



Members of Team Warriors for a Cure have been busy this past month raising money and funds for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society including fundraisers at both TPE and ME along with our kickoff event at the Indian Hill Winter Club at the end of January.

Warriors for a Cure needs community help to reach goal

Over the last five weeks, Team Warriors for a Cure has raised over \$50,000 and getting closer to our goal of \$80,000. Team Warriors for a Cure is a team led by us Will Haugh, Parker Goellner, and Ethan Goellner. Our team, consisting of 36 teammates, mostly classmates and a few family members are part of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Student Visionaries of the Year campaign. This philanthropic leadership program kicked off on January 23rd and ends on March 14th.

Why did we decide to lead this team? While we were in Mrs. Geer's pre-k class, our classmate Audrey was diagnosed with Leukemia. While we were only five or six years old, we knew she was really sick and had to miss a lot of school. This was very scary for our friends and classmates. Thank you to The Dare to Dream LLS project, kids now are suffering less grueling treatments than Audrey suffered through months of to be healthy today. We were shocked when we learned that kids Audrey's age were getting the same treatment as adults. Another reason we decided to lead War-



riors for a Cure is to honor our soccer and lacrosse teammate's mom. Thanks to LLS research, treatment, and support, Carrie was able to fight the disease and currently is in remission. Unfortunately, we now have an even bigger reason to fight harder to raise money. One of our LLS TP member's and MSH classmate's father was recently diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma. The treatments he will endure, can be rough and can make him pretty sick. Myeloma is a cancer that has a ton of research, but needs more to find a cure.

Over the last month, we have

been busy raising funds kicking off our campaign with a fundraiser at the Indian Hill Winter Club in January followed by Restaurant Day events at the Mercer Social and Patron. We recruited the help of both Terrace Park and Mariemont Elementary schools with Change for a Cure fundraiser which concludes on March 7th. Students have been collecting loose change around the house and bringing into school to fill a large jug. Amongst sports and busy teenage lives we have been doing all we can!

We are grateful for the support of the entire community and we know that we will be able to reach our goal of \$80,000 with your help! We would love to reach this goal, so that Warriors for a Cure can continue to support LLS research, and all of those affected by these awful diseases even in our TP community!

Donate by scanning the QR code or send checks made out the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society to Parker/Ethan Goellner at 721 Floral Ave. Terrace Park.

Thank you,
Will Haugh, Ethan Goellner,
and Parker Goellner

Stepping Stones Event Nets Over \$101,370

Stepping Stones hosted its 17th annual Open Your Heart fundraiser on February 4, 2025, in a hybrid format, raising a net total of over \$101,370 to benefit year-round programming for children, teens and adults with disabilities.

Supporters gathered in person at a new location, Stone Creek Dining Company, with a premier raffle, silent auction, artwork created by Stepping Stones program participants and a heartfelt pro-

gram. Other supporters enjoyed their meals from Stone Creek in the comfort of their own homes. At-home supporters were able to purchase baking kits for participants and donate to support Stepping Stones' programs.

The event's presenting sponsor was Convalescent Hospital Fund for Children. Valentine sponsors were Lisa & Thad Reinhard. Cherub sponsors were SugarCreek/Julie & John Richardson and Sandra & Mark Seger.

Stepping Stones is an impact agency that serves individuals with disabilities in day and overnight programs that increase independence and promote inclusion. Founded in 1963, the agency provides educational, recreational and social programs at locations in Batavia, Indian Hill, Norwood and Western Hills. For more information, visit www.Stepping-StonesOhio.org.

Miami Grove Gets TLC At No Cost To Village

Submitted by Sue Porter

An acre of Miami Grove Nature Preserve frontage is going back to its native roots.

At its Feb. 11 meeting, Terrace Park Village Council accepted the Ohio River Foundation's (ORF) offer to replace invasive non-native plants with native ones that foster improved biodiversity and watershed.

Bill Hayes, who lives on Edgewater Street in Terrace Park and is past president of the foundation board, proposed the removal and replanting project to council in March 2024. As he explained then, the foundation conducts reclamation events as a community service and would transform an acre in Terrace Park at no cost to the village. Using ORF efforts in Hamilton and Clermont counties as examples, the Miami Grove project would typically cost between \$10,000 and \$20,000.

Councilmember Regina Sharp's buildings and grounds committee will coordinate the project, which will ideally take place over three-to-five days and receive volunteer labor from local Boy Scouts and village residents. Herbicides will be handled by ORF's professional staff and debris will be taken to the preserve's parking lot for disposal.

"If we like the results in a year we can potentially fund additional work out of our tree budget," Sharp said.

In other business:

• Mayor Tom Tepe proclaimed Feb. 7-14 Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week at the request of Terrace Park residents Scott and Laura Sheridan, whose daughter Adelyn Hope was born with four heart defects and six months later underwent successful surgeries. Adelyn attended the council meeting with her parents and brothers Hunter and Orion. Mayor Tepe thanked

the family for making their experience known and bringing congenital heart defects to the public's attention.

• Fire Chief George Heffner's first report of his tenure included plans for volunteer recruitment led by Craig Russell, ongoing training organized by Ty Zimmerman and a communitywide Shred-It-Day fundraiser in late spring. Chief Heffner said efforts are underway to equip fire engine 94 to backup the local EMS unit rather than depend upon second-response service from outside the village, which takes longer to arrive. As for expenditures, he said helmets, tires, ladders and a radio upgrade are on the wish list; he has applied for a grant to fund firefighters' personal protective equipment and has discussed cost-sharing opportunities with chiefs from other departments.

• By Ohio law, the village must have a minimum of six months of operating funds available or seek additional revenue sources. Councilmember Jeff LeMay said the finance committee's revenue and spending forecast shows the village is fiscally sound but will drop below the state mandated threshold in late 2025 or 2026. This is based upon conservative estimates of one percent revenue increases and three percent spending increases over the next 10 years. Compounding the need for more funding, are capital improvements such as the Elm Street water line and equipment updates. As a result, LeMay and Chief Fiscal Officer Katie Lyons will be meeting with Hamilton County officials to determine the timing and amount of a tax rate increase. LeMay noted that Terrace Park residents do not have an income and earnings tax and have

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Dear Neighbors,

I always feel better when February is officially over and March arrives. I believe the old saying is, "March comes in like a lion and goes out like lamb," but here in Ohio we sometimes need to revise that to, "March comes in like a lion and goes out like an angrier lion". Still, March will mean the first flowers, warmer afternoons and noticeably longer days. In short, it's the undeniable end to winter.

It certainly feels like spring is coming with outdoor sports resuming, the flower sale looming, and a celebration of the new "year of the white squirrel". You can read about all that and more in this month's issue. We are also celebrating our postmaster and her latest accomplishments,

and saying goodbye to longtime neighbor, Amy Minor. As a mom, neighbor, friend and longtime realtor, Amy has been a big part of our community for decades and her loss will be felt throughout the village.

That's all for now. I hope you got your flower sale orders in and are ready for boy scout mulch delivery; all signs that warmer days are ahead! Until next month I remain,

Your Editor,

Steve Early

What’s Happening at the Mariemont Branch Library -March 2025

Youth Movers and Shakers — Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
You and your child will shake it together! Sing, dance, and enjoy music, movement, and fun. Ages 1-4.

Library Babies — Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.
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Toddler Storytime — Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
Encourage emerging language skills with books, rhymes, music and fun. Ages 18 months-36 months.

KinderBridge Storytime — Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Get ready for kindergarten with stories, songs, and hands-on activities. Recommended for ages 4-6 years.
Stem Discovery Day — Wednesday, March 12. Drop in any time between 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
We offer a variety of hands-on STEM activities designed to inspire and educate. Recommended for grades K-8.

Legos @ the Library — Saturday, March 8 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Show us what you can build and connect with other LEGO enthusiasts.

Pokémon Trading Card Game Club — Saturday, March 15 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Learn to play the Pokémon Trading Card Game, challenge other trainers, trade cards, and make new friends. Bring your own cards or play with one of our decks. Ages 7-14.

Adults Which Craft: Knitting and Crocheting Group — Saturday, March 1 AND March 15 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Bring the knitting or crocheting project you’re working on to the library and work with others.

NEW! Mariemont Non-fiction Book Club — Wednesday,



March 5 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us in discussing Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by John Berendt. Copies available at the branch.

Mystery Book Club — Tuesday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us to discuss Trouble Island by Sharon Short, who will visit via Zoom. Copies available at the branch.

Coffee Cozies — Saturday, March 22 at 2 p.m.
Make your own felt no-sew coffee cozies! All supplies and some templates will be provided, but feel free to bring your own ideas. Registration Required.
Debt Management Workshop — Tuesday, March 25 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Join us as we discuss the most common types of debt and analyze budgeting and debt management strategies and solutions. Presented by Jeanette Trujillo from Fifth Third Bank. Registration required.

Book Club — Monday, March 31 at 6:30 p.m.
Join us to discuss Maid by Stephanie Land. Copies available at the branch.

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 9 p.m. on Friday, March 14th. 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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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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Law & Order

Submitted by Eric Schmidt

On 1/26, an officer responded to Miami Avenue at 2:40am because there was a suspicious vehicle that had stopped in the middle of the road. Earlier, the same officer observed several juveniles exiting the same vehicle by the Village Green. The juveniles informed the officer that their friend was dropping them off after a party which took place outside of the village. Probably just a birthday party that went late. I didn’t know Chuck E. Cheese was open that late. Anyway, nothing to see here!

On 1/11, an officer was dispatched to Stumps Lane because there were two donkeys on the run. The donkeys were running away from home! What?! Why would those donkeys want to run away from their amazing farm and where would they even run to? Mariemont? Nobody wants to leave TP for Mariemont! We have The Birch and Covalt Station. The donkeys want to run away to LaRosa’s and McDonald’s?! Come on donkey, don’t be a dumb ass. The grass is not greener!

Obituary



Amy Minor, age 68, passed away on Saturday, February 8. Amy was a devoted and enthusiastic mother, grandmother, sibling and friend. For almost 40 years, she lived in Terrace Park and was loved by so many in the community and beyond. She was a self-starter and award-winning realtor with Comey & Shepherd and previously Sibcy Cline for many years. Many of her loyal clients were repeat customers.

Amy’s claim to fame was her sense of humor; always on, with an ability to light up any room. Even when she became infirm, she was herself, holding court and putting a smile on every face—whether a nurse, a stranger or one of her many friends. Her ability to share jokes and humorous stories from years ago was extraordinary and kept us all laughing.

Nothing made her prouder than her two devoted children, their spouses, and their families, Heather and John Pratt,

and Will and Hanna Minor, who were by her side throughout her illness. She also is survived by five grandchildren, Charlie and Caroline Pratt, and Molly, Nellie and Henry Minor. Amy was happiest when she was surrounded by friends and family and was a regular at multiple generations of family sporting events. She was so proud of her athletes and was their number one cheerleader.

Amy grew up in Pelham, New York, where she was a formidable swimmer, very popular and perhaps too much fun. She was the second of four children, and is survived by Madeleine Ludlow, Tricia Blank (Tim) and Breck Weigel (Mindy).

Family and friends gathered to celebrate Amy’s life on her birthday, Tuesday, February 18, at Cincinnati Country Club. In lieu of flowers, please feel free to make a donation to the ASPCA or Meals on Wheels.

Birth Announcement



Ruby Christine Albrecht

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TP Postal Clerk Honored For Deals Worth Millions

Submitted by Sue Porter

Since the U.S. Postal Service generally receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations, employees are encouraged to find new revenue streams.

Terrace Park Post Office clerk Kathy Miller, who has a reputation for listening and responding to customers' needs, was honored by regional post office executives Feb. 13 for bringing in new business valued at more than \$10 million.

"Your dedication, hard work and innovative strategies have significantly contributed to the success and growth of our organization," said Terrence Maney, U.S. Postal Service operations manager for Southern Ohio. "Your commitment to excellence and your determination to go above and beyond are truly commendable."

When Kathy heard about Mayten LLC's shipping needs she used her 30 years of post office experience to find a way to provide specialized service, resulting in new revenue worth \$1,975,000. She went on to secure \$3,656,269 in new business from Lat-Long Trade LLC and \$4,823,000 in new business from Swaner Transformation LLC. For her efforts, she



Terrace Park Post Office clerk Kathy Miller is flanked by Terrence Maney, U.S. Postal Service operations manager for Southern Ohio, and Karen Garber, Cincinnati postmaster, who thanked her for outstanding customer service during an awards presentation.

was presented a certificate, letter of commendation and a travel bag during the recognition ceremony at the Milford distribution center where Terrace Park mail is processed.

"Kathy is incredible," said Milford Postmaster Scott Compton, who praised her loyalty, honesty and work ethic.

She will be adding her latest accolades to a collection of cita-

tions for outstanding customer service and creative, innovative solutions. And she'll continue to look for ways to meet customer's needs.

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The Bach Ensemble at St. Thomas presents an extraordinary evening of baroque masterpieces featuring Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Concertmaster Stefani Matsuo and CSO cellist Hiro Matsuo on Friday, March 7, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

The program showcases three magnificent works by Johann Sebastian Bach: the majestic Cello Suite No. 6 in D Major, BWV 1012, the profound Partita No. 2 in D minor, BWV 1004, and selected Inventions. This intimate performance brings together two of Cincinnati's most accomplished musicians, who also perform together as the Matsuo Duo.

Stefani Matsuo, appointed Concertmaster of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra by Maestro Louis Langrée in 2019, has been praised by the Washington Post for her "temperament and clear musical purpose" and "great technical maturity." Her leadership contributed to the CSO's Grammy-nominated album "Transatlantic," and she recently premiered Missy Mazzoli's "Fanfare for the Unimpressed" for



Cincinnati Sympjony Orchestra Concertmaster Stefani Matsuo and cellist Hiro Matsuo.



solo violin.

Acclaimed by The New York Times as "striking," cellist Hiro Matsuo has collaborated with renowned artists including Joshua Bell, Yo-Yo Ma, and Gil Shaham. Beyond classical music, he has recorded with The Roots and performed on NBC's Late Night with Jimmy Fallon. Together with his wife Stefani, he serves as co-artistic director of

concert:nova, Cincinnati's innovative chamber ensemble.

The concert will be held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, located at 100 Miami Avenue, Terrace Park, Ohio, 45174. Tickets are \$40 and \$30, with special student pricing available. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit www.bachensemble.org.

- Council approved a resolution to request first-half tax revenue collected by the county rather than wait for the scheduled disbursement, which will result in a four-to-six-week earlier payout.
- The annual risk management renewal policy was approved at a cost not to exceed \$33,436, which reflects a three percent increase. LeMay thanked the administrative staff for the employee training and equipment maintenance that has helped keep the rate low.

convenience store have been delayed by the need to install a new septic system and they are awaiting plan approval from the Hamilton County Board of Health. As for the three-year gas line replacement project, Hayhow said work didn't begin in January as planned due to inclement weather and now the contractor is working on a project at the Five Points intersection in Milford.

- Solicitor Jeff Forbes is drafting additions to the zoning code that reflect council's rejection of cannabis dispensaries within the village.

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not been asked to increase taxes for village services since 2013, when there was a need to replace revenue streams eliminated by the state of Ohio. The only other village tax increase during this millennium was in 2004. The Terrace Park portion of village residents' tax bills has steadily declined and is currently less than 15 percent of the total bill.

- Administrator Jerry Hayhow said the Sunoco owners' plans to convert the station to a

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On May 17, 2025, along with Kindervelt #76, TPHS will be presenting an event on the Village Green that will include a Scavenger Hunt and an exhibit of the

artwork submitted by residents. If you would like to donate your submission, it will be included in a fund-raising auction benefitting both the Terrace Park Historical Society and Kindervelt #76.

You can contact us at any time (tphistoricalsociety@gmail.com) if you would like to participate. More information will be available on our website (tphistoricalsociety.org) and in the Village Views and TPList as we get closer to the event.

2025-2026 Kindergarten Registration Now Open

Do you have a child who will be starting kindergarten at Terrace Park Elementary in the 2025-2026 school year? Now is the time to register! Please visit www.mariemontschools.org/KindergartenRegistration.aspx for de-

tailed information about the process. If you have additional questions, please contact the Central Registration Office at central-registration@mariemontschools.org or call 513-272-7500.

Terrace Park Garden Club is Ready for Spring!

Submitted by Nancy Aubke

Crocus and Daffodils are starting to make their appearance and all those tiny sprouts make Garden Club members excited about the upcoming Spring plant sale. Laura and her Olde Garden Shack staff are busy planting and preparing our magnificent pots and flats. Those who pre-ordered annuals can expect them to be delivered on the first two days of May. The “Race to the Green” in-person plant sale will be held Saturday, May 3, 2025 from 10am-

2pm. Look for us on the Village Green with spring flowers of every color and description. Thank you for your support of this fund raiser which will allow us to beautify the Bridge Boxes, the Memorial Flower bed, the Elm St. entrance, and the Given Rd. bed.

Please join us for the Garden Club’s next meeting to be held at 12pm on April 1 in the Community Building. It’s a “Mad Hatter’s Tea Party” timed perfectly for April Fool’s Day. This event promises an air of mystery, intrigue and excitement!

Sorry For the Confusion

Every month the Village Views prints a recap of the latest village council meeting on the front page of the paper. Last month, the headline, “Yes to Hefner for Fire Chief, No to Cannabis Dispensaries” seems to have caused some con-

fusion. I am happy to clarify that no, the Terrace Park Fire Department is not involved in cannabis dispensaries in any way. I have to admit it does sound like a decent fundraising idea, but the two are in fact totally separate issues. Your editor apologizes for any confusion!



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6th Graders raises \$1300 for OVV

After the TPE 6th graders listened to the Ohio Valley Voices' Everybody Counts presentation they were moved to raised money for Ohio Valley Voices. Ohio Valley Voices was founded over two decades ago with the mission to teach children who are deaf and hard of hearing to speak. TPE 6th graders organized an after school fundraiser where they sold sports cards, drinks, dessert and more. They raised over \$1300 for OVV!!!

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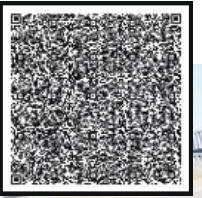
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Marjorie P. Lee

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