Kindergarten.** Furthermore, state law requires that all entering Kindergarten students be screened for hearing, vision, speech and communication, health or medical problems and for developmental disorders.

Parent Orientation (April 8, 2008, 7:00 P.M. at Lange): The purpose of the orientation meeting is to explain the Kindergarten Screening procedures, enable parents to make a one-hour screening appointment, and provide an overview of Oakwood's Kindergarten program. This meeting is for parents **ONLY**. Parents do not need to bring any paperwork to the orientation meeting—just your calendar.

Screening Appointments (April 14-17, 2008): Kindergarten Screening will be done on an appointment basis only from April 14 through April 17, 2008. Parents may sign up for appointment times at the orientation session or by calling Lange School at 299-8730 beginning Wednesday, April 9, 2008.

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