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City News THAT DAY IN MAY

Oakwood's annual family festival, 'That Day in May' will be held Saturday, May 21. The event is sponsored by the Oakwood Rotary Club and is the organization's primary fundraiser. Please plan on attending this festival! It will be packed full of fun activities and events for the whole family. *(continued on page 3)*

School News Plans for Athletic Complex at Old River Nearing Completion

Fundraising Team Still Seeking New Contributions

A recent influx of contributions has the Oakwood Athletic Project (OAP) team considering new possibilities for the athletic facility to be built at Old River Sports Complex. Including a recent, second contribution from one of the project's largest supporters and a large corporate donation, total backing for the project now totals nearly \$3 million. *(continued on page 8)*

Library News On your mark, get set, READ!

Gear up for a summer of reading and learning with Wright Memorial Public Library's 2016 Summer Reading Club. This summer we are keeping our bodies and minds healthy with programs and prizes for kids and adults. The Library will kick off Summer Reading Club May 28 with a day of events, including a Story Walk in Katharine Wright Park just outside the Library. *(continued on page 12)*

P4 TREE TRIMMING AROUND UTILITY LINES

DP&L, or their contractors, routinely conduct tree trimming operations around power lines in Oakwood.

P9 2015 LOCAL REPORT CARD RELEASED

Oakwood students continue to be well prepared.

P12 WRIGHT LIBRARY, UD TEAM TO BRING AN INSIDE LOOK AT RENOVATED CHAPEL IN APRIL

Do It Yourself Drop-off

On the first Saturday of each month between 9 a.m. and noon, Oakwood residents may drop refuse material at the Foell Public Works center at 210 Shafor Boulevard. This service provides an alternative to special pickups and dumpsters. Residents may drop off household trash, recyclable material, special pick-up items and yard debris. Proof of residency is required, and contractors are not allowed.

Leaf Mulch Program



Citizens have two options again this year for obtaining leaf mulch. For those who want mulch delivered, we offer 3 cubic yards for \$90 and 6 cubic yards for \$130. Please call 298-0777 to place an order.

Mulch deliveries will take place on 5 Saturdays beginning on April 11 and ending on May 9.

On the same five Saturdays, residents can obtain free mulch from the public works center at 210 Shafor Blvd. between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., but must haul the mulch themselves and provide proof of residency. No commercial vehicles permitted.

Note: The mulch offered in 2015 was different than previous years. The 2016 mulch will be a similar product to what we offered in 2014 and in prior years.

Annual Fire Hydrant Flushing

The annual fire hydrant flushing will begin the week of April 18 and last approximately 5 weeks. Please watch for news releases in the Oakwood Register announcing the timing for your neighborhood.

Memorial Day Trash Pickup

Trash pickup for all routes the week of May 30 will occur 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.

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 are charged at \$100 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 front-end loader can safely access them (e.g., on driveways away from structures and fences).

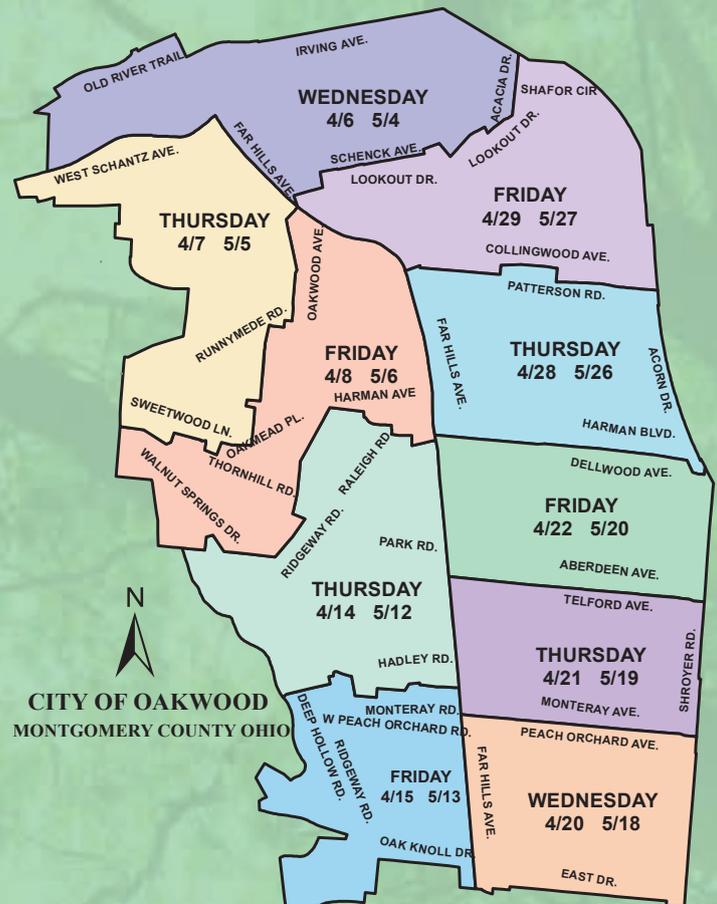
Debris Dumpsters

Debris dumpsters are ideal for remodeling projects. They can also be used as an alternative to special pickups. The dumpsters are available for disposing of resident generated debris only... no contractor generated debris is allowed. There is a \$75 delivery and pickup charge for the dumpsters. The person requesting the dumpster is also responsible for the costs incurred by the city for dumping the discarded materials.

Dumpsters for Yard Debris

If you would like to use a dumpster for disposing of brush and branch material, or other green waste, rather than waiting for the regularly scheduled monthly pickup, please call for a dumpster delivery. There is no charge when using dumpsters exclusively for yard debris disposal. Call 298-0777 to schedule this service.

YARD DEBRIS PICKUP SCHEDULE April and May



FAR HILLS AVE. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 4/14 & 5/12

SHROYER RD. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 4/21 & 5/19



THAT DAY IN MAY

Saturday, May 21 Schedule Of Events

(continued from cover)

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| <p>Pancake Breakfast – 8 A.M. To 11:30 A.M.
Oakwood High School Cafeteria</p> <p>Silent Auction – 8 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Oakwood High School Cafeteria Hallway</p> <p>Fun Run – 8:30 A.M.
Begins At Oakwood High School Stadium</p> | <p>Oakwood 5K & 10K Runs – 9 A.M.
Begins At Oakwood High School Stadium</p> <p>Community Parade – 12 Noon
Begins At Dorothy Lane Market On Shafor Boulevard To Stadium</p> <p>Battle Of The Bands – 12:30 P.M. To 3 P.M.
Oakwood High School Stadium</p> | <p>Games And Rides – 12 Noon To 4 P.M.
On Schantz Avenue Between Dellwood And Spirea Drive</p> <p>Displays, Car Show, Refreshments And Food – 12 Noon To 4 P.M.</p> |
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Summer Employment 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 Maintenance; General Maintenance (including roadways, water system and refuse collection); 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, the Community Center and the city website. Equal Opportunity Employer.

Important Leisure Services Department Dates

- Annual 6th Grade Dance: Friday, April 29, 8 – 9:30 p.m.
- Father/Daughter Dance: Saturday, April 30, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.
- American Red Cross Babysitting Course: Saturday, May 7, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

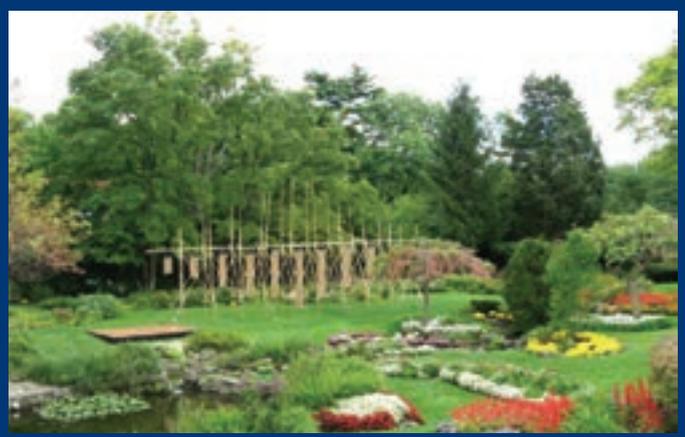
For more details, please contact the Community Center at 298-0775.

Holiday Closing

Monday, May 30 – 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 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 28 and from 12-5 p.m. on Sunday, May 29.

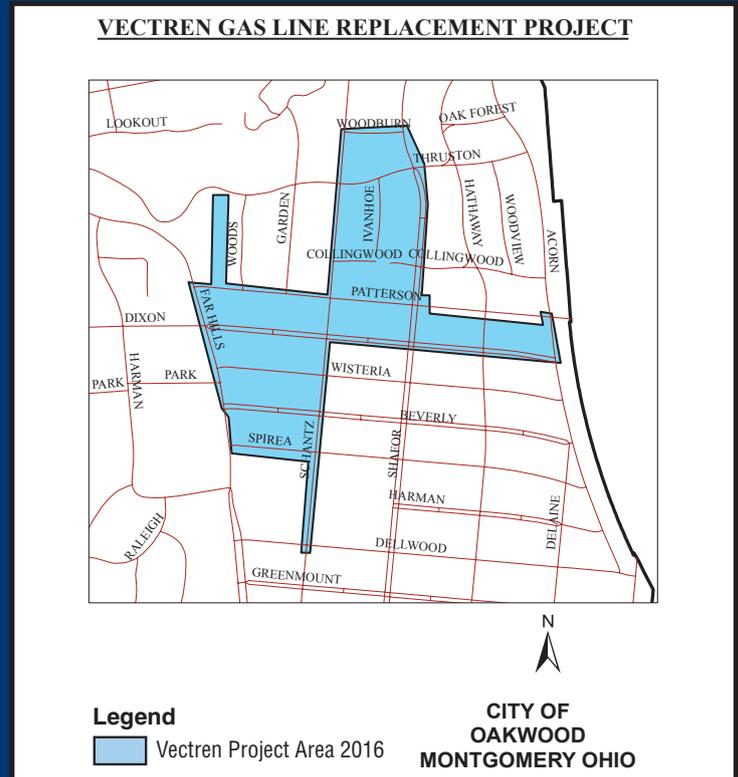
Friends Of Smith Gardens Perennial Sale

The 30th annual Friends of Smith Gardens Perennial Sale will be held on Friday, April 22 and Saturday, April 23 at the OCC, 105 Patterson Road. The hours are from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 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 is now available at the OCC, on our website, by mail, or by calling the OCC at 298-0777. Volunteers are needed to help. If anyone is interested, please contact Carol Collins at 298-0775.



2016 VECTREN GAS LINE IMPROVEMENTS

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



Tree Trimming Around Utility Lines



DP&L, or their contractors, routinely conduct tree trimming operations around power lines in Oakwood. This work is done within the public rights-of-way and also on private property. The trimming is necessary to maintain reliable and safe electric service throughout the community. Below are some important facts on the tree trimming program.

Why does DP&L trim trees near power lines?

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) requires DP&L to inspect and clear at least 20% of their power lines annually. This is critical to maintain reliable and safe electric power.

How much will be trimmed or cut?

Federal OSHA standards require 10 feet of line clearance. However, that is a minimum standard and does not mean that only 10 feet of material will be trimmed. Trimming is species-specific, taking into account the growth rate of trees and the length of time before trimmers will return to the same area. Typically, limbs and branches will be trimmed to allow at least 12-14 feet of clearance on all sides of power lines. Poles are also cleared from the ground up.

Does DP&L trim along service drops?

No. Service drops, which are the wire(s) connecting your home to a DP&L distribution line, are considered the homeowner's responsibility and are not part of DP&L's line clearance program.

Who does the trimming? What standards do they follow?

DP&L usually hires private contractors to conduct routine tree trimming. Lewis Tree Service, Inc., is currently one of those contractors. Whether trimming is performed by DP&L or a contractor, they generally follow standards developed by the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA) and the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA).

How will I know where tree trimming is scheduled to take place?

Work areas may include power lines within public rights-of-way and on private property. The city of Oakwood monitors trimming within public rights-of-way, but has no authority to monitor trimming on private property.

- **Public rights-of-way:** Oakwood's City Ordinances require that DP&L obtain an annual permit to trim trees within public rights-of-way (streets, alleys, sidewalks, tree lawn areas, etc.). The permit requires DP&L to inform the city of work areas in public rights-of-way.
- **Private property:** When work is planned on private property, DP&L or their private contractor should provide notice to each affected property owner at least 2 days in advance. Notices are usually hung on the door or mailed, and include contractor contact information. The city is not informed of work areas on private property.

Are tree trimmers allowed to enter my property?

Power lines on private property are usually located in utility easement areas, which gives DP&L or their contractors the right to enter and maintain those lines. Utility easements are filed with the Montgomery County Recorder's office, and copies are typically kept by DP&L. You may also wish to consult an attorney if you have specific questions about your property rights.

What happens to the cut material?

Trees are considered a homeowner's property. Small debris may be chipped and removed by DP&L's contractor as part of jobsite cleanup, but larger limbs and branches are typically cut, stacked, and left on site for the property owner to use or dispose. Disposal can be done through the city's monthly greenwaste collection, or by dropping off the material in the yard debris dumpster at the Dog Park parking lot.

Who can I contact if I have questions about trimming that will be done on my property?

If you have questions about work at your property, always contact DP&L's contractor first. They should be willing to meet you at your property to discuss the work. If that does not resolve your concerns, you should contact DP&L's line clearance department. If you are still unsatisfied with their responses, you can call City Horticulturist Brian Caldwell at 298-0775. The City Horticulturist may be able to influence the manner in which certain trimming is completed, but does not have power to issue orders that conflict with PUCO or OSHA regulations. To file a complaint about utility-based tree trimming, contact the PUCO at (800) 686-7826.

What can I do to prepare for tree trimming?

Homeowners should be certain that they completely understand the work to be done on their property. It is a good idea to take pictures of the trees prior to trimming and discuss with DP&L or the contractor the trimming that will be done. Most tree trimmers will try to work with customers regarding their concerns with trimming when possible.

What can I do to avoid having DP&L trim my trees?

Advance planning is key. The following are steps you can take to help avoid having DP&L trim trees in your yard:

- When planting trees in your yard, select a location away from power lines;
- Check with a nursery about the correct species of trees for planting in the space you have available;
- Trim all trees and bushes that are under and near power lines each year to keep them from growing toward the lines.

For more information about recommended trees to plant and where to locate them in relation to power lines, you may always contact the City Horticulturist at 298-0775.

KEY CONTACTS:

**DP&L Line Clearance
Department**
(888) 582-3213
www.dpandl.com

Lewis Tree Service, Inc.
(937) 679-2909
www.lewistree.com

**Public Utilities Commission of
Ohio (PUCO)**
(800) 686-7826
www.puco.ohio.gov

**City of Oakwood Dept. of
Leisure Services**
Brian Caldwell, City Horticulturist
(937) 298-0775
Email bcaldwell@oakwood.oh.us

April/May City Council Meetings

City Council will conduct public meetings on the following dates:

REGULAR SESSIONS:

7:30 p.m., Monday, April 4

7:30 p.m., Monday, May 2

WORK SESSIONS:

5:00 p.m., Monday, April 18

5:00 p.m., Monday, May 16

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



Gardner Pool Hours

Gardner Pool opens Saturday, May 28 and operates daily from Noon – 8 p.m.

Memberships can be purchased at the OCC. You must be an Oakwood resident to purchase a pool membership. 2016 rates at the same as 2015.

OCC Member Early Bird Discount By April 30, 2016		OCC Member After April 30, 2016		Non-OCC Member Early Bird Discount By April 30, 2016		Non-OCC Member Oakwood Residents After April 30, 2016	
Single	\$125.00	Single	\$170.00	Single	\$165.00	Single	\$215.00
Family	\$225.00	Family	\$275.00	Family	\$300.00	Family	\$350.00
Senior	\$65.00	Senior	\$95.00	Senior	\$105.00	Senior	\$135.00

2016 Sidewalk, Curb and Driveway Apron Project

The 2016 sidewalk, curb and driveway apron repair project will take place in the area east of Far Hills Avenue from Patterson Road to Irving Avenue. The purpose of the program is to maintain the concrete structures located within the city rights-of-way in good, safe condition. Residents affected by the work will receive personal notification regarding their responsibilities. Please call Engineering Technician Tom Long at 298-0777 if you have any questions. For those who choose to do the repair work themselves, please remember to obtain a permit in advance and that all work must be completed and inspected by June 3.





Picking up after your Pets

As a pet owner your responsibility doesn't end when your pet leaves your yard. There are few things that aggravate neighbors more than a pet owner who does not clean up after their pet. Dogipot stations are available throughout the city to help pet owners with an easy and safe clean-up. Besides being an unsightly mess, a number of common diseases can be transmitted to pets and people through feces. Failing to clean up after your pet is fineable under the Oakwood Administrative Code and is also technically a violation of the littering ordinance. Be a responsible pet owner and help keep our Oakwood community clean by picking up after your pets.

2015 Oakwood Income Tax Returns Due April 18

The City of Oakwood has a mandatory filing requirement for all residents. Every individual, 18 years of age or older, who resides in Oakwood, must file an Oakwood City income tax return, whether or not any tax is due. Retired residents who have income derived exclusively from non-taxable sources (interest, dividend, social security and/or pension income, etc.) must notify the tax office in writing in order to be exempt from the filing requirement.

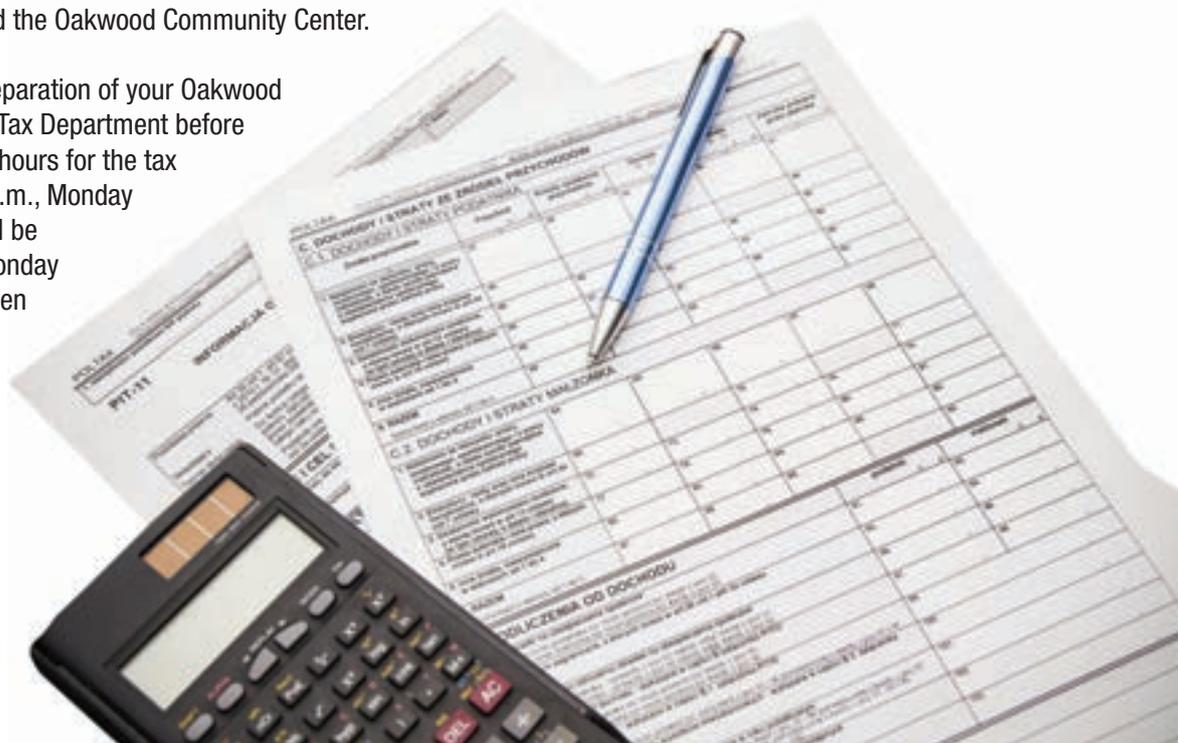
Should you require an extension of time to file your return, a copy of your federal extension must be submitted to our office on or before April 18, 2016. Payment of your estimated tax liability must accompany the request as an extension of time to file is not an extension of time to pay the tax due. An underpayment penalty and interest charges will be charged for all payments made after April 18. If no extension is filed, a late filing fee will apply.

The State of Ohio mandated changes to our municipal income tax ordinance. Moving forward into tax year 2016, if you estimate that you will have a tax balance due of \$200.00 or more, you are now required to make estimated tax payments. The first payment is due with your 2015 income tax return on April 18, 2016.

The 2015 Oakwood income tax return is available on the City's web site at www.oakwoodohio.gov. If you do not have internet access, forms will be made available at the City administrative offices, Wright Memorial Public Library and the Oakwood Community Center.

If you need assistance with the preparation of your Oakwood income tax return, please visit the Tax Department before March 31, 2016. 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 on Friday, April 15 and Monday April 18, when the office will be open until 6:00 p.m.

If you have any questions regarding your City of Oakwood income tax return, please contact the Income Tax Department at 298-0531.



Homecoming and Reunion Weekend Plans in Full Swing



HOMECOMING 2016

Homecoming and Reunion Weekend is scheduled for October 7-9, 2016

- *are you joining in on the fun?* Reunion plans are underway for 9 classes ('56, '61, '66, '71, '76, '81, '86, '91 and '96) who plan to host reunions - a fabulous turn out this year!

Save the Date! The Oakwood Schools Foundation will again host the **Come Back Lumberjack party on October 7** (at Dayton Country Club) after the football game for the Oakwood community (ages 21 and over) and all alumni. It's a party you won't want to miss!

The **Class Rep Lunch is scheduled for April 25** for alumni class representatives holding reunions this year or in 2017, to discuss the weekend events, what's new in Oakwood Schools, reunion details, and class gifts. To help our class representatives in their planning, the OHS Alumni Association provides updated class contact lists, and has planning resources such as schedules and class information including websites and Facebook pages listed on: www.oakwoodschoools.org under Community, then Oakwood Alumni Association. If you are planning a reunion and would like to attend the Class Rep Lunch, please contact OHS Alumni Director, Amy Martin.

Questions about Homecoming 2016 events or reunion planning? Contact OHS Alumni Association Director, Amy Martin at alumni@oakwoodschoools.org, or 937.298.8711.

Plans for Athletic Complex at Old River Nearing Completion

Fundraising Team Still Seeking New Contributions (continued from cover)

But recent fundraising success does not mean efforts are complete. An expanded scope, unforeseen construction costs and other requirements will impact total project cost. Even with the latest contributions, the OAP anticipates it will be seeking substantial additional support.

"We are still looking for major donors who are interested in supporting the project," stated Chris Eifert, President of the Oakwood Athletic Boosters and OAP team member. "Total dollar support has been great, but it has been achieved by less than 200 total donors. There are hundreds more families, individuals and alumni who love Oakwood Athletics or whose families will benefit from the new facility for decades to come. We really hope a whole new round of contributors will take a hard look at supporting the project.

In the meantime, a cross-functional project team and MSA Architects have finalized the overall layout of the complex and

support facilities. Construction documents were readied for bids in March in hopes of awarding the project this spring. After bids are received, the project team will consider the viability of completing construction of all major elements or a phased approach to implementation.

Donations can be made via The Dayton Foundation, details at www.oakwoodathleticproject.org. Contributions are tax-deductible as provided by law. Fundraising will likely continue through much of 2016.



Oakwood City Schools Federal Projects Reviewed

The Oakwood City School District receives federal funds through several sources, including those listed below. Public input on the use of these federal funds is welcome, and may be directed to Allyson Couch, Director of Educational Services, at 297-7802. The amounts below were approved for the 2015-2016 school year. In the near future, we will be renewing our applications for funding in 2016-17.

Received during the 2015-16 school year:

Title I - Targeted Assistance: Oakwood received \$131,919 to provide supplemental remedial reading instruction for elementary students – 1 Title I teacher, 1 paraprofessional, and administrative oversight.

Title II A - Improving Teacher Quality: Oakwood received \$27,044 towards the salary of a first grade teacher previously hired to reduce class size.

IDEA Part B - Special Education: Oakwood received \$313,272 to supplement state and local funds expended to provide salaries for 4 special education teachers and to pay for instructional services we purchase from Montgomery County ESC. These services include occupational therapy and physical therapy for special education students.

ECSE – Early Childhood Special Education: Oakwood received \$2,278 to support special education services for 3, 4, and 5 year old children with disabilities. These funds have been used to purchase services from Montgomery County ESC for OT and PT for special education students.

Ohio releases 2015 Local Report Card

In January and February, Ohio released the 2015 Local Report Card results, providing grades for graduation rate, K-3 literacy improvement, preparation for success, student achievement, progress, and gap closing. All Ohio district report cards are available at www.ode.state.oh.us.

The state results indicate that Oakwood students continue to be well prepared for their post-secondary pursuits and score at the top of the state. In spite of an ever-changing state system of accountability and the ongoing controversy about how Ohio school districts are graded, Oakwood teachers, parents, and community remain steadfast in our commitment to helping our students GROW.

Oakwood's Quality Profile is a valuable supplement to the local report card and provides a broader perspective and deeper understanding of the high-quality educational experiences Oakwood offers its students. View the Quality Profile online at www.oakwoodschoools.org.

Charities Win in OSF Philanthropy Competition

Joel and Angela Frydman, Michael Rado, Dennis Grant (URS), Jean Baker, Emma Gunn and Phil Schnell

At the February meeting of The Oakwood Schools Board, two charities were presented with checks totaling \$2,000 from the Oakwood Schools Foundation. The awards were based on student presentations advocating for an assigned charity as part of the Philanthropy 101 initiative. Philanthropy 101, a unit in the OHS Wall Street 101 class, emphasizes the importance of helping those less fortunate in our local community, through giving of one's time, talents, and/or treasure. Winning charities and student teams were: Habitat for Humanity of Dayton \$1000 (Jacob Frisbee, Jackson Jennings, Lucas Layman, Eric Morris, and Sam Moulton) and United Rehabilitation Services \$1000 (Jean Baker and Emma Gunn). In appreciation for their participation in the program, the following charities also received a donation of \$166: Adventure Central (program through Fiver Rivers Metroparks), Dayton Society of Natural History, and SICSA. The Oakwood Schools Foundation is thankful for the generous financial support from Joel and Angela Frydman.



Special thanks to Michael Rado, OHS Business Teacher, for incorporating the Philanthropy 101 unit into the curriculum again this past fall. The panel of judges was comprised of OSF Board of Trustees members: Patrick Armstrong, Darcy Plunkett and OSF Board Chair, Phil Schnell, as well as Britt Platt, OHS faculty member. Also on hand were OHS Principal, Paul Waller and Oakwood Superintendent, Dr. Kyle Ramey.

OSF Welcomes New Board Member

Laura Lee John is the newest elected member to The Oakwood Schools Foundation's Board of Trustees. Laura Lee John grew up outside of Columbus in Upper Arlington. Laura Lee attended The Ohio State University where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Business, Human Resource Management. She worked for MCI Telecommunications for 17 years starting in sales and then moved over to customer service, working her way up the management chain to Senior Customer Service Manager. Laura Lee and husband Calvin have lived in Oakwood since 2000. They have three children, sons Christopher (OHS '12) and Zachary (OHS '15), and daughter Natalee a seventh grader at OJHS. Laura Lee served on the Oakwood Athletic Boosters Board from 2012-2014 and currently serves on the OJHS/OHS PTO assisting with the New Students' Welcome Committee.

Laura Lee joins current Board of Trustees members: Doug Almoney, Jennifer Almoney, Patrick Armstrong, Lucy Baker, Irv Bieser, Julie Cannon, Chris Conard, Lindsey Deck, Joel Frydman, Matt Jessup, Bev Johnsen, Markus Kemper, Meredith Quigley, Dr. Kyle Ramey, and Phil Schnell.

For more than 30 years, the Oakwood Schools Foundation has provided significant annual support to our District by funding grants, scholarships and special wish list items, all for the benefit of Oakwood students. Thanks to the generosity of parents, alumni, students and the community, the Foundation has awarded more than \$700,000 since 1991 to fund teacher-proposed grants for state-of-the-art classroom technology, unique academic programs, innovative learning materials and more. Learn more about The Oakwood Schools Foundation online at www.oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org.

Four nominated for 2016 Sam Andrews Educational Hall of Honor

Letters of support requested by May 20, 2016

Members of the community, former students, and colleagues are asked to send letters of support for the following persons nominated for the 2016 Sam Andrews Educational Hall of Honor.

Deborah Corpus	OHS English Teacher, 1993-2001
Joseph Gural	OHS Social Studies Teacher, 1971-2001
Christine Murphy	E.D. Smith School Teacher, 1985-2005
Lewis Parlett	E. D. Smith School Custodian/Head Custodian, 1975-2007

Letters of support should include how the nominee has made “a distinguished and significant contribution toward the beneficial growth and education of the students in this community which shall serve to commemorate the high ideals that characterized the life and career of Sam Andrews.” Please include as much information as possible for the nominee so that s/he may receive optimum consideration by the Selection Committee.

Send letters to Dr. Kyle Ramey, Superintendent, Oakwood Board of Education, 20 Rubicon Road, Oakwood, OH 45409, or via email at ramey.kyle@oakwoodschoools.org.

For information please visit www.oakwoodschoools.org/Community/Honors, or contact Sandy Maresh at the Oakwood Board of Education, (937) 297-5332 or maresh.sandy@oakwoodschoools.org.

Save the Date! October 6, 2016 | 4 p.m. | Dayton Country Club
Join us for the 2016 Induction Ceremony

40 assets

In Our Schools

building blocks for healthy
development of young people

Assets: 3 Other Adult Relationships,
8 Caring School Climate,
14 Adult Role Model



Pictured: Josh Dear, Molly Achbach, Lynn Cowell, Heather Jacobs, Teresa Harris, Elizabeth Uptegrove, Sarah Patterson. Not pictured: Shawn Fry and Lisa Henry

Staff members took “GRIT: The Great Equalizer” on the road again to the University of Dayton for current and future educators. They shared their passion for intentionally developing grit and a growth mindset for students through the Oakwood’s GRIT and Harmanize programs.



Join us for these upcoming events:

- 4/2 7-10 p.m. Athletic Booster Fundraiser at OCC
- 4/14 6-8 p.m. Celebration of the Arts at Smith
- 4/16 7 p.m. OHS One Act Festival
- 5/10 7 p.m. Cherry Pie Concert at OHS
- 5/11 7 pm. OHS Spring Choir Concert
- 5/12 7-8:30 p.m. A Grand Affair at Harman

2016-17 Kindergarten Information

- **Kindergarten Parent Orientation:**
April 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
- **Kindergarten Screening:**
Week of April 11, 2016 by appointment only

If you missed Kindergarten registration in March, then April is the time to register.

Athletic Passes for Senior Citizens

Residents of Oakwood who are at least age 65 qualify for an athletic pass, good for free admission to all home athletic games, excluding tournaments. The pass will admit the holder and one guest. Please visit the Board Office at 20 Rubicon Road to obtain a pass.

OAKWOOD CITY SCHOOLS APRIL/MAY 2016

April 2016

- 4/2 7-10 p.m. Athletic Booster Fundraiser**
- 4/5 11:45 a.m. OHS Parent/Principal Advisory
- 4/7 & 4/8 7 p.m. Harman 6th Grade Musical for Families (Ticketed)
- 4/11 7 p.m. Board of Education Meeting at OHS
- 4/12 12 p.m. Smith PO Meeting
- 4/14 6-8 p.m. Smith Celebration of the Arts**
- 4/15 11:43 a.m. Dismissal/PD Half Day**
- 4/16 7 p.m. OHS One Act Festival**
- 4/21 7 p.m. OHS College Admissions Panel
- 4/22 7 p.m. OJHS Dance
- 4/23 6:30 OHS Prom
- 4/28 7 p.m. OJHS Band Concert

May 2016

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- 5/13 11:43 a.m. Dismissal/PD Half Day**
- 5/19 11:45 a.m. OJHS/OHS PTO Meeting
- 5/19 11:45 a.m. OHS Spring Sports Recognition
- 5/22 6:30 p.m. Class of 2016 Baccalaureate
- 5/23 7:30 pm. Class of 2016 Commencement
- 5/26 7 p.m. Smith 6th Grade Recognition
- 5/26 7 p.m. Smith 6th Grade Recognition
- 5/27 11:45 a.m. Harman Hotdog Lunch
- 5/27 Last Day for Students

The Oakwood Schools master calendar can be viewed online at:

www.oakwoodschoools.org

Check out our website!

The Oakwood City Schools web site is a great source of information about events and activities of the district and schools. Read the district and school newsletters and much more. **Check us out at** www.oakwoodschoools.org





Wright Memorial Public Library

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

On your mark, get set, READ!

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Inside, catch a demonstration of our newest makerboxes. And of course, register for Summer Reading Club to track your reading and win prizes all summer long. Kids don't forget to grab a deck of cards when you sign up.

Can't make the kickoff event? Register anytime this summer.

On May 29, the library will host the Shark Cart program from the Newport Aquarium to allow patrons to learn about sharks and get up close with these amazing creatures.

Registration is required.

Summer Reading Club is for adults, too. Adults can sign up at the Reference Desk on or after May 28 to earn prizes and attend programs designed to "Exercise your Mind."

A full schedule of weekly programs and special events will be released in late May. Visit wrightlibrary.org for all details.

We will meet you at the starting line for a marathon of summer reading excitement!

Develop a roadmap to financial success at April workshop

Have you ever wondered where your hard-earned money goes each month? How can you meet expenses, pay off debt, increase savings, and meet other financial goals? Tim Brandon of Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS) can help. Brandon, a certified credit and housing counselor with 15 years of experience in the financial industry, will present a Responsible Money Management Workshop **2 p.m. Saturday April 30** at Wright Library.

The workshop is designed to help you develop a spending plan that will act as a roadmap to your financial success. By being proactive, you take control of your situation and set up goals that work toward your financial stability.

New Makerboxes

Seven new makerboxes are on their way this summer. See demos at the Summer Reading Club kickoff May 28.

- **Arduino, Raspberry Pi and Makey Makey Kits:** Create interactive inventions galore with these kits!
- **Building:** This Makerbox includes GoldieBlox, Playmags and other cool building sets.
- **Codes and Circuits:** Try your hand at snap circuits and games that support coding and programming.
- **Movie-Making:** Check out a GoPro camera, animation studio and more!
- **Oral History:** Record your family's stories with this special equipment.
- **Pottery:** Comes with a pottery wheel and tools.
- **Wright Brothers:** Take a unicycle for a ride, build your own Wright "B" Flyer and more.

Wright Library hosts inside look at UD Chapel Renovation *Two April events share story of acclaimed project*



Join David A. Schimdt, assistant vice president of construction management at the University of Dayton, for an in-depth discussion of the renovation of The Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, on Sunday, April 3, 2 p.m. at Wright Library. As UD's project manager for the renovation, Schmidt collaborated with architect Ken Brightman, contractor Danis Construction, and the University Chapel Committee. He worked with priests, lay ministers, university staff and officials, artists, and musicians, and was involved with all phases of the project, from planning through construction. In August 2015, the newly renovated Chapel of the Immaculate Conception was rededicated with great acclaim. **Renovating UD's Chapel: The Architecture of Sacred Space, Sunday, April 3, 2 p.m.**

Chapel Tour April 10, 2 -3:30 p.m.

In partnership with Wright Memorial Public Library, University of Dayton will be offering community tours of the newly renovated Chapel of the Immaculate Conception from 2-3:30 p.m. on Sunday April 10. Knowledgeable tour guides will showcase the magnificent interior and discuss the design, construction, and liturgical considerations involved with updating U.D.'s historic Chapel. The Chapel of the Immaculate Conception is a universally accessible, LEED Gold certified, vibrant sacred space, the very heart of University of Dayton. Photography is permitted. Convenient parking is available in B Lot off of Stewart Street or P Lot off of Brown Street.



Learn to protect your privacy at Wright Library

In an age of identity theft, credit card hacking, online bullying, and social media, it is imperative to protect your family's personal and financial information. Learn how to keep your family secure in this interactive, practical and enlightening session presented by attorney Scot Ganow. Scot will address issues relevant to both children and adults, including basics of privacy law in the United States, information security, social media, mobile devices, gaming consoles, cyber bullying, the Internet and the Internet of Things.



Scot Ganow is an attorney in the Dayton office of Faruki Ireland & Cox P.L.L., where his practice focuses on information privacy and security law. A former chief privacy officer for healthcare and pharmaceutical informatics companies, Scot also holds the Certified Information Privacy Professional certification. He presents and writes extensively on the topics of data protection and de-identification, and moderates panels on privacy around the country. Scot is a graduate of Baylor University and University of Dayton School of Law, where he is also an adjunct professor of law.

Fairytales Do Come True!



Wright Library's meeting room will be transformed into scenes straight from the storybooks on Saturday, April 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. for the Special Family Event, Fairy Tale Universe.

Children (preschool through third grade) and their families can play imaginatively with Red Riding Hood, do STEM activities with the Three Little Pigs and Jack and the Beanstalk, and craft with the Princess and the Pea! The event will be filled with learning and family fun.

April

- 1 Books & Blocks (I,P) 10:30 a.m.; Writer's Cafe (A) 7 p.m.
- 2 Picture This! (E) 10:30 a.m.
- 3 Renovating UD's Chapel: the Architecture of Sacred Space (A) 2 p.m.; Next Chapter Book Club (Adults with Developmental Disabilities) 2 p.m.; Picture This! (E) 2 p.m.
- 4 Baby Storytime (I) 10:30 a.m.; Art & Authors (E) 4 p.m.
- 5 Terrific Tales on Tuesday (P) 10:30 a.m.; Teen Writing Club (T) 6:30 p.m.
- 8 Books & Blocks (I,P) 10:30 a.m.; Teen Café (T) 6:30 p.m.
- 9 Special Family Event: Fairytale Universe (F) 10:30 a.m.
- 10 Chapel of the Immaculate Conception Open House and Tour @ University of Dayton 2 p.m.; Next Chapter Book Club (Adults with Developmental Disabilities) 2 p.m.; Let's Go Lego (E) 2 p.m.
- 11 Baby Storytime (I) 10:30 a.m.; Art & Authors (E) 4 p.m.
- 12 Terrific Tales on Tuesday (P) 10:30 a.m.; Teen Writing Club (T) 6:30 p.m.; Book Club (A) 7 p.m.
- 13 Teen Advisory Board (T) 3:30 p.m.
- 14 Device Users' Group (A) 1:30 p.m.
- 15 Books & Blocks (I,P) 10:30 a.m.; Writer's Cafe (A) 7 p.m.
- 16 Paws To Read (E) 2 p.m.
- 17 Far Hills Speaker Series: The Other Assassination Attempt: Fanny Seward and the Night of Horrors (A) 2 p.m.; Next Chapter Book Club (Adults with Developmental Disabilities) 2 p.m.
- 18 Baby Storytime (I) 10:30 a.m.; Art & Authors (E) 4 p.m.
- 19 Terrific Tales on Tuesday (P) 10:30 a.m.; Teen Writing Club (T) 6:30 p.m.; Poetry Reading (A) 7 p.m.
- 22 Books & Blocks (I,P) 10:30 a.m.
- 24 Next Chapter Book Club (Adults with Developmental Disabilities) 2 p.m.; Let's Go Lego (E) 2 p.m.
- 25 Baby Storytime (I) 10:30 a.m.; Art & Authors (E) 4 p.m.
- 26 Terrific Tales on Tuesday (P) 10:30 a.m.; Teen Writing Club (T) 6:30 p.m.
- 28 Device Users' Group (A) 1:30 p.m.
- 29 Books & Blocks (I,P) 10:30 a.m.
- 30 Financial Wellness Workshop (A) 2 p.m.

May

- 6 Writers' Cafe (A) 7 p.m.
- 7 Online Security: Protect Your Family's Privacy (A) 2 p.m.
- 10 Book Club (A) 7 p.m.
- 12 Device Users' Group (A) 1:30 p.m.
- 15 Far Hills Speaker Series: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Normandy Farm (The story of Richard H. Grant, Sr.) (A) 2 p.m.
- 17 Wright Library Poets (A) 7 p.m.
- 20 Writers' Cafe (A) 7 p.m.
- 26 Device Users' Group (A) 1:30 p.m.
- 28 **Summer Reading Club "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" Kick Off Party 10-5 p.m.**
- 29 Shark Cart (Registration Required)
- 30 MEMORIAL DAY LIBRARY CLOSED
- 31 Terrific Tales on Tuesdays (P) 10:30 a.m.; Teen Writing Group (T) 6:30 p.m.

Key: (I) Infant, (P) Preschool, (E) Elementary, (T) Teen, (A) Adult, (F) Family

Celebrate National Poetry Month

Celebrate National Poetry Month with Wright Memorial Public Library!

During the month of April visitors of all ages will encounter poetry in the stacks, with poems in cozy corners, on book shelves, in study areas and gathering spaces throughout the Library. Many of the poems are favorites contributed by your Oakwood neighbors. Watch for these hidden gems when you visit the library, and if your eye is caught by the sparkle of a poem, stop to read it and let poetry work its magic.

Poetry Reading & Open Mic - 7 p.m. Tuesday April 19 at Wright Library. Wright Library Poets will be reading, followed by an Open Mic. Everyone is welcome!



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Michael Wadham is an Asset Builder!

The 2015-2016 school year marks Michael Wadham's eighth year with the Oakwood School District, and in that time, he has served as the director and choreographer for various musicals and plays. He has also worked with The Vandalia Youth Theatre Company for the last thirteen years, serving as director, choreographer, producer, designer, and Artistic Director. Michael will graduate from Wright State University in the spring of 2017 with a bachelor's degree in social work, and is currently completing an internship at Catholic Social Services.

Co-creator of The Oakwood Theatre and Drama Club (OTDC), along with staff OHS staff members Kelsey Jackson and Jenna Hill, Michael says that the OTDC's mission is to provide a variety of exciting, educational and diverse theatrical opportunities to the students throughout the year, that they may gain as many of the numerous benefits the art provides as possible.

Adding to the excitement of the OHS fall play and spring musical, the OTDC produces the annual Students and Teachers Talent Show in the winter, as well as the annual All-Student Written/Performed/Directed One Act Play Festival Invitational in the spring. Every four years OTDC takes OHS students to New York City on a theatre immersion trip, where they are exposed to Broadway performers and music directors, workshops, and performances, further enhancing their theatrical education.

Michael has always admired the 40 Assets and states, "The work students do together in our time in the theatre is very important to their development, both professional and personal. While theatre is considered an 'extracurricular,' the lessons and values it teaches are vital in creating innovative and dynamic members of society."

Look for the OTDC's 2016 spring musical *Children of Eden*, which marks Michael's 10th production at OHS, and 40th production over the last decade.

Assets: 3 Other Adult Relationships | 5 Caring School Climate | 5 Youth as Resources | 9 Service to Others | 10 Safety | 14 Adult Role Model | 16 High Expectations | 17 Creative Activities | 18 Youth Programs | 27 Equality and Social Justice | 30 Responsibility | 33 Interpersonal Competence | 38 Sense of Purpose

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