

VILLAGE VIEWS

TERRACE PARK, OHIO

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Meet the candidates for Village Council - Volunteers offer to serve Village

Jeff LeMay - I am running for Terrace Park Village Council based upon a personal need to serve.

As you know, both Stefan Olson and Mark Porst will be retiring from council after 12 years of service. I want to personally thank them for their strong contributions in leading our village. I have great respect for our council members, appointees and leaders of our village departments.

Terrace Park has been wonderful for my family. I expect through hard work, engagement, effective leadership and management that we will keep all that is good and find ways in which we can practically and cost effectively improve upon those things that might need work.

As background, my wife Angela and I have been Terrace Park residents for 13 years. We have four children. Our daughter is a junior at Mariemont High School. We have three sons, one in eighth grade at Mariemont Junior High and two who attend fifth grade at Terrace Park Elementary. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to meet many of you as a Cub Scout leader and in coaching Terrace Park recreation sports.

race Park recreation sports.

I've enjoyed a 30 year career at Procter and Gamble leading and delivering results within our various logistics and manufacturing supply chains. My work has included financial and product forecasting, production management, warehousing and physical distribution, transportation purchasing, inventory, cost and cash management. I've led major acquisitions, divestitures and brand introductions. I've done so by effectively collaborating with my partners in marketing, finance, sales, R&D, regulatory and our retailers. My education includes a Bachelor of Science in Business from Miami University and an MBA from Xavier University.

Here are a few core beliefs:

1. I believe our residents are smart, desire engagement and want the best for Terrace Park.
2. I believe primary accountability for a great village resides within the walls of our homes. The best solutions to our needs come from reaching across your fence or property line.
3. I believe your council is accountable to maintain and



Jeff LeMay

where necessary, improve upon our great community environment and to do so in a cost effective manner.

You can expect the following from me:

1. I will be engaged and accountable.
2. I will manage our resources as if my own.
3. I will work collaboratively with our residents, council, administrators and department leaders.

Thank you for the opportunity to introduce myself and more importantly, the opportunity to serve.

Holly Nelson Purcell - I am on the ballot to be elected to Terrace Park Village Council after having been appointed to Council two years ago to serve out the last of Jim Muennich's term when he moved out of the Village.

I grew up here and I am a graduate of Mariemont High School (MHS). After graduating from Williams College in Massachusetts and getting married, my husband and I first lived in Mt. Lookout and then moved to Terrace Park when we bought a home on Yale in 1992. We have raised four children who are also MHS graduates.

I am a Political Economy major and later earned an MBA in finance at Xavier University. While I initially worked for 10 years in the Treasury and Finance departments at Western-Southern Life Insurance, once our children were born I stepped out of the workforce and stayed busy teaching Sunday school at St. Thomas Church, participating in the three PTOs, leading a Girl Scout troop, and assisting with rec sports and other volunteer positions. Five years ago I went to work in Kenwood at Madison Wealth Management, a local financial planning and investment firm.

My interests in serving the residents center primarily on preserving our many treasured traditions, maintaining our remarkably low crime rates, promoting



Holly Nelson Purcell

volunteerism, and continuing our practice of fiscal responsibility. I lead Council's Buildings and Grounds sub-committee and I am a member of the Finance and Safety sub-committees. In recent months I've been involved in efforts to strengthen the activities of our Village Tree Program.

It's been an enjoyable honor to serve the Village for the past two years and I'd appreciate your vote of confidence on November 5th. As always, feel free to contact me to share your questions, concerns or comments. For residents who are interested, please check www.terracepark.org to see a listing of Council's regular meetings and also our sub-committee meetings. We'd love to see more people participating in discussions of the issues that confront and concern our Village.

Judith Lehman - My name is Judith Lehman and I am running for Terrace Park Village Council to fill one of two seats vacated by long-term members Stefan Olsen and Mark Porst.

By way of introduction, I moved to Terrace Park in 1975 and lived on Rugby Avenue with my family including parents Jan and Joe Powell. For those of you counting out there, that's more years than I like to think about all at once so let's not do the math. After a few years away for college and apartment living, I moved back to Terrace Park in 1991 and have happily raised two children in our wonderful community, both now students at The Ohio State University.

Professionally, I joined IBM as a Systems Engineer after graduating from Miami University. I

enjoyed a long and varied career in sales and marketing roles covering 25 years. During a hiatus from IBM, I acted as a facilitator for families adopting internationally. I currently work for Directions Research, a marketing research firm, as a leader in our technology practice. Over the years I have volunteered with Ronald McDonald House, managed the TP Tiger Sharks Swim Team, served on the TP Swim Club Board, and also as Treasurer of the Mariemont High School PTO.

I am delighted now to offer my time and energy in service to our community as a member of council. I do not come to the role with a personal agenda or because of any particular issue, I come to serve. This community has been my home for many years and I have been the beneficiary as



Judith Lehman

others have given so generously of their time. I am prepared to listen, to learn, and to act with a long-term view towards fiscal responsibility, meaningful engagement with the community, and thoughtful management of my duties and responsibilities.

Tom Tepe - For my last four years on council I served as the chairman of the planning and zoning committee and was a member of both the finance committee and the planning commission. During my tenure, we have continued to update and modernize the village zoning code and tackled issues such as short term rentals and the parking of commercial vehicles on and off village property.

But there's still more work to be done. I'm a firm believer of less is sometimes more--but never at the expense of safety or property values.

My wife Kim and I have been

residents of the village since 2006 and we are the proud parents of Max (4th grade) and Emmy (2nd grade). Having young children is what initially motivated me to run for council four years ago. Terrace Park is the single greatest place in the world to raise a family but we can always make it a little bit better.

When I'm not coaching my son's baseball team or otherwise attending one of my children's sporting events, I am a partner in the law firm of Keating Muething & Klekamp downtown. When there's time I enjoy golf and fishing the Little Miami river.



Tom Tepe

I ask for your support in November.

Council seeks your support for levy

Dear Terrace Park Neighbor
October 2013

In the April 2012 Village Views we reported that Terrace Park, like most communities throughout Ohio, would lose revenue due to changes in the law eliminating the

estate tax and reducing the Local Government Fund "LGF" by one half. The recession also hurt Terrace Park by reducing property values and the corresponding tax revenue. At the time, we estimated the

impact of these changes would reduce Terrace Park revenue by about \$190,000/year (\$130k estate, \$30k LGF and \$30k inside millage).

Fast forward to October 2013 (continued on page 5)

VV Deadline - Friday, November 15th by 9 p.m.

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Loss of a lady

Saying goodbye to Helen Barnett

By Amy Nisonger

Athens, Georgia

In May of this year Terrace Park (TP) lost one of the wonderful ladies of the village. She was born in 1916 to Pearl Breiling Christopher and Raymond Christopher. The event was a home birth when the family doctor made a house call to deliver Helen.

Growing up in a small town of about 200 souls everyone tended to know everyone. Helen's best girlfriends were just four blocks away. They did what all kids did then going to the local brick school house starting with kindergarten all the way through high school. Learning the ABCs; bike riding; giggling and laughing at funny happenings. In the hot summertime they swam in the Little Miami River, played bad mitten and croquette outside on the lawn. If it rained they read books and magazines or told stories to each other.

The houses had four-way party lines for their telephone service. Moms cooked meals on wood, propane or electric ranges. Laundry was done in a wringer washer and hung out on a clothes line outside. Neighbors talked to each other and shared their lives. Or in

cold or rainy weather wet laundry was hung down in the basement to dry. Irons were flat iron or the new electric models. Radios were just becoming popular when Helen was in grade school.

Helen Christopher Barnett was a product of her era and an adventurer from the start. She attended the TP Elementary and High School graduating in 1933. She then furthered her education at Western College for Women up in Oxford, Ohio. She graduated from that lovely campus in 1937 with a Bachelor of Arts. Helen loved all the liberal arts in English, French, Latin, classic literature and history. She also enjoyed the arts in music and various art mediums.

Her first adventure after college was in the Caribbean where she worked for the US State Department before World War II as a secretary on the Dominican Republic. Helen enjoyed traveling all of her life. She went to Hawaii in the 1950s and literally around the world over the next 60 years. Coming back home to TP after WWII she would live there for almost the rest of her life. Jack Douglas and Allen Lloyd went into

business together to found various manufacturing companies at 750 Main Street in Milford. Helen was hired as Jack's secretary at Technical Arts Corporation which was a paper box container manufacturer. She did the usual secretarial duties or typing, filing, and arranging travel plans for the engineers, etc. Tech Art developed into Multifold Incorporated and did even more complicated packing machinery in Douglas' law office on Main Street in Milford, Ohio in the 1980s and 90s as a secretary. Helen worked most of her adult life.

Lowell Barnett and she married in 1969 and had a very happy life together but it was cut short when he passed away. After she was widowed she still enjoyed St. Thomas Episcopal Church and its activities. Helen had friends in Terrace Park and in Cincinnati. She loved the art museums, symphony, ballet, gardening and porch sitting. Her family's home was at 215 Oxford Avenue right in the middle of the eastern part of the block. The home had porches almost all around its' stucco exterior. There was and still is an alley back behind the house. The milk, eggs and ice were delivered weekly to your back door. Buggies and cars were parked in the back so people could talk to each other from their front porches.

Helen and about 20 other ladies mostly from TP formed a "sewing club" that met monthly at each other's homes or apartments. There were gatherings for news, gossip, mending, sewing darning and knitting. Cultural art in the Midwest was a shared experience so the ladies went traveling. They formed an art club that visited not only the Cincinnati Art Museum but the one in Pittsburg, Toldedo, Indianapolis and Chicago in the 1960s. Husbands were recruited to chauffeur the ladies.

When Helen wanted to redesign her small kitchen on Oxford Avenue, she chose to open up the southern view with a big picture window to her English gardens. Helen had thousands of perennials and annuals planted all over her yard.

Entering Helen's living room from the front porch was like going into a friendly private library and art museum. She had books, periodicals and art tastefully arranged all around. She lived part of the history of Terrace Park and was a charter member of the TP Historical Society. She truly loved art, literature and nature and being a member of a loving community. She will be missed by all whom had the chance to know Helen.

A Village aglow

Each December, glowing luminaries brighten our streets and driveways and invite us outside to the Village Green. Terrace Park residents welcome the holiday season with carriage rides, hot chocolate, a tree lighting, and of course, a visit from Santa Claus himself. Terrace Park's chapter of Kindervelt is proud to announce that for the first time our group will coordinate all of these festivities at the Green, including the traditional luminaria fundraiser. Mark your calendars for this year's Lighting of the Village Christmas Tree event for Sunday, December 8th at sunset.

Order forms for the luminaries will be mailed to each home in Terrace Park in November. Luminary kits each contain 20 candles with white bags and sand and cost \$15.00, with all of the proceeds going to Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Please light your luminaries at sunset on December 8th, then take a stroll to the Village Green to partake in this annual holiday event.

Our chapter of Kindervelt always welcomes new members. Please feel free to contact Sarah Morgan for more information at asimorgan@gmail.com.



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Friday, November 15

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Our volunteers say they feel rewarded many times over for the help they provide in making a difference in the lives of kids and the community.

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Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you!

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 Terrace Park Recreation Committee



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Students collaborate with Alzheimer patients

Josephine McKenrick, Mariemont City Schools

Twelve Mariemont High School photo/video/journalism students are participating this fall in an arts education program called "New Voices." The goal of "New Voices" is to connect high school students with important community issues through long term artistic projects involving photography.

The Mariemont students - and one student from St. Ursula - have been paired with the Hyde Park Health Center's Alzheimer Unit. For 10 weeks, every Monday, students meet after school at the health center and work directly with residents. The purpose of the meetings are two-fold: to form relationships with the patients; and to produce collaborative artistic exhibits, publications and videos that showcase the creative work of all participants, which will help to promote the memory support programming of the Alzheimer's group.

The project partially centers on photographing residents along with objects in their possession which have some significant meaning to them. Students have also been interviewing patients about the meaning of the objects they chose to have photographed, as well as their life experiences. The students are only four weeks into the program so far and they have already formed meaningful relationships with the residents, helping to make a difference in the lives of the Alzheimer patients there.

All work created by both the Mariemont students and the Al-



Twelve Mariemont High School students participate in an arts-based program called "New Voices" at the Hyde Park Health Center, where they have been working with the Alzheimer patients. Pictured above are (back row, left to right): Ivy Hutnyak, Noah Dill, Chance Tudor, Emma Lindsey and (front row): Eathan Baumgartner, Megan Cash, Samantha Telgkamp, Natalie Utt, Emma Toman, Cameron Byers (St. Ursula student), Hunter Thiers, Sarah Blatt-Herold, Chloe Young

zheimer patients will be exhibited at the completion of the program. Mariemont High School students who are participating in the "New Voices" program with the Hyde Park Health Center Alzheimer Unit include: Natalie Utt, Eathan Baumgartner, Noah Dill, Hunter Thiers, Megan Cash, Chloe Young, Chance Tudor, Emma Lindsey, Ivy Hutnyak, Sarah Blatt-Herold, Emma Toman and Samantha Telgkamp.

About New Voices
"New Voices" is a program for Cincinnati area high school students, which were founded by Prairie, Inc., a Northside-based arts organization. The "New Voices" program is run by David

Rosenthal, a Cincinnati photographer and educator, and is funded by the Manuel D. and Rhoda Mayerson Foundation. Mariemont High School art teacher, Kim Richardson is also involved with this project and accompanies the students each Monday to the Hyde Park Health Center.

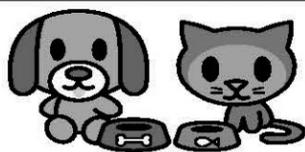
For more information on Prairie, Inc. and their "New Voices" projects, go to <http://www.prairiecincinnati.com>

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.

Friday, November 15

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International Game Day Stop by the branch for board games and good times. Saturday, November 16 all day.

The Floating House Learn about Ohio history and how pioneers lived on keel boats with Gwen Roth. Thursday, November 14 at 6:30 pm. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required.

Tales to Tails Practice your reading with a therapy dog. Thursday, November 7 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Ages 5 to 10.

Collect the Button Book Club (CBBC): Each month, the 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

Movers and Shakers: Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ages 1 to 4. Bring the little ones for stories, songs and dance as they learn about the library. **Note: No program November 27.**

Pre-school Story Time: Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. Join us for stories and crafts. Ages 3 to 5. Note: No program November 27.

Crafty Kids Thursday, November 21 at 4 p.m. Ages 5 to 10.

InBeTween Club-- Thursday, November 21 at 4 p.m. Ages 10 to 18.

Anime Club Saturday, November 30 at 1 p.m.

Holiday Craft Night Channel your inner Martha Stewart and create some cute ornaments in time for the holidays. Monday, November 4 at 6:30 p.m. Registration required.

Downloads Class If you are struggling with downloading library books to your Kindle or other device, we now offer an introductory class Monday, November 11 and November 25 at 6:30 p.m. Please call to register as this is an individual, one on one session.

Which Craft Needlecraft Club 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, November 2 and November 16 at 10:30 a.m.

Book Club Thursday, November 21 at 6:45 p.m. Copies of the book will be available at the desk.

Technology Classes: Interested in brushing up on computer basics or just starting out with technology? We offer one on one instruction Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2 p.m. Call the branch and schedule a session.

The Mariemont Branch Library is located at 3810 Pochontas Ave., 369-4467. It is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving Day

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News from the TP Boy Scouts

By Jack Findley, Troop Scribe

Troop 286 is the local charter of the Boy Scouts of America. They help local boys and their families achieve and succeed through the scouting program, ending in the Eagle Scout rank. In the past few months, the troop has joined in the Labor Day festivities, advanced many scouts through the Scouting ranks, voted in new troop leadership, and planned our troop activities for the year.

During Labor Day, the troop marched in the parade and fed many festival goers with their hamburger stand. The stand served as a fantastic fundraiser for the troop and will help support many activities throughout the year.

Over the summer, many members of the troop advanced in their path to becoming Eagle Scouts. Scouts Emmett Saulnier, Nick Walter and Jeff Guggenheim all attained their Eagle ranks over the summer, doing projects around the community such as replacing the lacrosse

bounce-back wall, replacing the gravel outside the Scout Cabin and doing landscaping at the new shelter at Drackett, respectively.

Throughout the year, scouts achieved numerous merit badges. At the most recent court of honor, the following scouts earned the following merit badges: Walker McManus - Citizenship in the Community, Personal Management, Coin Collecting; Matthew Burgess - Communications, Citizenship in the World, Chemistry, Personal Management, Family Life; Henry Wagner - Personal Fitness; Jack Findley - Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Camping, Personal Management; AJ Walter - Environmental Science, Water Sports, Snow Sports; Scott Overbey - Scholarship, Family Life, Personal Fitness, Personal Management, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Mile Swim; Sean Holcomb - Family Life, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the World; Matthew McGrory - Woodcarv-

ing, Photography, Geology; Ted Lizak - Citizenship in the Nation, Railroad; Neil Findley - Family, Chess, Computers; Jeremiah May - Family Life.

The following ranks were awarded: Jeremiah May - Star; Matthew Burgess - Life; Neil Findley - Life; Matthew McGrory - First Class; Henry Wagner - Life; Sean Holcomb - Star; Ted Lizak - Second Class; Alan Smith - Tenderfoot; Walker McManus - Star; and AJ Walter - Life.

In the fall, the troop met to plan out the year ahead. Many exciting trips and activities were planned for the year, including a trip to Red River Gorge, a high adventure trip to Montana, and the December toy drive to help needy kids and their families. New troop leaders were elected, with Neil Findley leading the troop as Senior Patrol Leader, with AJ Walter assisting him.

Troop 286 is always looking for good young men to join the troop! If interested, contact Dennis Kokoruda at 831-8736.



Emmett Saulnier's Eagle Scout project.



Nick Walter's Eagle Scout project.



Jeff Guggenheim's Eagle Scout project.

October Council meeting

By Martha Rassi

The October meeting of the Village of Terrace Park Council meeting was called to order with the first order of business being Mayor Jay Gohman's report. The mayor reminded everyone that the Village's operating expenses are kept at a lower rate due to all of the trained volunteers that are used in the Village to perform necessary services. The November ballot levy is needed to offset the reduction in state funds supplied to the Village and would be a greater amount without the volunteer provided services. With the upcoming election, residents are reminded to be aware of and follow the election sign rules (Section 1137), available at the Village office or on the Village website.

Chief Fiscal Officer Mark Holcomb noted that since 2003 the average growth rate of the Village budget has been under two percent.

Solicitor Robert Malloy reported that the Martin/Marietta action is still delayed in the appeals courts with no time line for its dismissal.

Life Squad John Maggard and Fire Chief Luke Frey were both absent due to their participation in some specialized training.

Police Chief and Street Commissioner Gerald Hayhow informed all residents that leaf pick-up will begin on Tuesday, October 15 and will continue until completed. A reminder was given to be certain only leaves are in the piles to prevent equipment damage and to keep the leaf piles off of the street. Residents may obtain large uncut logs from the Village wood bin at their convenience since the bin is not gated.

Council member Holly Purcell requested information on the noise issue along Round Bottom Road. After some discussion on the legality of the Council getting involved, the Council proposed

that they take no action on this issue unless a study committee is formed to provide the Solicitor with some guidance.

The Planning and Zoning Chair, Tom Tepe, reported that the zoning code changes are available from the Village office and reported to residents that a 7 p.m. public meeting will be held prior to the November council meeting and thus prior to the third reading of the amendments going before Council at this meeting.

Building and Grounds Chair, Holly Purcell, presented a resolution to authorize for the 2014 year to provide budget allocation for the work to control blight and disease of shade trees in the Village. A resolution was also presented to exercise the option for the continued agreement between the Village and Rumpke Waste for collection within the Village. Council member, Tom Tepe, abstained since Rumpke Waste is a client of his law firm.

Finance Chair Mark Porst commented on the necessity for the November ballot tax levy for the Village noting after the April 2012 change in the tax laws of Ohio, 12 percent of the Village budget was lost or approximately \$240,000. Within Terrace Park there are no procedures to increase revenues as other cities have with taxes that can be altered as expenses change. The last passed levy was in 2004. The proposed levy will add approximately \$300,000 to the Village revenues thus preventing the need to assess residents for services now provided by the Village funds.

Public Safety Chair Stefan Olson introduced a resolution to adopt Hamilton County's natural hazard mitigation plan for FEMA to use in case of an emergency.

With no continuing business or new business, the Council adjourned.

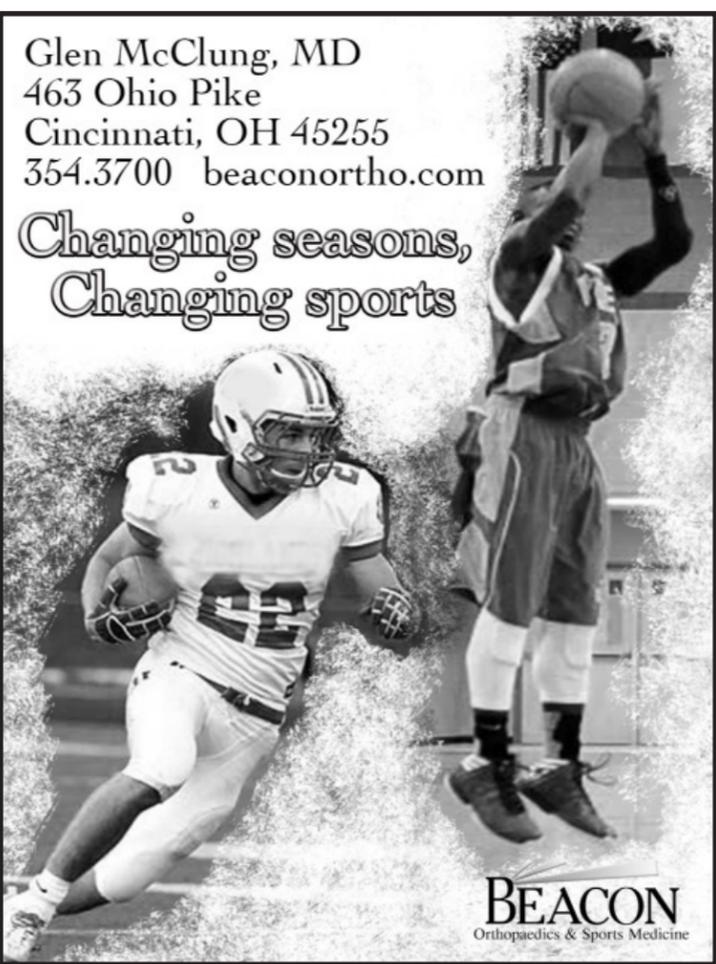
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News from the TPHS

www.tphistoricalsociety.org

October is the month that the Terrace Park Historical Society sends out annual membership letters. Your contributions provide funding for the many activities that we share with the Terrace Park community, including our biennial House Tours, the Gallery/Museum, collecting and cataloging of archival materials, quarterly programs and resources for the Mariemont School System. Our recently updated website now includes links to both a Facebook page and a Youtube channel. We hope that you will continue to provide the generous support we have enjoyed over the years.

If you would like more infor-

mation on membership or about our activities, please visit our website www.tphistoricalsociety.org, or send us an email at info@tphistoricalsociety.org. We can also be reached by phone at (513) 248-1777.

Our Annual Holiday Brunch, which we host for our current and new members, is scheduled for Sunday, December 8. Please RSVP by phone or email by December 1.

Don't forget to visit our website and enjoy the three videos on our Youtube channel: "Edgewater", "The Village Market" and "The Old Post Office". And, look for more to be added soon!



Local artist John Maggard speaking at the TP Historical Society's Fall Program

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 9 p.m. on Friday, November 15. **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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Council seeks your support for levy

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and the total negative impact of all changes is closer to \$240,000/year or about 12 percent of our annual budget. Village expenses have increased from \$1.56M in 2003 to about \$1.93M in our 2014 budget. This represents an average annual growth rate of just under 2 percent. In addition to controlling the growth of village government, our community takes collective pride in the many forms of volunteerism that keep it small in the absolute. We estimate that Fire and EMS volunteers alone save TP \$1M/year.

Real estate taxes are the primary source of revenue for Terrace Park. And, with the exception of relatively small inside millage, do not increase over time. Most neighboring communities collect various forms of either income or earnings taxes that by their nature increase over time. In addition to real estate taxes, Mariemont collects about \$2M/year in earnings taxes and they charge residents user fees of about \$200,000/year for garbage collection. TP residents pay only real estate taxes. We have no earnings tax or user fees for things like garbage, recycling, leaf collection and brush pick-up. Your real estate taxes pay for street and sidewalk paving, 24 hour police coverage and maintenance of public space like the Village Green, Community Building and Firehouse. Village volunteerism is vibrant because taxpayers provide safe, well maintained equipment. Year after year, Terrace Park is recognized as one of the safest communities in Hamilton County. Like Fire and EMS, your Council is made up of volunteers that represent the interests of their neighbors', spending money only on the highest priorities as if it were their own. We believe Terrace Park delivers strong value for each tax dollar collected.

Terrace Park's voters last passed a new levy in 2004 that

was first collected in 2005. At that time Village Council committed to no new taxes for a minimum of six years. We extended that pledge three times making 2013 the ninth year of no new taxes since the 2004 levy. Had the state not made changes negatively impacting Terrace Park revenue we are confident we could have extended the 2004 levy until at least 2016. As reported in the Village Views and Eastern Hills Journal, Council passed resolutions placing a new 2.5 mill general operating levy on the November 2013 ballot. 2.5 mills would add \$88 of new taxes to your annual real estate tax bill for every \$100,000 of market value. If approved by voters, this levy will generate about \$300,000 of new revenue for Terrace Park. Offsetting the \$240k of lost revenue with \$300k of new revenue is an intentional decision designed to position the village to handle normal cost of living increases without any new sources of revenue until at least 2018.

If the levy does not pass, Council will be forced to cut our annual operating budget. Council has not yet identified specific spending cuts but closing the revenue gap would likely start with reduced operating budgets. Other areas that could be cut include leaf removal and the size of the maintenance crew. As expenses increase over time, Terrace Park would likely have to consider deeper structural changes like the size of our full time Police force which, at about one third our total budget, is the single largest village expense.

Council recommends voting "for" the levy on November 5, 2013.

Sincerely,

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



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Police Report

Police responded to an evening of unusual events. A person or persons:

- rummaged through multiple cars and took items and/or threw items around the inside of cars,
- removed a mini-bike from a driveway and left it on the corner of Poplar and Franklin,
- entered a screened porch and moved items,
- left a pink stroller in front of a resident's garage,
- entered a garage and rummaged through cabinets and a work bench,
- removed a snow blower from a garage and left it on Stanton, and
- tried to open a resident's garage

Police obtained some fingerprints but no subject was identified.

Police responded to a complaint regarding a large group of juveniles who were being loud and setting off fireworks. Police had previously encountered the group of approximately forty juveniles at UDF. While at UDF, police heard poppers being thrown on the ground. When police questioned the juveniles, his questions were met with blank stares, denials, or just ignored. One unidentified juvenile body checked the officer. Police advised all persons under 18 years old to return to their homes. After leaving UDF, police stopped a vehicle that had been flashing its high beams at the police cruiser. When attempting to conduct a traf-

fic stop of the vehicle, female passengers began yelling and hanging out the windows of the car. Juveniles in the crowd from UDF began to yell back. The juvenile driver told police he had flashed his bright lights because members of the UDF crowd were his friends. Police advised the juvenile driver that he had too many juveniles in his car. The driver said he would take his passengers home and was sent on his way.

A juvenile resident contacted police and advised that a white male was seen standing outside her house for ten minutes. The resident further advised that her friend, who had walked to the resident's house, saw the subject at the intersection and that he had followed her to the resident's house. Police searched the area, but were unable to locate the subject. The juveniles were advised to call 911 if the subject was seen again.

Police also responded to a tree struck by lightning, dogs on the loose, a stolen patio chair, a car alarm, an alarm drop, a residential lockout, a coyote sighting, an auto accident involving alcohol, a dispute with a contractor, and numerous properties found open.

Terrace Park Police provided mutual aid to the Milford Police Department, the Fairfax Police Department, and Newtown Police Department.

News from the PTO

By Sarah Simmons

The Terrace Park Elementary PTO would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of the families who donated to our 2013-2014 Reach for the Stars Campaign. This fundraiser was concluded successfully in September. The campaign represented a new approach to fundraising

by the PTO this year. In place of a number of fundraising activities, including gift wrap sales and a silent auction, the PTO simply asked parents of TPE students for a one-time tax deductible donation to the PTO. In this manner, the PTO raised \$34,155, just shy of its \$35,000 goal. This money is used to benefit our school and our students in many ways. Thank you TPE supporters!

In other PTO news, the holiday season is almost upon us. During this time each year, our elementary parents donate money that will go toward purchasing clothing and gifts for community families in need through a TPE

program called The Giving Tree. This is an anonymous effort, coordinated between volunteer parents and the school guidance counselor. Donations to The Giving Tree should be directed to Patricia Lopez.

Don't forget about the simple and cost-free ways anyone can earn money for our school: register your Kroger card online or in-store to benefit TPE and check your pantry for BoxTop coupons, which are present on many commonly purchased grocery items. BoxTops are collected in the school office. A successful and thriving school benefits everyone in the community!

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<p>Instruction Text: To vote: completely darken the box to the left of your choice.</p> <p>Note the permitted number of choices directly below the title of each candidate office. Do not mark the ballot for more choices than allowed.</p> <p>If you mark the ballot for more choices than permitted, that contest or question will not be counted.</p> <p>To write-in a candidate: completely darken the box to the left of the words "Write-in" and write in the candidate's name on the blank line provided. Only votes cast for candidates who filed as write-in candidates can be counted.</p> <p>Do not write-in a candidate's name if that person's name is already printed on the ballot for that same contest.</p> <p>If you make a mistake or want to change your vote: return your ballot to an election official and get a new one. You may ask for a new ballot up to two times.</p> <p>How To Properly Mark Your Ballot</p> <p>Please use a black or blue ink pen only.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Correct</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Incorrect</p> </div> </div>	<p>1 PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) HAMILTON COUNTY A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.</p> <p>A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County for the purpose of PROVIDING FUNDS FOR OPERATING EXPENSES AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS at a rate not exceeding one (1) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to ten cents (\$0.10) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for ten (10) years, commencing in 2014, first due in calendar year 2015.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR THE TAX LEVY <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST THE TAX LEVY</p>	<p>2 PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) HAMILTON COUNTY A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.</p> <p>A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Hamilton County, Ohio, for the purpose of PROVIDING OR MAINTAINING ZOOLOGICAL PARK SERVICES AND FACILITIES at a rate not exceeding forty-six hundredths (0.46) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to four and six-tenths cents (\$0.046) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for five (5) years, commencing in 2013, first due in calendar year 2014.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR THE TAX LEVY <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST THE TAX LEVY</p>	<p>14 PROPOSED TAX LEVY (ADDITIONAL) VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.</p> <p>An additional tax for the benefit of the Village of Terrace Park, County of Hamilton, Ohio, for the purpose of CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES at a rate not exceeding two and five-tenths (2.5) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to twenty-five cents (\$0.25) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for five (5) years, commencing in 2013, first due in calendar year 2014.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR THE TAX LEVY <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST THE TAX LEVY</p>
<p>For Judge of Hamilton County Municipal Court District 5 (Vote for not more than 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Heather S. Russell</p>			
<p>VILLAGE OF TERRACE PARK For Member of Council (Vote for not more than 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Judith Lehman <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff A. LeMay <input type="checkbox"/> Holly Nelson Purcell <input type="checkbox"/> Tom Tepe, Jr.</p>			
<p>MARIEMONT CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT For Member of Board of Education (Vote for not more than 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Bill Flynn <input type="checkbox"/> Mike Gaburo <input type="checkbox"/> Ken White</p>			
<p>END OF BALLOT</p> <p>HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS</p> <p><i>Thomas M. Brown</i> <i>Alan M. Prinsly</i> <i>Carl J. ...</i> <i>Charles H. ...</i></p>			

Holiday Fair 2013

High School Students Create Holiday Magic for Younger Children

Mariemont High School's annual Holiday Fair will take place on Friday, December 6th from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Mariemont High School gym. In its 15th year, the festive, community-wide event is student run and benefits participating student clubs, teams and organizations.

Holiday Fair 2013 activities will include popular games of skill and chance, treats, decor/jewelry sales, sportswear, silent auction and more. As always, the Art Club will sell its one-of-a-kind creations including painted home accessories and furniture.

Kids will be able to test their skills at sports challenges with Mariemont Warrior athletes. Favorite carnival games, bingo, cake walk and face painting will all be returning.

Bring the entire family and enjoy the wonderful MHS PTO dinner which will be served that evening. From preschoolers through adults, Holiday Fair offers a great evening for the whole community. Mark your calendar now for a memorable Mariemont tradition that will kick off your holiday season!

Village Calendar 2013

OCTOBER

25 Early Dismissal for Mariemont Students

31 TPE Halloween Parade, 2 p.m.

31 HALLOWEEN!!! Village-wide trick or treating 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

NOVEMBER

1 MHS PTO, 8:45 a.m.

2 Athletic Boosters **MATRESS SALE**, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Mariemont High School in the Auxiliary Gym. Name brand, Top Quality sets 30%-50% Off Retail * Proceeds go directly to support our Mariemont Athletic Boosters!! All sizes, price ranges, delivery and free layaway will be available. Floor models will be on display at Mariemont High School auxiliary gym

2 **LACROSSE REGISTRATION!!!** TP Community Building 9 a.m. - noon **BULLDOG AND MARIEMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL PLAYERS MUST REGISTER BY THIS DAY! UNIFORM/SPIRIT WEAR ORDERS ALSO DUE!** Questions? Bulldog Boys: Steve Peterson mariemont.lacrosse@gmail.com Bulldog Girls and Middle School Girls: Dan Utt uttdaniel@gmail.com Middle School Boys: Phil Stephens philips@cms.hamilton-co.org

3 Fall Back! Daylight Savings ENDS

3 Terrace Park Volunteer Emergency Services' Pancake Supper!!! 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.. St. Thomas Church. **JOIN US!!!!!!** See your favorite Fire Fighter and EMT cook and serve you sausage and pancakes!

5 ELECTION DAY

5 Terrace Park Garden Club "Everything you wanted to know about Greenacres but were afraid to ask" Tour led by Steven Sehlhurst, General

Manager noon at Greenacres in Indian Hill
5 MAA Meeting, 7:30 p.m. MHS Art Room

11 Veterans' Day

13 Kindervelt #76 meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the TP Community Building on Elm. New members are always welcome to join us and *have fun while raising funds!*

19 Mariemont BOE Meeting, 7 p.m. Mariemont Elementary

23 Kindervelt Market Holiday Craft Fair, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. - at the Newport Syndicate, 18 E. 5th St., Newport. Come on down to the longest running craft fair in Cincinnati and purchase some great gift items for the holidays.

26 TPE Parent-Grandparent Day

27-29 No School (Mariemont Schools)

28 THANKSGIVING

29 Mariemont high school lacrosse alumni game, 2 p.m. Drackett Field

Save the Date!!!

MHS Holiday Fair, Friday, December 6th from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Mariemont High School gym.

TPHS Annual Holiday Brunch Sunday December 8, 2013, noon - 2 p.m. Location: Home of Lifetime Members, Adam and Holly Bortz

Luminaria Night sponsored by Kindervelt #76, December 8th at sunset - Village luminaria lighting followed by holiday festivities at the Green. Tree lighting and Santa included!

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