

The Birch Receives \$4,525 Tip From Community

To Our Neighbors in Terrace Park,

Brett and I want to graciously thank all of you for your support over the last year. So many of you have ordered carryout, purchased gift cards, ordered family meals, joined our wine club, shopped in our retail store and safely dined in. It's all of those seemingly small things that are so huge for us and help to keep the doors open.

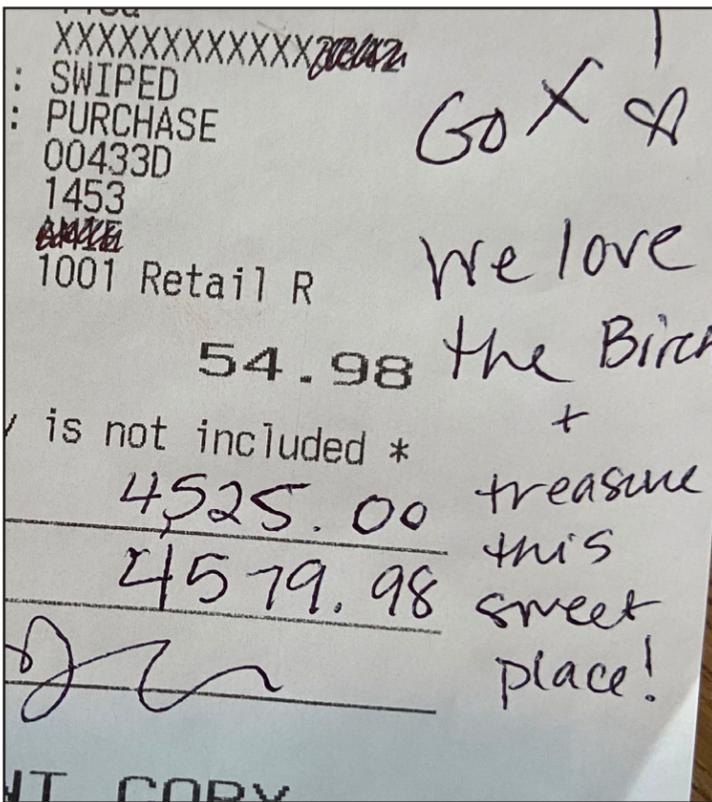
Last week, however, something amazing happened for us and our staff. I'm sure you have all heard of the Tip Challenge between Xavier and UC fans. It was started around the holidays by an X fan at Zip's cafe and has spread across our city. TP residents and friends, April Collar and Amie Schumacher were inspired. They enlisted the help of Danielle Haugh and got to work collecting on our behalf. And WOW!

TP showed up. Just like they always do. \$4550 was quickly collected from over 90 families, which was shared amongst 14 employees at The Birch. We are just blown away by the generosity. Such a morale boost at just the right time.

On behalf of The Birch team, Brett and myself, we thank you with our whole hearts. Kindness is contagious, friends.

And GO XI!

Warm Regards,
Aaron Tritsch
Owner/Operator
The Birch



Snowy Fun!

The month of February saw the most snow on record in over a decade! Cooper Shelton, Stella and Lena Arnold pose with Mr. Frosty. More snowy photos can be found on pages 8 and 9 of this issue!

Dear Neighbors,

I may be overly optimistic, but it's 54 degrees today at the end of February so I'm feeling like spring is on its way. It really does feel like we have earned it this year with two rounds of heavy snow, low temperatures, and a general February lack of sunshine. But the Kindervelt Eggstravaganza is back, our flower sale orders are in, and we will be talking about the opening of the pool in no time so spring must be coming!

Your neighbors have been up to the usual this month- generally going out of their way to make life a little easier right now through donations, volunteering, and service to others.

We are also celebrating one of TP's sons who was just promoted to Colonel in the United

States Army and welcoming a new baby on Wrenwood.

There's also a new crossword feature we hope you will enjoy and plenty of photos of Terrace Park enjoying the snow. It's truly a special place to live and that's because of the people; a village of family, friends and neighbors who are here for one another. When the pandemic first hit last year, we heard a lot of talking heads saying "We're all in this together." But in Terrace Park that's something we've known all along.

Enjoy this issue and enjoy March in the village. Until next month I remain,

Your editor,

Steve Early

Police, Post Office Top Agenda Items

Submitted by Sue Porter

A warm welcome and a fond farewell were among top topics when Terrace Park Village Council met Feb. 9 via Zoom.

Welcomed to the village police department as auxiliary officers were Jeremy Chitwood and Evan Lewin, who were sworn into service by Mayor Tom Tepe following Village Council's unanimous approval of their hiring.

In his monthly report, Mayor Tepe recognized Carolyn Staggs upon her retirement Feb. 26 as officer in charge of the Terrace Park Post Office. The last seven years of her 22-year postal service career were in Terrace Park. "We all owe her a big thank you," he said, citing

her exceptional work and professional demeanor.

Mayor Tepe also expressed appreciation to the village maintenance crew - Dave Evanchyk, Tim McLemore and Steve Fuhrman - for keeping streets safe and passable when at least nine inches of snow fell the previous night. During an uninterrupted 11-hour clean-up, the crew put more than 60 tons of salt on village streets.

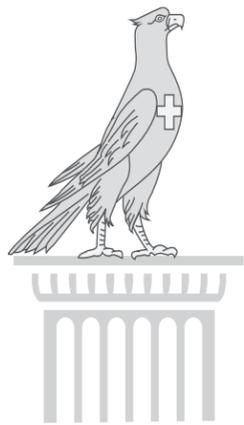
Council authorized payment not to exceed \$26,270 for annual risk management insurance. Premiums steadily decreased the past 10 years due to effective training and safety programs, but the bill is up 1.12% this year to cover the

inflationary increase of equipment and property replacement.

Council also approved resolutions that:

- Request the Hamilton County auditor to release taxes payable to Terrace Park 30-45 days ahead of schedule, a measure provided under the Ohio Revised Code; and
- Appoint Lauren Ingebritson and Jeff LeMay to the Volunteer Firefighters Dependent Fund Board, which reviews line-of-duty insurance claims when necessary.





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Law & Order

Submitted by Eric Schmidt

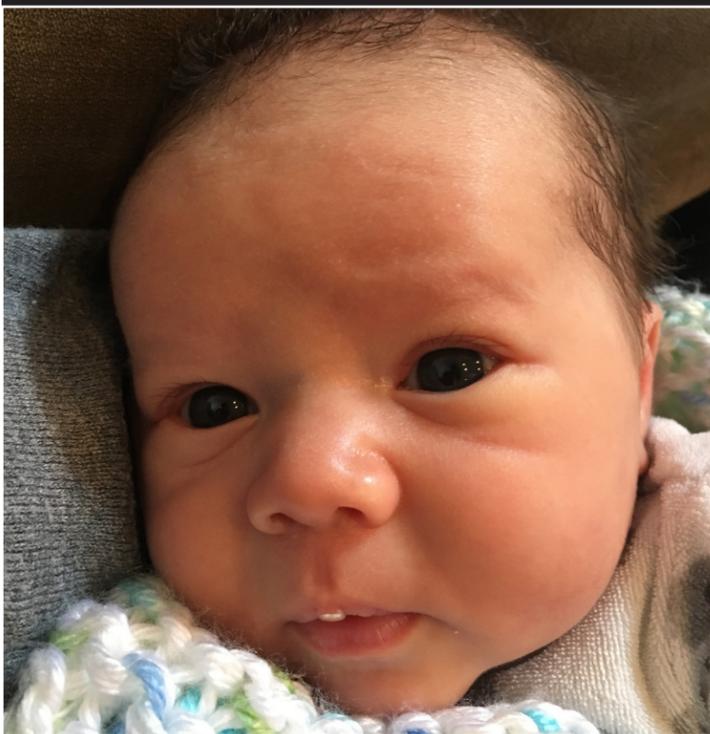
On the evening of 1/4, an officer was dispatched for a possible fire at a residence on Rugby Avenue. Further information advised that smoke could be seen inside the residence and it was unknown if anyone was inside. Upon arrival, the Officer was unable to see smoke inside any of the windows and no flames were visible. The Officer made entry through the rear door of the residence, announced himself, and proceeded to check the interior of the home and found no one to be home and no signs of a fire. The officer did find that the gas fireplace was lit, and a candle was burning in an upstairs bathroom. Shortly after TPFD arrived, the homeowners returned from a walk and were advised that their house was not on fire.

They were also advised that the upstairs bathroom smelled like a cinnamon stick. Just kidding about that last part.

On the evening of 1/10, at 7:01pm Subject #1 was stopped by an officer and received a warning for a traffic violation. Later that evening, exactly 48 minutes later, Subject #1 was stopped by an officer again and received another warning for a traffic violation.

On the evening of 1/21, at 9:50pm Subject #2 was stopped by an officer and received a warning for a traffic violation. Later that evening, exactly 81 minutes later, Subject #2 was stopped by an officer again and received another warning for a traffic violation.

Birth Announcement



BORN: To Rachael & Russell Detwiler, a son, William Christopher. Baby Will arrived on Christmas Eve 2020, weighing in at 7lbs, 9oz and 21 inches long. Older brothers Zack, Alex and Nick are overjoyed to have a new brother!

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Mariemont Divers Compete at State Competition



Congrats to Mariemont Senior, Nathan Cox who competed at States at the end of February and placed 7th overall.



Congrats to Mariemont Senior, Kiersten Souder who competed at States in Canton, Ohio at the end of February and placed 21st overall.

Bowers Promoted to Army Colonel

Terrace Park native David Bowers (MHS Class of 1995) was recently promoted to Colonel in the US Army Military Intelligence Corps. He has been selected to command an Army Brigade in the Summer of 2022. David is the son of Judy and the late John Bowers, longtime members of St. Thomas Church and he grew up on Fieldstone Drive. According to a study by Cornell University, only two percent of all Army officers achieve the rank of Colonel.



Colonel Bowers (center) at his promotion ceremony in January.





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TP Resident Spearheads Clothing Drive

About six months ago, village resident Lauren Roth began working with women to help them in their closets by clearing out what no longer served them and creating outfits with what they already had available. She has had a passion and eye for turning clothes into eye catching art with her unique style. This inspired one of her dear friends to clean out his closet after he had recently finished working and had a closet full of suits. She offered to do some research and find out where they could take the suits to be used for a good cause.



Lauren Roth and her daughters with some of the donations they collected.

After some research, she found City Mission Gospel Church. They are a local church that takes men's clothes and gives them to the community for those in need. Some men come in from off the streets and need a warm clean outfit. City Mission Gospel works with Jobs Plus who comes in trains men for interviews so they can land a job.

A week and a half ago, Lauren's father text her a picture of a shirt and asked, "is this shirt out of style?" "It is," she commented. She called him up and said, "If you have other clothes to get rid of, I will donate them to City Mission Gospel for you." This had Lauren feeling so inspired, she wanted to reach more people so she decid-

ed to send an email through the Terrace Park email list and share the story and opportunity with her neighbors. The response was overwhelming. Everyday, piles of clothes were turning up on her porch, causing her heart to expand. "These neighborhoods are

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Random Acts Of TP Kindness

Submitted by Sue Porter

It seems every week, someone in our community makes life better for someone else through acts of thoughtfulness and generosity. Sometimes beneficiaries live within our village or school district, but often our goodwill knows no bounds. With this new Village Views column, we'll celebrate the random acts that help make Terrace Park so special. Share your good news and gratitude in an email to VillageViewsKindness@gmail.com. Photos are welcome.

SUPER-SIZED SOUPER BOWL

From Anne Lizak

Thank you, Terrace Park. Once again you have donated a trailer and a car full of food to Inter Parish Ministry in Newtown and St. Andrew's food bank in Milford. Both organizations appreciate your generosity. Also, I'd like to thank all of the people who dropped items and all of the wonderful volunteers, Scouts and their families.

The annual Souper Bowl of Caring is held on the same Sunday as the Super Bowl and was supported by local Girl Scouts, Daisy Scouts, Boy Scouts and resident volunteers in conjunction with St. Thomas Episcopal Church. More than 2,500 items - or 1,800 plus pounds of food - were donated.

We had residents coming from the grocery store with entire cases of canned goods and a lot of cereal this year, which is something especially needed. The folks at IPM were so grate-



Scouts visited homes throughout the community for food donations and many residents stopped by the Village Green to personally drop-off contributions.

ful for our donations they literally took our items in one door and distributed them to hungry people waiting at another door.

KNIGHTLY NEIGHBOR

From Bette Griffith

Bette Griffith is especially grateful for the kindness of John Jones, who lives four houses from

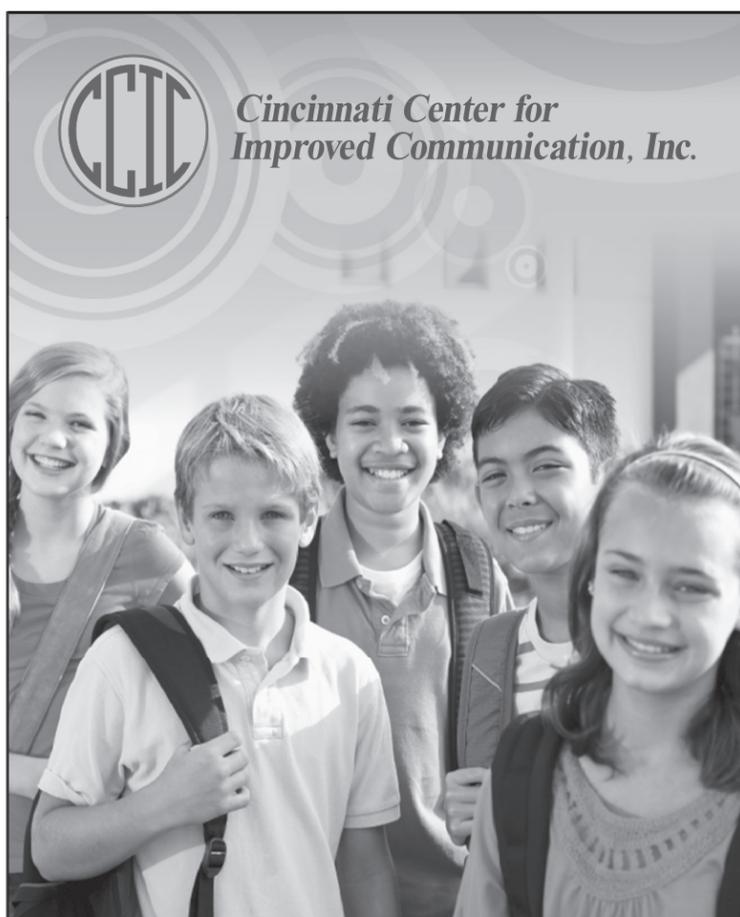
her home on Princeton Avenue. About five years ago when she and her husband, Alan, could no longer clear their driveway of snow, John showed-up with a snow-blower. He's been back every snowfall since, clearing the way from garage to street. Bette calls him her "knight in shining armor."

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TP Crossword Puzzle

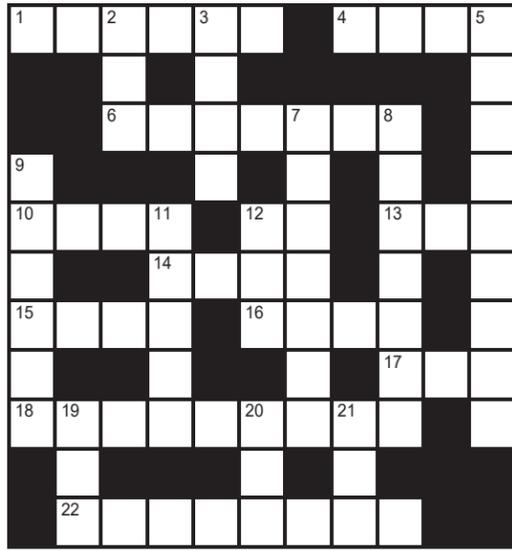
Look Who's Turning 40! Happy Birthday Shaedyn

Across

- 1. Boat Club
- 4. Bulldog Ivy
- 6. I pahhek mahh karr in
- 10. Hover
- 12. Just Ok
- 13. Brand
- 14. Delicious Sugar Drink
- 15. Capital of Latvia
- 16. Cir off Wooster
- 17. 2 minus 1 squared
- 18. Ends in a Circle
- 22. Playground Road

Down

- 2. Grunt
- 3. Funky Y turn
- 5. On the Miami
- 7. On the Green
- 8. On the Bike Trail
- 9. Middle of TP
- 11. Longest Road in TP
- 12. Surprised
- 19. The "main drag"
- 20. Golly
- 21. Not in but



March Crossword Puzzle answers can be found on Page 9

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amazing! So giving and quick to respond to help our community," she would say to her girls as her face lit up.

One neighbor passed the email along to a friend. Barb Luebbers lost her husband, Alfred A. Luebbers, just two days before Lauren sent out the email. Barb contacted Lauren to let her know she wanted to clear out all of her husband's clothes. A few days later, Lauren was in Amelia and filled her 4Runner to the brim with Alfred's clothes. Everything from suits to shoes to coats piled high. This moment was so touch-

ing as it gave Barb the chance to quickly clear out what she needed to move on from. And the most beautiful part of the story? Barb shared with Lauren that City Mission Gospel was Alfred's favorite charity, and he loved clothes. "He is gone now, but he is still giving to his favorite charity," said Barb. What a beautiful connection within a loss. Imagine a man landing a job with the help of the simple act of donating what no longer serves you.

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Mariemont Preschool Parents Group Donates to District's Mental Health Programing

Submitted by Alex Lange, Mariemont City Schools

The Mariemont Preschool Parents Group (MPPG) donated \$7,500 to the Mariemont City School District as a result of the Mariemont Luminaria Event, hosted on December 5, 2020.

Each year MPPG hosts Luminaria in the Village and raises money through the sales of luminaria kits, generous donations of our sponsors within the surrounding community and the hard work of our entire committee. MPPG is a 501 C organization and each year we work to find partners where we can donate our funds.

This year it was important to MPPG to find a way to ensure children within district that were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic were able to benefit. In partnership with the Mariemont School Foundation and the Angel Fund, MPPG is donating these funds to help



Pictured: Stacie Furst-Holloway (Mariemont School Foundation), Ashley Crosh (MPPG), Tricia Buchert (Director of Student Services) and Amy Everhart (MPPG).

provide support for mental health for families in financial need. Because of the fantastic support this year, it also donated a portion of its funds to St. Joseph's Orphanage to help pro-

vide nutrition for food insecure children in the Cincinnati area, and will be providing a new playhouse at the Tot Lot at Dogwood Park.

2021-22 Kindergarten Registration Opens March 1

Mariemont City Schools kindergarten registration for the 2021-22 school year will open on March 1 for both Mariemont Elementary School and Terrace Park Elementary School. In order to enroll in kindergarten, your child must turn five (5) years old on or before September 30, 2021.

Those wishing to register a student for kindergarten can find step-by-step instructions on the district's website at <http://www.mariemontschools.org/registration>. The registration process will be completed in Final Forms, which is linked on the website.

The website also lists documents for families to collect and turn in prior to the Kindergarten Screening date on May 14. Documents can be uploaded to Final Forms, emailed to centralregistration@mariemontschools.org, or dropped off to the Central Registration office at 3847 Southern Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45227 (located at Mariemont Junior High School.)

Both elementary schools will hold a virtual information night for families of incoming kindergarten students. Terrace Park Elementary will hold its

info night on Wednesday, March 17, at 6:30 p.m. Mariemont Elementary will hold its info night on Thursday, March 18, at 6:30 p.m. Please fill out this form in order to receive the virtual login information.

Kindergarten screening will take place on May 14, 2021, at both Mariemont Elementary and Terrace Park Elementary schools. In order to be scheduled for a screening time, families must complete the Final Forms registration process.

Families who have completed the registration process will be mailed a copy of the 2021-22 Welcome to Kindergarten book which includes helpful information like kindergarten readiness, frequently asked questions and the kindergarten instruction program.

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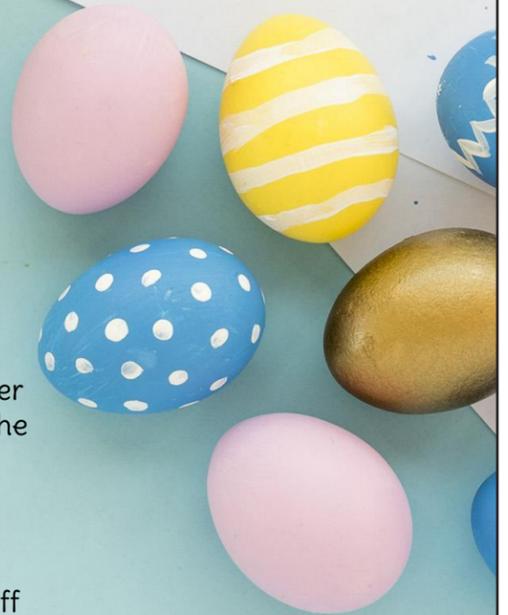
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TP Historical Society March Update

Terrace Park Historical Society Circus Team

Are you a fan of the circus? We need you to be part of our 'Circus Team'. One of the most unusual features of Terrace Park is that our community was once the winter quarters of the world famous Robinson Circus. We have many documents and photographs of the circus in our archives, as well as a number of original circus costumes. There are maps that show the locations of circus buildings and the barns where exotic animals were kept, and of the train tracks that carried the circus trains all across America in the early 1900's.

But there are many mysteries as well, such as where John Robinson's favorite elephant Tillie is actually buried.

We are often contacted

by people who are curious about some element of our circus. Some are descendents of the Robinson family or of the performers. Some are curious about the fates of the many animals involved in the various acts.

If you are a circus fan and would like to help keep our history alive, please let us know.

Oral Histories Team

Do you enjoy interviews? Over the years, we have recorded many oral history interviews with past and present members of our community. If you would like to help us to continue this project, please let us know.

Contact

You may contact us at tphistoricalsociety@gmail.com or by calling (513) 418-1480.

Scouts Celebrate Successful Toy Drive

Submitted by Tina Turner

Even with Covid and the changes it brought to our community, the Boy Scout Toy Drive was a complete success! There were a record breaking amount of toys collected and wrapped by Troop 286 and the boys truly had to test their gift wrapping skills and did an unbelievable job. All the toys were collected, in conjunction with the Post Office, for Operation Santa. Almost 300 toys were collected and wrapped to make the Christmas/Holiday season bright for those children who needed it most. What a wonderful event to bring the community together! Troop 286 wants to express their appreciation to the people of Terrace Park their generosity. We truly live in an amazing community. Even through a time of turmoil and stress, we reached down deep to take care of others. The Troop had to change our traditional way of having a wrapping party. The boys went to the cabin and wrapped in



Pictured: Luke Gaskey, Daniel Cooper, Nathan Turner, Christian Rasmussen, Johnathon Cooper and Troop Leader Marty McGrory. Not pictured: James McGrory, Quinn Heis, Beckett Stimson, Ethan Alter, Tom Anderson, Jack Bauer, Clark Williamson, Charlie Husted, Connor Sullivan

shifts. They were able to gather for their traditional "white elephant" gift exchange outdoors, which is always full of fun and

a good laugh. A good time was had by all. We hope everyone has a great 2021!

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LET IT SNOW!

It's been over a decade since Mother Nature really dumped the powder on Terrace Park but February 2021 brought an end to the snow-drought when villagers awoke on Feb. 9 to nearly 10" of fresh packable snow! And that was just the beginning! A second blizzard came a week later with another 3-4" of fun and a second snow day for Mariemont Schools. As usual, villagers in TP were quick to get out and sled, skate, and shovel, some with a new frosty friend!



Debbie Sims avec Coco Mademoiselle



Emerson Riley throwing snowballs on Harvard



A top hat and carrot nose completed the Pritz family snowman



Eilie and Charleigh Roe ready for sledding fun



Top: A towering Jack Frost at the Chavez house brought neighborhood fun for all.

Right: Saylor and Finley Shimp ready for snow day fun



Coy Wise, Holden Kahn, and Henry Haugh enjoyed sledding on one of the snow days from school!



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