

VILLAGE VIEWS

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A letter from Council

Dear Terrace Park,

Many of us have read Cincinnati Enquirer articles describing steep revenue declines in neighboring communities. These are a result of changes in Ohio law. The state disburses a Local Government Fund (LGF) to municipalities including Terrace Park. As part of a broad effort to reduce state spending, the LGF will decline by 1/2 between 2011 and 2013. Losing 50% of the LGF will cost Terrace Park about \$28,400/year. Over the past three years, Terrace Park has received an average of \$128,841 in inheritance taxes. Ohio enacted legislation that will eliminate the inheritance tax after December 31, 2012. In addition to losing these two sources of revenue, declining real estate values will also negatively impact village tax revenue.

As a general rule, changes in real estate value do not impact either the aggregate taxes paid or the revenue collected by Terrace Park. There is an exception on a small portion of taxes referred to as "inside" millage. Unlike normal or "outside" millage which collects constant tax dollars by equalizing changes in property values with offsetting changes in tax rates, inside millage holds the tax rate constant and collects more or less revenue as real estate values increase or decline.

SPRING IS HERE honored by Please Touch Museum

Philadelphia's Please Touch Museum has recognized *SPRING IS HERE* by Terrace Park resident Will Hillenbrand as the best book published for children ages 3 and under in 2011. Although this is the third time he has received an award from the museum, it is his first award as both author and illustrator. Previously *Down on the Farm* written by Merrily Kutner (Ages 3 and under) and *Kiss the Cow!* written by Phyllis Root (Ages 4 to 7) were honored in 2005 and 2002, respectively. The award is given to books that are imaginative, exceptionally illustrated, and that help foster a child's life-long love of reading.

SPRING IS HERE: A Bear and Mole Story, which is suitable

We estimate revenue lost to lower overall real estate values on inside millage at \$29,000 in 2012.

The total projected revenue loss of \$186,241 is 10% of our 2012, \$1,877,167 expense budget. Driven by large inheritance taxes, 2011 actual revenue was \$2,075,516. Forecasted revenue of \$1,748,000 in 2014 would represent a decline of \$327,516 or 15.8% from our 2011 high-water mark. As difficult as this is, many other communities that rely even more on LGF and inheritance taxes face much larger budget shortfalls. On February 18, the Cincinnati Enquirer article "Brace for shortage to worsen" used Amberley Village as an example where filling a budget gap required a new 10 mill levy. This levy, which passed on March 6, 2012, brings the village portion of an Amberley resident tax bill to \$518/year for each \$100,000 of market value. Terrace Park residents pay about \$380/year (for the village portion of their real estate tax bill) per \$100,000 of home value. To put this in further perspective, Amberley's new 10 mill levy roughly equals the entire current levy in Terrace Park. And, unlike most communities in Hamilton County, Terrace Park has no earning or income tax. We enjoy relatively low village taxes (continued on page 3)

for children preschool - Grade 1, received flattering reviews including:

"Simple sentences... describe the action, while Hillenbrand's illustrations wonderfully animate the text. The artwork, digitally manipulated pencil with water-based coloring, has a lovely softness; the characters, with their plumpness and simplicity, are extremely appealing," Kirkus Reviews.

"The repetition, ample onomatopoeia, and tender tone of the spare text... combined with [the] renderings of this gentle pair of pals, create a sunny welcome to the season," Publishers Weekly.

"Hillenbrand's sense of humor is gentle yet emphatic, perfect for young children," The Horn Book.

April Village Council meeting

By Martha Rassi

The April meeting of the Terrace Park Village Town Council was called to order by the Mayor Jay Gohman. The first order of business was the swearing in of Michael Bronson and Ray Bernardini as new volunteer fire department members. Family members were present to congratulate the new volunteers.

Councilman Stefan Olson and Mayor Gohman both emphasized the importance of having Life Squad and Fire Department volunteers to the Village since it reduces the Village budget by a considerable amount as well as providing valuable support in a time of emergency. The mayor also thanked families of the volunteers for their support. Anyone interested in training should contact Life Squad Chief John Maggard or Fire Department Chief Luke Frey.

The mayor then called for residents to address the Council. Two residents, who both live on Myrtle, provided additional information to the Council concerning the establishment of guidelines for short-term rentals in the Village zoning code.

Later in the meeting, Councilman Tom Tepe noted that an informative Planning and Zoning Committee meeting was held with good dialogue. He is contacting similar Villages across the state to find assistance in determining a regulation for short-term rentals. Homeowner's property rights must be considered as well as the Village's ability to legally defend any zoning regulation. It is a work in progress.

Chief Financial Officer

The first half of the 2012 real estate taxes have been received. An audit of the Village will be outsourced to a private firm and will include years 2010 and 2011.

Solicitor

Bob Malloy noted that the Martin/Marietta briefs are due this week and replies to the briefs will be in May with no oral argument date yet set.

Life Squad

A joint fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 14th at the Emergency Services Building offering document-shredding service. Thanks to George Heffner and Chasen Drackett for donation of the truck.

Two residents have already committed to the September training class and more are still needed.

Fire Chief

A Facebook page entitled "Terrace Park Volunteer Emergency Services" has been set-up to allow residents to keep up with the Fire and Life Squad activities and news. More hydrant repairs will take place this month with some of the older hydrants replaced.

Police Chief

On April 28th a prescription drug take back program will be held from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Last year had a great turnout for this service to Village residents.

Street Commissioner

Chief Jerry Hayhow discussed the on going problem of standing water and resulting damage to Village roads. Efforts are being made to assist homeowners in keeping water from road right of ways thus reducing the cost of road repairs. This program is already being applied to Yale. Chief Hayhow will assist all residents in altering off street parking areas. Building and Grounds

Stump grinding is progressing as well as planting of new trees.

Rules and Laws

The Village is to be congratulated on its recycling efforts since the rate is one of the highest in the state. The Village will receive over \$5,000 for its recycling efforts. Keep up the good work.

Public Works

A resolution was approved to provide funds to repair or replace sidewalks on Elm, Miami, Stanton and Marietta streets.

Public Safety

Councilman Olson congratulated the newest members of the Village Volunteer Fire Department.

A shelter in memory of Collin

By Bren Fries

Just a few short weeks ago, we lost one of our own. Collin Barton was tragically killed walking along the shoulder of Wooster Pike toward his home in Terrace Park. Since then, the community has rallied around the Barton family. Simply put, their loss is our loss.



Their pain is our pain.

Many of us throughout Terrace Park, Mariemont and Fairfax as well as friends and family near and far have asked what more can be done to best remember the bright and shining spirit that was, is, and will always be Collin.

Sean and Deborah have an answer.

The Barton's have joined with several other families in launching a campaign to raise funds for the construction of a shelter at Terrace Park's Drackett Field... a place Collin loved to play and referee sports, wander with friends and explore the forest along the bike path and banks of the nearby Little Miami River. They envision a space where families can gather,

teams can meet, and all can seek a central, safe and sheltered haven during the inevitable occasions of inclement weather.

The Shelter Campaign for Collin is completely volunteer-based. All proceeds will be used for the planning, construction and care of a place our families will enjoy for generations to come. And done so in the name of a son, a brother, and a friend. Our goal is to raise \$25,000. Please help...no gift is too small.

To donate to the campaign, please make checks payable to: The shelter campaign for Collin and send them to Jean-Marie Nelson, Treasurer, 607 Home St, Terrace Park, OH 45174 (A 501(3)c non-profit).



Collin Barton



An excerpt from Will Hillenbrand's award-winning book *SPRING IS HERE*.

VV Deadline - Thursday, May 9th by 9 p.m. For articles, please contact Chandi Findley at tpvillageviews@fuse.net.

For calendar submissions, please contact Hester Sullivan at hestersullivan@me.com.

For ads please contact Cyndy Finnigan at 831-5121/cynthia1@email.com



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- calculate real estate transfers in Feb. issue

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For more details please call Chandi Findley @ 576-0595 or send an e-mail to both tpvillageviews@fuse.net and pfindley@fuse.net.

Thanks!

TP Treasures will be showcased by TPHS

By Terrace Park Historical Society Archive Team , www.tphistorical.org

If you haven't already marked your calendar for the Terrace Park Historical Society's next community program, do it now! You won't want to miss the next installment of Terrace Park Treasures, our annual showcase of local sites and institutions that's a real crowd-pleaser.

The date: Sunday, April 29.

The time: 3:30 p.m., refreshments followed by the program at 4 p.m.

The place: Terrace Park Community Building, 428 Elm Avenue

This year's program features the Gazebo on the Village Green, Drackett Field and the original Terrace Park Country Club.

Bill Graf, 722 Park Avenue, will share the history of the gazebo named for his friend Richard



Mike Getz at the far end of Drackett Field where the equipment building and a monument to those who made Drackett Field possible are located.

Elliott Ward, an architect who died in 1988 at age 39. The memorial in Dick's honor was built in 1989 for \$25,000 with donations from family, friends and business as-

sociates. It has become a centerpiece for community events and a village icon.

Mike Getz, who lived in Terrace Park 23 years before moving to Milford nine years ago, will recall the communitywide effort that raised \$100,000 to purchase the farmland known today as Drackett Field, and the many individuals who worked to turn it into a recreational destination.

For the past 25 years, Jeanette Pruiss has made her home at 1 Oxford Avenue in the original Terrace Park Country Club, circa 1915. She'll share the story of its evolution and photos of her home when it a clubhouse with one large ballroom, the tennis courts that were constructed after the country club moved to the other side of the Little Miami River, and the baseball diamond that was once on the property.



Is it a gazebo or a pavilion? Should it be placed in the center of the Village Green or elsewhere? Bill Graf will recall the discussions and multi-faceted efforts that led to the memorial for Dick Ward.



Jeanette Pruiss and the historical plaque at the entrance to her home.

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May 9th

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As the District prepares to move the Board of Education office adjacent to Mariemont High School and next year's junior high students to their beautiful new building in Fairfax, it's time to honor the rich history of the Dale Park Building.

May 15 - 7pm The final Board of Education meeting located in the Dale Park/MJHS School. District and community leaders will reflect on the important roles this building has played in our schools and our community. Everyone is invited.

May 24 - 4:30-7pm Community Open House - Walk through the halls and classrooms and celebrate the many ways in which this building has served the school district and community. Highlights include a Dale Park history timeline, student performances, slide show and memorabilia stations throughout the building. Weather permitting, stay to enjoy the Mariemont Junior High student outdoor concert. Learn about the future of the new Mariemont Junior High in Fairfax as well as possible future plans for the Dale Park building.

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Thank You for Supporting Terrace Park PTO!

April showers bring...Cub Scouts?



On a wet Saturday morning earlier this month, Terrace Park Cub Scouts joined forces with several parents and siblings to help give the yard of Lew Washburn a spring cleanup. In the spirit of scouting, the boys lent a helping hand to Washburn (a former scout leader) by raking garden beds, trimming hedges and spreading mulch.



Police Report

Police observed a vehicle come to a complete stop at a green light at the intersection of Wooster Pike and Elm Avenue. After observing the vehicle make an improper right turn on a red light, police initiated overhead lights and followed the vehicle into Milord, where the driver finally pulled over. When talking to the driver, police smelled alcohol and observed that the driver's speech was slurred. A Milord police officer on the scene also detected the odor of alcohol. The driver refused to perform the field

sobriety tests. The driver was transported to the Milord Police department and then on to the Terrace Park police department, where she was cited and released.

Police also responded to a disabled vehicle and numerous properties found open.

Terrace Park Police provided mutual aid to the Milford Police Department.

Please refer to official news reports for information regarding police efforts during search for a local teenager.

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 9 p.m. on Thursday, May 9th. **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.

A letter from Council

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because we rely on volunteers for Fire, EMS and a wide range of organizations like the Village Views, Garden Club, Historical Society, Recreation Committee, Scouts, PTO, Woman's Club and others that deliver valuable services while keeping our community engaged, connected and strong. Council invests in our Fire and EMS volunteers with proper training, equipment and facilities to ensure quality and safety. Replacing our Fire and EMS volunteers with paid professionals would cost Terrace Park \$1M/year. The greatest contribution residents can make to the financial well being and community spirit of Terrace Park is to volunteer.

We need to manage our budget closely and monitor any

shortfalls where expenses exceed revenue but Terrace Park is not in a financial crisis. The village maintains a cash surplus equal to about 1 year's operating expense. The past few years' budgets included investments in Wooster Pike curbs and medians that were discretionary. Controlling future discretionary spending while constantly looking for cost savings gives us time to plan for revenue changes as part of our normal budget process. Your Mayor, Council and Chief Financial Officer are committed to keeping our finances and community strong.

Sincerely -Council - Lee Cole, Stefan Olson, Mark Porst, Holly Purcell, Tom Tepe, Rick Tripp Mayor - Jay Gohman, Chief Financial Officer - Mark Holcomb

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May 9th deadline:

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

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SPECIAL OFFER FROM TPHS

Lynn Carden's

watercolor painting of one of our community's charming streets is now available as signed and numbered limited edition prints. The original "Neighborhood Streets" was donated by the former local resident to the Terrace Park Historical Society's Creatives Gallery. It's offered in three sizes, ranging in price from \$40 to \$75. To order, call TPHS at 248-1777.



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Terrace Park Garden Club will feature

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Terrace Park Garden Club held their April meeting at Benken's Nursery for a workshop on Living Wreaths.

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Terrace Park named Tree City USA

The Arbor Day Foundation announced that Terrace Park was named a Tree City USA community for its commitment to urban forestry. It is the 27th year Terrace Park has earned this national honor from the Arbor Day Foundation, the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to planting trees.

"We all benefit when communities like Terrace Park place a high priority on planting and caring for tree, one of our nations' most beautiful resources, said John Rosenow, chief executive and founder of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Trees shade our home and add beauty to our neighborhoods, and they also provide many environmental, economic and social benefits. We applaud Terrace Park's elected officials, volunteers and citizens for providing vital care for it urban forest.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day

Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

Terrace Park has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA community by having a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, a community forestry program with annual expenditures of at least \$2 per capita, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

Communities that earn Tree City USA recognition not only have taken the time to meet the four standards, they know that trees: promote healthier communities by filtering the air we breathe by removing dust and other particles; moderate climate, conserve water and provide vital habitat for wildlife; reduce the heat island effect in urban areas caused by pavement and buildings; and reduce energy use and increase property values.

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Village Calendar 2012

APRIL

- 24 Board of Education, 7 p.m. Note Date Change
- 27 MHS Prom and After Prom

MAY

- 1 Terrace Park Garden Club: Noon at the Community Building. Program – "In the Garden with Ron Wilson". Terrace Park residents welcomed.
- 1 7 p.m. MHS Alumni Mtg
- 1 7 p.m. TPE PTO Mtg
- 1 7:30 p.m. Arts Assoc, In/Out
- 2 MHS PTO In & Out Party, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 "Pig-a-ma-jigi" 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. is Terrace Park Elementary's NEW event for Spring combines the Flying Piglet Final Mile and the old BOOtique. The kids participating in the Flying Piglet will gather after school to run/walk their final mile, the others will cheer them on. After that the festivities including the annual Bake Sale and Tchotchke Sale will proceed.
- 4-5 MJHS Play, 7 p.m. Friday Night and 2 p.m. Saurday.
- 8 Village Council, 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Board of Education Meeting at MHS, 7 p.m.
- 16 MJHS PTO In/Out, 9 a.m.
- 16 MHS Night of the Arts, 6:30 p.m.
- 21 MHS Recognition Day, 8 a.m.

- 21 MHS Choral Awards, 7 p.m.
- 22 TPE Open House/Art Show/Book Fair
- 23 Mariemont Schools Foundation mtg, 7:30 p.m.
- 24 MJHS Night of the Arts, 6:30 p.m.

26 Always Brothers Memorial Run The run will start in Mariemont on Saturday at 6am, and they will be running through Terrace Park on the Little Miami Bike Trial! More information www.alwaysbrothers.org

28 Memorial Day—NO SCHOOL
28 Terrace Park Memorial Day Parade and Recognition Ceremony. Parade participants line up behind the elementary school 9:30 a.m. Candy gatherers and parade watchers 10 a.m.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!
Friday, June 1st TPRC's New Fundraiser—**Rec Ball and Golf Tournament.** TPRC Golf Tournament Noon. Legendary Run Golf Course. Shotgun Start, Modified Best Ball. Lunch, Golfer Gift Bag, Tee Auction. Rec Ball 7 p.m. Miami Boat Club. Dining, Dancing, Drinks, Raffle, Auction.
June 2-3 Terrace Park Environmental Group **Electronics Recycling Weekend!** Don't throw your old computers, monitors, printers, etc in the garbage!!! Let us come pick them up and recycle them at 2TRG. (FYI all hard drives are put through a grinder, so never fear, your information will be destroyed!)

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Council meeting broadcast schedule

Want to see the action but missed the meeting? Cable 4 broadcasts the most recent Terrace Park Village Council meetings throughout the month at the following times: Mondays at 5:30 p.m., Thursdays at 10:30 p.m., and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.

Join us for worship Sundays:
8:00 am: Holy Eucharist Rite I with Hymns
10:30 am: Choral Eucharist Rite II* with Children's Chapel (Pre-K to 2nd Grade)
*Nursery Care for Children up to 4
Christian Formation 9:15 am
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Pre-K to 2nd Grade)
Faith Explorers (3rd Grade to 6th Grade)
Reform (7th & 8th Graders)
Affirmare (High School)
Adult Learning Groups

Great things happen at St. Thomas!

Spring Choral Concert
Sunday, April 29, 5:00 pm
The Combined Choirs and Brass Ensemble present a concert of "greatest hits"!

Bach Vespers
Sunday, May 6 5:30pm
CCM faculty member Dr. Brett Scott leads the final service of our 2011-2012 program.

Vacation Bible School
at St. Thomas with Christian drama group
Friends of the Groom
July 23-27, 2012

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Neighbor to Neighbor

Mariemont Junior High writers win regional competition

At the March Power of the Pen Regional writing competition at Princeton High School, the Mariemont Junior High 7th Grade team took home First Place overall. As individuals, 7th grade writers Ellie Kapcar and Lindsey Imhoff finished in 1st and 11th place, respectively.

The MJHS 8th grade team placed fourth, with Lauren Getgey in 5th place, Mollie Coates in 11th and Natalie Popowics winning a Best of Round.

Seventh graders Cohen Bailey, Grace Haffner, Lindsey Imhoff and Ellie Kapcar qualified for the State competition, where they will be joined by 8th graders Mollie Coates, Lauren Getgey, Eli Koroman and Natalie Popowics. The State Power of the Pen competition will take place at the College of Wooster on May 24-25.

Power of the Pen is a 26-year old interscholastic competition for young writers with tournaments

throughout the state of Ohio. Since its inception in 1986, Power of the Pen has grown from a single writing contest to a statewide educational enrichment program.

The Mariemont Junior High Power of the Pen teams are coached by teachers Leslie Jordan and Jill Strall.



The 7th Grade Mariemont Junior High Power of the Pen team won the 2012 Regional Championship. Members are Cohen Bailey, Amanda Lewis, Janie Bortz, Grace Haffner, Ellie Kapcar, Lindsey Imhoff and Nathalie Weiss.

Mariemont High School band qualifies for state competition

Congratulations to the Mariemont High School Concert Band for earning the highest possible rating of "Superior" at the Ohio Music Education Association District 14 Large Group Contest on Friday, March 9 at Harrison High School.

The Mariemont High School Band received straight "Superior" ratings from every judge which qualifies them to compete in the State Large Group Competition later this spring. The MHS Band was one of only two bands in their division to qualify for the state competition.

The MHS Band Director is Becky Wagner.



The members of the Mariemont High School Concert Band qualified with "Superior" ratings for the State Competition this spring.



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Hello, Tina; Thank You, Kay

Tina Hesser, a resident of Terrace Park since 1984, is the Terrace Park Historical Society's new office manager and trustee, succeeding Kay Pope, who held those positions the past five years.



Tina Hesser

Tina and her husband, Bo, live at 801 Miami Ave., and are they parents of Whit, Kristin and Grant. Tina worked as a nurse at Cincinnati Country Day School for 14 years and most recently was a nurse at Stepping Stones for six years.

Kay was among the founders of TPHS in 2001 and served as the organization's original secretary. Kay and her husband Mike, longtime residents of Terrace Park, recently moved to Milford. During her years as office manager, Kay saw a number of office improvements – from the acquisition of updated office equipment and construction of a gallery to improved storage for



Kay Pope

the archives. She also saw TPHS outreach grow with the addition of a house tour, walking tour and expanded school and community programs. Membership and support for TPHS has continued to grow as well.

The office manager's job, a four-hour position for Kay, has grown to an eight-hour position for Tina; however, their dedication to the organization far exceeds the terms of their agreement.

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What's happening at the Mariemont Library in May

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Kid Flicks: Join us for our family friendly movies. Wallace and Grommit: Curse of the Were-Rabbit screens Saturday, May 26 at 1 p.m.

The Curious Garden: A story and activity that inspires all of us to start a garden. Tuesday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. Ages 4 to 10

Crafty Kids: Fun crafts to make with your friends. Thursday, May 31 at 3:30 p.m. Ages 6 to 11.

Collect the Button Book Club (CBBC): Each month, Ms. Katheryn's CBBC features a children's book series. Read at least one book from the series then stop in the library to complete an activity and earn a button. Collect three buttons to receive a free pizza coupon from Snappy Tomato Pizza. May's series is "Bailey School Kids" by Debbie Dadey. Ages 5 to 10.

Library Babies: The first Fri-

day of the month at 10:30 a.m. Also, Saturday, May 19 at 10:30 a.m. This is a great opportunity to introduce your baby to books, songs, and fingerplay. Ages birth to 18 months. Registration suggested.

Movers and Shakers: Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages 1 to 4 years. Bring the little ones for stories, songs and dance as they learn about the library.

Pre-school Story Time: Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. Join Miss Katheryn for stories and crafts. Ages 3 to 5.

Tales to Tails Read to a therapy dog and practice your reading skills. Thursday, May 3 at 5 to 6 p.m. Ages 5 to 10.

Button Making Party Teen Crafts at 4 p.m. Register on line, by phone or at the desk.

Who Do You Think You Are? Karen Evert, genealogy specialist offers help on "head hunting" for adults. Monday, May 7 at 6 p.m.

Tea Party Basics The Tea Lady returns with recipes and tips on how to make your tea party a

smashing success. Monday, May 14 at 6 p.m.

Which Craft Needlecraft Club New for 2012. Stop by with your current work in progress for pointers or just to have fun with co-enthusiasts. Knitting, crochet, needlework-- whatever you like to do. Saturday, May 5 at 10:30 a.m.

Technology Classes: Interested in brushing up on computer basics or want to learn how to download music or books? Call the branch and schedule a session.

Book Club: Join us for a discussion of Sarah's Key by Tatiana de Rosnay. Copies are available at the branch. Thursday, May 31 at 6:45 p.m.

The Mariemont Branch Library is located at 3810 Pochontas Ave., 369-4467. It will be closed Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day. It is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



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REC BALL and TERRACE PARK REC COMMISSION GOLF TOURNAMENT

Show your support for Terrace Park kids and the sports programs that bring our community together. Hit it early on the greens with your favorite foursome at the first ever TPRC Golf Tournament, and then rally your friends and neighbors for the Rec Ball and a night of dining, dancing, and fun at the Miami Boat Club.

Rec Ball Friday, June 1, 7 p.m. Miami Boat Club. Dinner, Dancing, Drinks, Raffle, Auction, \$50 Per Person, Casual Attire.

Golf Tournament Friday, June 1. Legendary Run Golf Course, 915 Legendary Run Drive. 12 p.m. Check In and Lunch, 1 p.m. Shotgun Start. Modified Best Ball Scramble, Greens Fees, Cart, Lunch, Photo, Gift Bag, 2 Drink Tickets. \$150 Per Player.

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