

MAYOR GARLICH'S MESSAGE BOARD



I just returned from a week's vacation with my entire family (granddaughters included) and now need to take a vacation to recover from a vacation. It was very enjoyable and as we traveled over the 4th of July, we saw many creative displays of patriotism in many different areas. I love summer and I love this country.

It is hard for me to believe it is mid July. The Village continues to stay busy with events. We hosted our second successful shred day where the M.A.C (Middlefield Activities Committee) committee assisted in shredding 7.75 tons of paper. This is a lot of paper and equates to saving 131.75 trees, 23.25 cubic yards of landfill, 465 pounds of air pollutants and 155 gallons of water. In addition, it provided a secure and efficient method for residents and businesses to eliminate unwanted documents.

Cold Blue Steele performed at our Concert in the Park. I was skeptical about this type of event but supported the M.A.C and to my surprise it was well attended and a great evening. The gazebo at the splash park was the perfect venue. We played corn hole listened to music from my era, which is the best, and had an opportunity to visit with neighbors and friends we don't often see. A second event is planned for Friday Aug. 9; all are invited to a free, enjoyable evening.

The Cops n' Kids Fishing Fun Day took place on June 30. I was unable to be there but I know it was well attended and ran smoothly. This is an annual event and other areas are holding them as well, as it is a great way for children to compete, interact with officers and vice versa. "Nice job" to our Recreation Department and police officers for making this event a success.

The sixth of July was our first Middlefield Village Farmers Market. It will be held weekly in Mineral Lake Park until the end of September. It was fantastic. Quality people came to buy quality products. Our vendors strive to sell locally produced and locally made goods. Items available from many of the vendors will change as fruits and vegetables come in to season. You will not find a more enjoyable venue to do your weekly shopping. You can enjoy good weather, visit with neighbors, enjoy a cup of coffee or lemonade and purchase high-quality items which you know are being produced and made right here in our area. I encourage each of you to visit the Market as different special events are planned for each week.

Middlefield Summer Fest is only a few weeks away. (July 27) This year the event is a joint effort with the M.A.C and Middlefield Chamber of Commerce. Events are planned for the entire day including lots of food, a grand parade and all-day entertainment. We've had tremendous response for parade participation and the Grand Marshal this year is Roy "Dusty" Rogers Jr. I am looking forward to a fun-filled day concluding with fireworks in the downtown area. All the events take time and energy from individuals that volunteer their time. I cannot adequately express my appreciation for their efforts in helping make Middlefield Village a better place to live.