

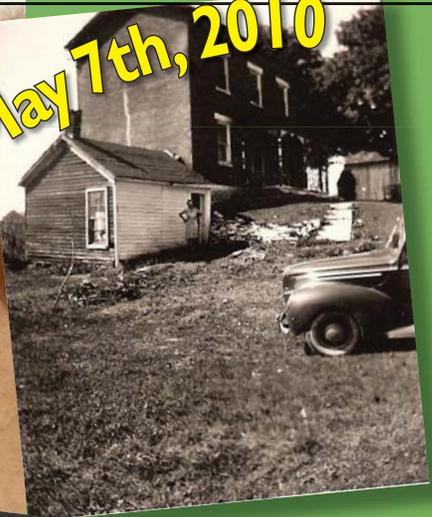
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May 7th, 2010

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Madison Life Squad Building

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As you've may have noticed, **Madison Township is celebrating its 200 anniversary this year! May 7th, 1810**, is the actual date we became a township. "At a meeting of James Smith, James Blackburn, and William Robinson, commissioners on petition of some of the inhabitants of Lemon Township, it was ordered, that so much of the said township of Lemon as lies within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning on the west bank of the Miami at the southwest corner of township number 1 of the boundary line of the said county of Butler; thence east with the said northern boundary line to the Miami; thence south and southwardly with the meanders of the Miami to the place of beginning,-- shall compose a township which shall be called and known by the name of Madison Township'. The Township was named in honor of the President of the United States at that time, with his wife Dolley, was one of the nation's best-loved First Ladies (as described in the 1882 History of Butler County).

In celebrating our governments past, it seems fitting to remember a few of those who served above and beyond:

- Longest serving Trustee: Wallace M. Diver – 30 yrs
- Longest serving Fiscal Officer: Carl H. Sigel – 35 yrs
- Longest serving Administrator – Bill Mcguire - 14 yrs.

For celebrating the 200th anniversary of Madison Township, we will be partnering with the Madison Township Historical Society and Spring-Fest, on May 8th at the Madison Sr/Jr High School. We would like to offer a special invitation to any township Trustee, Fiscal Officer/Clerk, Administrator, or employee to be recognized for their past service.

Township Questions...DO YOU KNOW???

Here's a few questions we have and we're looking for the answers to be submitted back to us before **May 7th**. The answers will be announced at the **May 8th** celebration.

1. Who is the oldest living resident in Madison Township?
2. What is the oldest business still in existence in Madison?
3. Who has the longest residency in Madison?
4. What family has the most family members living inside Madison?
5. Who is the newest family to move into Madison?
6. What is the current, estimated population of Madison?

If you think you know the answers to any of these questions, please let us know and the answers will be announced at our celebration on May 8th! You can submit your answers by calling our office at 513-424-0821 or emailing the question and answer to ToddF@MadisonTownshipOnline.com.

The ceremonies for the township will began around 1:00 pm on the outdoor stage or if weather doesn't permit, on the main stage located in schools auditorium.

If you have any questions or more information you'd like to provide about the history of Madison Township.

MISSION STATEMENT OF MADISON TOWNSHIP

The mission of Madison Township is to serve the best interests of our residents by providing and maintaining a safe, healthy, and enjoyable community in which to live, work and play. To protect the general welfare of our rural community by utilizing efficient and effective public services and being dedicated to increasing the quality of life for our residents.

Roots

By June Gilmore

FROM THE 1800s



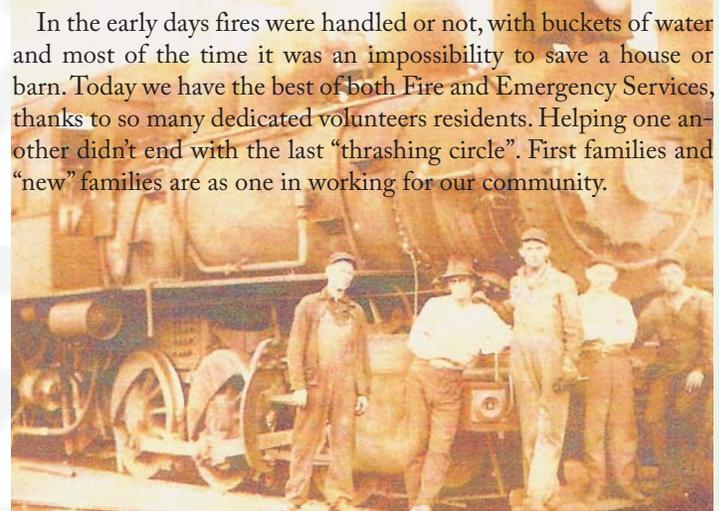
Madison Township has come a long way from the time of the division of Lemon Township. Many of the founding families have moved to other areas and their family name now carries that of the men who married their daughters and granddaughters. There are still quite a few residents who can trace their roots to the early 1800s, but a large number of well recognized persons trace their families to the 1930s, when Armco, the paper mills, and tobacco factory were in full swing. The rural setting and the wages from Middletown made Madison Township the best place for their homes.

We have moved from the agricultural society of the 1800s and early 1900s to a bedroom community for the surrounding areas of Middletown, Hamilton, Cincinnati, and Dayton. The farms that supported families in the early years are now producing building lots for their own families and new families who desire the fresh air and good schools of Madison. We wouldn't have the schools of today without the dedication of those early settlers. Our school leaders and trustees have always had the well being of the residents of Madison in mind when they made way for good roads and the best of educational situations. We have grown from gravel roads to paved roads and from one room schools to the consolidation of facilities into now three central buildings, soon to be one large building.

In the 1800s we had water from the creeks and wells. Our toilets were a small

(necessary) building in the backyard. We had kerosene lanterns and candles for light or possibly, if we were lucky, we had a Delco system that produced electric lights. Communication was by word of mouth or letters. We now have electricity, indoor plumbing, and "city" water. The coal stoves are replaced with gas or electric and fire place cooking is done on a grill on the patio. Baths are now in the shower or tub rather than behind the wood or coal stove. Phones were the best thing to happen in the 1900s and are now replaced with e-mails, but we still have the dedicated mailman.

In the early days fires were handled or not, with buckets of water and most of the time it was an impossibility to save a house or barn. Today we have the best of both Fire and Emergency Services, thanks to so many dedicated volunteers residents. Helping one another didn't end with the last "thrashing circle". First families and "new" families are as one in working for our community.



Historical pictures provided by June E. Gilmore

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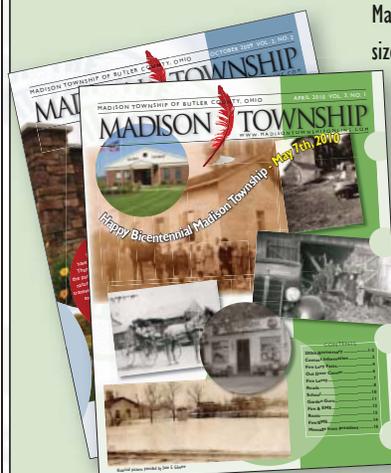


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FireLevy *Fact & Figures*



2010 MADISON TOWNSHIP 2 MILL FIRE LEVY FACTS AND FIGURES

HISTORY

- The last levy passed for Madison Township was a Fire Levy in 1981.
- In 2006 Madison Township acquired Madison Township Life Squad Inc.
- In 2009, the Fire Dept. and the Life Squad were combined into one department.
- The current levy and the new levy will be exclusively for supporting the Fire Department and Life Squad

COST TO RESIDENT

- Current cost to a \$100,000 residence is approx. \$1/month.
- The new levy would cost a \$100,000 residence approx. \$5/month.
- If the levy passes, the total cost to a \$100,000 residence would be approx. \$6/month.
- **The current Life Squad Membership is \$55/yr. If the levy passes, there will no longer be Life Squad memberships beginning in 2011, because all Madison Township residents would be covered for Fire/EMS services. No residents will be personally billed or financially responsible for any Fire/EMS services. We will only bill your insurance company.**

If you have any thoughts, ideas, questions or concerns, please contact our Administration building at 513-424-0821 or visit our website at www.MadisonTownshipOnline.com and submit your question via our online "Fire Levy Q&A section".

REVENUE

- The current Fire levy brings in approx. \$125,000/yr.
- The Life Squad billing brings in approx. \$126,000/yr.
- The new levy would produce approx. \$394,398/yr. in revenue.

EXPENSE

It currently takes approximately \$400,000 annually to operate the Fire/EMS Department.

The Fire Dept is all volunteer and the Life Squad is volunteer with part time employees working M-F, 5 AM -5 PM. Approx. \$175,000 is disbursed in payroll and withholdings for approx. 70 fire fighters and life squad members.

Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation	\$35,500
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TURKEY SEASON

Regrettably deer season has come and gone. However, Spring is here and along with it comes turkey season.

Season begins April 19th - May 16th for gobblers only. Fall season allows gobblers or hens to be taken. Ohio has estimated 200,000 wild turkeys are in our state and season is open state wide.

Last year Ohio had its third highest turkey harvest on record, behind 2001-2002 harvest records. Many factors can control turkey population--weather conditions, food abundance, predators and human pressure can dictate survival.

Just like deer in the fall, spring of the year is the rut for turkey. Along with it comes lots of turkey activity from calling and gobbling to fighting and mating.

The shotgun has to be the gun of choice for turkey hunting. Although some hunters prefer the challenge of a bow. Two favorite tactics for turkey hunting are the Run and Gun and Blind Hunting. Both are effective ways to hunt turkey.

You don't have to be an expert caller to harvest a turkey. It's when and how you use your calls. The all time favorite call is the Box Call. Other types are Diaphragms, Slate and Striker. There are also homemade calls, which are more for the experts.

Turkeys used to be seldom seen in this county and surrounding counties but now we have many sightings in Madison Township. The best place for hunting turkey is on private land. However public land offers many opportunities also.

Be Careful. Be safe. Be aware of others. A safe hunt is a successful hunt.



Tim Blashock posing with his prize.

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Roads

By Todd Daniels - Road Superintendent

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SUMMER just around the corner

As summer approaches here are a few things you will see going on around our township this year.

- As was mentioned in our fall 2009 issue we will be budgeting \$150,000.00 for paving this year which will include a top course of asphalt on station 153 as well as 1 1/2" course on Keister Rd. from Beck to Franklin Madison.
- As of this print the Township crew is in the process of building two picnic shelters in our park courtesy of a \$25,000.00 grant from the Middletown Community Foundation. One will be 30'x52' located near the baseball diamonds. The other will be a 18'x26' located on the east end of the park to offer shelter and shaded viewing of the main soccer fields.
- The park continues to offer over 6000 lin. ft. of walking paths as well as 6200' of nature trail which were completed last summer.
- As many of you know we have recycle containers at the Madison Township Admin. Building. The red container is to be used for any and all paper products. We receive dollars back for this container and it is turning into a significant amount. This money is earmarked into our park fund to be used for capitol improvements or any general maint. project that might come up. Please continue to utilize this container and service.
- In an effort to keep our Township clean the BCSO will continue to do roadside pickups during the summer months.
- Even though we had above average snowfall this past winter season the Township only used approximately 540 tons compared to last years 560 tons at a cost of around \$32,000.00. I would like to compliment my drivers for their hard work and efficiency.
- As we go thru the summer months please report if you happen to notice
 - Excess trash or tires along the roadway
 - Any damaged roads potholes etc.
 - Any fallen or leaning trees that appear to be a hazard
 - Any other obstruction in or along the write away that may create a hazard.

We appreciate your help in this matter to help create a more beautiful and safe Township.

Lastly I would like to say congratulations to our Varsity boys and girls basketball teams. You have been a source of great pride and excitement for our community that will be talked about for years to come. Not only did you bring this community together for a common cause but you brought back alumni from years past living in other states to come back and cheer you on.



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Pictured is the spot for the soon to be built larger shelter in the Maidson Township Community Park.

Shelters for Community Park

As Spring is coming and new things are growing up from the ground, come to the community park and see what else is coming up!

By the time you read this, we will probably be completed with building at least one, if not both, of the new shelters being erected in our park! We wish to say a very big THANK YOU to the MIDDLETOWN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION for granting us \$25,000 for this great addition to our park. The largest of the two shelters will be 30 ft. by 52 ft. and the smaller will be 18 ft. by 26 ft. Neither of these shelters could have been built if it were not for the generosity of Middletown Community Foundation and the grant which paid for all the material. Credit also needs to be given to our super crew on the road department, which will be building the structures.

Through being prudent, wise, and efficient in our purchasing, we were able to save enough money on the first shelter to purchase material for the second shelter. Again, none of this could have happened without the Middletown Community Foundation supporting our park. If you know someone who is a part of the MCF, please pass along a great big Thank You to them for supporting Madison Township! We would also like to thank the Dennis Beatty Architectural business for his donation of the needed drawings and certifications and Shamrock Materials for their donation.

Come to YOUR community park this Spring and Summer and see what is going on!



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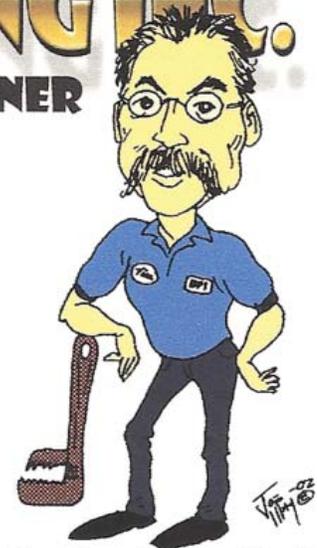
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Schools

By Allyson Malott, Senior
at Madison Jr./Sr. High

BASKETBALL STORIES

Now that the township has settled back into its “normal” routine and practices have started for spring sports, it has given me some time to think about the last month. People, myself included, spend so much time looking forward to events in the future. Just a month ago the basketball team and I were anxiously preparing and waiting for the state basketball tournament. Imagining what it would be like to play at the Schottenstein Center under the lights with hundreds of screaming fans. Now that the season is over, I wish we would have savored the time in the gym a little more. I wish I could go back and take a few moments just to stand on the floor and recognize how monumental it was to be playing for the state championship...because all we have left now of the amazing 2009-2010 season are memo-



roles in the hard work and dedication it took to obtain their record breaking season. All six of these seniors will go on to do great things and thanks to all the tremendous Mohawks Fans and community members in Madison Township, they will always have a place to call home back here with their Mohawk family.



ries. However, it is something everyone involved will remember for the rest of their lives. Although we came up one game short, the Mohawk community treated us like we had just brought home an Olympic gold medal. The support throughout the entire season, especially tournament time, was absolutely unbelievable. It was heart wrenching to come home and hop off a charter bus to the sound of hundreds of fans, chanting our names. It gave me goose bumps to stand on the court and look up at the thousands of people, in a sea of red, clapping to our fight song. I think I can speak on behalf of the boys' team as well when I say that we couldn't have made a combined record of 52-2 without the incredible support of this township. So I want to thank everyone who came out to watch us this season, whether you drove five minutes to our home gym at Madison, 1 hour to watch our boys at the University of Dayton, or two and a half hours to Columbus- trust me, it made a difference and I hope it was worth it!

With the conclusion of this basketball season we will no longer be able to watch the seniors play on their home court. For the Lady Mohawks, our trip to the State Finals wouldn't have been possible without seniors Lindsay Hoskins and Adrienne Lehman. They were the heart and soul of our team and words cannot describe how much we will miss them. For the boys, Justin Brunswick, Mark Maloney, Tyler Dietz, and Cole Fennel, all played essential

Awards & Achievements

GIRLS VARSITY (27-1)

- Division III SWBL League Champions, Sectional Champions, District Champions,
- Regional Champions
- 2010 Division III State Runner-up
- SWBL Girls' Basketball All-League First Team: Ally Malott, Lindsay Hoskins
- SWBL Girls' Basketball All-League Player of the Year: Ally Malott
- SWBL Girls' Basketball All-League Honorable Mention: Rachel Blevins, Brittany Shields
- SWBL Girls' Basketball League All-Star Game: Adrienne Lehman
- Ohio North/South All-Star Game: Lindsay Hoskins
- District 15 Player of the Year: Ally Malott
- District 15 Coach of the Year: John Rossi

BOYS VARSITY (24-1)

- Division III SWBL League Champions, Sectional Champions, District Champions
- SWBL Boys' Basketball All-League First Team: Justin Brunswick, Matt Houser, Mark Maloney
- SWBL Boys' Basketball All-League Player of the Year: Mark Maloney
- SWBL Boys' Basketball All-League Honorable Mention: Tyler Dietz, Josh Foster
- SWBL Buckeye Division Coach of the Year: Jeff Smith
- Ohio North/South All-Star Game: Mark Maloney
- District 15 Player of the Year: Mark Maloney
- District 15 Coach of the Year: Jeff Smith

GardenGuru

By Rick Henry

BACKYARD COMPOSTING



A true gardener is a different sort of person in many ways. We who love to cultivate and to plant understand in a unique way about the oneness of creation. For us, the axiom “hope never dies within a true gardener’s heart,” is self-evident. As well, through our gardening, we who nurture and train-up are even able to see beauty in decay. And, it is in this latter expression that we find our present topic which is about composting in your own backyard.

No one should be intimidated about attempting to begin with backyard composting for two reasons. Firstly, because all organic matter eventually decomposes on its own, this is a natural process. Secondly, because all we are doing is simply speeding up and increasing in intensity this natural process.

There are possibly as many different styles of compost boxes and bins as there are people who use them. Some are very elaborate triple bin systems with free-standing roofs that are made from expensive materials, while others are very simple--sometimes made from used pallets or extra cinder blocks. However, the single most determining factor in selecting a composting system is what would work best for you. Space does not permit a detailed exploration of this here; however, there is much information available about both the design and placement of your system on the Internet and at the local library. After seeing a few different options, it should be very clear which style of compost box best meets your needs.

There are really just a few simple rules to follow when composting both yard and kitchen waste. And, as long as these guidelines are followed even someone who has never composted before will achieve

good results the first time. You can use much of your household waste to make a very beneficial compost for your garden. You can add to your compost pile grass clippings, leaves, and small woody brush. You can add materials like shredded paper, sawdust, vegetable and fruit scraps, coffee grounds, and livestock manure. Examples of things not to use are meat scraps, dog or cat manure, and any plant material that is diseased. In general the more things like leaves and wood you use (carbon) the slower the pile will decompose, and the more things like grass clippings and livestock manure you use (nitrogen) the faster the pile will decompose. Generally, for sweet smelling compost a carbon-nitrogen ratio of 25 parts carbon to 1 part nitrogen is recommended. With the proper materials in the compost box, turning your compost with a pitch fork or garden spade is all that remains. This turning action/aeration provides oxygen for the microorganisms that are responsible for decomposition. This is important, so turn your pile often and well! For more information and additional links, please visit the following website address: http://www.journeytoforever.org/compost_link.html

Possibly, as some of us are enjoying our spring pansies and bulbs now, that we planted last fall at the end of the growing season, we can see here too with composting what is meant by the saying, ‘In the End, the Beginning’—happy gardening!

Crockpot Sante Fe Chicken

From the Kitchen of Rainee Davis

INGREDIENTS

- 1 Can (15oz.) black beans (rinsed and drained)
- 2 Cans whole kernal corn (drained)
- 1 Heaping Cup of favorite salsa
- 1 Package of tenderlion chicken (long thin strips, fresh not frozen)
- 1 (8oz.) Packages of cream cheese
- 1 Cup finely shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- Spanish or Mexican rice

In a crockpot, mix together the beans, corn and salsa. Top with the chicken tenders and pour extra salsa over the chicken to lightly cover.

Cover and cook for 3 hours on low setting or until chicken is tender and white throughout.

Add the cream cheese, (cut into cubes to melt faster), continue to heat and stir occasionally until cream cheese has melted and mixed properly.

Serve the mixture over rice and add tortilla chips. Add additional toppings if you so desire.

*This recipe is so versatile you can add your favorite flair into the crockpot while cooking such as jalapenos, chiles or peppers... Enjoy!

Submit your recipes to:
ToddF@MadisonTownshipOnline.com
or fax it in at 513-424-4659.

OPTIONAL TOPPINGS

- Jalapenos
- Diced lettuce
- Tomatoes
- Chiles
- Olives

NOTE: I usually double this recipe for my family of 4, makes for great leftover!



MADISON Historical SOCIETY

Mid-September brought a flurry of activity in the fenced enclosure (donated by Federal Rent-A-Fence) in the Madison Community Park as ground breaking took place for the log cabin being reconstructed by The Historical Society of Madison Township. The Society extends a big THANK YOU to Wallmasters owner Ron Sorrell '69 who set up the footer and foundation, Fraley Excavating-Steve Fraley '75 who boarded the old backhoe and refreshed his skills of days of old and dug the trench with his crew installing the drainage pipe and finish work, Carroll Distributing-Steve Greenwell a Dickey Road resident who supplied rebar and black drainage pipe, and Shamrock Gravel-Dave Groth who sent over 20 ton of pea gravel for backfill. Mark Whiteman '73, Project Chairman & Vice-President of the Society, laid the foundation stonework.

In March of this year, SK Construction - Dan Smith '74 dismantled and moved the 1833 Raymond Blanton family cabin from its home on No Mans Road into a storage barn. SK gave a partial donation along with Arts Rental donating the use of a high lift.

Is this sounding like a class reunion? Madison has the best people when it comes to supporting their community! Many others have stepped forward and are ready to lend a hand as the logs go up along with guidance from a local expert on cabin restoration. Grants have also been received from the Middletown Community Foundation, Duke Energy, Spring Fest Committee, and Butler Rural Electric along with donations from area businesses. With a small donation, individuals can have their name added to an impressive donor plaque which will be on permanent display

in the cabin (please see ad below). Donations in memory of Ed Simpkins, the Project Consultant and very dear friend who passed away August 16th, have aided the Society in this project-we wish he could have been here to see its completion.

This is Madison Township people coming together to support the cabin project by

PRESERVING THE PAST, IN THE PRESENT, FOR THE FUTURE.

For more information please contact
Project Manager/VP Mark Whiteman '73 at 422-8993 or
President Donna Walter '65 at 423-4132.

Historical Society of Madison Township Pioneer Log Cabin Project

You have the opportunity to play an important roll in preserving of Madison Townships landmark.
As a donor, your name will be added to an impressive plaque to be on permanent display within the cabin. **DON'T BE LEFT OUT!**

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<input type="checkbox"/> Silver	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Gold	\$250
<input type="checkbox"/> PLATINUM	\$500

MEMBERSHIP

<input type="checkbox"/> Adults	\$5
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/> Student	\$3

Print the name to be listed on the plaque (60 character max)

Address/city/state/zip

Phone

All donations gratefully accepted! A 501 (c) (3) tax exempt charitable organization. Make your check payable to: Historical Society of Madison Township and send along with this form to: Mr. John Gilmore, Treasurer, 6120 Michael Road, Middletown, OH 45042



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Fire/EMS

By Brian D. Sebald, Deputy Chief

IMPORTANT BALLOT

We would first off like to thank all the citizens who supported the Fire/EMS levy back in November; unfortunately it failed (although by a very small margin). The Twp will be putting it back on the ballot on May 4 in the Primary Election.

Since the last newsletter, we have acquired a 3rd engine to serve the township, purchased new stair chairs for the squads, and received a grant to purchase a handful of pagers.

The fire engine was purchased from Franklin Twp for one dollar. The truck is mounted with equipment mostly donated from area departments and is housed at station 153 (Mosiman and 122). Coincidentally, the day we put it in service, it was the first unit on scene of a structure fire. Engine 153 arrived on scene approx 3 minutes before other units, allowing this crew to already be putting water on the fire before the other crews arrived. This third engine will be a great benefit and add a level of increased safety for all our residents.

The two new stair chairs were purchased with grant money, replacing ones that were purchased in the late 80's. These new chairs are lighter, have a heavier weight capacity, and have tracks on the back designed specifically for stairs. This helps make it less strenuous for the crew, which reduces the possibility of an injury to the crew and patient.

The first week of March brought good news with a confirmation letter that we will receive a grant to purchase some pagers, as we are still using pagers that were purchased in the early 90's. Older pagers need to be sent off for repairs when needed, and over the past several months we have received a number of them back as "defective". Due to the age of the pager, they can no longer get parts for them. This grant will help us replace 5 of those pagers.

Sadly, we lost two members since the last newsletter, Vicki Vandeventer and Tom Bell. Vicki was a member of the Life Squad as an EMT. Her husband Rick and son Tyler continue to serve on the department. Tom was a member of the Life Squad as an EMT and serving as Chief for numerous years. His wife Lynn continues to serve on the squad. Both Vicki and Tom will be sadly missed, but happily remembered.



We would again like to thank all the citizens of our township for their support and all the volunteers who continue serving countless hours for our department and our township. In this day and age, it is getting more difficult to find volunteers to dedicate the time that it takes to keep up with state and federal mandates. We are still very fortunate to have the dedicated men and women in Madison Township that choose to serve our community.

SAVING INJURIES & SAVING MONEY!



Pictured back to front is Deputy Chief Brian Sebald, Lieutenant Rick Vandeventer, and Lieutenant Mike Dawson.

Through grants and donations, as of our last newsletter we'd received a new heart defibrillator valued at almost \$16,000, which has since been put into service into one of our life squads. We're also glad to announce that we received another grant, this one from the Ohio Department of Public Safety for a total of \$4,500. With this grant we purchased two "Stair Chairs" which allows for a higher level of safety for both the patient and our EMS personnel when transporting patients on steps. The new units offer much safer control of the patient, and greatly reduces the chance of a back injury to our EMS personnel. The design of the chair allows two rotating tracks to fold down on an angle and lock into place, thus allowing the chair to be in a more stable and ergonomically correct position as it is being negotiated up or down any step of flight of steps. This equipment has already been used numerous times in helping to transport patients from their second story homes or something as simple as negotiating front porch steps, as we prepare to transport them to the emergency room.



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Message

FROM YOUR MADISON TRUSTEES

DWIGHT WALTER-BOARD PRESIDENT



Oh the weather outside is frightful, oh wait!... here comes the sun!... Here comes Spring! We are so glad to see the warmer weather. Hopefully the snow is behind us. When you see the road crew, gives them a big “thumbs up” for the excellent job they did this winter. When you awake for work or school in the early morning, they have already been out for hours making sure your commute is safe.

Congratulations to boys and girls basketball teams for a terrific season. This May the township will have a 200th birthday party. These add to the many reasons we are all proud to say we live in Madison Township. If you have questions or concerns, you can call the township building during business hours and our administrator is knowledgeable and can be of assistance. Or you can call me anytime and I will try to help. Let's all try to keep Madison a safe and friendly neighborhood by driving cautiously and taking care of each other.



The Madison Lions Club was chartered in 1963 and at that time met at the Madison High School. The Club now meets at the Pleasant Ridge United Methodist Church on the first and third Tuesday of the month for dinner and a guest speaker.

The Madison Lions Club is a service organization providing benefits to the community with such projects as:

- Meet the Candidates Night
- ODOT – Adopt A Highway
- Building a handicap ramp for a local resident
- Remodeling a room at a local homeless shelter
- Remodeling a room for the Clothing Bank for Church Women United
- Buying equipment for schools, life squad and fire departments
- Donating food baskets during Christmas holidays
- Sponsoring local knothole and soccer teams
- Providing meals for SHOLOM
- Sponsoring an annual scholarship for a Madison High School Graduate
- Honoring the top 10 academic students at Madison High School with a recognition dinner
- Providing eye exams and glasses for school children and adults in the community who otherwise would not be able to afford them

Some of the fund raising projects have included:

- Poker Tournament
- Blues Festival
- Pancake breakfasts
- Spaghetti dinners
- Horse shows
- Corn roasts
- Funnel cakes
- Corn dogs
- The annual rose sale

If you would like to know more about the Madison Lions Club, support your community with your service, or just have fun, contact any one of the following:

Ken Tucker 513-422-1770
Gary Webb 513-424-7797
Michael Freeman 513-424-8430

Memberships are offered to anyone, male or female, any age, and from all walks of life.

Madison Township Life Squad 2010 Membership Form

(Family, Business or Non-Profit Organizations)

If you haven't
enrolled yet - here's
another chance!

No Invoice will be sent.

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Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street Address _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

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51- Employees \$225.00

\$ _____

Business Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Zip _____

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\$ _____

Organization Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Donations

Donation - In Memory of _____ \$ _____

Donation - For a newly purchased heart monitor, cost was \$18,000.00 \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Make checks payable to: Madison Township, please call 513-424-0821 if you have any questions.

**Madison Township Life Squad
would like to Thank you for your donation!**

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