

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

TPHS fourth-grade project brings resident closer to “hysterical” side of TPE

By Steve Early

Thanks to a generous grant from the Scripps Howard Foundation, the Terrace Park Historical Society has been able to start a series of educational projects engaging students at the elementary school with our village history. The first project is with the three classes of fourth graders. Susan Abernathy Frank asked me to help which has been a great experience for me so far. First of all - these kids are great. I don't know when the last time was that you talked to a nine year old but if you haven't lately then I highly recommend it. Their insights are surprising and they don't have much of a verbal filter so they pretty much tell it to you like it is. One boy thought it was called the “hysterical society” which I thought was hysterical.

We took the students to the Freedom Center where they were given a presentation on a quilt by

artist Aminah Robinson. The quilt uses diverse materials to tell the story of Mrs. Robinson's youth in her Columbus neighborhood. Following the presentation we went on a tour of the village where the students learned about historic people, places and events that have helped to shape Terrace Park. Now the students are creating their own multi-medium quilt that illustrates village history. Susan and I stopped in during their art class a few weeks ago and the project is really shaping up well. You will be impressed with the creativity and skill that these kids have. One piece features applied gravel to show the face of Covalt Station while arranged sticks bring the log cabin to life.

“Were having a lot of fun with this,” fourth grader Riley Hayes told me. “It's probably the best project we've done so far,” said fellow student Skyler Barton.

It's strange for me to go back to my elementary school where I

spent kindergarten through sixth grade. The cavernous hallways and gymnasium in the old part of the building now seem like regular sized spaces but it still smells the same- like a mixture of Elmer's glue, chalk dust and cafeteria food. And while I-Pods, the internet and rip sticks dominate their lives the kids are essentially the same as I was- loud, wild and enjoying being a kid in Terrace Park.



Tree lighting full of family fun

The Walker family enjoys a fun - but cold - night on the Village Green during TP's annual tree lighting on December 8.

Kindervelt's dessert auction sweet success



This delightful Santa cake, purchased by Carol Bruno, was among the dozens of baked goods, handcrafted items and gift certificates offered during the annual auction to benefit Children's Hospital “Adopt-A-Family” holiday program. Molly Steele opened her home for the Dec. 4 event. When the counting was done, Kindervelt #76 raised \$3,000 and was able to purchase \$100 gift cards for 30 needy families.



Checking out the merchandise are: from left - Laura Wilson, Margaret Lunsford, Laura Stanton and Kristine Flerlage.

TPHS program returns to Cold War Era debate



Al Nelson, left, examines plans for the proposed fallout shelter with Flach Douglas, keynote speaker.

A near-capacity crowd attended the Terrace Park Historical Society's fall public meeting on the community's 1960s debate on whether to construct a blast and fallout shelter.

Flach Douglas, a longtime Terrace Park resident who argued the case before the Ohio Supreme Court, was the keynote speaker for the presentation, “Run for Cover - Or Not.” Archival materials about the proposed shelter were available for

viewing from the TPHS collection.

The shelter was conceived in response to the Cold War fear that Cincinnati, home to manufacturing operations such as General Electric and Cincinnati Milacron, could be a target for destruction. It was designed to accommodate 2,000 residents but never came to be in Terrace Park. Douglas said that though Wyoming and Madeira officials also considered shelters, plans for those communities also failed to materialize.

Sign up for TP Listserv

TP Listserv is an e-mail listserv created to help Terrace Park residents keep in touch. If you want to buy or sell household items, are looking for a lost pet or have another reason to reach out to the community via a group e-mail list, TP Listserv is just the tool for you! It's pretty simple to sign up to send and receive e-mails, just go to TerracePark.com, click on News and Events then click on TP Listserv. According to the website, “this is also a hidden list, which means that the list of members is available only to the list administrator.”

Think about what a great tool TP Listserv could be if we can get our entire community to sign up!

tpvillageviews@fuse.net now accepting your submissions!

Please use our new e-mail address to submit articles to the Village Views. If you have questions that need immediate attention, please call Chandi Findley at 576-0595 as we cannot guarantee that this e-mail account will be checked on a regular basis (except for as deadlines approach). When you submit photos via e-mail, please reduce their size to no more than 2 MB and send them in .jpg format. Thank you!

Council reporter needed

Call Chandi Findley at 576-0595 for more information.

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: Monday at 5:30 p.m., Thursday at 10:30 p.m., and Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

The best of 2008

We are currently compiling a list of happenings in Terrace Park in 2008 for the January 2009 edition. If you would like to submit, please send an e-mail to tpvillageviews@fuse.net with your most memorable TP moment. Please keep your submission to a short sentence. Thanks!

January Deadline

The deadline for the January issue is January 9. You may send your submissions to tpvillageviews@fuse.net. Please include a short description in the subject line.

Letters to the Editor

Village Views Editor,
 Recently, I was bitten by a dog which called into action some of the outstanding, caring people who serve our village. For their help, I thank Patrol Officer, Jim Pruitt, EMS Volunteers, Steve Wilson and Becky Carmen and neighbors, Tim and Laura Werdmann. In addition, there were many at Mercy Anderson, Dr. Lee, Barb, Tracy and others whose names I can't recall now, but I thank all of them as well. I also thank my wife, Mary Ann, for her help that evening and for her continued assurances, nightly, that it won't happen again.
 I guess that it is somewhat fortunate that the dog decided to bite me and not some child, as there were many on the streets that evening. After all, it was Halloween. Maybe it was a vampire that bit me. The owner's one comment of concern was, "Did he draw blood?"
 In general, thanks to "good" neighbors (near and far) and to all who serve our village in so many outstanding ways!
 Gratefully,
 Jim Madewell

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 The January deadline for *Village Views* is January 9th. All camera-ready ads and articles must be submitted by 9 p.m. **All advertisements** go to Gerri Kennedy at 152 Wrenwood. All articles go to Chandi Findley 427 Terrace Place or tpvillageviews@fuse.net. Questions? Call Chandi Findley at 576-0595.

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

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Luminaria: A Beautiful and Successful Fundraiser

Kindervelt would like to extend a very sincere "thank you" to all the Terrace Park residents who participated in the lighting of the luminarias this year. The village looked spectacular on Sunday, December 7th as the luminarias glowed and everyone headed for the tree lighting. All the proceeds directly benefit the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center's (CCHMC) Division of Asthma Research. By purchasing a luminaria kit, you not only supported a worthy cause at Children's Hospital, but also displayed great community enthusiasm as we kicked off the holiday season together.

We would also like to thank those of you who made a donation to Kindervelt. And finally, we would also like to thank our wonderful sponsors for helping make this year so successful. Our sponsors included **Bluford, Jacson, and Son, Coldwell Banker West Shell, Comey and Shepherd, M3 Pavement, and TechneGraphics, Inc.**

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The Terrace Park Recreation Committee has the perfect solution...buy a RAFFLE TICKET! As a part of the 6th annual Monte Carlo Night Fund Raiser, TPRC will be raffling off a four person golf cart. Not just any golf cart, though. It is a customized EZGO electric golf cart with your own Terrace Park Bull Dog logo - road ready with a cushioned back seat.

Raffle tickets will cost \$20 for one ticket, \$50 for 3 tickets. Ticket order forms will come in the Monte Carlo Night Invitation at the end of December and will also be sold by TPRC Basketball Teams. Winners will be announced at Monte Carlo Night the evening of Saturday, February 7. This raffle will be limited to TP residents only. (Winners will not need to be present.)

And if your very own golf cart isn't exciting enough, the second place raffle prize will be \$500 worth of garden items from The Olde Garden Shack - a gracious supporter of the TPRC.

So this holiday season, instead of dreaming of sugar plums, dream about tooling around the Park in your very own golf cart and having a garden/lawn envied by all. Then put a few dollars aside to buy a TPRC Raffle Ticket...or 2...or 3.

Village Calendar 2008 - 2009

DECEMBER

21 Hanukkah Begins
21 Winter Solstice
21 Knox Music Series, Handel's Messiah, Knox Presbyterian Church, 3pm

24 Christmas Eve Family Service, Knox Presbyterian Church, 5pm

24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Knox Presbyterian Church, 11pm

25 Christmas Day

26 Kwanzaa Begins

JANUARY 2009

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5 BACK TO SCHOOL

6 MHS Fine Arts Mtg 7:30 p.m.

6 TP Garden Club Evening Meeting at Ogle Annett's Home, 7 p.m. Bring appetizers to share, the board will bring wine.

9 MHS PTO Mtg 8:45a.m.

12 AARP Meeting, Tom Bedall of ProSeniors

will speak about saving money. Call Harry Knope for more information, 831-8583. This will be a regular 1:30 meeting, not a lunch meeting.

13 TP PTO Mtg 12:30 p.m.

13 TP Village Council, 7:30 p.m., Community Building

14 Kindervelt #76 Meeting, 7:30p.m. Anyone interested or for information, please contact Meghan Mills @ 831-4170.

15 TP Mini School

16 Mariemont Schools Early Dismissal

19 Martin Luther King, Jr Day

19 NO SCHOOL

20 Mariemont Schools Early Dismissal

20 Board of Education Meeting, MHJS, 7 p.m. Public Welcome

21 MJHS PTO Mtg 9 a.m.

22 TP Mini School

26 Athletic Booster Mtg, 7:30 p.m.

27/28 TPE Everybody Counts

Please call Hester Sullivan @ 576-9959 or email hestersullivan@yahoo.com with calendar information

What's happening at the Mariemont Branch Library in January

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

Pre-school Storytime is Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. Join Miss Kathryn for stories and crafts. Ages 3 to 5.

Library Babies is the first Friday of the month at 10:30. This is a great opportunity to introduce your little ones to books, songs, and fingerplay. Ages birth to eighteen months.

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Tales to Tails: Read aloud to a certified therapy dog. Saturday, January 17, 10 a.m. Registration suggested.

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A resident in the 800 block of Myrtle Avenue observed two persons in dark clothing wandering the neighborhood early in the morning. Police were notified. They responded and apprehended the suspects. During questioning of the individuals police noticed in the car the suspects had apparently driven a chain saw and a number of other items. When the car was searched the items were determined to be those reported stolen previously from T.P. residents from different addresses. Among items identified were purses, DVDs, stereos, and brief cases. Indian Hill police assisted in taking the subjects to the Terrace Park Police Department for processing.

A truck was reported in a residential driveway into which an individual was seen packing items. Investigation revealed that the house was in foreclosure and a representative of the bank was changing the locks and winterizing the house. Later a suspicious male with a flashlight appeared to be attempting to break into the house. Police noticed damage to deadbolt locks however nothing inside the house appeared to have been disturbed.

Police conducted a widespread search for a female juvenile reported by a parent to be a runaway. Her location had not been confirmed despite a number of leads which had been followed up.

T.P. police were requested to assist in locating a vehicle belonging to a resident. The vehicle had been involved in a hit skip accident. Police succeeded in locating the vehicle and owner.

A resident stranded at Wooster Pike and Miami by a broken down vehicle was assisted by T.P. police. The officer was able to push the vehicle onto Miami where he jump started it and accompanied the owner to his residence.

A suspicious individual was reported driving slowly on Miami Avenue while looking at houses through binoculars. Investigation revealed no threat.

Among other situations involving police were a domestic dispute, barking dog complaint, an intimidation complaint, tree branches reported on wires and downed cable lines.

Mutual Aid was provided to Milford and received from Indian Hill.

Logged were: 4 fire runs and 3 EMS runs.

Terrace Park Historical Society

Tracking our past and present for the future

By Carol C. Cole

Golf in Terrace Park and an Interesting Family

From the Terrace Park Building Survey website (www.tpsurvey.org) we learn that William T. Irwin went to Scotland in 1898 and returned with a few golf clubs, very much enamored with the game of golf. He and his friends started to play on the vacant lots and between houses in Terrace Park. By 1900 the Terrace Park County Club was formed with its first home at 306 Rugby Avenue, one of the Lloyd family homes. After the club's incorporation in 1910, land adjacent to the Little Miami River was purchased for the original 6-hole golf course. In 1915 a clubhouse was built on Hawthorne Avenue (now 1 Oxford Avenue where Carl and Jeanette Pruss live). It had a large ballroom on the upper floor with a river stone fireplace, a cathedral ceiling and an open porch to the rear overlooking the Little Miami River. The lower level had a locker room. In addition to the golf course there were 4 clay tennis courts and an outdoor dance floor. All this was on 41 lots of the Pattison and Iuen subdivision between 101 and 313 Miami Avenue. In 1927, with increased interest in golf, additional acreage was acquired for 3 more holes going across Red Bird Creek, between houses on Sycamore Street and behind the Worz/Achor home at 140 Wooster Pike. When the golf course moved across Red Bird Creek in 1928 the number 3 hole was parallel to the Worz family's vegetable garden. Eight-year-old Robert Achor retrieved golf balls and sold them back to the golfers. He got to know the names of several of them. There was a Mr. Ibold of the Ibold Cigar family in Cincinnati, Mr. Kruse who was Ferd Critchell Sr's father-in-law; and Cincinnati Enquirer theatre critic E. B. Radcliffe, as well as members of the Startzman and Lloyd families.

Land in Milford that later became Sem Villa was once a popular picnic area locally referred to as "Gatch Grove." John Kugler bought some of that land to farm. According to the Greater Milford Area Historical Society's book entitled *Bridge to the Past. A History of Milford, Ohio*,

"Mr. William Taylor Irwin, a stockbroker from Cincinnati, and his wife, Mary Louise Orr, purchased eighty-eight acres of this land for a summer home in 1895. The house and surrounding buildings were built from rocks carried from the



"Rock House Lodge" - the Irwin's summer home in Milford

river. By fall the house, resembling a hunting lodge, was finished. Other buildings such as a barn, greenhouse, milkhouse with a windmill on top, and an icehouse were also built with stone. Later, a swimming pool was built on the site of Kugler's maple sugar refinery. The home came to be known as 'Rock House Lodge' and the estate was called 'Ripples' because of the way the water flowed swiftly over the rock bed of the Little Miami River."

Who was this man who brought golf to Terrace Park and had a large and impressive summer home across the Little Miami River from Terrace Park? Did he ever live in Terrace Park? The 1900 Census finds 36-year-old William Irwin, a stockbroker, living on Fourth Street in downtown Cincinnati with his 36-year-old wife, Louisa, and her parents, 58-year-old Annie and 58-year-old George D. Orr, a physician and head of the household. The family also included the Irwin's two daughters, Anna Louise and Janet, Louisa Irwin's sister, Henrietta Orr, and two servants. In 1910 the family remained on Fourth Street but without Henrietta Orr and with four servants. In 1920 the Orrs still had Will and Louisa Irwin living with them and their granddaughter Anna. By then she was married to Francis Baldwin and had two children, William and Mary Louise, all living with the Orrs and four servants, a cook, waitress, maid and nurse. Thus it looks as if Will Irwin never lived in Terrace Park but in Cincinnati with his in-laws as well as in Milford at least part of the year.

What the Irwins did own in Terrace Park was a lot of land. According to an affidavit their daughter Anna Louise Baldwin inherited 143 lots in 1925 when she was living on Mound Street in Milford. Most of

the land is in J. W. Sibley subdivisions, but some in Stuntz and Biggs subdivisions. Her sister, Janet died in 1912, her mother in 1922 and her father on the 9th of September 1925. There are memorial windows to Mary Louise Irwin and Janet Churchill Irwin at St. Thomas Church. The 1930 Census finds Anna Baldwin living on Mill Street in Milford with no mention of a husband but with her children: 14-year-old William, 12-year-old Mary and 10-year-old Francis. They had just two servants but one is Katherine Fitzgerald who was with her grandparents at least by 1910.

According to Helen Barnett, Mrs. Baldwin moved from Milford to 219 Oxford Avenue, next door to Helen, with her three children, Bill, Mary Louise and Francis George. Perhaps she rented since there's no mention in deeds of her owning this home. While living on Oxford Avenue she sold several of the Terrace Park lots. Helen was told this was to finance Mary Louise's coming out party at the Community House. We don't know when or why the Baldwin family moved from Terrace Park.

Francis George Baldwin, an American Air Force bomber pilot, was the first person killed from this area in World War II. According to an undated newspaper article, "He was killed on December 9, 1944, at the age of 24, near Oliveta Citra, southern Italy, when a plane in which he was a passenger crashed into a mountain during a heavy storm." The Terrace Park American Legion was named for him. His brother, William, a U. S. Marine who served in the Pacific during World War II, was a founding member.

Golf is still popular with residents of Terrace Park. However, the Terrace Park Country Club moved across the Little Miami River to Milford in 1931 on to land very near the Irwin's former summer home.



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Terrace Park Sports

Superbowl champs!

Mariemont Youth Football 10 year olds made history on November 8 by winning the first Super Bowl for the organization. This team, most of which has been together since they were 6 and 7, ended their regular season with eight wins and only one loss giving them first place in the league. They went on to play Goshen in the play-offs winning 32-0.

In the 11 games they played this season 8 of them were shut-outs. The season ended on Saturday with a 14-0 shutout of a powerful Blanchester team.

This talented team led by head coach Steve Vianello have been practicing since mid-July. Using their arsenal of over 100 plays they outsmarted every team and put up over 300 points in the season. Their tenacious Defense only gave up 26 total points the whole year, while ending the season with both a playoff and Super Bowl shut-out.

"If you can't score against you you can't win" has always been my defensive motto. The boys really lived it this year. The most impressive accomplishment this year was not on the score board, but however in the huddle.

As a team grows, trust is built, loyalty is developed and a bond secured. These boys went to war together, bled together and thru this bond became victorious together. They put aside their own pains and ailments to better the team. They



Players and Coaches from top left to right: Coaches Steve Urevick, Phillip Maloney, Head Coach Steve Vianello, Brad Lockhart, Chuck Ciolino Players Nick Thompson, Mikey Barrett, Danny Woodruff, Jacob Maloney, Alex Garner Ryan Hall, Mikey Lockhart, Bailey Vianello, Dean Burke, Tyler McCoy, Jacob Pittman, Nick Fisher, Will Ciolino Jeffrey Timmers, Brooks Adams, Collin Widecan, Aaron Urevick, Jacob Trester, Chase Gunner, Bennett Wells Cheerleaders: Eileen Cash Isabella Bernardini Olivia Bernardini Hadley George Abby Cash Courtney Cox Kate Dzeidzic Madeline Falknor

were more willing to deal with their own suffering than to deal with letting down a teammate. This is the accomplishment that I am most proud of. This is why they won the games, this is why they are cham-

pions. If they can learn these simple life's lessons now, imagine the possibilities of tomorrows teams. It can only get better. Way to go WARRIORS! Super Bowl Champions 2008!

Alums win in 5th Annual MHS Lacrosse Alumni game

By Steve Peterson

Terrace Park Bull Dog Lacrosse

The 5th Annual Mariemont Lacrosse Alumni game between past players from Mariemont High School (MHS) and the current MHS lacrosse team was played Thanksgiving weekend. The alums were dominant in a 10-1 win that featured outstanding goaltending by Randall Williams ('05) and Evan Seeley ('08) who held the high school players to a lone goal scored by sophomore Nick Stirnsman.

The annual alumni lacrosse game is held on the Saturday following Thanksgiving each year and has become a great Terrace Park lacrosse tradition. This year's game at Stanton Field was played in front of a nice crowd on a sunny 50-degree day, and was preceded by a youth lacrosse clinic conducted for prospective new players. The clinic for new Terrace Park Bull Dog players also occurs each year prior to the game. The alums and current team members help with the clinic, teaching the youngsters the basic skills of lacrosse. Some of the experienced players from the current boy's Bull Dog team also helped coach the new players at the youth clinic. Our new crop of 2009 youth players looks very promising.

"This is a great tradition you guys have started, and it will provide many great times and memories in the future," said Coach Tad George, who is entering his seventh season as MHS head lacrosse coach. Coach George has led the Warriors to the state finals twice in

the past five years. The "Program" has progressed in the community, representing an element of our sports culture that of which we are all proud. This is a tribute to people like Rick Dunning, Matt Perry, Jamie Egasti, and Reed Schroeder, who pioneered lacrosse in the Village of Terrace Park 15 years ago, prior to the inception of the youth Bull Dogs in 1996 by the TPRC.

Lacrosse has been played in Terrace Park for more than a decade, and each spring the Mariemont school district has about 300 kids playing lacrosse. Lacrosse has become part of the sports culture in Terrace Park, and now includes the newly formed Men's Terrace Park Bull Dog team, which plays from May-August each summer.

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An Ode to Coach Kelly

By Lon Stirnsman

We have a neighbor in town we call BK
Whose arrival indeed was a great day
He lives in TP
With us don't ya see
Causing UC fans to say, Hal-a-loo-yay.
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