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Former MHS Grad driven by desire to help following Sept. 11 Terrorist attack

By Bill Holloway

You know how it is at the end of a long day. You look forward to relaxing. It was almost 9 a.m. on Tuesday and this was the end of Bryant's long day. It was September 11 and he had just turned on his TV as one of the World Trade Center towers began to collapse. Police Officer Bryant Kleinfeldt of the St. Bernard Police Department and brother of TP resident Liz Kaeser, had just arrived home after completing the third shift.

Within hours a Green Township police officer was in touch with New York City and the word was out to police officers around the tri-state. By Friday, when their week ended, Bryant and several other off duty officers from the tri-state had coordinated with the New York City police and were on their way to help their brothers in need. They packed half a dozen cars with all the necessary items to take care of themselves during their stay, sleeping bags, food, etc., drove straight through and arrived in the early morning Saturday.

They also were packing their professional expertise. In Bryant's case: underwater search and rescue, firearms range officer, and motorcycle expert. They had little idea what to expect in a catastrophe such as this but they knew their fellow officers would need all the help they could get.

When they arrived at the Jacob Javits Convention Center, the staging area for assignment, they made their way through the thousands of construction work volunteers and others wishing to help. Forget the sleeping bags, they were given first-class hotel rooms. Bryant said they didn't expect

things to be organized or prepared. They thought they might have to sleep wherever they could stretch out. Later they found a 5-star restaurant on Madison Ave. was closed to the public but open to these badly needed volunteers. All Bryant had to do was show his identification and he was in.

After they had changed into uniforms they were assigned to patrol duty in mid-town Manhattan. They were given assignments to patrol one or more city blocks on foot, in pairs, under the supervision of a local officer who would patrol a large area by car. This allowed the NYPD to assign more of their own people to the disaster and all attending problems that brought, including the overwhelming desire of NYPD officers to personally aid their own. Oversimplified the message was, "we lost some of our guys, you cover us while we go search." One Fire Dept. Hook and Ladder Company lost all but one man.

A couple of officers from Bryant's group did not wish to do ordinary patrol duty, they wanted to be involved in the work at the World Trade Center site and when they weren't, they left to return home. Bryant realized the scope of this problem, and the solution to it, was much broader than that. As a UC graduate with a dual major in Psychology and Law Enforcement he knew the problems of maintaining the law and the stability of the "street."

All New Yorkers were having problems with the enormity of the situation. Some of them came up to Bryant and recognizing he was from out of town wanted to know why he was there. Did he come



with a school group? In the immediate aftermath of this horrendous event, everyone was struggling to understand.

From this disaster Bryant came away with a new view of his job as a professional police officer. It seems such a shame that it so often takes an event like this to bring people together. A good result was that in all of the worst of this calamity the image of the police and the fire department was greatly enhanced.

Retrospective: In the museum of his memories about NYC, one image in his collection will endure. The police unit he was working with had a room: where family and fellow officers could gather to keep up on what was happening. Much of what little they knew was not good. Bryant was in the room when a father of one of the policemen came in. He knew his son was missing. He went to the message board and wrote a note to his son telling him they were keeping his food warm at home for when he got back. The weight and impact of that moment lives on for Bryant. To this day it rends the heart of one very dedicated police officer.

From the Village Views Board:

The June issue will be our editor's final edition. The paper has been a vital component of our community for over 33 years. In order to continue, we are in urgent need of a new editor and reporters. You do not need to be an experienced journalist. An interest in writing about events and people in your community is sufficient.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact **Cyndy Finnigan at 831-5121** as soon as possible.

The future of this paper depends on you!

Election facts and figures

The primary election on May 7 produced a result that had not occurred for over 50 years — the defeat of a tax levy for the Mariemont City School District. The proposed 9.5 mill levy was defeated 1,670-998. The last time voters rejected a Mariemont School tax levy was in 1946. The levy failed in every community where it appeared on the ballot. The margin of defeat was greater in communities with higher concentration of rental units, perhaps because apartment buildings are taxed at a higher commercial property rate than residential property. There was organized opposition to the levy by a group called "Citizens against Taxation." They put out a flier which was delivered to homes prior to the election which listed their reasons why they were against the levy and resultant increase in taxes; it was met with a rebuttal in the form of a flier from the school levy committee which addressed those concerns.

Although the school tax levy failed in Terrace Park too, the rate of support was greater than in

any other community. The school levy results: Columbia Township: 181 for, 480 against; Fairfax: 107 for, 350 against; Mariemont: 441 for, 730 against; Terrace Park: 368 for, 460 against. Voter turnout in Terrace Park was higher than in other communities, with 830 out of 1,617 registered voters casting ballots.

Terrace Park voters supported the 1 mill, 15-year replacement levy for the Hamilton County Park District: 516 for, 291 against. (64% to 36%) Park voters also supported the 2.74 mill renewal and increase, 5-year Hamilton County Mental Health levy, 458 for and 345 against. (57% to 43%) Both levies passed county-wide, but at much lower rates of support: both levies passed 51%-49%.

The 830 Terrace Park residents who voted used the following ballots: 534 Republican, 73 Democrat and 223 issues only. Terrace Park's Rob Portman, congressman, was unopposed in the Republican primary and garnered 100% of the vote.



Terrace park resident Larry Williams being sworn in as Village Treasurer by Mayor Dan Startzman. Mr. Williams replaces Jack Brown, who was unable to complete his term.

Terrace Park Historical Society

Our mission: tracking our past and present for the future.

General meeting

**Sunday afternoon
June 2nd, at 4 p.m.**

in the Community House
"Archaeology in Terrace Park and the Surrounding Areas,"
by Bob Genheimer

No Summer Fun

Summer Fun will not be held at the TP Elementary School this summer due to asbestos clean-up and other work being done at the school. A variety of field trips are planned for the first two weeks of June. Call **Lynda Mackey at 831-2575** if interested.

Terrace Park to remember 9/11 victims and local volunteer on Memorial Day

On Memorial Day, May 27, the Village of Terrace Park will honor those who have participated in military service and will remember those who died on 9/11. The flag raising will be dedicated to the 9/11 victims, particularly Doug Cherry who grew up in Terrace Park.

Bryant Kleinfeldt, a St. Bernard police officer and Mariemont High School graduate, will be honored for his volunteer service in New York City

in the aftermath of 9/11. [See related article.] Bryant's sister, Liz Kaeser, and her family live in Terrace Park.

All residents of the Village are asked to fly their flags on Memorial Day. Plan to attend the Memorial Day ceremony that begins at 10:00 a.m. with the Village parade.

Ray Normile
831-2804
raynormile@hotmail.com

Boy Scout News

The Boy Scouts will be selling new Terrace Park phone directories door to door the first week of June. After that they can be purchased at the Village Office during the hours of 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. These handy little books sell for \$7.00 each or three for \$20.00. (previously \$6.00 each) The proceeds go to support TP Volunteer Emergency Services. The books are published every two years.

Deadline for the June issue is June 10th. Remember, there is no July paper.

Due to the postponement of May's Village Council meeting, we were unable to report it in this issue. Coverage of the May and June Council meetings will appear in the June issue.

Dear Friends,

When we moved to Terrace Park, our son Doug knew he had stumbled into heaven. There was a functioning railroad at one end of the alley and a river at the other end. A horse lived across the street and the neighborhood bulged with little boys. You could ride your bike in the street. Thus began Doug's love affair with the Park. As an adult all communities were compared to Terrace Park and found wanting.

This community, which had given him such a happy childhood, has given us a safe place to mend our broken hearts. Following September 11, you've comforted us with random acts of kindness. Thank you for caring. The Park is our oasis of sanity in a world seemingly gone mad.

Those of you who knew Doug, know that he lived life to the fullest. So, remember Doug, not when the television shows the twin towers falling from the skies, but when you see children playing on the Village Green.... riding their bikes to soccer and baseball games.....skip into the St. Thomas Nursery School.....march with the scouts on Memorial Day, tug their decorated family dog in the pet parade. Remember Doug when you hear laughter of the children on the playground.....hear the roar of the crowd at a swim meet.....see a car decorated in Warrior Blue and Gold. Doug's death was a terrible tragedy, but remember his life was filled with fun and laughter.

Doug's remains were identified on March 25, 2002. His remarkable wife, Sarah, chose to bring Doug home to Terrace Park, home to St. Thomas, home to those of us who loved him so.

Sincerely,
Anne and Doug Cherry
402 Yale Avenue

To the Editor:

I, for one, was not surprised the school levy tax increase was defeated. The school board has got to get the message that not everyone in the district has unlimited funds. I know many retired people on fixed incomes voted against it and have heard since then that many younger couples, with children in school, also voted no simply because they could not afford it. I do not consider it an honor to live in one of the highest taxed school districts in the state. If I had realized in the previous levy the school board planned to build a new gym as a high priority to maintain our reputation for excellence in schools, I would have voted against that levy also.

James Stockwell
601 Miami Ave.

To all Terrace Park Residents,

On May 7, Mariemont School District voters rejected a proposed operating levy. This was a first in recent history and it sends a signal. The Mariemont City School District has over the years earned and enjoyed the approval from its residents to support its staff, curriculum, facilities and programs. What we're seeing now is the voters saying that something is out of alignment.

Voting is only half of the responsibility. The school board is asking you to go farther and let them know your feelings about the levy and any opportunities to refocus our resources on the things people value most. We encourage you to respond to the letter the board recently sent you. If you don't have the letter, write down your thoughts and send them directly to the school board at Mariemont Board of Education, 6743 Chestnut St., Cincinnati OH 45227; or email: mariemontschools@hotmail.com or fax: 513-527-3436.

You can certainly call us with any questions or comments as well. (576-1645)

Also, the board will be holding informal community meetings as an additional opportunity to share your views. You're welcome to attend whichever is most convenient. All meetings will be held in the respective elementary libraries at 7:30 p.m.: Fairfax - June 4, Mariemont - June 5 and Terrace Park - June 6.

Operating a successful, safe and nurturing school system is a priority for every community. It certainly has always been in Terrace Park - and always will be. We all have to work together to insure continued excellence in a way that meets the needs of our children and our residents.

We fully expect Terrace Park to answer this call for feedback. It is an honor to work with and on behalf of the people in this community. We'd like to thank everyone who voted, all the neighbors who worked on this levy request and the school board. Please get involved in this process by contacting us or the school board.

Mark and Betsy Porst
733 Elm

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 9 p.m. on the second Monday of the month. **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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Advertisements for *Village Views* may be placed in a variety of sizes. A business card size (2x4) is only \$24 per month. A classified ad is \$5 to Village residents only. **Payment must accompany ad.** Call Business Manager **Gerri Kennedy @ 831-2388** for additional rates. *Village Views* welcomes your business.

June Deadline :

The June deadline for *Village Views* is **June 10**, the second Monday of the month. All camera-ready ads and articles must be submitted by 9 p.m. on Monday June 10, 2002. **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**.

To the Editor:

For those who were surprised and shocked that a Mariemont School levy failed, this might be the time to look at some causes. While the size of the increase may have influenced some voters, I think there were more fundamental reasons why this defeat occurred.

For example:

1. A few years ago, when my youngest son was at the high school, I attended a teacher conference one evening and was dismayed to discover that five out of six of his teachers were lacking rudimentary grammatical skills. When I brought this to the attention of the principal, he agreed that the problem did exist but that there was nothing he could do about it. During a forum with the candidates for the school board last fall, I raised the same question and was summarily dismissed with the admonition that "We have the finest teaching staff available anywhere". (i.e., there is no problem.) The principal is now the superintendent and three of the candidates, who were in denial then, are now on the board.

2. When I discovered errors in some of the text books used at the elementary and junior high level, and questioned the process by which these texts were reviewed, I was ignored by the elementary principal as well as a school board member, and told by the same candidates at the same forum that the problem did not exist. Again with the denial.

3. I attended a focus group a few months ago and was amazed that 3/4 of the parents had hired tutors because their children were not getting the instruction that they needed, primarily in math and science. What are people who can't afford tutors supposed to do? Ironically, these were the same areas where I had previously found errors in text books.

4. While attending elementary and junior high athletic events in the past few years, it was apparent that many were given the opportunity to participate based solely upon a perceived impression of the influence of the player's family, rather than their ability, dedication or enthusiasm. Elementary and junior high teams should be a time of learning and development, not partisan favoritism. Winning should be secondary to experience. Concerns expressed to the Athletic Director and coaches fell on deaf ears.

5. Similarly, extremely low tolerance should be given those who violate training rules, show disrespect for coaches and officials, display unsportsmanlike conduct, or in general behave in a way that does not reflect accepted school standards. They should be dealt with decisively and firmly, regardless of the player's parentage or economic station. I recognize that size, skill and athletic potential are justifiable guidelines for selecting participants, but not just to curry favor with social lions. Some weight should be given to integrity, character and determination. Sadly, this has not always been the case.

6. Recruiting from outside the district denies resident students opportunities to participate on various teams, and sends the wrong message to our children about the value of winning and losing versus the honesty and dignity of personal endeavor, whatever the outcome. Vince Lombardi was wrong, how you play the game matters.

I had spoken with several school board members prior to the levy vote, and I was convinced they had every intention of looking into some of these issues. But many others, who have the same concerns as I, were obviously not convinced, and with good reason. They felt no one had been listening to them, either.

I recall a similar situation in the late 70's, and in the aftermath of the subsequent strike and firing of half the faculty, the community reclaimed its faltering school system. Twenty years later, some of the same complacency and denial seems to have resurfaced. In the words of George Santayana, "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

We have some excellent people in our district, but we need greater accountability, higher professionalism, clearer hiring guidelines and better materials review. While a major overhaul may not be necessary, a thorough tune-up is certainly in order. If we do that, maybe November will produce a more desirable outcome.

William R. Weakley
710 Stanton Ave.

*(Life of Reason, Reason in Common Sense, Scribner's, 1905, page 284)

To the Community:

Summer is fast approaching, and with it an increase in pedestrian traffic, bicyclists, roller bladers, scooters and skate boarders. We at UDF and Proctor Insurance think it's wonderful that kids and families can stroll or ride up to the neighborhood store for a treat or grocery item; it's part of what makes Terrace Park such a charming place to live. Unfortunately, a problem has developed with skateboarders and scooters using our parking lot as a play area. We are afraid an accident will occur. The parking area is a busy one, with a number of cars going in and out of the lot, often using it as a cut-through. The safety of the kids and our customers is of utmost concern to us. It would be remiss on our part not to address this problem and help prevent a terrible accident. Therefore, signs will be posted at the end of May forbidding skateboarders, scooters and rollerbladers from riding in the parking lot. These will be enforced. And please, no loitering or blocking the front door. Use the tables to sit down and enjoy your ice cream or drink.

Please help us keep this a safe area for all involved.

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From Tragedy Comes Triumph

By Bren Fries

It is said that, in the experience of life, we are all somewhat meshed, inter-twined, so that when one of us is taken, the fabric, while still strong, is not whole. The tragic events of September 11, 2001, certainly magnify that notion. As so many of you know, Doug and Anne Cherry's son, Doug, was lost on that terrible day. The question for the Cherry family, like countless others forever impacted was, "where do we go from here?" Grief is an emotion manifested like that of a fingerprint...each unique and individual. Ultimately, though, many continue to live their lives as those passed would have wanted.

Such is the case with Anne and Doug. You see, Doug had planned to travel this past April with his son to build houses for those not as fortunate as them, the poorest of the poor in Tijuana, Mexico. It was to be a trip in association with the Homes for Hope program of San Diego and Baja, that, since 1991, has identified families in true need of a roof over their head. As the weekend approached for the homes to be built, Big Doug (his obvious nickname) put out the word that others were free to join them. And join they did. From Boston, St. Louis, Santa Monica and Louisville, to name a few. Our own Terrace Park saw 16 make the trip. Some were Doug's closest family, others fraternity brothers or neighbors. Some had never even met him. But they joined, arm in arm, 53-strong for the Dou-

glas M. Cherry Memorial Build.

We gathered on a 25-foot piece of concrete slab on a desolate hillside cleared by the Mexican government. We prayed, hand in hand alongside the family about to make this soon-to-be-built structure a home. And then we rolled up our sleeves. Everyone became part of a team, painting, framing, dry-walling, you name it. English and Spanish melted into one language of cooperation. Occasionally, some would stop working to pass out candy to curious children gathering nearby. Before long, amidst the nailing, sawing and painting, a house took shape. By the end of the second day our group that could completed three, fully functional, houses equipped; even with electricity. Donations of clothes, cookware, and most furnishing necessities gave these houses the comfort of a home. As they neared completion the almost overwhelming feeling of gratitude and amazement was easy to see on the Mexican families' faces. This was indeed one of the greatest days of their lives.

After each home was finished, we would all gather, and with the help of an interpreter, we would share our thoughts with the families and they with us. The 1000th Home of Hope was completed on the 14th of April. In it hangs a plaque dedicated to Doug's memory. At the threshold we all gathered and paid tribute to Doug. People read special messages, others just said what came to their mouths. Then Sarah, now widowed with her daughter

clutching her waist, spoke freely about her husband. He was a man who had so much, who loved life so much, that giving became a part of living. So, she said, this is exactly where he would have wanted to be...doing exactly what we were doing. As we gathered around a table to partake in a feast of "as authentic as it gets" Mexican delicacies prepared by our new friends over an open fire, a sense of contentment was everywhere. Three families had a fresh start, a real chance in a world that gives so few. It is so ironic. In the face of once unthinkable terror and tragedy, people from one country gathered in another nation to build, in a way, new life.

That too, perhaps, is just how Doug Cherry would have wanted it.

Village Calendar 2002

May

27 Memorial Day — NO SCHOOL. TP parade begins 10 a.m.

Board 7:30 p.m. TPE Library (June 4 -Fairfax; June 6 - Mariemont)

June

2 MHS Baccalaureate 2 p.m.

10 Village Views deadline for articles, photos and camera ready ads, 9 p.m.

2 TP Historical Society meeting 4 p.m. Community Building. Program: "Archaeology in Terrace Park and Surrounding Areas" by Bob Genheimer, Acting Curator of Archaeology for Cincinnati Museum Center. Call Carol Cole @ 831-6771 with questions

10 AARP meeting 1:30 p.m. Community Building. Program: "Where to Place New Schools" with James Quatman or John Frye. Call Virginia Marquett @ 831-2650 with questions

2 MHS Graduation 7:30 p.m.

10 Mayor's Court 7 p.m. Community Building

3 Last day of school for Mariemont Schools

11 TP Village Council 7:30 p.m. Community Building

4 TP Garden Club "Evening Garden Walk" 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

16 Father's Day

6 Community meeting with Mariemont School

17 Booster meeting 7:30 p.m.

18 Board of Education meeting 7:15 p.m. MHS

Please call Roseann Hayes @ 248-2619 with calendar information



The 1,000th home built; dedicated to the memory of Doug Cherry.



Building a one room home for the Gonzales family.

Photos: Bren Fries

P.S. While it was great to get back to the comforts of Terrace Park, I found it amusing, if not a bit bizarre, that upon my arrival a water main broke and again I was told by local officials: Do Not Drink the Water. Perhaps we're not as different as we might think, eh?

13 from Terrace Park made the Trek to Tijuana, Mexico: Anne and Doug Cherry, Ellie Delaplaine, William Douglas, Bren Fries, Joyce and Mike Getz, Gerry Malotke, Barbara and Jack Smith, Chuck Stutenroth and Bert and Red Wigton.

The deadline for the June issue is Monday, June 10.

There is no July paper.

Editor needed ASAP.

Have you seen any EnDANGERed Characters?



In May & June we're discussing "EnDANGERed Characters"

at Horizon Community Church.

"Every species needs an environment in which to thrive, a way to reproduce itself, and those who will fight for its survival," says Doug Howe, Senior Pastor.

"I hope we always celebrate and ensure the survival of the character traits we're discussing in this series."

Come explore these Endangered Character traits:

May 26	Sacrifice
June 2	Humility
June 9	Gratitude
June 16	Leadership
June 23	Honesty
June 30	Courage

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Also, you can relax at Horizon Community Church with your family well taken care of. Your family will enjoy specifically designed, separate programs for newborns through high school seniors.

So, please join in at 10:00 a.m. this or any Sunday, at the Cincinnati Country Day High School Theater, 6905 Given Road, between Kugler Mill & Shawnee Run Roads.

For more information, call Horizon at 272-1315.

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The Gonzales family

Neighbor to Neighbor

Mariemont Schools
Submitted by Julia Mace



Bethany is pictured with Susie Mahan, Fine Arts Department Chair at MHS and Congressman Portman.

Congressional Art Award

Terrace Park resident and Mariemont High School senior Bethany Whittelsey placed first in this year's Congressional Art Competition. About 10 Greater Cincinnati schools participated and over 100 pieces of art were submitted. Whittelsey's mixed fiber piece will hang in Congress for one year.

Jennifer Sarran, also a Terrace Park resident and Mariemont High School senior, received one of ten honorable mentions.

Seven Hills Review

Congratulations to Terrace Park resident and Mariemont High School senior Jessie Rogowski. Jessie will have a poem printed in the local publication, The Seven Hills Review.

Kiwanis Recognition

Terrace Park resident and senior Victoria Thoman was honored at the Kiwanis Clubs of Ohio's Sixth Division Student Recognition Day. This activity gives recognition to outstanding scholastic students from the senior classes of Hamilton County High Schools, emphasizing their achievements, honoring their abilities and encouraging them to greater efforts.



Pictured from left to right: Grace Gardner, Elizabeth Anne Douglas, Sarah Austin, Elizabeth Keller, Meagan Majchszak, Lindsey Serraino, Ellie Osborn, Lea Phillips, Olivia Saulnier, Hanna Reeder, Kitty McCormack, Emily Graumlich, Lauren Frey, Meggie Keiser, Abby Mathis, Emily Clark, and Nicole Mackey. (not pictured: Madeline Cinquina and Caroline Brown)

Second grade Brownie gardeners

By Debbie Graumlich

The second grade Brownie Troop #7773 enjoyed a spring afternoon of gardening. With proceeds from our Girl Scout cookie sale, we purchased and planted two containers outside of the post office with a combination of ivy, zinnia, coleus, phlox, and spikes.

Hopefully, the plants will flourish and brighten your trips to the post office. If you notice that the pots are dry, please feel free to water them - a watering can will be on the side of the building. Thank you to everyone who supported our cookie sale and helped fund this project.

TP resident to attend language camp

Katie Thompson-Taylor, 10-year old daughter of Mike Taylor and Martha Thompson of 722 Miami Avenue, Terrace Park, will attend Concordia Language Villages Spanish Language Village in northern Minnesota from August 12-17, 2002.

Concordia Language Villages is a program of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota, that introduces young people, ages 7-18, to 12 world languages and cultures: Chinese, Danish, English, Finnish, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Russian, Spanish and Swedish.

By being immersed in language and culture, villagers experience a simulated visit to another country. Villagers are issued passports, exchange currency and adopt new names. During one-week, two-week and one-month credit sessions, villagers learn language and experience culture through large and small learning groups, holiday celebrations, re-enactment of historic events, songs, dances, crafts, games, and everyday conversations.

The one-month sessions, open to grades 9-12, include formal language classes for high school credit. No previous language experience is

necessary for any session as the program is structured for both beginners and those with more experience. Concordia Language Villages also offers abroad programs to France, Germany, Japan and Spain for high school credit.

Dedicated to world peace through understanding, Concordia Language Villages began in 1961 with a two-week program in German attended by 75 young people. Today, Concordia Language Villages offers year-round programs that annually attract more than 9,000 young people from all 50 states and many countries. The staff at each Village come as certified language teachers from many countries and also from across the United States.

For more information, contact: Concordia Language Villages
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www.ConcordiaLanguageVillages.org
Source: Christine Schulze, Executive Director

Parental advisory: contains vital information for your child's college search

By Sue Harrier Dolan

Are you a parent in the process of helping your son or daughter select a college? If so, you're probably searching through countless college catalogs and brochures seeking answers to your most pressing questions. You are wondering what college offers the best academic program, how you will finance college expenses, and whether your child's college degree will lead to a good job upon graduation.

As you begin to investigate and visit various colleges, be sure to ask if cooperative education, or co-op, is offered. By participating in co-op, your son or daughter will gain a definite edge, both in academic studies and in the job market.

Cooperative education, or co-op, is an academic program at college that enables students to integrate classroom studies with relevant work experience. Typically, students begin with an initial period of full-time academic study, followed by a period of real world work experience related to the student's educational and career goals. At most colleges and universities, students co-op at least three times.

Cooperative education offers so many benefits to students; it's hard to imagine why someone would not take advantage of such a tremendous opportunity.

Here are just some of the ways co-op can benefit your son or daughter:

Co-op offers students the opportunity to test career choices against the reality of working in their chosen fields. Students are

able to clarify their career decisions and make changes before they have invested a lot of time and money.

Co-op allows students to earn a significant portion of their college expenses through earnings made on their co-op jobs.

Students gain valuable job search skills such as resume writing and interviewing techniques.

Students will be able to apply theoretical knowledge gained in the classroom.

Co-op greatly improves students' chances for securing jobs after graduation because of the directly related work experience they can show on their resumes.

Hundreds of colleges and universities offer cooperative education. To learn more about co-op and to obtain a list of colleges and participating employers, go to these web sites:

Ohio Cooperative Education Association: <http://www.ohioco-op.com>

National Commission for Cooperative Education: <http://www.co-op.edu/spguide.html>

Sue Harrier Dolan is a full-time faculty member at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College. She is a cooperative education coordinator in the Information and Engineering Technologies Division, and also teaches courses in Professional Practices and Career Exploration. Sue grew up in Terrace Park and now resides in the village with her husband, Phil and daughter, Paige. You may contact her at: dolans@cinstate.cc.oh.us

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont to sponsor Memorial Day essay contest

Ray Normile, The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont 831-2804

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont is sponsoring an essay contest for sixth grade students in the elementary schools in the Mariemont School District. The intent of the contest is to heighten students' understanding of the meaning of Memorial Day. Students at Mariemont Elementary, Fairfax, Terrace Park and St. Margaret of Cortona schools will work with teachers and classmates to develop an understanding of the history of Memorial Day and its significance to our country in conjunction with their study of citizenship.

The three best essays chosen from each school will be submitted to the Kiwanis Club. The writer of the winning essay of the three will be awarded a commemorative plaque and be invited to read the essay at the Memorial Day ceremony in their respective communities.

The Kiwanis Club of Mariemont encourages all parents of sixth graders at the elementary schools to help their children understand that Memorial Day has more meaning than watching or marching in a parade and going to the pool opening.

Along with the essay contest, the Kiwanis Club of Mariemont is providing Memorial Day wreaths to the communities of Fairfax, Mariemont and Terrace Park to be included in their Memorial Day programs honoring all those who served their country and gave their lives for their country.



Local area resident Joyce Z. Grothaus has opened a custom interior decorating business through Decorating Den Interiors, serving the Terrace Park-Milford communities.

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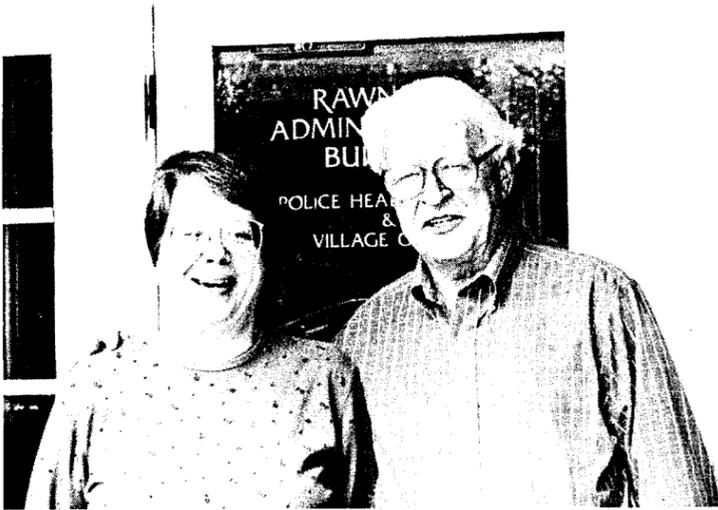
Terrace Park: a nice place to work!

By Cyndy Finnigan

Francine Glassmeyer wears a number of hats working for Terrace Park: she is the Village Clerk, Village Secretary, Clerk of Courts and custodian of the Community Building (she's who to call to rent or use the building.) Francine also logged 11 years as an EMT for the Terrace Park Life Squad.

Lodged in the front of the Village Administration Offices in Terrace Park, she is the first person you usually see when you enter. She is often on the phone answering a question (one of the mainstays of her job) but she will also take your money if you have a citation to pay, or issue a warrant against you if you don't pay up! As Village Clerk, Francine is responsible for financial record keeping for the Village, payroll, Council minutes, seeing that the Village complies with statutory requirements, posting notices, and copying "reams of material." As Village Secretary, she answers the phones, takes messages, acts as a part-time dispatcher for the police, files records and types. When she is working as Clerk of Courts, Francine attends Mayor's Court, prepares the docket, processes payments for citations, transmits information to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles and distributes checks to the proper authorities. Whew!

"They always had two separate people before me," Francine muses, "but I figured I'm here any-



way so I may as well take on both positions (she became the Village Clerk in 1993 and took on the other positions in 1997). It's really more of a benefit to the community; more efficient. You can always reach me for one thing or another," she concludes. "I'm not an accountant," Francine professes (she was an English major in college) "but it helps to be efficient in computer accounting and fund accounting. You have to be detail-oriented and self-motivated. There are a lot of deadlines to meet."

The best part of the job? "The people I work with. The day to day dealings I have with my co-workers who are very nice people." And the worst? "Well....." she says "some of the notes that come in with payments of violations are not always very nice." She showed me one. Definitely not printable in the Village Views. It seems people aren't always polite about parting with their money. "We file them under complaints," she says.

Unfailingly calm and polite, it's good to have Francine representing Terrace Park in the front office.

Dave Pannkuk works in the "dungeon" in Terrace Park. The "dungeon," as its referred to, is the basement of the Community Building where Village archives are

housed. "I'm glad to come up for air," he jokes.

Mr. Pannkuk was appointed in January of 2001 by Mayor Startzman to be the Village Archivist; a position that had gone unfilled for several years. (former resident Esther Powell last held the position). "I've always liked history," he states. "My wife and I lived in Terrace Park for 25 years. He still lives just down the street on Wooster Pike. "I came along at the right time for the job and it suits me. I'm charged with keeping specific, permanent government records that are both politically and legally sensitive. Each Village is required to keep them. It is stipulated by category: General, Administration, Legal, Planning and Zoning, Financial and Appeals. Other things may be kept temporarily or are turned over to the TP Historical Society."

Mr. Pannkuk hasn't always

been behind the scenes; he used to very much in front when he was an active member of the now defunct Terrace Park Players. "I was president for awhile, I acted, sang, and directed the orchestra." He was also involved in starting Village Views, with former editor Ellis Rawnsley, and helped get recreational soccer off the ground here in Terrace Park. Mr. Pannkuk still performs too: he plays the organ at Friarhurst Church on Sundays.

The hardest part of the job so far has been "a lot of house cleaning," he groans. "We got rid of 47 boxes of unnecessary documents, according to new government guidelines. Paper still dominates record keeping, though, and that takes room." Mr. Pannkuk meets with the Records Keeping Commission (Dan Startzman, Francine Glassmeyer, Bob Molloy and Carol Cole) twice a year to go over records and determine what to keep. "It's a great group of people," he says, "and one of the best aspects of the job. Plus, it gets me out of the 'dungeon' for awhile!" he concludes.

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Police Beat

Police statistics will appear in next issue due to the change in Council meeting dates.

Emergency phone chain to be established

By Terry Howe

Last month's water main break has brought to the Village's attention the need for a method to notify residents in a timely fashion when an emergency has occurred. After researching possible solutions (computer, media, etc.), a phone call to each resident seems to be best. While we all may not be on the computer or watching T.V. at the same time, we most likely will answer the phone as soon as it rings or retrieve our messages as soon as we get home. The chain will be set up in the following way:

There will be 6-10 regional street captains plus individual street captains. The regional captains will be responsible for recruiting street captains. These street captains will be responsible for recruiting volunteers on each street so that each person

in the chain would have no more than 6-10 calls to make. When the Village would receive notice of a certain emergency or situation that was deemed necessary to be passed on to the residents (water problems, hazardous spills, etc.) the regional captains would be notified. They in turn would call their street captains who then would call their volunteers. In this way everyone could be notified in a short time. Terry and Heather Howe have volunteered to organize and maintain the "chain." Of course, to make this successful we need your help. Please fill in the box below if you are interested in volunteering. It will be minimal time on your part but will be a great way to get involved and help your neighbor. Terrace Park is small enough to make this a reality so please volunteer and show what a special place this is.

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Terrace Park Historical Society Our mission: tracking our past and present for the future

By Carol Cole

Our next meeting will be held at 4 p.m. on the 2nd of June at the Community House. Bob Genheimer will speak on "Archaeology in Terrace Park and the Surrounding Areas." In the future we plan to have our general meetings on the 1st Sunday afternoon in February, May and either November or December and the 2nd Sunday afternoon in September. Our newsletter "The Tracker" will be published four times a year and will serve as members' notification of meetings.

Our April meeting was again a great success with over 50

people in attendance on a beautiful spring afternoon — a real tribute to our speaker! David McNeil returned to continue his talk on traction lines and focused on the Kroger Line since he has already published a book on the Swing Line. The Kroger Line came out from Cincinnati through Mariemont on Wooster Pike until it turned onto the lower end of Elm Avenue, coming along Elm and Terrace Place, over the bridge into Milford and eventually to Blanchester. Mr. McNeil concluded his talk with a wonderful slide show of maps, timetables, horse-drawn and elec-

tric cars, stations and other scenes connected with transportation at the time of the traction lines.

We now have a list of the people interested in taking a ride/walk tour with Stan Brown and perhaps John Downey along what's left of the traction lines in our area. If there are others interested, please let us know since we hope to schedule tours soon.

One of the most pressing needs of the Society is to do more oral history. There are many people in the community who have interesting stories to share, but they need to be recorded. We have a tape recorder and someone willing to transcribe the recordings. What we need is someone to head up this project along with others willing to visit people and record their stories. We do have some questions and other information that will be helpful for people doing this work. This should actually be quite an interesting and personally rewarding job!

New members since the March Village Views include:

- Edie Critchell
- Drackett Harth Construction
- Jane M. Earls
- Michael & Lori Frey
- Kevin & Nina Jahne (WA)
- Ross & Bella Lindell (CA)
- Bill & Jean Lohrum
- Carol N. McIlwain
- Nick & Rosell Shundich
- Marie Stoecklin

This brings our total to 92 memberships which of course is well over 100 people. I hope by our next meeting in June we will bring our memberships to at least 100! Checks should be sent to Bill Holloway, 309 Terrace Place, Terrace Park, OH 45174. Individual \$15; couple/family \$25; business/corporate \$50.

For any of you who have not yet looked at the Terrace Park Woman's Club Building Survey it's time you did at HYPERLINK <http://www.tpsurvey.org>. There are links between this site and the Terrace Park site HYPERLINK "<http://www.terracepark.com>". Between the two of them we are receiving e-mails from people who no longer live in Terrace Park (or never did) either seeking information from us or giving us wonderful new material. These sites are proving to be very valuable tools. If any of you have information to add or correct we hope you will contact us at HYPERLINK mail to: cccole4@juno.com or 513-831-6771.

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The Problem With Main Breaks

Submitted by Indian Hill Water Works

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In a few cases, residual effects (air entrapment, discolored water) lasted even longer.

Some customers expressed concerns about not receiving the boil water advisory promptly; however, contacting the customers through the news media remains the quickest, most effective way of notifying the public. Boil water advisories are not issued for every water main break. If the break can be isolated quickly and if the affected area is relatively small, the Water Works can typically flush the area and maintain effective chlorine residuals to offset the risk of bacteria entering the system. Should a definite health threat ever occur, the Water Works would take additional steps to notify customers. As a result of customer suggestions, future notices will also be posted on the Village web site: www.ci.indian-hill.oh.us.

Main breaks can also cause discolored and/or milky water, as in the case of the April break. Discolored water is usually caused from the iron pipes being surged and vibrated from the break. This "rusty" water is not pleasant to look at, but does not normally pose a health threat. It will, however, stain laundry, and requires a special anti-rust treatment to remove the staining.

Milky water is usually caused by air entrapment, and the milky appearance dissipates as the water sits. Air entrapped in the water can cause in-house plumbing to rattle and, in some cases, can cause damage to appliances such as water softeners and water heaters. Owners of water softeners may consider bypassing their unit for a few days until all air is expelled from the line.

Under Ohio law, water main breaks are ordinarily considered "acts of God," and resulting damage is often covered under the homeowner's insurance. The water utility is not considered liable for damage caused by a main break unless there is negligence by the utility.

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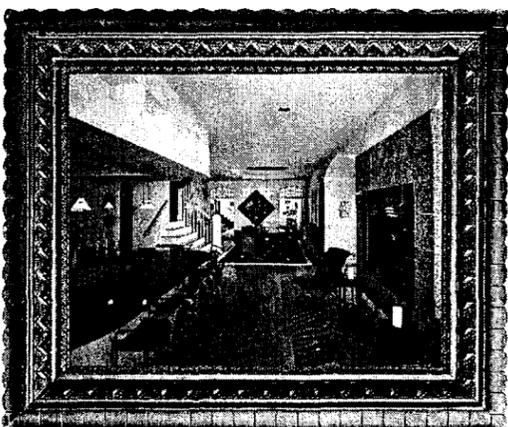
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GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Arbor Day at TPE

On April 26, Terrace Park Elementary was the scene of a very exciting event for Mrs. Kaye's and Mr. Maness's first-graders. To celebrate Arbor Day, a small tree was given to each child from the Terrace Park Garden Club. Our Village arborist, Randy Haller, selected golden rain trees this year, a showy ornamental that is one of a very small number of yellow flowering trees. Garden club members, Lori Frey and Betsy Ecker conducted the ceremony. The classes enjoyed a book read by Lori, titled *Just a Dream* by Chris Allsburg, a story about the importance of taking care of the environment. The children received an "Arbor Day Proclamation" certificate from Mayor Startzman declaring "... all citizens to celebrate Arbor day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and ...to plant trees and gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations." Forty-six trees were then distributed with an extra tree planted in the school yard for all the students to enjoy.



First graders Rachael Emery, Sally Portman, Grace Lehman and Meghan Williams proudly carry their trees home.



Photo: J. Whitaker

Tami Blowers, Kathi Milam and Annette Askam deliver their award winning entry, "Mediterranean Summer," to the Cincinnati Flower Show in Ault Park.

garden gates to the public from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. for the annual Terrace Park Garden Club Garden Walk. Gardens on tour this year are clustered near the corner of Miami and Cambridge. Please see the invitation in this issue of the Village Views. Also, the houses will be marked with signs the evening of the tour. This is a great opportunity to pick up some gardening ideas from your creative neighbors, so please join us!

A big thank you!

The Garden Club would like to express its thanks to all who supported the annual Plant Sale on May 17 and 18. Proceeds from your purchases will be used to help beautify the Village and keep the many Garden Club programs, like the elementary school Arbor Day ceremony, in place. Look for new additions to the Memorial



Photos: Lori Frey

Betsy Ecker places the last shovel of dirt on the newly planted golden rain tree in the schoolyard, as first graders observe.

Bed in the near future, too. For those who are interested in joining the Garden Club, please contact Membership Chairperson Kathi Milam at 248-8232 or any club member.

TPGC wins silver

A first time effort as competitors in the window box division of the Cincinnati Flower Show this past April earned the Garden Club a silver medal. Their entry, named "Mediterranean Summer" was a freeform, relaxed arrangement of Mexican heather, lavender, pentas, ivy, and thyme, featuring shades of purple, green and silver. Committee members who participated in the planning, shopping and arranging included Annette Askam, Tami Blowers, Kathi Milam, Beth Smith, Sara Osborn, and Jenny Whitaker.

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Terrace Park Players

By Dave Pannkuk, Village Archivist

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Those involved wrote many of their shows, wrote and orchestrated much of their music, did their own choreography, designed and constructed their own sets, designed and made their own



Flach Douglas is "all bound up!" by Jim Barbeau (kneeling) and Bob Schaeffer in the 1966 TPP production of "Arsenic and Old Lace." Right: TP Players program from a supper show in 1980.

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costumes, did their own makeup, sold tickets, and partied afterwards. The spring shows were a major social event with production work beginning in January and the show presented in May.

TPP didn't have fancy sound and lighting systems. At best, some of the musicals had two or three overhead microphones. The orchestra didn't have mikes. The lighting was engineered with whatever was available.

Productions were staged at the Community Building and the Terrace Park Elementary School, Mariemont Junior High School, the Log Cabin, the Village Green, the Schoolhouse in Camp Dennison and once at Indian Hill Elementary School. One show, "The Fabulous Follies," written and directed by Pat Matchette, was televised over WCET so many times someone from TPP finally begged it to be taken off.

Each production used sign-up sheets but very few auditions. While some spots were reserved for people who could perform without too much coaching, courage and perseverance were more important than talent. By show time, those onstage were not afraid to stand before an audience of their peers and, on any given night, perform at levels often surpassing expectations. The results were worth the effort when the audience demonstrated their pleasure by coming back for each new season.

In retrospect, TPP probably had such a great run simply because its members enjoyed each other's company which, given the same interest, effort and energy, could probably happen again.

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Terrace Park Sports



2002 Fall Soccer sign up

When: Saturday May 25th 9 a.m. to noon

Where: TPES Cafeteria

Fees: Kindergarten Instructional \$20.00 per player (must be 5 years old by 9-30-2001) Ages 6-11 \$65.00 per player (must still be 11 on July 31, 2001 to be eligible for fall) Fees are payable at sign-up. Separate registration forms are needed for each player, but you may write one check per family. You may pick up forms at 411 Cornell Ave. starting May 4th.

Any questions call Paula Albrecht 831-1790

Jack Herman's Soccer camp:

When: August 12th-16th

Time: 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Where: Drackett Field

Who: Players age 6-12

How: Applications are available at soccer sign-up 5/25 or on the front porch of 411 Cornell Ave. or register online at www.osysa.com/youthcamps.html

This is a great camp that will fill up quickly, so register early!

Any questions call Paula Albrecht 831-1790

Successful season for the girl's lacrosse team

The Mariemont High School Girl's Lacrosse Team, in its first year as a school-sponsored sport, enjoyed a successful season with a record of 13-7-1. Team Captains were seniors Bethany Whittelsey, Gretchen Perry, Libby Brown and

Erin Fallon. Under the direction of Head Coach Dan Whittelsey and Assistant Coaches, Natalie McEwan and Matt Perry, the girl's lacrosse program is off to a great start! The future of the program is bright with a lot of returning players and a junior

high program that is strong with an undefeated season this year.

Leading scorers on the high school team were: Carrie Badanes, Bethany Whittelsey, Libby Brown, and Holly Kapela; with Erin Fallon doing an outstanding job at goal keeping!

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