

EMT Volunteers, mining, trees, budgets and more all given time at council

By Martha Rassi

The first order of business at the June 9, 2009 Village Council meeting was the installment of four new EMT members: Laurie Baird, Tracie Gladfelter, Dennis Glaser and Jason Murphy. Mayor Jay Gohman welcomed the volunteers who have dedicated hours of training and studying in preparing to help their neighbors in need.

Todd Long, from the Hamilton County Storm Water District, addressed Council concerning the Village meeting the next phase of the storm water project, mandated by the Federal Clean Water Act; the goal of which is to reduce water pollution. After much discussion concerning liability, enforcement, wording of the resolution, and time line for adoption, the Council will review the proposed resolution and present a decision at a future meeting.

Reports from Village Officials:

Mayor's Report: Mayor Gohman gave a summary of the Martin Marietta June 4th meeting held at Turpin High School. He complimented the Terrace Park residents who attended and thanked those who spoke. Gohman also reminded residents of the June 17th meeting, before a final decision is made (probably in August). Further information is available at www.saveourmiami.com.

The Mayor thanked those who participated in the Naturalization Ceremony and Memorial Day Program.

Gohman reminded residents not to feed domestic pets outside, due to the growing coyote population and to contact police if coyotes are seen. A reminder was also given to all residents to be certain to obtain approval for all remodeling projects.

Chief Fiscal Officer: Mark Holcomb noted that first half property taxes had been received, and

that a budget meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on June 16.

Solicitor: Robert Malloy complimented Terrace Park residents who turned out for the Martin/Marietta meeting June 4. He mentioned his pride in working with many talented and dedicated Terrace Park residents.

Life Squad: Chief Maggard submitted a written committee report highlighted by the installation of the new EMT members. He encouraged any interested residents to sign up for the next CPR class (date to be determined). Council member Terry Howe commented on how much he learned and enjoyed the CPR class that he just completed.

Fire Chief: Chief Frey stated that fire hydrants will be checked in June by volunteers. Hopefully, future funds will be available to use a company for testing. Chief Frey noted the continued need for volunteers.

Police Chief and Street Commissioner: Police Chief Jerry Hayhow noted his staff will be attending firearms training and observers are welcome. As Street Commissioner, Hayhow said that 75 tree stump holes have finally been filled and that street potholes will begin to be filled this month.

Building Official: Bill Fiedler was not present.

Reports, Resolutions and Ordinances of Standing Committees:

Planning & Zoning: Councilman Lee Cole opened his report by saying that Phase II of the revised zoning code document has now been sent for final review and should be voted upon by Council soon.

Building & Grounds: Councilman Jeff Krueger explained the current problem with the Ash tree borer; including exhibition of a tree sample. Krueger noted that if a tree

is marked with a white X, it already has the borer. Questions should be directed to Krueger. Also noted was the progress of a green plan for the Wooster Pike improvement project. Krueger presented for approval a resolution to purchase a Genie Auto Scrubber, rather than to continue to rent this machine with a break-even point of 10 months. Resolution was approved.

Finance: Councilman Mark Porst requested a vote on a resolution for the Fire Department budget. The resolution was approved.

Rules & Law: Councilman

James Muennich asked for clarification of current zoning laws concerning in-home businesses. Council agreed there needs to be clarification as to the enforcement procedures of said zoning laws.

Public Works: Councilman Stefan Olson requested the passage of a resolution allowing for employment of two seasonal maintenance employees. The resolution was passed.

Public Safety: Councilman Howe requested a vote on the noise ordinance stating that vehicles (trucks) could not work in the Vil-

lage prior to 6 a.m. or after 10 p.m. The ordinance was passed.

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.

Mariemont students' rain garden takes national prize in Eco Challenge

A team of ten students at Mariemont High School was awarded a total of \$40,000 in grants and scholarships in the second annual Lexus Eco Challenge. This national contest encourages middle and high school students to develop and implement environmental programs that positively impact their communities.

The students, with the guidance of biology teacher Mary Halsall, built a demonstration rain garden to be used to explain to the community and students the benefits a rain garden has in helping control runoff water. Mariemont students decided that rain gardens would give community members a beautiful and effective way of doing their part to make sure that water from their gutters and paved areas does not go into the drains, but instead restores the ground water. The students presented a slide show at a reception held in December to thank contributors and introduce the rain garden to the community. Members of the team also shared the slide show with district elementary students to spread the message about rain garden benefits and their construction.

Team member, junior Libby Peters, was excited about sharing the project with the community. "I thought the project was unique because it was not simply about designing and constructing a rain



Mariemont High School Rain Gardeners Dillon Wilson, James Sayre, Cole Wilson, Cece Ebelhar, Carolyn Coates, McKenzie Miller, Jillian Kelly, Suzy Evans, Libby Peters and Stuart Simons stand behind their winning Eco Challenge garden.

garden. A major part of the challenge was to share our process with the community in various ways so that our work might inspire others to undertake a similar project. The Eco Challenge really made us realize that we *can* make a difference in the environment on our own, but we can make an even bigger impact if we educate our community."

Teacher Mary Halsall "was impressed with how enthusiastic the kids were, how many great ideas

they had, and how they made time to get the project done. They are all excellent students and very busy with many activities, and yet they thought this was a worthwhile project, and that they wanted to do it themselves."

The material, labor and other support for the project was donated by Marvin's Organic Gardens, Swisher Landscaping, Key Club, Mill Creek Watershed Council, and the Mariemont High School PTO.



Hamlin and Weaver at graduation on May 31.

Mariemont honors top seniors

The Valedictorian for the Mariemont High School Class of 2009 is Nicholas Christian Weaver, and the Salutatorian is Leah Armstrong Hamlin.

Weaver will be attending

Vanderbilt University and is the son of Elizabeth and Brian Weaver of Terrace Park.

Hamlin is headed to Yale University. She is the daughter of Connie and Scott Hamlin of Mariemont.



Historical Society has new archivist

The Terrace Park Historical Society has a new board member and archivist, Kim Newton. Kim, who resides at 809 Park Avenue with her husband, Jim Goodwin, and their twin sons Jake and Gordon, was an archivist for the historical society in her former community. When relo-

cating from northern Ohio to Cincinnati, she carefully researched where she might continue doing this type of work. "It was between Wyoming and Terrace Park," Kim recalls, adding that she and her family are thrilled with their decision. Kim, who was elected to the TPHS board in May, has already brought fresh ideas and enthusiasm to the organization.

TPHS Archivist Kim Newton



August Deadline

The deadline for the August issue is August 7 at 9 p.m. You may send your submissions to tpvillageviews@fuse.net. Please include a short description in the subject line.

No July paper

Letters to the Editor

Editor’s note: Due to a mistake at the Anderson BZA, Tina Hesser was not able to finish her presentation about concerns regarding the proposed Martin Marietta Mine. Following is the rest of Hesser’s speech.

June 17, 2009

I'm Tina Hesser, 801 Miami Ave. Terrace Park, where we have lived for 26 years. Thanks to the Board for allowing me to finish my speech from June 4th.

I invite you to fast forward to June 17, 2015 and hypothetically consider that you approved the Martin Marietta variance back in 2009.

Our son, Class of 2015, is graduating from college in a couple of weeks and we are planning an outdoor celebration. We hope that there won't be another smog alert the day of the party, with an Air Quality Index of "11" again. The guest list will need to be altered, no grandparents or past teachers with respiratory difficulties can come. Many Stepping Stones Center participants, that our son volunteered with, won't be able to come and congratulate him either, because of their respiratory issues.

The grocery list for the party can all be bought at a giant chain store because Newtown Farm Market, with its delicious Silver Queen corn, etc, that supported local farmers, is now closed.

The three year old "FOR SALE...PRICED REDUCED" sign in the front yard of our major investment, our dream home, will be taken down for the party.

Could I offer you a bottle of water, we don't drink from the faucet anymore, not sure about the aquifer that is polluted from the run-off?

My husband will make sure the music is loud enough to drown out the truck and rock crushing noise from Roundbottom Road. I especially hope that we won't hear sirens from yet another ambulance rushing to an asthmatic child at Riverside Park, or another head on crash on Roundbottom Road. We always pray with each siren that it's not a crash of the monthly shipment of ammonium nitrate or a car swerving to miss a semi with an innocent family going to the Cincinnati Nature Center in it.

I regret not being able to invite all the "experts" who said it wouldn't be this way, they have moved on to another innocent community.

Now, that our son is finished with undergrad, maybe he'll go to law school and be an attorney that will protect and defend the rights of decent, hard-working Americans that thought they were living the dream....BEFORE Martin Marietta came.

Ridiculous, hypothetical scenarios, you say?? Is it worth the risk?? Anderson Township BZA, please stand up now in 2009 for those less fortunate and less powerful than you.

Please, don't let your legacy be one of regret until 2059, for this 50 year irreversible decision. Please vote "NO."

Thank you.
Respectfully submitted,

Tina Hesser
801 Miami

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To the editor:
Someone has been graffiti-ing our tunnel in TP. Not the main tunnel on Elm, but the tunnel by Robinwood that the creek flows through. And it took Nate Michaelson to do something about it. Each day, Nate would pass the tunnel asking his dad, "dad when are we going to do something about that". And as the Michaelson way seems to be, on Sunday, Nate and his dad Marc, did something about it. Marc was able to find a green way to clean the graffiti off of the tunnel. It took a lot of scrubbing, but they (along with joining neighbors, Doug and Emma Worple) were able to get the most visible parts of the graffiti off of the walls of the tunnel.

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A beautiful place for Camilla at Drackett Field

It's probably rare that one takes a look around at the beautiful surroundings Drackett Field has to offer. We are usually there to cheer on a son or daughter, coach a game or in our role as chauffeur to and from practices. While Drackett Field is a naturally beautiful place, there is a small area of Drackett that is lovelier than the rest.

This small area is located just behind the C Baseball Diamond – the one closest to the swimming pool. Its beauty comes from its landscaping and lovely golden stone laid carefully around

a drinking fountain with little in-laid sections of colored glass. But mostly it's beautiful because it was created in loving memory of Camilla Warrick, who died in 2004, by her husband Paul Gibby and their sons Owen and Noah. Inscribed in the stonework are the words "Strength Within; Mom, Coach and Referee." They let you understand a little bit about who Camilla was.

I didn't know Camilla, but seeing this lovely and peaceful little place at Drackett that is a tribute to her sure makes me wish I had.

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Village Calendar 2009

JUNE

24 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

29 – July 2 B&B Lacrosse Camp at Drackett Field ages 8 – high school. Contact Gary Buczek, Camp Coordinator for more information. mbuczek@fuse.net

29 – July 2 Mariemont Warriors Soccer Camp Details on www.tprc.net on the Soccer page.

JULY

1 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

4 INDEPENDENCE DAY

4 Fourth of July Picnic at the pool (BYO Meat and a side)

8 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

13 AARP Luncheon—PICNIC, noon. For reservations, call Vera Hodges at 831-7919. Enjoy a picnic of sandwiches (3 choices plus all the fixings), baked beans, macaroni salad, berry cobbler and iced tea. Reginald Murray will discuss the Taft Family.

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

15 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

22 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

29 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

AUGUST

5 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

10 AARP Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Susan Cruse will discuss "Quilts" Bring your family quilt for discussion. Call Harry Knope for more information, 831-8583. (Don't forget to wish Harry & Vera Hodges "Happy Anniversary!")

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.

10 – 14 Jack Herman's Terrace Park Soccer Camp – 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Drackett Field. Details on www.tprc.net on the soccer page.

10 MJHS Sports Sign Ups, 9 a.m.

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

12 Family Night at the Terrace Park Swim Club
BYO picnic for Family Night at the Pool

13 MHS New Student Orientation, 9:30 a.m.
13 MHS School Pictures and Schedule Pick up 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

17 TPE New Family Welcome 7 p.m.

18 Mariemont Board of Education meeting 7 p.m. @ MJHS

19 BACK TO SCHOOL

19-21 Kindergarten Phase In

20 MHS Meet Fall Teams Night 6:45 p.m.

21 MJHS Back to School Dance 6 - 8:30 p.m.

24 TPE TPE Kindergarten Info Night 7 p.m.

26 TP Parent Info Night Gr 1-3: 6:45 p.m. Gr 4-6: 7:45 p.m.

27 MJHS Open House, 7 p.m.

28 MHS Back to School Dance after football game

29 Bloom Event to benefit Stepping Stones this year the party will be lakeside at Stepping Stones Center, 5650 Given Rd. in Indian Hill. Join Terrace Park co-chairs Mindy Weigel and Connie Laug for this fun event for a great cause. For information on tickets or being a corporate sponsor or auction donor, contact Theresa Ciampone at Stepping Stones Center, 513-831-4660 ext 12.

For MHS and MJHS Schedules, including sports, check out <http://www.highschoolsports.net/portal.cfm?schoolid=OH45227437>

The Terrace Park Historical Society – Fact or fiction just who are we anyway?

Submitted by Lorrie Hill

Although interested citizens established the Terrace Park Historical Society in 2001, many people in our village are not familiar with what this organization truly stands for. So, if you are new to town, or even if you aren't, please take a moment to see just who we really are. You may find that we have something you've been looking for or you may have an interest in becoming involved too!

Fact or Fiction? The Terrace Park Historical Society's mission is to stop any changes to buildings, private or public, in the Village.

Fiction! The mission of the TPHS is to foster understanding of and appreciation for the historic heritage of Terrace Park. This means that we make every effort to educate people as to the treasures that our village has and to protect documents and artifacts in our archives whenever possible. Although many of us involved with the Historic Society are preservationists at heart, hoping to save historic buildings from being permanently lost, that is not the mission of our organization. We are also not trying to establish a historic district to stop homeowners from making changes to their homes. Instead, it is our hope that documents, artifacts, resident's memories, and buildings will be saved if we help people to realize that what they have may be valuable to future generations. Most artifacts are lost not due to malice but due to a lack of an owner's knowledge of the value of their possession.

Fact or Fiction? You must be a

long time village resident and retiree to volunteer for the TPHS.

Fiction! What's special about the TPHS is that while people often join organizations that are made of people of the same basic age group, the TPHS offers community members a chance to meet and know people of all age groups who are both long time residents and new to town. Our volunteer base is made up of retirees, middle age folks, and younger people, including a new high school volunteer who oversees our technology in the office. There is no age limit on becoming involved in preserving the history of our Village!

Fact or Fiction? TPHS membership is open to folks who live outside of the village as well as village residents.

Fact! Anyone is welcome to join our organization. Our past president was a long time community member who relocated to Kentucky but wanted to stay involved in the Village. We also have members who live all over the country but maintain an interest in preserving the special way of life Terrace Park offers. The TPHS has four levels of membership: individual (\$15/year), Family (\$25/year), Corporate/Patron (\$100/year), lifetime (\$1,000). **Fact or Fiction? The TPHS receives funding from the Village Government to assist with our mission.**

Fiction! The TPHS is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. We exist because of the generosity of our membership, 244 strong, who

support our mission to preserve the history of our village. We also support our activities through sales of various items and our bi-annual House Tour that will be held again in the fall of 2010. Although we do not receive financial help from the Village, our Village leaders are very supportive of our efforts and help us in other ways as needed. We appreciate everyone's support.

Fact or Fiction? The TPHS archives are housed in a secret space known and available to only a few select community members.

Fiction! The TPHS archives are located in our office at St. Thomas Church, 100 Miami Avenue. The offices are open each Thursday from 1-4 and by appointment. Anyone is welcome to come to the office and search for information on any area of interest. The archives contain information on homes, people, various subjects, and the village government. There are maps, scrapbooks, old phone books, and photos available. We also have oral histories taken from local residents that are real treasures! If you have something you would like to ensure is preserved, the donation of materials is always welcome. We can scan or photograph items, returning the originals as desired.

If you have any further questions about the Terrace Park Historical Society, please contact the office at 248-1777 (info@tphhistoricalsociety.org), visit our website at www.tphhistoricalsociety.org, or call Lorrie Hill 831-7775.

Neighbor to Neighbor

Eagle Scout Projects Benefit Drackett Field

TPRC and Drackett Field were fortunate to be the benefactors of three Eagle Scout Projects this past year. These projects helped make recreational sports games and practices at Drackett Field an even better experience for both the kids and their fans.

Tim Purcell executed a project to put pavers down around drinking fountains at Drackett to help prevent getting a drink of water from being such a muddy experience, as well as to neaten the look of the drinking fountain areas.

Cory Grever built an additional announcement board for Drackett Field so parents can catch up on the latest happenings in Terrace Park as they watch their kids at recreational sports games and practice. (He also give the other announcement boards around Terrace Park a welcome facelift.)

Lastly, Ben Gorman re-tooled all the signs at Drackett Field – including the No Parking signs and the Rules signs. Compliance in the no parking areas has improved greatly since the new signs went up!

All three Scouts were very pro-



fessional and thorough in the execution of their projects, including submitting detailed proposals and budgets, keeping TPRC abreast of the progress and reporting on the results. They also recruited the help of parents, other Scouts and friends to do the work.

These three Eagle Scouts are

evidence of the younger generation carrying on the tradition of graciously giving personal time and effort to help sustain Drackett Field.



Bobby Dennerll, son of Lisa and Dave Dennerll, used twigs to create his rendition of the Terrace Park's landmark Log Cabin. He selected the site for his square because he enjoys Boy Scouts and says, "I really like being at the Log Cabin."

We need your STUFF!

While summer is just beginning for most, the Terrace Park Recreation Committee is already thinking about the end of the summer. That's because TPRC holds one of its longest running fundraisers on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend – the Terrace Park Garage Sale – and we need you to start collecting all those things that you are ready to part with, but that others will surely want to buy.

Drop-offs for the garage sale will begin at the end of July and go through August on Saturday mornings. If you can, hang on to your great buys just a little longer so they can benefit the Terrace Park Rec Sports program!

If you have any questions about the garage sale, please contact Regina Sharp at 248-9195 or rsharp@cinci.rr.com.

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Students Showcase Terrace Park History

With funding from the Terrace Park Historical Society, fourth-grade students at Terrace Park Elementary School have completed two projects that tell the story of the people, places and events that have shaped their hometown.

Inspired by a field trip to the Freedom Center, where the students saw Aminah Robinson's quilt depicting her hometown, they began research for their own multimedia creation. Art teachers Melissa Rupe and Shelley Komrska helped each student create a "piece of the past" for the quilted mural that uses natural materials such as twigs for the log cabin and pebbles for St. Thomas Church. Another teacher, Mary Kay Kroeger, helped the students turn their research into a directory that features a picture

of each "square" and an article about its historical significance.

The quilt was unveiled and, along with the book, presented to the community during a recent open house at the school. It will hang in the school's front entrance. Among attendees was Verneida Britton from the Freedom Center, who praised the children and teachers for their creative and engaging work; and TPHS board members Susan Abernethy Frank and Steve Early, who coordinated the project.

The TPHS contribution was made possible through the Scripps Howard Foundation's volunteer grant program that supports E. W. Scripps Company employees' volunteer work. Sue Porter, a Scripps employee, is a member of the TPHS Board of Directors.

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Police report

A resident's wallet containing money and credit cards was stolen from an unlocked vehicle parked in an open garage on the property.

An argument developed when an umpire's call was questioned during a grade school baseball game at Drackett Field. When police arrived people were leaving the area. A detailed report of the incident was filed with police.

A homeowner entered her house to put in groceries and found an unidentified woman standing in the mudroom. The intruder claimed to be hunting her pet dog. She left the house and exited the neighborhood through the alley. Although she was not located, police have a description of her on file.

A canoe tied to a tree on the river bank was reported stolen by the owner, a resident of Edgewater.

A bicycle was reported stolen from the swim club.

Two residents observed men talking with school crossing guards. Police were able to locate one of

the men who was working at a house near the intersection and to ask him not to talk with children. Guards at the other intersection said the person talking with them was asking for directions.

Police were called concerning an ongoing dispute between neighbors. The parties involved indicated willingness to try to work out the issues that caused their problems.

While an officer was rounding up two dogs at large their owner came to get them. The officer noted that this was an ongoing problem and indicated that the owner could be cited for the next offense.

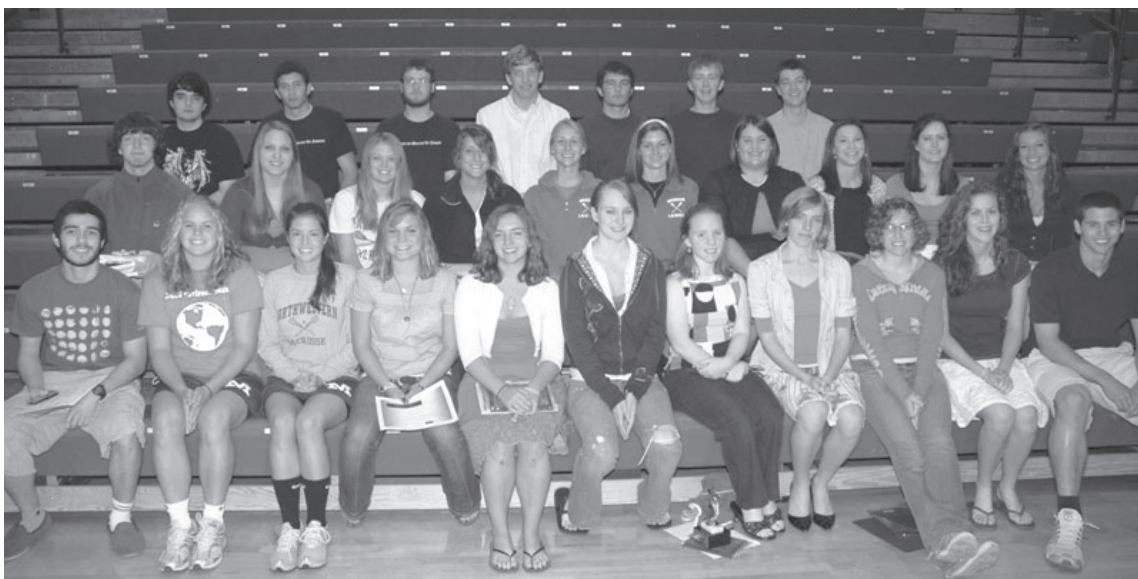
Tree limbs fell on wires at two locations on Indian Hill Road. The wires ignited causing a tree fire.

One coyote sighting was recorded.

Mutual Aid was provided to Milford and was received from Milford and Newtown.

One fire run was logged.

Four squad runs were reported.



Members of the Mariemont High School Class of 2009 received forty community scholarships at the school's Recognition Day on May 18. Back row L to R: Andrew Jones, Ryan Petronio, Anthony Telgkamp, John Welsh, Nick Weaver, Jack McKeown, Evan Rosson; 2nd row L to R: Nick Rose-Stamey, Kristy Sipe, Lindsay Scott, Aggie Howland, Cece Ebelhar, Adele Bruggeman, Carolyn Coates, Lindsey Hake, Lauren Ferguson, Leah Hamlin; Front row L to R: Bennett Nestok, Amy Sattergren, Kiley Cameron, Amy Zepf, Claire Cascella, Beth Kupferle, Anne Pennell, Rose Phillips, Suzy Evans, Natalie Peck, Scott Herkamp

Mariemont High School Seniors Receive Community Scholarships on MHS Recognition Day

Forty community scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors from the Class of 2009 at the Mariemont High School Recognition Day on May 18. Twenty-three sponsors offered these awards, including four that have not been offered in previous years. Criteria ranged from academics to athletics; from interests to artistic abilities; from leadership to service to the community.

Rose Phillips was awarded the Julia Donnelly Memorial Scholarship in memory of the late Julia Donnelly, a member of the class of 2009. Rose met the criteria by being an exceptional writer who is involved in the communication arts, a leader by example, and one who is socially aware.

The John M. Lucas/ Virmorgan L. Ziegler Scholarship was awarded to Ryan Petronio. Mrs. Ziegler was the first Clerk for the Village of Fairfax starting in 1955. Upon her death, she wished to establish a scholarship named in part after her father, John Morgan Lucas.

The Mariemont High School chapter of the National Honor Society awarded scholarships to three of its members this year: Carolyn Coates, Jack McKeown, and Nicholas Weaver.

The David Deeters Memorial Scholarship went to Anne Pennell. She met the criteria for having a wide range of experiences in video technology. She volunteered her video skills in the community and demonstrated the ability to work with others on projects. This schol-

arship was offered in memory of a long-time supporter of the arts at MHS, David Deeters.

Agatha Howland and Evan Rosson were presented with the "Let Us Never Forget" scholarship. At Mariemont High School, this scholarship is given in honor of Cpt. Tyler Swisher, a Mariemont High School alumnus who was killed in Iraq. The criteria used were academics, athletic involvement, and strength of character. These criteria are thought to be the best match to the quality person that Tyler was. This award is funded through the efforts of the Yellow Ribbon Support Center.

Nicolas Rose-Stamey received the Don F. Mahan Excellence in English Memorial scholarship. This award was given in memory of a long-time Mariemont High School English instructor who passed away in February 2007. The criterion is a student who demonstrates a true passion for English and literature.

Leah Hamlin received the Mariemont High School Student Council scholarship which rewards quality of service and leadership in the organization.

Lindsey Hake, Elizabeth Kupferle, Natalie Peck, Kristine Sipe, and Amy Zepf were all selected for M.E.R.I.T. scholarships (Mariemont Educators Rewarding Interest in Teaching). The funding comes from donations by the Mariemont City Schools faculty and staff and goes to those pursuing a major in education.

Ryan Petronio and Lindsay Scott were the recipients of the Fairfax Police Department Scholarship based on such factors as academics, community service and quality of character. This is the 8th year for this scholarship. The Cincinnati Sports Mall assisted in the funding of these scholarships.

Cecelia Ebelhar received the Robert A. Martin Science scholarship which is given to a senior based on outstanding achievement in four years of science as well as positive character attributes. The recipient is determined by consensus of the high school science teachers.

Kiley Cameron and Leah Hamlin earned Key Club community service scholarships awarded on the basis of service involvement and their impact in the school and community.

Lauren Ferguson was awarded a Kiwanis Educational Grant whose criteria include academic success, community service and financial

need. The Kiwanis organization continues to provide financial assistance to deserving alumni to continue their college education as well. This year those alumni are Brian Cornwell, Lauren Harmon, Laura Murray and Andy Richardson.

The Mariemont School district PTA/PTOs award scholarships to seniors who attended the various district schools. Criteria vary, but include such factors as academic achievement, service, and extra-curricular involvement. The sponsoring groups and recipients were: Fairfax Elementary PTA: Ryan Petronio; Mariemont Elementary PTO: Adele Bruggeman and Leah Hamlin; Terrace Park Elementary PTO: Claire Cascella and Amy Sattergren; Mariemont Junior High School PTO: Lauren Ferguson; and Mariemont High School PTO: Kiley Cameron, Leah Hamlin, and John Welsh.

Ryan Petronio received the Fairfax Youth Organization scholarship which stipulates that the recipients have participated in an FYO sport, have attended Fairfax Elementary for at least three years, and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Anthony Telgkamp was presented with the Damien M. Jahnigen Memorial Scholarship, which has been given since 2000 in memory of a Mariemont High School student. The criteria are that the recipient share Damien's interests including an appreciation for the outdoors and an aptitude for technology.

Andrew Jones was this year's recipient of the Wanda McNeal scholarship. Wanda McNeal was a retired Fairfax Elementary teacher who bequeathed an automatic scholarship each year to the student with the highest GPA who attended Fairfax Elementary in the sixth grade.

Suzanne Evans received the Mariemont Art Club scholarship which requires an intended major in an art-related field. Suzy will donate a piece of artwork to be on permanent display along with past years' recipients at Mariemont High School.

Claire Cascella, Suzanne Evans, Bennett Nestok and Anne Pennell were chosen to receive Mariemont Fine Arts Association scholarships which require demonstrated involvement in visual, musical or performance arts.

Scott Herkamp and Amy Sattergren were awarded Mariemont Athletic Booster scholarships which take into consideration athletics, academics and coaches' recommendations.

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It is so much a part of most TP kids' and parents' lives that we can't even imagine it not being there. But Drackett field hasn't been around for very long by Terrace Park standards. This year celebrates the 30th anniversary of this beloved place where most Terrace Park families have spent countless hours watching, coaching or playing rec sports like baseball, softball, lacrosse and soccer.

Just to place you in the right time period here are a few other things that happened in 1979 – when Drackett Field came to be: Jimmy Carter was in his last year as president, the Iran Hostage Crisis occurred, Sugar Hill Gang released “Rappers Delight,” Trivial Pursuit came on the market and “Taxi” and “Soap” were popular TV shows.

It Takes a Village (and a Very Generous Donation)

Terrace Park was looking for space to play recreational sports as far back as 1969 and perhaps even farther. One of the most seriously considered options for recreational space was to turn the land surrounding the Boy Scout Cabin and what is now “the dump” into a home for sports like Knothole baseball and football. TPRC meeting minutes from 1969 indicate there was a proposal for a long range plan that included improving the cabin for equipment storage, adding a full – sized baseball diamond, tennis court, parking lot, 1/2 mile jogging track and a ramp up the hill from the dump area to the log cabin. In the end, however, the renovation proved far too costly. According to Bill Drackett, a few years later Hamilton County did a study on building recreational facilities in this area. However the cost was too high for the number of people that would use it, so the project was turned down.

This time, TPRC decided to take the matter into their own hands and contracted with the county to purchase 10 acres of land located

between the Swim Club and the Nature Preserve along Stumps Lane. According to Bill, TPRC had no money to purchase the land, and immediately began what was to be the biggest fund raising effort ever at that time. Their first effort was to visit the home of Bolton Drackett. When they told him what they needed, Bolton didn't hesitate and offered them \$40,000 to purchase the land. However, there was a stipulation to the purchase of the land. According to the deed the land is to be used for recreational purposes only. If the land ceases to be used for recreational purposes, the title to the land will be passed on to St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

There was still additional money needed to get the recreational fields completed. The TPRC and a very dedicated group of people conducted many fundraising efforts to match Bolton's gift.

Labor of Love

Raising the money to pay for Drackett Field was only half the

challenge. The other half was actually doing the work to transform the land that had lain fallow for so long into the playing fields we know today. This was done primarily by a group of 20-25 men and women along with many other helpers who donated time and equipment. Mike Getz, a former resident of Terrace Park who now lives in Milford, was one of these very dedicated Terrace Parkers. He talked about all the labor it took to move debris, rocks and stones off the 10 acres, then to grate it and seed it. There were many borrowed tractors, trucks and Bobcats involved, but much of the work was also done by hand. Once the grass and trees were planted, they had to be watered regularly. Mike relayed the story of one man who would haul water down to the field in his truck each day and water each of the pine trees. (And if you been to Drackett Field, you know that there are a lot of pine trees!) Mike believes the whole effort took a full summer. A few years later, the storage building at Drackett was built – once again by

a group of dedicated Terrace Park residents.

Recognizing those that Made Drackett Field Happen

Drackett Field was named after Bolton Drackett's parents, Harry Roger and Stella Drackett for whom their family and their children were always the most important thing in their lives. The name Drackett Field is a wonderful reminder of a family that has given so much to Terrace Park rec sports. Even after the fields were up and running, Bolton

continued to give to Drackett Field when work needed to be done and there was no money in the budget. Bill Drackett has continued Bolton's tradition of giving; donating equipment when needed, sponsoring and donating to key fundraising efforts and serving on and leading TPRC.

As for the many other Terrace Park residents that made Drackett Field a reality – the names of 280 of these people are listed on the base of the flagpole at Drackett Field to recognize their important contributions.



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Bloom Team readies for huge summer celebration

Committee members for the fifth annual Bloom Garden Party for Stepping Stones Center recently held a garden planning meeting at the Terrace Park home of co-chair **Mindy Weigel**.

Team members shared cocktails on the terrace as they marshaled their forces for one of the biggest celebrations of summer. Bloom is expected to draw 500 to the garden party, dance and action on Aug. 29. This year huge party tents will be lakeside at Stepping Stones Center, 5650 Given Rd. in Indian Hill.

Co-chairs **Mindy Weigel** and **Connie Laug** welcomed seasoned Bloomers and new committee members at the planning meeting. Bloom includes live music, a silent auction, dinner-by-the-bite from an array of fine and fun restaurants and valet parking. Hosts are Bob and Brynne Coletti of Indian Hill. Tickets are \$125 per person.

Landor Associates develops the invitation each year and created the Bloom logo - a flower with petals made up of colored fingerprints. New to the auction this year will be elegant baskets brimming with gifts and surprises.

Bloom supports Stepping Stones Center, which has been serving children and adults with disabilities for 46 years. This is the first year the party has been held on the historic Stepping Stones grounds, which was donated for the benefit of the community by Robert and Mary Emery in 1897. Stepping Stones Center was the first summer day camp for children with disabilities and today offers year-round services including star-rated early childhood education, adult programs, summer day and residential camps, respite, and the region's only alternative education program for students with severe autism who have exhausted options in the typical school system.

Corporate sponsors for Bloom include **American Financial**,

Bartlett & Company, Blue Chip Venture Company, Fifth Third Bank, Graydon, Head, Keating, Muething & Klekamp P.L.L., Landor Associates Towne Properties, Fischer Special Manufacturing, GE Aviation and R.G. McGraw Insurance.

Event co-chairs are **Connie Cook Laug** and **Mindy Weigel**, both of Terrace Park. Committee chairs include: **Roseann Hayes** of Terrace Park, beverage sponsor; **Holly Long** of Terrace Park, auction; **Maureen Vignola** of Terrace Park, corporate sponsors; **Melanie Weiner** of Indian Hill, food sponsors and **Juliann Gardner** of Terrace Park, logistics.

General committee members include **Holly Bortz, Dana Rolander, Marybeth Contreras, Hester Sullivan** and **Tina Hesser** of Terrace Park, **Nancy Aichholz, Susie Bortz, Gail Fischer, Janet Kretting, Lisa Levine, Mary McGraw, Stacey Froehlich, Audrey Fitzgerald** and **Pam Terp**, all of Indian Hill, **Joan Johnson of Montgomery, Ann Bulger, Rachel Hamilton Clark** and **Peg Ruppert**, all of Hyde Park, **Stacey Blomeke** of Mason, **Lisa Caldemeyer** of Columbia-Tusculum, **Theresa Ciampone** and **Paige VonHoffmann** of Anderson Township, **Kit Duval** of East Walnut Hills, **Julie Perrino** of Liberty Township and **Zand Walters** of Mt. Adams.

For information on tickets or being a corporate sponsor or auction donor, contact Theresa Ciampone at Stepping Stones Center, 513-831-4660, ext. 12. Stepping Stones Center also is welcoming teen volunteers for summer day camps. Volunteers can call Sarah Woeber, 831-4660, ext. 26.

Sign-up now for Third Annual Terrace Park Bulldog 5K Run

On your mark, get set, go...you have two months to train for this year's Terrace Park Bulldog 5K! Once again it will take place the Sunday morning (September 6) of Labor Day weekend and once again it promises to be a great race for the whole family. In the past two years it has proven

to be fun for runners, walkers and stroller riders alike - for the most competitive and for those just doing it for the fun of it.

The sign-up form is available online at www.terraceparkbulldog5k.org. If you sign up before August 7, the cost is \$12 without T-shirt and \$20 with T-shirt. If you just

can't bear to plan that far ahead, the cost to register on race day is \$20 without T-shirt and \$35 with a T-shirt. Race proceeds go to the Terrace Park Recreation Committee.

If you have any questions, contact the race organizer, Stacy McClorey at 513-205-6705 or mchanna@fuse.net.

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MJHS Women's Lacrosse team caps successful season by winning Mason Comet Cup Tournament

The Mariemont Junior High (MJH) Women's Club Lacrosse teams just completed a very successful spring season. Led by Head Coach Dan Utt and assistants Gary Coyan and Ted Murphy, the girls developed sound lacrosse skills while competing against quality teams from the Greater Cincinnati area.

Due to an unusually small 7th grade, Coach Utt asked a number of players from the Terrace Park Youth team to "step up" and play at the Junior High level. The girls responded and the Blue team, consisting of 7th and selected 6th graders, posted an 11-1 record. This group of girls should be a force next year as well.

The Gold team, consisting of 8th and 7th graders and playing against increasing talent across the city, posted a very respectable 12-6 record. This team capped their season by running off 4 straight victories in the first annual Mason Comet Cup Tournament.

Along the way they posted victories over Meyzeek (from Louisville), Lakota and Mason, before taking on their arch-rival Indian Hill in the championship game. Having suffered 2 close losses to a very strong IH team during the regular season, the girls came out ready to "leave it on the field". A total team effort contributed to the championship win (8-6) as the girls outplayed Hill in most aspects of the game. Mara Coyan was voted MVP of the game due to her outstanding play in the goal, stopping an amazing 73% of Indian Hill shots.

Congratulations to all the girls on their fine season! We look forward to watching them again next year on both the Junior High and High School teams.

The Lady Warriors from Terrace Park included Polly Brittingham, Mara Coyan, Grace Lehman, Isabel Lewis, Julia Murphy, Kate Olson, Payton



Coates, Kendall Harden, Allie Howe, Juliana Overbey, Natalie Utt, Julia Whittelsey, and Annie Wirthlin. The Lady Warriors from

Mariemont included Alice Barnes, Katie Miller, Ali Molski, Madison Saffin, Ella Sedacca, Maggie Teghtmeyer, Caraline Zack, Laura

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