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City News

Vectren Gas Pipeline Upgrades

Over the next three months, Vectren will be replacing the underground gas distribution pipes and home service lines in several Oakwood neighborhoods. (See map on page 5 for project area). The work will involve installing a new polyethylene piping system in place of old and outdated steel and cast iron pipes. This is an investment by Vectren of more than \$2 million on infrastructure in Oakwood and is part of a multi-year Vectren project across their service territory. Oakwood residents affected by the work have received more details from Vectren. While this is not a city of Oakwood project, please feel free to contact Public Works Director Kevin Weaver at 298-0777 if you have any questions about the work.

School News

OHS Academic Decathlon Team Wins National Title

For the third straight year the Academic Decathlon Team won the USAD Division III National Title. The team, coached by English teacher Lori Morris, brought home a total of 39 medals, earned Gold overall medals in each of the three GPA categories, and swept every overall medal in the Honors category. Congratulations to Wending Zhu, Will Fitz, Emmaline Bennett, William Powers, Graham Garner, Grant Pitarys, Tim McCarthy, and Jacob Hunt.

Library News

Storytime in the Garden

Plan to join Mrs. G and Mrs. Mills for Storytime in the Garden this summer. Smith Gardens provides the perfect spot for all ages to attend for stories and more. Plan to bring a blanket or chair to sit on, the grass is often wet. June 27, July 25, August 22 at 10 a.m. Smith Gardens are located at 800 Oakwood Avenue in Oakwood.

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P13 2014 SUMMER READING CLUB - KICK-OFF SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH
The staff at Wright Library is looking forward to warmer temperatures and the 2014 Summer Reading Clubs.

New Drive-by Mailbox in Far Hills Business District

At the request of the city, the US Postal Service installed a drive-by mailbox on the west side of the Far Hills Business District. The box is accessible by automobile or on foot and is located on the service road just south of Dell Park. With the addition of this mailbox, Oakwood now has drive-by mailboxes available on both sides of the business district.

2013 Water Report

Enclosed with this newsletter is the 2013 Consumer Confidence Report for the city's public water system. This report was prepared in accordance with federal regulations under the Safe Drinking Water Act. It includes detailed information about our city water system during the 2013 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.

Recycling Services

Under Oakwood's program, all recyclables may be co-mingled in a single can, or multiple cans if needed. These cans need to have recycling stickers on them which are available at 30 Park Avenue (city building) and 210 Shafor Boulevard (public works center). The cans also need to follow the same guidelines as refuse cans – 35 gallons or less and less than 60 pounds. In the recycling can, you may place 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 (small quantities only please due to weight – phone books may also be placed in the cardboard containers at the Creager Field parking lot). The City of Oakwood uses refuse trucks which have separate compartments for the garbage and recyclables. These materials are taken to separate locations.

The garbage is dropped at the Montgomery County Transfer Station. The recyclables are taken to Rumpke's facility on Monument Avenue. Please recycle as much as possible. We pay about 80% less for recyclable disposal than trash disposal.

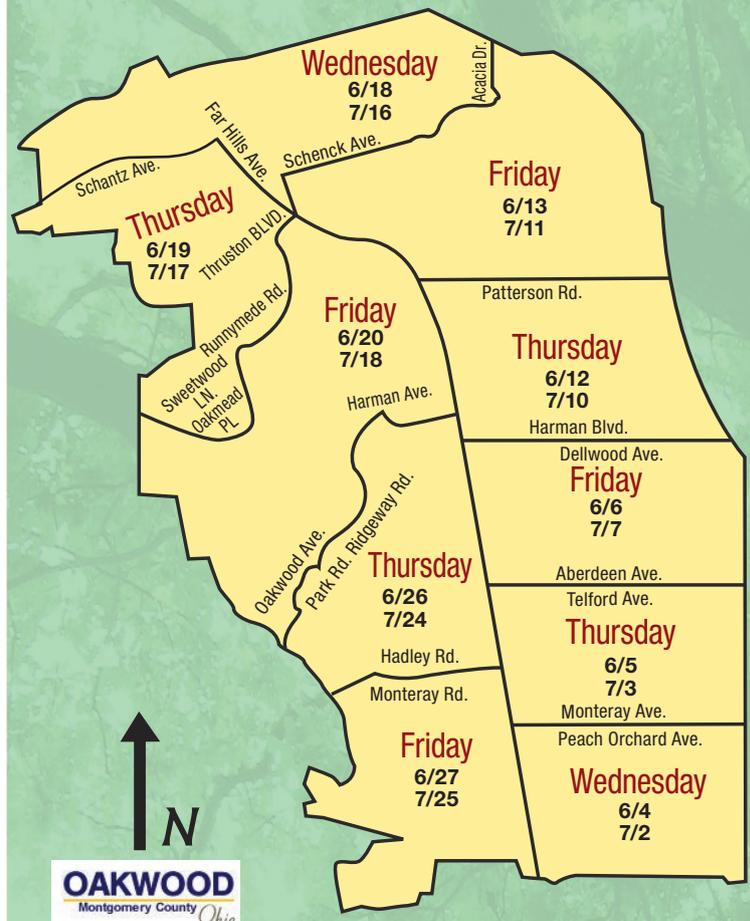


The website link below provides additional information from Rumpke on what may and may not be recycled.
<http://rumpke.com/for-your-home/recycling/acceptable-items>

2014 Curb, Walk and Apron Project

The 2014 curb, sidewalk and driveway apron repair project is underway and is taking place in the area east of Far Hills Avenue between East Drive and Aberdeen Avenue. The purpose of the program is to maintain the concrete structures located within the city rights-of-way in good, safe condition. The residents affected by the work have received 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 and inspected by Friday, June 27.

Yard Debris Pickup Schedule June-July



The following two roads are scheduled as follows:

- Far Hills Ave. 6/26, 7/24
- Shroyer Rd. 6/12, 7/10

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 and do so just a day or two before your collection day. 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 circumstances 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, flowers and other such smaller yard debris items in with your regular trash... or better yet, take it to 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: you may call for a dumpster free of charge (yard debris only); you may drop the debris at the Foell Public Works Center, 210 Shafor Blvd., on the first Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to noon; or you may drop it in the appropriately marked dumpster at the parking lot for the Dog Park at Creager Field. Bags will not be accepted with yard debris.
- Do not stack loose debris around or on top of trash cans.
- Please remember the 35 gallon and 60-pound limits on trash cans with a maximum of 3 cans for trash and as many as are required for recycling. All cans must have lids.
- Grass clippings are not accepted, either with regular trash or with curbside yard debris.
- Contractor generated material is not accepted.

Please refer to the map on page 2 for your scheduled yard debris pick up days.



Smith Gardens 2014 Blanket Concert Series

The friends of Smith Gardens and the city of Oakwood are pleased to present the "2014 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, on some adjacent side streets and around the City Building. In case of rain, the concerts will be held at the Oakwood Community Center, 105 Patterson Road. These concerts are FREE and open to the public.

Sunday, June 29th at 7:00 p.m.

Twain's Twisted Tales

Enter the world of Mark Twain! Madcap Productions, Inc. is proud to introduce children to one of America's greatest literary figures and humorists. His life and most entertaining stories are brought to life with giant puppets and audience participation. The stories included are: The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County, Legend of Sagenfeld and selections from The Adventures of Tom Sawyer and Adventures of Huckleberry Finn. A must see!

Sunday, July 27th at 7:00 p.m. Reload

Classic rock band who cover artists such as Tower of Power, Blood Sweat & Tears, Cold Blood, The Temptations and Chicago. Unlike many bands, Reload includes a strong horn section – two trumpets and three saxes – Great rock with kickin' horns.

Sunday, August 24th at 7:00 p.m. Jim McCutchen

Oakwood welcomes back the "Guitar Man". This family friendly concert will be an exciting way to end this year's concert series. Jim will perform a variety of guitar music for folks of all ages, classical to ragtime from 100 years ago. Do not miss this show!



Traveling Safety

Summer vacation and travel season is just around the corner. While enjoying an exciting time away with family and friends, remember to be vigilant to your surroundings and those around you to avoid becoming a victim. Unfortunately, criminals too frequently prey on vacationing families. They lie in wait in tourist venues, both domestically and abroad, looking for an easy 'mark'. Common sense and safety preparation are two of the most important things to take with you on your summer trip.

Try not to 'look' like a tourist. Many people have a perceived idea of what the quintessential tourist looks like: white sneakers, a camera, and sweatshirts with 'hometown' logos. Staying away from these stereotypes when dressing can help travelers avoid drawing attention to themselves.

Become familiar with your surroundings. A confident stride can make all the difference, but not ending up in a bad part of town helps even more. To avoid this, study your map, talk to the front desk clerk or examine a tourbook, guidebook, or map before venturing out. If while on foot you find yourself in an area that is not familiar or you feel threatened, go into a hotel or restaurant and take a cab back to your hotel.

Separate money sources. Don't keep all your cash and credit/debit cards together. The phrase 'don't put all your eggs in one basket' is very true in this case.

Secure wallets and purses. Eliminate opportunities for theft. Make sure purses are closed and zippers are placed toward the front of the body. Try not to put wallets in back pockets or any other pocket that is easily reachable by others.

Don't leave your belongings unattended in public. This is true everywhere, but especially when in tourist areas. Keep belongings with you at all times; for example don't place phones and wallets on the table or hook purses on the back of chairs when dining, and never leave luggage outside hotel doors.

Special considerations for traveling abroad:

- **Research the country you are going to before you go.** The best and fastest ways of researching is to use reputable guidebooks and additionally take note of travel information and advisories from official sources such as the US State Department, United Kingdom, or Australian governments.
- **Make copies of important documents.** Scanning and printing copies of documents and keeping them in several locations is very simple, but can be crucial if they are lost or stolen and will expedite the process of replacement at the embassy or consulate.
- **Remain Updated with News and World Events.** Be aware that events can happen in the world that may make you a target because of your nationality or ethnic background depending on where you are traveling.

Keeping in mind the above tips will make your vacation trip as fun, safe and as hassle-free as possible!



Avoid pulling money out in public. Take out wallets as infrequently as possible, and avoid showing large amounts of cash. This helps reduce the risk of being targeted for foul play. Also, be wary of public displays of wealth — leave flashy jewelry and unnecessary expensive gadgets at home.

Put away your personal belongings. Most hotels are safe, but there are dishonest people everywhere. It is best to keep your personal belongings out of sight. Leave them in your suitcase, put them in the hotel safe or, better yet, leave them at home if you won't be needing them.

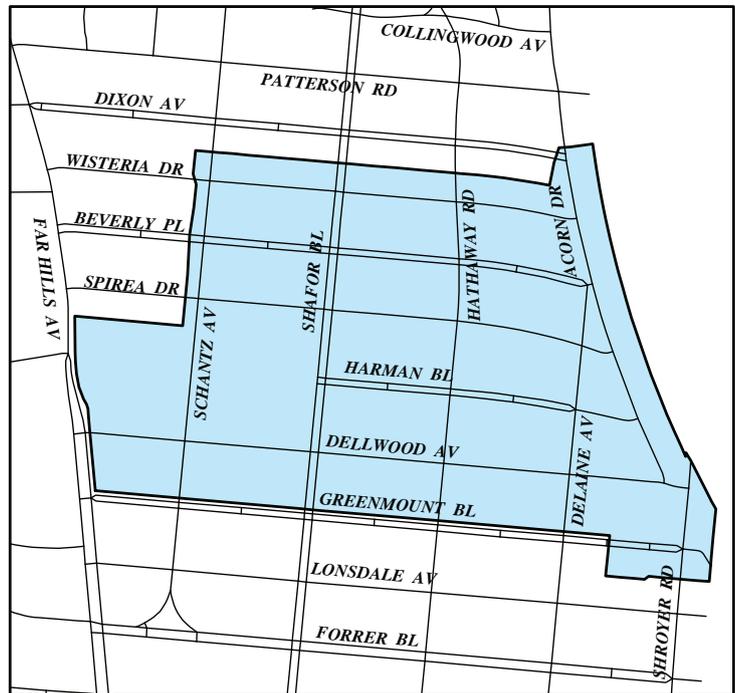
Double check. There are many distractions while traveling. Look around and double check that you have all your belongings before leaving anywhere, especially when checking out of your hotel.

How to Help Prevent Criminal Activity at Home

FBI data shows that criminal activity rises with the temperatures 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.
- 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.
- 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. 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!

VECTREN GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT



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Story Hour At Smith Gardens

The OCC, in conjunction with Wright Memorial 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 27, July 25 and August 22 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 9 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. The program will be held Monday-Friday, June 23-27 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Orchard Park Elementary School in Kettering. Register at the OCC. Class is limited to 30 students and the registration deadline is June 18 at 9 p.m.

Oakwood Dolphins Swim Team: Swim practice begins on Monday, June 9. The season runs through Sunday, July 27. Any Gardner Pool member 18 and under may register to join this team.

Annual Ice Cream Social: This Oakwood tradition has been around for many decades and is held just before school resumes. It is scheduled for Sunday, August 17 at Shafor Park. Tickets will be available beginning Monday, July 14.

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

May, 2014 OAKWOOD BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS

The Oakwood Beautification Award Program recognizes property owners who have enhanced the beauty of our community by undertaking exterior improvements to their home, rental property or business. 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.

Congratulations to the owners of the following residential properties selected to receive May 2014 Beautification Awards:

Drs. William D. & Samia W. Borchers	111 W. Thruston Blvd.
Mr. Timothy J. Hawk	810 E. Schantz Avenue
Mr. Chris & Mrs. Debbie Schuler	102 Beverly Place
Mr. Anthony J. Rainsberger & Ms. Shelly K. Knupp	350 Greenmount Blvd.
Mr. Erich F. & Mrs. Cynthia Mende	254 Lonsdale Avenue
Ms. Lisa M. Wildman	102 E. Peach Orchard Avenue
Ms. Jennifer K. Creighton	404 Orchard Drive
Mr. Robert and Mrs. Helen M. Alig	314 Orchard Drive
Mr. Gary A. & Ms. Anne W. Rosenbaum	249 Wonderly Avenue
Mr. Kenneth J. & Mrs. Valerie A. Pagano	124 Dell Park Avenue
Mr. James H. Sabiers & Ms. Joann C. Findlay	610 Runnymede Road

If you know of someone whose property is deserving of recognition, we encourage you to take a minute and complete a nomination form (forms are available at the O.C.C. and city building) or simply call the city offices at 298-0411.

Stormwater Program

During 2014, the city of Oakwood is undertaking numerous steps to comply with our EPA stormwater permit. Oakwood stormwater permit actions include: Dry weather screening of outfalls to locate illicit connections; educating residents about pollution prevention; requiring sediment and erosion controls on sites larger than 1 acre; street sweeping; and staff education on stormwater impacts. The overall goal of this program is to improve the quality of the water in our rivers, lakes and streams by limiting pollutants that are released into these receiving waters. There are several ways that citizens can

aid this effort: do not place any material in the street except leaves during the 10 week collection period in the fall; do not dump oil, lawn debris, or other materials into the storm sewer – this is a direct path to your rivers and streams and there is no treatment of this water; limit as much as possible the use of fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides; and clean up after your pets in the yard as the bacteria in the waste is very harmful to the rivers and 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>

Oakwood Junior High School/Oakwood High School: 2013-2014 Year in Review

English Department

During the 2013-2014 school year, the English department examined course curricula, developed assessments aligned to the Common Core Standards, collaborated with other departments, welcomed guest speakers, and coached nationally recognized academic teams.



- *Academic Decathlon*, coached by Lori Morris, won the Division III National Championship at the USAD National Competition in Hawaii, representing Ohio upon earning 1st Place across all divisions in the Ohio Academic Decathlon State Championship.
- Through a generous donation a Chromebook mobile lab was purchased; *Research Paper* students created Google docs to craft essays, electronically sharing them with teachers to provide timely electronic feedback during the writing process.
- Amy Ostdiek, 12th grade *English* teacher, The Oakwood Schools Foundation, and the PTO funded and organized a presentation by Carl Honore, author of *The Slow Fix* and *In Praise of Slow*, for students in grades 7-12.
- 9th grade *English* and *Modern World History* teachers designed an interdisciplinary unit that connected the Russian Revolution and the reign of Stalin to the novel *Animal Farm*.
- Junior Lauren Long earned 1st Place in the Oakwood Rotary 4-Way Speech Contest and 4th Place in the district competition. In the local contest, freshmen Emily Ezerski and Caitlin Paolucci won 2nd Place and 3rd Place respectively.
- 7th grade Power of the Pen earned 1st Place at districts, with 4 students advancing to regionals, and 3 to state competition.
- Oakwood students once again performed well on the OAA, OGT, PSAT, ACT, SAT, and AP tests.
- 2013 AP scores: 116 English Language and English Composition students earned a 3 or higher.

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 and prepare them to become well-rounded young adults.

- Worked collaboratively on the formal process of assessments to monitor student growth through tracking data, including vocab tests, rubric growth tracking, portfolio development, journals, voice assessments, and scale recordings.
- Symphonic Chorale received a Superior rating at OMEA District Contest and qualified for the state competition.
- Orchestra students learned a variety of challenging music performing in 3 OHS and 2 OJHS concerts.
- 7 student art pieces were named Governor's Youth Art Exhibition Regional Winners and advanced to the state judging.
- 2013 AP Music Theory scores: three 5's and one 4.
- 2013 AP Studio Art scores: all received a 3 or above, including two 5's.



Science Department

The science department provides students with hands-on, real life experiences to teach them how to think and communicate science knowledge through an inquiry approach.

- *Environmental Science* was added as a course selection.
- *Forensic* and *Energy Team* students presented curricular and extracurricular opportunities in the sciences at the Ohio School Boards Association Student Showcase.
- Heidi Steinbrink, OHS science teacher, was selected for the Stratospheric Observatory For Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA) Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors Program to fly with NASA for two missions out of Palmdale, California.
- Through the generous support of The Oakwood Schools Foundation and the OJHS/OHS PTO, a 30 computer MacAir lab was purchased for student research, lab work, and testing.
- Through the generous support of The Oakwood Schools Foundation, the Full STEAM Ahead grant made it possible to integrate art into the science and the science into art. Guest artists from K12 Art Gallery worked with our students in several courses and areas to show the bridge between art and science.
- 2013 AP Scores: AP Biology - 94% earned a 3 or higher; Chemistry - 86% earned a 3 or higher, with 53% scoring a 5 on the exam; AP Physics - 59% earned a 3 or higher on both AP Physics exams.

Engineering accomplishments:

- Prototypes of dampening systems to protect infants from the jarring and vibrations during transportation were designed.
- Working with Tark, Inc. students redesigned an inlet to a CAT Scan cooling system.
- *Independent Study* students developed two bioreactors, wrote code to tackle basic economic analysis, and developed operational procedures for the 3D printer and 3D scanner.
- A generous donation through The Oakwood Schools Foundation in support of Oakwood Engineering awarded a Phase II grant to continue the development of the Fab Lab/Engineering Shop.
- Norwood Medical invited students to view numerous processes used in medical manufacturing.
- Dayton American Institute of Architecture Contest students did an excellent job all around with their design contests.



Major Grant Furthers Development Of Oakwood High School Engineering Program

The Oakwood Schools Foundation is pleased to announce that it has received an additional \$50,000 grant to support the continued growth of the engineering program and lab on the OHS/OJHS campus. Equipment purchased with these new funds will allow students to gain advanced on-site prototyping and manufacturing experience.

“As our program and our lab continue to grow, we’re following the basic model of the MIT Fab Lab, which is an open-ended design facility that provides the equipment necessary for students to build anything they can envision,” says OHS engineering teacher Tony Rainsberger.

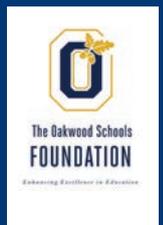
In November of 2010, The Oakwood Schools Foundation received a \$100,000 grant to help establish an engineering program at Oakwood High School. The grant, made by a foundation in California, honored former Oakwood residents Sue and Weldon Worth, who raised six children in our community, five of whom graduated from OHS. Sue worked for the Air Force during the war, wiring harnesses for B17 bombers. Weldon was an aerospace engineer at WPAFB for many years.

The additional \$50,000 awarded this spring by the same foundation

recognizes the good work that was accomplished by the initial memorial grant. Today, more than 120 high school students are currently enrolled in the four engineering courses offered at OHS. Additionally, all 373 junior high students are exposed to engineering concepts through Gateway courses, and the District has begun to introduce engineering concepts at the elementary level. The curriculum has also spawned several high school clubs dedicated to enhancing these newly-developed engineering skills.

“Using our current equipment, students use 3D modeling software to take their ideas from concept to design, and send these designs to one of our 3D printers, laser cutter, or desktop mill,” says Rainsberger. “It is an educational pleasure to watch students bring their ideas to life, whether it is a case for their phone, a part for a broken toy, a 3D puzzle that becomes a small business, or accessories for our existing engineering tools.”

“Now, with the promise of new and even more sophisticated design and production equipment, I’m eager to see where students’ imagination and commitment will take them. There really are no limits,” says Rainsberger.



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.

- Students took an adaptive individualized diagnostic assessment to determine areas of strengths and needs in key reading and/or math strands using the Curriculum Associates i-Ready Diagnostic and Instruction program.
- Amanda Ammer, Gifted Intervention Specialist, facilitated a visit of *Beginning Robotics* students to teach Kindergarteners at Lange School about robotics.
- *History on Display*, incorporating the topic of Rights and Responsibilities, offered junior high students the opportunity for historical research and current event study, culminating in a Parent Share Fair.
- Project Support, a student group dedicated to the continuous improvement of the school and community, along with a social club that promotes friendships with students with disabilities, took part in numerous activities. Led by advisors Kristin Bull and Jenna Hill, this year's highlights included Valentine's Day Candy Grams, a bowling outing, lunch activities, and increased fall play and spring musical attendance.

OJHS and OHS Guidance Departments

Our mission is to help our 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 and attending professional development opportunities to prepare us to provide the support necessary for our students to realize success.

OHS:

- Attended College Connection at Ohio University in November
- Piloted PARCC exams for Algebra I and Geometry
- Piloted AIR exams for Physical Science and US History
- Hosted parent meetings, financial aid meeting, and 8th grade parent meeting during Curriculum Night
- Hosted 3rd Annual College Admissions Panel
- Toured college campuses throughout the summer and school year
- Attended the NACAC Conference
- Attended local college presentations

Joan Blin joined us as the Prevention/Intervention Counselor this year and oversees the following activities:

- Freshmen Challenge
- Freshmen Orientation
- Anthony Munoz Leadership Conference
- South Suburban Coalition Meetings
- We are the Majority Rally
- Mentor Program
- 40 Assets Initiatives, including Hospice visits, Sarah Panzau presentation, and Wait to Text and Distracted Driving Campaign Leads
- Career Fair
- Homeroom Activities
- Senior Service Activities

OJHS:

- Lumberjack Leaders welcomed new 7th graders with orientation and activities throughout the year to help them feel comfortable.
- Service project raised over \$2300 donated to Good Neighbor House.
- Pop tab competition generated over 90,000 tabs for Ronald McDonald House.
- Take 5 Program activities and discussions promote a caring culture that revolves around Respect, Responsibility, Resourcefulness, Relationships, and Resilience.
- PARCC and AIR electronic field tests (Next Generation Assessments) were administered to 7th grade English classes and 8th grade science classes.
- OAA data indicated a measure of growth in 7th grade reading and math and 8th grade reading, math, and science.



Students with engineering teacher Tony Rainsberger

Foreign Language

Providing opportunities for students to demonstrate their learning has been the focus of the foreign language department this year. Along with the recent changes in state standards came new ideas about the way teachers should assess foreign language students. These changes allow students to demonstrate how they would communicate in real life situations. Student progress can be monitored as they move up a scale based on varying degrees of Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced proficiency levels.

- Following the recommendation of the Ohio Foreign Language Association, Linguafolio was implemented as a student assessment tool. Linguafolio is a set of internationally accepted criteria that allows students to document their individual performance, self-assess their skills and reflect upon their progress using a series of "I Can" statements.
- Following state recommended guidelines, French and Spanish teachers have spent hours attending workshops, incorporating authentic materials and creating Integrated Performance Assessments (IPAs) to use as unit assessments. IPAs allow students to demonstrate proficiency in accomplishing real life tasks.
- French IV and V students participated in Wright State University's French Immersion Day, based on Victor Hugo's *Les Misérables*.
- Spanish and French students in levels 1-5 participated in the National Language Exam.
- 65% of Spanish V and French V students taking the AP exam in 2013 scored at a level 3 or higher.
- French Club raised funds that were donated to *ChildFund International*. Due to a matching fund, our donation of \$150 was multiplied 45 times to result in \$6,750 of school supplies sent to needy school children in French-speaking African nations.
- More than 60 Spanish and French III, IV and V students were inducted into La Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica and La Société *Honoraire de Français*, respectively. Inductees must maintain an A for 3 consecutive semesters and have an overall GPA of 3.2 to qualify for membership.

Social Studies Department

The social studies department completed a two-year long audit and review of new materials, developed more collaboration among teachers, continued the implementation of primary source documents as a way of studying the past, worked on alignment of curriculum to content standards (Common Core and ODE), and continued efforts to promote greater citizenship among students, while also preparing them for college.

- Junior high teachers worked collaboratively to deconstruct and deepen the standards, to write lessons to bring history alive, and to add reading and writing rigor to each unit.
- 7th graders participated in simulations of the Fall of Rome, West African trading, the development of feudalism, the Crusades, the 100 Years' War, and the Age of Exploration.
- 7th and 8th graders participated in the inaugural year of the enrichment History Book Clubs.
- 8th graders participated in political simulations and debates aligned to content standards.
- 8th graders traveled to the Underground Railroad Museum in Cincinnati funded mainly through a PTO grant.
- Global Politics students, taught by Mitch Miller, formed The Oakwood High School International Perspective (OHSIP), which strives to promote a heightened awareness of issues around the globe, to establish an open welcoming atmosphere for political discussion, and to encourage student investment in the world around them.
- American History students completed a book study on the use of the atomic bomb and took part in a field trip to Carillon Park to study the exhibit on the Dayton Flood.
- 114 AP students took exams in American Government & Politics, Psychology, U.S. History, and European History, again receiving high scores on the 2013 AP exams: 106 or 93% passed with a score of 3, 4, or 5. Overall, the average social studies exam score at Oakwood was 4.05 (out of 5) compared with a global average of 2.73.

Math Department

The OJHS/OHS math department provides students with the math skills and reasoning necessary to take them to the next phase of college and career readiness.

- Oakwood math students again scored well on the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT), Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT), Preliminary ACT (PLAN), and ACT
- 99.2% passing rate for Ohio Graduation Test (OGT)
- 98% passing rate for Ohio Achievement Assessments (OAA)
- 97 students took Advanced Placement (AP) tests in calculus or Statistics
- 100% of Calculus BC students received a 4 or 5 on the AP exam
- College Connection visit to Ohio University with the guidance department to discuss expectations for incoming freshmen with university faculty and the transition from high school to college with OHS alumni
- Jay Lane, assisted by Fred Schmitz, coordinated all of the technology for the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics state convention



Practical Arts Department

The practical arts department provides meaningful educational experiences for students to gain life-long skills in order to become self-sufficient members of society, following Ohio and national educational standards to complement and reinforce core curriculum with enrichment opportunities for students in grades 7-12.

Business Education

- The Ohio Stock Market Challenge
- Oakwood's Entrepreneurship Competition
- Real Money. Real World.
- NBHS service learning with Shoes 4 the Shoeless
- Field trips to UD's Davis Center, Oakwood Municipal Court, and Montgomery County Courts

Junior High Gtt/Engineering

- Through a generous grant provided by The Oakwood Schools Foundation in support of the junior high engineering program will purchase two new 3D printers and a laser cutter.

High School Computer Science

- High school *Computer Science* focused on learning with Raspberry Pi's, a \$35 computer the size of a credit card, exploring hardware, operating systems, and programming to create final projects using the Pi's.

High School Physical Education

- Partnered with U.S. Army to work on student agility and team-building.
- Professional Yoga instructor led students during class.
- "Zumba Day" led by a professional Zumba instructor.
- *Advanced PE* students developed and participated in their own sport specific weight training program.

Health

- Video PSA's on dating violence were created by students.

- Students participated in a dying and grief unit.
- Fatal vision goggles were used to experience the negative effects of drinking

Consumer Science

- Over a dozen quilts were sewn and donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Family Shelter.
- Assisted with the Angels for Anna project producing gym bags to be filled with overnight necessities for parents staying at hospitals with their children.
- *Everyday Foods* and *Advanced Foods* participated in several cook-off contests, with staff members serving as judges to critique student creations.

OAKWOOD CITY SCHOOLS JUNE/JULY 2014

June 2014

1	6:30 p.m. Class of 2014 Baccalaureate
2	7:30 p.m. Class of 2014 Commencement
4	Lange End-of-Year Ceremonies
4	7 p.m. Harman 6th Grade Graduation
4	7 p.m. Smith 6th Grade Graduation
5	Harman 6th Grade Picnic
5	Last Day of School – K-6 Dismissal at 2:10 p.m.
6	Last Staff Day
9	Summer School Session I Begins
11	7 p.m. Board of Education Meeting
16	6 p.m. BAC Meeting
30	Summer School Session II Begins

July 2014

4	4th of July Holiday/Board Office Closed
14	7 p.m. Board of Education Meeting

The Oakwood Schools master calendar can be viewed online at:

www.oakwood.k12.oh.us/oakwood/Oakwood_Calendars.html



WRIGHT LIBRARY

Visit us at 1776 Far Hills Avenue in Oakwood
10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday-Friday
10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday
1 - 5 p.m. Sunday

Online at www.WrightLibrary.org or on
Facebook at www.facebook.com/wrightlibrary.

Phone us at 937-294-7171.

Download our mobile app at wright.boopsie.com

Calendar June/July 2014

June 2014

- June 10 – Wright Library On-the-Road
Bookclub@Starbucks, 7 p.m.
- June 16 – Library Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
- June 17 – Wright Library Poets@Starbucks, 7 p.m.
- June 26 – Device Users' Group, 1:30 p.m.

July 2014

- July 4 – LIBRARY CLOSED, Independence Day
- July 8 – Wright Library On-the-Road
Bookclub@Starbucks, 7 p.m.
- July 10 – Device Users' Group, 1:30 p.m.
- July 15 – Wright Library Poets@Starbucks, 7 p.m.
- July 21 – Library Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
- July 24 – Device Users' Group, 1:30 p.m.



Video Games at the Library

Xbox 360, PlayStation 3, and Wii console games are now available for Wright Library patrons to check out. This new collection has been added by popular demand. As we build the collection, we are eager to hear your suggestions for what games we should make available. Come check out the games and tell us what you think.



2014 SUMMER READING CLUB – Kick-Off Saturday, June 7th

The staff at Wright Library is looking forward to warmer temperatures and the 2014 Summer Reading Clubs “**Fizz Boom Read**” (children), “**Spark a Reaction**” (teen) and “**Literary Elements**” (adult). This year’s program will be held Saturday, June 7th thru Saturday, August 16th. Summer Reading Club is, as always, FREE and open to all ages.



Youth Summer Reading Club “Fizz Boom Read” “Spark a Reaction”

Registration for the Children and Teen Summer Reading Clubs begins Saturday, June 7th. Stop by the Oakwood Farmers Market from 9-10:30 a.m. or the library beginning at 10 a.m. to sign-up and enjoy a themed snack.



Summer Reading Club focuses on building children’s intrinsic motivation to read, and encouraging children’s participation in social, community activities. This summer’s youth programming will focus on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) activities.

Adult Summer Reading Club “Literary Elements”



Be sure to join us for the 2014 Adult Summer Reading Club. Once again we are offering our library card holders the opportunity to win prizes for reading books! This summer, fill out an entry form for every book you read or listen to (including digital books), for a chance to win one of our great weekly prizes.

The program begins June 7th with a kick-off at the first Oakwood Farmers Market of the season. Pick up your entry form at the Farmers Market, in the library or fill out the entry form on the library’s web site. Prize drawings will be held every Friday at noon. Our final drawing will be Friday, August 15th. The winner of the Grand Prize, a Kindle Fire, will be announced at the Ice Cream Social Sunday, August 17th.



Summer Reading Club June 7 – August 16

June

- 6/7 – Registration Begins
- 6/27 – Storytime in the Garden, 10 a.m.

July

- 7/25 – Storytime in the Garden, 10 a.m.

August

- 8/22 - Storytime in the Garden, 10 a.m.

- WonderKids, Mondays at 10:30 a.m.
- CraftyKids, Tuesdays at 2 p.m.
- Makers' Space, Wednesdays at 2 p.m.
- TechnoGeeks, Thursdays at 2 p.m.
- YoungScientists, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.
- SparkTeens, Fridays at 2 p.m.

For more information about Summer Reading Club events be sure to visit www.WrightLibrary.org or the library’s Facebook page.



CITY OF OAKWOOD

Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report

For 2013



Introduction

The city of Oakwood prepared this report to provide information to you, the consumer, on the quality of our drinking water. This report includes general health information relating to drinking water; a description of the Oakwood water system; general information about water quality; Oakwood water quality test results; information on how to participate in decisions concerning your drinking water; and water system contacts.

The city of Oakwood owns and operates a public municipal water system that serves the residents and businesses throughout the community. The system is comprised of 8 production wells, 3 water treatment plants, 44 miles of underground water lines, 345 fire hydrants and a 1.5 million gallon water tower. The Director of Engineering and Public Works oversees the operation of the public water system. The Water Plant Superintendent is charged with the day-to-day operation of the wells and water treatment plants.

Source Water Information

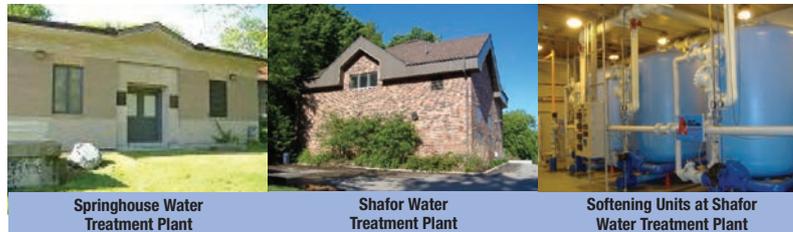
Oakwood receives its drinking water from groundwater pumped from its own eight production wells. These wells draw water from tributary aquifers flowing towards the Great Miami Buried Valley Aquifer. The city's system produced 99.9% of the total city water demand in 2013. The very small amount of additional water needed was supplied from the city of Dayton water system.

Oakwood also has two reserve connections with the city of Dayton and one with Montgomery County. During 2013 we produced 418.206 million gallons from our eight Oakwood water wells and purchased 0.171 million gallons of water from the city of Dayton. This report does not contain information on the water quality received from the city of Dayton but a copy of their consumer confidence report can be obtained by contacting the city of Dayton, Division of Environmental Management at 937-333-3725 or by viewing their Consumer Confidence Report on Dayton's website at <http://water.cityofdayton.org/water/docs/ccr.pdf>.

The aquifer that supplies drinking water to Oakwood has a moderate susceptibility to contamination, due to the sensitivity of the aquifer in which the drinking water wells are located and the existence of several potential contaminant sources within the protection zone. This does not mean that the wellfield will become contaminated, only that conditions are such that the groundwater could be impacted by potential contaminant sources. Possible contamination may be avoided by implementing protective measures. More detailed well field protection information is included in Oakwood's wellhead/drinking water source protection plan and susceptibility analysis, which can be obtained by calling the Director of Engineering and Public Works at 937-298-0777.

What are sources of contamination to drinking water?

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes,



streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include: (A) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife; (B) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; (C) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses; (D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems; (E) radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the United States Environmental

Protection Agency (USEPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Federal Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Who needs to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone

organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infection. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. USEPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

About your drinking water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with water service lines and home plumbing. Oakwood is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. A list of laboratories certified in the State of Ohio to test for lead may be found at <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/ddagw> or by calling

614-644-2752. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The EPA requires regular sampling to ensure drinking water safety. Oakwood conducted sampling for *Bacteria, nitrates, total trihalomethanes, haloacetic acids, lead and copper* contaminants during 2013. Samples were collected for a total of 125 different contaminants most of which were not detected in the city of Oakwood's water supply. The Ohio EPA requires us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the data in the table below, though accurate, are more than one year old.

As the data below show, Oakwood complied with all Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) standards for drinking water during 2013. Oakwood softens its water from approximately 27 grains per gallon to an average of 12 grains per gallon and has a current, unconditioned license to operate the public water system.

How do I participate in decisions concerning my drinking water?

Public participation and comments on any city issues, including our public water system, are encouraged at regular meetings of Oakwood City Council. City council typically meets at the City Building, 30 Park Avenue at 7:30 PM the



first Monday of every month. Please check the city website to verify meeting dates.

For more information on your drinking water contact Kevin Weaver or Gary Dursch at 937-298-0777.

Definitions of some terms contained within this report

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant level (MCL): The highest level of contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Parts per Million (ppm) or Milligrams per Liter (mg/L) are units of measure for concentration of a contaminant. A part per million corresponds to one second in a little over 11.5 days.

Parts per Billion (ppb) or Micrograms per Liter

(µg/L) are units of measure for concentration of a contaminant. A part per billion corresponds to one second in 31.7 years.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L): A common measure of radioactivity.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Not Detected (ND): The level of contaminant was below the level detectable with current testing technology.

The < symbol: A symbol which means less than. A result of <5 means that the lowest level that could be detected was 5 and the contaminant in that sample was not detected.

Contaminants (Units)	MCLG	MCL	Level Found	Range of Detections	Violation	Sample Year	Typical Source of Contaminants
Bacteriological							
Coliform Bacteria (% positive/month)	0	5%	0	Not detected	No	Monthly	Naturally present in the environment
Inorganic Contaminants							
Copper ¹ (ppm)	1.35	AL=1.35	0.496	0.060-0.543	No	2013	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
Lead ² (ppb)	0	AL=15.5	12.00	ND-13.00	No	2013	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride ³ (ppm) 210 Shafor 120 Springhouse	4	4	0.216 <0.20	<0.2-0.216	No	2012	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate (ppm) 210 Shafor 120 Springhouse	10	10	1.05 1.14	1.05 – 1.14	No	2013	Fertilizer runoff/natural geology
Regulated in the Distribution System							
Trihalomethanes (ppb)	0	80	4.02	3.74 – 4.02	No	2013	By-products of chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	N/A	60	<1.00	<1.00	No	2013	By-products of chlorination
Volatile Organic Contaminants - Unregulated							
Bromoform (ppb)	N/A	N/A	1.20	1.03 – 1.20	No	2013	By-products of chlorination
Chloroform (ppb)	N/A	N/A	<0.5	<0.5 – <0.5	No	2013	By-products of chlorination
Bromodichloromethane (ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.88	0.88 – 0.90	No	2013	By-products of chlorination
Dibromo-chloromethane (ppb)	N/A	N/A	4.02	3.74 – 4.02	No	2013	By-products of chlorination
Residual Disinfectants							
Chlorine (ppm) ⁴	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	0.68	0.25 – 1.0	No	Weekly	Water additive to control microbes

Water Quality Table Footnotes

- None of the 20 samples tested for copper exceeded the current action level of 1.35 ppm.
- None of the 20 samples tested for lead exceeded the current action level of 15.5 ppb.
- The City of Oakwood does not add fluoride supplements to the water it produces.
- Highest running annual average.

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Wright Memorial Public Library is an Asset Building Organization!

The five member Youth Services Department at Wright Library enthusiastically embraces the 40 Developmental Assets. Coordinator Jacqui Taylor states, "The 40 Assets were one of the first things I was introduced to when I started at the Wright Memorial Public Library in November, and I think it exemplifies how much thoughtful care our community pours into its young citizens."



Jacqui Taylor, Youth Services Coordinator

In December 2013, Youth Services redefined their guiding principles and created internal logics for their 2014 services. All Youth Services programs and events (in-house and outreach alike) are aligned with the 40 Assets and Ohio's New Learning Standards. For example,

at a recent Family Literacy Night, Mrs. G challenged the children to transform the same length of yarn into many different shapes. This guided project and its accompanying activities and educational prompts align with the New Learning Standard "General Knowledge: (pre) Algebraic Mathematics" and Internal Asset 21, Commitment to Learning: Achievement Motivation.

If you are looking for extracurricular activities that promote one asset in particular, you are welcome to contact the library! All Youth Services staff can examine the upcoming program calendar and make recommendations based on how our events align with the 40 Assets.

And don't forget to sign up for Summer Reading Club!

Assets 4 Caring Neighborhood, 7 Community Values Youth, 18 Youth Programs, 21 Achievement Motivation, 25 Reading for Pleasure

The 40 Developmental Assets

where the Oakwood Community is key!

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 <http://www2.oakwood.k12.oh.us/~fortyassets> for information, news, events and more.