

# VILLAGE VIEWS

## TERRACE PARK, OHIO



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## Lean heavily on God and each other

By Rev. J. Donald Waring Rector, St. Thomas Church, Terrace Park

The horrific scenes of September 11 terrorist attacks on the United States have seared themselves into the collective memory of America. The heroic rescue and recovery workers at some point will finish their task of sorting through the wreckage in New York City and Washington DC. But I suspect that our conscious and subconscious minds will be working for a very long time to sort through this tragedy of previously unimaginable proportions.

In the coming days and weeks, please lean heavily on each other. We thwart the designs of evil when we love one another, even in the most difficult of circumstances. Let this week put in proper perspective our minor annoyances and frustrations that often cause our tempers

to flare. Give thanks for the people around you. Remember how briefly we borrow this gift of God called life.

Secondly, please lean heavily on God, however it is that you choose to approach Him. As a Christian I believe that the only way we can move on from this in peace is to trust in the perfect justice and mercy of God. God has promised a day when He will wipe every tear from our eyes, when death shall be no more, neither mourning nor crying nor pain (Revelation 21). The challenge now for people of faith is to look through the smoke-filled skies and keep God's promises in sight.

At the Community Prayer Service at St. Thomas on the evening of September 11, we prayed a prayer written by our Associate Rector, Wes

Hinton. I share it with you again in hopes that you will find it helpful in your private devotions:

Our Father in Heaven, we cry out to you at this most grievous time in the life of our nation. Be with us now in our fear, our frustration, and our anger. Surround and support those who have been victims of these attacks with your love and your strength. Bring those who have survived safely home to their families. For those who have already died, we ask that you bring them home to yourself. Welcome them into the arms of your mercy. Seat them at your heavenly banquet table with all your saints in light. Help us to know that you are with those we love as you are with us. All this we pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Doug Cherry Jr., son of Doug and Ann Cherry of 402 Yale in TP, was killed in the explosion of the World Trade Center Buildings on September 11, 2001. A memorial fund is being established for his three surviving children and wife. Contributions may be sent c/o St. Thomas Church, Doug Cherry Memorial Fund, 100 Miami, Terrace Park, Ohio 45174**

## Council passes resolution in support of development of Avoca Park for recreational use

By Cyndy Finnigan

Council held the third reading of the resolution to support development of Avoca Park for recreational use at the September 11 meeting. The resolution was passed by a 3-2 margin with Holmes and Brown voting nay and Keefe, Rugh and Peterkin voting in favor of the resolution. Al DuPlace was not present at the meeting. The resolution is a statement of support, along with Fairfax Council, other local governments and the Mariemont School Board, to promote development of the park on Wooster Pike which would include ball fields, volleyball courts, a playground, hiking and bicycle trails and other recreational uses. No monies were pledged with this resolution. When asked Mr. Brown stated he mainly voted no on the issue because he "would prefer to see the land remain in it's natural state in accordance with Park Board recommendations." Mr. Holmes felt the wording of the resolution was too general. He would like to see a more proactive, specific stance

taken on this issue with restrooms, parking, and possible integration of the bike trail.

In other business: several residents addressed Council: Joyce Van Wye of Wagon Road inquired as to whether action was being taken to address the problem of culvert restoration. Joyce had four feet of water in her basement from the creek flooding in back of her home during the storm on August 17. Village Engineer George Kipp stated that he was in the process of putting specifications together and getting bids to present to Council to address the problem. Resident Mark Porst introduced himself and announced that he was running for a Council seat in the November election. Resident Denise Hall thanked Council for the new sidewalks in the Village along Wooster Pike.

Eagle Scout Ted Winters was granted \$1,000 for his project to plant trees on the right of way near New Street. No consensus was reached yet on whether to purchase or lease a sound system for the Village Green.

## School begins!

By Jenny Whitaker

The first day of school at Terrace Park Elementary, August 24, began as expected with throngs of parents with video cameras rolling and cameras flashing, kids nervously smiling, a few eyes tearing, and kindergarten moms and dads lingering. New principal, Mike Zimmerman, successor to Dr. Jerry Sasson, and Susan Graves, school secretary. Mike said he took a few minutes to peek out his office window before joining the crowd and was astounded by what he saw. The level of parental support he witnessed was something he had already experienced during his time of transition and he was still astonished by it. Soon after his hiring in May, former and current P.T.O. presidents Mary Hyer and Sandra

1,100 seventh and eighth graders, he spent most of his day dealing with discipline problems. He's looking forward to focusing on one of his passions and that is spending time in the classrooms ensuring students are receiving meaningful instruction. His hope is to accommodate all levels of ability so that a student who has mastered a concept will be challenged and those who need help are given it. He will also be spending time over



Secretary Susan Graves and principal Mike Zimmerman



Sixth grader Caitlin Peterkin crosses children on their way to school.

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On the first day of school Mrs. Wiley greets kindergartners (l-r) Audrey Helmrich, Cody Mackey, Dalton Osgood and Zachary Paz.

the next few months dealing with a new fire alarm system, security concerns and ADA compliance issues. He meets with his staff regularly, whom he respects and "doesn't need to micromanage."

**Leaf collection will begin Monday, Oct. 15th. It will run through the last week of November. Brush collection will resume at that time.**

## Meet Terrace Park Council Candidates

You are invited to a "Meet the Council Candidates" night on Wednesday, October 3, 7:30 p.m. at the Community Building. There are seven candidates vying for four Council seats.

The candidates will have a chance to present their qualifications as well as discuss their goals if elected. A question and answer session will follow. Written questions from the audience will be accepted at the start of the forum.

Be an informed voter. Come and meet the candidates on October 3. Bring your questions. Former Council member and Terrace Park resident Rich Gilchrist will host the forum.

## THE CINCINNATI BRASS BAND makes its Terrace Park debut September 30

By Jenny Whitaker

Who hasn't tapped their toes to a Sousa march, or jumped and jived to a swing band or shed a tear at the sound of a lone trumpet playing Taps? No one can resist the sound of brass - the oompah of a tuba, the sweet song of the cornet, the slide of a trombone or the blast of a trumpet. Families and friends of Terrace Park residents are fortunate to have the opportunity to hear all these sounds and more on Sunday, September 30 when the Cincinnati Brass Band plays on the Village Green at 5:00 p.m.

The Cincinnati Brass band was formed in 1993 to provide an opportunity for musicians to play traditional British band music. Currently, the band consists of 35 members, among them Terrace Park resident Mike Ross and former resident Dwight Wages. Members come from various backgrounds. Some musical, but most are professional business people who love to play music. The band is conducted by Anita Cocker Hunt, a former resident of Cleveland who earned her Master of Music degree in Instrumental Wind Conducting from the Cincinnati College-Conservancy of Music. The Cincinnati Brass Band has per-

formed with the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra at Riverbend and Music Hall, for benefits for Habitat for Humanity and the Salvation Army, and for many school and community concert series. When the refurbished Tyler - Davidson fountain was unveiled in May 2000, the band gave a gala concert and soon after, Mayor Luken proclaimed them to be the Official Brass Band Of Cincinnati. They have also won first place in four of the last six years they've competed in the North American Brass Band Association's annual competition, an event they will be hosting next April in Cincinnati.

The band plays many styles of music including marches, movie music (yes, a Disney spectacular), swing, classical, and hymns. The concert is a family event and, thanks to several local sponsors, FREE! Sponsors who have generously donated their resources to this event are Ogle and Ed Annett of Coldwell Banker, Bill Drackett and Tim Harth of Drackett-Harth Construction, David Deeter and David Bodnar of Professional Planning Associates and PNC Advisors. So pack a picnic supper, a blanket or lawn chairs, and your kids, and join the Cincinnati Brass Band on September 30.



Mike, Lisa and son Cole at an evening coffee.

Taylor, respectively, organized a 'meet and greet' on the Village Green for the community. Over the summer, grade level evening coffees were conducted at various homes in the neighborhood so parents could meet Mike and his wife, Lisa. A record number of parents attended the first P.T.O. meeting to show their support, as well. "I am amazed at the level of parental involvement in this school", Mike says.

While Mike was principal at Mason Middle School, a building of

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Mayor Startzman and Council:

First off, I would like to thank you for making the log cabin a better place for people of all ages. The new lights were an excellent addition and the new hoops are great. The benches are extremely nice. I just want to thank you for taking me seriously. The Council did a spectacular job of beginning on my request right away. Ever since the Log Cabin has been refurbished I see people of all ages having fun at the courts. Finally, my dream of making the Log Cabin a place filled with the thrills of basketball and fun is coming true. Now I know what it is like to make a request of the TP Council, and I would feel totally comfortable doing it again. I would like to again thank this fine group of people for helping me with my request and in turn helping other people become better at the sport of basketball.

Sincerely,  
Clay Martin  
710 Myrtle

Homeowners:

With a creek bordering your property, you may be a victim of the flooding in July that resulted from a convergence of storms that dropped too much water in too short a time.

Some of you had severe damage to the lower portion of your homes, losing household furnishings and equipment such as water heaters, freezers, etc. Others had land and fence damage. Erosion of banks along the creek becomes greater each year.

In September, 1999, I wrote a letter to the Village Council requesting information regarding who has jurisdiction, if any, over this creek should one choose to construct a barrier along the bank to stop erosion. Also, if any rules exist regarding throwing of yard waste, tree branches and a variety of other items into this creek. I am still waiting for a reply.

August 8, 2001, I wrote to the mayor, again requesting an answer to my 1999 letter along with pointing out the damage created from this recent rain and enclosing articles from the newspapers about what those towns and villages are doing to address the problem.

This creek flows down from Indian Hill and any construction in that area with some proximity to the creek where land is cleared and/or drainage is put in place simply increases the flow through our land on its way to the Little Miami River.

Other villages are taking an interest in behalf of their residents because of this recent flooding. It seems to me that Terrace Park should also take an interest by establishing the following:

1. Who is the governing power over this creek.
2. Rules regarding throwing waste into the creek.
3. A schedule to see that debris is removed from creek to stop buildup and allow water to flow freely.

This creek needs attention. The question is, "Who is in charge?"

Will you let me know if you believe this issue is of any importance and if so, any ideas or info you may have that might be of help to all of us?

John & Alice Carr  
136 Winding Brook Lane  
248-0188

To The Editor:

Seeing the picture of our home in the Views last month brings to mind the time the tree fell on our home. Because we were out of the country, many people came forth to help who needed to be thanked. First we need to thank the Village firemen and other crews who responded so quickly to help secure and evaluate our property. We also have to thank our many neighbors, especially the Hyers and the Hirds, who helped at the time. I understand our neighbors brought water to those working here and just want to express our appreciation again to all who helped.

The Schuberts  
501 Stanton Ave.

Dear Neighbors,

As a fellow member of our community and candidate for Village Council I was very encouraged to see no less than seven citizens on the ballot for this position on November 6... an unprecedented level of volunteerism for our local government. I expect the four vacancies to be highly contested, with a genuine focus on the issues that face Terrace Park going forward.

Rather than delve into my positions on concerns we all have, I would ask that each and every community member take an opportunity to become familiar with the candidates and different ideas we bring forth. On Wednesday, October 3rd at 7:30 P.M., a Public Forum will convene giving all "TP'ers" a perfect chance to meet the candidates and hear firsthand their feelings about topics of interest.

In my brief "candidacy" I've had the chance to speak to many of you. One of the resounding themes is a distinct dissatisfaction with the effectiveness of our current Council. Please consider attending this upcoming October 3rd and by all means take the time to cast your vote on November 6th. Your efforts will go far in creating a Village Council that works for Terrace Park.

Thank you,  
Bren Fries  
305 Stanton Ave.

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The Oct. deadline for *Village Views* is **Oct. 8**, the second Monday of the month. All camera-ready ads and articles must be submitted by 9 p.m. on Monday Oct. 8, 2001. **All advertisements** go to Gerri Kennedy at 152 Wrenwood. **All articles** go to Cyndy Finnigan 128 Winding Brook Lane.

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

### LEAVING THE VILLAGE?

Subscriptions are available for \$18.50 per year. To subscribe call **Gerri Kennedy @831-2388**.

Dear Neighbors,

Over the past few weeks, I have gathered ballot petition signatures and talked to many of you about running for our Village Council. I am running partly because a few individuals who have a deep love for Terrace Park inspired me. I also feel obligated to help keep our Village a special place where kids, their unlocked bikes and each of us are safe. Many of the people I speak with share concerns as well as ideas for improving Terrace Park. But ideas often cost money. Over the next few years we will have to make hard decisions that keep annual spending in-line with revenue. Now is the time to step forward and be part of the process. On October 3rd, there will be a Village meeting where candidates for Council will share their ideas. It's also a chance for you to talk to us about your ideas. Please attend if you can.

Mark Porst  
733 Elm

## Treasurer retires

By Katy Wood

Al Roberts, treasurer of Terrace Park, will relinquish his duties when this term is over in Jan. 2002. Roberts held the treasurer's job from 1972 through 1977, as well as the last eight years. He was compensated \$200.00 per year to balance the Village's checkbook and oversee its investments.

"It was a job that allowed me to contribute on my own time," said Roberts.

Roberts retired four years ago as a Junior Vice President with PNC Bank. For the last year he has worked as administrator for Christ Church Cathedral downtown.

Roberts served the village



well. "And," said Francine Glassmeyer, Village Clerk, "he never had a bad word to say. He is one of those people whose cup is half full instead of half empty."

Roberts is married to Karen Roberts, second grade teacher at Terrace Park Elementary.

Jack Brown, Finance Chairman on the Village Council will run unopposed to replace Roberts. (With the new term, the treasurer will be paid \$1500.00 per year).

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# Know Your Neighbor

By Sherry Holcomb

After over 30 years in Terrace Park, Carl and Jeanette Pruis have mastered the art of living well. They've woven together their love of nature, crafts and history at their home at One Oxford Avenue. The unique design of their home and peaceful views of the river continue to inspire Carl and Jeanette as they fill their days creating works of art from fiber, fabric, wood and paint.

As with many life stories, Carl and Jeanette didn't have a grand plan to end up where they are today. Fate and the uniqueness of our neighborhood had a large part to play. Jeanette lived for 15 years on Amherst until her first husband wished to be closer to medical facilities. At that point, the family moved to Clifton.

After Jeanette's husband died in 1985, she was drawn back to our neighborhood to be close to good friends. Jeanette bought the house on Oxford and literally fell in love with the neighborhood when in 1987 she married the man living next door (at the end of Michigan),



up the house." In fact, what they have done is fill their home with beautiful and original works of art, including paintings and tapestries created by Jeanette.

After 21 years of teaching textile arts at Edgecliff College, Jeanette "retired" to weaving on a commission basis for churches, hospitals and private parties throughout the United States. One of her biggest commissions hangs at the Church of the Redeemer in Hyde Park. Jeanette designed eight tapestries and she and a friend wove the pieces over two years. Recently retired from commission work, Carl says the only thing keeping her from weaving more now is a lack of wall space in the house.

Speaking of their house, Carl and Jeanette are happy to recount the interesting start of their home on Oxford. As they tell it, in 1912 a group of men from Terrace Park traveled to Scotland and saw the famed golf course, St. Andrews. They returned to our neighborhood and built a six-hole golf course along the Little Miami River, where Michigan and the end of Oxford are today. In 1915 the members of the club built a clubhouse and later added three more golf holes and four clay tennis courts. In 1929, land was purchased across the river and the course was moved to the current site of the Terrace Park Country Club. The old clubhouse was sold as a residence and over many years went into disrepair. However, a young bachelor named Harry Ross ended up buying the place and remodeling it into the home that Jeanette and Carl have shared for 14 years.

The Pruis' connection to our community isn't complete without mentioning family. Carl has three children, Helen, Mark and Paul. Helen and Mark were best known for their accomplishments as swimmers for the Marlins and Mariemont High School. Jeanette has two sons, John and Gregg who still live nearby. In fact, Gregg owns MacMillan Graphics, which prints the Village Views.



Carl Pruis.

Carl retired about ten years ago from his job as partner and chemical engineer at American Process Design. Now his passion is woodcarving, an interest he shares with Jeanette and his fellow carvers at the Sycamore Senior Center. The center offers classes in carving, but more importantly it provides a social connection as the carvers chip away at their blocks of wood. The Pruis's meet with the carvers once a week, and have for seven years. To further their carving skills, Carl and Jeanette also travel to West Virginia each August to attend classes.

If this couple sounds busy, it is part of their philosophy. As Jeanette explains, "We're always looking for what we can do next that is interesting, not what we can do to tidy

## Village Calendar 2001

### SEPTEMBER

25 Terrace Park Elementary "Bootique", Halloween treats, baked goods, mums for sale behind school, 3:20- 5:30 p.m.

9 Terrace Park Elementary PTO evening speaker, 7:00 p.m.

### OCTOBER

2 Terrace Park Garden Club meeting, "Gourds Galore" featuring speaker Karen Martin, Community Building, 12:00 noon. For membership information call **Kathi Milam @ 248-8232**.

15 Village leaf curbside collection begins and runs through November 25. No brush collection at this time.

2 Mariemont Kiwanis meeting every Tuesday morning at 7:30 a.m. in the MJHS cafeteria. New members welcome!

16 Mariemont Board of Education Meeting, MHS, 7:15 p.m. Public welcome.

2 Terrace Park Elementary PTO meeting, cafeteria, 9:30 a.m.

19 Terrace Park Elementary P.T.O. Pumpkin Festival. Games for all ages, pumpkin carving contest, Pumpkin Patch Cafe, silent auction, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

2 Terrace Park Kindervelt meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Fenings, 615 Miami Ave. For information call **Elaine @ 831-8371**.

27 Cincinnati Dulcimer Society Music Festival featuring Susan Trump. Workshops offered at 10:00 a.m., 12:45 and 2:30 p.m. with pizza lunch. Buffet dinner at 5:00 by reservation: \$10. Open stage at 7:00 p.m. Evening concert at 8:00 p.m.; \$5 donation. For details contact **Pam at 860-5539 or Fran at 891-7037**.

3 Civic Meeting and Candidate forum, Community Building, 7:30 p.m.

28 Daylight Savings Time begins. Set your clocks back one hour.

8 "A Demonstration of High Voltage" presented by Cinergy, Community Building, 8:00 p.m.

30 The Cincinnati Brass Band Concert on the Village Green, 5:00 p.m.

8 Mayor's Court, Community Building, 7:00 p.m.

8 Village Views deadline for articles, photos and camera-ready ads, 9:00 p.m.

31 HALLOWEEN! Village siren sounds at 6:00 p.m. to indicate the start of Trick or Treating. Ends at 8:00 p.m.

9 Terrace Park Council Meeting, Community Building, 7:30 p.m.

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# Neighbor to Neighbor

## State Superintendent Visit

Dr. Susan Tave Zelman, Ohio Superintendent of Instruction, visited the Mariemont City Schools on Tuesday, August 28. The purpose of her visit was to recognize Mariemont, Madeira and Wyoming Schools for achieving 27 out of 27 state performance standards for three consecutive years.



## CCDS Student Receives Character Award

Mr. Adam Yokel (Terrace Park), a student from Cincinnati Country Day School, was nominated as a teen of exemplary character through the YMCA Character Awards Program. He was one of only 40 tri-state teens that were chosen for recognition at the Fifth Annual YMCA Character Awards Banquet Gala. For this award the nominees are recognized for their focus on four core values: caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

Mr. Yokel, a senior, is vice president of student council, president of honor council, senior representative of the upper school council, senior peer leader and the assistant editor of the yearbook. He participates in football, swimming, track and mountain biking.

The YMCA of Greater Cincinnati will host the annual YMCA Character Awards Banquet Gala at the Music Hall Grand Ballroom on Thursday, October 4, 2001. The YMCA Character Awards is sponsored by Schiff, Kriedler & Shell in cooperation with Cinergy. Mr. Jack Canfield, author of the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" books, will be the keynote speaker.

## Promont House Museum

Promont is a restored Victorian House Museum, built 1865 - 1867, and later home to former Ohio governor John Pattison. The house, at 906 Main St., Milford, Ohio, is maintained by the Greater Milford Area Historical Society.

**Hours:** Friday and Sunday, 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Group tours available by special arrangement. Admission: Adults \$3, Children \$1, members free. There is no admission charge for those who wish to use the Research Library or visit the gift shop. **Call 248-0324 for information.**

## Historic homes and sites of Milford tour, October 7, 1 to 5 p.m.

Tour seven historic buildings including a former church converted to a private home, a fully restored Victorian mansion, an 1840's colonial farmhouse, a "showboat" Victorian built in 1880 and several other homes with interesting histories and artifacts.

Admission is \$10. Advance tickets may be purchased at Promont House Museum, the Village Mouse and Lehr's. Tickets will also be available the day of the tour at the historic homes. The tour is sponsored by the Greater Milford Area Historical Society. For information call **Promont House Museum at 248-0324.**

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## Exchange students live the "German life" in Munich, Germany

Mariemont High School students Danny Maggard, Jay Unbarger and Melinda Stephan started their summer by participating in the Munich Sister Cities Student Exchange for two weeks in June. The students lived with their partners and host families while enjoying activities throughout the region. "It was an incredible experience, one I will never forget. Every student should have this experience. I had a great time and learned many things. I would definitely go back!" says Melinda.

The students were joined by other students from Indian Hill, Turpin, Taylor and McAuley. In Munich, they traveled by subway to the town center where they saw the famous Glockenspiel which provides hourly entertainment for visitors. The students visited old churches, one founded by monks in the 8th century, and received some political lessons about how the town council operates.

Other activities included an excursion to the salt mines at Berchtesgaden, tours of castles Neuschwanstein and Herrenchiemsee, and the Memorial



Photo: Elizabeth Bieser

**Mariemont High School juniors Jay Unbarger, Melinda Stephan, and Danny Maggard with chaperone Lee Parker (Mariemont High School math teacher) arrive at Chiemsee in the Bavarian Alps for a tour of the castle.**

site at Dachau Concentration Camp. The group had the opportunity to attend a day of German school, which they felt had an atmosphere similar to their own. They also visited Olympic Park, hiked the Alps, attended the opera and looked through the BMW Museum. Austria and Switzerland, both within an

hour or two of Germany, provided interesting and fun side trips.

Applications are now being accepted for the 2002 trip. For information contact **Nancy Erbeck at 554-1063 or Elizabeth Bieser at 483-4353.** The web site is: <http://members.aol.com/CinMun/>

## Seniors of St. Thomas plan outings

By Harry Kauffman

Two tours and a golf outing are scheduled for the Seniors of St. Thomas in October and our senior friends in the community are invited to join us. A tour of German Village and the Governor's Mansion in Columbus is scheduled for October 2. Call Ted Ringwald at 831-7119 for details and reservations. A tour to Keeneland is scheduled for October 17. Call Nick Shundich for details and reservations at 831-7506. A golf outing at Hickory Hills for men and women is planned for October 4. Call Ken

Bassett for reservations and details at 831-4325.

At their dinner meeting in August, St. Thomas Episcopal Church recognized the founder of The Senior Class, Marilyn Julnes, who is stepping down this month. Our Rector, Don Waring, commented on Marilyn's perseverance and commitment to a commission on affirmative aging which would minister to the needs of the body, mind and spirit of the senior members of St. Thomas Church. Marilyn was presented with an engraved pewter bowl on behalf

of St. Thomas Church.

The 2001-2002 Board will be commissioned during the 11:00 Church service on October 7 with Beth Kauffman as the new chairperson.

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# It's almost the witching hour for the frightfully fun Pumpkin Fest at "Terror Park" Elementary

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sign). They can be picked up that day for those who pre-ordered, with a few shirts available for impulse buying.

Then on to the main event on Friday, October 19th 5:30-8:30 p.m. with games remaining open until 9 p.m. After you drop off your carved or decorated pumpkin for judging, the whole family can head to the Pumpkin Patch Cafe for hot BBQ, hot dogs or pizza and cold drinks. Then visit all your favorite haunts like Casper's Corner, the Bid-n-Buy, the Cake Walk extravaganza, gym packed with fun & games and the chambers below where the Haunted House rests in peace! At 8:30 get out those raffle



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tickets and see if you are the lucky winner of this year's \$2,500 cash prize or gift voucher.

All residents, young and old, are encouraged to show your Hal-

loween spirit and support your PTO.

If you have any questions please call Pumpkin Fest Chair Paula Albrecht @ 831-1790.



sports. Son Scott Wilson graduated from Ashland University and is teaching 8th grade Social Studies and Science at Three Rivers (he is married to a teacher). Son Brian Wilson graduated from the University of Virginia and is currently enrolled at the London School of Economics in England.

"way back when"; she attended a class out of curiosity and a sense of duty. "They asked me to," she says "so I went but then I got interested." Lifesquad is always changing, always different according to Connie. "We have become very professional over the years. It's an exciting field to be in," she states emphatically.

Over the years Connie has served as PTA president, taught CPR and first-aid, been a loyal Labor Day volunteer and active with AARP. She lives at 335 New Street with husband Rusty, a veteran volunteer with Council and coaching

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Terrace Park Police statistics from 8/14/2001 through 9/10/2001 are as follows:

There were six instances of property found unsecured; three alarm drops, three assists with EMS, two reports of suspicious vehicles, seven outstanding warrant arrests, two driving under suspension arrests and three people locked out of their vehicles.

There was an accident in the parking lot at UDF where a man lost control of his motorcycle while attempting to perform a stunt. The bike hurtled unmanned into a car. A porch swing was taken from a porch. The TP Swim Club was broken into and littered with broken beer bottles and items pulled down from concession

stand shelves. There was a parking complaint lodged against construction trucks blocking street access and a property damage complaint due to landscape damage at Hinners by a semi-tractor trailer. Unregistered solicitors were attempting to sell furniture from the back of a truck in the Village but were stopped by police.

Mutual aid was provided to Newtown for a DUI and a drug investigation incident. Police aided Milford in a domestic dispute and in traffic control. There were 45 traffic citations issued and 12 traffic warnings given. Two traffic stops resulted in one incidence of marijuana possession and one case of drug paraphernalia and arrest.

# A history of the Terrace Park P.T.O.

**Editor's note: this article was written by Melina Vissat, daughter of Karen and Adrian Vissat at 721 Yale. Melina is a junior at Miami University and is majoring in Journalism and English. Much of the information for this article was derived from a report on the P.T.A. compiled by former resident Emily Robbins, deceased wife of Howard Robbins at 801 Stanton. Her report details the beginnings of the P.T.A. from 1913-1958. Emily was the P.T.A. President from 1958-59.**

*"Let us be both proud and humble in our affiliation with the National Parent Teacher Association; an organization which is capable of influencing the attitude of a nation toward its children and youth through the sale of homemade fudge at a basketball game."*

Emily Robbins, 1959.

Terrace Park residents pride themselves on many aspects of the neighborhood; be it the quiet tree-lined streets, the friendly atmosphere, or the sense of kinship and identity that draws everyone together. Although some of these things are abstract and cannot be touched or held, long-time residents know that they are the pull that continually draws new families and friends to the neighborhood.

Despite inevitable change, there is one concrete mainstay that binds the community and brings them together: Terrace Park Elementary School. Standing tall among the trees that flank it on either side, the school remains today as it was meant to be—a place to educate and aid children on their journey to maturity and adulthood. Providing guidance and care for those who pass through its doors, the building's halls echo with voices of children past and present, with

future voices yet to join in. As the growing pile of bicycles stand tribute every fall, families take pride in sending their children to an exemplary school. As with all good things, nothing ever comes about without thought and dedication. A small group of hard-working and forward-thinking ladies formed the P.T.O. in 1913 to help provide us with the commendable school that stands today.

A meeting was called at the schoolhouse on Friday, November 14, 1913 to discuss Governor Cox's new survey designed to arouse greater parental interest in the schools. Ways and means were discussed to add to their efficiency, and 27 ladies in Terrace Park decided to form the School Welfare Club, an early form of the Parent Teacher Association. The Club charged dues of \$0.25. Speakers came to lecture the members on everything from "The Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat," to whether or not children were entering school at too early an age. When the subject of gentlemen joining the Club was proffered, the startled ladies held a meeting to discuss whether or not it would be acceptable. In the end, it was. A Miss Armstrong of Woodward High School addressed the group in 1914, noting wistfully that "it would be well if we could slip off some of the complications of modern life; do away with the fads, and go back to the 'three R's.'"

The first great purchase, a piano, had the ladies spending their "usually staid social hour literally dancing with joy.. as willing feet tripped merry time to the music until the sun was low in the west." Membership rose to 54 members in 1915, and money making projects were underway to provide the school with everything the students needed from towels and soap to flags and encyclopedias. A large quantity of cigars donated for sale

at a Welfare Club Bazaar posed a problem when the School Board lowered the boom on the sale of tobacco in the school. Resourcefulness came to the rescue, however, and the offending stogies were sold separately at the Country Club, and a handsome profit returned to the Welfare Club's treasury.

It was voted to dispense with the customary refreshment period during WWI; but it was resumed in 1919. Dues were raised from \$.25 to \$.50 per year. Speakers touched on topics such as "Women's Suffrage" and "How to Vote" as women strove forward for equality. Over the ensuing years the Club provided games, playground equipment, milk at lunch, hot lunches, inkwells, maps and globes along with other curricular items. In 1928 the Club voted to change its name to the "Parent Teacher Association," or P.T.A. Money was pledged for library books and supplies, scholarships and band uniforms. Grave problems arose when an unlawful slot machine was found operating in the vicinity and patronized by the school children and its removal was requested.

In 1936, lists of censored films were handed out to all parents. Topics discussed at meetings involved the careful driving of school buses, to whether they should sponsor the Cub Scout pack. When the 1940's rolled around, all members and their families were encouraged to contribute to the War Chest in order to provide for the troops "over there." Blood donors were sought and household kits were prepared for the Russian War Relief Foundation. War bonds rolled out and War committees sprang up, led by these same women who organized the home effort. In the post-war era films were shown to the members on the physical therapy and treatment of polio victims. A speaker addressed the topic "Does Terrace Park Need Community Recreation?" The P.T.A. met with the School Board in a forum titled "Information Please," which provided an occasion for members to ask the Board questions. A college professor spoke to the P.T.A. on "Why we are Fighting in Korea."

In 1953 and 1954 a list of desirable movies, books, T.V. and radio programs was compiled and sent home to each parent. Money was raised for school audiovisual equipment and electro-mimeographing machine. The possibility of a Terrace Park-Mariemont School District merger was discussed, and in 1957 the merger was completed and Terrace Park became an elementary school only.

Today the P.T.A. is known as the Parent Teacher Organization, or P.T.O., which unlike the P.T.A. is not affiliated with a national organization but is independent. There are 150 members, with dues being \$5.00 for a family or \$3.00 per individual. They meet the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Topics of discussion include the district wide program "Parenting Matters," bond issues and the use of technology in the schools. From fundraisers such as Market Day, Pumpkinfest, and selling Kroger and Meijer gift certificates, the P.T.O. bands together with the community to provide students with a successful school experience, growing along with them and adapting to their changing needs.

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## Goodbye, sweet girl

By Gillian Littlehale

QE Jordan, Freeman Jordan's labrador retriever, lost her life striving for every dog's dream—a deer of her very own. This gallant effort led to her untimely death on September 2, 2001.

Born on June 28, 1994 in Blue Ash, "Shadow Hill's Queen Elizabeth" quickly adapted to life at her Terrace Park home on the corner of Marietta and Elm. Freeman Jordan, elder son of Ellen and Day Jordan, chose her as his fifth birthday present and named her "QE." This warm household allowed her to develop the sweet nature evident to Terrace Park children, who greeted her daily on their way to and from school.

News that QE was expecting puppies in early 1998 spiked the excitement meter on the Elementary School playground. One morning in March, passersby on Elm Road were greeted with the sight of nine

dog bones, tied with pink and blue ribbons to the evergreen tree in the Jordan's backyard. Few of QE's two-legged friends could resist a regular playdate with the litter of four yellow and five black pups. Their tiny tails were daubed with nail polish in different shades and patterns, to identify by sight each of the four little girls and five little boys. Soon their individual personalities developed, and the backyard was often filled with giggling children and wriggling puppies.

Six of these babies became Terrace Park residents, and most have returned regularly to play with QE and their sister, Caroline Jordan. On their first birthday a puppy party was held at the Sycamore Pheasant Club, hosted by littermate Tigger Carman. Over the years, Ellen, Day, Freeman and Cooper Jordan have often welcomed extra canine company for overnight visits.



Photo: Ellen Jordan

Photo: QE Jordan and her son Indy Weckstein carry a stick to lead the family through the snow at the Sycamore Pheasant Club in March 1999.

True to her Lab heritage, with her human owners and dog daughter at her side, QE fully enjoyed chasing sticks on the Little Miami River, hiking up Redbird Hollow and racing along the Bike Path. A favorite treat was splashing in the summer surf at Emerald Isle, North Carolina.

QE is survived by the Jordan

family and by her nine puppies, Rosie Barnes, Duke Brosh, Tigger Carman, and Caroline Jordan, all of Terrace Park; Cosmo and Geni Bain, of Alamo, California; Junior Pierce of Indian Hill; Indy Weckstein of Mt. Adams and Tilly Weiner of Madeira. QE will be loved and remembered by us all for many years.

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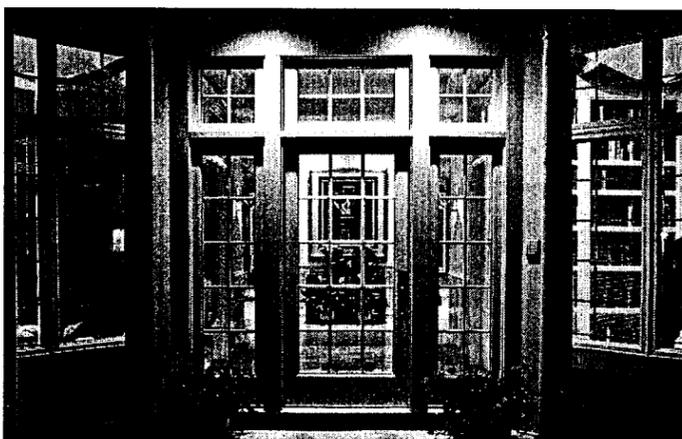
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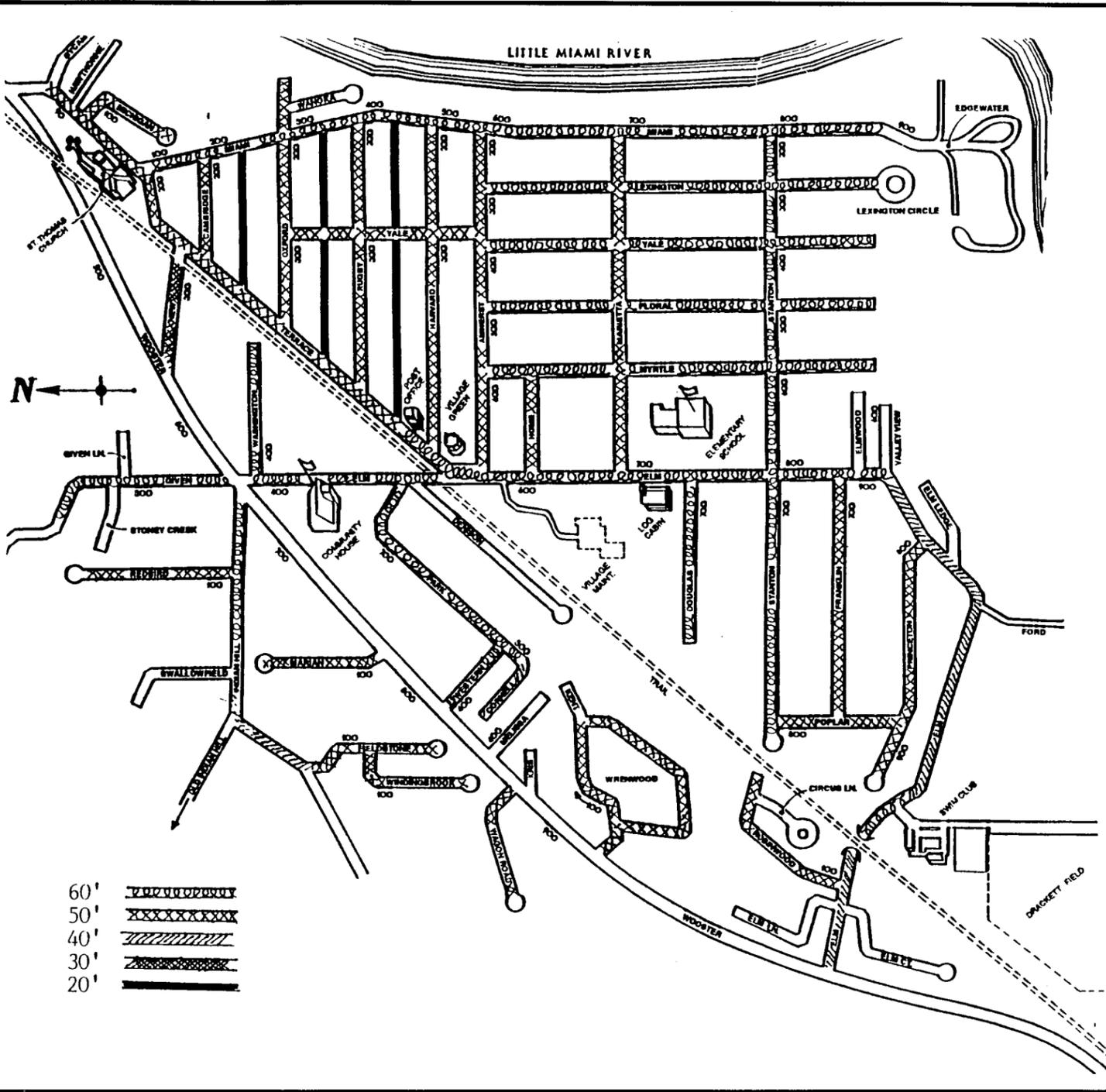
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## History

Terrace Park's Urban Forestry initiative began with the planting of 1600 trees in the late 1890s. Although there was some criticism of species selection, spacing and even utility pruning as early as 1911, these trees continued to flourish. Given care, protection and good growing conditions a large number of these specimens were recorded in an inventory prepared in 1982. The average life of a tree under urban conditions is about 60 years. Many of the original plantings have approached the century mark and continue to contribute to the quality of life in Terrace Park. A comprehensive Urban Forestry program established in 1983 will continue to provide the Village with the many benefits it has received from the original plantings.

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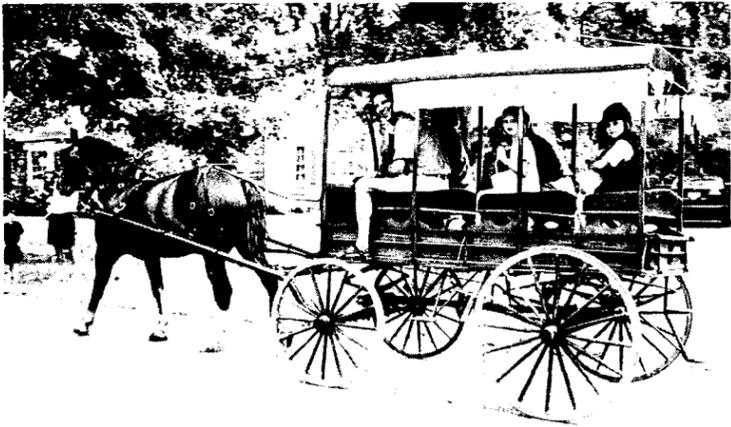
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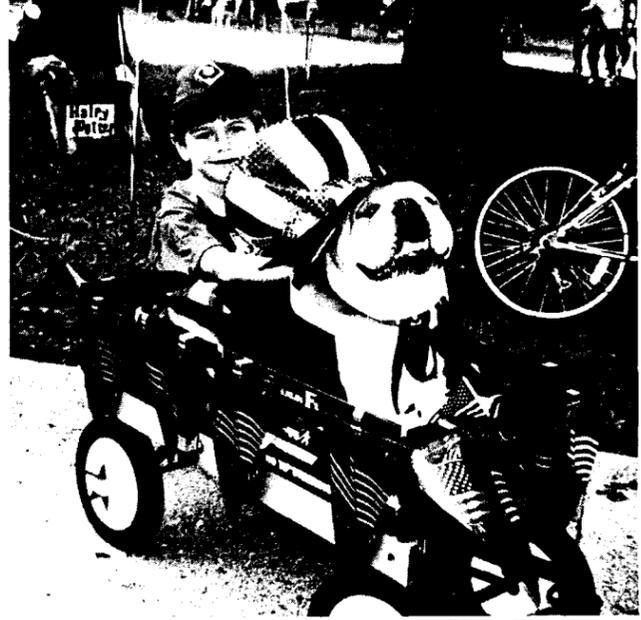


Photo: Terry Sexmith



Photo: Gregg Bolsinger

Lauren and Trey Dayton with their Labs Chloe and Annie.

Nick (pictured) and Cal Fries won first in Best Theme with their dog Lou.

Asher Koreman with his dog Cecil sporting patriotic garb.



Photo: Gregg Bolsinger

The Sometimes Marching Band provided an upbeat tempo.



Photo: Gregg Bolsinger

Chase Stutenroth as Harry Potter with his dog Charlotte.



Photo: Gregg Bolsinger

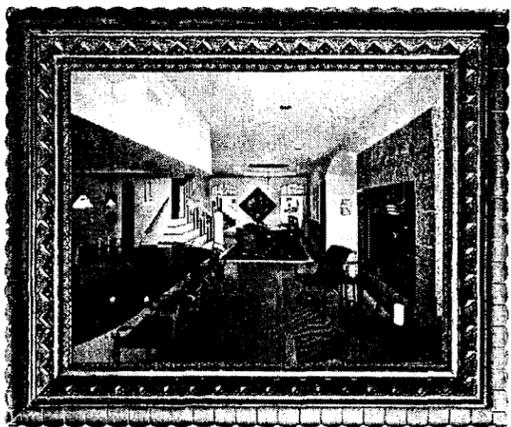
Rose Phillips with her pet bunny, Brownie.



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# Terrace Park Sports

## T.P. Bulldogs win District Champions



Kneeling (left to right): Chris Porst, Ryan Folan, Max Koehler, Nick Sylvest Standing (left to right): Freeman Jordan, Eric Smith, Joe Leary, Joe Mileham, Brian Baird. Coaches (left to right): Tom Sylvest, Kim Baird, Rick Koehler Not pictured: Matt Weigel, Luke Schneider and Breck Weigel (coach)

The C Major Bulldogs had a very successful 2001 season. After winning the regular season district championship the team advanced to the City Knothole Tournament. The Bulldogs made a good run in the tournament, making it to the final six teams before being eliminated 1-0. This was a great experience for the boys to be able to compete against some of the best teams in the city.

Highlights during the season included no-hitters pitched by Brian Baird and Freeman Jordan. Many of

the games were exciting. Three of the team's five losses were by one run.

Coach Baird would like to thank Rick Koehler, Tom Sylvest, Breck Weigel, Tim Smith, Day Jordan and Tom Schneider who coached and helped at practices during the season.

The team would like to thank Commissioner Matt Nickum and Umpire Coordinator Miles Lindahl for jobs well done. Special thanks also to Jeff Carman, Sy Swart and John Srofe for all of their work in maintaining and preparing the fields throughout the season.



Two Mariemont Junior High Golf team players had hole in ones. On September 5 David Dillman (I) had his hole in one at the Little Miami Golf Center. It was at the first hole - 66 yards using his pitching wedge. He just started playing golf this summer! Sam Hyer, on September 6, had his hole in one at Reeves on hole 5. It was 100 yards and he used his seven iron. Sam has been playing golf with his dad since he was five years old.

## Hall of Fame

The annual Mariemont High School Hall of Fame was held Friday, August 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Kusel Stadium, 3812 Pocahontas Ave. Four Mariemont High School graduates will be inducted into the Doc Kusel Hall of Fame at halftime.

Tom Kauffmann, class of 1978, earned five varsity letters while at Mariemont. He received four in track, three in cross country and one in wrestling. In track, he was all league, all city and the league champion of the one-mile. He still holds this school record. Tom is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and is presently a regional sales manager for B & J Machinery.

Shelley Eaton, class of 1996, received three varsity letters in swimming. She won two state championships while at Mariemont. She was all league, all city, all state, and all American in swimming for three consecutive years. She received an honors diploma from Mariemont and is currently a mortgage banker in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Kristin Jones, class of 1996, earned nine varsity letters while at Mariemont. She received one in track, four in basketball and four in tennis.

In basketball, she was all league three times and all district twice. Kristin was on the all league academic team for four years and in 1995 her team was the sectional champion. In tennis, she was all city and all league four times. She was on the first team CHL three years in a row. During her senior year she was CHL player of the year and won honorable mention at state. Kristin's teams were sectional and district champions and fourth in state her senior year. During high school, Kristin was the vice president of National Honor Society, senior class treasurer and on student council. She graduated from Bucknell University in 2000. She is currently a sales representative in Cincinnati.

Lee Wilschewick, class of 1996, lettered in football four times, in basketball once and three times in track. In football, Lee started four consecutive years and never lost a regular season game. His teams went to the state playoffs four years in a row. His team finished second in the state tournament after a double overtime. Lee was all league and all city three times. He was named to the All American team and Ohio player of the year during his junior and senior years. He now lives in Cincinnati and does home remodeling.

## Soccer players kick in to help flood victims

How did you spend your summer vacation? Mariemont residents Mark Bruggeman and Mike McCracken spent the last few weeks of summer for a worthy cause: organizing a soccer

fundraiser to benefit Fairfax flood victims. Thanks to generous contributions from Mariemont, Terrace Park and Fairfax residents, the fundraiser was a complete success.

Bruggeman hatched the idea after learning that several Fairfax boys on the soccer team he coached had lost all their toys in the recent flood. Due to lack of flood insurance coverage in some cases and high deductibles in other cases, it was unlikely that the boys' toys would be replaced. Bruggeman found that many other Fairfax children were in the same boat.

Bruggeman responded by organizing the fundraiser, held at the Mariemont Bell Tower on August 18. The event consisted of a round-robin at the two Bell Tower fields. More than 400 boys and girls from played in the all-day event. Funds were raised through team entry fees, parent donations, good refreshment sales. Many families also donated new and lightly-used toys.

The event raised three vanloads of toys and \$2,500 in cash. The cash was used to buy gift certificates from Johnny's Toys and Dick's Sporting Goods, which chipped in their own contributions. The toys and gift certificates were passed out to the Fairfax children the next weekend.

Bruggeman was pleased to see the three communities come together to aid the flood victims. He remarked: "The event exceeded our wildest expectations. Many thanks to the Terrace Park families for their generous contributions. Special thanks to Rich Beyersdorfer for organizing the TP teams and John Finnigan for organizing the TP referees."

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