

Tripp begins term as newest member at January's Council meeting

By Martha Rassi

The January 10, 2012 Village Council meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance, and the swearing in of new Council member Rick Tripp by Mayor Jay Gohman.

Coyotes

The mayor said that coyotes have been seen in the village, especially at dawn and dusk. He urged caution with children and animals. Coyotes have been sited on Miami and in wooded areas in the village.

Martin Marietta

Village Solicitor Bob Malloy

reported on the Martin/Marietta appeal of the decision, and stated that the judge has overruled their objections. The case will now move to the District Court of Appeals.

Life Squad and Fire Department

Life Squad Chief John Maggard reported the annual total runs of 131 for 2011. He also said training schedule was shortened during the holiday season but will resume on schedule.

The Fire Department's report stressed the need for more volun-

teers. Call Chief Luke Frey for more information. He also stated that the new piece of equipment is now in service and the retired equipment will be sold at auction.

Streets Commissioner's Report

Councilman Tom Tepe mentioned that the 600-700 block of Yale needs repair to prevent further damage.

Committees

Standing Committee reports included Tepe thanking all residents who attended the public meeting concerning the site plan for the new Terrace Park elementary school. He felt the school officials in attendance were well prepared to respond to citizen concerns.

Councilman Rick Tripp, announced that a meeting will be held to begin planning for the planting of trees for the next planting season.

Mark Porst presented a resolution that was passed to appoint Police Chief Gerald Hayhow to the position of Street Commissioner for the Village. The remainder of his report concerned the decline in revenues that Terrace Park will experience due to a decrease in real estate values and the end of revenues from inheritance taxes. The Finance Committee will meet to discuss and plan for this approximate 12 percent revenue reduction.

The mayor then called for continued or new business. With none the meeting was adjourned.

Kindervelt dessert auction deliciously successful

By Kim Seichter

Kindervelt #76 continued the pursuit of "Having fun while raising funds" by hosting its annual Dessert Auction on December 13 at the Terrace Park home of Polly Brennaman. The event was attended by more than 70 women and raised more than \$7,000 to benefit Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center's (CCHMC) Division of Asthma Research. Logan Brinson, a CCHMC patient, kicked off the evening by sharing his experience of having more than 100 surgeries at the hospital. Logan not only picked the first gift to auction, but also donated an autographed print from Mackenzie Thorpe, which raised \$850 for CCHMC. Emcee Ann Gibson kept the night fun as she auctioned off a variety of desserts and other packages donated by Terrace Park residents and local businesses.



Special Guest Logan Brinson and Luke Brennaman, who is holding an autographed copy of the Mackenzie Thorpe print.

Kindervelt is the largest auxiliary of CCHMC and is recognized as one of Greater Cincinnati's outstanding volunteer organizations.



Vice President and Dessert Auction Chair Jenny Harris, hostess Polly Brennaman, emcee Ann Gibson, and Kindervelt #76 President Ali Petty.

Thanks from the community

After a rain delay, this year's tree lighting continued a holiday tradition that came together thanks to the hard work of many volunteers.

Kudos to:

- Michele Sandlin for taking over and coordinating the event after Amy Lothmann's many years of hard work!
- Police Chief Jerry Hayhow because Sandlin said he did most of the work.

- Fletcher Homes for generously donating the horse and wagon rides through the lighted streets of Terrace Park.

- And a BIG THANK YOU to David Moore, of Chief Beaver Tree Service. Moore volunteered great service to TP by putting the lights on the Village Christmas tree with short notice.

Schools' construction progress

In February, Mariemont City Schools will be hosting the following Community Construction Update meetings to keep residents informed of construction progress:

Terrace Park Elementary - Thursday, February 9, at 7 p.m. in the TPE Library

Mariemont Junior High School - Thursday, Feb 16, 7 p.m. JH library



TPHS invites public on Alaskan adventure with Boy Scout Troop 286

By Sue Porter

Terrace Park Historical Society

It was Aug. 12, 1964, and the big story on WCPO-TV's "Al Schottelkotte News" was the homecoming three men and 16 Boy Scouts received that day in Terrace Park.

Explorer Post 286, sponsored by St. Thomas Episcopal Church, had just completed a 26-day, 8,627-mile trip to Alaska. They'd financed their adventure with car wash proceeds and traveled in an old Chevrolet school bus they'd painted black and outfitted with game tables and storage space.

Scout leader Lew Washburn and members of the troop will share photos, video, mementos and memories from that trip at the Terrace Park Historical Society's first public program of the year Sunday, March 4, at the Community Building. Refreshments will be served at 3:30 p.m., followed at 4 p.m. with the program. Local scouts and residents

are encouraged to attend.

In addition to spectacular views of Alaska and a look at America in the '60s, attendees will see how the troop managed day-to-day campsite chores - from outdoor cooking to maintaining their uniforms with a portable, generator-powered washing machine and a box of Tide.

Along the way they amassed a variety of statistics. For example, they passed just 111 cars on the

1,422-mile Alaska Highway; bought 1,096 gallons of gasoline altogether; blew-out one tire and had two flat tires; lost a license plate but, thankfully, had neither injury nor accident.

"It was something," says Washburn, who remembers that summer 48 years ago as though it were yesterday yet, like so many others, marvels that the trip happened at all.

VV Deadline - Thursday, February 9th by 9 p.m.

For articles, please contact Chandi Findley at tpvillageviews@fuse.net.

For calendar submissions, please contact Hester Sullivan at hestersullivan@me.com.

For ads please contact Cyndy Finnigan at 831-5121/cynthia1@email.com



New Trustees - TPHS

Terrace Park Historical Society has elected longtime residents Maggie Tobergte, left, and Marcia Moyer to board membership. Maggie will be the organization's school liaison and Marcia will oversee membership. Maggie spent her early years in Terrace Park and returned 25 years ago with her husband Dave to raise their children, Meg and John. She is a substitute staffer at YogaOMe, and instructs

yoga to teachers at Terrace Park Elementary and swimmers at Mariemont High School. For ten years, she was a Terrace Park Life Squad volunteer. Marcia and her husband David moved to Terrace Park in 1981 and have two sons, Eric and Joel. She is a bookkeeper for RWA Architects and Cowan's Auction, and is a member of the Terrace Park Garden Club.



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On the morning of December 15, police responded to numerous reports of thefts from vehicles in Alley A and Alley B near Harvard and Rugby Avenues. Seven vehicles were broken into by an unknown suspect(s). Nothing was taken from three of the vehicles, but CDs, GPS devices, an IPOD charger, a pair of sunglasses, and a Kindle were stolen from the other vehicles. While investigating the break-ins, police located some personal items near Alley B. The owner of the items was located. She was not sure whether the items were taken from her garage or her vehicle.

Police responded to a report of a suspicious white male carrying a crow bar and walking behind houses on Wagon Road Lane. Police met the subject and determined that he was checking septic systems on behalf of the Hamilton County Health Department

Police also responded to alarm drops, a vehicle lockout, a noise complaint, loose dogs, reports of harassing telephone calls, and numerous properties found open

Additionally, Terrace Park Police provided assistance to the Milford Police Department, the Norwood Police Department, and the Blue Ash Police Department.

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24-25 TPE Everybody Counts

25 Mariemont Schools Foundation, 7:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

Online registration for **Cincinnati Hills SAY Spring 2012 Soccer** is now open. Find more information about the Spring Program at www.mariemontsoccer.org Terrace Park does not field Terrace Park soccer teams in the spring, but Mariemont welcomes our players. Sign up to play or coach. The deadline for early registration for the Spring 2012 season is March 1, 2012.

Online registration for **TPRC Baseball and Softball** are OPEN. Parents may register their kids by going to www.tprc.net and signing up for either baseball or softball. Practices will begin late February/early March with the season beginning shortly after Spring Break. The regular season ends in June and post season tournaments carry on through mid July.

3 MHS PTO, 8:45 a.m.

7 TP PTO, coffee, 8:30 a.m, 9 a.m.
7 Terrace Park Garden Club: 7 p.m. at the Community building. Program on “Wines and Vines” with Kyle Schuchter of Valley Vineyards. Guest Night – Terrace Park residents welcome to attend.
7 Alumni Assoc, 7 p.m.
7 Arts Assoc, 7:30 p.m.

8 Kindervelt #76 meeting at 7:30pm at 2 Lexington Circle

9 Village Views deadline

10 DEADLINE FOR TPRC BASEBALL SIGN UPS Questions? Contact either Matt Lundeberg or Todd Steele, co-baseball commis-

sioners at tprcbaseball@gmail.com. Batter up...

13 TPE Recognition Night, 7 p.m.

14 VALENTINE’S DAY
14 Village Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Community Building

15 MJHS PTO, 9 a.m.

16 Terrace Park Historical Society Creatives Gallery and Museum open to the public noon to 3 p.m.; archives and office also open.

17 NO SCHOOL

20 President’s Day, NO SCHOOL

21 MHS Grade 8 Open House, parent mtg 6 p.m.
21 Board of Education, MJHS, 7 p.m. Public Welcome

22 ASH WEDNESDAY
22 School Foundation, 7:30 p.m.

23 Terrace Park Historical Society Creatives Gallery and Museum open to the public noon to 3 p.m.; archives and office also open.
23 Night of Singing, Gr 7 – noon @ MHS

27 Boosters, 7:30 p.m.

29 ME/TPE Grade 6 Bowling, noon – 2 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!!!
Thursday, March 1: Terrace Park Historical Society Creatives Gallery and Museum open to the public noon to 3 p.m.; archives and office also open.

Sunday, March 4: Terrace Park Historical Society program featuring Lew Washburn and the local Boy Scout troop that went to Alaska in the '60s. Refreshments at 3:30 p.m., program at 4 p.m. Public invited.

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

Growing up in Terrace Park: The `40s and `50s

(This article submitted by the TPHS archive team appeared in all NE Community Press Papers on Wednesday May 26, 1993 as part of a section entitled “Terrace Park - The First Hundred Years” and is reprinted with permission from Community Press (per Eric Spangler, editor).

Growing up in Terrace Park in the '40s and '50s was certainly different from today. The similarity is that kids loved it then, as they do now.

Imagine the Village with almost every other lot vacant and no Wrenwood or Robinwood, no Fieldstone, Windingbrook or Redbird, no Princeton or Franklin, no Michigan Drive or Wanoka Woods.

There were lots of fields and open spaces – no landscaped or edged yards – a few horses, some small farms and lots of vegetable gardens.

I was born in 1942 on Western Avenue, moved to Marietta in 1948 and to Valleyview in 1956. I witnessed lots of village growth during those years, but saw even more from the time I went to college (1960) until I returned in 1969.

One of the things I remember most during the early years was playing in the big fields which are now Wrenwood and Robinwood.

The grass was so high that it was great for hide and seek, especially around what was left of the old circus building. Often we were forbidden to play here because the hobos would jump off the trains and sleep there.

We loved watching the trains, which came frequently, and waving to the man on the caboose. It was particularly fun to watch from the top of the RR bridge (now the Elm overpass by Denison Lane).

Many trains stopped for passengers off to deliver lumber and coal. The Terrace Park Lumber Company was where Denison Lane begins.

The Village dump was down where our maintenance and recycling is now. There was an old incinerator which frequently burned trash.

We loved going to the market (now Kennedy Associates Building) for penny treats. Groceries were delivered to homes every day because most families only had one car, which the fathers took to work.

The homes were seldom locked and grocery boy would just come in and yell “groceries!” If no one answered, he’d put the perishables away.

The Post Office (now rebuilt as Graduate Services) was another gathering place because every-



Ballet lessons were taught at the Community House by TP resident Myrie Ellwood Goorian (wife of Len Goorian of local TV fame). Recitals, like the one in 1951 pictured above, were held once a year complete with costumes handmade by the mothers for their daughters.

Back row: L to R: Susan Heil, Jill Jones, Leslie Jones, Judy Lance
Front row: Winnie Bixby and Peggy Hogan

All were TP residents except Peggy who lived in Mulberry but her mother drove her daily to TP Elementary.

one had to pick up their mail. The postmistress always knew what was going on. She was our *Village Views* before we had one (Effie Miller, 90, still lives in Terrace Park).

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News from Boy Scout Troop 286

By Alec Ahrens, Scribe

Boy Scout Troop 286 of Terrace Park had a very busy holiday season this year! We started in December with the annual "Holiday Campout" on December 2-4 at John Bryan State Park, which is located near Yellow Springs, Ohio. Just like in years past, on this campout the Scouts received a special treat: the dads cooked for them and did the dishes! Everyone was excited and much holiday cheer was spread.

The annual Toy Drive resulted in 118 presents for needy children in the Cincinnati area that the Scouts wrapped on December 11 and delivered to the post office for distribution by letter carriers. We thank everyone who donated a toy, in spite of the tough economic

conditions, to help bring some cheer to needy children.

The troop Court of Honor was held on November 20 to recognize Scouts for their rank advancements and merit badge achievements.

Rank Advancement:

Tenderfoot - Matthew McGrory

Second Class - Eli Bales, Matthew Burgess, Sean Holcomb, Walker McManus, Henry Wagner

First Class - Matthew Burgess, Neil Findley, Sean Holcomb, Dominic Klein, Jeremiah May, Walker McManus, Scott Overbey, Henry Wagner, A.J. Walter

Life - Alec Ahrens

Merit Badges Awarded:

Alec Ahrens - Citizenship in

the Community, Citizenship in the World, Communication

Eli Bales - Archaeology, Reptile and Amphibian Study

Matthew Burgess - Archaeology, Citizenship in the Community, Fingerprinting, Pulp & Paper

Jack Findley - Rowing

Neil Findley - Archery, Architecture, Climbing, Swimming

Sean Holcomb - Auto Maintenance, Camping, Orienteering, Pioneering

Dominic Klein - Climbing, Pulp & Paper, Wood Carving

Jeremiah May - Cooking, Small Boat Sailing

Matthew McGrory - Art, Bird Study, Canoeing, Fingerprinting, Pulp & Paper, Swimming

Connor McManus - Emergency Preparedness

Walker McManus - Canoeing, Cooking, Fish & Wildlife Management, Rowing

Scott Overbey - Camping, Citizenship in the Community, Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Orienteering, Rowing

Emmett Saulnier - Auto Maintenance, Communication, Environmental Science, Lifesaving

Henry Wagner - Astronomy, Camping, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the World, Cooking, Dentistry, Fishing, Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Orienteering, Rowing, Space Exploration, Wood Carving

A.J. Walter - Camping

The Boy Scouts have enjoyed many years of being active and supported by the community and YOU can help them continue to thrive. As you plan your landscaping and yard work, that you will most likely be doing in the spring, please give consideration to the Boy Scout's annual Mulch Sale which will kick off in late January. The Scouts would appreciate your support in making this a successful fundraiser.

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situation going forward.


All residents in Terrace Park are safe and even if a hydrant is out of service near your home, there are ample alternative hydrants nearby to make sure the Fire Department has sufficient water supply should an emergency occur. If anyone has any issues or questions please call me directly at 615-6750.


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Growing up in Terrace Park: The '40s and '50s

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Kindergarten was in the Community House and police chief was the crossing guard at the corner of Elm and Park. The police station was upstairs in the Community House with interior windows that overlooked the main room.

Ballet and ballroom dancing classes as well as scout troops met here too.

Besides playing in fields, we loved tree houses, of which there were many. Some even had roofs and carpet. Gold fish ponds – some were old sunken bathtubs – were in many yards; but there were not pools.

There was no Terrace Park Swim Club until the '50s, so the Log Cabin was the center of summer activity. Arts and crafts and games were available. In the evening, the teenagers took over the place with games and record hops. On Fridays, buses would take us to swim at Coney Island, Lake Cowan or the Phillips public pool in Walnut Hills.

In the fall, raking leaves was fun because you could jump out of trees into the huge piles before you burned them. The whole village smelled of burning leaves from mid-October to mid-November.

On a "slow" autumn day, it was fun to go to the river or to the "haunted houses", which were three deserted homes, two in the 900 block of Miami, riverside, and one at the base of the Miami Avenue hill by Edgewater.

All three were "walk-ins" from broken locks and the furniture, art, newspapers, coffee cups, etc. were all left as if the owners had just walked away.

We never took anything but just tiptoed around so as not to disturb the ghosts that were in the attics and cellars.

In the winter, sled riding was a favorite on the "hills" where Wanoka Woods, Oxford Lane, and the side yard of the Pruiss home are now.

If you got a good running start, you could glide onto the frozen Little Miami River. The Fresh Air Farm, now Stepping

Stones, was another great sled-ding place.

St. Thomas Church had a very large Junior Choir of about 50 kids. One time, when TV was still very new, we appeared on a local television show. That was a big thrill!

Bike riding, scooters and roller skating were also popular. We loved to ride bikes to Rahn's Bar-B-Q near the Miami Avenue entrance or to the Chapman's Bridge Restaurant, right before the Milford Bridge.

Going to Milford was fun, too, but it was only "old" Milford. The two drugstores with soda fountains and great comic books and the Old Family Theater were the most popular attractions.

Milford's drive-in movie theater was built in the '50s and was where Kroger and SuperX are now.

The Terrace Tavern (location of Dairy Mart) had various restaurants over the years, and a pony keg in the back.

The Vilardo Restaurant was a favorite in the '40s. After it

closed, the Tavern became more of a bar and was "off-limits" for kids.

We saw a big building boom in Terrace Park which started in the '50s. Houses were going up everywhere. Television became available in most homes and so did second cars.

They had other things to do as progress caught up with the little isolated country village, but the fond memories remained with many of us.


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Terrace Park Sports

Last day to register for Baseball/Softball is February 10, 2012

Spring may be a few months away, but baseball's spring training is right around the corner! Registration began January 16 and ends February 10 for Terrace Park Recreation Commission Baseball/Softball 2012. Registration is done exclusively online at www.tprc.net for both baseball and girls' softball. Terrace Park had a record number of kids play last year and we hope

everyone will play again this year. Pre-kindergarten girls and boys are welcome to join the Mini-Tee instructional program, while our kindergarten kids will play in our Tee Ball division. Kids in 1st grade play in the Coach Pitch division, while our 2nd grade through 8th grade boys compete in District 4 of the Cincinnati Knothole League. Girls in 1st grade through 8th

grade play softball with our neighbors in Mariemont. For the first time, we have arranged for a second 7th and 8th grade boy's baseball team which will begin play in mid May (for those wanting to avoid lacrosse conflicts).

Terrace Park has a rich baseball history and we field very competitive teams each and every year. Last year's season was no exception, as most of our teams finished either first or second in their divisions. But for the first time in TPRC history, we had a team (our 7th grade boys baseball team coached by Mark Kennedy) who won our end-of-year District Knothole tournament and went on to be runner up in the regional tournament. Let's keep it going!

All parents may register their kids by going to www.tprc.net and signing up for either baseball or softball. Practices will begin late February/early March with the season beginning shortly after Spring Break. The regular season ends in June and post season tournaments carry on through mid July.

Any questions, please contact either Matt Lundeberg or Todd Steele, co-baseball commissions at tprcbaseball@gmail.com. Batter up...

Luminaria: A Beautiful and Successful Fundraiser

Kindervelt would like to extend a very sincere "thank you" to all the Terrace Park residents who participated in the lighting of the luminarias this year. The village looked spectacular as the luminarias glowed and everyone headed for the tree lighting. All the proceeds directly benefit the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center's (CCHMC) Division of Asthma Research. By purchasing a luminaria kit, you not only supported a worthy cause at Children's Hospital, but also displayed great community enthusiasm as we kicked off the holiday season together.

We would also like to thank those of you who made a donation to Kindervelt. We appreciate Cub Scout Pack 97's hard work in filling the sand bags. And finally, we would also like to thank our wonderful sponsors for helping make this year so successful. Our sponsors included:

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