

# VILLAGE VIEWS

## TERRACE PARK, OHIO

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### Covid-19 in TP, How can you stay Healthy?

Submitted by Regina Sharp

Covid-19 is alive and well in Terrace Park but there are ways for you to stay healthy and help get our kids back to school full time and in person and businesses open as normal.

As of August 7, according to the Hamilton County Public Health website <https://www.hamiltoncountyhealth.org/> zip code 45174 has had 19 reported cases of Covid-19 overall, 6 in the last 7 days. The majority of total cases have been in the 19-29 age range. Good news is we have had no reported hospitalizations or deaths in that time. Bad news is that our numbers, as a percent of population, are higher than our neighboring zip codes.

How can we make sure we are doing our part to stop the spread of the virus and keep our friends and

family safe?

- Wear a cloth face covering to protect you and your friends
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water
- Practice social distancing by staying 6ft apart from other people
- Stay home if you are sick or have had contact with someone with Covid-19

For complete information visit one of these sites:

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State of Ohio Department of Health

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Hamilton County Public Health

<https://www.hamiltoncounty-health.org/>



### Back to School!

In a year full of “firsts” in Terrace Park, back-to-school 2020 was no exception as the continuing threat of the coronavirus led to a staggered return over three days at our village school. Though things may be different this year, the spirit of TPE remains the same as the unofficial start to autumn begins. Teachers, parents and students were all happy to see each other again after so many months away and the sight of the bike racks in use again brings a smile to anyone driving down Elm Avenue.

The village school is one of the best facets of Terrace Park life, providing our youngest residents with a primary school experience usually found only in old movies today. We may have the last school in America where a first grader can walk home for lunch and we will do everything can to make sure that never changes.

\* Throughout this issue of the Village Views, we will be sharing your back to school photos.

## Council Discusses Sewer Update

Council met on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Building and on a virtual Zoom meeting. Mayor Tepe explained that the meeting started late due to the GRAHAM HARDEN WAY PROCLAMATION, which is a way to thank Graham for all he has done for the Village of Terrace Park as an EMS Member and Captain of the Fire Department and as a lacrosse coach. The driveway back to the EMS Building was named Graham Harden Way and July 15 named Graham Harden Day. The Mayor expressed his thanks to Jerry Hayhow for his work getting the street sign created and displayed on the driveway to EMS Services building.

Update on Sewers: Mayor Tepe met with Karen Ball, she is the liaison between MSD and the county commissioners, and asked about the status of the study and the next steps. Karen responded with the open issues that were not addressed in the study. She is seeking to get answers from a technical and legal standpoint. Mayor Tepe explained that he and Village Administrator Jerry Hayhow met with Amy Brewer, Mayor of Milford to discuss a possible partnership with Milford, Terrace Park

and MSD.

Mayor Tepe explained that he spoke with an environmental lawyer and village resident who is looking into this whole process, explaining that if the goal is to preserve the environment and water quality, what if Terrace Park can prove that we don't negatively impact the water quality at all? Is there a possibility to get a sympathetic ear from the EPA to amend the rule? If we aren't harming the environment, is there a list of criteria in which a town needs to transfer to sewers? The Mayor also has put a call into our Ohio House Representative Tom Brinkman to see if he would help in this matter.

Mayor Tepe kindly reminded residents that if you do not have the ability to say something to someone's face, do not put it on the community listserv.

The EMS class of three for 2019/2020, has ended. John Gatch just completed his

advanced training in EMT/Paramedic. EMS is always looking for volunteers.

Chief Hayhow thanked the residents for all the kind words, thoughts, notes, and cookies during unusual times and said the support is greatly, greatly appreciated.

Mayor Tepe said it was out of

line and factually untrue for anyone to call the police department racist and thanked the police department for handling the situation professionally.

Jeff Lemay gave a 2022 budget update saying the impact of Covid has left the budget short 28% percent so far but the village has saved money by being conservative in street repair expenses. The short fall should decrease over the next few months as the impact of the re-opening hits. The village annual tax budget for 2021 was passed.

Due to the increase in traffic in Miami Grove, the Rules & Law Committee has decided to increase the signage, and implement use of parking permits. The intent of the placard, is to ensure that only residents are parking at Miami Grove. The ordinance passed.

### Dear Neighbors,

Every year the end of August in Terrace Park means back-to-school, and with it comes the unofficial start of Autumn. September will bring the first changes of color in the trees and the mornings will start to get that crisp, earthy feeling that fall is coming. We made it through the summer with reduced hours at the swim club and less traveling than usual but we still had lemonade stands on The Green and packs of bikes at UDF so all in all it was a good summer in the neighborhood. In July Cincinnati Magazine published its 14th annual feature, “Rating The Burbs” and the little village of Terrace Park came in at #1! According to the article, “Terrace Park, ranking in the top five in three categories, took the top spot. The village of 2,297

tallied it's second #1 ranking (the other in 2013) led by a low crime rate, a strong education system, and a high home ownership rate.” According to the Village Views rating of the suburbs, Terrace Park comes in at #1 every year but it's great to see other publications finally reaching the same results. Enjoy this issue of neighborhood news as we navigate a return to school and the rest of the unknowns ahead. We'll get through it the way we always have, as a community of family and friends who support each other and look out for one another. It's what makes Terrace Park great and it's the real reason we are the best place to live. Until next month I remain,

Your Editor,  
Steve Early



### Helping Out Iowa

On Monday, August 10th a Derecho sent intense winds and thunderstorms through much of the Midwest and Cedar Rapids, Iowa was one of the hardest hit. Winds reached 110-140 mph equivalent to a category 4 hurricane. The city was destroyed leaving residents unable to return to their damaged homes due to collapsed roofs & walls, without power for 2 weeks and endless clean up as over 65% of the city's tree cover was lost.

Sophie Haugh and Lyla Larsen held a bake goods and lemonade stand on Thursday, August 20th. They collected over \$150 for those effected by the Derecho.

## September - Village Calendar 2020

Happy Month! Happy Cat

Another Month of Crazy Things to Celebrate and Remember

- 1 Tofu Day
- 2 Calendar Adjustment Day
- 3 Sky Scraper Day
- 4 Bring Your Manners to Work Day
- 5 Be Late for Something Day
- 6 Pet Rock Day
- 7 Mouth Guard Day
- 8 TP Village Council, 7:30 p.m.\*\*\* An actual event!
- 9 Quiet Day
- 10 Swap Ideas Day
- 11 Make Your Bed Day
- 12 Drive Your Studebaker Day
- 13 Hug Your Hound Day
- 14 Eat a Hoagie Day
- 15 International Red Panda Day
- 16 Guacamole Day – olé!
- 17 Country Music Day

- 18 Cheeseburger Day
- 19 Talk Like A Pirate Day – aka Sonya's 2nd favorite holiday
- 20 Pepperoni Pizza Day
- 21 Escapology Day
- 22 Car Free Day
- 23 Checkers Day
- 24 Remember Me Thursday
- 25 Hug a Vegetarian Day
- 26 Lumberjack Day
- 27 Rivers Day – yay Little Miami!
- 28 Beer Day
- 29 Biscoti Day
- 30 Extra Virgin Olive Oil Day

\*\*\*Terrace Park Democratic Club - We are meeting jointly in Zoom with Wooster Corridor Democratic Club and City East Democratic Club until we can once again meet in person. To receive meeting information please email [TPDems@gmail.com](mailto:TPDems@gmail.com).\*\*\*

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## Law & Order

Submitted by Eric Schmidt  
 On the evening of July 1, while on patrol, an officer was approached by subject who advised that she believed unknown person(s) had attempted to unlock the door to her residence using the electronic keypad. Subject further stated that her dogs had heard the keypad as well. Subject stated that she did not see anyone in the area when she looked and that she just wanted officers to be aware. The officer advised subject to call if she had any further trouble.

In the early morning hours of 7/5 an officer was dispatched to the area of Rugby and Terrace Place for a reckless driver. Complainant stated that the vehicle had a juvenile on top of the vehicle. The officer located the vehicle as it was stopped on Terrace Place at Harvard with a male juvenile talking to the driver. The driver stated that she was dropping people off and had just dropped off the male subject and he was the one that stood up through the sunroof.

In the early morning hours of 7/7 an officer was dispatched to a residence advising that the resident had heard a loud noise in the house. She said that she

had already checked upstairs but would like the officer to check the basement. The officer checked the basement as requested and found everything secure. The officer then checked both side yards before returning to service.

On the evening of 7/10 while patrolling the area of the Log Cabin on Elm Avenue, an officer noticed a few teenagers walking into the wooded trail area. After walking into the wooded area, the officer didn't see the teenagers however he did see a group of juveniles walking on Douglas toward Elm. After briefly speaking to them, they said they were just going for a walk. The officer went back into the trails and found a backpack containing 23 Natural Light and 1 Michelob Ultra 12oz cans. As the officer left the trails he noticed the juveniles were gone and he then proceeded to bring the backpack to the station. The backpack also contained a green t-shirt, a sweatshirt and a Bluetooth speaker. Anyone missing a green t-shirt, a sweatshirt, a Bluetooth speaker, 23 Natural light 12oz. cans and 1 Michelob Ultra 12oz can might be able to pick them up at the police station.

## Reporter Needed to Cover Village Council

Are you looking for a way to volunteer that won't take up a lot of time? How about something you can do whenever you feel like it? Well, covering the village council meetings for the Village Views is the new job for you! I know what you're thinking- "I can't give up my evening to sit through the monthly meeting. I'm afraid my kids will burn the house down." Don't worry! You can watch it online whenever YOU have time and email a concise report after you're finished. You will get a front page by-line

every month and you can also get a press pass that can get you access to cover many, many A-List events in the neighborhood including the mulch sale! If you're interested, email [tpvillageviews@gmail.com](mailto:tpvillageviews@gmail.com). In all seriousness, your time will be very appreciated and you will have first hand knowledge of everything going on in the neighborhood. The paper can't survive without volunteers and we would love to have you on board!

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT



### Elizabeth Rose Compton

Congrats to the Compton Family! Elizabeth Rose Compton "Rosie" was born on Friay, August 14th. She weighed 6lbs 13 oz and was 20.5 inches long. She joins big brothers, Hayes and Radley.



### Porter James Dunning

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# TP EMS - Will You Join the Team?

Terrace Park Emergency Medical Services is looking for this years new recruits; this great team of friends and neighbors answer the call to provide Emergency Medical Services when you are in need. Can you join them? They come from all ages, backgrounds and experience levels to give their time to train and then help staff your ALL volunteer EMS team who respond to your calls.

Two of our newest EMS volunteers are Jen and Will Buchholz, probably the first Mother/Son team of recruits ever. Does their story inspire you to volunteer? Tell us about yourselves

We're a family of 5 with two bulldogs. We have lived in TP for 6 years. Will just graduated from Moeller. He's a sailer and has worked as a sailing instructor. He volunteers with Cincinnati Children's be.well program as a running buddy and frequently volunteers with Moeller and at Matthew:25. Before moving to Cincinnati, I had a career in the advertising agency world in Philadelphia. Since relocating here, I have my own communications consulting business called Peas & Carrots, LLC, working with small businesses on their

social media presence, website and public relations. I'm on the board of the Cincinnati Parks Foundation and the Association of Volunteers. I also volunteer with be.well as a running buddy—and I'm a runner myself.

Why did you choose to join TP EMS?

Will is headed to Duquesne Nursing School in Pittsburgh in a few weeks. His entire life, he's been just a kid who has wanted to help. Every Halloween, he dressed as a firefighter (except for the one year he was a lifeguard) and I'd have to hide the costume because he'd try to wear it to school. He spent almost every summer attending summer camp with the Ocean City, New Jersey Fire/EMS Department, where he got first hand exposure to the every day, often unsung heroes that are in our lives. He decided in junior high that he wanted to be a nurse. He loves the idea of really helping someone when they need it most. He's exploring a career as a pediatric trauma nurse and felt like work as an EMT would give him some valuable experience. As for me, I already spent a lot of time volunteering, but never anything like this. Will had reached

out to John Maggard about joining the class and realized that the class would be more likely to happen if they had some other people join. So he talked me into it. Just one of the many ways a mom will help her kid. I guess one of my hobbies is supporting whatever kid activities are happening in my house. I've been a Girls on the Run coach, a Destination Imagination manager. I'm involved with Christmas on Campus at Moeller and all I know about soccer is from watching my own kids play. So maybe the fact that I became an EMT because of my own kid is not a huge leap.

What did you find most rewarding about EMS?

First of all, we did it. We did it while managing school and work and family and quarantine. We learned a lot. It took some studying and preparation, but it was so doable. In the middle of our training, I found myself calling 911 and making a trip in an ambulance to Bethesda North with a sick child. While that is always a scary experience when you're on the patient side of things, I had comfort in knowing that trained and compassionate helpers are right here in our neighborhood—and knowing that an advanced team for cardiac and respiratory issues are right behind them. I also knew enough at that point to be able to look at the monitor and know what the numbers



The Buchholz Family

meant. I had better expectations of what was going to happen, which just made the entire process a little less frightening.

Part of our training was doing clinical hours at Mercy Clermont Emergency Department and Miami Twp Fire/EMS. The people I shadowed were patient and kind, and I learned so much. The whole process gave me comfort—I love knowing that people who have dedicated their lives to helping others are out there. I have an entirely new respect for Police, Fire and EMS. The Fire/EMS team at Miami Twp. is constantly training and learning. I hope you never have to meet them, but if you do, you're in good hands. I did one ambulance run to

the emergency department and ran into a few of the guys I met in my training. They are looking out for us who are newer to the field, and are there to lend a hand in helping us as we continue to learn and train, which is a good feeling.

Anything interesting about training with your son?

In some ways, we had a little competition. (Will beat me by 5 points on the midterm. I'm still a little annoyed.) After seeing Will go through this class, I know he's prepared for college. He became a great resource for additional information, like showing me different

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tools for studying. We did a lot of studying together. Will's siblings were willing patients as we practiced doing blood pressures. Before I headed off for my first clinical experience, Will handed me a little notebook and pen to keep in my pocket, so I could write down symptoms and vital signs, as well as what treatment was administered. I never would have thought to have that and it was such a great way for me to record key facts so I could write my run report afterwards. It was great to see my kid in this element. He seems to think we're going on for more training so we can be advanced EMTs together and then maybe paramedics. I need a little more convincing before I agree to that, but I love seeing the enthusiasm as he begins his training and career. We should all be so lucky to have such a passion about what we do for a living.

Anything else you want to add?

We're lucky in Terrace Park to have an all-volunteer fire and EMS squad. I think we're the only all-volunteer team in Hamilton County. Without it, we'd have to have a paid

department, at great expense to the community or a longer wait time for emergency services. Neither of those are ideal situations. Will and I have both loved learning about this gem of a team that's right here in our neighborhood to help neighbors. If you ever find yourself in an emergency, you'll have a well-trained, well-practiced neighbor coming to your aid. And you could be part of this amazing team of neighbors helping neighbors.

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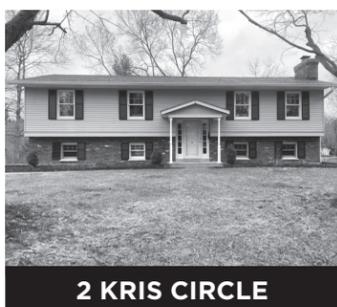
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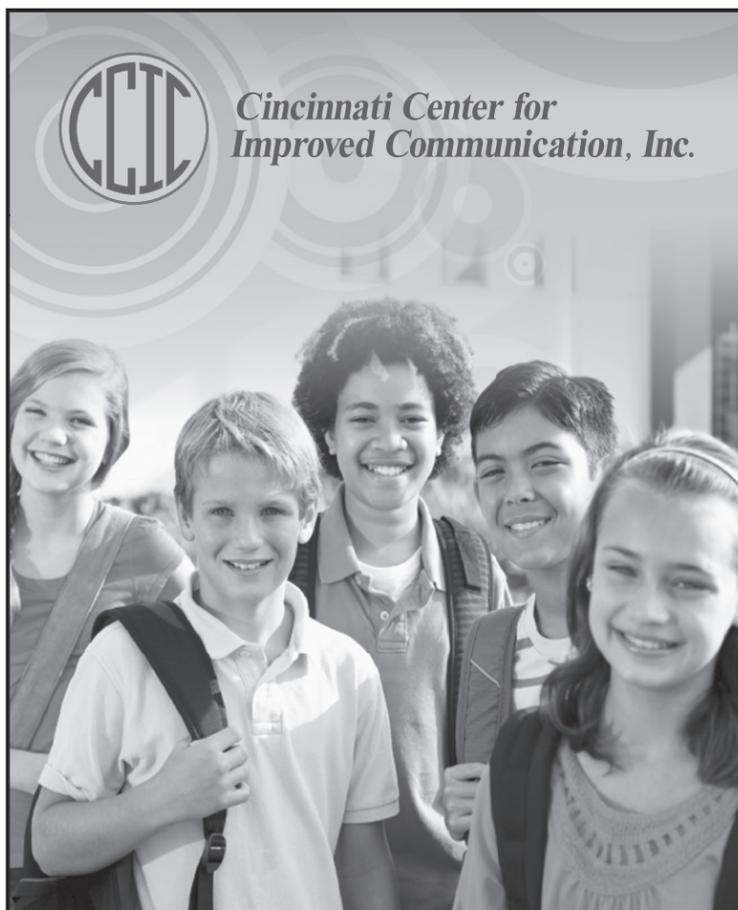
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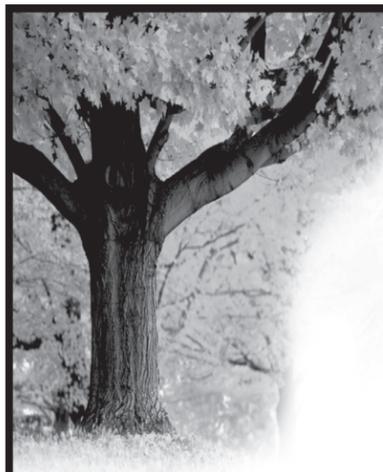
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Alden (1st grade) and Grace (Kdg.) Long



William (2nd grade) and Jackson (5th grade) Bortz-Druffel



Hunter Grace Boshell

# MariElders September 2020

MariElders, your local senior center, has been closed due to the pandemic, since March 23, 2020. Our doors will remain closed until the Ohio Department of Aging and Governor DeWine allow us to reopen.

So how are our local seniors doing during this pandemic? Overall, they are healthy and staying safely indoors. However, most are bored out of their minds, and missing their friends and family. The isolation is difficult, especially when online events and Zoom meetings aren't easy to understand – and, let's face it, it's just not the same as sitting with your friends, playing Canasta.

What is MariElders doing during this closure?

First, our Van is always running! We will take our members – individually and in a constantly cleaned vehicle – to the grocery, haircuts, doctor appointments and anywhere else our members need to go!

Second, we have partnered with The National Exemplar to provide delicious lunches to our members!

Third, we are still offering activities... they are just virtual now. Book Clubs, Art Classes, Tai Chi, and more!

What can YOU do to help our local seniors?

Call them! If you have a family member or neighbor that has been isolated due to this pandemic, please call them. They will welcome the conversation.

Offer to do something specific for them! Offer to pick up groceries for them when you are headed to the grocery store. Offer to mow their lawn, or carry their cat litter, or take out their garbage cans every week, or run to a non-grocery store for them so they don't have to expose themselves to so many germs – like Ace, or the Post Office, or a specialty food or pet store.

If you know of a senior that could use the services that MariElders offers, or if you are over 55 years old and want to become a member to enjoy our free services, please call 271-5588!

We look forward to the day we can safely reopen our doors to our many active seniors in our area!

Special thank yous to:  
Ritze's Auto Service – making donations to our center "to keep our neighbors safe"!

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