

## Mayor Gohman urges village to stay involved in the mine hearings

By Vivian Krueger

The first order of business at the August Council meeting was the swearing in of new firefighter Ben Gulleman by Fire Chief Luke Frey. The council applauded Gulleman in appreciation.

Mayor Jay Gohman's report reminded council that it has been one year since Martin Marietta applied for the mining variance and the Zoning Board of Anderson (ZBA) started hearings. The July 23rd meeting heard three witnesses discuss land use, noise and explosives on behalf of Martin Marietta. If the ZBA votes against the variance, Mayor Gohman said the surrounding communities will support Anderson's decision. August 19th was the next hearing at the Anderson Government Center on Five Mile Road. The mayor urged residents to use the [www.saveourmiami.com](http://www.saveourmiami.com) website for mining updates. The mayor ended his comments with the request that residents check with Building Official Bill Fiedler, by calling the Village Office, before beginning ANY interior/exterior home improvements. No building permit causes expenses to the Village and homeowners may face consequences by not following proper procedure.

Village Solicitor Robert Malloy expects that the decision by the ZBA will be rendered in October. Malloy is not sure if the decision will be discussed at a public meeting. He feels the vote will be public. He also is concerned about the long-range impact the mine will have on the Little Miami Valley.

Life Squad Chief John Maggard reported a quiet month with only four runs. Several residents have attended the free CPR classes. Call the Village office for sign up information. Emergency response training this month included trauma treatment and extraction of the injured from cars. Chief Maggard also wanted to remind residents the Pancake Supper will be held November 8th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the TP Elementary School Cafeteria.

Maggard and Frey announced Volunteer EMS and Fire classes will be held this fall. Volunteers are needed to run these vital services for the community. The classes are free, held in Terrace Park and no medical background is needed. Village residents are strongly encouraged to volunteer and be members of the EMS and/or Fire Department.

Call Maggard, Frey or the Village Office for information.

Fire Chief Frey reported that this month's training included going to the Colerain Fire Tower where they worked with Glendale/Wyoming Fire Department. Hydrants are still being tested. If residents have dirty faucet water, please allow the water to run for a few minutes.

Police Chief Jerry Hayhow reported that the police have recently been CPR recertified. Chief Hayhow purchased salt for Village streets this winter for \$59.73 per ton, saving over \$39 per ton from last year. Sidewalk trip hazards are currently being repaired along Marietta and Amherst as well as other areas of the village. Also, before the start of the new school year the street re-striping project will be completed.

Councilman Stefan Olson, Public Works, asked that bikers follow traffic rules and be careful on the roads.

Councilman Jeff Krueger presented five resolutions for maintenance of the Community Building. Prevailing wage bids were opened for this work. All resolutions were passed by Council's vote. The resolutions were: \$12,385 for door and window renovation, \$560 for removal of existing garage doors, \$5,900 to install and stucco a new block wall, \$1,800 to install a new acoustic ceiling and \$900 for office lighting. Krueger will have fall planting numbers ready for the

September meeting.

Councilman Mark Porst passed a resolution for budget amendment increase of \$20,000 to pay for maintenance and Community Building improvements.

Councilman Jim Muennich reported on the progress of the Wooster Pike Project. Medians, catch basins and curb plans are going to ODOT for phase one review. A Wooster Pike meeting is planned for mid-September.

Councilman Olson presented a resolution for \$8,100 for Kneisel Contracting Corp to re-stripe current street lines and crosswalks.

### Council meeting broadcast schedule

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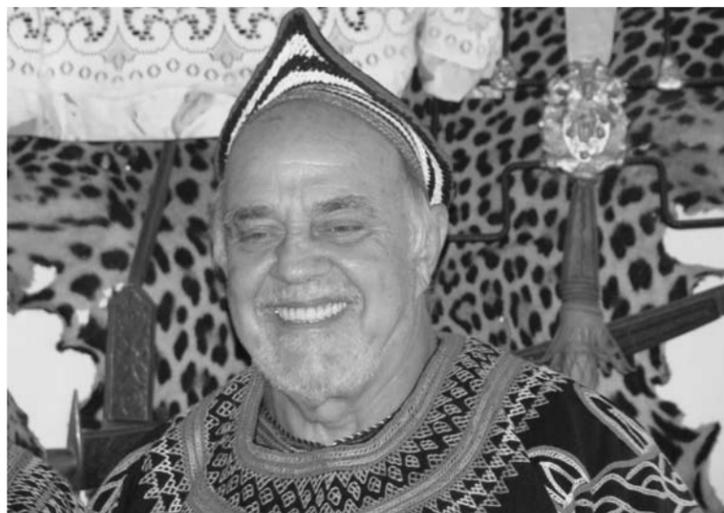
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## John A. Gehrig receives award, recalls TP roots and memories

By Susan Abernethy Frank for Terrace Park Historical Society

John A. Gehrig was born in Terrace Park in 1937, graduated Terrace Park High School in 1954, Harvard University in 1958 and University of Michigan Law School in 1963 and after practicing law for 19 years in Cincinnati; he moved to Florida and received a master's degree in international law from the University of Miami. He became the County Attorney for Orange County and after retirement in 1999 he maintained a private practice and his volunteer work which is the reason for his award: "Terrace Park High School Alumnus of the Year."

John became involved with VOSH (Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity) in 1994 when he went on a church mission trip to Honduras, working specifically in the optometric clinic. Upon his return to the states he read about VOSH and made inquiries. He has been active in VOSH ever since. Over the last 14 years John has participated in about 25 VOSH missions, mostly to Central and South America and Eastern Europe - dispensing his way through Guatemala, Nicaragua, Honduras, Dominican Republic, Brazil, Peru, Mexico, Bulgaria, Croatia, Ukraine, Viet-Nam, and Cameroon. To improve his knowledge and skill, John even completed a course to become an optician. He averages three VOSH missions per year. These missions, plus the time he spends in his job as General Counsel for VOSH/INTERNATIONAL, take up most of his spare time. John has witnessed the awesome evolution of V/I since he has been advising the Board. The modernization of the VOSH Constitution was a very significant step forward. Negotiating the recent "treaty" among VOSH, UNESCO and the



John Gehrig on a VOSH mission to Cameroon in...2007.

Republic of Nicaragua was exciting. Even more challenging was the endless maze of bureaucracy entailed in establishing VOSH/INTERNATIONAL as a legal non-profit entity in Nicaragua. John is truly committed to advancing the cause of good vision as a basic human right. John's dedication, wit, and pragmatism are invaluable to VOSH and its mission to eliminate preventable blindness.

John does not like reunions... does not attend them for college or high school but this one was an exception. On Friday June 12, 2009, at the Terrace Park Country Club, John took the mic among over 120 guests (quite an accomplishment for a school that closed after June 1957) and he humorously and with sentiment talked about his days at Terrace Park School: "If you wanted to be on the football team, you could. If you wanted to be in the class play, you could. If you wanted to sing in the choir, you

could. Terrace Park High School was an incredible institution...not to be duplicated."

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### Labor Day Weekend 2009 Schedule of Events

#### Saturday, September 5

- Annual Labor Day Neighborhood Garage Sale\* 7am-noon
  - At the Log Cabin on Elm Ave
  - Come early to get the best buys!
  - Questions? Call Jody Kauffman at 513.576.9229

#### Sunday, September 6

- Terrace Park Bulldog 5K\* 9am
  - Race-day Registration at the Village Green 8-8:45am
  - Race begins at 9am at the Gazebo
  - Questions? Visit [www.terraceparkbulldog5K.org](http://www.terraceparkbulldog5K.org) or call Stacy McClorey 513.205.6705

- 30 Years of Drackett Field Family Celebration 1pm

#### Monday, September 7

- Annual Labor Day Parade 10am
- Festival on the Green\* After the Parade (until 1pm)
  - Games, Rides and Food on the Village Green!
- Party at the Pool 1pm -?pm
  - Cool off and enjoy the pool one last time until next summer!
  - Bring stuff to grill!

\* Proceeds go to the Terrace Park Youth Rec Sports Program



### September Deadline

The deadline for the September issue is September 11 at 9 p.m. You may send your submissions to [tpvillageviews@fuse.net](mailto:tpvillageviews@fuse.net). Please include a short description in the subject line.

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Thirteen members of John's family were beaming with pride as John was rewarded for his dedication to the VOSH mission: His wife Carla, and all of his siblings also raised in TP and their spouses: Michael and Barbara Gehrig, Mary and George Kipp, Anne and Dean Hissett. John's daughter and son-in-law and 2 grandsons: Melissa, Walt, Walt and Colin and his niece Jennifer Dronsfield with husband Steven and daughter Rachael were also there. The latter 3 are now living in the Gehrig home at 619 Miami Ave. The Kipps lived there previously and all of the Hans and Bonnie Gehrig children were raised in this home. Three of the 5 spouses were also raised in TP.

**Now for the Gehrig family history in Terrace Park: (from son John A. Gehrig)**

John R. Gehrig, also known as "Hans", was born in Auerbach, Hesse, Germany in 1902 and immigrated to this country with his parents and sister in 1912. He was among that species of American immigrants for which we, as a nation, can be extremely proud. Very few people realized that he become a successful attorney, a licensed, practicing electrical and civil engineer and a Commander in the United States Navy despite the fact that he did not graduate from a "day" high school. Hans went to work in his new home town of Cincinnati almost immediately after getting "off the boat", and then started going to night school while working; first, "high school equivalency" courses in night trade school, then night courses in engineering at D.C., then the night school course in law at the old Y.M.C.A. Night Law School at the "Y" in downtown Cincinnati, graduating in 1938. At that time, Hans spent twenty years at the old C. G. & E., starting as a laborer and ending up, right before WW II, as a Regional Electric Distribution Manager. After obtaining a direct commission as a Lieutenant (j.g.) as Operations Officer for one of the first Seabee Battalions formed by the Navy, he was discharged a Lieutenant Commander-as Executive Officer of a Seabee-Battalion which gained great renown in the Navy for building landing strips across the Pacific. He began private law practice in Cincinnati in 1946, and maintained his office until his death in 1967.

Mary Bonita Ford Gehrig, a.k.a. "Bonnie" was born in 1905 of Cincinnati parents - however, since her parents were on an extended family vacation "Out West", Bonnie was physically delivered in San Francisco, CA. Bonnie's birth certificate was consumed in the famous San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906, an event which left her blissfully officially "unrecorded" until the time came for her Social Security registration. Bonnie was the only child of a Cincinnati family which enjoyed affluence until the '29 Crash. As a result of this family background, Bonnie's formal education was limited to a few years at

Brookline Grade School in Clifton, a few more years at Sacred Heart in Clifton, and a "finishing course" at Oakhurst Academy (precursor to Doherty's) where she mastered the genteel but commercially useless "lady" arts of her time. Bonnie largely kept house and had kids until the mid-fifties, when the Spirit of TV Dinners and other liberating forces caused her to go forth into the world and seek some quantum of independence. Her first career move was as Terrace Park reporter for the Miami Valley News, from which she earned two cents a word for local social reporting. She then embarked upon the management and then, later, ownership of numerous knit shops, the last of which, "Knit & Pur!" she famously maintained on Milford's Main Street until just a few years before her death in 1983.

"Hans" and "Bonnie" moved to Terrace Park (619 Miami Ave.) almost immediately after their marriage on Christmas Night, 1929. They both loved Terrace Park and never entertained one second's thought of living elsewhere. Hans was always active in local civic life, enjoying a stint as a "marrying squire" and "court holding squire" as sitting Justice of the Peace for Columbia Township before he left for the Navy. Sometime after his return from WW II, he became Village Solicitor and held this post until his death.

JOHN A. GEHRIG, born in 1937, has three children; John Robert Gehrig, Denver, CO, born in 1961; Mary Elizabeth Gehrig Rousseaux, Royal Oak, MI, born 1963 and Melissa Ford Lucken, Dansville, MI, born in 1965. He has four grandchildren descended from this batch of three kids and four grandchildren descended—from the—four kids of his present wife, Carla Jean Haverkamp Gehrig. The latter statistic is important because this Gehrig family makes no distinction among "kids" of any age based purely on an arbitrary application of the strict rules of paternity.

**Most of John A's memories of growing up in Terrace Park are "favorites" but the greatest of the great are these:**

- (1) -Going to the store (THE grocery store) after anything (i.e. school, football practice, Cub Scouts, Saturday morning radio programs) - just going to The Store was the end of a perfect anything.
- (2) Watching the mail come flying out of the side of the train, and, if you were especially lucky, watching it go under the train (which only happened about once a year but it was really cool)
- (3) Endless afternoons at the Village Dump, which included "treasure hunting" and shooting rats with your .22
- (4) LaHusens' weenie roasts at Halloween. (This will really separate the sheep from the goats as far as Ancient Terrace Park memories are concerned).

**More Gehrig family history is available at the TP Historical Society Archives. 513-248-1777.**

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 9 p.m. on Friday, September 11. **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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**Pre-school Storytime** is Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. Join Miss Kathryn for stories and crafts. Ages 3 to 5.

**Tales to Tails:** Come read to a therapy dog and practice your reading skills. Thursday, September 3, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Registration suggested.

Kids 10 to 14 and their parents are invited to an **Internet Safety** program with the i-Shield task force. Thursday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. Child **must** be accompanied by a parent.

Kids! Bring your favorite people to Grandparent's Day for BINGO. Saturday, Sept. 12 at 2 p.m. All ages.

**The Truth about Bats** with Echo Bats. Tuesday, September 29 at 6:30 p.m. Ages 6 to 12.

## Adults:

Mariemont Branch offers a three part series on personal finance presented by PNC Bank. You can take all three or just one or two of the programs. Tuesday, September 15—**Personal Budgeting**, Monday; September 21—**Prevent Identity Theft**; Monday, September 28—**Raising Money Smart Kids**. All are at 6:30 p.m.

The library book club meets the last Thursday of the month, at 6:45 p.m. September's title is *Reading Lolita in Tehran* by Azar Nafisi. We always have copies at the desk, so stop by and pick one up.

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## Village Calendar 2009

### AUGUST

**25 Terrace Park Garden Club**, Noon "Gardner's Holiday" at the home of Jane Allan, 730 Park Ave. Contact Barbara Bird for more information, 248-8705.

**27 MJHS Open House**, 7 p.m.

**29 Bloom Event to benefit Stepping Stones** this year the party will be lakeside at Stepping Stones Center, 5650 Given Rd. in Indian Hill. Join Terrace Park co-chairs Mindy Weigel and Connie Laug for this fun event for a great cause. For information on tickets or being a corporate sponsor or auction donor, contact Theresa Ciampone at Stepping Stones Center, 513-831-4660 ext 12.

### SEPTEMBER

**1 Special Bd. of Education Meeting**. Facilities Phone Survy Results at MJHS 7 p.m.

**5 LABOR DAY GARAGE SALE! 7:00 a.m. – noon** at the Boy Scout Log Cabin. For additional information call Jody Kauffman at 576-9229, or Regina Sharp at 248-9195. All proceeds benefit the Terrace Park Recreation Committee.

**6 Third Annual TP Bulldog 5K, 9 a.m.** for registration and more information check the website <http://www.terraceparkbulldog5k.org/> benefits the Terrace Park Recreation Commission.

**7 LABOR DAY (no school)**

**7 Terrace Park Labor Day Parade and Festivities**. Parade participants line up behind the elementary school 9:30 a.m. Candy gatherers and parade watchers 10:00 a.m.

**8 Terrace Park Garden Club**, Noon meeting at the Community Building. "A Shady Spot" contact Barbara Bird, 248-8705 for more information.

**11 MHS PTO Meeting** 8:45 p.m.

**14 AARP Luncheon, noon**. For reservations, call **Vera Hodges at 831-7919**. "Come see Stanley Wernz re-enactor as Abraham Lincoln". (Don't forget to wish Harry & Doris Knoop happy anniversary.)

**14 MHS Open House**, 7 p.m.

**14 – 18 Camp Kern**

**15 TP PTO Meeting** 9:30 a.m.

**15 Board of Education Meeting** at MJHS, 7 p.m. Public Welcome.

**16 MJHS PTO Mtg**, 9 a.m.

**16 Kindervelt 76 Meeting**, 7:30 p.m at 105 Miami Avenue

**19 ROSH HASHANHA**

**19 "Fun Razer II", for Women's Art Club Cultural Center Foundation**, 5:30 p.m. Celebrating the completion of the East Wing Project that was funded by the Ohio Cultural Facilities Commission. At 6:00 p.m. following the ceremony, join us for cool Jazz by the "Xavier Facility Jazz Quartet", light fare by "Creative Cuisine", auction items and art on display in our beautiful gallery by some of our finest local artists. \* **New this year, a Fine Art Mini-Master sale; a chance to buy original art by your favorite artist for \$99.00!** Reservations are \$30.00 per person, (includes two beverage tickets) and \$35.00 at the door. Make your check payable to "WACC Foundation" and mail by September 8, 2009 to: WAC Fun Razer II, 6980 Cambridge Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45227.

**20 Terrace Park Historical Society public program**, "Treasures of Terrace Park," Community Building; 3:30 p.m. refreshments, 4 p.m. program

**23 Mariemont School Foundation meeting**, 7:30 p.m., MHS

**28 YOM KIPPUR**

**29 TP Picture Day**

**30 MJHS Picture Day**

For MHS and MJHS Schedules, including sports, check out <http://www.highschoolsports.net/portal.cfm?schoolid=OH452277437>

Watch for announcements coming soon for TP outdoor fitness boot camp coming in September. Call or e-mail Nikki Tritsch for information [ntritsch@cinci.rr.com](mailto:ntritsch@cinci.rr.com) or 831-8871.

Please call **Hester Sullivan @ 576-9959** or email [hestersullivan@yahoo.com](mailto:hestersullivan@yahoo.com) with calendar information or check us out on the web [www.terracepark.com/calendar](http://www.terracepark.com/calendar).

## Terrace Park History Additions to www.tpsurvey.org

By Lee and Carol C. Cole

The Terrace Park building survey on the Internet has recently been expanded. As many residents already know, the site has as much history as we know of every building in Terrace Park, including some that no longer exist. Wherever possible, photos of present and earlier buildings are provided as well as census records for the older homes. Some information about residents is also included. If you have information that should be added, changed or deleted, please let us know.

We have added an index of the deeds for each property or lot – many going back to the early 1800s. The property owners for each address are listed as well as the date the deed was recorded, and the book and page where the actual deed is recorded. Copies of deeds may be obtained from the Hamilton County Recorder's Office, 138 East Court Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Cincinnati, OH.

The second addition is a listing of all those who are interred in the St. Thomas Columbarium. Birth and death dates are given when known. Similar information for Terrace Park residents buried at other locations will be added from time to time.



The original log house built by William & Elizabeth Highlands after they "came to this area from Pennsylvania in 1802 or 03." Their 1805 log home "stood near the intersection of Wooster Pike and Indian Hill Road until about 1917."



601 Wooster Pike as it was in November 1911 when Mrs. Theo Traber lived there. The house was built about 100 years earlier "of bricks made on the spot and stones from the abandoned Covalt

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## TPHS legal counsel



Steve Holmes

TPHS New legal counsel – Steve Holmes, former member of Terrace Park Village Council and vice president of Cors & Bassett, is succeeding his longtime friend, mentor and former colleague, Ken Bassett, as legal counsel for the Terrace Park Historical Society. Steve, who lives at 602 Miami Ave. with his wife Christy and their six children, is regularly identified by Cincy Business Magazine as one of Cincinnati's leading lawyers in the area of general business law. He also volunteers his legal services for the American Classical Music Hall of Fame and serves on the board of Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park.

## Accessibility issues in your home

By Tim Harth, Drackett Harth Construction

As the population ages, we have been getting more and more calls requesting information on remodeling homes to address accessibility issues. Questions include: constructing exterior ramps, installing elevators (both interior and exterior) or stair-chairs, widening doorways, altering bathrooms and opening cabinets under kitchen

sinks. There are solutions to most of the issues that will allow people to remain in their homes.

I, myself, had a father who was wheelchair-bound for the last few years of his life and I learned a lot about what was needed and what issues were able to be worked around. I learned that much depends on the individual and how physically active they can be. One thing is certain; each case is distinct and very personal.



Boy Scout Troop 286 would like to thank everybody who donated items and money to our collection for troops in Iraq during the Memorial Day Parade. Over 215 items were collected this year. The scouts plan to make this collection an annual event. Thanks again!

In some cases, your federal tax dollars can work to help with the expenses. But be aware that it will take considerable effort. I recently dealt with an example of the problem. The Veterans Administration will pay up to \$60,000 of matched costs to make a veteran's home more accessible if the condition arises from service-connected disability; but, only IF all provisions of their program are met. Some of the requirements include TWO means of accessible egress, wheelchair accessible bathroom, and lowered kitchen cabinetry with minimal base cabinets to allow wheelchair access to the sink and appliances. Some houses simply cannot be economically retrofitted to meet these and any other required standards.

Sometimes, building codes and accessibility issues run into each other. Ramps are allowable in the Terrace Park required setbacks but, they too, need to meet

the Americans with Disability Act compliance rules of 4' width and a maximum pitch of 1 inch in 1 foot. Interior elevators can take some significant engineering to alter the structure although the elevator itself is fairly simple.

The issue of restoration of the home after the need for accessibility is no longer necessary is another issue that needs to be addressed. Storing the old doors and trim, and even the old cabinets, is a good idea to ensure a match when restored.

People tend to want to stay in their homes even when faced with accessibility issues. What we have found, even in the most difficult houses, is that selling and moving to another house to address the issue simply doesn't work in this economy. We would like to see that everyone who would like to stay in their present home have the opportunity to do so. It is important to be able to be in comfortable, familiar places while dealing with the stress of these life changes.

## Warm memories keepsake coverlet unveiled Labor Day

The history and uniqueness of Terrace Park has been captured in a keepsake coverlet commissioned by the historical society. It will be unveiled – and order forms distributed - at the community's Labor Day festivities on the village green.

Sketches of 10 community icons and significant information about each are woven into the coverlet. Featured are: Terrace Park School, 1913; Community House, 1890; Log Cabin, 1936; St. Thomas Church, 1907, and Covalt Station site, 1789; Elm Avenue Tunnel,

1853; also the Little Miami River, Robinson Circus elephant, village green gazebo, the school's bulldog mascot and the village's famous white squirrel.

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# Police report

Scattered vehicle tampering was reported by several residents. One person heard his car door being opened. When he opened the door to his house to investigate he observed someone running from the scene. Tampering with vehicles was also reported by residents on Denison Lane, Floral Avenue and Princeton Drive. Change was taken from one vehicle and keys from another which was unlocked with keys inside.

Criminal mischief occurred when post-it notes were affixed to a resident's truck. Rain caused the ink in the notes to stain the clear coat on the vehicle. The responsible parties were identified and admitted guilt. Their families were instructed to obtain estimates for repair of the damage.

Theft of items from a vehicle parked in the back lot at Dracket Field was reported.

Police approached two juveniles soliciting residents to buy candy without a permit. They were transported to Fairfax.

A resident was observed driving recklessly and almost striking a person directing traffic generated by a game at the recreation field. The driver was identified and was located later. The individual, who admitted guilt, was charged with disorderly conduct.

Police investigated a complaint concerning suspicious people under the Elm Avenue bridge impeding passage of individuals using the bike trail. The suspects said they were employees of a company

hired to clear brush in the area. The company was contacted and promised to correct the workers.

Freon was stolen from an air conditioner unit on Douglas. Police sighted a suspicious vehicle occupied by a sleeping male on Elm. The subject was intoxicated and difficult to arouse. Newtown officers assisted in removing him from the car. A cab was called to transport him to Sharonville. Police traced the owner of a vehicle in the landfill through his plate number. He had been dumping trash unacceptable at the landfill. The resident was cited for illegal dumping and was requested to return to pick up the trash. Criminal mischief was reported by a resident who found a village green stop walk sign propped against the front door of the home.

Assistance of officers was required in resolving several domestic disputes.

Other complaints handled by the department concerned noise from lawn equipment and fireworks, trash cans being put out and left out beyond ordinance regulations, illegal parking and possible suspicious vehicles. None of the vehicles were found to be threatening.

A resident was reported for indecent exposure.

Two snakes were removed from property. One had entered a house; the other was in a garage.

Mutual Aid was provided to Milford and received from Newtown.

Nine squad runs were logged.



Robinson Circus, early 1900s – Presented by Lynn Nelson



Community Building, circa 1890 – Presented by Laurie Baird



The Tunnel, circa 1853 – Presented by Susan Abernethy

## Treasures of Terrace Park series continues this September

Enter Terrace Park from western Elm Avenue and you'll pass through a tunnel that's more than 150 years old. Enter from the east side of Elm and you'll pass a stately building that's nearly 120 years old.

These two ends of Elm Avenue – and Circus Place high above this longest of village streets – are destination points for the historical society's second annual "Treasures of Terrace Park" program Sept. 20.

From the railroad tunnel that influenced village growth, to the Baptist Church that's now the Community Building, and the Robinson

Circus that wintered here in the early 1900s, there's a lot to learn – and love – about Terrace Park. Offering information from personal research and private collections will be Susan Abernethy Frank, former TPHS president who grew up in Terrace Park and raised her own family here; Laurie Baird, immediate past president of TPHS and assistant fiscal officer for the Village of Terrace Park; and Lynn Nelson, longtime village resident whose great-aunt was a member of the Robinsons' executive staff.

The program, held at the Community Building, is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be offered at 3:30 p.m., followed at 4 p.m. by the presentations.

Last year's "treasures" were the log cabin, village green, St. Thomas Church and Little Miami River.

"This program was so well received last year, we knew it needed to be an annual offering," said Lorrie Hill, TPHS president. "This year's program promises to be entertaining, educational and even surprising. Guests will leave with a greater appreciation for what makes Terrace Park such a special place."

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# Speaking academically

By Vivian Franz, Ph.D.

Many years ago, I was standing in front of McGuffey Hall at Miami University, Oxford, talking with Dr. Donald Edwards about reading and the current interest in speed reading. He was the reading-instruction professor there for teachers-in-service. I had been assigned as his assistant. We were discussing reading comprehension, and I had asked him about the kind of reading required for college or university work. I have never forgotten his reply.

"Reading academic material should never be hurried," he said, "if you want a quality outcome. Speed depends on purpose and material. In the academic world, speed is rarely the issue. Comprehension is."

Think for a moment how we read if we truly want to understand and to remember what we've read—two tasks very important to academic learning. We read carefully. When we don't understand, we re-read. As we read, we may agree or disagree with the author on a given point. We may stop to question. We think about what we are reading. If we are reading to retain information, and not just to entertain ourselves, we may get so caught up in the text that we forget time completely.

Years ago, a local family brought their elementary school son to me because he was "failing in reading." Although his everyday grades were excellent, he was unable to finish on standardized

timed tests.

After a session or two, I tested him. When the time was up, I said nothing and let him continue reading. When I scored the test, I found a low score if I'd stopped at the prescribed time, yet his completed answers were correct. When I scored to see the results when he was given additional time, he had a perfect score. I found he processed at a slower rate, but read extremely well and carefully. He was exacting in his thinking.

Today, students of all ages are taking standardized timed tests. I work with high school students studying for their collect entrance tests—the PSAT, SAT, or ACT. I find timing places undue stress on many students, but especially on those who are exacting in their thinking or who process more slowly. Timing can be a factor in bringing down their scores.

I tell these students to increase both their pleasure and academic reading. The more they read the more they will learn—the more they will build knowledge of vocabulary, a key factor in comprehension. Knowing more word meanings is one factor which can speed up reading rate while insuring comprehension.

In addition, I reassure them that once they finish their standardized timed tests, they will rarely be timed in their regular academic work. While situations can vary, I don't remember a single incident when my college professors timed me.

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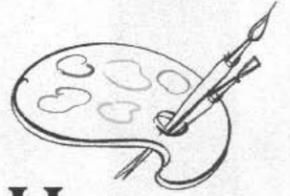
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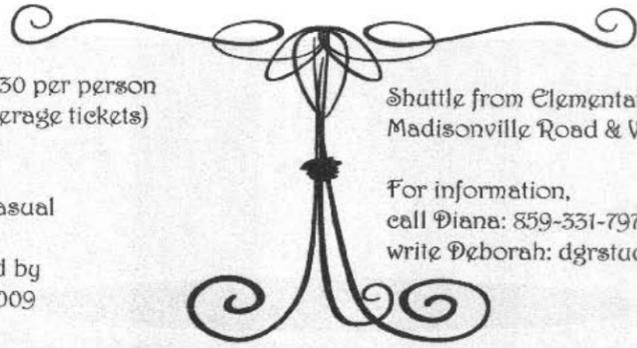
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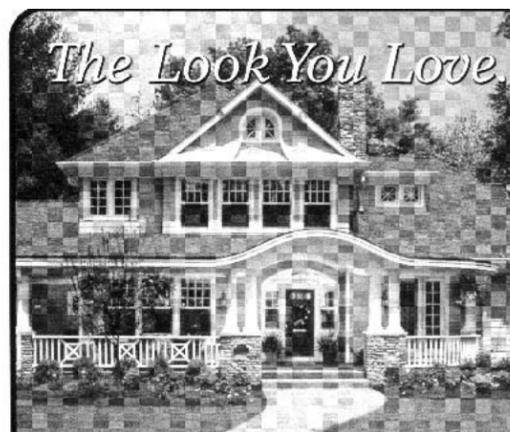
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# Terrace Park Sports



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## TP T Ball 2009

### The TP T Ball team had a stellar year

The coaches practiced, drilled, and rehearsed the fundamentals of baseball to ensure their team was ready for each and every game. As the year progressed, so did the

players and their skills. TP ended the year with a hot Saturday afternoon game and a cool pool party.

A big thank you to Brian Bortz for being the head coach and organizing the pool party.

## Labor Day events will raise funds for Drackett Field improvement

[www.TPRC.net](http://www.TPRC.net)

As in the past, funds from the Labor Day Garage Sale, Bulldog 5K and Festival on the Village Green will go to the Terrace Park Recreation Committee. This year they will go towards a specific project: widening the back road at Drackett Field.

In a survey conducted among parents in the TPRC online data-

base, permanent structures for the porta-potties, widening the Drackett back road and enlarging the back Parking lot were the most desired improvements for Drackett Field. So far this year we've spent \$5K to replace a water fountain and \$6K for the porta-potty structures that are currently under construction. The next project will be to widen the back road. For this, TPRC already has about half

of the required \$18K needed and is looking to this year's Labor Day events to help provide the rest of the needed money.

And so, there is all the more reason for TP families to contribute to and buy from the garage sale, run a 5K and enjoy games, food and rides on the Village Green this Labor Day weekend!!

## Terrace Park Bulldog 5K – Run for Fun on Labor Day Weekend!

What better way to help celebrate the Labor Day weekend and the unofficial end of summer than with a run or walk around Terrace Park! Whether you're up for a little competition or just like the idea of a brisk but social walk around the "Park", the 3rd Annual Terrace Park Bulldog 5k is the event for you. And even if you prefer to stay stationary, there are ways to join in the fun. Show your TP spirit by pulling out boom-boxes and lawn chairs and cheering for the runners and walkers!

Here is everything you need

to know to participate and support the event...

The race takes place 9am Sunday morning of Labor Day weekend (September 6th). If you have not already registered, you can register from 8-8:45 a.m. at the Village Green. Course-day registration is \$20 and t-shirts will be available for \$15. The race will begin promptly at 9am at the gazebo on the Village Green.

The race course is as follows: Start on Terrace Place by the gazebo & head toward St. Thomas. Right on Cambridge. Right on

Miami. Right on Amherst. Left on Lexington. Right on Stanton. Right on Yale. Left on Amherst. Left on Floral. Right on Stanton. Left on Elm. Right on Princeton. Right on Poplar. Right on Stanton. Left on Elm. Finish at Gazebo.

Registration forms are available at the Swim Club, UDF and all the message boards throughout the park. If you have any questions, you can visit [www.terraceparkbulldog5k.org](http://www.terraceparkbulldog5k.org) or call Stacy McClorey at 513-205-6705.

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