**April 2009** 

## Mining, safety, money discussed at council

By Martha Rassi

Mayor's Report: Mayor Jay Gohman gave a summary of the Martin Marietta hearings. At the last hearing, a report was presented by a local real estate agent concerning the projected decline in Terrace Park property values if the Martin/Marietta projected is allowed to proceed. The mayor testified at the hearing concerning the past history of Martin/ Marietta projects on the community. The Mayor emphasized the need for leadership from other communities that will be impacted by this project. The mayor has met with Anderson Township leaders and reminded ev-

eryone of the next hearing on April 22, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. He also thanked Emily Parker for her continued efforts to communicate the status of the project to residents of both Terrace Park and Anderson Township. The mayor closed his report by reminding residents to use the Village web site complaint section to contact Council Members at complaints@terracepark.org.

#### **Declining tax receipts**

Holcomb indicated that a study is being conducted on the possible decline of tax receipts due to the economy with the hope to advance plan how to manage this

## What can you do?

By Emily Parker

Many TP residents want to know what they can do to help stop Martin Marietta from setting up a limestone mine 1,500 feet from our community. Please consider doing one or more of the following:

- 1. Write a letter to the editor of the Forest Hills Journal to inform Anderson residents that their appointed officials' decision will negatively impact the quality of life of their neighbors. The Community Press East Community Office, 394 Wards Corner Road, Suite 170, Loveland OH 45140. You can also submit your letter online, https:// secure.cincinnati.com/ communitypress/lettertotheed.html 2. Donate to CABOOM for signs, witnesses, and attorney fees. Visit www.saveourmiami.com.
- 3. Make a sincere and valid public comment. This is our only opportunity to directly plead with the Anderson BZA face to face. Contact Hester Sullivan, hestersullivan@me.com, or Bill Hayes, WDHayes@vorys.com for more information. See public hearing dates below.
- 4. Join the TP List Service to receive updates. Go to www.terracepark.com and click on "News and Events" to sign up.
- 5. Write a letter to the Anderson Board of Zoning Appeals and e-mail it to pdrury@andersontownship.org. (Consider turning this letter into a

#### Free ice cream cones!

Once again, United Dairy Farmers has graciously donated ice cream cones for this year's Terrace Park Bike Safety Program. Our police officers will be handing out free ice cream cone coupons to boys and girls who are wearing helmets when riding their bicycles or other wheeled scooters, etc. And with 500 coupons to give away everyone has a very good chance of getting one. Just remember to always wear your helmet and follow the "rules of the road" when riding your bike. Let's be safe out there and don't forget to thank Sonny and the other UDF employees when you get your ice cream.

Chief Fiscal Officer Mark projected decline.

public comment). Mark your calendar:

- 1. Sunday, April 26, 1 p.m., Newtown Farm Market - Public RALLY!!!! If you are able to provide food, tables, chairs, or door prizes, please contact Cathy Burger at cab608@aim.com or Emily Parker at 444-4058 or thecincyparkers@mac.com.
- 2. May 1-May 17 Informational flyer distribution in TP. Please contact Emily Parker, thecincyparkers@mac.com to volunteer to go door-to-door.
- 3. Thursday, May 7, 5:30 p.m., Anderson Center - Public Hearing: Continuation of fact witnesses. (The Anderson BZA will not hear the MM case until at least 7 p.m.)
- 4. Wednesday, May 20, 5:30 p.m., Anderson Center - Public Hearing: New PUBLIC COMMENTS date. **Talking Points:**
- 1. Property value A recent propcontinued on page 7

#### Free CPR classes

Life Squad Chief John Maggard stated there had been 15 runs since the last council meeting. Also the new class of four recruits has almost completed their training and that simulated storm aftermath training was also given. He stressed that anyone interested in CPR training, free to residents, should contact his department.

#### Stay away from downed lines

Fire Chief Luke Frey reminded residents that with the storm season beginning, they should stay away from any downed power lines. He also again mentioned the want and need for more volunteers.

Police Chief and Street Commissioner Gerald Hayhow stated that the Oxford Avenue storm project is complete and under budget. His department has also in- area in Terrace Park.

stalled a new corporation limit sign on the east end of Terrace Park, matching on sign on the west end of the Village. Hayhow announced the return to his department of Officer Doug Sowders.

#### Reports, Resolutions and Ordinances of Standing Committees:

Planning & Zoning: Councilman Lee Cole opened his report by mentioning that Martin/Marietta continues to use the old phrase "best practices" to justify any of its actions. He also mentioned that a member of the Anderson Board of Appeals gave a very negative report on Terrace Park that was unrelated to the discussion being held.

His committee has been dealing with updating and clarifying the regulations concerning the parking of commercial and recreational vehicles on the streets. He reminded residents that for a fee one can park vehicles and boats in the secured

Building & Grounds: Mr. Krueger requested the Council vote on two resolutions. The first one was passed that authorized payment to Little Miami Landscape for the spring planting of new trees that had to be planted at a specific temperature and time.

The second resolution was passed that approved the purchase from Keystone Structures of an additional salt storage facility to allow for the storage of a larger quantity of road salt and also provide the ability to purchase salt in advance and usually at a reduced price. The current salt storage facility is leaking thus losing salt.

Finance: Councilman Mark Porst requested the passing of a resolution to increase the allotted expenditures for the engineer drawings for the curb and sidewalk Wooster Pike

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## **New Eagle Scouts for Troop 286**

By Connor McManus, Troop Scribe

Congratulations to Cory Grever, Cole Wilson, Dillon Wilson, and Elliott Hanes on completing their Eagle Projects and achieving the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest and most sought after success in Scouting. The boys were awarded the rank at a special Court of Honor held at the Terrace Park Community building on March 28. Parents, guests, and fellow scouts were among the spectators of this memorable event. A scout's Eagle Project, the pinnacle of his career, requires planning, organizing, cooperating, and, obviously, HARD WORK! The scouts' projects are as follows:

Elliott Hanes completed a 150

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Newest Eagle Scouts from Troop 286. (L-R) Cory Grever, Cole Wilson, Elliott Hanes, and Dillon Wilson

## "Cookies for a Cure" provides

Sherry Holcomb is not the type of woman to sit and feel sorry for her situation...she is the type of person that is called to action. So. when she found out her sister is currently battling the aggressive disease Pancreatic Cancer for the second time, she made a plan and is quickly becoming much, much sent out a call to the TPlist that was more. Donations of extra baked simple and direct, "Stop by the Village Green on Thursday, April 16 at 3 p.m. for a bake sale with a purpose! Beginning this week and continuing each Thursday at least until school is out, Sean, Jamie and Sherry Holcomb will be selling homemade treats to raise money for pancreatic cancer research. In case of bad weather, the sales will be held at 212 Miami Ave."

healing outlet

"I couldn't just sit and do nothing," Sherry said as she made change and handed out some of the best home-made treats in the village. And, good news for the twopiece crowd among us, she claims the oatmeal banana bread "isn't really that fattening!"

What started as a simple plea goods (rumor has it that pies may be at future sales), raffle items and extra help have been pouring in.

"I am getting offers from all over the neighborhood... so it won't just be Holcomb goodies out there," she said. She's happy to accept the help but saddened that "it comes with lots of stories of people touched by cancer in one way or another."

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### **COLLATORS NEEDED**

If you have 1 hour per month to spare, Village Views could use your help. To volunteer please contact Leslie Jones @ 831-2643.

Please include a short description in the subject line.

#### May Deadline

The deadline for the May issue is May 8. You may send your submissions to tpvillageviews@fuse.net.



Aquamen J.P. Normile, Rye Walker and Hayden Gearhart

#### Great turnout for the Cub Scout Swim! Other Cub Scouts that partici-

Every year the Terrace Park Cub Scouts - Pack 97 visit the 'tropical' indoor pool at Stepping Stones - a hidden, secret oasis of really warm water, rafts, water basketball and more. More than 45 Cubs and siblings (a good showing of Moms and Dads, too) got out on a recent Saturday morning and had great time swimming at this annual Cub Scout event. "This water is awesome!" said Mathew McGrory - echoed by just about every Cub that took part in a fun day of splashing around. "We aren't ever leaving!" said the Moreno boys - Collin and Owen.

pated were: Cole Harden, Strattan LeMay, Andrew Krafft, Cole Herring, and Benny Elliott.

The following Webelos earned their Aquanaut Badge - Connor Dougherty, AJ Walter, Sam Rubin and Henry Wagner.

Stepping Stones Center is a non-profit United Way Partner agency that serves over 1,000 adults and children with disabilities annually. Stepping Stones is just across the Pike on Given Road. One of the great unknown community resources, the pool is open for family and lap swimming yearround. Information on open swims is available by calling 831-4660.

## A Tribute to My Brother

By Sharon Sowders

My brother has wanted to be a police officer since he was a kid. Growing up two blocks from the Madeira Police Department, we would often hear the guardians of our community racing up Euclid Road with their sirens screaming and horns blaring. If we were outside playing when this occurred, Doug would run or bike to the corner to catch a glimpse of the fleeting drama. Later, when CB radios became popular, Doug was the first kid on our block to own one. Staying up late, alone in his room, he would listen intently to the abbreviated, static-filled exchanges between the dispatchers and officers responding to the scenes of accidents, heart attacks, and burglaries.

Years later, after serving as a reserve police officer in Madeira and Terrace Park, Doug was honored with a full-time position in Terrace Park in 1995. Seeing him in uniform on various occasions - tall, strong, and impeccably pressed - my heart would brim with pride and soften with love for my brother who had fulfilled his childhood dream.

Over the years, as their family grew and he and his wife agreed that she would stay home with their kids, Doug assumed a second job as a funeral motorcycle escort. Sadly, it was through this line of work that Doug's cherished career as a police officer became threatened on a bright winter day.

In January of 2008, while escorting the procession of a 16-year-old girl, Doug was struck by a motorist who broke through the procession. Thrown a number of yards into the back of a pick-up truck, he incurred multiple broken bones in both arms and his left leg, resulting in a complicated surgery that stretched into the night.

Over the course of the next 15 months, Doug's life became a chaotic symphony of repeated surgeries, painful rehab, and financial hardship. Yet, through it all, he never complained, never cast blame, never spoke a bitter word. My quiet brother who hates to be the center of attention learned how to fix himself meals from a wheelchair, attended his son's high school graduation with the use of a cane, and reminded the rest of us that accidents happen every day.

As I write this tribute, we're still uncertain of Doug's long-term prognosis or his ability to work as a police officer again. Nevertheless, he remains steadfast in his faith, his devotion to his family, and his intention to serve his community in whatever capacity he can. I'm more proud of him now than ever before

Editor's Note: If you would like to contribute to the Officer Sowders Fund, please send your gift in care of Officer Blanton, Terrace Park Police Department, 428 Elm Avenue, Terrace Park, OH 45174.

### Council continued from front

Road project. The resolution was passed.

A discussion was then held concerning the suggestion to print a flyer to be given to Anderson Township residents seeking their proposal. Malloy suggested that from a legal standpoint, the wording and delivery of the flyer should be carefully studied. Malloy said he would meet with the resident proposing the flyer to work on the above issues.

Rules & Law: Coucilman James Muennich. No report. Prior to this meeting, the Wooster Pike Improvement Committee met with the engineering group to review plans for the medians for the road. The next meeting of his committee will be Mary 5, 2009 at 6:30 pm. Councilman Stefan Olson then gave a report from the March 26, 2009 meeting of the Wooster Pike Road Improvement Committee stating the need to approve funds for more engineering work. He also mentioned that Terrace Park would receive stimulus package funds of

\$880,000 to fund the Wooster Pike project for curbs and catch basins but that the work cannot be done until 2010 due to the release of the monies by the federal government.

Public Work: Councilman Olson said his committee had no report.

support against the Martin/Marietta Public Safety: Councilman Terry Howe announced with great enthusiasm that UDF has once again donated coupons for ice cream cones, this year 500, for the annual Terrace Park Bike Safety Program. These coupons will be given to bike riders who are wearing helmets and viewed by a Terrace Park officer. This program will begin after the next issue of the village newspaper comes out.

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## Our pilot flies west

### (Remembering Bob Belliveau)

By Bren Fries

Around eight years ago my friend and fellow TP'er Ray Normile invited me out to his club for a game of golf. He told me, "I'm bringing along someone you need to meet." On the first tee I was introduced to a sprite, chipper gentleman standing all of what seemed to be 64 inches, give or take. After establishing our handicaps the wager for the day's game, Ray mentioned, "Bren's an Air Force pilot, too." "Oh, REALLY..." the man said, looking at me with a wry smile.

Little did I know what I was getting myself into. Not only was I in the midst of a bona fide World War II fighter pilot, one with actual combat experience and multiple kills against the legendary German Luftwaffe. Not only was I befriended by a warm, kind gentleman with a booming voice and wide grin, one who lived life to the fullest each and every day. No, on that day, I was also introduced to a golfing ringer, who just so happened to hit the golf ball straight down each and every fairway.

My dollars and I were soon separated.

It was money well spent, though, as I became one of so many, so fortunate in the Village to call Bob Belliveau a friend.

It wasn't hard to spot Bob. Just take a drive around town on the coldest of winter days. Invariably he would be out walking Terrace Park with his wife and trusty partner, Jeanne. Or the hottest summer afternoon at the swim club, where they would be seen swimming laps after lap. Or with the Tuesday night tennis league challenging friends far younger to a spirited match on the courts.

Bob touched so many of our lives. From the close friends he shared to the countless children who, each Memorial Day, watched a man salute his fallen comrades, he left an indelible impression on us all.

Bob Belliveau recently passed away at home with his family at his side. He was considered the "Rock of the Belliveau clan" a devoted husband, father and friend to so, so many. For me, he was also a connection to the era of flying that he so loved and that I can only imagine. For each who knew Bob there are many different feelings, but one common theme...that he will be greatly missed and never, ever forgotten. The following poem is greatly revered by military aviators, Air Force pilot Bob Belliveau chiefly among them. When I read it, I can't help but picture that lively, laughing man who brought such joy to us all.

High Flight

Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings; Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth Of sun-split clouds, — and done a hundred things You have not dreamed of — wheeled and soared and swung High in the sunlit silence. Hov'ring there, I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung My eager craft through footless halls of air. . . .

Up, up the long, delirious burning blue I've topped the wind-swept heights with easy grace Where never lark, or ever eagle flew -And, while with silent, lifting mind I've trod The high untrespassed sanctity of space, Put out my hand, and touched the face of God.

— John Gillespie Magee, Jr

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## **Mariemont Alumni Association** to hold 2<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting

Alumni Association is proud to aning of the Members and Potential Members.

The meeting will be held Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Mariemont High School Commons.

The Association has come a long way after its first year! After its first year in operation, the Association is recognized as an Ohio non-profit corporation, is sanctioned by the School District and its supporting organizations and intends to file for 501(c)(3) status.

of alumni, created a website to cinnati, Ohio 45227.

The Mariemont High School serve as a forum for alumni, hosted several events during the 2008 nounce its Second Annual Meet- Homecoming and continue to plan a job fair and social events for the students. In addition, this spring the Association will sponsor a Wine Tasting for alumni.

> If you are a proud Warrior and would like to either join or become more involved with the Alumni Association, then we would like to invite you to attend this open Meeting of the Members!

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#### Village Calendar 2009

24 MHS Prom and After Prom

26 RALLY AGAINST BLASTING ON THE LITTLE MIAMI 1 p.m., Newtown Farm Market If you are able to provide food, tables, chairs, or door 18 MHS Recognition Day 8 a.m. prizes, please let me know or contact Cathy Burger at cab6080@aim.com.

MJHS Play 7p.m. MHS 1

MJHS Play 2 p.m. @ MHS

1 - 17 - Informational flyer distribution regarding NO Blasting on the Little Miami. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Emily Parker mattandemparker@aol.com

- Garden Club, noon at the Community Build- 22 TPE Field Day 12:30 3 p.m. ing. "Made in the Shade" with Connie Booth. Plus Caladium planning demonstration by Jane 23 TPSC POOL OPEN
- MHS PTO In/Out 7:30 p.m.
- 10 Mother's Day
- 11 AARP Luncheon, noon. For reservations, call Vera Hodges at 831-7919. John Ventre from The Cincinnati Observatory will present.
- **12 TP PTO Meeting** 9:30 a.m.
- 12 Village Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Community Building

15 TP 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Play, 7 p.m.

15 through June 15 Soccer Sign Ups. Sign up online at www.TPRC.net Irene Updegrove bookdrive 15-30

- 19 Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m. @ MJHS

20 TPE Open House/Art Show/Book Fair, 7 p.m. 20 Blasting Hearing at Anderson Center, 5:30 p.m., - New PUBLIC COMMENTS date. Please consider making a valid, sincere comment. This is our only opportunity to directly plead with the Anderson BZA face to face not to blast in our backyards. Contact Bill Hayes, WDHayes@vorys.com, or Hester Sullivan, hestersullivan@me.com if you need some guidance.

#### 25 MEMORIAL DAY NO SCHOOL

25 TP Memorial Day Parade & Recognition **Ceremony.** Parade participants line up behind the elementary school 9:30 a.m. Candy gatherers and parade watchers 10 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: The last day for Terrace Park Elementary & Mariemont High School will be Tuesday, June 2. Mariemont Junior High's last day will be June 1.

The 6th Grade Recognition Breakfast and Assembly will also move to Tuesday, June 2.

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.

## Going GREEN = Money for you

gram include:

By Tim Harth

An old program has been given new life by the people in Washington with some new tax advantages for installing new windows, adding insulation, installing new doors and adding energy efficient heating and air conditioning equipment. Homeowners can get up to \$1500 in tax CREDITS for installation of specific energy-saving items in 2009. The items covered by the pro-

New windows with (easily met) energy-saving criteria. This includes skylights and storm windows.

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There is also a 30% tax credit (with no maximum) for those homeowners who install geo-thermal heating systems as a part of the program. Included in this 30% credit are solar water-heating and photovoltaic systems.

For more information, call your local friendly contractor!

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Tim Harth is a builder/remodeler in Terrace Park and a contributor to the Village Views.





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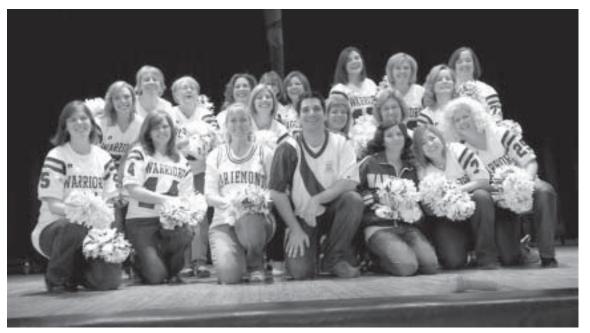
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## Neighbor to Neighbor



#### TPE staff has talent

Photo by Ellie Pohlman

If you missed their rendition of the Brady Brunch in 2008, hopefully your were able to catch the elementary school staff showing off their talent (and lighter side) to the student body by performing their own version of High School Musical at the TPE Talent Show on March 20. Rumor has it that planning is already under way for next year's show!

## A mountain of mulch

By Connor McManus, Troop Scribe

If you happened to pass the Log Cabin around March 25, you could not help but notice the many pallets of mulch, totaling a staggering 123, in the parking lot, which is a sure sign that spring is just around the corner and it is time to reacquaint ourselves with our yards.

Troop 286 tackled this mountain of mulch on March 27 and 28

by delivering the orders to village residents who purchased from troop members. With the help of many Scouts and their parents along with the use of trucks, trailers and a fork lift, the mulch deliveries were completed on March 28. Reorders were delivered during the evening on April 2.

The mulch sale is the major

fundraiser for Troop 286 and is used for camping equipment, campground fees, summer camp and the summer high adventure trip. The mulch is Queen City Gold, a favorite brand in Cincinnati, and is provided by Bzak Landscaping.

With another successful year of mulch sales, we heartily thank the community for your great support by allowing our Troop to supply your mulch needs.

The troop would like to extend special thanks to the following people: Janie Yates, who spent many hours organizing all of the orders and handling of the money for the mulch sale; Dan Utt for the use of his trailer; Robby Routt of Michaelson Homes for the use of their truck; and, Greg DeCamp of Metal Solutions for the use of their truck and trailer.

For those who ordered pallets of mulch, please drop off the wooden pallet to the log cabin so it can be recycled. If you are unable to transport your pallet to the log cabin, please call Dennis Kokoruda at 831-8736 for pickup.

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## Two student productions coming in May

#### ARGH! Beware of Pirates in the Park!!!!

for this year's Terrace Park Elementary 6th grade play: It's a Pirate's Life for Me.

This whimsical production is Friday, May 15th.

Rehearsals are well underway sure to be a swash-buckling good time for all.

> Watch for details regarding the public performance scheduled for

#### Do dead cats really help heal warts?

crew of Mark Twain's Tom Sawyer ored, school skippin' troubleon Friday, May 1 and Saturday maker. The production features May 2 as they relive the adven- several of Terrace Park's own sevtures of America's favorite fence enth and eighth graders.

Find out by joining the cast and painting, BeckyThatcher-enam-

## Kindervelt's "Party on Ice"



Terrace Park Kindervelt's "Party on Ice" Feb. 28 netted \$20,000 for asthma research at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. More than 120 party-goers participated in festivities at Indian Hill Winter Club - from broomball to paddle tennis and dancing, to vying for items offered in the lucky stick and live action, a raffle and a series of creative prepay fund-raiser parties. Here, Meghan Mills, president of Terrace Park Kindervelt, encourages bidders with photos of a vacation destination. "We are incredibly grateful for all the support," said Meghan. "This was quite a feat given the economy."



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## Police report

Police were called to UDF to Elm. They posed no threat. check on an individual loitering on the premises soliciting a ride to Fairfax. The subject was ordered to leave.

on the condition of the Community House. They noticed a strong odor of alcohol upon entering the building and found an empty beer bottle, an empty wine bottle and paper scattered on the floor.

A suspicious male was reported on Dennison and Franklin soliciting home repair jobs. His truck, described by residents, was later located on Lexington. The driver was questioned and was found to be under suspension. A search of the vehicle revealed evidence of possible possession of drugs. Confiscated syringes were dispatched for examination. The suspect was advised that the truck would be towed in Miami Township.

Police checked two suspicious persons reported at Robinwood and and seven EMS responses.

A suspicious vehicle parked on Wooster Pike was found to be broken down.

Officers were requested to in-Officers were asked to check vestigate a suspicious vehicle and person in a neighbor's driveway. The subject was there for an appointment with the resident who had not yet arrived home.

Lattice at the gazebo on the Village Green was vandalized.

Officers were called to assist with two situations involving domestic disputes.

Police located several children whose whereabouts were not known by parents. In all cases the children were located quickly and were in their homes or on nearby property.

Two motorists struck deer on Wooster Pike.

Mutual Aid was provided to and he was transported to Frisch's Milford and Newtown and received from Fairfax and Newtown.

The log reported two fire runs



## Mariemont High School's The Sound of Music delights audiences

The cast and crew of Mariemont High School's Drama Department charmed patrons with their production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's The Sound of Music, March 26-28. Here, the Von Trapp family singers (Kate Hassey, Chelsea Weaver, Janey Kent, Katie Peters, Tyler Clarke, Braxton Stricker, McKenzie Miller and Wes Carman) bid a musical farewell to their Austrian audience.



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yard walking path at Vineyard Church that extended from the youth building to the main church. After removing 6-8 inches of top soil, Elliott filled the pathway with wood chips and lined the path with solar lights so it could be used at anytime.

Cole and Dillon Wilson's Eagle project at the Elm Avenue tunnel was to ensure a safe passage from the bike path exit point to the crosswalk leading toward the swim club and Drackett Field by building a low retaining wall to solve the problem of the hill erosion and maintain the width of the path for walkers and

bikers. The project began by removing the dirt and overgrowth that covered the road designated for pedestrian use. Once the debris was removed, a small trench was dug and the retaining wall was erected. Next, the old gate to the bike path was torn out and rebuilt. To finish the project, gravel was laid to even the side walk to the wall and make the path down from the bike trail less hazardous.

Cory Grever replaced three of the Village bulletin boards that were in disrepair and built a new bulletin board at Drackett Field for use by the Terrace Park Recreation Commission. Cory began by removing the old bulletin boards, digging

holes and placing new support timbers in concrete. This was followed by the building and installation of the bulletin boards and the roofs. The final touch was the painting and a copper strip on the peak of each roof. The new bulletin boards continue to provide an avenue of communication for all village residents as evidenced by the number of postings that we see every day.

The rank of Eagle is the most difficult to reach in all of scouting, requiring many hours of work ranging from community service, leading the troop, completing an arduous project, and acquiring merit badges. Congratulations again to Cory, Cole, Dillon, and Elliott.

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## Terrace Park Historical Society

## Tracking our past and present for the future

#### **Schools in the Terrace Park Area**

From the archives by Carol C. Cole

By now everyone should have learned that the Mariemont School system is reviewing the condition of all of its five schools. Perhaps the one in most danger of radical change is the oldest: the 1913 Terrace Park School.

Industry was never planned to be a part of Terrace Park but education was. In fact there was a section set aside in every township for a school throughout all of the Northwest Territory. The first school building in our area was in Montauk: the red brick Round Bottom School, perhaps built as early as 1830.

In 1853 the District #9 school was built at the junction of Given and Indian Hill Roads on land leased for 100 years from Solomon Moore. When Camden City was platted in 1857 the school was already there as it still is today. It was a one room red brick building, 32 x 43 feet, now with later additions. This school shows on the 1869 Titus Atlas Hamilton County map of the area. The 1848 map of Hamilton County shows a school already on that side of Wooster Pike. It looks as if it was set back at the base of Indian Hill but we have no information about when it was built, how it looked or what became of it.

The 1884 Moessinger and Bertsch Hamilton County map shows a school on Elm Avenue across the street from Gravelotte, in front of where the present school stands. It too was red brick and built in 1872. It had four rooms, two up and two down. The upstairs rooms could be made into one large room and was used for community and social gatherings. Later the building was jacked up



The 1913 school with the 1928 gymnasium addition taken from the side before the school owned the end lot.

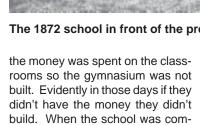


An aerial view of the 1913 school with the gymnasium addition and two Colony Buildings behind.

meetings could be held. In 1891 another room was added to accommodate the growing number of and a basement dug where larger fee-paying students from nearby

areas. All this included a high school, incorporated in 1886 and graduating its first student in 1890.

By 1911 legislation was started to build a new school that was to cost \$30,000. Not everyone was in favor as there were 69 votes for but 19 against the idea. Terrace Park architect James L. Chapman drew up the plans, which originally included a gymnasium. However, all



pleted and opened in 1913 the 1872

school was sold, probably for the

bricks and lumber to be reused. Colony buildings were built behind the school when additional space was needed in 1927, 1931 and 1938. In 1928 the long awaited gymnasium and two upstairs classrooms were added. The athletic field was purchased by bond issue in 1933. By 1951 the State Board started consolidating schools. After 1957 our school no longer included high school students who then and still attend Mariemont High School. Since then our school has been mainly an elementary school.

One can see that Terrace Park has always had a red brick school and I hope it will remain that way.



The 1853 school at the junction of Given and Indian Hill Roads.



The 1872 school in front of the present school on Elm Avenue.

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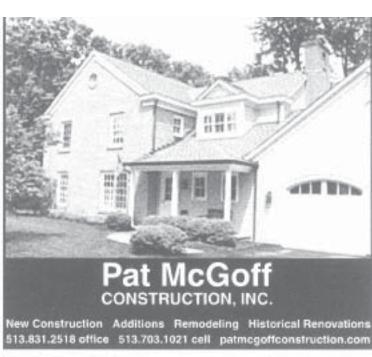


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Postmaster Brenda Winstead and some of her smallest clientele of

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erty value assessment said the proximity of a limestone mine to our community would have a negative impact on home values.

2. Air pollution - Martin Marietta has testified that there will be fugitive dust and an increase of 500 stopand-go diesel truck trips a day. This type of exhaust is linked to childhood asthma among other health down stream from their property.

3. Noise pollution - There has been testimony that the noise from the above-ground crushers and the back-up beeps from trucks can travel along the Little Miami River parts of Miami Avenue.

to our community.

4. Light pollution - The mine will be in operation during overnight hours and will require significant lighting. 5. Explosives and safety - 46,000 pounds of ammonium nitrate will be stored underground on their site. The trucks transporting these explosives are not "armored vehicles".

6. Duration - They will be mining, crushing, and transporting an estiailments. We are down wind and mated two million tons of limestone every year for a minimum of 50

> 7. Vibration - Experts have testified that blasting vibrations could be felt from Drackett Field all the way to



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## What's happening at the library in May

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summer reading program books and learn about the library. prizes! Ages 12 and under. Saturday, May 30, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Wonderful World of Worms: Wiggly, squiggly worms will be at the library story hour, Wednesday, May 6, 1:30 p.m. Ages

Library Babies is the first Friday of the month at 10:30 a.m.. This is a great opportunity to introduce your little ones to books, songs, and fingerplay. Ages birth to 18 months

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Pre-school Storytime is Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. Join Miss Katheryn for stories and crafts. Ages 3 to 5.

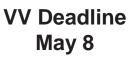
**Special Needs Storytime** Special needs children and their parents can share a reading adventure. Thursday, April 14, 10:30 a.m. Contact Ms. Katheryn for details and to register: 369-4467 or Error! Bookmark not defined...

Webkinz Club on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m. Meet new friends and have a "Webkinz pet" playdate. Ages 8 to 12. Teens:

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Adults: **Mariemont Branch Book** Club meets the last Thursday of the month at 6:45 p.m. We will be discussing Shop Girl by Steve Martin (yes, that Steve Martin). Copies are at the library. All are welcome.

The Mariemont Branch Libraryis located at 3810 Pocahontas Ave., 369-4467. It is open Monday. Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.





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# Terrace Park Sports

## Climbing is a lifestyle for TP teen

By Lon Stirsman

Taylor Frohmiller looks like a normal teenager, sitting in my living room. A senior at Mariemont, he is clad in the requisite hoodie. But he is the only teenager I know who gets his kicks as a competitive climber, qualifying for and competing in a national competition in Colorado recently, and hoping to qualify for another national competition that will take place in Utah in June.

He trains three times a week at Climb Time in Blue Ash and Rock Quest in Sharonville, as a member of the Cincinnati Slopers. He competes 10 – 15 times a year in local and regional competitions throughout the Midwest. He has been climbing competitively for four years, but has been climbing since he was a youngster. He tells me that his parents talk about the time when he was six or seven, and they found him near the top of the 60 foot pine tree in their backyard.

He says that climbing is "not a sport...it's a lifestyle" and he plans to compete as long as his body holds up. Since he's already had a dislocated shoulder, ripped a tendon, and had surgery before turning 18, there is no telling how long that will be but it's clear he intends to be at this for a long time. Stuffing his size 10 feet into size 6 climbing shoes, attacking the cliffs at Red River Gorge (a world renowned climbing spot) as well as man-made obstacles, he is doing something that he obviously loves. I remember him as a young boy in Troop 286, but it is hard for me to comprehend the polite and well-spoken young man he has become, with this passion for doing things with his body that few have the nerve, will, or discipline to attempt.

Bare hands, just him and the rock.



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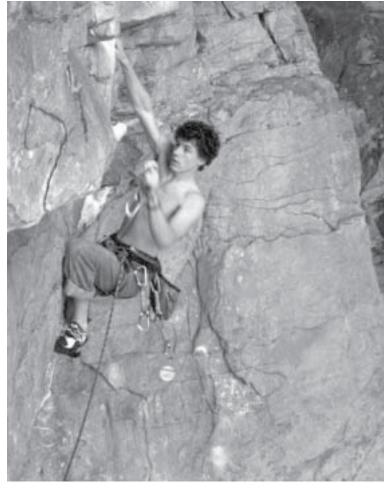
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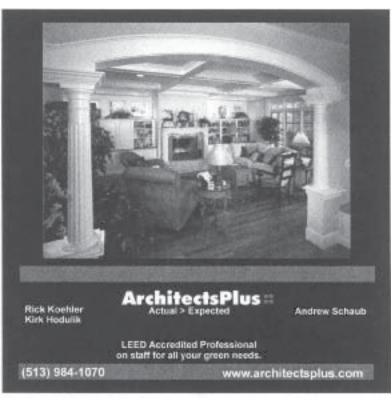
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