

# OAKWOOD SCENE

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## CITY NEWS

### Sugar Camp/Pointe Oakwood

After nearly one year, the site preparation work along Far Hills Avenue is almost completed. What was once a site with very complicated topography and questions regarding environmental suitability, is now a site ready for construction of beautiful new empty-nester housing. The availability of condominiums, patio homes and townhomes in Oakwood is very limited (less than 4% of the total housing stock) yet is in great demand. The developer is currently constructing the first patio home and will soon begin building the first villa (double).

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## SCHOOL NEWS

### Oakwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame

The Oakwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee is pleased to announce the **2<sup>nd</sup> Class of the Oakwood Athletic Hall of Fame**. The following individuals will be inducted at a banquet at the Dayton Country Club on Thursday, September 3, 2009 and will also be recognized at halftime of the home football game on September 4, 2009. The Hall of Fame is displayed on the southeast wall of the portico facing Schantz Avenue. For more information or to purchase tickets for the banquet, please contact Mark Hughes, Hall of Fame Committee Chairman at (937) 297-5342.

- **George Neal**, Class of 1931, was a fullback and captain of the 1930 football team, lettered in football, track and basketball and was the 1931 State Champion in shot put.

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## LIBRARY NEWS

### 2008 Report to the Community

Dear Readers:

The services provided by public libraries are more important than ever during tough economic times. Library circulation was up during 2008 as more people benefited from books, magazines, newspapers, CDs and DVDs that can be shared by everyone. Program attendance was higher, too, as people of all ages enjoyed and learned from story hours, author visits, and informative presentations.

I invite you to visit Wright Memorial Public Library often to take advantage of the variety of services and materials available. The Library can make a positive difference in your life—and your budget!

Ann Snively  
Director, Wright Memorial Public Library

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### Ice Cream Social

The annual Ice Cream Social will be held this year at Shafor Park on Sunday, August 16, 3:30 – 7:00 P.M. Tickets for this event include your chicken dinner, a drink and ice cream. Advance tickets are available for purchase at \$5.25 and are on sale at the OCC. Tickets at the event are \$7.00. Oakwood Clubs and Organizations may set up a table in the Avenue of Organizations by contacting Vickie Gearhart at the OCC. Call 298-0775 for additional information.

### Johnny Appleseed Tree Planting Project

The City of Oakwood and Oakwood Environmental Committee will again offer the Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Project to Oakwood homeowners. Applications and detailed brochures describing the project and the tree species will be available in mid to late September from the OCC or by calling 298-0775. Property owners may choose from four or five varieties of trees. The trees selected will be approximately 2" in diameter and will be discounted at 50% to residents. One tree will be allocated for each approved property site at the discounted price and must be planted in the city right-of-way. Trees will be planted the latter part of November or the beginning of December. They will be planted by a local nursery, wrapped, staked, mulched and guaranteed for one growing season.

### Mark Your Calendars

**Labor Day Closings:** City offices, including the Public Works Center, will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2009 for Labor Day. Refuse collection will be one day late that week. Monday's route will be collected Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be collected Wednesday; Wednesday's route will be collected Thursday; and Thursday's route will be collected Friday. The Community Center offices, Health Center and Teen Center will be closed on Sunday, September 6 and on Labor Day. Gardner Pool will be open from Noon – 8:00 P.M. through Labor Day.

**August/September City Council Meetings:** Regular Sessions – Monday, August 3 and Monday, September 21 at 7:30 P.M.; Work Session – Monday, August 17 at 5:00 P.M. Meetings are held in the Council Chambers and conference room, 30 Park Avenue. Citizens are invited to attend or view meetings live on cable television. Please check your cable guide or [www.mvcc.net/](http://www.mvcc.net/) for rebroadcast times. Recorded monthly council meetings may also be viewed on the city website at [www.mvcc.net/oakwood/](http://www.mvcc.net/oakwood/)

### Beautification Awards

The Oakwood Beautification Award Program is designed to recognize residential, business and rental property owners who have enhanced the beauty of our community by planting flowers, shrubs, trees, and other landscape improvements; 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 Oakwood Environmental Committee and Property Maintenance Board and will have a sign placed in their yard to recognize their beautification efforts.

If you would like to nominate a residential, business or rental property for consideration, simply pick up a nomination form at either the Oakwood City Building or Community Center, call the city offices at 298-0411, or email [rich@oakwood.oh.us](mailto:rich@oakwood.oh.us).

Congratulations to the owners of the following residential and business properties which were selected to receive awards for May and June:

#### May

- ☉ Mr. Stanford D. Smith, 111 Grandon Road
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey D. Mauch, 361 East Drive
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. Joseph B. Owen, 25 Triangle Avenue
- ☉ Kelly Long & Mary Nagle, 2400 Far Hills Avenue
- ☉ Ms. Melody Leeds, 403 Forrer/1518 Delaine Avenue
- ☉ Mr. James P. Graham, 346 Greenmount Boulevard

#### June

- ☉ Mr. Joseph Patko, 534 Hathaway Road
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. John Lombard, 400 E. Schantz Avenue
- ☉ Dr. & Mrs. Hofeldt, 158 E. Dixon Avenue
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. William O. Cass, 246 Wisteria Drive
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. Todd Miller, 402 Telford Avenue
- ☉ Ms. Rita M. Zimmerman, 126 Hadley Avenue
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. William McCarty, 221 Monterey Avenue
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. John H. Campbell, 224 Grandon Road
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. Peter T. Sullivan, 211 Oak Knoll Drive
- ☉ Mr. Domenico G. Stolfo, 21-23 Park Avenue
- ☉ Mr. & Mrs. John Hutton, 630 Runnymede Road

If you know of someone who has enhanced the beauty of our community by either planting shrubs, flowers, trees or with other landscaping improvements, or by making architectural or building improvements (including painting) to existing structures, and is deserving of recognition, please take a minute and complete a nomination form.

## Oakwood Community Center Information and Dates To Remember

- Junior High Dances are as follows: Friday, September 4 and September 18 from 9:30-11:00 P.M. after home football games.
- Dog Splash, Gardner Pool will hold its first annual "Dog Splash" on Sunday, September 13 from 1:00-3:00 P.M. You must register in advance at the OCC for \$5.
- Homecoming Hot Dog Supper will be held before the parade and bonfire at the OCC on Wednesday, September 30 from 5:30-7:00 P.M. Make this a family evening.

## Story Hour At Smith Gardens

The OCC, in conjunction with the Wright Memorial Library, is pleased to present another "Story Hour at Smith Gardens." Spend a magical morning in the Gardens as the Children's Librarian, Jennifer Sommer, reads enchanting stories to your preschoolers. The event is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. on Friday, August 28. In case of rain, the program will be held in the Garden House.

## Severe Weather Preparedness

What do you do when severe weather is predicted by the National Weather Service for Montgomery County? Recently a tornado warning was issued for Montgomery County. Oakwood and other municipalities activated their tornado warning sirens. This prompted a number of calls to the safety department from citizens asking what they should do. Here is some guidance: First, when the tornado warning sirens are activated, please do not call the safety department unless you have an actual emergency to report. Our dispatchers are busy getting information and making notifications to safety personnel. If the sky is threatening, seek shelter immediately. Turn on your radio or TV to a local channel for information once you are in a place of shelter. If the sirens activate and the sky looks clear, turn on your radio or TV to a local station for weather updates on the storms location and predicted path, then follow the advice being provided for your immediate area based on Doppler weather radar and weather service forecasters.

We recommend every home have a working battery powered AM / FM radio. National Weather Service, weather alert radios with battery backups can be purchased for between \$30 to \$75 depending on desired features and can be programmed to alert with voice or audible alarm in the event severe weather is threatening our area. These radios are especially useful at night when people are sleeping to warn of potentially severe weather or an approaching tornado.

## Parking Regulations

One of the challenges facing almost every community is the availability of on-street parking for residents and visitors within the neighborhoods. Here in Oakwood we have many areas where the problem is compounded because of our older, narrower streets and small lots, particularly in the southeast quadrant. In many areas of Oakwood we have a high demand for a limited amount of spaces. At the same time, we have state and local parking regulations that must be enforced. Below are three important regulations that we should all keep in mind:

1. Parking in Excess of Posted Time Limits – many streets have either two or four hour posted time restrictions. In non-posted areas the time limit on street parking is 18 consecutive hours.
2. Parking within 30 feet of a Traffic Control Device – traffic control devices include not only traffic signals, but also regulatory signs such as stop signs. It is unlawful to park within 30 feet of these devices.
3. Parking within 5 feet of a driveway apron or 20 feet of a crosswalk. Parking too close to a driveway can obstruct drivers as they back out; and too close to a crosswalk can prevent drivers from seeing pedestrians.

If you have any questions about parking regulations please contact with Safety Department and speak with an officer on duty.

## Brush and Branch Trimming

Do tree limbs hang over your sidewalk or the street? Do your bushes obscure stop signs or other street signs near your home? Tree and shrub maintenance by homeowners keeps Oakwood safe and beautiful – and it is the property owner's responsibility. Please take a few minutes this summer to inspect the trees and bushes along your property frontage. City ordinances require all property owners to trim any tree, plant or shrub so that it measures no less than 8' above the sidewalk and 14' above the street. Vegetation should be cut so that it does not restrict your view as you pull out of your driveway. If you live on a corner lot, be sure that motorists have a clear line of sight from each side of the intersection. Anyone residing near stop signs and other street signs must be certain that the signs are not obstructed by vegetation.

The Public Works and Leisure Services Departments periodically trim trees in tree lawn areas (the space between the street and sidewalk), but your help goes a long way to help keep our city safe and protects you from liability.

**Brush and Branch Collection**

Brush and branch material may be placed between the sidewalk and curb, or on the property side of the curb in places without sidewalk for collection by public works department crews according to the schedule below. Brush and branches must be no longer than 6 feet in length and in manageable piles. **Do not place any debris in the streets or boulevards.** This is a violation of city ordinance for which you could be cited.

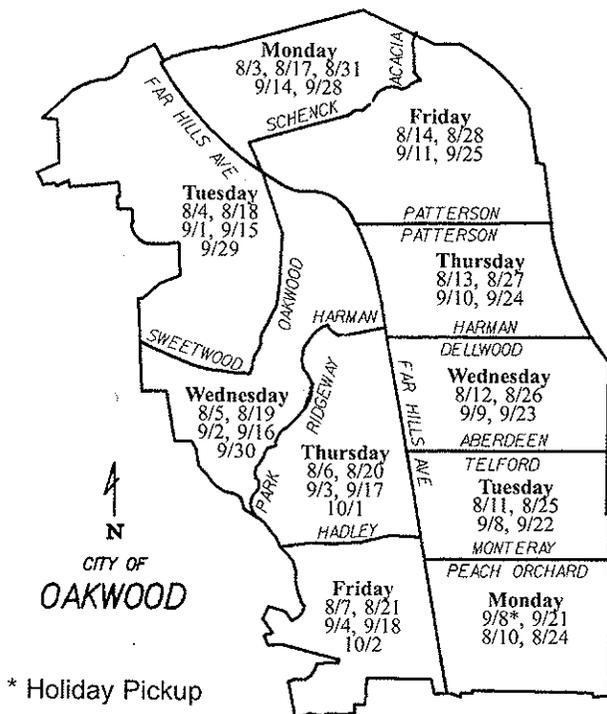
**2009 Curb, Walk and Apron Project**

The 2009 concrete curb, sidewalk and driveway apron repair project will continue through the summer with the goal of substantial completion by early fall. This year's project is the area west of Far Hills Avenue. The contractor is Excel Contracting, Inc. Please call Bart Bornhorst at 298-0777 with any questions.

**Special Pickups**

To arrange for a special pickup (sofas, stoves, etc.), please contact the public works department at 298-0777. Items for special pickup must be placed on driveway or paved surface and must be accessible to city equipment. **Special pickups will once again be suspended for leaf collection beginning in mid-October through the end of the year, so please plan your projects accordingly.**

**Curbside Yard Debris Collection Schedule**



The following two roads are scheduled as follows:  
 Far Hills Avenue: 8/6, 8/20, 9/3, 9/17  
 Shroyer Road: 8/13, 8/27, 9/10, 9/24

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**2008 Library Highlights**

- Total circulation was 3 percent higher than 2007.
- Circulation of children's books increased 10 percent.
- There was a 45 percent increase in registration of new borrowers, resulting from an intensive effort by the Youth Services Librarians to register every child in the Oakwood elementary schools for a library card. Mr. Sellers' third grade class at Smith School won the library card sign-up contest.
- The number of visitors in the Library was 8 percent higher.
- Attendance at Library programs increased by 12 percent. The largest increase was in teen participation.
- Record numbers of children and teens joined in the Summer Reading Clubs, with 698 young people participating.
- The Library received a "Picturing America" grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The grant provided forty high-quality color reproductions of American art masterpieces that were displayed in the meeting room and used in programs.

**Working Together**

**Oakwood Centennial**

The Library joined the rest of the community in celebrating Oakwood's Centennial. Library activities in honor of the Centennial included a lecture by respected nonfiction author Ann Hagedorn, a memoir-writing workshop taught by Trudy Krisher and a short story-writing contest judged by David Lee Garrison and Lucy Perez. Lyndsay Seery won the teen division of the short story competition and R. K. Mosser was the adult winner. Students from the Oakwood Schools presented the Library with time capsules containing items they chose to represent the year of 2008 to future generations. The Library displayed the time capsules throughout the summer.

**40 Developmental Assets**

Library staff and board members got involved in the community-wide 40 Developmental Assets initiative. Some of the assets provided by the Library are support for youth to spend at least three hours per week reading for pleasure and at least one hour per week in community service. The Library offers opportunities for youth to receive attention and encouragement from non-parent adults and also provides excellent information for youth on hobby-related topics, another developmental asset.

### Oakwood High School

Science Department chair Heidi Steinbrink recruited teens to design experiments which they demonstrated to younger students at the Library's annual "Mad Scientist Lab."

### The Big Read

Wright Library joined other area libraries, book stores, and the *Dayton Daily News* in the greater Dayton area community reading project, "The Big Read." Wright Library hosted two discussions of *Funny in Farsi* by Firoozeh Dumas and also gave patrons the opportunity to blog online about the topic.

### Strategic Planning Group

A group of community volunteers completed work begun in 2007 on the Library's Strategic Plan for 2008-2011. A major feature of the plan is to create a more inviting and child-friendly Youth Services Department on the lower level of the building and move the Audio-visual Department to the upper level, a remodeling project that will make it practical to re-open the Library's back entrance for patrons' convenience.

### Every Child Ready to Read

Wright Library participated in a statewide effort called "Every Child Ready to Read." Its purpose is to help pre-kindergarten children develop good learning skills to prepare them for entering school. The Library's story hours incorporate early childhood learning principles to achieve this goal.

### Victoria Theatre Association

Wright Library had a display promoting services for children in the lobby of the Victoria Theatre during their "Young at Heart" performances of *Laser Vaudeville*. The Victoria Theatre Association generously donated tickets that were given in prize drawings at Library programs.

### Thanks to Volunteers and Contributors

Library volunteers deserve special thanks and recognition. Volunteers gave 998 hours of their time and talents to the Library last year. The total doesn't even include the many hours of service given by the Library's Board, Advisory Council and the Wright Memorial Public Library Foundation Board.

A group of loyal Library patrons including Maureen Anderson, Healy Jackson and Trudy Krisher, assisted and encouraged by board member Lori Mitchell, formed a steering committee to form a "Friends of the Library" group for Wright Library.

The Oakwood Rotary Foundation gave the Library a grant of \$1,000 in support of the Summer Reading Program. This allowed the Library to buy prize books that children "purchased" with "Book Bucks" earned by reading throughout the summer.

Local authors and experts generously volunteered their time to present informative programs for the Library's patrons. These included Rhea Rhonda Byrd, Bob Collins, Bill Hagenbuch, Kate Hagenbuch, Charlie Palmgren, Hal Sherman, David Shone and Lois Thomas.

The Wright Memorial Public Library Foundation funded two Summer Family Blanket concerts, "Music and Movement" with Joanie Calem and "Read Like a Rock Star" with Thaddeus Rex.

### Library Use during 2008

Items circulated: 453,790  
 Patrons in Library: 176,909  
 Hits on Library web site: 2,034,558  
 Questions answered by reference librarians: 29,452  
 Uses of online research databases: 7,022  
 Books borrowed on interlibrary loan: 4,560  
 Library programs presented: 567  
 Program attendance: 10,575  
 Meetings held in Library meeting room: 257  
 Library cards issued: 2,009  
 Internet computer sessions: 13,729

### Added to the Library in 2008

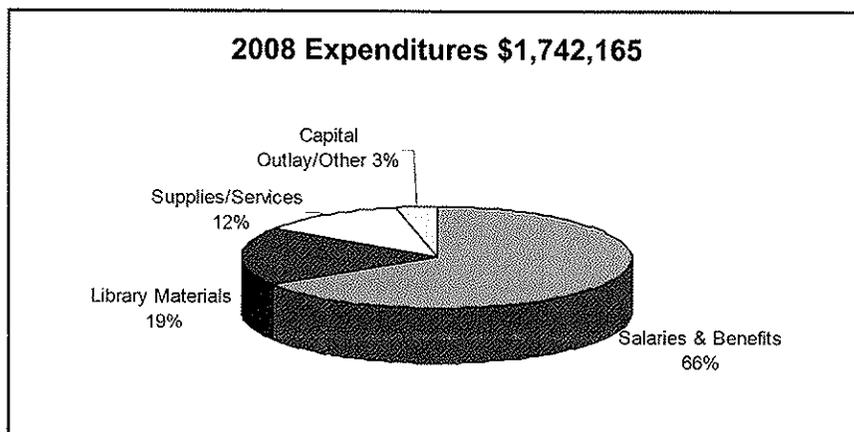
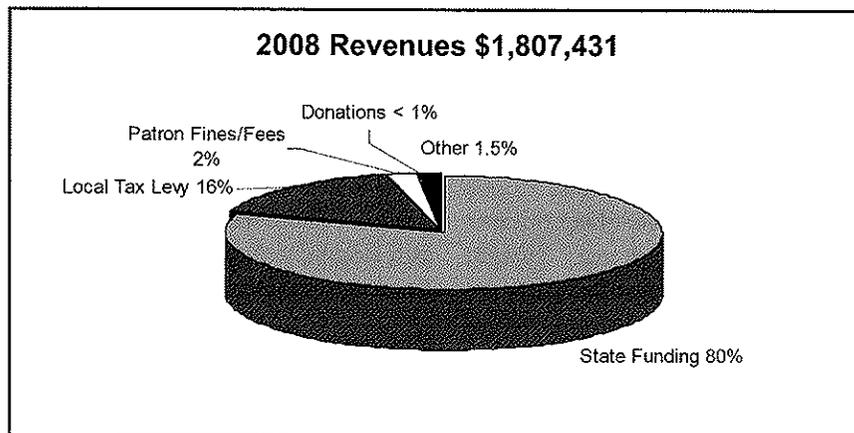
Books: 12,729  
 Magazines: 2,991  
 DVDs: 1,672  
 CDs: 999

### Financial Overview

2008 brought a change in the way Ohio funds its public libraries. From 1983 through 2007, Ohio's public libraries received a percentage of the state personal income tax. This fund was called the Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The LLGSF was frozen from 2002 until the end of 2007. Starting in 2008, the law changed to replace the LLGSF with the Public Library Fund and the freeze on library funding ended. The PLF is 2.22 percent of the state's General Revenue Fund. It is divided among all of Ohio's public libraries. In today's economy, the unfortunate consequence of the end of the funding freeze is that when state revenues are down, library funding also is down. As the economy improves, library funding will also improve. In 2008, Wright Library received \$41,330 less in state revenue than in 2007.

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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.

**2008 Board of Trustees**

- Beverly K. Jones-Arthur, President
- Lori Mitchell, Vice-president
- Michael Roediger, Secretary
- John Green
- Alan Halpern
- Pamela Menafce
- Rick Smith

**Book Sale Preview Night for Library Friends**

Wright Memorial Public Library’s annual book sale will be held from August 25 through 31. The sale will kick off with a special preview night open only to members of the Friends of the Wright Library on Tuesday, August 25 from 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. If you are not currently a Friends member, you can sign up in-person anytime the library is open, or you can download a form at [www.WrightLibrary.org](http://www.WrightLibrary.org) and mail it to the Friends of the Wright Library. You may also join at the door on preview night. Show your support for Wright Library— join today! Annual membership dues are reasonable: \$6 for an individual, \$12 for a family, \$5 for seniors, and \$1 for students.

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- **Howard Blose**, Class of 1940, was captain of the football and track team and earned letters in football, basketball and track.
- **Howard "Howie" Sales**, Coach/Teacher/Athletic Director 1965-1985, was an Oakwood Junior and Senior High teacher of history, social studies, health, and physical education, the head football coach from 1968-1986 and Athletic Director from 1988-1995.
- **Tim Coughlin**, Class of 1964, was a football and basketball player, ran track and set a new school record with a 9.8 time in the 100 yard dash.
- **Katy Deddens Dalrymple**, Class of 1993, was a four-year field hockey starter, ran track, was a swimmer and received numerous honors and set several school records.
- The **1942 Football Team**, Oakwood's first undefeated team, will also be recognized.

**Sam Andrews Educational Hall of Honor Ceremony and Luncheon September 17, 2009**

The Sam Andrews Educational Hall of Honor luncheon and induction ceremony will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2009. The following persons will be inducted:

- ❖ **Mrs. Pamela Lahman** who taught at Harman Elementary School from 1973-1981 and E.D. Smith Elementary School from 1981-2003. Mrs. Lahman resides in Huron, Ohio.
- ❖ **Mr. Lester Steinlage** who taught mathematics at Oakwood High School from 1972-1995. Mr. Steinlage resides in Englewood, Ohio.

A luncheon will be held at The Mandalay Banquet Center at 11:30 A.M. on Thursday, September 17, 2009, where the inductees, as well as previous recipients of the award, will be honored. The public is invited to attend the luncheon (cost is \$16.50). To make reservations for the luncheon, please call or email Sandy Maresh at the Board Office at 297-5332 or [maresh.sandy@oakwood.k12.oh.us](mailto:maresh.sandy@oakwood.k12.oh.us) by Wednesday, September 9.

Thursday evening (September 17) at 6:45 P.M., prior to the game, the recipients will be available to meet with you at the Alumni Terrace on the southwest corner of Mack Hummon Stadium. Prior to the start of the home football game with Valley View there will be a brief awards ceremony.

**Neighborhood Meetings With The Superintendent**

Please join Mary Jo Scalzo, Superintendent of Oakwood City Schools, for a *Neighborhood Meeting* during the 2009-2010 school year. These informal meetings are an opportunity for parents, community members and members of the Oakwood City Schools to talk about school issues.

If you would like to attend a host or attend a meeting please call or email Sandy at the Board Office at 297-5332 or [maresh.sandy@oakwood.k12.oh.us](mailto:maresh.sandy@oakwood.k12.oh.us).

### Lange School Benefits From Generous Gift

In December 2007, Mr. Richard Lange made a generous donation to the Oakwood Schools Education Foundation. This donation, given in memory of Mrs. Mary Lange Hayes, Mr. Buzzy Pierce, and Mr. John Pohl will be used to improve teaching resources at The Julian and Marjorie Lange School. Mr. Lange also donated additional monies to the Oakwood Schools Education Foundation Visions for Tomorrow Grants Endowment Campaign to be used specifically for Lange School grant requests.

Mr. Lange's generosity has paved the way for many beneficial purchases at Lange School in the past year. A block set was purchased to help create an outdoor building block center, along with a set of wire shelves, wheel sets, and a builder set for constructive play. For sports play, a Mylec Pro Goal, hockey pucks, a tennis set, and Spectrum Jr. tennis racquets were acquired. Additional purchases include an heirloom display case to help preserve the history of Lange School, a color laser jet printer with networking capabilities to embrace the future of the school, and plastic coated outdoor picnic tables for the playground. All of the items purchased through Mr. Lange's donation encourage better learning, recreation, and student confidence.

The Julian and Marjorie Lange School, founded in 2000, is home to three separate programs: Oakwood City School's kindergarten, Oakwood City Schools/M.R.D.D. Preschool Program and The South Connection extended day care program.

The Oakwood Schools Education Foundation, a component of The Dayton Foundation, provides students with diverse and distinctive opportunities, which go above and beyond the reach of the district's normal operating budget. Pursuing its mission, "Enhancing Excellence through Philanthropy," the Foundation provides significant annual support for quality initiatives, including teacher and administrative grants, scholarships and special wish list items.

To learn more about the Oakwood Schools Education Foundation, visit the Oakwood Schools website at [www.oakwood.k12.oh.us/osef](http://www.oakwood.k12.oh.us/osef).

The Oakwood Schools Education Foundation would like to thank student writers Grace and Danner Hahn for contributing to this article.

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### Oakwood City Schools New 2009-2010 Staff Members

(As of June 30, 2009)

- ❖ *Paul Waller*, Principal - Oakwood High School
  - ❖ *Katherine Jenne*, Social Studies Teacher (1 year only) - Oakwood High School
  - ❖ *Janet Wagoner*, .5 FTE Latin Teacher – Oakwood High School
  - ❖ *Kelsey Jackson*, .5 FTE Language Arts Teacher – Oakwood Junior High School
  - ❖ *Kara Kahlig*, Intervention Specialist - Harman Elementary School
  - ❖ *Casey Kerr*, Intervention Specialist (1 year only) - Harman Elementary School
  - ❖ *Lily Chen*, Mandarin Chinese Teacher (WSU Dual Enrollment Program) - Oakwood High School
  - ❖ *Jennifer McClure* - Administrative Assistant to Director of Curriculum
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## Calendar Of Events

| August 2009   | September 2009   |
|---|--|
| 3 City Council Meeting 7:00 P.M.  | 2 Planning Commission 4:30 P.M.                                    |
| 5 Planning Commission 4:30 P.M.   | 3 Band/Orchestra Rental Mtg at Harman 7:00 P.M.                    |
| 6 OHS Football Begins   | 3 Athletic Hall of Fame at Dayton CC 6:00 P.M.                     |
| 10 OHS Sports Tryouts Begin   | 3- Smith PTO Entertainment Book Sale                               |
| 10 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 P.M.   | 17   |
| 11 Board of Education Work Session 5:00 P.M.  | 7 <b>No School, City Offices and Library Closed-<br/>Labor Day</b> |
| 12 Jazz Concert at Wright Library 6:30 P.M.   | 8 Smith PTO Meeting 7:00 P.M.                                      |
| 13 Board of Zoning 4:30 P.M.  | 9 OJHS/OHS Picture Day   |
| 15 Girls Soccer Car Wash-OHS Parking Lot  | 10 OJHS/OHS PTO Meeting-Rm 211 11:45 A.M.                          |
| 16 OCC Ice Cream Social 3:30-7:00 P.M.  | 10 Board of Zoning 4:30 P.M.                                       |
| 17 JH Sports Tryouts Begin  | 14 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 P.M.                            |
| 17 Library Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.  | 15 Board of Education Work Session 5:00 P.M.                       |
| 19 Fall Sports Meeting 7:00 P.M.  | 15 Lange Parents' Night 7:00 P.M.                                  |
| 20 Harman Open House 7:00-8:30 p.m.   | 16 Ice Cream Social 3:30-7:00 P.M.                                 |
| 21 Grade 7 Orientation 9:00 A.M.  | 16 OHS Open House 7:00-9:00 P.M.                                   |
| 21 Freshman/New Student Orientation 9:00 A.M.   | 17 Hall of Honor Luncheon at Mandalay 11:30 A.M.                   |
| 21 Grade 8/New Student Orientation 1:00 P.M.  | 17 City Council Work Session 5:00 P.M.                             |
| 21 Smith New Student Orientation 11:00 A.M.   | 18 Smith School Pictures   |
| 22 Booster Day at Stadium   | 21 OJHS Open House 7:00-9:00 P.M.                                  |
| 24 Smith Open House 6:00-8:30 p.m.  | 21 Library Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.                                 |
| 25 First Day of School Grades 1-12  | 21 City Council Meeting 7:00 P.M.                                  |
| 25 Smith PTO Room Parent Meeting  | 30 Homecoming Parade and Bonfire 7:00 P.M.                         |
| 25 Friends of the Library Book Sale Preview 4:00 P.M.                                   |  |
| 25- KRAL Assessments for Kindergarten   |  |
| 27  |  |
| 26- Library Book Sale   |  |
| 31  |  |
| 28 First Day of School for Kindergarten   |  |
| 28 Smith Library Volunteer Meeting 8:45 A.M.  |  |
| 30 Smith Garden's 35 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Blanket Concert<br>Celebration 6:00 P.M. |  |
| 31 JH Fall Sports Parent Meeting  |  |

*Smith Garden's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Blanket Concert Celebration*

*Sunday, August 30 at 6:00 p.m.*

**Puzzle of Light**

Puzzle of Light is a group of musicians who have backgrounds ranging from jazz and rock, to ethnic and world music. These blended influences have produced a distinctive new music that is both original and familiar. This will be a wonderful show of music and talent. Join us for this exciting night.

**Smith Gardens 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

On Sunday, August 30, as part of the Puzzle of Light concert, you are cordially invited to join us in the celebration of Smith Garden's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Beginning at 6:00 p.m. the Puzzle of Light will perform. In addition to their performance, a Sound Sculpture, created especially for this special event, built by Michael Bashaw and children from the Oakwood community, will be on display. This large scale musical sculpture will be constructed of bamboo, tyre paper and sound elements. The sound sculpture will be used in the concert performance with audience participation. At intermission, refreshments will be served. Please join us for this special night!

**Special thanks to the Oakwood Rotary Club for helping sponsor this special community event!**

The concert is **FREE** and open to the public. Smith Gardens is located in the 800 block of Oakwood Avenue, at the corner of Walnut Lane.

*In case of rain, the concert will be held at the Oakwood Community Center, 105 Patterson Road.*

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