

Terrace Park Council Minutes February 2018

Submitted by Vivian Krueger

Mayor Tom Tepe opened the meeting by thanking Council for meeting early in the month. Options for the sewer situation are many and are still being discussed. All 2017 year end reports for the State and County have been submitted. Copies to view are available in the Village Office.

Village Administrator Gerald Hayhow reported that the three Village bridges were recently inspected and all found to be in good shape. There are repairs needed for sidewalk maintenance and money has been budgeted for the work.

John Maggard, EMS Chief, reported 18 emergency runs to date. John reported the 2018 class of five recruits will complete their coursework in March.

Recent training included units in burn evaluation and treatment. TP EMS is now equipped with I-Gel airways, the latest improvement in pre-hospital, advanced airways for Basic EMT use.

Regina Sharp, Planning & Zoning, presented two Ordinances for acceptance of the dedication plat for right of ways known as Denison Lane and Elm Court. These were not recorded correctly to the county years ago. Both passed Council. Regina reported the medical marijuana moratorium has been extended for 180 days.

Lauren Ingebritson, Buildings & Grounds, presented Resolution 2-1, 2018 authorizing and directing the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with AE Door &

Window Co. for the purchase and installation of garage doors and operators. The Resolution passed.

Jeff LeMay, Finance, presented Resolution 2-2-2018 requesting the County Auditor to make tax advances during the year 2018 pursuant to Ohio revised code, section 321.24 and Resolution 2-3-18 authorizing continuing insurance coverage for the Village of Terrace Park under the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan and authorizing payment of premium in an amount not to exceed \$25,924.00. Jeff mentioned that due to Terrace Park's good risk profile, the premium is lower for 2018. Both resolutions passed.

Third Graders Go From Residents to Presidents

Every year around President's Day, the third graders at Terrace Park Elementary bring history to life as they portray U.S. presidents of the past. Led by teachers Julie Parker and Jennifer Niezgoda, each student is randomly assigned a president. They then research their president, prepare a speech as that president, and come to school dressed as the president without other students knowing their identity. They each give a speech, including important life events and their contributions as president, to their class. At the end they ask, "Who am I?" and the class guesses their identity based on time period and facts they've heard in the speech. After all presidents have been unveiled, the students travel to other grade level classrooms where they introduce themselves as the president and share important fact to

teach others. The speeches are recorded and will be posted in the

"Warrior Watch" section of the MCS website.



Commanders In Chief: Third graders pose as past presidents in the atrium at Terrace Park Elementary

Dear Readers,

Although it is only mid February as I write this and snow is currently falling, the fact that this is the March issue makes it seem like spring is coming! March in Terrace Park means many things; lacrosse, spring break, and noticeably longer days. It won't be long until the golf carts will be parked at Drackett Field and the first wildflowers will be blooming at Miami Grove. As you will see in this issue, any winter lull in activities is over and from small town Ohio to small town Mexico, Terrace Parkers have been busy. We have art in the post office, the bells are back in St. Thomas, and a local eight

year old looks like Martin Van Buren. There's a lot for you to get caught up on.

I am working on some new monthly features that will begin in the next issue and there are also whisperings of a restaurant review starting in April. As always, this is YOUR paper, Terrace Park! I want to share your stories, your neighbor's accomplishments, your children's triumphs, and even great pictures of your dog on vacation. On a final note, I want to take a minute to thank our many advertisers. Small town newspapers are disappearing at an alarming rate and being replaced with generic, regional publications. Thanks to the continued

support of our advertisers and loyal base of readers, the Village Views is in no such danger.

Enjoy the beginning of spring here in Terrace Park. Few neighborhoods offer so many opportunities to get out in the woods or on the river and enjoy nature. Take some great photos on your Spring Break and send them to me at tpvillageviews@gmail.com. We'll run some vacation highlights next month and you can make those of us who stayed here and worked feel pretty jealous.

Your Editor,
Steve Early

Stephen Ministries Offers Help

Submitted by Patti Normile

Change is in the air! We hear it in the morning when birds chirping remind us that Spring will come again! Christians think of life changes in the seasons of Lent and Easter. These reminders point to positive changes in life. Stephen Ministers at St. Thomas Church are available to help those in Terrace Park and surrounding communities deal with changes in life that challenge in less than positive ways.

Stephen Ministry offers confidential, one-on-one companion-

ship as care receivers move through times of grief, relationship issues, health issues or financial woes. Stephen Ministers listen as caring companions for those who would prefer not to share their difficult times with close friends or family members. Stephen Ministers are paired with those seeking a spiritual companion—men with men, women with women. Partners usually meet for an hour a week. For further information, contact Father Darren Elin, [\[sepiscopal.org\]\(mailto:sepiscopal.org\); Bea Filimonov, \[filimonovbea@yahoo.com\]\(mailto:filimonovbea@yahoo.com\); Patti Normile, \[normilepatti@yahoo.com\]\(mailto:normilepatti@yahoo.com\), or call the church, 831-2052.](mailto:darren@stthoma-</p>
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Armstrong Chapel United Methodist Church, also has a group of trained Stephen Ministers. For information, contact Pastor Kathleen Kisner, kkisner@armstrongchapel.org, or Referral Coordinator, Becky Patterson, beckypatterson@aol.com.

Local Men Serve Back2Back Ministries

Submitted by Todd Spang

A group of 25 men from the area recently went on a mission trip with Back2Back Ministries in Cancun, Mexico. The group included 15 Terrace Park and 3 Mariemont residents. The men served the children of Cancun neighborhoods, Tres Reyes and Bonfil, by building an additional room onto a new community center, building a chicken coop for a family to start a business and pouring a concrete roof on a house. Back2Back Ministries,

based in Mason, Ohio, is a Christian organization that focuses on orphan and family care in impoverished countries. The Terrace Park men on the trip were Alex Bogle, Tom Cox, Shawn Crowley, Josh Deeter, Bill Everhart, Kent Falknor, Bren Fries, Graham Harden, Erick Koehler, Jeff Megowen, Adam Merten, Jay Messner, Hersch Patel, Dave Poindexter and Todd Spang. The Mariemont men were Jeff Andrews, Jon Dill and Brad Westfall.



The Terrace Park and Mariemont men of Back2Back.

1N5 Hosts Spring4Life

Submitted by Roseann Hayes

1N5 is slated to host its third annual Spring4Life fundraising event at the new Summit Hotel in Cincinnati on Saturday, April 21st. This event aims to raise funds to provide sustainable mental health and mindfulness educational programming in area schools.

1N5, named to bring attention to the startling statistic that one in every five teens and adults will experience a mental health issue in their lifetime, exists to expand mental health programs and education in Greater Cincinnati schools and universities through partnerships with Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, MindPeace, Interact for Health, and more. Its mission is to start the conversation around mental health as a means of stopping the stigma that forces so many to suffer in silence.

Founded in 2008, 1N5 has

since raised over \$750,000 in funding to support and implement mental health educational programming in local schools. 1N5 has experienced significant growth and recognition as an organization that is making a true impact in the lives of Greater Cincinnati youth.

1N5's Spring4Life fundraising event, scheduled for April 21st, 2018 at The Summit Hotel, will be an evening of light bites and libations, silent, live, and paddle auctions, music, and inspirational guest speakers whose stories will renew your belief that together we can stop the stigma and save lives. Amy Tobin will serve as emcee for the event.

For more information about 1N5, to donate or purchase tickets to the event, go to 1n5.org and click on the Events & Tickets tab.



Photo: Terrace Park and Mariemont residents serving on this year's Spring4Life planning committee include Jenny Ferguson, Roseann Hayes (event chair), Cindy Brittingham, K-T Overbey, Nancy Eigel-Miller, Kim Beach and Abby Messner. Not pictured: Nancy Silverman, Betsy Campbell, Leslie Young.

VV Deadline - Friday, March 16th, by 9 p.m.

For articles, please contact Steve Early at earlyss@yahoo.com For calendar submissions, please contact Hester Sullivan at hestersullivan@me.com. For ads please contact Gregg MacMillan at macmillan@mac.com

March Family Fun

Submitted by Danielle Haugh

The month of March has lots going on from Daylight Savings Time on Sunday, March 11th to the annual Kindervelt Eggstravaganza Egg Hunt on the 17th. Most importantly, don't forget to celebrate the "first day of spring" on Tuesday, March 20th.

Kick off March with "Family First Saturday - My Hometown" on Saturday, March 3rd from 12-4 at the Cincinnati Art Museum (953 Eden Park Drive). This free event includes scavenger hunts, tours and activities for the whole family. For more information about events going on at the art museum, go to <http://cincinnatiartmuseum.org/>.

Have a running enthusiastic

in the family? Sign up for one of the several Heart Mini races the weekend of March 17th. The Kids Fun Run for ages 7 and under is during the Health & Fitness Exp on Saturday and the 2k Fun Run for ages 8 to 12 is Sunday morning following the 15k and half marathon races. To register for any of the events, the Heart Mini website at http://www2.heart.org/site/TR/HeartWalk/GRA-GreatRiversAffiliate?pg=entry&fr_id=3297.

Happy Spring from my family to yours! Please contact me at dm-haugh@gmail.com with any events or locations to be part of future Family Fun articles.

Schedule of Village Street Tree Maintenance

How does Terrace Park decide when and what to do with our trees? Village arborist Mark Castator gets lots of calls asking just that. Here, courtesy of Mr. Castator, is a brief overview of our tree plan throughout the year:

Winter: Remove dead or dangerous trees and shape and prune young trees.

Spring: Receive delivery, pot and care for trees in nursery for fall planting.

Summer: Identify trees for removal, order replacement trees for next year, during drought water last year's plantings. Care for spring potted trees for one growing season in the nursery.

Fall: Trees marked for winter removal go out for bids, stumps ground deeply, potted trees planted from nursery & grass addressed as needed, deadwood prune at least 1/6th of the streets.

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 10 p.m. on Friday, March 16th. **Please limit length to 350 words.** Letters over 350 words will be published as submitted subject to space availability. All signed letters will be printed as submitted; however, minor editing for grammatical and typographical errors may be necessary. Content will not be edited. Any questions should be directed to the editor. See below.

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The deadline is Friday, March 16th at 9 p.m.

Advertisements for *Village Views* may be placed in a variety of sizes. A business card size (2x4) is only \$24 per month. A classified ad is \$5 to Village residents only. Payment must accompany ad. Call Business Manager Gregg MacMillan @ 702-9370 for additional rates. *Village Views* welcomes your business.

March 16th deadline:
The next deadline for *Village Views* is March 16th. All camera-ready ads and articles must be submitted by 9 p.m. **All advertisements** go to Gregg MacMillan at macmillan@mac.com. **All articles** go to Steve Early 382-1218 or tpvillageviews@gmail.com. Questions? Call Steve Early at 382-1218.

Village Views welcomes readers to submit articles: promotions, awards, school activities, engagements, weddings, births... things you think people would like to know and read about.

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What's Happening at the Mariemont Branch Library - March

Children Movers & Shakers — 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays
Bring the little ones in for stories, songs, and dancing as they learn about the Library.
Ages 1-4.

Library Babies — 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays
Have fun, meet other parents and babies, and promote early literacy!
Ages 6-18 months.
Tales to Tails — 4 p.m. Thursday, March 8
Read a story to Bonny the therapy dog.
Ages 5-10.

Crafty Kids — 4 p.m. Thursday, March 8
Make and take a fun craft.
Ages 5-10.

Every Child Ready for Science — 2 p.m. Saturday, March 17
Practice early literacy skills while engaging in science games and activities
Ages 2-5. Registration required.

Teens Teen ArtLab — 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 13
Enjoy some relaxing down time after school, creating art! Snacks

and a door prize drawing!

Adults Easy . . . but Beautiful: Flour Sack Dish Towels — 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 5
Come by and decorate a lovely dish towel!

Which Craft? Needle Craft Club — 10:30 a.m. Saturdays, March 3 & 17
Stop by with your current work in progress for pointers or just to have fun with co-enthusiasts. Knitting, crochet, needlework — whatever you like to do.

Book Club — 6:45 p.m. Thursday, March 29
We will be reading *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery. Copies will be available at the branch.

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Village Calendar 2018

26 MJHS Winter Sports Awards Night, 7:00 PM

27 MHS Strings Extravaganza, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

28 MHS Band Bash, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

28 MHS AFS Day

MARCH – Happy Craft Month!

1 World Compliment Day (sample: it's your birthday? why Hester, you don't look a year older!)

4 Happy Pound Cake Day!

6 Garden Club Table Decorating Event/TP Elementary Art Exhibit, Open for public viewing 3pm - 5pm at the Community Building. All are welcome!

6 MAA Meeting, 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

7 MHS PTO Meeting, 8:45 AM

7 Life & Leadership Speaker Series - Essay Lesson for Junior Students

7 6th Grade ME/TPE Bowling Party, 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

7 Local Professional Development Committee Meeting, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

9 TPE Sixth Grade Presents "Seussical Kids", 7 pm, TPE Gym – Come enjoy this popular Broadway musical that features favorite Dr. Seuss stories (and

your favorite 6th graders)!

10 Mariemont Schools' FAB Affair, 6:30-11:30 at MadTree Brewing 3301 Madison Rd Tickets \$85 per person includes: MadTree beers and full bar, delicious pub food, buffet style, FABulous live acution and Silent auction baskets all the benefit Mariemont Foundation, Arts, and Boosters. Buy Tickets and learn more at: Mariemontschool-foundation.org

11 Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 a.m. SPRING FORWARD!

11 Terrace Park Democratic Club meeting, 7:00 pm TP Community Bldg.

12 Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

12 MHS Winter Sports Awards, 7 p.m. MHS Gym

15 MHS Spring Meet the Team, 7 p.m. MHS Gym

16 MJHS & MHS Spring Sports Pictures, 3 p.m.

16-18 MHS Spring Musical, The Sound of Music, 7:30 PM

17 Kindervelt #76 presents EGGSTRAVAGANZA 10a.m. – 12p.m. on the Village Green. Registration forms will be available soon for preregistration. There will be different egg hunts for different age groups so that everyone can join in the fun! In addition

to the egg hunt, there will be a bounce house, balloon artists, face painting, pony rides and the always famous Cakewalk in our beautiful gazebo!

17 St. Patrick's Day

19 MHS Boosters Meeting, 7:30 PM

20 ACT at MHS for all Juniors

20 TPE Kindergarten Registration Night, 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

21 Warrior Club Breakfast, 7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

22 Goof Off Day

23 PUPPY DAY!

26 – 30 MHS Spring Break - no school

31 Passover Begins

Please e-mail **Hester Sullivan** at hestersullivan@me.com with calendar information.

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Art Class Goes Postal

The next time you are in the Terrace Park Post Office, you might notice some colorful changes in the air. Melissa Rupe, art teacher at Terrace Park Elementary, and local Postmaster Karolyn Staggs have teamed up to display some of the best art work by village children in our post office. This partnership started last year when students created their

own postage stamps and Karolyn displayed them in the post office lobby to the delight of her customers. The current display features hearts created in the style of Cincinnati artist Jim Dine who, along with Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein, is considered one of the major American pop artists of the twentieth century.



Postmaster Karolyn Staggs hangs the second grader's art in the post office windows.



Facebook Group Aims To Bring Clock to Village Green

Submitted by Nancy Everhart Safran

A few years back, a Facebook group formed, dubbed “Kids from Terrace Park.” Within a few short weeks, its members grew to almost 600 strong. The posts and pictures were imbued with nostalgic memories of magical childhoods lucky enough to have been spent in the Park. Some of the remembered traditions still survive; others have fallen away and been replaced with new traditions that so dearly hold this community together. Terrace Park truly is a special phenomenon and the Facebook group decided upon a gift to express our gratitude and endearment for our beloved village. A campaign was started to raise funds for a venerable Verdin clock.

The fundraising has now opened up to anyone in the village who would like to be a part of bringing this landmark to life. The campaign has raised two-thirds of its goal of \$26,000.00 and the hope is to have the clock ready to install Labor Day weekend for Terrace Park’s 125th year since incorporation. In order to meet this special day, the funds must be raised by the end of May to mid-June to give The Verdin Company time to create the clock.

Terrace Park residents are invited to join our Facebook group – reading through the posts you’ll find a rich history, past residents (many who still remain) and some

great stories (from a child’s eyes) of this gem that is the Park. And all are encourage to add their own memories! To donate, please go to www.gofundme.com/2tftukd3. If you join the Kids from Terrace Park group, you can easily find the link there as well. Our vision is that one day the clock will be a part of the memories that infuse your children’s recollection of growing up in the village, much like the tunnel,

the cannons, the Log Cabin and the Village Green.

If you have any questions or would like to know more, please feel free to contact Nancy Everhart Safran at everhartsafran@gmail.com. It takes a village may be trite, but in context of our community it still carries weight. The Kids hope you all will join us in our endeavor – tick tock!!



A rendering by The Verdin Company showing how the Village Green could look with a clock.

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Local Artist's Watercolors to be Featured

The Wynners Cup Cafe in Ludlow, Kentucky will be hosting a watercolor show by Terrace Park resident and artist Amy Evans from March 8th -31st. The café's location provides a fun and scenic outing from Terrace Park. Amy Evans told the Village Views, "When my husband and I attended a recent art show there,

we had breakfast at the cafe and it was very good. Then we proceeded to make our way to the Anderson Ferry just a little further west on Route 8 and came across the Ohio River to US 50/River Road on the west side and returned home that way." Wynners Cup café is located at 301 Elm Street, Ludlow KY 41016 (KY Rt. 8).



The Garden shack in Terrace Park, watercolor by Amy Evans



Houses in watercolor by Amy Evans

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- **March 25 Palm Sunday**
Holy Eucharist: Rite I at 8:00 a.m. and Rite II at 10:15 a.m.
Liturgy of the Palms and Procession, 10:00 a.m.
Bach Vespers, 5:00 p.m.
- **March 26–30, Service at Noon Each Day**
- **March 29 Maundy Thursday Solemn Eucharist, 7 p.m.**
- **March 30 Good Friday, Worship at Noon and 7 p.m.**
- **March 31 The Great Vigil of Easter & First Eucharist of Easter, 7:00 p.m.**
- **April 1 Easter Day**
Easter Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.
Easter Eucharist, Rite II, 9:15 a.m.
Festive Choral Eucharist, 10:45 a.m.
Vespers Service of Light and Holy Communion, 5:00 p.m.

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Garden Club Honors Women In History

Submitted by Marla Bagley and Amy Evans

You are invited to join the Terrace Park Garden Club on Tuesday, March 6th, from 3 to 5pm when members will proudly present five creatively designed dinning tables honoring Women in History. To compliment this event, Terrace Park Elementary students, under the direction of art teacher, Melissa Rupe, will showcase artwork they have created reflecting a favorite woman

in history. So come enjoy, visit, and learn. The Garden Club looks forward to having you. Garden Club is selling coupons for purchasing spring/summer flowers at the Olde Garden Shack on Wooster. It won't be long before colorful pansies will add color to our yards. Coupons can be obtained from any Garden Club Member or at the March 6th Table Decoration event or by call-

ing Jane Allan, 831-3943. Proceeds from the sale are used for the beautification of the flower beds found throughout our village. No time for planting flowers? Donations are always accepted and much appreciated. Many thanks from Garden Club to Terrace Park for all the support in the past.

RefugeeConnect Presentation Scheduled

Submitted by Gregg MacMillan

The Indochina refugee crisis was the large outflow of people from Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos after communist governments were established in 1975. Over the next 25 years more than 2.5 million Indochinese were resettled, mostly in the United States.

Some of you may remember that St. Thomas Church here in Terrace Park sponsored refugees during that period, one of whom was a boy named Sopagna Oum. He stayed in the area and after high school went to the University of Cincinnati and Xavier. He now

works for a software / information technology company and is raising a wonderful family in Anderson. St. Thomas Church deserves a great deal of credit for this success story.

Over 12,000 refugees have been resettled in Greater Cincinnati since 1980. They were forced to flee their homes because it was no longer safe. After arriving, they must independently build their new lives despite language, literacy, and cultural barriers.

On Sunday evening, March 11 at 7:00pm at the Terrace Park Community Building, RefugeeConnect will be making a presentation at the TP Democratic Club meeting. RefugeeConnect's mission is to improve the lives of refugees in Greater Cincinnati, to foster community acceptance and inclusion, and to construct a sustainable support system. There is much information on their website:

<http://www.refugeeconnect.org>
All are welcome to attend.



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“Seussical Kids” Presented by TPE Sixth Grade

Submitted by Emily Parker

Get ready for a whimsical and heartwarming evening of Seuss! The sixth grade students at Terrace Park Elementary present “Seussical Kids,” an adaptation of the ever-popular Broadway musical “Seussical,” that features the favorite stories of Dr. Seuss. Their production will take place the evening of Friday, March 9th at 7 in the school gym.

Director and TPE music teacher Annie Hobson began preparation for this annual sixth grade tradition in the fall and rehearsals began in January. Every student in the grade had the opportunity to either audition for a role or work behind the scenes on stage crew.

“The sixth grade play is a tremendous experience for our students as it provides a fun and welcoming introduction to theatre,” Hobson said. “It is a wonderful collaboration of teachers, students, and parents, culminating in kind of an artistic capstone to finish their time at TPE.”

Now in its 16th year, the sixth grade play has become a time-honored tradition at the school.

Principal Linda Lee said that the play is a special experience for the students and is often listed by them as one of the highlights of their K-6 educational experience at TPE.

“Our students are able to collaborate with one another in a different way than they do in the classroom,” Lee said. “They are able to see others’ strengths that they may never have seen before (while they are having fun!)”

Hobson said she is looking forward to this particular production because of the overall excitement she has experienced at rehearsals with the students. “Our

sixth graders love the characters, stories, and songs in this show,” she said. “It’s a catchy, heartwarming, high-energy piece and I’m particularly excited about watching many of our sixth graders really bloom as singers, actors, and dancers.”

Sixth grader Ben Webster, who plays the role of Horton, said the experience has been enjoyable and different.

“Typically, our whole grade doesn’t have the opportunity to all

be together,” Webster said. “It’s been fun and I learned that I’m a better singer than I thought I was.”

The production will run one night only and is free to the Terrace Park community.

“On play night, it is amazing to see the excitement, pride and sense of collective accomplishment on each and every 6th grader’s face,” Mrs. Lee added. “It is so much fun and all of the students (and adults) can relate to Dr. Seuss.”



Terrace Park sixth graders gather for rehearsal with director and music teacher Annie Hobson (lower right).



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Births, Deaths, and Marriages

BORN: To S.G. Rolls Jr, and wife Kelly of Washington D.C., a son, Steven George Rolls III, born December 1, 2017. Proud

grandparents Steve and Jan Rolls of Stanton Avenue can't stop smiling at little George and his older sister, Gloria Ann.

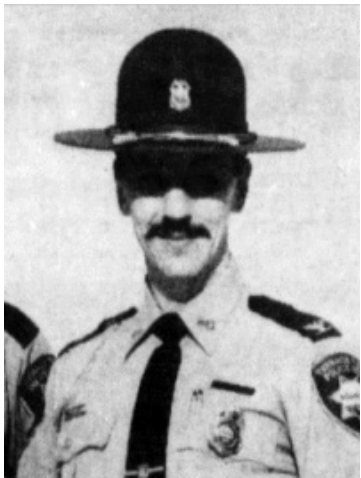


S.G. and Kelly Rolls with daughter, Gloria Ann and new son, George.

PASSED AWAY: Former Terrace Park Police Chief Robert Bacon. Bob joined the Terrace Park Police Department as a Police Officer in 1981. He was later promoted to Lieutenant. During May 1987, he almost lost his life when, during a struggle with a suspect, the suspect wrestled away from Lieutenant Bacon his revolver and tried to shoot him with it. Lieutenant Bacon grabbed the cylinder as tightly as he could, preventing the would-be murderer from discharging it.

During July 1989, Lieutenant Bacon was appointed Acting Police Chief. The promotion was made permanent on November 1, 1989. One of the first things he did, remembering back to his near death experience a couple of years earlier, was to transition the Department from revolvers to semiautomatic pistols.

During November 1991, he and his department earned a National Child Safety Council award for "outstanding and dedicated service to the safety of children." During December 1991, he was additionally appointed as the vil-



Former Police Chief Bob Bacon

lage's street commissioner. On January 1, 1996, Chief Bacon was elected President of the Hamilton County Police Chiefs Association. Previously he had served as its vice president, treasurer, and secretary.

Chief Bacon retired at the end of 2005 with 24 years of service, 16 as Police Chief. He passed away after a short bout of liver cancer on February 15, 2018.

Community Process Continues in High School Facility Project

Since the Mariemont High School Master Facility Plan process was announced nearly two years ago, community involvement has been a key focus. As I have shared in my blogs, podcasts and videos, the needs at Mariemont High School are many and will only continue to compound if we don't take action now. But, working together, I know we will find the best possible solution for our students, staff and community in order to maintain our excellence in the classroom and continue to provide a tremendous value to our residents.

We cannot, have not and will not go at this process alone. Hundreds of community members have volunteered their time to help us in our planning for the future of Mariemont High School. Back in the fall of 2016 we started to look at our needs by forming the Community Facility Task Force and Futures Team, bringing together over 50 community members and staff to help identify areas to explore and evaluate. This work was followed with the creation of a Steering Committee of nearly 30 community members and staff to begin exploring possible solutions.

Then, in spring of 2017 over 250 residents attended one of three Community Design Workshops where MSA Architects, Turner Construction and the Steering Committee presented seven options for feedback and input. These workshops resulted in the Board of Education narrowing from seven to three options for further exploration.

This past fall we completed work with six community-driven Facility Teams. Each team participated in an in-depth investigation into specific areas including design/architecture, academic learning spaces, technology, finances, arts and athletics. Over 100 community members spent a period of two months researching and prioritizing the wants and needs of the high school. Presentations summarizing these findings were presented to the Board of Educa-

tion and served as the building blocks for the Board's decision to eliminate two of the three remaining solutions on the table and focus now only on a hybrid repair/replace model for the high school.

A third-party, statistically valid community survey also was conducted this fall, shedding light on the fact that 71% of district residents believe something needs to be done at Mariemont High School. And thanks to so much help from our community, we are getting closer to determining what the final plan will be.

We continue to listen. And we are relying on the community for input as we move forward with this process. Facility team presentations, survey results and all other facility updates can be found on the facility project page on our website.

This spring the community involvement will continue with the formation of a community finance committee and a facility project team. These teams, comprised of staff, parents, community members and board of education members will collaborate with architects and construction consultants to review district financial needs, make preliminary design decisions and move forward with recommendations to the Board of Education later this spring.

Additionally, all community members will have another opportunity to hear the latest facility updates and ask questions at one of four upcoming school chats. Dates for those school chats are as follows:

- Wednesday, Feb. 21 | Terrace Park Community Center | 7 p.m.
- Thursday, March 8 | Online Chat | 7 p.m. (check our website and Facebook page for how to connect)
- Tuesday, March 13 | Fairfax Community Center | 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 20 | Village Church of Mariemont | 7 p.m.

The importance of community involvement in this process cannot be understated. Our residents have always been commit-

ted to our schools and today is certainly no different. We must work together to protect our most precious asset, our children, and give them every possible advantage to succeed in college, career and beyond.

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Police Report

Submitted by Andrea BarterSchools

A resident called police to report that there was a suspicious person at their house around 1:00am. Their motion camera was activated when someone pulled into the driveway and walked to the front of the house. Police checked the perimeter of the home and found everything secure.

Police responded to a possible breaking and entering. A resident returned home and found the front door standing open and requested an officer search the house. Officers searched; there were no signs of forced entry and everything appeared normal inside the house.

Police were informed that the Terrace Park Elementary School has been having issues with someone breaking the lights that illuminate the flag pole at night. The school district is assessing extra security measures.

A dog that was accidentally let out of the house approached a resident walking by and aggressively bit her, requiring eight

stitches to her knee. The dog owner could certify that the dog was current on its shots. However, since this was a second incident involving the dog, the owner received a citation and was required to appear in court. In addition, the dog needed to be quarantined for ten days and under continuous control during that time.

An individual who had parked at the corner of New Street and Terrace Place to use the bike trail for approximately one hour returned to find her passenger side window broken out and her purse stolen from her car.

A routine license plate check showed an outstanding warrant for the driver. Police stopped the car and questioned the driver. During a search of the driver and his car, police discovered heroin in his wallet. He was arrested and transported to the Hamilton County Justice Center.

Officers followed up on complaints of two underage parties and spoke with the parents of those involved.

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Submitted by Erin Satterwhite

First on the agenda is the annual "Eggstravaganza" which will be held on March 17th from 10am-Noon. This event will include multiple Easter egg hunts for kids of all ages. In addition to the hunt, there will be a bounce

In addition to the “Eggstravaganza,” Kindervelt #76 is teaming up with other East-side Kindervelt chapters for the “Wine and Dine” Raffle. The winner will receive gift cards/certificates of \$100 to each of the following restaurants: Bonefish Grill, Embers, Maggiano’s, Montgomery Inn, Nicholson’s, and The Quarter. It also includes ten bottles of fantastic wine with one bottle valued at \$155. Other wine accessories are

As always, please “like” and visit the Kindervelt #76 Facebook page for news, event details and membership information, or contact Erin Satterwhite (erinfitz45@hotmail.com) with any questions.



The ladies of KV #76 meet at Kendra Scott as they sip, shop, and serve the community during their monthly meeting.

Submitted by Bren Fries

But that all changed the last time the bell tower at St. Thomas went silent. The Verdin Company that had long been keeping the system operating reported that, finally, it was time for a new system as continued repairs weren't a

Soon, we'll enjoy the timely bell tolls and music that has wafted across Terrace Park for decades. And, instead of texting your kids when it's time for dinner, just tell them to listen for the bells...they'll know what to do!



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