March 2024

Digital Era Pushes Bulletin Boards Into Extinction

Submitted by Sue Porter

When was the last time you stopped by one of the five bulletin boards in Terrace Park to read about upcoming or pending village business?

Your likely response to this question was considered recently when Councilmember Judith Lehman's rules and law committee met to review the decades-old method for keeping residents and interested others informed. As a result, council approved at its Feb. 13 meeting the first reading of an amendment to section 10 of the "publication by posting" ordinance. The new measure, if approved following readings at the next two council meetings, will instead use the village website and administration office for postings. This means all or some of the bulletin boards could be removed 30 days after the final approval.

Speaking on behalf of Lehman, who was unable to attend the meeting, Councilmember Regina Sharp said the amendment moves the village's official communication into the digital age and makes access to information easier for everyone. At December's council meeting

Dear Neighbors,

It's been a month of changes here in Terrace Park as we head out of February and into March. I don't mean the change of seasons though I know we are certainly looking forward to that, but also the end of some long-standing village traditions.

Council has announced that our village bulletin boards are to be phased out. I hear it's because technology has made them obsolete but the truth is, the village government took away the residents' ability to use the bulletin boards years ago. I've heard several explanations as to why though none have ever made much sense to me. But longtime residents still remember when the bulletin boards were a daily part of village life. At any given time they were filled with ads for garage sales, school plays, sports sign-ups, lemonade stands, found bikes and lost dogs. An embarrassing 50th birthday announcement and photo might be tacked up, and you always knew who was looking to dog sit, baby sit, and house sit. Sure, TpList can offer the same info, but not with the same personality and heart that the old bulletin boards had. It was another of the uniquely "Terrace Park" traditions that

Lehman first publicly broached the issue, saying, "When we are passing or discussing important things, we want to make sure people know what is happening. So it is important to get the word

Sharp said public comment on the proposed amendment is welcome.

In other council action, two resolutions were approved:

• The first resolution asks the Hamilton County auditor's office, which collects taxes on behalf of the village, to advance Terrace Park's 2024 tax revenue as soon as possible or upwards of 30 days earlier than scheduled. Council's finance chair, Jeff LeMay, said the disbursement is meaningful because it accounts for five percent of village money.

• The second resolution authorizes payment of this year's \$31,000 risk management insurance premium. LeMay said that while insurance costs have significantly risen for most policyholders, the village's renewal rate remains low in large part due to effective training programs conducted by Administrator Jerry Hayhow, EMS Chief John

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A Presidential Summit

It was a gathering of Commanders-In-Chief at Terrace Park Elementary School last month as the third graders each gave a presentation on a U.S. President while dressed in character. This annual tradition is certainly one of the school's best. Here are a few photos from this year's oval office roundup.



Harry S. Truman (Rorie Heis), Grover Cleveland (Nellie Minor), and Andrew Johnson (Isabelle back from San Juan Hill, it's Teddy Roosevelt Seward), ready to discuss foreign policy.



Here's James K. Polk (Bea Mitchell), and just (Summer Kramer), and freed from the bathtub, a portly William Howard Taft (Julia Fopeano).



Back row l to r: David Lowry, Steve Early, unknown, Peter Mc-Clelland, Betsy Croswell.

Front row'l to r: Catherine Picton, Jon Malotke, Johan Hindert, Chase Koehler, Suzanne Jones.

we are sad to see disappear.

We also found out that St. Thomas Church is closing the nursery school after 65 years. Generations of Terrace Parkers (including your editor) started their academic careers at St. Thomas and the closure is certainly a sad announcement for all. I still remember being three and four years old and

walking down the church stairs to the old preschool classrooms which are now the offices of the historical society. In fact, I recently came across a photo of my preschool class at St. Thomas. In a very "TP moment", I was pleasantly surprised to see that of the ten people who were in this class, I am still friends with eight of them today. It's a testa-



James Madison (Nellie Reis) and Ronald Reagan (Rory Pritz), bridging the gap between 1780 and 1980.

ment to the life-long friendships that are formed when you grow up here in the little village by the

Enjoy the month ahead as spring flowers emerge, temperatures rise, and the woods become green again. Warmer days are ahead and we'll start feeling the days getting longer. I, for one, can't wait. So until next month, I remain,

Your Editor,

Steve Early

What's Happening at the Mariemont Branch Library - March 2024

Children

Library Babies Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Fun for you and your baby with songs, rhymes, stories, and movement. Ages birth-18 months.

Preschool Storytime — Tuesdays at 11 a.m.

Enjoy books, songs, activities and more, while skills. Ages 3-6.

Toddler Storytime — Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Encourage ing language skills with books, rhymes, music and fun. Ages 18 months-36

Movers & Shakers — Wednesdays at 11 a.m.

will shake it together! by Fyc Sing, dance, and enjoy Copies a music, movement, and branch. fun. Ages 1-4.

day, March 5 at 4 p.m.

Registration required.

Legos @ the Library branch. — Saturday, March. 9 at 11 a.m.

build and connect with other LEGO enthusiasts.

Explor-Pokémon ers — Saturday, March tastic evening of fun 16th from 1-3pm

Learn to play TCG, challenge other trainers, trade cards, and if you're

Book Club — Monday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Please join us as we trade cards, and if you're a PokémonGo fan, we discuss The Cartograwill take a stroll outside to catch 'em all together Copies are available at the (weather dependent). branch. Ages 7-14.

Teens

than a Building — Thursing at the library — April day, March 7 at 5 p.m. 8

it means to be an architect and the diverse career and up. No registration required.

Teen Advisory Board For ages 12-15.



(TAB) — Tuesday, March 19 at 6 p.m.

Want to have a say in what happens in your library? TAB is for you! We will meet monthly building early literacy to plan programs, create displays, make our teen room a welcoming space, eat snacks, and more! For ages 12-18.

Adults

Classics Book Club — Monday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss You and your child Notes from Underground by Fyodor Dostoevsky. Copies are available at the

Mariemont Mystery
Coding Club — TuesBook Club — Tuesday,
March 5 at 4 p.m.
March 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Learn to code with new games and challenges Recipes for Love and every month. Ages 8-12. Murder by Sally Andrew. Copies are available at the

Adult Tabletop and Show us what you can Puzzle Club — Tuesday,

March 19 at 7 p.m.

Come roll the dice, strategize, and puzzle your way through a fan-

Coming Soon in April Viewing: **Eclipse** Eclipse glasses will be Architecture is More available for those view-

Join the American Institute of Architects for an interactive presentation and activity on what it means to be an arch:

Math & Music: Preschoolers will apply fundamental music principles to explore math — Date TBA

Dungeons & Dragpaths within the field. ons Character Creation: Geared toward ages 12 April 16th 6-8pm @ the Mariemont Branch Library & April 27th 3-5pm @ the Fairfax Rec Center.

Village Views welcomes reader mail. Signed letters to the editor must be received by 9 p.m. on Friday, March 15th. 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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Law & Order

Submitted by Eric Schmidt

TP, we're off to a great start in 2024! There are zero crimes to report in January! Nevertheless, this gives me nothing to write about. And I don't like it. So, get creative TP and get out

there and make some moves! I'm just kidding! Sort of. I'm not condoning criminal activity in our little village by the river. Or am I? Just give me something to write about!

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Maggard and Fire Chief Steve Dronsfield. In other good news, the policy includes \$1 million of additional coverage at a cost of \$466 for capital assets that have increased in value.

In monthly reports:

•Mayor Tom Tepe said one of his favorite mayoral activities during his eight years in office is the annual visit he and Administrator Hayhow make to Julie Parker's third grade class at Terrace Park Elementary School. "Their questions are great and sometimes parents' inspired," he said. Among his responses: The mayor is paid \$2,500 a year for his services and village operations cost \$2 million annually. On another topic, Tepe asked residents to drive cautiously on village streets. "As the weather warms, kids are out with a disregard for safety, so you have to see them because you can't depend on them seeing you," he

• Finance chair LeMay said the Ohio appropriations committee has approved the village's grant request for the Elm Street waterline extension but when the \$400,00 will land in village coffers is unclear. "We will owe \$100,000 for this project," LeMay said, adding that construction probably won't begin until 2025.

Buildings grounds chair Sharp said a mural on the state-owned wall beneath the Elm Street bridge on the bike path in Terrace Park will be painted by Mariemont High School art students the third week in May as part of the school district's annual intercession program. She has learned from Ashley Scribner, an art teacher at MHS and a local resident, that three adults will supervise the work, long-lasting paint that is easy to clean will be used and plans to address vandalism are in place if necessary. Supplies will be provided through an American Art Association grant and the village

will rent space at the Community Building for participants to use as an offsite base. Sharp distributed a rendering of the mural design among council-members and said the students will be available for community service projects if they complete the project before the end of the

 Administrator Hayhow said the fire department's 30-year-old pumper sold at the Hamilton County surplus auction for \$6,000. Also, Madison Tree Service was the low bidder for the removal of 29 stumps within the village right-of-way. The work will be completed by March 12, the village maintenance crew will place topsoil over the removal sites and new trees will be planted in the fall. The maintenance crew has recently replaced telephone poles at the Log Cabin with new posts to create a park-like appearance.
• Planning and zoning

chair John Gaskey said it's been 14 consecutive months since a new zoning variance application has been received, which is a re-

• Fiscal officer Katie Lyons said last year's approved resolutions and ordinances have been added to the village web-

• Fire Chief Dronsfield said eight new firefighters are taking the state exam and will be ready for service soon.

• Solicitor Jeff Forbes introduced Kristin Waid, an attorney in his office who assists on local government projects. He said his office continues to monitor the Ohio legislature's response to the passage of Issue 2 in November, which legalized statewide adult use of recreational cannabis. Pending bills deal with how taxes will be distributed and, among other issues, restrictions on personal cultivation and the licensing of recreational dispensaries.

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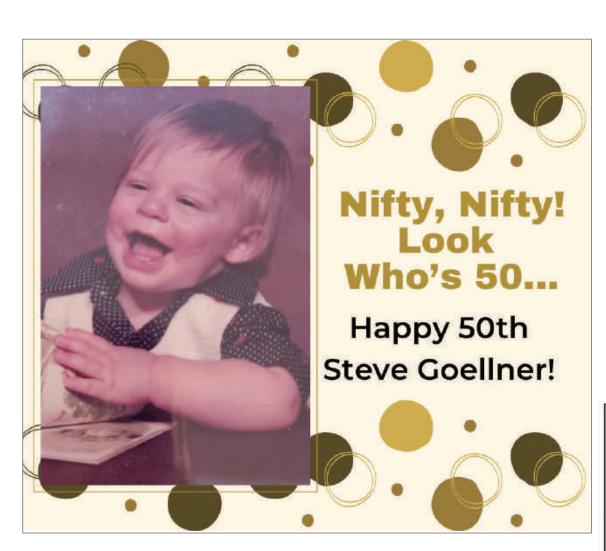
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Informed Response- a voluntary program offered to Residents

The residents of The Village of Terrace Park have a longstanding tradition of neighbors helping neighbors. Whether you are new to the village or have lived here for many years it is almost certain you have been part of this tradition in some way. Be it through volunteerism or simply being neighborly, the residents of TP like to help.

Terrace Park Emergency Medical Services is part of this tradition too. Your EMS department is made up primarily of TP residents who study, train, become certified, and then volunteer their time to serve their neighbors by providing both medical and fire emergency response. TPEMS teams train regularly to be ready when there is a need because we want to provide the BEST help we can.

In 2024 TPEMS wants to communicate and cooperate even more with our commu-

nity. We want to give you better insight into what we do beyond the flashing lights and sirens, and we want to hear from you. Our first step toward this goal is working in coordination with the Terrace Park Police Department on a program called "Informed Response". This confidential and voluntary program allows residents to provide Terrace Park Police and EMS providers with information that would be helpful for us to have before we arrive on scene. For example, information such as: Family or Friend Emergency Contact, a diagnosis which may indicate future 911 calls, special considerations for mobility, communication or low vision needs, a list of medication location, any advance directives or, making us aware of a protective (aggressive) animal. All these things help us provide better, more efficient care for you.

When EMS arrives on scene a lot of things happen all at once with multiple people jumping into action. An EMS crew member will quickly want to speak to the patient, asking questions and gathering information. Another provider will work directly with the patient to collect important vital signs, like taking blood pressure and oxygen saturation or checking blood sugar. These are quite normal and important to decide on the best care approach quickly. If a person has profound hearing or vision loss, this process can be startling or frustrating for them. A person who is experiencing

memory loss, or dementia may be confused or agitated by the speed of questions or activity around them. A child who is easily overwhelmed by the noise and lights of the ambulance or police cars, may resist our help because they are overstimulated by what's happening. If we know these things before we arrive, we can be mindful of them in our approach and work to tailor our interaction in a way to try and address these needs the best we can from the start. The care we provide will be the same but if we can make a stressful situation a little less so for someone that's what we want to do.

Village of Terrace Park

INFORMED RESPONSE PROGRAM

TP PD/ TP EMS

The Informed Response program is easy to participate in and all information shared will be confidential and accessible only to those who need it. Simply pick up the one-page form from the Village office, or download from the village website, complete and return it. That's all. Watch for more articles from TPEMS in the months to come. If you have questions we can answer or if you are interested in learning how to volunteer with us

please contact: John Maggard at jpmagg3@gmail.com or by calling 513-608-0733





Residents participation is voluntary Date Form completed: Name: Phone Number: Address: Date of Birth Sex/ Race Weight Height **Identifying Marks EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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If yes, where is a copy kept in your home?		

Do you have a house key on file with Terrace Park Police Department?

Art in Bloom at the Barn

Submitted by Frances Stafford.

The Terrace Park Gar-Club and the Garden Club of Mariemont will be presenting Art in Bloom at The Barn again this year! There will be eight beautiful flower arrangements from members of both clubs, each inspired by one of the paintings in the exhibition. This event will open on Friday, March 15th from 6:00 – 8:00 PM and will run through Sunday, March 17th. Hours: Saturday and Sunday 1-4PM. Please come to the opening reception on Friday and enjoy appetizers, desserts, and drinks.

It is worth restating here that: The object of the Garden Club is to promote an interest in gardening, to work and study to further our knowledge of it, to make artistic arrangements and encourage civic planning. This year TPGC is holding its own Flower Show in the community Building on Tuesday, June 4th, to which the Village will be invited. More details to follow.

We look forward to a beautiful spring and to our own Flower Sale on the Village Green on May 4th. We have a full calendar throughout the year, and

we encourage anyone with an interest in gardening to join us at 12:30 PM on the 1st Tuesday of the month. Novice and experienced gardeners are all very welcome. Please contact: Lucy Maish 513-310-1492, or Tina Hesser, Membership Chair at 513-520-8912.

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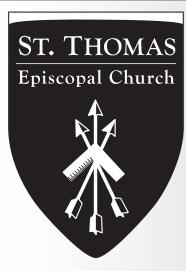
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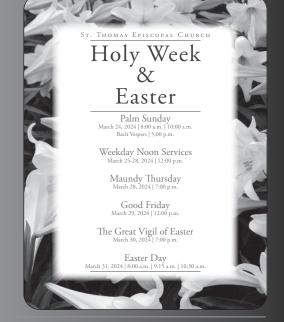
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A Case for Love in St. Thomas Child Formation

Submitted by Sonya Geers

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plored many of the great artists and recreated their works.

Hanging in the hallway of the Child Formation Educational Wing is our Collaborative Art in Wassily Kandinsky style. Kandinsky is a famous Russian artist who used colorful circles in his work. For ours each child cut different size circles from colored paper. We shared our circles with each other and layered them into stacks. Finally, we glued each stack onto the large heart on our wall. Together we created a beautiful and unique work of art! We learned that it takes many different sizes and colors to come together to complete this masterpiece. Just like us humans, the more colorful and diverse, the better we look together!







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Stepping Stones' 16th Annual Open Your Heart Event Nets Over \$86,000

Stepping Stones hosted its 16th annual Open Your Heart fundraiser on February 6, 2024, in a hybrid format. Stepping

Stones netted more than \$86,000 to benefit year-round programming for children, teens and adults with disabilities.

Supporters gathered in person at Eddie Merlot's for a cocktail hour and a delicious dinner with a premier raffle, artwork

created by Stepping Stones program participants and a live speed painting by Mark Thesken . Other supporters enjoyed their meals from Eddie Merlot's in the comfort of their own homes. At-home supporters were able to purchase fitness kits for participants and donate to support Stepping Stones' programs.

"We are so appreciative

of everyone that supported Stepping Stones at Open Your Heart," said Stephanie & Leo Dalle Molle, event chairs. "It was a wonderful night and we are so happy that this event was such a success."

The event's presenting sponsor was Convalescent Hospital Fund for Children. Cherub

sponsors were Amy & George Joseph and Saundra & Mark

Stepping Stones is an impact agency that serves individuals with disabilities in day and overnight programs that increase independence and promote inclusion. Founded in 1963, the agency provides educational, recreational and social programs at locations in Batavia, Indian Hill, Norwood and Western Hills. For more information, visit www.Stepping-StonesOhio.org.

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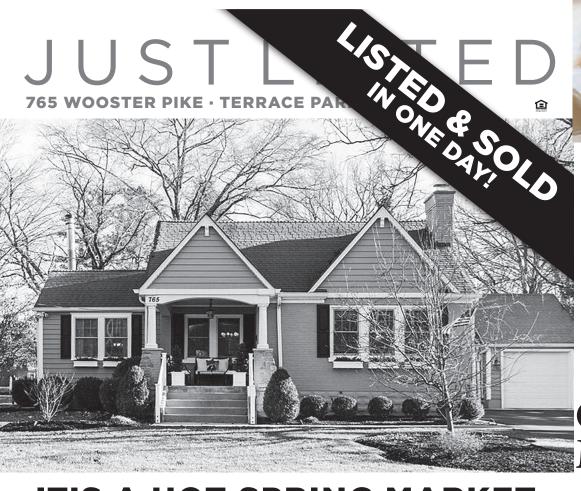
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Seated: Isabelle Seward, Sloane Chavez, Summer Kramer, Julia Fopeano Middle row: Bea Mitchell, Devin Patel, Wren Johnston, Rosemary Brown, Izzie Arquilla, Eilie Roe, Olivia Randall, Avery Raber, Reagan Foxbower Back row: Natalie Lang, Cora Wise, Nellie Minor, Rorie Heis, Mary Starvaggi

A Lesson in Civics

The third grade Girl Scouts (Troop 4200), led by Katie Seward and Michelle Randall, held an etiquette class luncheon on February 16th, at the Terrace Park Community Building. The girls learned etiquette tips and tricks, practiced their table manners and communication skills, and discovered that they love "Mrs. Randall's salad" (and politely asked for seconds!). The class was taught by Mary Starvaggi and Natalie Lang of Etiquette Advantage.



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We appreciate your support of the TP Garden Club. We generally meet at noon for refreshments and an educational program on the 1st Tuesday of the month in the Community Building. We also take great field trips! Everyone in the community is welcome to join us. Questions? Please call Lucy Maish, President at 513-310-1492.

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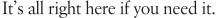
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