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NEWSLETTER



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MESSAGE FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS

Hello!

Whether you are a new MOM joining us for your first year or have been with us for several, **we welcome you to MOMs of Oakwood**, a non-profit group that is open to all mothers who are committed to supporting one another as we raise our children in Oakwood and nearby communities.

We offer fun activities for both mothers and children each month such as playgroups, cooking club, parenting programs, and more! We look forward to a fun year with all of you and please, connect with us on Facebook for events and keep an eye on your inbox for future correspondence.

Best,

Raya Mafazy Whalen & Brittany Bartone
Co-Presidents, MOMs of Oakwood

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Save the Date: **August 11th!**

Come enjoy ice cream with your kiddos while meeting some MOMs!

- August 11, 2019 at Shafor Park, 3:30PM - 7PM

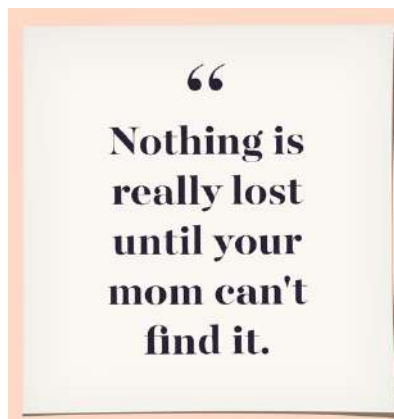


KINDERGARTEN RECEPTION

Save the Date: **August 16th!**

Nothing brings MOMs together like crying together!



- August 16, 2019 at The Flower Shoppe, 9PM - 10:30AM



MOMS GUIDE TO BACK-TO-SCHOOL



Helpful articles for staying organized (and surviving) back to school:

-  [Back to School: A Complete Checklist](#)
-  [My REAL Back-to-School Checklist](#)

More Upcoming Events

- Sept. 5th: SuperMOMs**
Time: 7:30PM - 9:30PM
Location: Wright Memorial Library
- Sept. 7th: Oakwood Farmers Market**
Time: 9AM - 11:00AM
- Sept. 12th: MOMs Night Out!**
Time/Location: TBD
- Sept. 14th: Oakwood Farmers Market**
Time: 9AM - 1PM
- Sept. 19th: Cooking Club**
Time: 7:30 PM
Location: House of Lindsay White
1030 Acorn Drive, Oakwood OH
- Sept. 24th: Fall Mixer**
Time: 7:30PM
(New Member Mixer 6:30PM)



Back-To-School Checklist

Apparel and Shoes:

- Dress shoes
- Rain boots
- Athletic shoes
- Mary janes
- Socks
- Backpacks
- Tops
- Sweaters
- Sweatshirts
- Pants or jeans
- Dresses
- Skirts
- Jackets
- Belts
- Leggings or tights
- P.E. clothes
- Hat
- Mittens
- Scarves

School Supplies:

- Pens
- Pencils
- Highlighters
- Pencil organizer
- Ruler
- Paper
- Multi-subject notebook
- Binder (including dividers)
- Folders (1 per subject)
- Mini stapler
- USB drive
- Calculator
- Combination lock

Food For Thought:

- Snacks
- Lunchbox or lunch bag
- Reusable water bottle

Just In Case:

- Umbrella
- Tissues
- ChapStick
- Sunscreen



AFTER SCHOOL CHECKLIST

- Put Away Coat and Shoes
- Empty Backpack
 - Rinse lunch container and put in the sink
 - Put water bottle by the sink
 - Give Mom/Dad important papers.
 - Put homework at homework station.
- Get Mom/Dad Approved Snack
- Relax / Downtime
 - Play outside
 - Play Games
 - TV (30 minutes)
 - Electronics - Ask Mom or Dad
- Homework / Reading Time
- Pack Tomorrow's Lunch
 - Include fruit and veggie
 - Get drink ready
 - Keep in fridge until the morning
- Get Backpack, Coat & Shoes Ready

In the Press

Success Stories -

MOMs of Oakwood Donates to Local Organizations & Gives Thanks to Dayton PD



MOMs of Oakwood

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MEDIA RELEASE

MOMs of Oakwood Donates to Local Organizations

OAKWOOD, OH (August 6, 2019) – MOMs of Oakwood announces they will continue to donate to local organizations and charities in need during the 2019-2020 MOMs of Oakwood fiscal year. During the 2018-2019 year, MOMs donated over \$2,500 to over five organizations and projects through their Little Hands Big Hearts Committee. Some of these organizations include Bridgid's Path and St. Vincent DePaul.

The MOMs organization is able to raise funds for charitable contributions through a portion of annual membership dues, paid by each MOMs member upon joining the group, in addition to donations received throughout the fiscal year. Through these contributions, MOMs is able to make an impact on the community.

MOMs of Oakwood Co-Presidents, Raya Mafazy Whalen and Brittany Bartone are thrilled to be spearheading the efforts of the MOMs of Oakwood for the 2019-2020 year. Whalen stated, "Most of our membership consists of busy moms who want to actively engage and give back to their community. We are constantly evolving as an organization and want our charitable contributions to continue to grow!"

For those looking to get involved in the organization, Co-President, Bartone says they will host a booth at the upcoming Ice Cream Social at the Oakwood Community Center (OCC) on August 11, 2019 at 3:30pm and if you are interested in attending, or would like more information, email Karen Earley of the OCC at (937) 298-0775. Bartone added, "Members have a unique opportunity to implement change in the community within this organization. We encourage women from Oakwood and surrounding communities to bring their ideas and talents to the group, and with that, allows us to expand our charitable reach."

About MOMs of Oakwood

MOMs Group of Oakwood is a non-profit group open to all mothers who are committed to supporting one another as we raise our children in Oakwood, Ohio and nearby communities. Activities include coffee meet-ups and playgroups, book clubs, cooking clubs, personal development and parenting programs, MOMs nights out, community service projects, field trips, courtesy meals, and more. For more info on events, activities, and membership, visit <http://www.momsfoakwood.org> or e-mail oakwoodmomsresident@gmail.com.

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The Oakwood Register

City officials pay tribute to shooting victims, Oakwood MOMs thank Dayton police

City officials on Monday observed a moment of silence to remember the nine victims of the Oregon District mass shooting on Sunday in Dayton, and commended the Dayton police officers involved in preventing further loss of life.

At approximately 1:05 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 4, a lone shooter armed with a semi-automatic assault rifle, body armor and several hundred rounds of ammunition opened fire on East

audience to join him in a moment of silence to remember those lost. In remarks to Council, Oakwood Police Chief Alan Hill also recognized the actions of the Dayton officers in averting further casualties.



Gathering in the City Building for a regularly planned Council meeting, Oakwood Mayor Bill Duncan opened the monthly session by asking Council members and the

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