

Happy Holidays

Special election for levy denied—council outlines impact

December, 2009 - Finance Report

As reported in the October *Village Views*, Terrace Park missed a filing deadline to renew an existing 3.5 mill operating tax levy. Attempts to secure approval for a special election to renew this levy were unsuccessful. This means Terrace Park will not collect \$366,088 in real estate tax revenue in 2010. We plan to introduce a 2010 ballot referendum to replace this tax revenue in 2011. Assuming this works as planned, that leaves us with a one-year revenue shortfall. After a careful review of the data we plan to cover the entire shortfall from cash reserves with no 2010 budget cuts. If Village residents were to vote against re-establishing this levy in 2010, we would then be required to make significant budget cuts for 2011. Resident voters have supported all Terrace Park tax votes over the past 15 years and we are optimistic they will re-enact the expiring levy. Here is additional detail on Terrace Park finances:

Revenue:

Terrace Park's 2009 revenue through November 30 was \$1,891,411. We budgeted revenue of \$1,879,083 for 2010. The loss of \$366,088 from the expiring levy will reduce our forecasted 2010 revenue to a revised \$1,512,995 (-19.5%).

Expenses:

Terrace Park 2009 expenses through November 30 were \$1,867,173. We budgeted expenses of \$1,990,395 for 2010. The 2010 budget includes nonrecurring cash outlays of \$154,000 for the Wooster Pike project. Subtracting our forecasted 2010 expenses of \$1,990,395 from our revised 2010 forecasted revenue of \$1,512,995 creates a one-year operating deficit of \$477,400.

Cash Reserves:

Terrace Park November 30, 2009 cash reserves were \$2,225,025. July, 2009 we filed documents with the Hamilton County Auditor projecting our December 31, 2010 cash reserve balance at \$2,035,740. We are now revising this projection to \$1,669,652.

Historical perspective:

After going 12 years with no new village tax levies, Terrace Park voters approved a new 3.5 mill operating levy in 2004 which will expire on 12/31/2009. At the time the levy was enacted in 2004, Council committed to no new taxes for at least six years (through 2010). In May 2008, Council presented a financial status update that extended our 2004 "no new taxes" commitment from 6 to 7 years (through 2011). Higher than expected inheritance taxes and fiscal prudence have helped Terrace Park invest in Wooster Pike, invest in arguments against the Martin Marietta limestone mine and build a financial reserve. Village residents should see no changes in 2010 services. We will announce election dates and financial details of a new levy designed to replace the expiring levy early in 2010. If residents approve this levy, we believe we can maintain normal operations and again extend the commitment to "no new taxes" from 7 to 8 years (through 2012).

It's worth noting that the one-year shortfall in 2010 Village revenue comes directly from reductions in the Village portion of residents' real estate taxes. Said another way, the money not collected by Terrace Park, stays in the pockets of Terrace Park home owners.

Happy Holidays

TP Council

Highlights from November's Village Council

By Martha Rassi

The meeting began with Mayor Jay Gohman introducing the newly elected member of the Village Council, Thomas Tepe. His term will begin in January 2010. Mayor Gohman then discussed the proposed special election on December 10 to renew the levy tax. The state of Ohio must approve the special election and time is an issue since absentee ballots need to quickly be mailed. If approval is not given to hold the special election in December, the proposal will then be on the 2010 regular ballot. (see related article—left)

A thank you was given to all EMS, Fire, and Historical Society volunteers for a very successful pancake supper held on Sunday November 8. Mayor Gohman's report ended with a reminder about obtaining approval for any new construction projects.

Solicitor Robert Malloy summarized the Martin-Marietta issue noting that responsive briefs and then oral arguments will begin in early 2010.

EMS Chief John Maggard and Fire Chief Luke Frey also thanked the volunteers for the pancake supper and said all of the staff enjoyed meeting many of the residents they serve and thanking those who gave generous donations. He also noted that the new training class is successfully progressing.

Chief Frey stated the constant need for new volunteers since the numbers are currently declining with only 28 current trained volunteers but wishing for 50. He stated that there is no maximum age as long as one is physically able to perform the duties but a volunteer must be 18 years of age.

Police and Street Commissioner Hayhow thanked everyone for helping to have a great Halloween, and asked residents to NOT park cars on the leaf piles due to the fire hazard. Chief Hayhow also asked residents to be patient on the completion of regular projects until the maintenance staff has completed the leave removal.

Councilman Lee Cole stated that the Planning and Zoning Committee has completed a review of the zoning regulations that will soon be presented to the Council for review and approval.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee headed by Jeff Krueger continues to work on the removal and replacement of diseased or dead trees in the Village. He requested to be notified of any low hanging branches now visible due to the trees being barren. He then reminded residents that leaf piles should ONLY include leaves with no other debris such as tree limbs or sticks that would cause damage to the removal equipment.

Councilman Jim Muennich began his Rule & Laws Committee report stating that the Wooster Pike median improvement project hopefully will be approved by the state in January and the actual work date will be moved forward on the calendar from April 2010. The curbs and catch basin portion of the Wooster Pike improvements will be put out for bidding in January of 2010. Hopefully the bids will come in below the state's estimate that would require that Terrace Park be responsible for any amount over the amount of the federal grant already awarded and approved by the Council. New traffic lights without visible wiring

are included in the proposal. This work is estimated to begin in April and completed no later than September 2010.

Muennich then requested a "second reading" of the proposed sound ordinance that regulates sounds from inside a motor vehicle. Copies of the ordinance are available for review before the third reading. The remainder of the report concerned presenting for a "first reading" a proposed ordinance covering the parking of non-passenger vehicles on the streets of the Village. The proposal specifies hours that would allow and not allow the parking of these vehicles. Much discussion was held as to the specifics of this ordinance with the Council's request for residents to review the suggested ordinance before its "second reading" next month.

A second ordinance proposal that would prohibit parking on either side of Cornell Avenue (created due to residents' complaints) was sent back to the Rules and Law Committee for a safety study.

With no new business, the meeting was adjourned.

December Village Council

The December 8 Village Council meeting opened with the pledge, roll call, and approval, with one cThe December 8 Village Council meeting opened with the pledge, roll call, and approval, with one correction, of the November regular council meeting minutes. Residents Jack Brown and Dan Keefe addressed the Council both thanking Terry Howe for his eight years of service to the Council.

Mayor's report

Mayor Jay Gohman's report began with an up-date on the process for a special election to renew the levy funding. He noted that even with a great deal of support from many Village residents to the State Legislature, the bill to approve the special election was defeated. The levy will be placed on the 2010 regular election ballot. (see related article, pg 1)

He then thanked the Tree Lighting committee for another successful event. His report ended with a note of thanks to all

of the Village volunteers and employees for their hard work during the 2009 year. Names of all EMS and firemen were read with special thanks to Mark Holcomb, Laurie Baird, John Maggard, Luke Frey, Bob Malloy and the Village maintenance workers. Thanks was also extended to the zoning and planning committee volunteers and plus the families of all of these residents, without whose support the volunteers could not fulfill their positions. The mayor also noted a special thanks to Terry Howe for his service on the Council including the bike path project that he headed.

Mining

Village Solicitor Robert Malloy stated in his report that the Martin/Marietta brief draft is complete and briefs are due in January, 2010.

Fire and EMS

Life Squad Chief John Maggard continued on page 4



Please note these VV changes

Due to the holidays, the January deadline has been moved ahead to January 7, @ 9 p.m.

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Letters to the Editor

MANY THANKS to the village crew for cleaning up the leaves!! They do a great job!

Lew & Jo Washburn
157 Wrenwood



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It’s winter!

By Tim Harth

Every year, about this time, contractors get calls from people with frozen pipes, broken hose faucets, drafty windows and doors, and wanting information about adding insulation to their homes. With the tax credits available, we are getting more calls this year.

FIRST: GO OUTSIDE TONIGHT and disconnect your hoses from the outside hose faucets! This is singularly the cause of more faucets breaking and causing massive leaks than anything else. When the hose stays connected, the water cannot drain from the faucet and the faucet-body freezes, expands, and when it thaws, springs quite a leak. Many of those leaks are inside the walls and serious water damage can occur. It’s a good idea to drain the water from the hoses and store them where it’s warm.

SECOND: If you have frost-free faucets, you should be OK just by removing the hoses. If the older type, you should find a shut-off valve inside the basement, near where the pipe goes through the wall, and that valve should be closed (righty-tighty) and the valve opened outside to let the water drain out.

If you have a crawl-space with plumbing pipes in it, make sure

that the outside vents into the crawl space are closed for the winter and that “some” heat is allowed into the crawl space from the basement. It’s a good idea to insulate any pipes in the crawl space, as well. Insulation can be added to the exterior walls of crawl spaces to keep them a little warmer. Alternately, you can insulate the floor joist of the crawl space to keep the floor above warmer.

Speaking of insulation, the most serious heat loss, in most older homes, occurs through windows and doors. If you can feel a draft, near any windows or doors, you should weather-seal the opening to stop as much as you can. Foam tape, rubber weather-stripping, plastic sheeting (ya, I know it’s tacky, but effective), even caulking can help. Consider replacing the windows and doors with energy-efficient units while the tax credits still apply.

The attic areas need to have R-30 to R-36 of insulation in them; the second largest heat-loss. Any number of contractors can be called to add insulation to your attic.

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Mariemont High School students inducted into National Honor Society

By Betsy Porst

On November 5, the following senior and junior students were inducted into the Mariemont High School chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS). Senior inductees are Tim Kuck, Lizzie Laboda-Lyman, Maura Weaver and Riley Webb. Mehli, Mari Mileham, Emily Moreton, Teddy Murphy, Erin Purcell, Hillary Purcell, Stacy Purcell, Tim Purcell, Sarah Ries, Matisse Rogers, Kelsie Rutherford, Mackenzie Saffin, Emmie Stehling, Chip Stewart, Emily Taylor, Jordan Walter,



Officers of the Mariemont High School chapter of the National Honor Society presided over the induction of new members on Nov. 5. They are Shelby Miller, vice president, Nikki Gauche', historian, Jason Lonnemann, secretary, Brennen Warner, treasurer and Catherine Kauffmann, president.

Juniors include Stephanie Allen, Lizzie Arington, Audrey Askam, Brian Austin, Joel Beeby, Angie Bell, Sarah Bessey, Quinn Budig, Conor Coyan, Will Degerberg, Haley Fallon, Joey Fening, Taylor Fields, David Finn, Andy Gorman, Abby Hofrichter, Drew Hyer, Christian Lehman, Alex Ljubisavljevic, Whitney Lonnemann, Katie McGraw, Emily Chelsea Weaver, Wes Woodruff and Matt York.

To be considered for NHS membership, a student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher. They must then apply and be approved by a faculty council. In addition to academic achievement, leadership, service and character are the determining criteria.

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DECEMBER

12 – 15 MJHS & MHS Exams

13 TP PTO Meeting 7 p.m.

15 Early Dismissals: HS 12:05 p.m., JH 12:15 p.m., Elem 1:50 p.m.

18 Martin Luther King, Jr Day

18 NO SCHOOL

20 MJHS PTO Meeting 9 a.m.

25 Early Dismissal

25 Athletic Booster Mtg 7:30 p.m.

26/27 TPE Everybody Counts

JANUARY 2010

1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!

4 BACK TO SCHOOL

5 TP Garden Club, 7 p.m. "Be My Guest" Evening Meeting at Lanie Grever's Home. Bring appetizers to share.

5 Fine Arts Mtg 7:30 p.m.

6 MHS PTO Mtg 7 p.m.

11 AARP Meeting, Call Harry Knope for more information, 831-8583. This will be a regular 1:30 p.m. meeting, not a lunch meeting.

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

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

29 All District Elementary Skating Party, 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

29 TPRC Monte Carlo Night Fundraiser, at St. Thomas, 7 p.m. – Midnight. (NOTE: it's Friday night this year.) Interested in being an event or Game Table sponsor or helping with the event? Contact Celia McNeil at 490-0333 or cmcneil@cinci.rr.com

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Saturday, February 27 – All are warmly invited to attend a "Party on Ice" at the Indian Hill Winter Club hosted by the KV #76--7:00 p.m. to midnight. There will be music, food, a live auction, paddle tennis, ice-skating and more! Visit www.partyon-ice.net for more information.

The BOE's January meeting date has been changed from Jan 19th to Jan 12th

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comed new inductees with a luncheon the day before the November 5th ceremony. The keynote speaker at this year's induction was Mr. Sam Duran, a parent of two MHS grads and local attorney, who spoke to the group about the benefits and responsibilities of service to the community.

The Mariemont HS chapter of NHS is involved in philanthropic efforts including the "Warm Hands, Warm Hearts" drive, a hat and glove collection this winter to benefit a local free store. They will also sponsor a junior high dance in the spring. Their faculty advisor at Mariemont High School is Donna Neumann.

We'd love your stories. Our next deadline is January 7th at 9 p.m.

Mariemont HS senior accepts Auburn equestrian scholarship

By Betsy Porst

Mariemont High School class of 2010 member Piper Donnelly has committed to ride for Auburn University's Division I Equestrian team.

Donnelly has been competing on the A-AA national circuit since the age of 9. She has qualified four ponies for National Pony Finals, qualified for the ASPCA Maclay Championship, USET Talent Search and the National Hunt Seat Medal. Donnelly finished 7th Overall at the Washington International Horse Show. She also has more than 70 combined champion and reserve champi-

onships, plus numerous classic and medal wins.

At Auburn University, Piper will be riding for Tigers' equestrian team as a hunt seat rider. In 2008, Auburn won the NCAA National Division I Championship in the hunt seat event. The Auburn head coach is Greg Williams and hunt seat head coach is Lindsay Nuebarth.

At Mariemont High School, Piper was inducted to the National Honor Society in 2008.

She is the daughter of Jill Donnelly of Terrace Park and Lane Donnelly of Anderson, and sister to Griffin Donnelly of Terrace Park.



Mariemont High School senior Piper Donnelly signs her letter of intent to compete for the Auburn University Equestrian team. She is seated with her mother, Jill Donnelly of Terrace Park. Standing are maternal grandparents Tutt and Lois Lambert, brother Griffin Donnelly, and trainers Sarah Mechlin and Richard Rogers. (Not pictured is trainer Patty Rogers.)

Neighbor to Neighbor

December Village Council *(continued from page 1)*

noted that CPR certification has been completed for all volunteers and that all volunteers requesting H1N1 shots have received them. The new training class is on schedule and participated in a drill this past month.

Fire Chief Frey opened his report by reminding everyone that the fire department always needs more volunteers. The volunteer force is currently stable but new trainees are requested at all times.

Leaf machine back to work

Chief Hayhow notified residents that the leaf machine has been in for repairs but this situation will be remedied within the next two weeks and prior to the leaf piles becoming solid masses.

Wooster Pike

In the Planning/Zoning report, Councilman Lee Cole noted that his committee is currently studying (per a resident request) the odor from horse stables on Wooster Pike.

Village trees

Building and Grounds report by Councilman Jeff Krueger told residents that five more trees have been planted to replace diseased ash trees, two on Stanton if residents wish to view them. The Village Garden Club was thanked for their purchase of 20 tree water bags for these new trees. He reminded residents also that Duke Energy would be working on trees that are near power lines at their cost and determination.

Special election

The Finance Committee report by Mr. Porst centered on the denial of the Village special levy election and the budget planning for this situation. A detailed report will be in the Village Views for residents review. Emphasis was made that due to reserve Village funds no services will be reduced for the 2010-year.

Noise and parking

Councilman Jim Muennich, Rules and Law, had a third reading of the excessive vehicle sound ordinance. He noted that he had received very little opposed resident feedback on this proposal. A second reading was given on the ordinance restricting commercial vehicle parking. A public meeting will be held before this proposed ordinance is given a third reading. The other commercial vehicle parking ordinance is still in committee.

Howe

Councilman Terry Howe, Public Safety, then gave some final remarks concerning his gratitude for serving on the Village Council thanking many residents and Council members for their support.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion to move into Executive Session.

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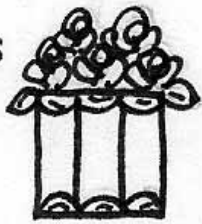
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Police report

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A suspicious vehicle was seen at the swim club. A witness had observed the suspect parking the truck and walking toward Wooster Pike. No one was located by police.

A resident reported reckless operation of a vehicle on Stanton Avenue. The complainant was also driving on Stanton and had to pull off the road to avoid a collision. A second similar incident apparently involving the same poorly operating vehicle was mentioned as well.

Police found an abandoned vehicle blocking an intersection.

During their investigation the driver of the vehicle arrived and said it was broken down. It was pushed out of the intersection and a towing company was called to remove it.

The occupant of a suspicious vehicle parked on Elm Avenue was questioned by police. He revealed that he had arrived too early for an appointment and was waiting.

Police were contacted regarding a cat stuck in the deep end of the swim club pool. The pool manager and responding officer were able to extricate the animal.

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CHRISTMAS AT ST. THOMAS

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8 pm: Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:30 pm: Carol Sing

11:00 pm: Christ Mass

Dec 25, 11:00 am Holy Eucharist with Carols

Sunday Worship:

7:45 am: Holy Eucharist Rite I with Hymns

9 am: A Eucharist for All People*

10 am: Christian Formation, all ages

11:15 am: Choral Eucharist Rite II*

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Knox kicks off Phases of Faith program in January

By Cindy Tripp

Beginning January 10, Knox Church in Hyde Park will kick off the “Phases of Faith” program, designed to encourage local community members to assess where they are on their faith journey and help all progress on the path they have chosen. Details are available at www.PhasesofFaith.org.

A series of four messages (1/10, 17, 24, and 31) will explore various phases of faith. These messages will be part of Sunday services: Fresh Spirit at 9:15 a.m. and Traditional at 11 a.m.

In addition, a variety of small discussion groups will be formed to dig deeper into specific phases of faith. The kick off for these discussion groups will happen at a dinner on January 17 at 6 p.m. in the Knox Commons. On-line sign up for the dinner and/or the discussion groups is available at www.PhasesofFaith.org/signup.

“Each particular phase of life - from early adulthood to marriage or partner relationships, to midlife and beyond - offers a myriad of challenges and experiences,” said Tiffany Zents, Director of Christian Education. “While each person follows an individual faith and spiritual path, there is also much we share on our journeys. Small groups provide a way to make

connections, build relationships, and grow through sharing our stories and exploring our faith.”

The faith journey discussion groups are as follows:

Journeys: *exploring next steps to spiritual development* (7 sessions) - This small group opportunity helps individuals explore aspects of spiritual growth and enables participants to discover deeper meaning through faith.

Young Professionals and Faith for the 21st Century (6 weeks) - This group will explore how the current culture impacts their own understanding of faith and spirituality and how they envision their own future.

“The Faith Journey: Heretics, You and Me” (Friday evenings: 1/22, 2/5, 2/18, 2/26, 3/12) - Who are the heretics and who decides? How have heresies influenced the proclamation and living out of the gospel in the 21st century?

“The Faith Journey: The Future of Faith” (Sunday evenings: 1/17, 1/31, 2/14, 2/28, 3/7) - Harvey Cox, professor emeritus at Harvard Divinity School wrote one

of the most influential religious books of the 20th century, *The Secular City*. This year he has published a new book, *The Future of Faith*, and it will undoubtedly be an important religious book for the 21st century.

Seekers (Ongoing, 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month, mid-morning) – This is a group of “20, 30, 40 & 50 something” women at any stage of “the journey” who gather twice a month for casual book study and an opportunity to connect and build relationships. Childcare provided.

Men’s Group - Men are invited to gather for networking and building friendships. This group will offer an opportunity for casual discussion of a book or topic, and for special activities.

Parenting Group (6 weeks) - This small group offers a chance to make connections with other parents and share the joys and lows of parenthood. Childcare provided.

Commons Café - 50s and Older Adult Spiritual Growth & Fellowship (ongoing, Mondays at 12 noon). For many, midlife is a time when people start exploring

their faith in depth, and this group offers a holistic approach to spiritual growth and an opportunity to build relationships.

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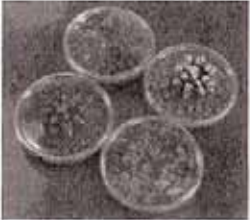
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50th annual pancake supper brings community together



MOTHER-DAUGHTER DUO -
Volunteer firefighters Sue Keffer, left, and her daughter, Katy Keffer, kept the sausages coming at the Terrace Park Emergency Medical Services 50th annual pancake supper Sunday, Nov. 8, in the elementary school cafeteria. Altogether, 492 pancake suppers were served.



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT -
Steve Wilson, left, and his sister-in-law Connie Wilson have more than 40 years of combined experience tending griddles at the annual pancake supper in Terrace Park. They were assisted this year by Bryan Routt, a member of the local Boy Scout troop who delivered batter throughout the evening for more than a dozen griddles.



RECOGNITION FOR VOLUNTEERS -
Prior to the pancake supper, the Terrace Park Historical Society honored the community's volunteer firefighters and life squad members during a program in the school auditorium. Among those in attendance were Barbara Self, foreground, and Laura Colston, a 20-year member of the Terrace Park Life Squad. Guest speakers were John Maggard and Pierce Matthews from Emergency Medical Services. TPHS program chair Elaine Fening read a list of volunteers and each person's years of service.



2009 U8 Boys Soccer Champions. Pictured (front row) Cole Herring, Nathan Cox, Jackson Kuwatch, Max Megowen (back row) Jack Crouse, John Welch, Rye Walker, Evan Barnes, James McGrory, Peter Crowley Head Coach Marty McGrory, Assistant Coach Caroline Hall

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Terrace Park Sports

MHS Warriors Prevail in Annual Lacrosse Alumni Game

The annual Mariemont Lacrosse Alumni game featuring past players from Mariemont High School and the current MHS lacrosse team was played on Thanksgiving weekend. It was an excellent game that the current MHS players ended up winning 11-10 in an exciting over-



Coach P - hard at play!

time victory. This marks the second win in three years for the current high school team over the alumni, although the alums have a 4-2 overall record since the games began six years ago.

The Warriors drew first blood on a rocket shot by Nick "Stickwork" Stirrman, a junior midfielder this year at Mariemont. The shot beat MHS franchise goal tender Randall Williams, who was recognized as "best dressed player" after the game in recognition of his stylish slacks, sweater vest, and bowtie ensemble. Freshman Tate

"Pickaxe" DeCamp announced his presence with authority when he scored the second goal of the game. This one seemed to wake up the slumbering alumni, some of whom may have been just a wee bit overconfident entering the game.

Chase Beach, Dave McCormack and Cole DeCamp also had goals for the Warriors. Senior Josh Colaw scored the winning goal in overtime, in a fashion consistent with late game heroics featured in his storied lacrosse career. The winning goal tenders were Alex Wood and Joe Rolander, both of whom made multiple saves on point blank shots during the contest.

The alums were led by Stephen Heffner (class of 2005) with three goals, along with goals from fellow University of Cincinnati teammates the Arkeilpane brothers, Kyle ('05) and Alex ('09). Reed Peterson ('04), Drake Perry ('04), Max Koehler ('08), and Jarrod Carley ('09) rounded out the alumni scoring. A significant number of guys have gone on to play after high school at NCAA or club level lacrosse throughout the US, representing the program well. Each year we seem to have more young men playing at the next level.

The Alumni Game is a Terrace Park lacrosse tradition, and is held on the Saturday following Thanksgiving each year at Stanton Field. This year's match entertained a nice crowd on a 60 degree day. The game is preceded by a youth lacrosse clinic for new Terrace Park

Bulldogs and 20 boys attended this year. Some alumni and current high school team members help with the clinic, teaching the youngsters the basic skills of lacrosse in a fun environment.

"This is a great tradition you guys have started, and it will provide many great times and memories in the future," said Coach Tad George, who is entering his ninth season as the MHS boys head lacrosse coach.

Thanks also go out to the experienced Bulldog players for their help with the clinic as well: Rory "Shamrock" McGoff, Ty "Hornet" Bucher, Wilson "Mustang" Bucher, Owen "Rhino" Moreno, Jack "Jac-a-Lac" Mathis, Charles "Pitch Fork" Schooler, Eric "Rodeo" Tassos, Max "Mad Max" Christopher, Mike "Re-bar" Reber, Anthony "Tony Baloney" Di Michael and Parker "Happy" Gilmore. These boys did an outstanding job serving as examples for the new players to learn from. Thanks also to all in the crowd who attended and made the event even more special for the players.

Terrace Park is where lacrosse started over a decade ago in the Mariemont school district. There are now approximately 300 kids playing lacrosse each spring and the program became a varsity sport in 2002. The MHS boys' team has appeared in three Division II State Championship Finals since then, bringing home the state crown in 2007. This year's team looks to be strong again.

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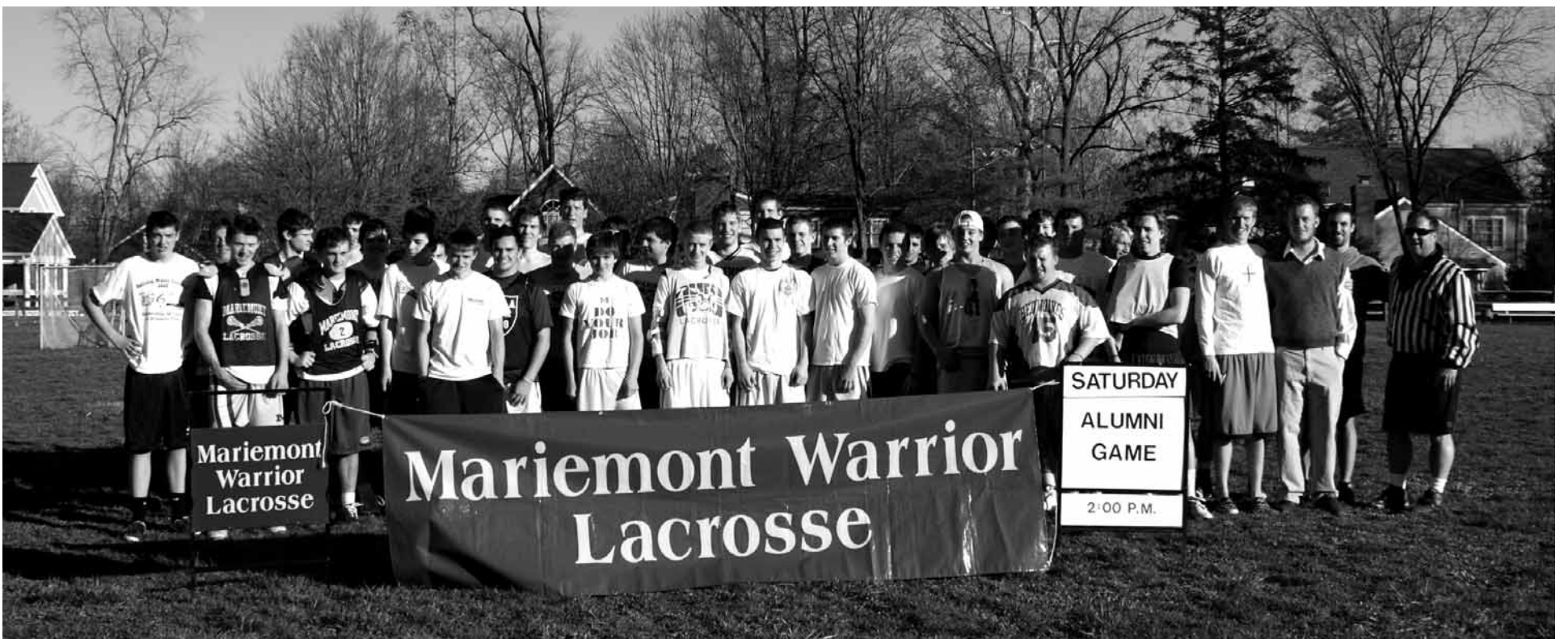
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