

Councilman LeMay: It's a Bargain To Own a Home Here

Submitted by Sue Porter

Inspired by Hamilton County's current property reassessment, Terrace Park Councilman Jeff LeMay shared his value assessment of local home ownership at Village Council's June 13 meeting.

As the village finance chair, LeMay closely follows tax rates and policies that affect Terrace Park's operating budget. But as a homeowner, he's also interested in the cost of living compared to

other desirable communities such as Mariemont, Madeira, Indian Hill and Wyoming.

"If you have income over \$50,000 annually, it's less expensive to live in Terrace Park than the cities I have mentioned," he said, noting residents of those communities pay a roughly one percent income tax, with the exception of Wyoming's additional assessment of a one percent real estate tax for schools. He also

cited Terrace Park's fees-free garbage removal; operating efficiencies provided by residents who volunteer for fire and emergency services; and law enforcement, maintenance and administrative services that have not required a tax levy increase since 2013 when there was a need to replace grants eliminated by the state of Ohio. The only other village tax increase during this millennium was in 2004.

In council action:

- A resolution promoting Police Sgt. Jim Pruitt to lieutenant and assistant chief was approved. He was then sworn into service by Mayor Tom Tepe, who said Lt. Pruitt is "loved by this community for his many years of professional service." Council responded with extended applause.

- An ordinance to revise portions of the zoning code affecting signage restrictions, the height of accessory buildings and

to clean-up guidelines on personal property was approved, followed by mayoral recognition for David Moyer and the planning and zoning commission he leads.

- The proposed 2024 village budget, which has a less than one percent increase in both revenue and expenditures, received a first reading. The lengthy document is available in the village of-

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A drone shot of the packed Village Greene last month during Kristin Crowley's memorial service.

Celebrating a Community Leader

Kristin Z Crowley (nee Zech), 54, of Terrace Park, Ohio, passed away peacefully in her home on May 24, 2023, surrounded by family and friends. She was a loving mother, wife, daughter, sister, and friend.

Kristin is survived by her husband, Shawn; sons, Peter and Patrick; parents, Randall and Karen Zech; sister, Susan Zech; father-in-law, Dan Crowley; brother-in-law, Ryan Crowley (Melissa); nephew Finn Crowley; sister-in-law Janel Crowley; and her beloved yellow lab, Zami. She was preceded in death by her mother-in-law, Diana Crowley and her devoted black lab, Reilly.

Kristin and Shawn met playing flag football on a muddy field in 1996 and married in 1998. Their marriage epitomized mutual respect, support, and love through all of life's challenges and triumphs. Though neither were Cincinnati natives, they built a life together with meaningful involvement in the community, fellowship with neighbors, countless important relationships, and a home that became a touchstone of love, support and conviviality for family and friends. There was also hockey. While Shawn served as a beloved coach and mentor, Kristin was the maker of playlists, finder of equipment, and most importantly, the one cheering the loudest for her boys and their teammates. As the team manager she was tireless yet stealth in making everything happen for the season which is



why she was affectionately nicknamed "MOTY" for Manager of the Year.

She excelled at everything she did. She earned distinct recognition in the pharmaceutical/biotechnology industry before turning her focus to the most important endeavor of her life—raising her two boys. Among her countless achievements, knowing the extraordinary young men that Peter and Patrick have become was most important to her. Even though Zami was her favorite child, the boys will be the hallmark of her enduring legacy.

A graduate of Miami University, she was active as a student in leading prospective student visits to campus, sharing insights to help them understand the virtues of Miami University. Years after graduating she was selected to participate in a longitudinal study for the

Successful Graduate Program to help guide improvements in the undergraduate curriculum. Unknown to many, while she was a student, she persuaded the owners of the iconic Bagel and Deli in Oxford to name a sandwich "20/20" for the MUSF Memorial 20/20 Bike Race, an important fundraising event for which she was raising awareness. That item remains on the menu to this day. Many of the friendships she developed while a student became important life-long relationships.

Kristin's outlook was shaped by experiencing life in Toronto, Edmonton, Cleveland, Dayton, New York City, Eastchester (NY) and Cincinnati. At every new location Kristin made her presence felt. As President of the Association of Volunteers, Cincinnati Children's Hospital (2018 - 2021), and board member of the Convalescent Hospital Fund for Children at CCMC, she was dedicated to raising funds and awareness for children and families living with chronic medical conditions. She led the successful annual fundraising event, Design Cincinnati.

Her contributions to St. Xavier High School included Career Connexions where she focused on student development of interview skills and resume preparation to assist young men in putting their best selves forward. She was also active in Mothers' Club and a multitude of activities and fundrais-

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Dear Neighbors,

July has arrived and if the pace seems even slower than usual here in the little village by the river, you can attribute it to the annual Terrace Park exodus to Northern Michigan. You may notice fewer cars on the streets and a smaller crowd at the swim club but if you are spending July here it really is a fantastic month in TP. The days are long and warm, the evenings are filled with fireflies in Miami Grove, and the liveries are keeping canoes and kayaks coming down the Little Miami all day long.

Summer and the Little Miami River have gone hand in hand since the days after the Civil War when the Little Miami Railroad started bringing wealthy Cincinnatians out of the stifling city heat to enjoy swimming, fishing, and the cool breezes at the many "camps" along our river. In addition to "Miami Grove", where our nature preserve is now located, Terrace Park was also home to The Edgewater Club, The Crescent Nook Fishing Club, and Spotless Town, all of which were located on present-day Edgewater Drive, and the Worz family operated The Winona Canoe

Club on present day Wanoka Woods Drive. Just downriver from Terrace Park one would find camps at Tower Hill and Crystal Springs and a July 1911 Cincinnati Post article mentions several camps near Remington and Miamiville known as "Coodle Bugs", "White Rats", and my personal favorite- "Moon-Moon Eyes". The Post informed their 1911 readers that one can always tell the local residents from the visiting campers "because the local folks wear complete outfits of clothes- trousers, shirts, shoes, and even hats. The campers are partial to an attire consisting of very little besides sunburn."

That's all for now, neighbors. I have to charge the golf cart and I want to get one of the grills at the swim club for dinner. There's no August paper so you won't be hearing from the Village Views again until school starts. Enjoy your July and August and look for all your fall events and summer vacation photos in the September issue. Until the next issue I remain,

Your Editor,
Steve Early



Spotless Town Club, Edgewater Drive, 1909.

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Fall Soccer Registration

The Terrace Park Recreation Commission has a new website and registration for Fall soccer is now open. The new web address is: terracparkrecreationcommission.jerseywatch.com

If you have already registered your child at the old tprc.net site, take no action now, we are currently working on migrating those registrations over. Registration is now open at our new site for instructional and recreational

soccer programs, descriptions of each follow.

Instructional soccer is our in-house program for 4, 5, and 6 year olds. Your child must be born before December 31, 2020 to participate. Pre-school players are placed on coed teams; K and 1st grade players will be placed on either a boys or a girls team. Teams

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What’s Happening at the Mariemont Branch Library - July 2023

Children

Library Babies — Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement.
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Preschool Storytime — Tuesdays at 11 a.m.
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Movers & Shakers — Wednesdays at 11 a.m.
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Ages 1-4.

Animals Alive! — Thursday, July 6 at 11 a.m.
Meet some of the Great Parks amazing animal ambassadors and learn all about Ohio’s diverse native species. Presented by Great Parks of Hamilton County. Registration required.

Dance Discovery with the Cincinnati Ballet — Saturday, July 15 at 10 a.m.
Explore the magical world of ballet with our expert instructors. Adults and children will learn new dance moves and concepts together and be guided through a variety of ballet steps and creative movement techniques. Presented by Cincinnati Ballet.

Coding Club — Tuesday, July 18th at 4 p.m. or Tuesday, July 25th at 4 p.m. (choose one)
Learn to code with new games and challenges every month. Laptops are supplied and no prior coding experience is needed. Recommended for Ages 8-12. Registration required. Please register for only one session per month.

Honey Hill Farm Petting Zoo! — Thursday, July 27 at 1 p.m.
Get up close and personal with some of your favorite farm animals from Honey Hill Farm.

Adults

Mariemont Mystery Book Club — Tuesday, July 25 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us for lively discussion of The Moving Finger by Agatha Christie. Copies available at the branch. Registration encouraged.

Book Club — Monday, July 24 at 6:30 p.m.
Please join us for a lively discussion of I’m Glad my Mom Died by Jennette McCurdy. Stop by the branch to pick up your copy.

Library hours are 10 a.m.- 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Closed Tuesday, July 4, for Independence Day. Mariemont Branch Library, 3810 Pocahontas Ave. 513-369-4467

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Law & Order

Submitted by Eric Schmidt

On the evening of 5/5, an officer was dispatched for a person shot... in our peaceful little neighborhood down by the river! The officer located the victim who was parked in the center lane on Wooster Pike. The subject was agitated and informed the officer that he had been shot in the back or leg or heel.... one of those three areas. The subject informed the officer that unknown persons were shooting at him from two different vehicles. The officer requested backup and advised there were no visible injuries. The officer asked the subject if it was possible he had heard fireworks

instead of gun shots and it was at this time, the subject appeared to calm down. The Life Squad arrived and advised that there were no visible injuries to his back, leg, heel, and rest of body. Subject was sent on his way.

During the very early morning hours of 5/5 (like 3:53am early), an officer was dispatched to the Little Miami Bike Trail for a person who had been struck by a deer while riding their bike. After complaining of pain to his right leg, the Life Squad told the subject to just deer with it. Just kidding, he was transported to the hospital. Cinco de Mayo, 2023. What a bizarre day!

Obituary

Elmer James Hubka, beloved husband of 67 years to Jane (née Porter) Hubka and devoted father of Meredith (Mark) Safarik and Alison (Tim) Witherby died May 4, 2023 in his Terrace Park home of more than sixty years. He was 94 years of age. Elmer was born in Virginia, Nebraska on March 16, 1929. His parents, Jim and Rose Hubka, owned a farm there and Elmer enjoyed helping the threshing crews harvest and other farm chores. Elmer built an entire car from spare parts when he was 14 years old. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Lawrence, who died in 2021.



Elmer Hubka 1929-2023

Elmer earned a degree in engineering from the University of Nebraska and was hired by General Electric to work on the J79 jet engine. He was a member of Phi Eta Sigma engineering honor society. Elmer was an avid gardener and a “Mister Fix It” for all kinds of projects. He was a member of the Model A Ford Club, a devotee of his retired men’s bridge group

at the Bridge Center, and a volunteer at the Cincinnati Nature Center.

Elmer will be sorely missed by his family and friends and his cat, Sophie. His funeral was held Sunday May 21st at 3 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Terrace Park with a reception after at the Terrace Park Country Club. Megie Funeral Home & Crematory in Milford, OH served the family.

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will have a weekday practice and a Friday evening game; all practices and game will take place at Drackett or Stanton fields. The cost of the program is \$60 and the program will run in September and October.

Recreational soccer is for children in grades 1 to 6. Boys and girls teams will be formed by grade level - 1st and 2nd graders play together, 3rd and 4th graders play together, and 5th and 6th graders play together. We are part of the Cincinnati Hills SAY League, along with Mariemont, Indian Hill, Madeira, Deer Park, Reading, and All Saints/St. Vincent Ferrer. Teams will have two weekday practices at Drackett Field and weekend games, with all home games at Drackett Field. There is a 10 game regular season

and a season-ending tournament, all of which takes place in September and October. The cost of this program is \$100.

For parents of 1st graders, please register your child for whichever program you feel is most appropriate for them. In addition to our Fall programs, we will also be hosting soccer camp at Drackett Field - August 7 to 10, 5:30 to 8:30 PM. Jack Hermans and his cadre of coaches from Soccer Unlimited runs the camp. The cost of the camp is \$109 and you can register at: ohio-soccer.org/camps/soccerunlimited/

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to out TPRC Soccer Commissioners, Ben Stevens at sibenstevens@yahoo.com or or Michelle Randall at michellerrandall@gmail.com.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Thank you, Steven Early, Jr. for your contribution to the written history of Terrace Park. Your new book, Amid the Honorable Plenty, The Story of Covalt’s Station an Ohio Frontier Settlement 1790-1795 is so thoroughly researched and beautifully written, it belongs on every Terrace Park home’s bookshelf. The book brings alive the stories of hardship and bravery, the true beginnings of Terrace Park as a community -a time long before golf

carts, the Swim Club and UDF. Available from Barnesandnoble.com, at Covalt’s Station (the restaurant), or from the Terrace Park Historical Society.

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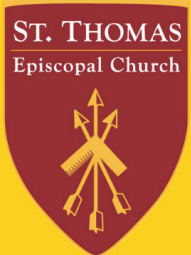
The second grade girls lacrosse teams wrapped up successful seasons on May 21. These impressive young ladies worked hard all season long and will be a big part of the Mariemont Lacrosse tradition for years to come.


ArtFlix at The Barn in Mariemont


Submitted by Connie Laug

Mark your calendars for these upcoming movie events as part of this year's 8th annual ArtFlix series created and hosted by TP resident, Dave Laug, who selects a movie or documentary about artists, art collecting, or art history from his movie archives to share with the community. Following the films, Dave will lead lively discussions exploring art and art makers through movies and media and there will be door prizes! BYOB if so inclined. Registration fee of \$5 covers administrative costs associated with this educational program. For more information, visit <https://artatthebarn.org/artflix/>

July 13th: Blurred Lines: Inside the Art World exposes the provocative contemporary art world, a glamorous and cut-throat game of genius versus commerce.
August 10th: Show Me The Picture: The Story of Jim Marshall. Photographer Jim Marshall captures the heights of the Rock and Roll music era, from the Beatles and Jimi Hendrix, to the civil rights movements and some of the most iconic moments of the 60's.
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fice for residents to review; their comments will be invited Aug. 1 at a public hearing. Mayor Tepe praised LeMay and the administrative staff for their budgeting expertise and ability to prolong the need for additional tax revenue.
In monthly reports:
• Mayor Tepe asked motorists to be extra cautious now that school is out and children are more prevalent on streets. He also asked golf cart drivers to re-

sist the dangerous temptation to hold young children on their laps. "I know it's a convenience thing," he said, "but it makes me nervous and I don't like it."
• EMS Chief John Maggard said all four recruits are completing classwork and will be ready for swearing-in when council meets in August. He is accepting volunteers for the fall class.
• Fire Chief Steve Dronsfield said department members will be training during June at the village environmental services property and the Loveland fire tower.

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Future Stars

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MariElders offers Smart Driver Course

MariElders will be offering the AARP Smart Driver Course on Monday, July 17 at MarieElders in Mariemont from 10-3pm. The course is the nation's first refresher course specifically designed for drivers aged 55 and older and will cover the most recent research-based safe driving strategies; information on the effects of medication on driving; preventive measures to reduce driver distractions; proper use of safety belts, air bags, anti-lock brakes, and new technology found in cars today; and techniques for handling left turns, right-of-way, and roundabouts. You do NOT have to be a MariElder or an AARP member to take this course. It is available to anyone 55 years and over. Bring your payment with you to class and make checks payable to AARP. Cash is also accepted. \$20.00 for AARP members / \$25 for non-AARP members. The AARP Smart Driver Course is

for Ohio residents only. Please arrive 15-20 minutes early for administrative tasks. The total length of the class is four hours, plus a one-hour lunch break from 12-1 PM. Every student will be provided with a booklet, a list of State Specific Information on traffic laws, and upon completion, a certificate which most insurance companies honor for a liability discount. Students are responsible for their own lunch and are welcome to bring a packed lunch. There are also a few cafes and restaurants just steps from MariElders. Our teacher for this course is Rob Carter. Please RSVP by Monday, July 10 by calling MariElders at (513) 271-5588.

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Reaching the Summit

Submitted by Lisabeth Kaeser

What is your Everest? What is your dream that is so big that you are afraid to speak it out loud? What is your “hard” that you have battled, but didn’t get to choose? 29029 is for those that believe hard, challenging things can change us and reveal what we are really made of. So, when I saw this new type of endurance event, I was all in. 36 hours to complete the elevation gain of the world’s tallest mountain, Everest, 29029 feet on Mt Baldy in Sun Valley Idaho. The mission is to climb to the summit, take the gondola to the base, and repeat 15 times.

The event is equal parts physical, mental and spiritual. I would argue that the mental part is by far the hardest part. The beauty of the event is that it isn’t a race with age groups, or gender, winners, it is simply you against you against the mountain. Each step brings you closer to discovering your strengths and acknowledging your weaknesses. Of course the goal, for most, is to summit and put on the coveted red hat, and for others the goal is simply completing the training, 1 lap, 4 laps, 6 laps or 10.

Some of the greatest cheers erupted for a fellow climber who completed 4 laps, the elevation of Antarctica’s Mt. Kosciuszko. Tears of joy and support poured out for her at the base as she branded the board with the Everesting logo. This was her Everest and a metaphor for all the “hard,” she didn’t choose in her life, and persevered and conquered.

Like my fellow climber, I have faced many “hards” that I didn’t get to choose. I didn’t choose a traumatic childhood, I didn’t choose to battle anorexia since I was 14 years old, I didn’t choose infertility, or pregnancies loss, and no one ever chooses to battle anxiety and depression. Life is filled with challenges for all of us that we don’t get to choose. Everesting 29029 was a challenge or “hard” that I got to choose, and my sons chose this hard to support me and discover out just how strong they are at doing hard things.

Both men left everything they had out on that mountain and I couldn’t be more proud of them and their efforts. Again, it isn’t about how high you climb, but that you keep climbing. And keep climbing they did.



Lisabeth Kaeser with sons, Brad and Mitchell.



At the Summit

I couldn’t have kept climbing without their love and support or the love and support of my husband, Brad’s wife, and Mitchell’s partner. AKA...the sherpas, and all my amazing friends. I started climbing on Friday June 9th with the added weight of a pair of jeans that represented the weight of carrying anorexia with me most my life. By lap 4 I realized how the physical weight of the jeans hindered my forward progress, just as an eating disorder has often hindered my forward progress in life. I opened my pack and dropped them at the summit leav-

ing them and the burden of anorexia behind. Feeling infinitely lighter, I climbed three more laps before taking shelter through a 3 hour storm delay. The clouds parted and we hiked past midnight, showered, slept for 3 hours, both my sons succumbed to injuries after many attempts of climbing through them. Just one lap up this mountain with an injury is something to be proud of.

With the storm clouds gathering, I pounded out my last six climbs with my family, and new

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ing initiatives in support of the school's mission.

For the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, Kristin was a hands-on volunteer for the group's annual Hats Off Luncheon and a member of the Women's Committee, helping with event logistics and anything that would advance the cause.

With the Terrace Park Emergency Services, she earned certification and volunteered her time as an Emergency Medical Technician where she was on call to assist neighbors at their greatest time of need. Her signature gift for high school graduates was practical yet loving – a fully loaded first aid kit.

As a passionate advocate for helping others, she was a gifted fundraiser and community advocate who found innovative ways to raise money and awareness for important causes. While she was generous with her own time, she was also constantly recruiting others to

participate in an array of opportunities for service.

She lived with fearlessness and exuberance. Whether swinging from a rope high atop a cliff and dropping into Candlewood Lake, hiking in Banff, sleeping under the stars at the Grand Canyon, voyaging to the vortices in Sedona, attempting to speak Italian in Chianti, or rappelling down a sheer rock wall in Acadia, her spirit shined through.

She was kind, witty, and quick with her warm smile. She lived in faith. Among her innumerable virtues, she was perhaps most beloved for always showing up. Whether it was bringing her light and energy (and possibly a bottle of Rosé with a charcuterie board) to a social gathering or her wisdom, perspective and sense of calm to life's greatest challenges, she was there--- unflinching, without judgement, and always with an open heart.

She managed a devastating diagnosis just as she lived her entire life—with grace, hu-

mility, humor, and courage. Her mantra, "All love, no fear" reflects how she lived in this world and how she left it. That's a gift that will endure for us all.

A memorial service celebrating the impactful life of Kristin Crowley took place on Friday, June 2, 2023, on The Village Green in Terrace Park, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers or food gifts, the family requests a donation instead in support of Convalescent Hospital of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, which was a cause Kristin cared so deeply about. A customized page is available at: designcincy.org.

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2. SHELLEY MILLER REED	14	4	18	\$15,936,000
3. LOCAL AGENT	12	4	16	\$11,014,000
4. LOCAL AGENT	0	2	2	\$2,715,000
5. MACKENZIE ELLIOTT	0	3	3	\$2,450,000
6. LOCAL AGENT	3	0	3	\$2,430,000
7. LOCAL AGENT	2	0	2	\$1,979,000
8. LOCAL AGENT	2	1	3	\$1,632,500
9. LOCAL AGENT	0	2	2	\$1,230,000
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TP Woman’s Club Honors Fifth Grade Students

Submitted by Steph Jones

Each spring at the Terrace Park Elementary School year-end Recognition Assembly, the Terrace Park Woman’s Club honors four fifth-grade students at Terrace Park Elementary School for their excellence in Language Arts. These students are selected by their teachers for their exemplary performance in class. The 2023 honorees are Connor McCoy, Molly Minor, Maggie Murschel, and Orin Patel. Their names have been engraved on a plate and added to the plaque

which is on display in the hall of the school. Each student also received a gift card from The Bookmatters Bookstore, located on Main Street in Milford. By honoring these students and recognizing their achievements in the field of language arts, our hope is that all young students will enjoy reading and learning throughout their lives. Congratulations!

The next deadline for Village Views is Friday, August 11th. 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.

St. Thomas Nursery School Director Honored



Emily Keiser, director of the St. Thomas Nursery School, was acknowledged for her knowledge, expertise, and years of experience (24 years at STNS!) when she was invited to testify in front of Ohio legislators and the State Finance Committee regarding the current state and needs of early childhood education. The State of Ohio is working to address the shortage of early childhood workers, mental health challenges in young chil-

dren, and the lack of kindergarten readiness that is currently prevalent in Ohio. Emily shared her assessment of the challenges facing early childhood education, and suggested strategies to improve the outcomes and experiences young children are having in their pre-school years. Thank you, Emily, for shining such a positive light on St. Thomas Episcopal Church, and our wonderful Nursery School!

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community of fellow sojourners cheering me on at the top. I had done it, I earned my RED HAT. My mantras... “Be where your feet are!” “This is a hard that I got to choose!”

Every person has their Everest, and everyone has a story. I am eternally grateful for this event, and every person near and far

who helped me climb this Everest and tackle the “hard things” I would have never chosen. I continue to hum “ No Take it in but don’t look down. Cause I’m on top of the world, hey I’m on top of the world hey, Waiting on this for a while now...” (Imagine Dragons.)



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