



Council rings in the new year with parking, mining and median discussions

By Martha Rassi

At the January meeting of the Terrace Park Council, nine council members and a larger than usual crowd was present since the meeting opened with the swearing in of John Maggard as the new EMS Chief and Chris Wermuth as a new auxiliary police officer. In addition, Mayor Jay Gohman presented a Council Proclamation of thank you to Connie Wilson for her many years of service to Terrace Park as EMS Chief. He also declared January 14, 2009 as Connie Wilson Day in Terrace Park.

Commercial vehicle parking

Two residents addressed Council both expressing concern and requesting an investigation as to the parking of commercial vehicles on Terrace Park streets for a period of time. The Council took the issue under advisement and will look into the zoning or regulation codes to see if the issue is covered and if not what action needs to be taken to clarify the codes.

Martin Marietta

The next resident to speak began by complimenting Council on the new recycling program but the main point was addressing the Martin Marietta proposal. A valuation study is being done concerning the MM proposal and the question was as to who would have access

to the collected data and how the data would be used. Council stressed the amount of work being done on this proposal, the amount of funds being used for the legal work, and the importance of Terrace Park residents being active in the zoning hearing meetings. The next hearing is January 21, 2009 at 3 p.m. Additional hearing information can be found on the Village web site. (*Editor's note: For up to date information about the Martin Marietta mining site provided by the community action committee, CABOOM, consider joining TP Listserv. Visit TerracePark.com for more information.*)

Wooster median

The mayor completed his report by noting residents' comments on the Wooster Pike project, pro and con. Other committee reports were given and a point was made that five new fire fighters have been trained but that volunteers are always needed for new training classes.

The Rules and Law Committee, under the direction of Councilman James Muennich, reported on receiving some funding for completion of the Wooster Pike project stating that the Village now would not be financially responsible for the entire project's median completion.

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Mariemont School District presents facilities findings

By Betsy Porst,
Mariemont School District Communications Coordinator

At the January 6 Board of Education meeting, the Mariemont City School district presented the findings from the Assessment Phase of their year-long facilities planning process. Their goal is to develop a comprehensive, long-term master plan to drive facility decisions for the next three to four decades. This allows the district to implement improvements and replacements in a way that spreads costs over time and ensures short term decisions are aligned to a long term vision.

The assessment report summarized facilities issues impacting the educational environment. It included a broad range of feedback from all district staff members, students, building teams of administration, faculty and parents, and a community-wide dialogue event. Recommendations were also included from a Technology Futures Team and a resident Facilities Advisory Panel.

The report also detailed the results of an Ohio Schools Facilities Commission (OSFC) study of the five district school buildings, indicating all areas in need of repair or replacement along with cost estimates of the work. Turner

Construction validated the assessment and adjusted the estimates for escalation. The most significant facilities issues involved heating/air conditioning, electrical, plumbing, lighting and technology support systems. The total district-wide cost estimate to address issues needing to be repaired or replaced currently would range from \$54 to \$65 million.

Superintendent Paul Imhoff assured residents that the improvements in the report do not constitute a master plan – they are an integral part in developing a long term, phased master plan. "We will prioritize needs based on impact on student instruction and will determine how to implement improvements according to our communities' values and responsible budgeting. In the meantime, we will continue to offer a strong learning environment where students thrive."

"Homeowners know that even well-maintained plumbing and electrical systems eventually hit a point where they must be replaced. With our school buildings ranging from 38 to 95 years old, this is our reality."

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Trained with Salvation Army band

Taking a break from playing, Al Nelson, 80 (left), recalls his Army days with Douglas Short of Mariemont, a retired brigadier general. Then, it's back to playing his trumpet next to the kettle.

Musician coaxes coins into Christmas kettles

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By Steve Kemme
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As a boy in the 1930s, Al Nelson played cornet on downtown Cincinnati street corners with the Salvation Army's brass band. Even at that tender age, Nelson understood that the music he was playing served as a clarion call to the lost souls seeking salvation. After playing next to Salvation

Army's trademark Christmas donation kettle, the band would lead a few of the listeners back to the organization's headquarters on Eighth Street for a religious service. Nelson, now 80, recently brought his trumpet into the entryway of the Mariemont Kroger store and stood next to the Salvation Army kettle. He hadn't performed in public in two years. But he couldn't turn down his friend Ray Normile's request to play while Normile rang a bell. Nelson, who lives in Terrace Park, credits the Salvation Army with providing him with a musical and religious foundation. "They taught me to play the trumpet, and it's been a part of my life," he said. "And I've been a church man all my life." While his fellow Terrace Park resident Normile rang the bell, Nelson raised the trumpet to his lips and played "Jingle Bells." "I have about 20 percent of the technique I had at my peak," he said apologetically. No one noticed. His notes were as crisp as the cold winter day. People pushing full shopping carts paused to listen and then dropped coins and bills into the kettle. "You might have to stay here all day," Normile told him. "You bring a lot of money in." During the Christmas season, all the money collected in the kettles goes for food, clothing and Christmas toys for the needy. The Salvation Army's divisional headquarters in Cincinnati serves Southwest Ohio and Northeast Kentucky. Christmas donations this year are lagging about 10 percent behind last year's, said Maj. Ron Foreman, divisional commander. Kettle donations totaled \$475,000 last year. With a 30 percent increase in service requests, this year's goal is \$553,000. So far, the division has raised a little over half of that amount, Foreman said. "We're just trying to meet

that gap," he said. "We never turn anybody away. We've kind of gone on faith." The Salvation Army has a long tradition of having brass instrumentalists perform next to the Christmas kettles. But in recent decades, it's been a struggle to maintain that tradition. "It's difficult to get the musicians to come out," Foreman said. Nelson became involved with the Salvation Army when he was 8 and his brother Bob was 10. Their parents arranged for them to receive weekly cornet lessons from William Shirra, a family friend who was the Salvation Army bandmaster. "Our parents' plan wasn't to lead us into the religious life," Nelson said. "They wanted us to have a hobby to keep us off the streets." After six months, Nelson and his brother started playing in the Salvation Army band. They would attend 2 p.m. Sunday school at the Citadel, the downtown headquarters. Then they would march, play on a street corner and return to the Citadel for a church service. The Nelson brothers played trumpet at Withrow High School and on scholarship with the College-Conservatory of Music. Bob now lives in Texas. Although Al embarked on a business career, he continued to play with various bands. He even played as an extra with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra. He directed the Terrace Park Community Band for 15 years. He lives with his wife, Lynn, in Terrace Park. Two years ago, Nelson recruited his grandchildren to ring the bells at Mariemont Kroger. "I do it for one reason – gratitude," Nelson said. "The Salvation Army has been good to me."



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Thank You Terrace Park!

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To the editor:
December 25, 2008

Art Linkletter once said that growing old is not for sissies. If you remember art Linkletter, chances are you know this already. Simple chores can become monumental and dangerous.

Take for example the 70 year old man with the quadruple by-pass and an inner ear disorder, balancing precariously on a ladder, and bracing himself by pressing his head into the ceiling. He is hurling curses at the smoke detector that is screaming for new batteries.

Take for example his asthmatic wife trying to hold the ladder steady and praying that he won't fall onto the antique pine dresser with the wonky leg.

ENOUGH! I propose that those of us in the trifocal set support our emergency services by donations and in exchange, we get an off duty police officer or fireman who can still see what they're doing and have some knowledge of the dreaded smoke detector. We happily wrote a check for \$100.00 to the T.P.V.E.S. two days ago for a whole house update, even though the firemen told us that payment is unnecessary.

The village office said they can't ask for donations – doesn't mean we can't make them. Surely there's a retired lawyer among us who will take care of this stumbling block. (He or she might even get their batteries changed!)

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They’re Back!

Morgan’s Raiders Return in Historian’s Retelling for TPHS

By Sue Porter

It’s been 145 years since John Hunt Morgan and his Confederate Cavalry camped within sight of the Union Army’s Camp Dennison and terrorized local residents by burning bridges, ripping up railroad tracks, looting retail stores and demanding food at private homes. The Terrace Park Historical Society will offer insight into Morgan’s Ohio Raid Sunday, March 8, with a presentation by James A. Ramage, an award-winning history professor from Northern Kentucky University.

The program, which is free and open to the public, will be held at the Terrace Park Community Building, beginning at 3:30 p.m. with refreshments. The presentation will follow at 4 p.m.

In just 46 days during 1863, Morgan and his 1,700 Confederate raiders covered 1,000 miles from Tennessee to Northern Ohio, farther north than any other Southern forces advanced during the course of the Civil War. Damages totaled \$500,000 in Ohio and the governor called out the militia to stop the burning, killing and destruction. Prof. Ramage will describe the raid with emphasis on the civilian reaction and attention to how nearby Camp Dennison was involved. He’ll also autograph copies of his book “Rebel Raider: The Life of General John Hunt Morgan,” which has won the Douglas Southall Freeman Award and the Kentucky Governor’s Award.

In 2004 Prof. Ramage received a University-Community Partnership Grant through NKU’s Scripps Howard Center for Civic Engagement to open a Civil War site in Fort Wright, Ky., to the public. Today, it’s a popular destination for students and tourists who want to know more about the era by visiting the James A. Ramage Civil War Museum.



Prof. Ramage is the author of several books about the Civil War, and a Civil War museum in Fort Wright, Ky., has been named for him.



Brigadier General John Hunt Morgan was killed the year following his infamous raid that passed through Southwest Ohio.

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Village Calendar 2009

JANUARY

21 MJHS PTO Mtg 9 a.m.

21 Blasting Hearing, 3 p.m. Anderson Township Center, 5 Mile Road. Public Hearing will be held on Martin Marietta blasting on Round Bottom Road. This will affect our community, find out more information at www.saveourmiami.com.

24 TPRC 2009 Baseball and Softball sign-ups at TP Elementary, 10-noon. (Commissioners will be there to answer questions) Online registration also begins at TPRC.net.

26 Athletic Booster Mtg, 7:30 p.m.

27/28 TPE Everybody Counts

31 MONTE CARLO NIGHT IS NOT 1/31 as previously shown here. It is 2/7.

FEBRUARY

3 TP Garden Club Meeting at the Community Building. Jeff Capalla from Krohn Conservatory will speak and there will be a seedlings demonstration by Jane Peterson. The 2008-2009 slate will also be presented.

7 TPRC Monte Carlo Night 7-midnight, St. Thomas main hall

9 AARP Luncheon, noon. For reservations, call Vera Hodges at 831-7919. Angie Green of Ohio State University Extension Service will discuss “Simply Good Eating for Health.”

9 Board of Education Meeting, MJHS, 7 p.m. Public Welcome

10 TP PTO Meeting, 12:30 p.m.

10 TP Village Council, 7:30 p.m., Community Building

10 TP Recognition Night, 7 p.m.

14 Valentine’s Day

16 Presidents’ Day, NO SCHOOL

18 MJHS PTO Meeting, 9 a.m.

18 Blasting Hearing, 5:30 p.m. Anderson Township Center, 5 Mile Road. Public Testimony will be heard on Martin Marietta blasting on Round Bottom Road. This will affect our community, find out more information at www.saveourmiami.com.

21 MHS Snowball Dance

23 Athletic Boosters, 7:30 p.m.

28 “Party on Ice” Fundraiser for KV Chapter #76, 6 pm-Midnight, Indian Hill Winter Club. Cost is \$50 per guest. For more information contact Julie Sheppard @ 831-1199 or Ann Gibson @ 236-7398.

28 TPRC 2009 Baseball and Softball sign-ups end

Please call Hester Sullivan @ 576-9959 or email hestersullivan@yahoo.com with calendar information or check us out on the web www.terracepark.com/calendar.



TP bell ringers (and trumpeters) help fill the kettle

Dozens of Terrace Park residents helped make the Salvation Army’s kettle at the Mariemont Kroger store one of the organization’s most successful holiday fund-raising efforts in Cincinnati. Here, Paul Imhoff, left, and Al Nelson entertain shoppers with Christmas carols while Tyler Imhoff, a second-grader at Terrace Park Elementary School, welcomes donations. Andy Mauk and former Terrace Park resident, Jill Smith, coordinated the scheduling for the kettle, which was sponsored by Scanner Applications and Koehler-Borden Associates.

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Faith Explorers, senior high

Adult forums

Neighbor to Neighbor

Weaver headed to Vanderbilt

Nick Weaver has been accepted to the class of 2013 at Vanderbilt University in the College of Arts and Sciences. Nick plans to major in Molecular and Cellular Biology and pursue the pre-medicine curriculum. Nick is currently a senior at Mariemont High School. He is a National Merit Semi-Finalist, and A.P. Scholar with Distinction, and is currently first in his class. Nick has numerous awards and honors including three years of scoring summa cum laude on the National Latin Exam and finishing in first place on the JV team for the J.E.T.S. competition at University of Cincinnati. Nick is also a varsity athlete playing baseball and basketball at Mariemont High School.

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Some of "Dear Santa" program gift wrappers Back row left to right: Jeffrey Guggenheim, Alec Ahrens, Bryan Routt, Robby Troller, Connor McManus Front row left to right: Emmett Saulnier, Nick Walter, Kain Albrecht, Dominic Klein, Peter Laug

"Dear Santa" Program a success!

Connor McManus, Troop Scribe

Thanks to all who donated gifts for the annual Boy Scout Troop 286 "Dear Santa" program! This year we collected 115 gifts, which the Scouts spent two hours wrapping on Sunday, December 14. Even though gift wrapping isn't generally a talent of the typical teenage boy, all the presents were eventually wrapped fairly neatly. The pile of gifts was dropped off at the Terrace Park Post Office. From the T.P. Post Office, the gifts made their way to

the Dalton Avenue Post Office in downtown Cincinnati where they were used as part of the "Dear Santa" letter program. If you read the article in the December 13 edition of the *Cincinnati Enquirer*, you know that donated gifts and necessities are distributed throughout the Tri-state region. Deliveries are made by postal employees to the writers of thousands of letters to Santa, making the holidays that much jollier for some of the less fortunate people around the Tri-state area. Thanks again to all who helped make this possible by donating gifts!

Free ways to reduce energy consumption around your home

-Hamilton County Department of Environmental Services

If you think going green is only about hybrid cars and solar panels, think again. According to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), there are plenty of ways to reduce your environmental impact right from home, without spending a dime. The Hamilton County Air Quality Management Division, which serves, Butler, Clermont, Hamilton and Warren Counties, would like to share with you a few of those simple, cost-free solutions for reducing energy use, cutting back on air pollution, and saving money around the home.

Unplug electronic devices that are not in use

Did you know that electronic devices like computers, TVs and cell phones continue to drain power even while they are off and/or fully charged? According to the DOE, 75 percent of the electricity used to power home electronics is consumed while the products are off. To save energy, be sure to totally cut off power to your gizmos while they are not in use. You can do this by unplugging the devices from the wall after each use, or by hooking them up to a power strip which can easily be switched on and off, cutting off the power supply completely.

Keep your vents clear

To help get the most out of your heating system, clean your warm air registers, baseboard heaters and radiators regularly to ensure that air can flow through them freely. Furniture, carpet and drapes can also block warm air from flowing out into a room, so be sure to keep the areas around your vents clear. Also remember to clean and replace your furnace's filter when necessary.

Cook faster, more efficiently

When it comes to making meals, a few simple tricks can save a lot of time, heat and energy. First, cover your pots with lids in order to get liquids to boil more quickly. Also be sure to use the correct size burner for the pot or pan you are cooking with. Finally, use electric pans or toaster ovens for cooking smaller meals. According to the DOE, a toaster oven uses up to half as much energy as a full sized oven.

Wash wisely

Nearly 90 percent of the energy used for clothes washing goes to heating the water for a wash cycle. To help cut back on energy consumption, wash clothes in hot water only when necessary, and always wash and dry full loads of laundry. When drying, try to dry heavy towels in a load separate from lighter items, clean your lint trap after every cycle, and air dry clothes whenever possible.

You can also save money by using your dishwasher more efficiently. Fill your dishwasher before starting a load, but be careful not to overfill. You can also let your dishes air dry by turning off the dishwasher after the final rinse cycle. Try opening the door to help the dishes dry a little faster.

Being green isn't always about spending money. While new technologies are doing a lot to help reduce waste and utilize energy more efficiently, you can start small and save big by incorporating these simple changes into your daily routine.

For more information about energy reduction, visit the U.S. Department of Energy website: www.energy.gov. To learn more about the Hamilton County Air Quality Management Division, visit www.hcdoes.org.



Recycling Man (aka 5th grade teacher Tom Zaya) reprised this role at a Terrace Park Elementary assembly encouraging his attentive student audience to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

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Mining in Terrace Park

From the archives by Carol C. Cole

I assume by now everyone who lives in Terrace Park is well aware that Martin Marietta owns land south of Terrace Park on the other side of the Little Miami River under which they want to mine for limestone. Along with several other communities Terrace Park is opposed to this. However, this is not the first time that mining has been an issue in Terrace Park.

The Little Miami Railroad was chartered in 1836 and reached Milford by 1841. Its route as shown on the 1841 Hamilton County map ran north of Wooster Pike along the base of Indian Hill. In 1853 it was decided to straighten the route and thus to move the tracks south of Wooster Pike to where the Bike Trail runs now. Gravel for laying the new tracks came out of two gravel pits in what became Terrace Park: one on Elm Avenue where our Environmental Services and Maintenance Building are now and the other just west of Given Road. We have no information as to whether residents at the time were for or against this mining. There weren't many of them so perhaps it wasn't a big issue.

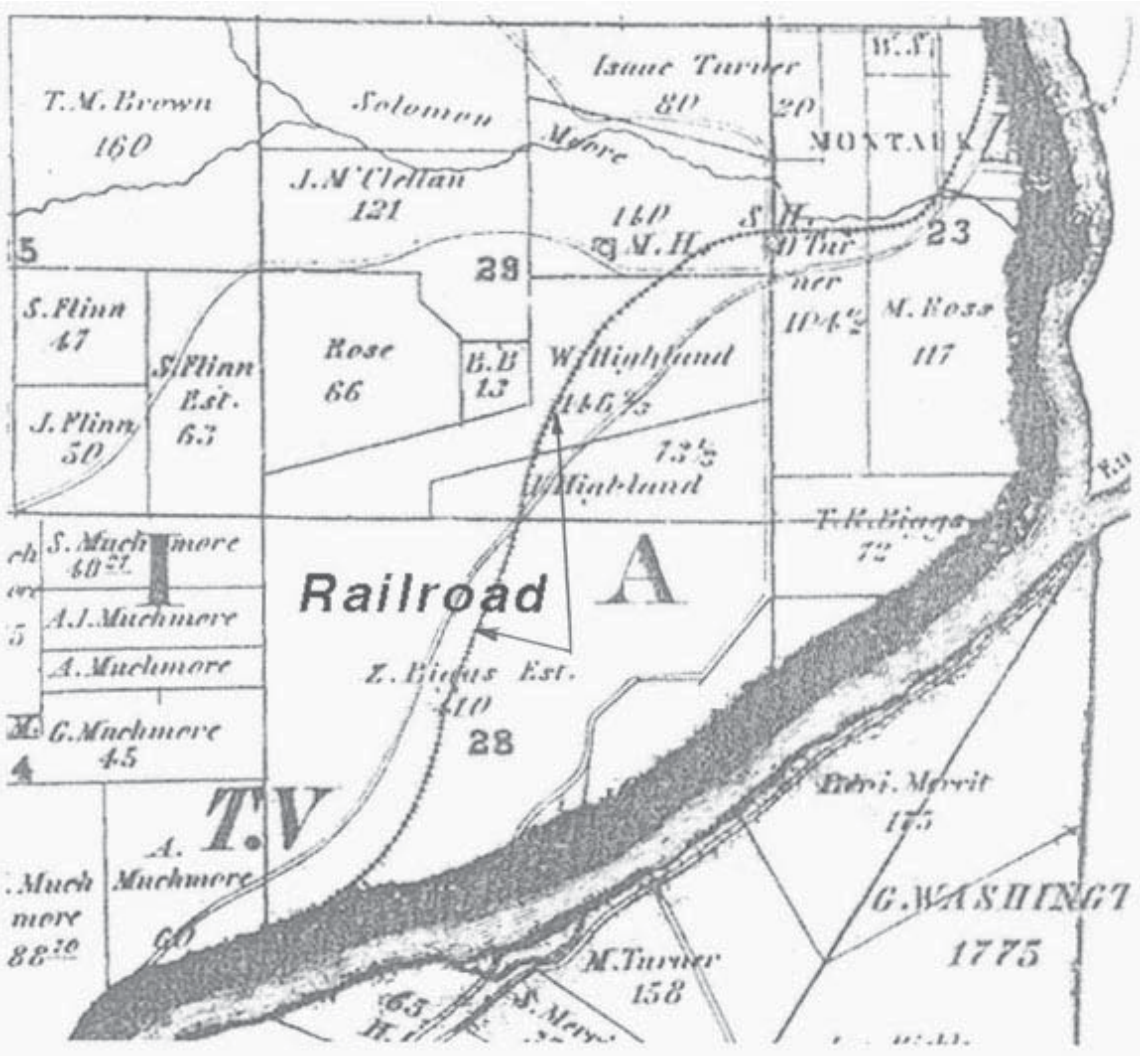
Not only was gravel available in those two pits but there's also plenty in the Little Miami River. In July of 1961 a warning letter went out to the residents of Terrace Park.

"It looks as though we are up against the gravel situation once more. You may already be aware that Walter Kunz, a Batavia contractor, has started operating a gravel processing plant, just west of the Village line, near the river. You have

only to look at the country east of Newtown to see what can develop. This outfit has, so far, been operating without a permit from the Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals. However, since they have been ordered to move out, they have appealed for permission to continue. ... Your Village Council and this committee is in favor of stopping this operation, now. The only way this can be done is to register a mass protest against the operation of a gravel processing plant adjacent to the Village of Terrace Park."

Does this sound familiar?

Evidently mining was not halted in 1961 but Judge Gusweiler issued an injunction against it in 1967. By 1972 the Ewalt Gravel Company, owned by Walter Kuntz, was still mining, which clearly violated the 1967 injunction. Among those called to testify in September concerning continued mining were people representing the villages of Terrace Park and Indian Hill, Hamilton County officials, the Terrace Park Swim Club and Little Miami Inc. Not only was mining going on but Kuntz had a cofferdam built across the Little Miami River on which he could drive his trucks. A 1974 *Village Views* article says the "dam illegally interfered with a navigable stream and also constituted a safety hazard for river users". Kuntz was altering the course of the river so that he could get at the particular gravel he wanted. By May 1975 there were two court victories in trying to stop Kuntz's in-stream gravel operations. In October removal of the concrete dam and



A portion of the 1848 A. W. Gilbert map of Hamilton County. It shows the Little Miami Railroad going along the base of Indian Hill, north of Wooster Pike, rather than straight through Terrace Park as it did after 1853.

causeway across the Little Miami River was ordered and promised to be removed by November 1st. At the same time Terrace Park was still waiting to see if a "variance" permit for in-stream gravel mining would be

revoked, which it finally was.

There are articles in the archives about Walter Kuntz's mining operation from 1961 through 1975 with a variety of days of testimony in court, injunctions, appeals, vari-

ances, hearings, a special zoning certificate (for Kuntz's Newport Concrete Co.) and suits. Unfortunately we do not have a complete file on the subject so would welcome any further information people might have on Walter Kuntz's gravel mining in the Little Miami River. There are no doubt many people still living in Terrace Park and the surrounding areas who remember this long drawn out affair and accompanying litigation. At the time even driving along Wooster Pike just west of Terrace Park one could see huge piles of sand and gravel as well as mining equipment.

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Members from the Mariemont Junior High Power of the Pen 1st place 8th grade team and the 2nd place 7th grade team are: Name (grade) Back row: Josh Keyes (8), coach Leslie Jordan, Olivia Dieker (8), Kirstyn Hippe (8), Evan Doran (7), Grace Fening (7), Summer Harris (7), Rachel Nelson (8), Cate Donahue (7); Front row: Mara Coyan (8), Hannah Augsburg (8), Alex Ahrens (8), Cole Brandser (7), Taylor Giordullo (7), Olivia Erhardt (7) (not pictured, coach Erica Eppert).

Mariemont Junior High writers excel at district competition

By Betsy Porst

On December 6, the student teams from Mariemont Junior High School (MJHS) competed in the Power of the Pen district writing competition at Goshen Middle School where the Mariemont 8th grade team finished in first place and the 7th grade team earned 2nd place. MJHS team members also took home some individual writing awards. For the 7th grade: Taylor Giordullo came in 9th place, Evan Doran came in 8th place, and Olivia Erhardt came in 1st place. For the 8th grade: Olivia Dierker came in 11th place, Hannah Augsburg came in 8th place, and Mara Coyan

came in 3rd place. Mara also received a best of round for her piece E=MC2. Power of the Pen is an interscholastic competition for young writers with tournaments throughout the state of Ohio. Since its inception in 1986, Power of the Pen has grown from a single writing contest to a statewide educational enrichment program. Over 8000 students will participate in the district, regional and state tourneys this year alone. The MJHS Power of the Pen teams are coached by teachers Leslie Jordan and Erica Eppert.

Thanks for your support for Eagle Projects

Boy Scout Troop 286 and its Eagle candidates, Cory Grever, Cole Wilson and Dillon Wilson wish to thank the many supporters for your donations, expertise, and hard work in contributing to the successful completion of their Eagle projects. Cory replaced three of the Village bulletin boards and installed a new bulletin board at Drackett Field. Cole and Dillon built a retaining wall and entrance box on Elm Avenue near the tunnel to improve safety for residents walking or biking to the Swim Club or Drackett Field.

Following is a list of supporters: Roy Allan, Ogle Annett, Richard Block, John Borchers, David Brendamour, Don Brown, Jack Brown, Camargo Landscaping, Lee Cole, Randy Cooper, Joseph Dehner, Drackett Harth Construction, Scott Ehrnschwender, David L. Fritz, Fletcher Homes, Jack Forbes, Daniel Freshley, Jay Gohman, Daniel Freshley, Jay Gohman, Joe & Lanie Grever, Donald Hawk, Robert & Patricia Henley,

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Make the resolution to reduce waste this year

Provided by Hamilton County Department of Environmental Services

With 2008 behind us and 2009 in its earliest days, now is the perfect time to get rid of bad disposing habits and reduce unnecessary waste once and for all. If you're serious about going green this year, the Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District has a few simple ideas that will help make waste reduction a resolution you can keep.

One of the easiest ways to minimize your solid waste contribution is to reduce the consumption of disposable materials. In many ways, the disposable items you use every day are like junk food in your diet—you don't really need them,

they're best when used sparingly, and they're easy to cut back on with simple lifestyle changes. You can make a huge impact just by using fewer disposable items and incorporating reusable products into your daily routine. If you start every work day with a cup of coffee, for example, replace any Styrofoam and paper cups with your own thermos or mug. If you drink bottled water at lunch, invest in reusable bottles for these drinks as well. By replacing just those cups, bottles and cans, at the end of the work week you will have already eliminated 15 dis-

posable items from your weekly waste contribution!

If you're like most consumers, your biggest waste indulgence is probably the plastic shopping bag. While they may seem convenient, cheap and harmless, plastic bags quickly add up to big waste. To cut unnecessary waste out of your shopping routine, invest in reusable bags. Easy to tote and well worth the money, reusable bags are a great investment for our environment. According to reusablebags.com, each reusable bag you use has the potential to eliminate an average of 1,000 plastic bags over its lifetime.

To help get customers in the habit of reducing waste, many businesses in our area offer incentives to those who reuse. Starbucks, for example, offers a 10 cent drink discount for customers who use their own mug. Kroger, Whole Foods and Biggs all offer discounts for customers who use reusable bags, and Whole Foods has eliminated plastic bags from its stores. Many other stores are beginning to pick up green policies as well, so ask around where you shop and always bring your reusable bags—you may be pleasantly surprised with a bonus for being green.

When you can't reuse, get a bin and recycle. Recycling saves resources, conserves energy, makes new products and helps our local economy. The following items are recyclable in Hamilton County:

- Plastic bottles and jugs (remove lids)
- Glass bottles and jars (remove lids)
- Steel cans, aluminum cans and empty aerosol cans (remove tips and lids)
- Newspapers and magazines
- Office paper, junk mail and envelopes
- Phone books and catalogs
- Cardboard and paper-board

For more information about local recycling, call the Hamilton County Recycling Hotline at 946-7766.

By committing to reusable products and small lifestyle changes, you can make 2009 your greenest year yet. For more information on how you can save money, help conserve resources and reduce waste, visit www.hamiltoncountyclecyls.org.

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Council continued from front page

Other reports

Police Chief Jerry Hayhow mentioned that he was trying to purchase additional street salt since the annual allotment was being depleted.

Councilman Krueger requested council approval for two tree projects addressing cleaning up of tree debris and the removal of damaged trees. Both resolutions were approved.

Other committee reports were given but with the holiday break many committees will be meeting for the first time in 2009.

Residents are always encouraged to attend council meetings and to visit the Village web site at: www.terracepark.com/village/

Council meeting broadcast schedule

Want to see the action but missed the meeting? Cable 4 broadcasts the most recent Terrace Park Village Council meetings throughout the month at the following times: Monday at 5:30 p.m., Thursday at 10:30 p.m., and Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

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Students make progress on mural

The 4th grade students at TPE are very busy with a their historical mural project. They are learning TP history as well as developing their own creativity. Teachers Shelley Komrska, Melissa Rupe and Mary Kay

Kroeger have been very involved with the students on this project. The TPE mural project, sponsored by Terrace Park Historical Society, was funded by a grant from the Scripps Howard Foundation.



Bobby Denner with the log cabin



A.J. Walter with the John Smith/Lindell Farm



Grace Brittingham with 2 baseball players: Bubbles Hargrove and Eppa Rixey.



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Terrace Park Sports



TPRC raffles off a customized "BULL DOG" golf cart

You know those times when you need to go somewhere in Terrace Park that is just a little too far to walk, but just too close to justify taking your car? If this happens to you then you need a family Golf Cart!!! And how, you may ask, can you justify buying a family golf cart in these tight economic times??

The Terrace Park Recreation Committee has the perfect solution...buy a RAFFLE TICKET! As a part of the 6th annual Monte Carlo Night Fund Raiser, TPRC will be raffling off a four person golf cart. Not just any golf cart, though. It is a customized EZGO electric golf cart with your own Terrace Park Bull Dog logo - road ready with a cushioned back seat.

Raffle tickets will cost \$20 for one ticket, \$50 for 3 tickets. Ticket order forms will come in the Monte Carlo Night Invitation at the end of December and will also be sold by TPRC Basketball Teams. Winners will be announced at Monte Carlo Night the evening of Saturday, February 7. This raffle will be limited to TP residents only. (Winners will not need to be present.)

And if your very own golf cart isn't exciting enough, the second place raffle prize will be \$500 worth of garden items from The Olde Garden Shack - a gracious supporter of the TPRC.

So this holiday season, instead of dreaming of sugar plums, dream about tooling around the Park in your very own golf cart and having a garden/lawn envied by all. Then put a few dollars aside to buy a TPRC Raffle Ticket...or 2...or 3.



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