

Wooster, cicadas discussed at Council

By Susan House

Most of the "public comment" presented at the May Village Council meeting was devoted to the expression of support by Terrace Park residents for the proposed improvements and "beautification" of the Wooster Pike corridor which runs through Terrace Park. A public meeting was held in May to explain the plan by ODOT (The Ohio Department of Transportation) to re-divide the road into a three-lane highway. Construction is scheduled for 2009.

A special task force, made up of Terrace Park council members, initiated plans for the betterment of this area of the village concurrent with the ODOT work to be done. The majority of people who spoke were in favor of an improvement project which would include the installation or repair of sidewalks, curbs, and crosswalks on all affected streets. Personal pedestrian experiences were related by individuals to demonstrate the lack of safety when crossing the Pike, or walking along the adjacent streets.

Homeowners' volunteered their willingness to participate, as might be required in the expedition of a project that would include sidewalks and unite the community (See related article). Police Chief Jerry Hayhow indicated that in his capacity as Street Commissioner he has already met with the engineer to discuss sidewalks on Indian Hill Road.

Councilman Jim Muennich is working to identify and obtain any state and federal grants which may be available for this project. Council Member Mark Porst, who is responsible for the Finance Committee, reiterated the fiscal health of the Terrace Park budget, and commented that, as previously promised, Council is committed to no new tax levies for capital improvements until at least the year 2010.

Bulletin Boards

Mayor Jay Gohman made the request that residents not use the community bulletin boards for personal advertisements and announcements. All official meetings will be posted on the web site www.TerracePark.net. Any bulletin board postings must first be approved at the Terrace Park Office. Announcements or advertisements not approved by the village office will be removed. The mayor also reiterated the rules for signage throughout the community. Especially discussed were real estate signs which are posted in the right-of-way or on village property. The only legal signs are those placed only on a homeowners' property within the lot boundary. Non-compliant signage will be immediately removed.

Septic tanks on Miami

A motion was tentatively approved pending a legal agreement for the placement of a septic system in the Village right-of-way. This application was submitted by Mr. and Mrs. Flach Douglas of 625 Miami. The Building Inspector mentioned the fact that many of the homes on the "river" side of Miami Avenue may encounter this situation. Any remodeling of the home will require a new septic system and there is no available area for placement within the property boundaries.

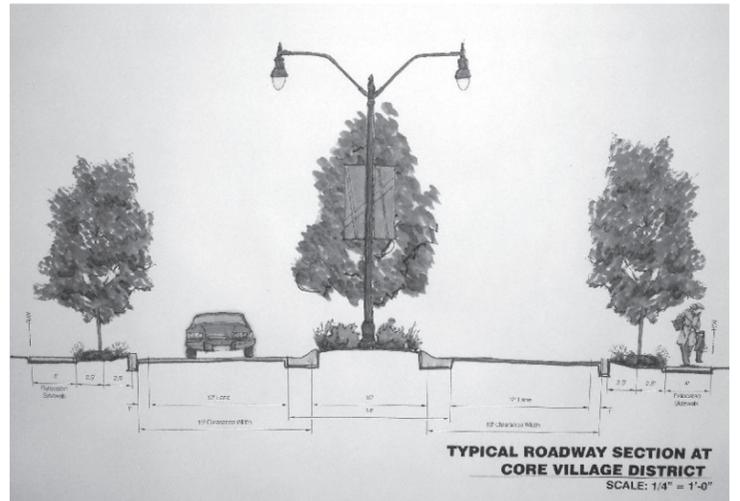
Council instructed Village Solicitor Robert Malloy to draft an irrevocable easement in the right-of-way to permit this use. The County Sewer District has approved the system. This placement will result in a location of 15' back from Miami Avenue. Building Inspector Bill Fiedler indicated that there could

eventually be several property owners who will need to make a similar request of council. Malloy stated that this approval does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Zoning Commission therefore it must be brought for Council approval.

Percentage of lot study

Councilman Lee Cole reported that an engineer has been employed to study and make recommendations for future zoning law which will limit construction coverage of a lot to a certain percentage of the property. After the survey is complete, it will be presented to and studied by a special committee. Ultimately the Planning and Zoning Committee will make a recommendation for the zoning for approval of

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A chance to turn Main Street into "Our" Street

By Bren Fries

We drive it every day to and from work. Our children cross it on foot and by bicycle to get to school or visit friends. It is known far and wide as the biggest "speed trap" in the Cincinnati suburban area. I am speaking, of course, of the four-lane road that bisects the Village. I am speaking of Wooster Pike. For many years, residents have considered Wooster Pike more of a function of necessity rather than an asset to Terrace Park itself. We have voiced concern over the proximity of sidewalks to speeding traffic and the basic fact that, as it now exists, Wooster Pike is general safety concern. That concern is now shared by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and as a result, plans are underway to redesign our part of Highway 50 into a two-lane thoroughfare with a middle turning lane. The work is to take place in 2009 and stretch from Newtown Road to the entrance to Milford at the Little Miami river bridge.

The time between that announcement and the completion of resurfacing is arguably one of the greatest civic opportunities for Terrace Park in many years. Village Council was keen to the moment at hand and approved the hiring of CDS Associates, an engineering and traffic management design consulting company. And last week, over 60 residents attended a special meeting at the Community Building to learn of the plans and

options before the Village. All in all, the vision for the new and improved Wooster Pike will be a multi-median, tree-lined street with improved sidewalk setback, tasteful, evenly spaced lighting, and improved signage that reflects the distinctive, unique setting that is Terrace Park.

How do we get there from here? In close consultation with ODOT, Councilman Jim Muennich, Rules and Law, has embarked on an effort to help identify and secure available state and federal funds that will enable us to be responsible for about 25 percent of the total cost of the improvement within Village limits. Moreover, our fiscal health allows us the opportunity to pursue such enhancements without having to pass a levy for its funding.

"The main thing we need," Councilman Muennich noted, "is for the residents to let us know how they feel about the project, so we can forward that to the right people at the state and federal levels." The ability to ensure that there is significant support for the use of such funds will go a long way to making the proposed improvements a reality.

To that end, look for an informational display at the Village Green during this year's Memorial Day activities. It, among other things, will be your way to provide the input Council needs to "break ground" on a Main Street we can all be proud.

Support the Troops

The Terrace Park Boy Scout Troop 286 is collecting items to be sent to the U.S. soldiers fighting in Iraq this Memorial Day. We will be accepting donations during the Memorial Day Parade instead of throwing candy on the Parade route. We will also have a drop off point at the Green after the parade. The parade takes place Monday, May 26 at 10 a.m. Immediately following the Parade, we will be collecting other items at the Green. Items that we need are:

Food – Entertainment – Staple supply – Beef Jerky – Books – Batteries (size AA, AAA, C, D) – Canned fruit – CDs – Bug spray – Canned ravioli/pasta – Cameras (disposable) – Can opener (hand held) – Canned vegetables – DVD movies – Combs – Cereal bars – Foam Footballs – First Aid supplies – Coffee/tea bags – Games – Cookies – Journals – Crackers – Letters/notes – Pens – Dinty Moore dinners – Magazines – Phone cards – Creamer (powdered) – Notebooks – Socks – Gum – Playing cards – Qtips – Hot chocolate packets – Sunscreen – Microwave Popcorn – Toothpaste/brushes – Peanut butter – Pop Tarts – Powdered Drinks presweetened – Power bars – Salsa (no glass) – Snack cakes – Soup – Tuna/chicken packages – Sugar & Sweetener Packets

Summer Fun 2008

www.TPRC.net

The Summer Fun 2008 kids program promises to be more fun than ever. Summer Fun Commissioner Celia McNeil had built on the popular changes to the program made last year to give kids two weeks of engaging activities.

This year the two weeks of the program are split. The first week will take place June 23-27. The second week takes place August 12-15. Celia has brought back and expanded many of the most popular activities from the past few years like the Circus Camp and Fire Truck Water Day and added a few new things as well. Here's what the program looks like:

The week of June 23rd -27th:

- 6/23- Field Trip to Reds Hall of Fame 12:30-4 p.m.
- 6/24- Summer Olympics 1-3 p.m.
- 6/25-Sports Day 1-3 p.m.
- 6/26-"Terrace Park fire truck" water day! 1-3 p.m.
- 6/27-Field Trip to "Go Play Cafe" 12:30-4 p.m.

The week of August 12th-15th: the Summer Fun Program has paired up with "My Nose turns Red Theater Company" again to offer a 4-day Circus Camp!

August 11th & 13th, noon-2 p.m.: Summer Fun is partnering with Enriching Kidz (used to be called "Better Babysitters") to offer a Home Alone Class for children 4nd-6th grade

Information and sign-up forms for the Summer Fun Program will be in the Terrace Park Elementary Wednesday envelopes in May. If you have questions or need more information, you can contact Celia McNeil at cmcneil@cinci.rr.com or 513-490-0333.

The Summer Fun Kids program is a service (and a tradition) provided for Terrace Park kids by the Terrace Park Recreation Committee. It is run completely by volunteers. This is Celia's last year as coordinator, so TPRC is looking for someone interested in taking the program over for the Summer of 2009.



Seniors Evan Seeley and Tess Pendery were crowned king and queen of the Mariemont Prom 2008.



June Deadline

The deadline for the June issue is June 6.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

For several years now, members of the garden club have given their time and effort to plant daffodils at various locations around the Village. This spring we all enjoyed a special donation by former neighbors Tony and Maryrose Cutrino of over 500 beautiful bulbs. They were planted along the bike trail at Terrace Place and their emergence will be an enjoyable part of springtime in Terrace Park for years to come. Our thanks go out to you, Cutrinos!

Bren Fries
305 Stanton Ave

Dear Village Views,

I am writing on behalf of my three young children, their safety and the safety of all the other children in Terrace Park. My family and I love living in Terrace Park. We choose to live here because it is a wonderful, safe place to raise a family. As everyone always says, "where else can your kids ride their bikes to school".

Unfortunately my children are not feeling so safe these days and are not able to ride their bikes to school. We live across Wooster Pike, off of Indian Hill Road where there are NO SIDEWALKS! We can't ride our bikes to school or walk to UDF with out fearing for the safety of their lives. For instance, just recently I walked my children to the corner for an ice cream cone when my 5 year old daughter tripped and ended up laying in the middle of Indian Hill road with cars coming straight towards her. Another neighbor told me they won't even attempt to start a bike ride from their own house. When they want to go for a family bike ride they load up their bikes and drive over to the post office and start from there.

It is not acceptable! As residents of Terrace Park we deserve to have sidewalks. Our children deserve to be safe.

There are currently preliminary plans happening to improve the Wooster Pike Corridor. I am in favor of these plans and those plans must include extending the sidewalk from Wooster Pike down Indian Hill Road. We may not be in the "heart" of the village but we are Terrace Park residence and we can not be forgotten about it.

Lauren Hagin
107 Redbird Lane

We attended the meeting about the proposed plans for changing Wooster Pike into a three lane road by the Ohio Department of Transportation. The village is proposing additional improvements. The preliminary drawings look like something the village and all of us would definitely benefit from. It would greatly enhance the appearance of Terrace Park and allow others to feel welcomed and possibly become part of our community. The property value of our homes would most likely increase. The proposed changes would certainly create a feeling of unity between the two sides of the village. It also would create a safer environment for everyone, especially the school children that cross Wooster Pike daily. Making the road into a three lane street with a tree lined median would certainly slow the traffic down. Everyone should see the positive approach of this project and how it will benefit their lives and our community. Due to the fact that this project is in the very early stages of planning there are a lot of questions and suggestions. Fortunately, we have begun the planning early which allows everyone to have an impact on how they would want things to look. We encourage everyone to attend any future meetings so they can be informed of any new information and most importantly so they can voice their opinion. This is a great opportunity to improve an area of the park that we all utilize and is long overdue for a renovation.

Marti and Tim Neugent
765 Wooster Pike

Terrace Park Residences:

After attending the recent Council meeting, we encourage everyone to participate in the Wooster Pike Beautification Project. Since ODOT has proposed, and Council approved the resurfacing and restriping of Wooster Pike next summer, let's do the project right and finish it!

Let's repair and add sidewalks, install curbs, add crosswalks and add landscaped islands to Wooster Pike. We will all benefit from the improved safety and enjoy the enhanced aesthetics of our central corridor!

Joddy and Matt Perry
815 Princeton

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 9 p.m. on Friday, June 6. **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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June deadline :

The June deadline for *Village Views* is June 6th. All camera-ready ads and articles must be submitted by 9 p.m. **All advertisements** go to Gerri Kennedy at 152 Wrenwood. All articles go to Chandi Findley 427 Terrace Place or call 576-0595 to e-mail an article.

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Leaving the Village

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A BIG thanks to the Terrace Park Council members for the work they have done in regard to the renovation of Wooster Pike into a three-lane road. The renderings and information provided by Jim Muennich and Mark Porst were quite helpful especially to those of us who came to Thursday night's meeting with questions concerning the road work. We now know that next spring the Ohio Department of Transportation has plans to convert Wooster into a three-lane road with the intent of creating a safer place for passage through our Village.

As the proposed work and possible beautification were explained, it became apparent that clogged traffic would not be a problem and that landscaping some median strips would add to the image of our Village as a lovely community rather than a "spot" on a busy highway. Safety for children, other walkers and bicyclers, drivers would be paramount. And, the good news is that the Village has funds to initiate the process. This project sounds like an excellent way to enhance our lovely Village and provide practical benefits in the process. Council invites the residents to follow the plans as they develop, reminding us that it is our Village and our money [along with grants from other sources to be pursued].

Again, Council members, thanks for your hard work and vision for the future.

Patti Normile
609 Amherst

Letter to the Editor

Several weeks ago, my husband Jim and I decided to make a business trip to Washington, D.C. a road trip rather than a quick flight. And for the return trip, we opted to witness the emergence of spring from U.S. 50 rather than a maze of interstates. We were rewarded with glimpses of mountain grandeur, pastoral scenery, picturesque villages, teeming cities and sights both curious and interesting - all the way to our very own street, Orchard Hill Lane, in Terrace Park.

My thoughts returned to this trip as I listened May 8 to commentary about a proposal to enhance Wooster Pike through Terrace Park. This "front porch" to our community contributes to the 3,073 miles that constitute the original east-west highway system that dates back to 1925. It's the only remaining highway in that system that hasn't been designated an interstate. It occurred to me, that stewardship of 1.6 miles of this national treasure rests in our hands.

I encourage you to go online to <http://www.route50.org/index.html> to learn what citizens have done to improve a 20-mile stretch of U.S. 50 in Northern Virginia's Piedmont. With just a few clicks of a mouse, you can see what Jim and I saw on our trip - improvements similar to those our village council is considering - and read about the positive effects of those enhancements.

Now - when ODOT is restriping U.S. 50 as a three-lane highway - is the perfect time to make our piece of the pike a safe and attractive corridor that will facilitate access to the northern and southern sides of our community, and breathe life into our struggling business district. The expense - when compared to the investments we've made in our homes, the intrinsic rewards of living and working in an aesthetically pleasing environment, and the priceless nature of safety - should not deter village council from embracing the *entire* project.

Sincerely,
Sue Porter
202 Orchard Hill Lane

Dear Terrace Park Residents:

We are taking this opportunity to express our personal endorsement for the proposed Wooster Pike Improvement Project. Terrace Park is way overdue for this project and if the community chooses to embrace the proposal effectively it will have the following impacts: improved safety, additional community cohesion, and overall aesthetic enhancement. The timing to do this is opportunity as the State of Ohio has acknowledged the fact that the current Wooster Pike configuration of four lanes does not meet current safety standards (the lanes are too narrow) and therefore recommended (which our council passed) reducing the road to three lanes.

We've now reached the point where Terrace Park has an opportunity to take advantage of certain state funds to aid in the "complete improvement package." This package will most likely mean something different for each resident (curbs, improved sidewalks, better lighting, etc.)...all of which can be addressed as we move forward.

In summary, we respectfully encourage the community to support this initiative as it will be a huge benefit to every resident.

Thanks and best regards,
Diane Treftz
Benjamin Treftz
317 Given

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What's happening at the Mariemont Library

June 2008

June is a busy month at the library. We have summer reading fun for kids and teens, lots of programs and good times for all ages.

For under fives we have new story time schedule for summer:

New! *Movers and Shakers*, Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs, dances and rhymes. Ages 1 to 4. *Pre-school StoryTime* is Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Ages 3 to 5. *First Friday Library Babies* is June 6 at 10:30 a.m. for newborns up to 18 months.

Kids ages 6 to 12 are challenged to *Entertain Your Brain*, our exciting summer reading program. Read for toys, books and a chance to win a bike! Stop by the desk for your game piece.

Make a tree pencil holder for Father's Day. Thursday, June 12 at 2 p.m. Ages 7 to 13. Registration is suggested but not required if you forget to plan ahead.

We are again featuring *Tales from Tails*, Friday, June at 3 p.m. Children may practice their reading skills with a registered therapy dog. Registration recommended. Please note the new time.

The Storybook Puppeteers are headed to the Mariemont Library, Wednesday, June 25 at 1:30 p.m. — ages 3 to 8.

Kids ages 8 to 12 are invited to play *Spiderwick Bookopoly*. Play a

life-sized board game with Spiderwick trivia, physical challenges and teamwork. Tuesday, June 17 at 2 p.m. Registration is suggested.

Teens! Celebrate the kick off of the summer reading program at an after hours party with Wii, Guitar Hero, games, window painting, snacks and more. *Entertain Your Brain* this summer as you read for prizes and a chance for the grand prize— a MP3 player. Ages 12 to 18. Friday, June 6, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Register by phone, 369-4467, or at the library.

Teens are invited to make a book using origami techniques, Thursday, June 19 at 3 p.m. Ages 12 to 18. Please register as space is limited.

Here's something for the men, just in time to help you get relaxed for Father's Day. Yoga for Men will show you how to fit yoga into your busy life. Thursday, June 5, 6:30 p.m. Registration is suggested.

The library book club meets the last Thursday of the month, at 6:45 p.m. The title for June 26 is to be announced. We always have copies at the desk, so stop by and pick one up.

The library is located at 3810 Pochontas Ave., 369-4467 and is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Village Calendar 2008

May

23 TP Swim Club Opening Night Fiesta with DJ Sullivan (Adult Party)

23 TP Field Day 12:30 – 3 p.m.

24 TPRC Soccer Sign-ups at the TPE Cafeteria 10-noon – Fall. Registration closes June 15th.

26 MEMORIAL DAY & TP Memorial

Day Parade & Recognition Ceremony. Parade participants line up behind the elementary school 9:30 a.m. Candy gatherers and parade watchers 10 a.m.

29 6th Grade Pool Party

30 TP 6th Grade Recognition Breakfast and Awards

30 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

30 School's Out - Family Grill Out at TPSC

JUNE

1 MHS Graduation!!

2 Tiger Shark Swim Team Practice at TPSC begins

Please call Hester Sullivan @ 576-9959 or email hestersullivan@yahoo.com with calendar information

3 Garden Club, noon at the Community Building. Laurie Baird and Beth Smith discuss Bird & Butterfly Gardening.

9 AARP Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Debbie Mills will be on hand to discuss Parkinson's Disease. Call Harry Knope for more information, 831-8583.

10 TP Village Council, 7:30 p.m., Community Building



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25-28 8th Annual Southern Ohio Lacrosse Shootout Camp – Drackett Field For more information please contact Gary Buczek (513) 753-9205 mbuczek@fuse.net

23-27 Week 1 of Summer Fun Kids Program, See article for more information or contact Celia McNeil at cmcneil@cinci.rr.com or 513-490-0333. (Week 2 of Summer Fun will be held August 12-15)

Boy Scouts: part of Terrace Park memories

By Bill Holloway

It was a year of ups and downs. The last American combat troops pulled out of Vietnam but the bombing continued. The Dow Jones Average broke 1000 for the first time. The Cincinnati Reds lost the World Series. Ohio State lost in the Rose Bowl and the Bengals finished third in their division.

The year was 1972 and there was good news in Terrace Park. Ten boys from Boy Scout Troop 286 achieved the rank of Eagle, the highest rank in Scouting. The odds are 5 chances in 100 for a Scout to attain this level. To have ten of them do so in one year is extraordinary.

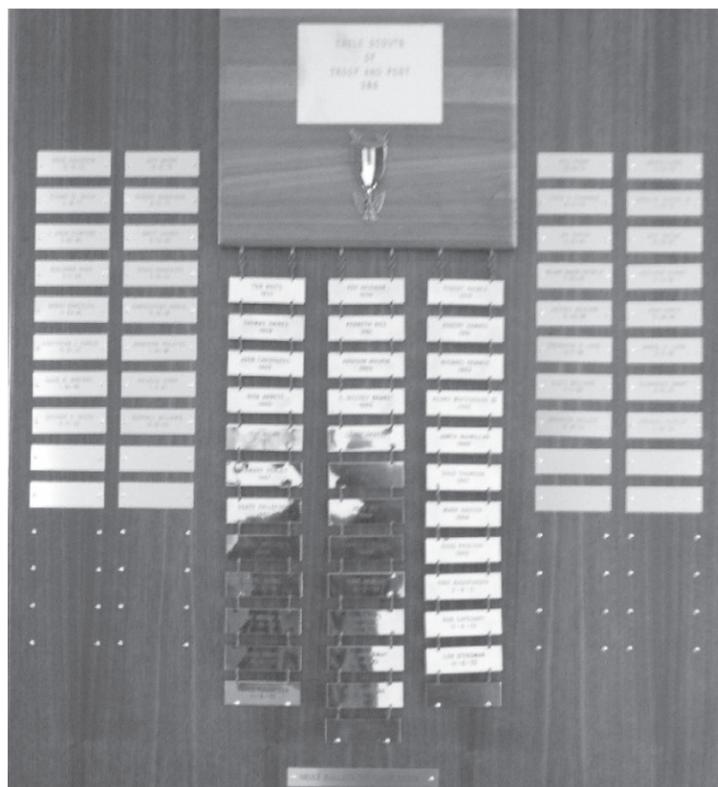
Bruce Halley was one of them. He felt that the whole group was close and highly motivated to become Eagles. His chosen required Eagle project, was to create a plaque honoring all of the Eagle Scouts in the history of the troop. Inspiration for this work was his group of ten. The plaque contained a polished metal tag engraved with the name of each Eagle Scout and the date of his award, going back to 1933. Bruce's father Bob helped him conduct research and work with an engraver to design and create the plaque.

The plaque was a part of the church for almost 30 years. It was constantly updated as new Eagle Scouts joined the ranks. When the church began an expansion and renovation, artifacts were taken down and the plaque went into storage.

As time passed and work on the church was completed, some folks began to wonder about the plaque. Bruce Long, a parishioner at St. Thomas, did more than wonder. Bruce, a former Scout, found the plaque and with the help of Wiebold Studio and a cabinetry firm, restored the plaque to pristine condition. It now hangs again in the church.

But what of the ten Eagle Scouts? What do they recall today? Here are responses to the news about the plaque.

Rod Herdman: "I guess my Boy Scout experience began in earnest one rainy night in 1968 with one very leaky tent. This was my first official camp out and the beginning of a camping week at Camp Friedlander. To this day I remember the numerous leaky spots. The dripping was so profuse I thought I would be better off standing outside the tent.



The plaque at St. Thomas

Man was I cold! My bag was soaked and there was no place to dry out or get warm. I remember shaking uncontrollably all night long. I vowed if I survived the night I was going home and quitting the Boy Scouts forever. First and last day camping!

The next morning the Scoutmaster took me home. I was done being a Boy Scout, so I thought. Later the following day the Scoutmaster came by my house and encouraged me to return to camp under the promise that I would have a dry tent. He said, if after one night I didn't like it, he would bring me home again. Reluctantly, I agreed. Not only did I enjoy my stay that night, I had the time of my life and stayed the rest of the week. I was hooked! I was a Boy Scout! From then on I was always prepared for a leaky tent. I packed a piece of plastic or tarp on every trip. Camping was just too much fun to let the rain spoil it.

There are so many great memories and lessons learned in those years as a Boy Scout. I learned how to cook a cheeseburger on a flat rock and how to select a rock that would not explode. I learned how to build a camp fire with only one match and how to treat second degree burns. I can share with you how to paddle a ca-

noe and what to do when it over turns in the rapids. I learned how to build a free standing, three story tower using poles and rope. Consequently, I learned how to splint a broken arm.

I can tell you what to do when a skunk sneaks into your tent at night and rummages for left over cookies. I learned to conquer my fear of heights by rock climbing in New Mexico and how to cope with claustrophobia in a cave in Kentucky. I can show you how to hone a knife to a razor's edge and how to bandage cuts.

To this day I still know my knots. I can back splice, eye-splice and tie a crown knot. I can tie a bowline, half-hitch, square knot, grape-vine, sheet bend, clove hitch, figure eight and hangman's noose.

I can tell you that whizzing on a camp fire is not the best way to put one out. From my paper drive experiences, I can tell you the proper way to tie a bundle of news papers and the best way to stack them in a semi-trailer. And of course, the best hiding places in the truck frame for magazines.

Becoming an Eagle Scout was more about the journey than achieving a goal. Although I enjoyed the challenge of earning each merit

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TPHS welcomes your program ideas

The Terrace Park Historical Society's spring program, "Treasures of Terrace Park," was so well attended, co-presidents Jack Brown and Laurie Baird are asking local residents to tell them what else they'd like to know about our village.

Five current and former vil-

lage residents illuminated four public sites at the April 27 event: Co-president Brown and Scott Williams, Village Green; Co-president Baird, Log Cabin; Bobby Scott, Little Miami River; and Susan Abernethy Frank, St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

TPHS offers public programs

in the fall, winter and spring. Most recently, under the leadership of program chair Sandy Koehler, topics have featured: U.S. Grant, the Lewis & Clark Expedition and the first in the "treasures series" about public spaces and private places in Terrace Park.

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Key players in the Mariemont Junior High production of "The Wizard of Oz" were Connor McManus (Scarecrow), James Donnelly (Oz), Oliver Mauk (Guardian of the Gate), Emma Welch (Wicked Witch), Jane Spooner (Dorothy), Adrienne Bruggeman (Toto), Peter Laug (Cowardly Lion), Katie Arends (Glenda) and Karin Long (Tin Woodsman).

CCDS senior named scholarship semifinalist

Joey Beyersdorfer has been named as semi-finalist for the Southwest District Athletic Board Scholarship. The scholarship is based on academic and athletic achievements over the course of four years. In addition to competing on many athletic teams at Cincinnati Country Day School (CCDS) over the course of his four-year high school careers, he excelled in the class-

room in a very rigorous, college preparatory curriculum. In February, Beyersdorfer was selected to the CCDS Cum Laude Society, one of the oldest programs in the state. The Cum Laude society recognizes the top percent of students, academically.

The scholarship winners will be announced at the end of May and will be honored at a banquet on Tuesday, June 24th.

Junior high Students present The Wizard of Oz

Audiences at the Mariemont High School auditorium had a wickedly good time when junior high students presented "The Wizard of Oz" on March 25 and 26.

Along with Dorothy, Toto and

friends, the production included Merry Munchkins, Winged Monkeys, China Dolls, Singing Poppies and a forest of Fighting Trees.

Faculty members Leslie Jordan, Priscilla Elzey and Erica Hollars provided the direction and support for the seventy-plus actors and crew members.

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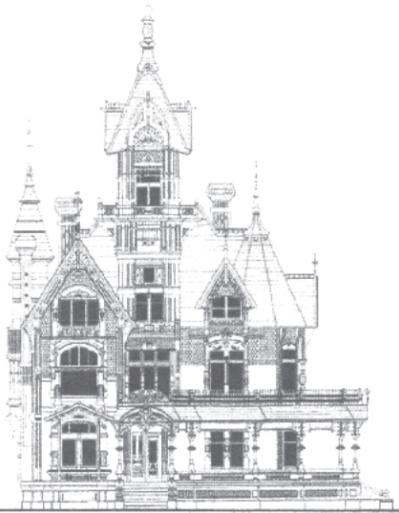
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Police report

Criminal mischief occurred to a residence on Denison Lane. During the first incident water balloons were thrown against the house. One balloon went through a second floor foyer window breaking the glass. No suspects were located. After the second incident some days later five juveniles were apprehended and admitted guilt. No charges were pressed by the victim who only requested replacement of the broken window glass. The juveniles apologized. The resident's glass was replaced.

The holder of a PNC debit card reported falsification involving several charges made to the card by an unknown person. A trace was ordered to determine how the charges were applied to the card.

Minor damage to the lockbox at the swim club was discovered and attributed to vandalism. No suspects were sighted.

Police were advised that a person had apparently received a counterfeit \$20 bill from the ATM at UDF. Some of the cash was used to make a purchase. The recipient suspected the bill and the purchaser was located. He paid with another bill. UDF was advised of the incident.

Several residents reported possible prowlers near or on their

properties. One person observed several individuals attempting to enter a detached garage on Harvard Avenue.

Possible theft of material from a Miami Avenue construction site was investigated. The suspect was questioned and attributed the incident to a misunderstanding. The items taken were returned.

Police had a vehicle removed from Wooster Pike. The driver of the tractor-trailer realized he was traveling in the wrong direction and attempted to make a U turn. During that maneuver the truck became bogged down in mud and was blocking four lanes of the pike.

The Mariemont superintendent was advised that a maintenance man working on the playground at T. P. Elementary appeared to be intoxicated. He enlisted assistance of police who administered the breath test which confirmed intoxication. Given the choice to resign or be terminated, the individual chose immediate resignation.

The mauled body of a small dog that had been missing on Michigan Avenue was found. It appeared to have been the victim of a coyote.

Mutual aid was provided three times to Milford and once to Madeira. EMS runs logged a total of two.

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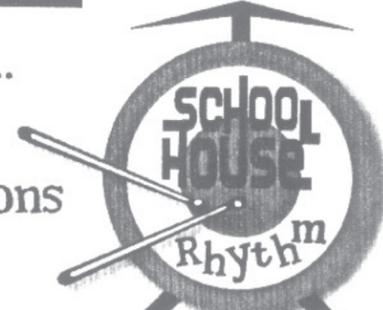
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Barns and other Agricultural Endeavors and Outbuildings in Terrace Park

This month Esther H. M. Power has suggested I write about barns in Terrace Park. In starting to do research in our archives and in the Terrace Park Building Survey I find that we have a great many references to barns, chicken coops and other agricultural buildings within Terrace Park. Of course, one remembers that the luen family had a dairy farm where Fieldstone Drive and Winding Brook Lane now are. However, as Ellis Rawnsley states in *A Place Called Terrace Park*, "Each homestead was a mini-farm with a horse or so almost a necessity, a cow a real asset, and chickens essential to sustain life if not the peace of the neighborhood, since council had to legislate against letting them run free. Chicken-keeping later was common until well into the 1900s, so there understandably was a community uproar when a dog - widely believed to belong to John Robinson - ran wild and killed 176 chickens belonging to Frank McGhee, 18 among Russell Errett's flock, and others before McGhee and Hugh Galloway cornered and shot it in W. F. Hermann's coop on Wooster Pike where it had killed 98. Robinson stoutly maintained it wasn't his dog." Council also found it necessary to restrict "the slaughter of the livestock some villagers raised".

What remains of this once much more rural lifestyle of Terrace Park residents? Virginia Marquett's house on Indian Hill Road was built where earlier there was a potato patch. Across the street on Indian Hill stands the brick home the luen family moved into around 1900. It's been somewhat expanded from when their large family lived there but still very much in keeping with the original house. Although nothing really remains of James luen's once 75-acre farm and Walnut Creek Dairy, we have many stories from Virginia's aunt, Evelyn, about all the farm activities in which the family was involved. Evidently the original farmhouse was very near the entrance to present day Fieldstone Drive. Nearby was a barn and behind it a pigpen. The 30 cows were milked by hand and the late Bill Krummert remembers doing just that on his way to and from school. Virginia's mother, Edith, and no doubt other family members helped with the milking when they were short of hired hands. There was a springhouse where filled milk cans were submerged and animals worked churns for butter. Some of the workers, including dairy employees and deliverymen, lived in cottages in that area. They drove horse and wagons "to area homes, delivering milk, which was dipped out of huge containers for the housewives". Where there are now trees and houses was once cleared land for grazing all the way up Indian Hill Road to Indian Ridge. Edith luen, later married to Matt Cook, had the job of rounding up the cows to bring them in for milking. When the fam-

ily gave up the dairy farm, probably in the early 1950s, the cows were driven through Madisonville to the stockyards.

The large barn on the northwest corner of Wooster Pike and Indian Hill Road was built by James luen. His father, Joseph luen, ran the tavern just across the street. Farmers spent the night at the inn while their animals stayed in luen's big barn. In the morning the farmers continued walking their animals to markets and slaughterhouses downtown. Sometimes the barn was used as a livery stable for the inn housing horses and carriages. In the winter the John Robinson Circus performers practiced their acts in the barn, sometimes with cows as well as human spectators, Edith luen and her Uncle John often among them. Unfortunately the barn burned, perhaps as early as 1913.

There were more barns along Wooster Pike with one prominent one still remaining at the Galloway/Cornish place (#725). The Galloways were general farmers like most of the early residents of the area until they started in 1872 what became a very profitable nursery business. William and Elizabeth Highlands came to this area from Pennsylvania and bought land here in 1805. Their log home must have been very near James luen's barn. There was an addition on the back of the house for their animals, to protect them from any possible Indian attack. Their son, Joseph, built what is now known as 6 Kris Circle. In 1904 Charles Meurer did a painting of that house showing cows, sheep and chickens along with their barn. Later across Wooster Pike Ted and Minnie (she was a luen)

Kaiser owned a house and barn, part of their homestead called "Orchard Hill". They had an orchard on the hillside and Mr. Kaiser sold fruit at a roadside stand. He also raised hogs, sheep and chickens. Later in 1950 he had 9 cottages built below the orchard and ran what many will remember as "Orchard Hill Modern Motel". Gradually in the 1970s and 80s a log cabin and 2 barns were destroyed followed by the motel cottages being burned by the Terrace Park Fire Department for practice. The Herrmann place (# 742 Wooster Pike) also had barns and outbuildings. We've been told that around 1925 the old barn was torn down and 2 similar buildings were built: one for a garage and the other a chicken house. This was one of the places where chicken dinners were served on Sundays. Where Marian Lane is today was their cow pasture. The Corey barn (address originally 722 Wooster Pike) was wrecked in 1969 and replaced with a detached garage.

Going east from the crossroads there were more barns at least on the north side of Wooster Pike. Mrs. McMullen (# 607 Wooster Pike) was another one who served chicken dinners after her husband's death. Her barn as well as pasture for horses and cows was across the street. Later that barn was owned by Harry Boone who lived at 601 Wooster Pike. He and his brother, Ed, must have kept their horses there. The Cook's home, next door to McMullen's, replaced an old barn. At least 3 barns on the north side of Wooster Pike were condemned and burned by the Terrace Park Fire Department in 1973. (to be continued next month)



Meurer painting of the Highlands place



Galloway/Cornish barn



luen home on the hill before the addition was made on the east side of the house.

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badge, my memories are centered on the experiences with my fellow scouts and leaders.

The things I learned, the skills I acquired and the talents I developed are a direct result of becoming an Eagle Scout. I owe it all to a persistent scout master who had the vision to see that scouting would be a positive force in my life."

Greg Vogt: I do not recall the plaque and my thanks to those involved in the restoration program.

My interests in the environmental field were certainly nurtured while going through the Troop 286 program. That is, the Troop focused on a strong outdoor program, with ample opportunity to pursue the traditional outdoor merit badges (required and electives). As a result of the attention to the outdoor program, scouts like me could see a clear pathway to earning Merit Badges in a steady manner. This allowed scouts to set the Eagle rank as a goal, and perhaps to increase the number of the scouts retained an extra year or so to meet that goal. I recognize the outdoor program is not necessarily the top aspect for everyone, but it was important to me.

I work with a Troop here in Virginia. A key measure of BSA Troops that show significant advancement

is the level of resources, particularly from the volunteer parents. I give high marks to the volunteer adults at the time (Scout Master Ace Tollefsen, ASM Jim Allison, and the several key parents/families, many with last names beginning with letter "H") because that structure leads to the learning/practicing and successful transfer of leadership skills to the boys. Couple that measure with the equipment resources (patrol boxes, a bus, tents, and sponsoring church) which were made available. A very fortunate set of conditions and attributes that was

indicative of an involved community.

After all this time, I believe each one of us would like to have a means to say "thank you" and to convey our appreciation to those Terrace Park adult leaders. I recall their assistance and guidance towards Eagle as if it was yesterday and certainly more often than they know. I look at their time with us as our obligation to continue the training and leadership processes to other youth."

Scouts continued in the June issue

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Terrace Park Sports

Nine TPerers conquer whole hog

By Tiger Nelson

It was a perfect spring morning for a little jog — 6:30 a.m., chilly but not too cold, the sun was about to rise. There was only one unforeseen problem. A house fire along the course was causing a 15 minute delay among a record crowd of anxious runners.

As if running 26.2 miles weren't daunting enough, nine Terrace Park residents ran closer to 26.5 miles during the 10th annual Flying Pig Marathon on Sunday, May 4th. The

house fire created a detour that actually added .2514 miles to the official course route.

Runners with their "extended" finishing times were as follows:

John Borchers	4:48:37
Scott Greene	3:37:12
Marvin Lopez	3:24:40
Marty McGrory	3:23:49
Jeff Peppet	6:13:54
Katie Porter	4:19:08
Dennis Purcell	3:31:26
Michael Seeley	4:45:32

Joe Toman

4:29:08

After adjusting for the extended course distance, Dennis Purcell qualified for the Boston Marathon with a 3:29:26 and Marty McGrory just missed the Boston qualifying standard by 54 seconds with a 3:21:53 effort.

Congratulations to all nine of you for your accomplishments and for representing our village so respectfully!



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While Labor Day may seem far away, planning for the Garage Sale and Village Green Festivities is beginning now. These Labor Day events are important to the TPRC because they are one of two key fundraisers, providing the money needed to keep youth sports programs running in Terrace Park. The

garage sale has also become a time-honored tradition — attracting not only Terrace Parkers looking for that special find, but to many hardcore "garage sales" from all over the east side of Cincinnati.

There will be a number of Saturdays during the month of August where you will be able to drop off your smaller goods at the Log Cabin. There will also be a day the week before the event where large items can be dropped off. A mailer will be sent out in July with the specific drop off dates and times.

As you come upon gently used items (such as furniture, large baby items, DVD's, bikes and toys just to name a few) that you are ready to part with, but you think someone else might value, set it aside for the Labor Day Garage Sale. As always, we are unable to accept damaged items, large appliances, clothing or magazines.

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