

By Susan House

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By Bren Fries

enforcement process.

Various avenues to communicate your comments are available. Responses will be taken by e-mail (JPGohman@aol.com), FAX to 831-7138, telephone hotline to Jay Gohman at 831-4675 or Jim Rauth at 831-5187 and snail mail to either Jay or Jim. If confidentiality is requested, CCTP will respect it.

Several council members have openly voiced their concern regarding our current system and its effectiveness in today's Terrace Park. Your input by September 1 will make a difference in providing understanding and encouraging action. Our code is outdated, hard to understand and use and its enforcement needs improvement. Now is the time to "Speak Up!"

Make your voice heard!

For years, residents have wondered when the trail through the Village will be paved and connected to the 81 miles of paved trail north of the Village and the eight miles of yet-to-be-completed trail south of the Village. Apparently, the planning for the completion of the 2.5 mile section of trail through our Village is now underway.

"As part of a statewide effort to construct a system of interconnected recreational trails across Ohio, plans are being developed to extend the Little Miami Scenic Trail through the Village of Terrace Park," the postcard announced. ODNR is "actively seeking input from all Terrace Park residents before devel-

oping a design for this strategic trail segment.”

A meeting with ODNR representatives is scheduled for Wednesday, August 27 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Community Building. Residents with property adjoining the trail are encouraged to come between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. All other residents should attend between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Please address all questions to Councilwoman Julie Rugh at 248-1091.

Do not miss this important opportunity to participate in the planning of a potentially dramatic change to the face of our Village.

By Julie Rugh

If you are intelligent, hardworking and a team player who can stay objective under peer and resident pressure, then your community needs you!

The title of Terrace Park Council member holds no glory, no salary and no fringe benefits, but the satisfaction of a job well done can be yours. You will be scheduled to attend a monthly Council meeting

and expected to prepare a report of the activities of your committee over the past month. Financial and legislative decisions will be reviewed jointly within your committee and presented to Council for a vote. Come well-prepared having done research on your topic and offering Council several options when considering purchases or services for the Village. Expect to have your report and recommendations discussed and challenged by other Council members as well as TP residents.

The number of hours you will spend as a Council member depends on how thoroughly you are willing to do your job. You can spend as little as one hour a week making a few phone calls, up to several hours a week meeting with residents, attending committee meet-

ings and returning phone calls. The average monthly Council meeting lasts three hours, but be prepared to stay as late as midnight during difficult discussions.

The easiest part of your job will be the people you work with. Terrence Park employees, volunteers, other Council members and residents can be dedicated, insightful and ready to lend a helping hand. The most difficult part of your job will be the people you work with.

If you hear a bit of humor in my honest description of the job of a Terrace Park Council member then you already understand that the most important characteristic required is a good nature. Like all of the volunteer opportunities in Terrace Park, becoming a Council member is rewarding and challenging.

I encourage you to step up and declare your candidacy for the Village of Terrace Park Council. Your community needs you!

The election (November 4) Candidate Forum will be held this year on Thursday, October 9 at 7:30 p.m. All candidates for any Terrace Park office are asked to be present to tell the electorate their qualifications, commitments, goals and current issues; even if they are running unopposed. The format will be the same as two years ago with former Councilman Rick Gilchrist serving as moderator. Each candidate will have up to four minutes for an opening statement before written questions from the audience will be handled. The local community television station will again be present.

A "standing room only" crowd packed the Community Building for

the 2001 forum. So, plan now to be present for, and participate in, this informative discussion of the current important issues in Terrace Park government.



The deadline for the September issue of the *Village Views* is Friday September 5th.

A black and white cartoon illustration of a rabbit. The rabbit is wearing a top hat with a band and a bow tie. It is holding a pocket watch in its right hand. The rabbit has a friendly expression and is wearing shoes with bows.

Come join in the fun and enter your pet in our Pet Parade on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1. Valuable prizes will be awarded to the “top dogs” (or bunnies, cats, etc.). Pets will be judged at 9:30 a.m. in front of Terrace Park Elementary School on Elm Ave. Originality and creativity will be considered in the judging.

Because the Labor Day Parade immediately follows the pet contest, **it is important for everyone to be on time.** Winners will be announced and prizes awarded **before** the parade begins.
We hope to see you there!

Letters to the Editor

June 20, 2003

To the editor:

Thanks to Mr. Stirsman for mentioning the exciting success of the Mariemont Junior and Senior High School men’s lacrosse program in the Village Views. What makes their success so meaningful is that they consistently compete against larger schools including the likes of Moeller, Lakota and Sycamore. The Medina team that defeated varsity for the state championship is a much larger school as well and the men competed hard, but were defeated by a superior squad.

Mr. Stirsman mentioned several Terrace Park young men that contributed heavily to the success of the varsity, including Steve Bollinger, Reed Peterson and Mitchel Frey, but he failed to mention that Clay Martin was Third Team All State at Attack and Matt Burnheimer was Second Team All State as Goalie. Of the seven All State players on the Mariemont team five are from Terrace Park!

I hope this serves as inspiration for all the young kids in the T.P. youth program. All told, over 65 percent of the Mariemont Junior and Senior High School lacrosse roster is stocked with Terrace Park players. The bar has been set high for the youngsters to follow and I am confident they will uphold our newly established tradition.

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Advertisements for *Village Views* may be placed in a variety of sizes. A business card size (2x4) is only \$24 per month. A classified ad is \$5 to Village residents only. **Payment must accompany ad.** Call Business Manager **Gerri Kennedy @ 831-2388** for additional rates. *Village Views* welcomes your business.

September deadline :
The September deadline for *Village Views* is **Sept. 5**. All camera-ready ads and articles must be submitted by 9 p.m. **All advertisements** go to Gerri Kennedy at 152 Wrenwood. All articles go to Chandi Findley 427 Terrace Place or call 576-0595 to e-mail an article.

Village Views welcomes readers to submit their ideas for articles: promotions, awards, school activities, engagements, weddings, births... things you think people would like to know and read about.

Leaving the Village
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Dear Terrace Park Neighbor - Parking rules are an important part of traffic safety!

Before you know it, kids will be back in school. That means more activity and traffic particularly during drop-off and pick-up. As part of Village Council’s ongoing traffic safety effort, we want to remind everyone that following parking rules is critical. There are three areas where extra caution is warranted.

1.) Cars should only park on the right side of the road. Pulling over to the left side for a drop-off or to park is illegal and dangerous. It places cars in unexpected, head-on situations as they cross on-coming traffic. It also results in cars making u-turns after drop offs - also illegal!

2.) Cars should never park within 30 feet of an intersection or stop sign. This creates visibility and traffic-flow problems that get further complicated with our heavily used pedestrian crosswalks.

3.) “No Parking” areas exist to maintain visibility at critical places near play fields, schools and other locations where parked cars create a traffic hazard.

Our traffic safety program has resulted in renewed awareness among residents. Chief Bacon and the Safety Committee have received notes and calls from residents who support this effort. On behalf of all citizens, we appreciate the extra caution people take to keep the park safe for kids, pedestrians and cars! Terrace Park Police take parking violations seriously and will enforce the rules with full council backing.

Thank You
T.P. Village Council Safety Committee



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How I Spent My Summer Vacation
(or at least one rant-filled Saturday of it)

By Jeffrey Koreman

Saturday July 19, 2003

6:03 a.m.: My left eyelid is pried open by Eli's thumb as he whispers, "Papa, are you awake?" He then asks me if I know where his favorite Pokemon card is. Not knowing, I tell him that I am sure I saw his older brother hiding it in one of the volumes of our Encyclopedia Britannica and that he should not wake me again until he has searched the entire set.

6:07 a.m.: I fall back asleep.

6:08 a.m.: Although I am sleeping soundly I feel a presence close to me and open my eyes to find Gabe's face less than one half inch from mine. I scream louder than Jamie Lee Curtis in "Halloween" and then watch Gabe's face turn into a live version of Edvard Munch's painting "The Scream." As Gabe and I both wail hysterically, I make a mental note to get that Portable Bedside Defibrillator I saw on the Home Shopping Network last night.

6:11 a.m.: Gabe and I are both finally calm enough for him to tell me that the Tooth Fairy left him a "golden" dollar and a note in exchange for the last of his front teeth that had fallen out the night before. He also related that his identical twin Eli is upset because now Gabe has both front teeth missing and Eli still has one remaining so they no longer look exactly the same. I tell Gabe to go assure Eli that he will lose that tooth soon and while he is at it he should help Eli search the encyclopedias for the missing Pokemon card.

6:18 a.m.: Even though my heart rate is still that of a hummingbird I drift back to sleep.

6:20 a.m.: A shriek that would make a banshee jealous pierces our bedroom door. It bursts open and Eli stumbles into the room, the bloody stump of his final front tooth clutched in his fist as a crimson stream flows down his chin. Apparently in his desire to look like Gabe's twin again he suggested that Gabe punch out his tooth. Gabe was more than happy to oblige. I pray we have more "golden" dollars hidden somewhere.

6:23 a.m.: I grudgingly surrender and arise. As I get up I look at the never used, dust covered alarm clock on my nightstand. I believe that falls into the category of unplanned obsolescence. I step into the shower wondering if anyone else in the family needs to lose some teeth because I would love to be of assistance.

7:47 a.m.: I drive to Starbucks for my morning latte. On the way I note that Rome may not have been built in a day but it certainly did not take as long as it is taking to repair the Mariemont Square.

7:50 a.m.: I occupy my time in line musing on the orders of my fellow Starbucks patrons in front of me. The woman in front orders a decaffeinated no-fat milk latte. I decide to e-mail Starbucks and suggest they market the drink by calling it a "Why Bother." The man behind her is thirty-something with a several-day growth of beard. The cashier asks him if he would like to try a latte. "Naaaah, I want plain black coffee. I don't drink any of that sissy stuff," he replies, his eyes scanning the floor, presumably for a spittoon. Listen up guys. If your masculinity is hanging from so tenuous a thread that it is dependent on whether or not you get foamed milk in your coffee then it is time to consult a professional to sort things out. The man directly in front of me steps to the counter and says, "I would like a three shot Grande, half-caf half-decaf, 172 degree Fahrenheit, 2 1/3 pack Sweet 'n' Low, 2 1/2 pack Equal, soy milk, no foam, extra caramel, light whipped cream, Caramel Macchiato in a Vente cup please." As I feel my ulcer perforating I decide to ask all of my friends and family that should I ever begin drinking anything that takes longer to order than it does to actually drink they should just shoot me.

11:45 a.m.: I have spent several hours doing a minimal number of chores, as I was too busy looking for lost toys, mediating disputes with world shattering implications ("Hey Arnold is on at 7." "Uh-uh...it's on at 7:30." "7." "7:30" "7!" "7:30!!" "Boys, listen to your Papa...Hey Arnold has been cancelled and replaced by a weekly show about brussels sprouts...now go play somewhere."), and fighting off the urge to curl up in a ball in a corner and weep myself to sleep.

12:14 p.m.: I drive Asher to his private foreign language lesson. He is learning Chinese because we have been told that he will never get into an Ivy League school without being fluent by the time he is 16. We have been further informed that since he is learning only Cantonese and not also studying Mandarin and Hakka we can forget about him attending Harvard or Yale. Oh, well, maybe Cornell or Princeton are still possibilities.

1:26 p.m.: I am driving back home with Asher as I speak to Tammy on my cell phone. As always, I lose reception in the middle of Indian Hill. My eye twitching, I ask myself why it is that the worst reception in the city is in the one area of town that



Jeffrey Koreman

Village Calendar 2003

August

- 25** First day of classes for all Mariemont City Schools
- 30** Garage Sale 7 a.m. to Noon at the Log Cabin. Proceeds benefit TP Recreation programs.

September

- 1** LABOR DAY — no school.
- 1** TP Labor Day Parade begins at 10 a.m. TP Recreation Committee Labor Day Festival following parade until 1 p.m. at the Village Green
- 2** TPE PTO Meeting 9:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
- 7** TP Historical Society 4 p.m. Community Building. Program: TP resident Lynn Nelson discusses the Robinson Circus. Contact **Carol Cole at 831-6771** for details.
- 8** AARP Luncheon Noon Community Building. Program: Ms. Jane Winkler on "Fraud, Waste and Abuse in Health Care Billing." For reservations call **Betty Smith at 831-5434**.
- 8** TP Mayor's Court 7 p.m. Community Building
- 8** MHS Fine Arts Meeting 7:30 p.m.

- 9** MHS PTO Meeting 8:45 a.m.
- 9** TP Village Council 7:30 p.m. Community Building
- 11** Kindervelt #76 7-9 p.m. Community Building. Open information meeting — anyone interested in becoming a member of Kindervelt is encouraged to attend. Contact **Missy Osgood at 831-2637** for more information.
- 15** Mariemont Boosters Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 16** TPE PTO Bootique 3:20 p.m. — 5 p.m. TPE
- 16** Mariemont Board of Education Meeting 7:15 p.m. Public welcome.
- 17** MJHS PTO 8:45 a.m.
- 20** TP Basketball Sign-ups 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. TPE Gym
- 25** Mariemont Foundation Meeting 7:30 p.m. MJHS Library
- 27** Rosh Hashanah begins
- 29** Early dismissal Mariemont grades 7-12

Please call **Roseann Hayes @ 248-2619** with calendar information

has more cell phones per capita than a crack house.

3:15 p.m.: I find myself lost somewhere in Glendale trying to find the twin's Jai Alai practice. Apparently Jai Alai is the 400-year-old game of the future and will soon be supplanting lacrosse, sculling, and biking as THE sport in America. I wander up and down the streets as Gabe and Eli repeatedly bounce the pelota off the back of my head.

5:44 p.m.: I return home with the twins, who run to play with Asher, and I walk into the master bedroom in search of Tammy. On the bed I see five outfits of men's clothing. Each outfit is laid out with the arms of the shirts and the legs of the pants outstretched, as if the owners of the clothing had simply fallen back onto the bed and melted into the mattress. Tammy emerges from the bathroom and smiles at me. "I suppose you are wondering what this is all about," she says.

"Yes," I reply, "But if your explanation involves five guys currently hiding in our closet I would prefer not knowing."

"You are so silly," she laughs. "The other night I saw back to back episodes of this incredible show called *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy* and I thought of you."

"Well I am praying that it is the last half of the show title that made me come to mind," I reply defensively.

"No, you don't understand. The show is about a group of five gay men who do a total makeover on a straight guy to help him in his personal life, particularly his love life. They had some terrific ideas about clothing so I thought I would do a little shopping for you. What do you think?"

Knowing better than to answer that question with my first impulse I reply, "Terrific, babe."

"Now try these outfits on and model them for me so I can see how you look. I have some work to do in Asher's room so you can come in there wearing each one okay?" she says as she moves toward the door.

Flashing back to a long ago episode of a television show where a guy is sent to a version of hell where he is a little girl's dolly I smile and say, "Sure dear...I'll be right there." As she begins to close the door behind her I ask, "Tam, you don't think I need a makeover do you?"

She smiles lovingly and says, "Of course not honey, I love you just the way you are," and shuts the door behind her. I breathe a sigh of relief and then hear her call from the hall-

way, "Oh by the way, I hope you're not busy Monday morning because your pedicure and eyebrow waxing are scheduled for 9:00 a.m."

6:45 p.m.: We order in pizza and watch Nickelodeon while we eat. I have not seen adult TV in years. I eat my pizza and begin to reminisce about my childhood. I remember being forced to watch what my father decided we would watch on television and anticipating the day when I would be in charge of the t.v.. As I watch SpongeBob Squarepants chase a jellyfish I vow to myself that someday, when the boys are away to college, I will finally be in control of the television.

I look over and see Tammy fondling the channel changer. A tear slips down my cheek as I glimpse endless episodes of *Queer Eye for the Old Guy* in my future.

9:48 p.m.: Tammy and I get the boys to sleep and are so exhausted we both crumple under the covers. She falls asleep immediately and I know I am not far behind. I feel the glow of the alarm clock against my face. I get up, unplug the clock, open the window, and toss it out. It lands with a satisfying smash on our walkway below. I crawl back into bed and slide into slumber awaiting the press of a child's thumb against my eyelid.



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9:30 a.m. - Board the bus from the Kroger Parking Lot, (SW corner across from PNC Bank).
11:30 a.m. - Lexington, lunch at Springs Inn.
12:30 p.m. - Leave for Keeneland arriving approx. 12:45 p.m.
1:15 p.m. - First race.
5 p.m. - Leave Keeneland, arrive home approximately 7 p.m.

The reservation deadline is Friday, September 5.

Please make your checks payable to St. Thomas Church and mail to Nick Shundich, 206 Harvard Avenue, Terrace Park, Ohio 45174.

See you at the races!



Gabriel and Elijah Koreman with a set of older identical twins.

Double Take

By Jeffrey Koreman

We in the Koreman clan made our first trip to the Annual Twins Day Festival in Twinsburg, Ohio. This was the 28th annual three-day festival that takes place the first weekend of August in the small town located between Akron and Cleveland. Each year the festival makes the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest gathering of twins in the world. Last year over 2,600 sets of twins were in attendance. Twinsburg was named in honor of Aaron and Moses Wilcox, who in 1817 donated six acres of land that is now the center square. The brothers married sisters, held property in common, were stricken by the same ailment and died the same day.

The festival included a parade and a number of contests and talent shows. It also had a number of rides

and booths. The real show was in just walking around the festival grounds. We felt as if we were in the middle of some strange science fiction movie. The twin children were absolutely adorable but the real treat for us was in seeing the older sets of twins. The oldest set in attendance was a pair of identical men who were 98 years old. We even met a pair of identical men who met a pair of identical women at the festival six years ago. The two couples are nearing their fifth wedding anniversaries. Even outside the fair grounds it was an eerie feeling. We went into a local restaurant near our hotel and booth after booth was filled with sets of twins. This is certainly not something around which to plan your summer vacation but I would recommend to anybody to spend one day at the festival at least once in your life. Even if you do not have twins I believe it would be a delight.

Pack 97's adventures at Cub World

By Cindy Gorman

Eleven adventurous boys from Pack 97 returned from Cub World in Loveland with great memories of BB guns, archery, a camping experience called Outpost, nature hikes, fishing obstacle courses, climbing a rock wall, Dutch oven cobbler, Trading Post slushies, and wild 'n crazy skits.

Den leaders, Jon Saxton and Steve Gorman, led the boys on their

four-day bivouac. The boys worked on completing service requirements (cleaning shower stalls, picking up trash, gathering fire wood), working on advancement skills, and displaying great attitudes. Their positive go-get'em attitudes earned Pack 97 the Distinguished Honor Unit award given at the conclusion of camp.

Pack 97 boys could be heard chanting "Four more days! Four more days!"



(Front row l-r) Conor Coyan, Alec Ahrens, Ben Gorman, Jonathan Saxton (Back row l-r) Akela Saxton, Austin Kokoruda, Grant Hesser, Akela Gorman, Andy Gorman, Jack Stautberg (Not pictured: Joe Fening, Connor and Sam McManus)

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5:00 pm—Children's Choir Rehearsal

6:00 pm—Cook's Night Out (catered dinner)

7:00 pm—Choose from **seven** courses and activities (see box at right)

8:30 pm—Adjourn

Wednesday Evening Courses/Activities

1. **The Marriage Course** — a video and discussion course to prepare and/or strengthen marriages.
2. **Jesus: The New Way** — 6-12 session video course with Dr. N.T. Wright: the life, times, and message of Jesus
3. **Bad Girls of the Bible!** — a Women's Bible Study on the life, faith, and circumstances of many women in the Bible.
4. **Parenting Course** — with Linda Loy, child psychologist and woman of faith, back by popular demand
5. **Youth Activities** — for ages 6 and up
6. **Homework Room** — with some tutoring available
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duced an ordinance that was approved providing for the control of blight and disease of trees within public rights-of way and for planting, maintaining, trimming and removing trees in and along the streets of Terrace Park for the year 2004. The ordinance provides for the levying of an assessment upon real property in Terrace Park for the cost and expense of such work.

Councilman Holmes announced a public meeting with architects on August 19, 2003, to discuss the proposed scenarios for re-development of the community building and facilities. Unfortunately that date is prior to the circulation date of the *Village Views*.

And on a personal note

Chief Bacon proudly announced that he became a grandfather, for the first time, on August 4. Congratulations to the chief !

July Council Highlights

- At the July meeting of the Terrace Park Village Council, Mayor Startzman announced that he will run for re-election in November, 2003.
- Chief Bacon reported that at the end of June, 2003, a police cruiser was "totaled" in an accident that occurred while an officer was responding to a mutual aid run to Newtown for a robbery. Council ultimately approved the purchase of

- new police cruiser.
- Solicitor, Robert Malloy drafted an ordinance, which was approved by Council to amend the Village's current DUI ordinance. It reduces the BAC from .10 to .08, to comply with the Ohio State law.
 - A resolution was approved with conditions for the use of the property at 614 Wooster for the business to be known as "Over Coffee." The owner of the new business, Renee Tetrault, would like to operate the business from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. This request is subject to appeal, as the approved hours of operation are presently from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. The planned opening date for the business, which will serve coffee, blended drinks, pastries, and desserts, is October 1, 2003.
 - Councilman Stefan Olson reported that the Planning and Zoning Committee met and recommends that, in the case of requests for a zoning variance, written notification to adjoining property owners will be sent and the Village will place "real estate" type signs in the yard of the requesting property owner.

- Councilman Jim Peterkin introduced a resolution authorizing the Village to contract with Davey Tree to prune trees along Wooster to improve the line of site.
- Councilman Mark Porst introduced and Council approved a resolution to renew an existing levy for general operating purposes in the amount of 3.5 mills. Councilman Porst reiterated that this is a renewal and does not result in increased property tax.

Shoemakers find Terrace Park fits their plans

By Sherry Holcomb

The patient, planning nature of the Shoemaker family was thrown for a loop when they realized that high-voltage power lines were running through the back yard of their soon-to-be-built home in Loveland. When the Shoemakers couldn't justify health risks to their young son, they cancelled the project and drove from their home in Oakley to Loveland to pick up their check from the developer. By chance, they took the back way home and decided to turn onto Elm and drive through Terrace Park. To their great surprise and relief, Kurt and Becky Shoemaker found the perfect fit for their family at 909 Stanton Avenue.

"I had ridden through this area on my bike two years ago, but it didn't hit our radar when we started house hunting," said Kurt. "We were looking in Mariemont because we wanted a good school system and a sense of community."

Becky's parents live in Louisville and visit often, so the Shoemakers wanted a guest room and at least three bathrooms in their new house. They also wanted to be on a cul-de-sac. Having carefully planned their "wish list," the Shoemakers were willing to wait and thought it would take them two or three years to find the perfect house.

"We saw this house once and fell in love with it," Becky said. So, in January of this year, Kurt and Becky, 2-year-old son Corben, family dog Guthry and Dunkin the cat moved into their new home on the cul-de-sac at the end of Stanton. By all accounts, the move has been good for everyone. The Shoemakers quickly got

involved in Terrace Park activities, including the dinner club and bunco. Corben is also scheduled to attend pre-school at St. Thomas this fall.

"I have never met a group of friendlier people in my life. It seems like everyone has the same goal," explained Becky. "We both love it here and hope we can stay forever."

An added bonus to their new location is proximity to the bike trail. The whole family enjoys being active and going for rides with Corben in the trailer behind dad. Without the trailer, Kurt is a serious competitor who bikes to his job at Ethicon Endo-Surgery in Blue Ash for additional training. In fact, Kurt would like to find other riders in Terrace Park who want to compete and train together.

Both Kurt and Becky are employed at Ethicon. Kurt was recruited from Texas to serve as a project manager for Ethicon's clinical trials of new products and ap-

plications. Becky splits her time between part-time work in the marketing department and taking care of Corben.

The biggest and most rewarding job for both Kurt and Becky is parenting Corben. The typical two-year-old wants lots of attention from mom and dad, and he gets it. "It was a real journey for us to be able to have Corben and now we feel complete," Becky explained. "He is definitely our greatest accomplishment and still a work in progress."


Future plans for the Shoemakers include traveling to see friends and family in Texas and Florida, and remodeling the house as time permits. "We're thrilled with the house, but we want to add our own sense of style and creativity," says Becky. "We're going to renovate the kitchen and a few other areas to make it our own." Looks like it will be time for the Shoemakers to use their skills at planning and patience once again.



Becky and Kurt Shoemaker with two-year-old Corben.

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Terrace Park Elementary PTO

Welcome, Mr. Denny!

The Terrace Park Elementary (TPE) school bell rings out a welcome to our new 2003/2004 interim principal, Bob Denny. As Mike Zimmermann left to pursue an opportunity in another district, Mr. Denny accepted the head TPE spot for this school year in a district to which he has long contributed.

Most recently, he stepped in as the interim principal at Mariemont Junior High in 2001, and has served previously as principal at the junior high and at all three elementary schools. In every capacity, Mr. Denny received warm reviews from staff, students and parents alike. In all, Mr. Denny has worked for more than 25 years as an integral member of the Mariemont school system. Before his return to this district, he was the regional service center director at Northern Kentucky University. As director, he was responsible for the professional development of 28 school districts.

Superintendent Gerry Harris feels strongly that "we are very fortunate to have someone of Mr. Bob Denny's caliber to step forward and assume the leadership of Terrace Park Elementary. His knowledge of our programs, our community, our standards and our staff is outstanding. His instructional and curriculum strengths, combined with his embracing personality, and his enthusiasm for students guarantee a great year in a great school." Please join the Terrace Park PTO in welcoming Mr. Denny and offering all our support throughout the school year.



Mr. Bob Denny takes the helm as principal of Terrace Park Elementary for 2003-2004.

They're official

The 2003/2004 PTO officers are excited to work with our new principal this year. They are Dee Walter, president; Jenny Whitaker, vice president; Jean Marie Nelson, treasurer and Shannon DeCamp, secretary. They'll be happy to meet you at the first PTO meeting of the school year Tuesday, September 2 in the cafeteria. There will be loads of volunteering opportunities!

Bootique — coming frighteningly soon!

Halloween can never come too soon to Terrace Park — so

mark your calendar now for the Pumpkin Festival kick-off event, the Bootique, chaired by Liz Kaeser. The fun will run from 3:20 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 16. Monsters of all ages can buy ghostly novelties that Jill Donnelly and crew will offer. Leslie McManus and her bake sale helpers will tempt you with melt-in-your-mouth baked goods. Batty Bingo will also be run by Cindy Gorman. Those who pre-order fall mums can pick them up from Kim Grau at the Bootique, too. (Ordering information will come home in Wednesday envelopes. If you don't have a student at TPE, but would like to order mums, contact Kim Grau at 248-0793.) It's a wonderful fall event and all Terrace Parkers are invited. Volunteers are needed to make it happen, so call Liz Kaeser at 248-2651, if you dare!

Pumpkin Festival 2003!

While your calendar's out, go ahead and put a big orange pumpkin around Friday, October 17, 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (note: no school that day, let the kids sleep in to rest up!) Susan Malone and Jane Douglas promise to bring back everyone's favorites while adding some new haunting touches — like a children's theater featuring Will Hillenbrand's *The House that Drac Built* slide show! More dreaded details to come...



Liz Kaeser will open the PTO Bootique for business on Tuesday, September 16 from 3:20 p.m. - 5 p.m. Susan Malone and Jane Douglas will follow with the main event, Pumpkin Festival 2003, on Friday, October 17 from 5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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BACK IN THE GROOVE – Fall Sunday Messages at Horizon

Ah, Fall. Back to school, back to work (hopefully after a vacation!), back to routine, and back in the groove. For some of us, we need to get back in the groove to complete our goals for the year. For some of us, summer was a reflective time and we want to ramp up our plans and priorities for this year, and for others, we just want to get a few things worked out before the colors turn. This season at Horizon, we'll look at what God gave long ago as His greatest guidance to a young nation...and what it has to say to us today. So come join us and let's get BACK IN THE GROOVE.

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Terrace Park Historical Society

Tracking our past and present for the future

By Carol Cole

Soon after Christmas 2001 the Terrace Park Historical Society archives moved from the Guild Room at St. Thomas Church to the basement of 629 Myrtle Avenue. There up to 10 volunteers have worked most Thursday afternoons. Our biggest project has been copying onto acid free paper all the articles in scrapbooks assembled by Stan Miller over a period of over 40 years.

For those of you who didn't know Stan he and his wife, Effie, moved to 714 Miami with their two boys in 1937. For many years Stan was a kind of self appointed historian of our village.

Once the scrapbook articles were copied they had to be cut apart to be filed in our People and Subject files. There the information they contain will be easy to find for those interested in doing research about Terrace Park people and events during those years. Loose leaf notebooks were also put together containing pictures of all the buildings in Terrace Park. Other notebooks were assembled with obituaries and articles about Terrace Park people no longer with us. Oral histories are being collected; our current team of interviewers is Jeanette Pruiss and Helen Barnett. Annie Bauer has organized much of the information we have on our Fire and EMS departments and has written up their his-

tory. Leslie Jones has started making a searchable index of all the articles in *Village Views*. This and a great deal more work has been done primarily on these Thursday afternoons.

Now in the summer of 2003 the archives of the Terrace Park Historical Society have moved back to their more permanent home at St. Thomas Church. We have been given two wonderful rooms on the middle floor of the old education building. Historical Society volunteers have given these rooms and the cabinets in them a fresh coat of paint. There we are continuing to organize the archives but will also be adding to them more material from the cellar of the Community House — non-governmental materials that do not have to be kept by the Village. Several people have come forward and donated shelving, file cabinets, desks, chairs and computer tables. We could still use more tables, chairs and file cabinets (especially lateral cabinets) so please let us know if you have furniture to donate (831-6771 or cccole4@juno.com). Remember your donated items are tax deductible and will be very much appreciated.

Among the archives we have is an article about Charles A. Meurer, still life and landscape artist, written by his daughter,

Caroline Burger, for the time capsule buried in front of the Community House at the time of the 1993 centennial celebration. The Meurer family lived for many years at 731 Miami Avenue. In last month's article I told you the story of how he came to live there.

Terrace Park was an ideal place to raise a family and to pursue his life's work as an artist. The Woodward's Farm, Robinson's Circus, and the rural landscape along

the river provided many subjects for his paintings. He painted designs and scenery on the circus wagons. The sheep and cows on the farm where the County Club is now located were subjects of many of his pictures. Last month's article also told you that several Terrace Park residents still own paintings done by Meurer. Jeanette Pruiss has taken pictures of some of those paintings for our archives. We would now like others who own paintings by Meurer to contact us and let us take photographs of them for our archives. One that we've had for a long time (shown below) is of a painting he did of 6 Kris Circle (then with a Wooster Pike address) many

years ago when it was owned by the Highlands family and had many out buildings no longer there. These Meurer paintings are very valuable in showing us how some of Terrace Park looked in the first half of the 20th century.

Our next Historical Society meeting will be held in the Community House at 4 p.m. on Sunday afternoon September 7th. Lynn Nelson will speak to us about the Robinson Circus. Lynn's family had a close connection with the Robinson family, which Lynn will tell us about. She is also one of the lucky ones who remembers coming out to Terrace Park as a child to visit the family and ride the elephants.



Celebrated landscape and still life artist Charles A. Meurer captured a day in the life of 6 Kris Circle during the first half of the 20th century.

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Mariemont Kiwanis Arts and Crafts Fair benefits Mariemont High School students

By Peter Stites

Plan now to attend the Mariemont Kiwanis Club's 17th annual Arts and Crafts Fair to benefit Mariemont High School college-bound seniors on Sunday, September 7, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the Wooster Pike median strip just west of the Mariemont Square. More than 2,000 shoppers came to buy last year!

Co-chariman and past Mariemont Kiwanis Club President, Al Nelson, said: "There will be four awards made during the Arts and Crafts Fair: first and second place Best of Fair — ARTS, and first and second place Best of Fair — CRAFTS."

Co-chairman and past Mariemont Kiwanis Club President, Matt Nickum, said: "The Fair will have at least 95 exhibitors' booths filled with original arts and crafts of all sorts. We prohibit exhibitors who simply buy at wholesale and resell." The profits will be used to award college scholarships to outstanding and deserving senior students at Mariemont High School.

Raffle Ticket Chairman, Mike Pope, said: "Raffle tickets will be sold before and during the Arts and

Crafts Fair for \$1 each or six for \$5. Prizes are \$200, \$100, and \$50."

"Each year the Kiwanis Arts and Crafts Fair gets better," said Mariemont Mayor and Kiwanis Club member, Dan Policastro, who is looking forward to this year's event. "The Fair gives the Village an opportunity to demonstrate the charm, beauty, and improvements in this community."

The Mariemont Chapter of Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio, headed by Kiwanis Club member, David Fine, will sell pizza, hotdogs, and soft drinks on the median strip.

Mariemont Kiwanis Club President Rich Ewald, said: We're ready for "F Day" September 7th, the big M.K.A. and C. Fair Day. Please join us and pray For "A FAIR" Day!

Please direct your questions about the Arts and Crafts Fair to Al Nelson, 831-9220, or to Matt Nickum at Hi Tech Graphics, 561-2292. Questions about Mariemont Kiwanis Club membership should be directed to the club secretary, Barbara Anderson at Mari-Elders, 271-5588.

We hope to see YOU Sunday, September 7, at the fair on the median strip in Mariemont.



Susan Amis (l) and Erin Rosson were awarded second place in the crafts division at the 2002 Kiwanis Arts and Crafts fair. Fair Chairman Matt Nickum had the honor of presenting the award.

The 2003 Mariemont Boosters 9th Annual John Hubbard Memorial Golf Outing

On Saturday, October 18 the Mariemont Boosters will sponsor the 9th Annual John Hubbard Memorial Golf outing. The outing will be held at Hickory Woods Golf course located in Milford. Tee times will begin at 12:03 p.m. The cost is \$70 per golfer. After the completion of play, food and drinks will be served in the clubhouse. The outing will be a Texas scramble format. Prizes will be awarded for the following:

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- Closest to the pin
- Longest putt
- 1st place team
- 2nd place team
- Dead last team
- Split the pot

The Mariemont Warrior Booster Association exists to support the Mariemont Jr. High and High School athletes and their fans. Through membership fees and fund raising events, the association seeks to raise the funds necessary to meet the needs of the athletes and coaches.

Additional information and on

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Cherry has been a Center member since 1989 when she began her participation in the Center Art Class. She quickly became involved in the crafts and knitting, contributing many fine items to the various Center sales. Along the way, Cherry served as President of the Members Council and co-chair of the Antiques and Collectibles section of the Center's major rummage sales.

We are pleased and proud to add Cherry's name to the Center's

wall of fame. To honor all of Hamilton County's Senior Citizens Hall of Fame representatives a luncheon will be held at the Hyatt Regency on Friday, September 19.

Blood pressure screening

The Marielders offers free blood pressure screening on the second Thursday of every month, courtesy of Collier Nursing Services. The nurse will be available on September 11 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Remember, no reservations are necessary, just come to the Center at 6923 Madisonville Road, Mariemont.

The healthy notes: healing power of music

Rachel Renneker, Music Therapist from Episcopal Retirement homes will be her to discuss the healing power of music on Wednesday, September 17. Lunch will be served at noon before the program. The cost of the lunch \$2.50 reservations must be made by September 15.

Hearing screening

Cindy Whitehurst, Au.D., FAAA, from Mariemont Hearing Center and the Marielders are sponsoring a hearing screening on Wednesday, September 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The screening service is free, but a reservation must be made by calling the Marielders at 271-5588.

Loss support group

Everyone experiences losses in their lives. It may be the loss of a job, not being able to drive, severe health problems, of the loss of a loved one. The Marielders would like

to welcome anyone experiencing losses to join their evening support group that lets you discuss these losses. Led by Jan Borgman from Grief and Bereavement Institute, the group meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, September 24, at 7 p.m. at the Center (see address above).

For men only

The Marielders is starting a new lunch and health program for men only. On Friday, September 26, our first guest speaker will be retired doctor Richard Wendel. Dr. Wendel will discuss prostate cancer. Lunch will be served at noon and Dr. Wendel will speak immediately after lunch. Lunch is \$2.50 and reservations must be made at the Center (see address above) by September 24.

Cholesterol screening

On Wednesday, October 15 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Jewish Alliance Technicians and the Marielders are sponsoring three cholesterol screenings. The first is a non-fasting cholesterol reading for \$10. The second is a lipid profile that requires a 12-hour fast. It includes a cholesterol screening with HDL-LDL and triglycerides readings for \$15. The third is the executive profile that requires a 12-hour fast. It includes a cholesterol screening with HDL-LDL, triglycerides, thyroid, complete blood count and 21 other screenings for \$35.

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A little planning, a lot of good meals

By John Harrington

Even though you probably have air conditioning, the idea of preparing a meal during the summer or fall is usually not the idea one has in mind, especially with the pool beckoning or a nice walk needed to clear the mind. With a little planning, you can really reduce the amount of time you spend in the kitchen or at the grill.

Now, I'm not talking about making those nasty leftovers you dig out of the back of the refrigerator a week (or two) later. I am talking about thinking ahead a bit and having cooked foods at your fingertips to help make the meals your family loves.

The simplest way to save time is to grill enough meat for two nights, or three, or... When grilling, throw on some extra meat then wrap/store properly and put some in the fridge and (maybe) some in the freezer. To liven up the meals, serve different side dishes, or try recipes that use the same meat in a different entree.

On the night you grill, serve chicken or beef with grilled vegetables fresh from the farmer's market with a salad. The next night, chop up the left over chicken/beef and mix it with

pasta, frozen vegetables, some cheese in a baking dish and put in the oven (350 degrees) for 20-30 minutes and it's done. Easy, healthy (depending on how much cheese one uses) and fun if you let the kids help. You do the chopping, there are no hot pans and they can measure and mix.

There are myriad ways you can save time, once you decide to make enough for two meals. Going to a friend's house and you were asked to bring a salad? Make it a pasta salad! Cook the whole box, take half and store the rest. Voila, you now have the pasta for next night's dinner. In fact, here's a simple pasta salad recipe: in a bowl, combine cooked pasta (use a fun shape for the kids) and vegetables — peppers, onions, cherry tomatoes, peas, corn whatever you like (if you are going to use frozen veggies, put in the microwave for 90 seconds, then sample a few to make sure they won't break a tooth). Toss with salad dressing (we prefer a light Italian or balsamic vinegar, but, again, it's your choice).

Remember, during the summer and fall, keep it simple so you have time to enjoy your family.

Zoning and elections top agenda at CCTP meeting

By Susan House

The "Concerned Citizens of Terrace Park" (CCTP) met to discuss the importance of candidates filing for the November elections and to further the process of improving the zoning code for Terrace Park. Forty to 50 members of the group, now numbering 90, attended the meeting. A decision was made to use the group's treasury funds to immediately send out a letter to the residents of the Village soliciting candidates for the November elections and requesting citizen input for the zoning enforcement process. CCTP will hold a candidate forum on October 9, 2003, and encourages everyone to vote on November 9, 2003.

Elizabeth Bloom, the former Director of the Department of Planning for the City of Cincinnati, and a renowned expert on the subject of zoning, spoke to the meeting regarding contemporary zoning methods as they apply to the Village. After a cursory review of the Terrace Park zoning ordinance, Bloom commented that our zoning code was like many others that are outdated compared to contemporary zoning standards.

She felt that the biggest change in recent zoning codes has to do with percentage of lot coverage, rather than traditional "set back" requirements. Another new technique is the use of graphics and charts to explain regulations. Bloom

pointed out that the TP zoning ordinance does not set forth clear instructions regarding the appeals process and makes no provision for important "notice to neighbors" when any new development is contemplated. Her suggestions included Terrace Park having a new zoning ordinance drafted by a consultant, and then having review and approval done by a committee consisting of representatives of the Village Council and Planning Commission, Village Staff, residents, contractors, architects, and a land use attorney. One of the main points made by Bloom was that "the more complicated and confusing a zoning ordinance is, the harder it is to enforce."

Labor Day Garage Sale

Once again it's that time of the year. Our annual Terrace Park Recreation Commission (TPRC) Labor Day Garage sale is fast approaching and items have been pouring in. This year the sale will be held on Saturday, August 30th from 7 a.m. to noon at the Log Cabin. It is the primary fund-raiser by the TPRC to support our recreational programs. Donations are tax deductible and forms may be picked up at the time of drop-off.

Donation drop-offs are being held on various Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon. Just look for the signs around the park and if the signs are up, someone will be at the Log Cabin to assist you with your donation. If you are unable to make one of the Saturday drop-offs and would still like to make a donation, please call to make arrangements. If you have large items or furniture we will make arrangements to pick them up on Thursday, August 28th from 5

p.m. to 8 p.m. Please call Ralph (Wally) Heffner at 831-5941 (home) or 639-9145 (work) to make special drop-off arrangements or to be added to the pick-up list.

We appreciate your donations of gently used items. However, we can not accept shoes, large appliances, magazines, encyclopedias and damaged or soiled furniture.

This year, as in the past, the only "early bird" purchases will be those residents that donate at least two hours of their time in preparing everything for sale.

Remember, the Labor Day Garage Sale is it a totally volunteer operation and we need everyone's help in making it work. It takes a tremendous effort to collect, sort, price and prepare for the sale. Over the past several years there has been a small core of residents that have carried the bulk of the work on their shoulders and we are in need of additional help. Students, are you

in need of volunteer hours? Helping with the Garage Sale can count as some of your hours and it's fun.

Let's all remember who benefits from the proceeds collected at the sale — OUR CHILDREN and OUR VILLAGE. Everyone needs to do all they can to make this year's sale a great success. If you can volunteer for a couple of hours or have any questions, call the Heffners at 831-5941.

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Terrace Park Sports

The best of Terrace Park



Front Row (l to r): Neal Stehling, Emmett Saulnier, Chris Simons, Kelly Cotes, Peter Laug, Asher Koreman, Hugh MacKay 2nd Row: Sam McManus, Adam Theye, Cody Miller, Charlie Krafft, Oliver Mauk, Will Hasset, Alec Ahrens (Jack Taylor not pictured) 3rd Row: Asst. Coaches Dan McManus, Mike Theye, Andy MacKay, & Head Coach Eddie Cotes



Noah Gibby



Henry White



Annie Ecker



Brian Baird



Nick Sylvest



Freeman Jordan

By Buz Ecker

The following eight rookie umpires rose to the occasion for the 2003 baseball/softball season and did an outstanding job. Armed with knowledge of the game that surpassed all the players, most of the parents, and a good number of the coaches, truly these seven young men and one young lady performed admirably.

One of the instructions they provided to the coaches before each game during ground rules was that we play a good sportsmanship game in Terrace Park, which means you can cheer your own team on but not taunt the opponents. What an honor

it was for me, as their trainer, for them to say that to adults. That issue never once came up during their games, and that is how it should be.

I'd like to particularly thank Dan McManus, William Douglas, and Alison Conner who were more than willing to have these umpires be trained at their games. My hat goes off to those three.

For these eight, umpiring was a unique and nerve racking endeavor, especially, for their first time out. It was clearly a confidence building time for each as they range in age from 12 to 14!

Annie, Noah, Max, Nick,



Luke White



Max Koehler

Photos: Laurie Baird

Luke, Henry, Freeman, and Brian, congratulations for doing your best, and that best was very good. Being Chief Umpire, I am qualified to say that. Being a former baseball player, I am qualified to say that. Being a 17 year resident of Terrace Park, I am indeed proud to say it.



The Thunder Rolls

The Terrace Park Thunder managed to make some noise this year. They had a winning season in D-minor baseball and, more importantly, had a great time developing their baseball skills. This was their first experience with

"kid pitch" and it proved to be a rewarding one. The coaches and parents were very impressed with how well the boys improved from the beginning of the season to its end. The guys are all looking forward to banding together again next year.

Rec Baseball Coaches should contact Lon Stirzman at 248 - 1067 or stirz@fuse.net if you would like a story about your team in next month's issue.

Long-time Terrace Park resident walks for a cure for breast cancer

Marlene Scholl, 1 Elmwood Drive, will join her daughter Sandra this November in San Diego to walk the Breast Cancer 3-Day. They will be walking 60 miles over the course of three days, for a cause devoted to helping women discover breast cancer early enough to beat it and committed to finally finding a cure. As a condition of participation, Marlene and Sandra must raise at least \$2,000 each.

The net proceeds will support breast cancer research, education, screening and treatment through the Susan G. Komen Breast Can-


cer Foundation and the National Philanthropic Trust.

In order to meet her goal Marlene is asking for your emotional and financial support. If you are interested in helping her meet her goal by October, you may send a check payable to "Breast Cancer 3-Day" and mail it to: Marlene Scholl, P.O. Box 64, Terrace Park, OH 45174. You may also donate directly online at: www.breastcancer3day.org. Select "San Diego" select "Sponsor a Participant" and type in Marlene's name. You can watch

Marlene's financial progress online and you can see her train on the streets and trails around the park (she will be the one wearing the fannie pack). Just give a wave or a honk.

About Breast Cancer

According to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, more than 200,000 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year, and almost 40,000 will die from the disease. Ninety-seven percent of women diagnosed with breast cancer at an early stage survive for more than five years. The death rate from the disease is declining — people are surviving. But in order to do so, they need access to medical care, screening, education, and treatment. And we ultimately need a cure.



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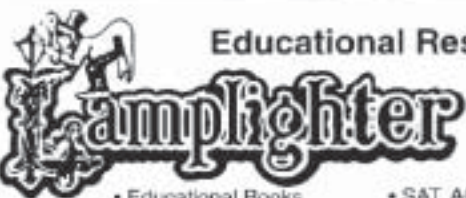
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