



Board of Health Septic Survey Finds Only One Bad Tank in TP

by Pat Henley

Terry Hull, director of the Hamilton County General Health District returned to Terrace Park Council on Dec. 10 to report on the department's inspection of septic systems in the village. Of the 759 systems surveyed, only one bad tank was discovered.

Hull praised the reception residents gave the four inspectors who went door-to-door to attempt to record the types and locations of sewage systems used in the village.

Aeration systems are not as trouble free as good dry wells in the "terrace" area of Terrace Park. Inspections found seven of the 38 mechanical systems are in failure stage.

Residents are charged \$30 every three years for the inspection.

Building Official Tim Harth added that the department is exercising more control over placement of new waste systems and believes that information gathered will be extremely useful to current and future homeowners.

Hull has had conversations with the U.S. Geological Survey which is interested in developing a plan for discovering where the ground water goes, and if it is contaminating the aquifer under Terrace Park and the Little Miami River. However, since this would be an expensive study, there are no immediate thoughts of implementing it.

Also addressing council was Pat Havlik, Executive Director of the Intercommunity Cable Regulatory Commission. Her immediate subject was to update council on enlarged facilities for the public access channel. However, some council members queried Havlik about the recent realignment of Warner's rate schedule. She agreed that there have been many complaints and questions.

Within the next few weeks Warner will be converting Terrace Park subscribers to the new system. Door hangers will announce the installation schedule and

Property Cut-ups Concern Residents

Twenty village residents attended the Dec. 11 meeting of the Planning Commission where Drackett Harth Construction sought certification for lot cut-ups at the rear of 720 Elm and 801 Miami. Carol Carpenter, a resident of Douglas Ave., expressed her concerns about the cut-up of the property known as Gravelotte. She submitted two letters for the record, one noting her concern about the infringement on her privacy and the second to recommend the increase of the sizes of property to meet zoning requirements.

Planning Commission member Barbara Howland noted only 14,000 square feet are needed for Residence AA which is bigger than Residence A. The property in question, which faces on Douglas Ave. is close to a quarter acre. The house at 720 Elm will be sold, despite the rumors that it was to be razed.

Howland explained that if property meets the zoning code and the builder has a plat from the Auditor's office and a permit from the Hamilton County Board of Health the village is legally bound to certify the property for building. Once the plat and health permit are in hand for the Elm-Douglas property the Planning Commission Chairmen can certify the property without a meeting of the commission.

The Planning Commission did table the request for the Miami property, requesting additional engineering studies because of the recent rains and loss of trees on property along the river bank. The village engineer, George Kipp of Savage, Walker & Associates, will determine which studies are appropriate and they will be done at the expense of the builder. The Planning Commission will meet again to consider the Miami property.

Although not required by law, Planning Commission Chairman Dick Wachterman had notified property owners in the vicinity of the properties discussed at the Dec. 11 meeting. If anyone wishes to be notified of any public meeting they can leave stamped, self addressed envelopes or postcards with the village clerk

representatives will call on each household to explain the new features and charges.

Police Chief Bob Bacon began his report with the announcement that four juveniles had just been apprehended for stealing Christmas tree lights. Apparently, this is an annual problem, but Bacon reiterated the department's "no tolerance" policy for unlawful activity.

Asked if there had been any progress on the September vandalism case, he replied that there was nothing new, but that the department is actively pursuing a resolution to it.

Bacon also discussed the recent solicitation by a so-called citizens action group, and his frustration with the village ordinance which is vague about what constitutes an allowable organization to go door-to-door. He said that any resident can register at the Community House that they do not want anyone to call at their door. Any one soliciting in Terrace Park must first stop at the village office before knocking on any door in Terrace Park. The list of residents not wishing to be disturbed is then provided the solicitors and they are instructed not to contact the homes on the list.

Solicitor Bob Malloy reported that the Elm Road conduit work is still being delayed by Ohio Department of Natural Resources, which must issue a license before work begins.

EMS Chief Connie Wilson reported all members of the squad have completed their latest training program, greatly increasing their skills. The department now owns an automatic defibrillator, which is valued at \$8,000.

Wilson and Sally Gilchrist recently wrote grant programs which have resulted in the receipt of several hundreds of dollars worth of new equipment for life squad.

Council's December work consisted mostly of passing resolutions which will keep the wheels of government turning in the new year.

Officer Tim Chin Earns Promotion

Police Officer Timothy Chin will be promoted to the rank of Sergeant, effective Jan. 1. Police Chief Bob Bacon said Chin is the first Terrace Park officer nominated for the Hamilton County Police Association Special Commendation for Distinguished Law Enforcement Service. The chief commended Chin's distinguished law enforcement service, for which he received a letter of commendation at the February council meeting.

A graduate of St. Bernard High School, Chin, 35, earned his certification at Scarlet Oaks Police Academy and joined the Terrace Park police force part time in 1989, moving to full time in 1991. He and his wife Deborah are the proud parents of one year old twins, Brian and Brittany.

Chief Bacon complemented Chin's efforts in organization, community relations and praise from other police departments.

Christmas Trees Recycled In TP

Christmas trees will be collected on the regular brush collections, Mondays or Tuesdays. They will be chipped later. The compost will then be available in the Environmental Services area.

The maintenance department processed 152 loads of leaves this season.

Village Views To Record Births, Deaths

The Village Views has recorded the activities and achievements of Terrace Park residents for the past 27 years. Village Archivist Esther Power has a copy of each issue published, which is the basis of an unofficial history of Terrace Park.

To make this history more complete the Village Views would like to begin publishing in January an annual memorial to those residents who died in the previous year. We would also like to publish a record of births in the same issue.

None of this will be possible without your help. Please drop me a note or call (831-5708) to let me know the names of both the dearly departed and the new arrivals in 1996. The deadline for the January issue is the second Tuesday, Jan. 14. With your help the list will be complete and accurate.

Ricki Schmidt, Editor

TP Celebrates The Holidays



The 18th century Neapolitan presepio figures of the holy Family with Wise Man and Angels are just a portion of the Taft Museum's exhibit featuring the extensive collection of Terrace Park resident Francesca Perez de Olaguer Angelon's nativity figures. "A Christmas in Naples" will be featured at the Taft through Jan. 5 with free admission to any visitor donating a nonperishable food item or new unwrapped toy to be distributed to local social service agencies.



Panny Cowan watches her brother Sam light all the candles on the Menorah on the eighth and final night of Hanukkah. While lighting the candles the family says:

Blessed is the light within the world.
Blessed is the light within each person.
Blessed is the light of Hanukkah.



Kindervelt extends a big THANK YOU to Terrace Park Cub Scouts for bagging four and a half tons of sand into 650 West Shell bags for Luminaria night Dec. 8. Some of the baggers included: (from right) Cooper Brinson, Taylor Folan, Ben Schneider, Ben Nickum, Henry Burchenal, Will Cleary, Robbie Cottrell, non-Cub Chelsey Bieser and kneeling, Jack Burchenal. Forty Kindervelt members assembled the 13,000 candles and white bags needed to fill the neighborhood orders. Luminaria Chairs Elizabeth Biezer and Gibson Burchenal appreciate all the helping hands that made the project possible.

Letter To The Editor

Kindervelt Thanks Village Residents

To the Editor:
Terrace Park has an abundance of talented and generous residents. Kindervelt 76 would like to thank two of them in particular. Much thanks goes to Tim Fening and Matt Nickum, the artist and printer, respectively, of our new Terrace Park gazebo notecards and prints. If you see these men, please give them a hug from us. If you'd like to order cards or prints, call Betsy Porst at 576-1645.

With much appreciation,
The Women of Kindervelt 76

MHS Band Finances Disney Trip With Sale

The Mariemont High School Marching Band is helping finance its trip to Disney World with a rummage sale on Jan. 11. The Band's performance at Disney World during spring break will be its second performance there in three years. Please call 831-5917 to schedule a pick-up of household or baby items, clothing, books, toys and furniture.

The Village Views Will Resume The Series On Alcohol & Drugs In The Jan. Issue

Village Views Deadline

The deadline for the next issue of *Village Views* is the second Tuesday of the month. Anyone wishing to submit an article may send it to the editor at 107 Marian Lane. All letters to the editor must be signed.

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TP Students Earn Academic Honors

Terrace Park students earned academic recognition for the first quarter of the 1996-97 school year at Mariemont High School.

Achieving a 4.0 or higher grade point average and named to the Honor Roll are:

Grade 9: Sarah Borchers, William Borden, Christopher Clukey, Lindsay Donnelly, Lauren Fox, Ian Frank, Erika Howland, Kristen Kirby, Anna Proctor and Alison Wenstrup.

Grade 10: Shannon Callaghan*, John Deepe*, Rachel Eberhard*, Jillion Gislason*, Erin Govert*, Johann Hindert, Shannon Luhn*, Ashley McGraw*, Katherine Porter*, Lisa Sarran*, Molly Smith* and Amy Voegeli.

Grade 11: Christina Ehrnschwender**, Susan Park**, Bethany Peebles** and Dan Startzman**.

Grade 12: Laura Baker***, Lydia Davis***, Melissa Donnelly***, Hogue***, Laura Nisonger*** and Sara Safford***.

Achieving a grade point average between 3.2 and 3.9 and named to the Merit Roll are:

Grade 9: Brian Ballinger, Rebecca Bollinger, Michael Carle, Margaret Duplace, Christopher Hogue, Emily Johnson, Jessica Klekamp, Michael McCarthy, Sally Mitchell, Timothy Nisonger, Anthony Rinaldi, Cody Rogowski, and Zachary Shimp.

Grade 10: Candace Brown, Joseph Campo, Kathryn Casteel, Sarah Crosby, Michael Dever, Katie Duff, Amanda Ervin, Amanda Forbes, John Harth, Chase Koehler, Jeffrey Krueger, Jonathan Malotke,

Katherine Moorehead, Catherine Picton, Leah Ross*, Jacob Starks* and Leslie Swenson.

Grade 11: David Allan, Samantha Bullock**, Steven Early, Suzanne Jones**, Courtney Merten and James Singler.

Grade 12: Travis Casteel, Matthew Dunning***, Abby Duplace, Lauren Graf, Naomi Howland, Page Koehler, Gina Rinaldi, Amy Starks and Tata Tiyayon.

Mariemont High School presented an academic letter to each student in grades nine through twelve last year who maintained a 3.5 or better grade point average for the entire year as determined by quarter averages. The GPA was determined by averaging the quarter grade points of academic classes only, including computer programming, science, English, foreign languages and social studies.

The awards indicated above with an asterisk include: an * for the first letter; ** for a pin for qualifying a second time for an academic letter; *** for a plaque presented in recognition of qualifying three years for an academic letter; and **** for a special plaque presented for four years of qualifying for an academic letter.

MHS 1996 graduates who received an academic letter include: Heather Bollinger****, Shelley Eaton***, Antoni Gambetta**, Kristin Jones****, Aaron McClurg****, Elizabeth Overby****, Leslie Pope***, Benjamin Ross****, Kelsey Shaner**** and Stephanie Smith****.



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MHS Coeds Capture League Titles



Mariemont High School's varsity soccer team won its first league title in school history. The Cincinnati Hills League champs received plaques for regional runner up. Terrace Park team members include: (from left front) Laura Nisonger, Katie Porter, Laura Baker and Melissa Mitchell; (from back left) Erika Howland, Cori Keefe, Naomi Howland, Page Koehler and Gina Rinaldi. Not pictured is Courtney Merten. Named to the First Team, CHL, Porter made more than 25 goals earning recognition in *The Enquirer* as one of the city's leading scorers. Nisonger made Second Team CHL, while Naomi Howland was CHL Honorable Mention and Keefe was a CHL nominee.

Students Named To Junior High's First Honor Roll

Terrace Park students earned academic recognition for the first quarter of the 1996-97 school year at Mariemont Junior High School.

Achieving a 4.0 or higher grade point average and named to the honor Roll are:

Grade 7: Ellen Baird, Amy Fisher and Gretchen Perry.

Grade 8: Matthew Amis and Jeremy Schubert.

Achieving a grade point average between a 3.2 and a 3.9 and named to the Merit Roll are:

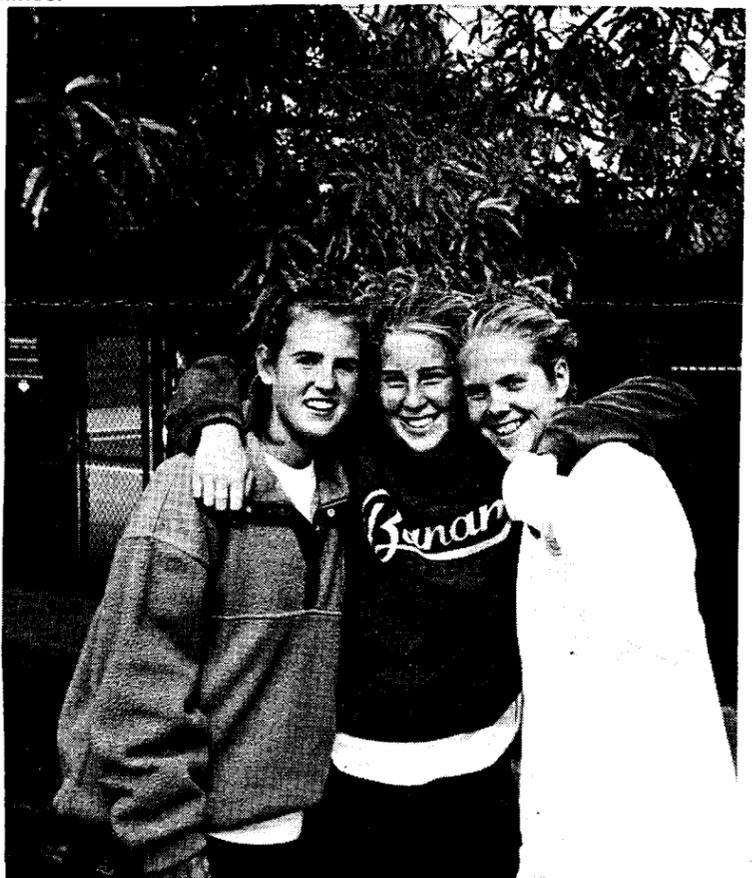
Grade 7: Courtney Callaghan, Julie Gould, Victoria Thoman, Alex Castator, Sara McCarthy, Laura Date, Jennifer Sarran, Katherine Sheridan, Matt Chapman, Erin Deepe, Jeffrey Picton, Elizabeth Brown, Lindsay Deeter, Christopher Wood, John Carrigan, Emily Holmes, Michael Keys, Lewis Woolsey, Tara Hawk and Margaret Shell.

Grade 8: Joel Moyer, Amanda Hartman, Jonathan Drackett, Carlton Albrecht, Katherine Woolsey, Geoffrey Gray, Christopher Mealy, Kyle Dediemar and Charles Keffer.

TP Students Compete For Cinergy Honors

Mariemont High School is involved in a new art and performing arts competition sponsored by the Cinergy Foundation and Leadership Cincinnati. Students submit portfolios or performances for the judge's consideration. The final competition of four regional finalists will take place at the Aranoff Center on Jan. 31.

Representing the Mariemont district are: junior Susan Park in vocal music and senior Lauren Graf in literature.



Mariemont's CHL championship tennis team included Terrace Park residents, from left, Erin Govert, Catherine Picton and Shannon Callaghan. Not pictured are Chase Koehler and Jill Gislason. Picton was CHL "Player of the Year" as well as *The Enquirer's* "First Team All City" in Singles. She finished third in the Girls Sectional Tournament singles. Govert and Callaghan were named to the CHL First Team in Doubles. They finished third in Girls Sectional Tournament doubles. MHS Tennis Coach Neil Turner was named the CHL Coach of the Year, for the second year in a row.

TP Students Earn MHS Sports Awards

Terrace Park students receiving fall sports awards included sophomores Sarah Crosby and Katie Duff for Volleyball. Team Co-Captain Crosby, who was Top Hitter, was named Most Valuable Player and Duff was Most Improved.

Senior Andy Gray, who was Cross Country's Top Runner was named MVP. Team Captain Travis Casteel, also a senior, was honored as Most Improved.

Team Captain Matt Dunning, a senior, took top football honors with Best Offensive Back and MVP. Senior Andy Black won the Warrior Award and junior Dan Startzman was named Most Improved, while junior John Allan was Best Linebacker.

Senior Sara Safford was honored as Captain of the Cheerleaders.

In golf junior David Allan took the Warrior Award and sophomore Joe Campo was named Most Improved.

Sophomore Chase Koehler took top honors with the Warrior Award in tennis. Sophomore Catherine Picton was MVP and sophomore Shannon Callaghan was Most Improved. Jill Gislason, also a sophomore, won the Coaches Award.

Senior Laura Baker took Warrior Honors for soccer, while Katie Porter, a sophomore, was named Best Midfielder. Naomie Howland, a senior and a team captain, was named Best Offensive Player. Senior Laura Nisonger was also a team captain.



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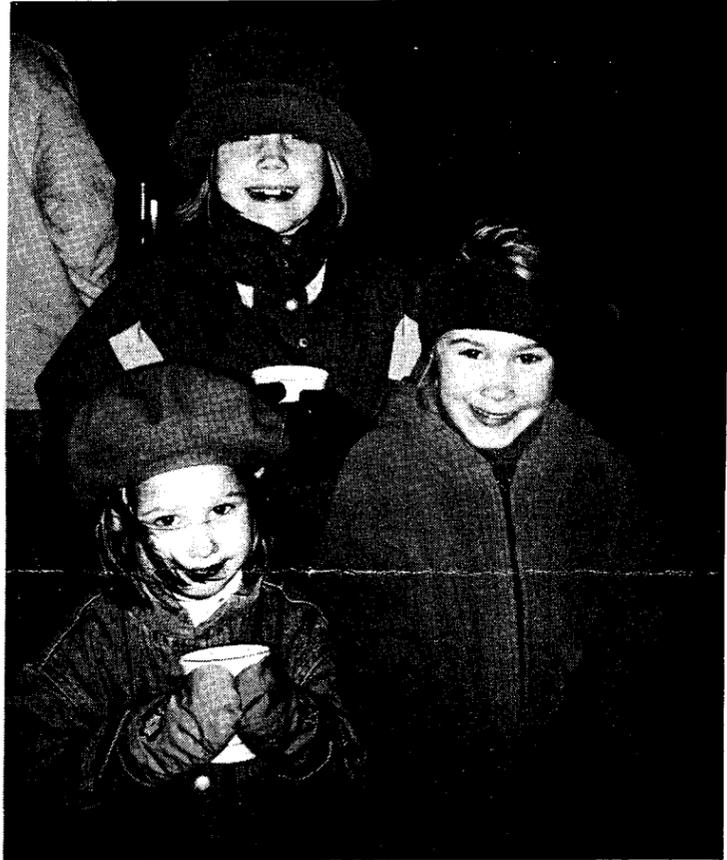
Village Welcomes Holiday



Is this young village resident trying to get closer to Santa or is she climbing for a better view of Grandpa as he leads the band?

With the wind chill dipping temperatures into single digits, the hot chocolate was a huge treat at the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony.

You may think you saw this very gentleman tethered to the roof of Ryall's home on Rugby. They had a giant inflated Santa on their roof when their house was opened for the Dec. 8 Garden Club House Tour. But this particular giant is really a Terrace Park toddler, who had to be the warmest soul on the Village Green for the Tree Lighting and visit with Santa.



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