Interviewer: Clayton Buffer

Interviewees: Jon & Kay Marshall

Date: 2.28.08

0:00- Interview Begins
0:53- Northwood Park Neighborhood Assoc. & the Rules of the Neighborhood
4:37- The Dynamic Between Students & Residents
5:58- Neighbor's Problems w. Students
7:01- The Garden Club (House & Garden Tour, Projects)
9:51- History & its relation to the Neighborhood
11:10- The Oakland Prostitution Ring (Narrative)
14:46- Reasons for Moving To the Neighborhood
15:10- Life In The Neighborhood (Burbs vs. Urbs, Front Yard v. Back)
18:14- Dick's Den Marathon!!!
26:17- Music Scene
27:05- Local Traditions (The Pavey Ice Cream Social) ---> Pavey Family History, Son
Aaron's Narrative ---> Back to Social ---> Tuttle Torpedos
31:40- Kid's Stuff, Growing Up In the District
33:36- Diversity of the Neighborhood (Cuckoo Clock Narrative)
36:31- Zoning Regulations in the Neighborhood
44:56- End Interview
English 571
Transcript Key

Key for reading the transcript aloud

The dog ran

-gaaaarage
-Repeating letters, hold the word for at least one second

they they’re
Who were, what doing,
-read with a rhythmical sense (if the words go up, higher pitch, if the words go down, a lower pitch.)

She started gettin Dementia pretty bad
-words become smaller, speakers sentence trails off

But we’re just used to it because
-words next to each other, the speakers sentence runs together those words

I don’t know if they still own it or not?
-If italized read at a quicker pace

ya know what? I’d miss them
-Allow for a longer pause when phrases are separated

(laughs)
-outside action occurs

“Fiure, Gettin, Ya”
-Pronounce words directly as they appear on the page

You would’ve loved talking to him
-Bold phrases said with more emphasis

Clayton is the shit

*Clayton is the bomb diggity*
- spoken in a different tone

- laughing occurs while saying the sentence
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18:10

C: To completely change the subject this one I didn't get last time on on interview and I wanta I wanta get this one on tape.
Clayton: The Dick's Den Marathon.
K: Oh the Dick's Den Marathon
J: The Dick's Den Marathon
K: Oh, okay
C: Would you mind “recappin” that for me?
J: Oh well it uuuhhh went out of existence uuuhhh a few years a couple years ago I think. Must've started in theee early seventies? is my guess?
K: Well it lasted for over thirty-five years right.
J: Yeah that'd be about right so probably about nineteen seventy and uuuhhh it was one of the owners at Dick's Den who got interested in eehhh running and uuuh and they started with a small group? you know like a core group most of “em” hung around those that didn't die * or or get bad knees or whatever *.
C: (laughs)
J:; And as it picked up uuuhhh publicity I remember it was a big spread one year
K: Well you have to describe what it is!
J: Well I will!
K: Oh okay I thought you were gonna skip that part (laughs)
J: In uuuhhh Columbus uh Monthly uuuh... people started coming from outside the neighborhood. So you start byyyyy uuuhhh you know signing up registering just like any run you show up there it was always on a Saturday ummm before
K: St. Patrick’s Day
J: St. Patty's Day. March aaaaand uuuhhh I ran in it, I don't know two or three times. And you drank aaaaaaa shot and a whole beer to start. and then you take off and go right up High Street either in the sidewalk or the street depending on how * brave or drunk you were * and you had to eh run up tooooou ummm uhhhh to Graceland shopping center. And there was a package, state liquor package store there and the last few years it moved across the street like behind uh uh just abu just north of Morse not quite up that far behind that uh used to be Jerry's Drive-In it's now the uh
K: you're getting off
J: breakfast place
K: tell the story!
J: And he'd pick up a uh buy! a uh a bottle of Irish whiskey and you had to ca- run back with that. You'd put it in a knapsack or just carry it or however you wanted to do it and uh you'd get back uhhh. And then you had to go in and drink aaaaaaa pitcher of beer as slow or as fast as you could. And the first one to finish the pitcher regardless of whether you threw up or not was the winner.
K: Throwing up was part of the entertainment
C: (laughs)
K: There was
J: and there was a
K: They had BIG trash barrels there for that very purpose
J: and then there was a
K: and a lot of people did it.
J: There were men's division and women's division. And the hardcore drunks that didn't run but wanted to participate would rent a bus and go up and down high street just yell uh at the runners.
C: (laughs)
J: So there were all kinds of uh stories I don't know whether they were apocryphal or not they were probably mixed. You know people dropping their um getting back within three blocks the bottle would drop and bust.
K: Some people would tape the bottles to their arm that way they could carry it like that
J: Then you gave, you gave the bottle to the owners and then the owners had a big St. Patty's Day
K: party the the
J: party
K: The next week they would have the party on St. Patrick's Day
J: And put out all the uh Irish whiskey.
K: make corned beef and cabbage and stuff
J: Right. So that's uh That's the story of
K: But it was was it six miles one way or six miles altogether? I
J: Uh no, it it was
K: I think it's
J: It was twelve between twelve and thirteen miles it was a little over six miles (trails off)
K: So it's a it's a hefty run for anybody that's actually doing it.
J: Yeah but it's not a real, I mean it wasn't twenty six like uh a real marathon.
K: But it was a family affair for us because uh our son who's now thirty-five ran in it. He wasn't a real runner but he would gear up every year for the Dick's Den Marathon and he would run in it and then Jon, so they, we we had a father son duo for this for a couple of years so it became a family tradition to go to Dick's Den Marathon.
J & C: (laughter)
K: And I remember the fir- one of the years my daughter who's younger than my son umm was dating a new it was a new boyfriend and she brought him to the Dick's Den Marathon to meet her parents and the family, so he met us for the first time and there's Jon and Aaron running and throwin' up and you know, getting eh it's it's just one of these
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C: (laughs obnoxiously)
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K: So then his son Chuck took over but then Chuck died.
J: Yeah
K: Pretty Young
J: He did mostly real estate management. But he died probably shortly after his dad did.
K: Yeah. My son rented from Chuck Pavey one year a couple of years and lived on Northwood. And um I remember going over there it was was you know a typical kinda student um apartment but there weren't any screens in the windows but there weren't any screens in the windows and I was horrified by this and at one point I said to Chuck I said: <Chuck? my place that doesn't screens in son's living in have any the windows!> and uh he said <Well you know your son hasn't complained * about it> so leave me alone quit bugging me basically is what he was saying*. Oohhh but that was the kind of landlord he was. He was real nice though.

30:43
A key for reading the transcription aloud:

- An astrix (*) stands for laughter
- [brackets mean that the two speakers are overlapping. The first speaker will be above the bracketed speaker, and is the dominant voice]
- Commas (,) stand for short pauses.
- Indented paragraphs stand for long pauses
- **Emboldened Statements mean the speaker has emphasized the indicated word or phrase with an increase in volume.**
- *Italicized statements mean that the speaker has emphasized the indicated word or phrase with by extending the length of the word.*
- A dash (-) after the word indicates that the speaker has truncated a word.
- A question mark (?) indicates raised intonation of a word or phrase.
Kay: Um
    Ok 1978. * Blizzard
Clayton: Oh yeah I was going to ask about that.
Kay: * Yea, um, I guess it was bringing back some neighborhood memories.
Clayton: [you had mentioned that earlier]
Kay: Um, of course, it descended very quickly and the only neighbor on our block here
who had a furnace that was working was two doors down was Mary Witham and she was
an elderly woman. And her furnace worked because it was a gravity furnace that wasn't
Dependent on electrical
Switch...you know.
    So she had heat and somehow we found out and we had a baby that was 6 months
old and then
    5 year old and we didn't have heat so we ended up all hanging out at Mary
Witham's House cuz it was warm. and I remember you
    We were taking our youngest to uh a woman in the neighborhood who did
babysitting and we had left the pacifier* Ha! down at Brenda’s, remember that
    Uhnd you, you went running out in that blizzard I remember this and I thought
"Oh my God he's going to die out there!" running down to Brenda’s and she lived at
the end of Northwood and uh Indianola and uh, to get the pacifier, you don't remember
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    So that's my recollection of that, um
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    No it wasn't blizzard well it was snow plus a gas?
Jon: [I think that was. That was. I think that was]
Kay: There was a gas shortage? Gas.
Jon: I think that was the year before. One year was was a gas shortage and it was
generally
    Uh, coal because they were rationing gas and they were cutting back and we were,
we ran a day care co op
    moved it out of the church into our basement for like a couple of weeks. because
it was easier.
Kay: [Because they had to turn off the gas]
Jon: Easier for uh, for private residences as opposed to commercial church to get heat.
Kay: [Church]
Jon: Then I think next year was the uh
Kay: Well they were real close.
Jon: Was the uh, was the blizzard which was like it was the uh, I can remember...hiking
out to the street this was like two or three days after the blizzard hit uh and the uh only
thing moving on High Street were uh Army and National Guard Jeeps.
Clayton: Wow.
Jon: Because everything was still phhsgs! Frozen.
Kay: [See nobody had] four wheel drive then either which is
Jon: Yeah there weren't very many.
Kay: Now I worked at the University I worked at the student health center for many
years and I was working there then uh and I, I didn't go to work, but uh everybody else
did. I was kinda part time and I, they knew I had a baby, but everybody else did and they
only got there because somebody with a Jeep went and picked 'em up and brought 'em
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Clayton: Ummm.
Kay: Yeah, it was, uh.
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      Remember going to the grocery store? and it was raining and it had been
      sn-
            There had been snow on the ground it was slushy and rainy and ugly and
            horrible, just the worst, and then in the middle of the night waking up to um
            lightning,
Jon: [Yeah it was lightning]
Kay: That blue lightning.
Jon: Mid- mid forties and then dropped to like 16.
Kay: Yeah and the wind. Oh gosh.
Jon: And then I can remember the wind it sound y'know, they interview people, that have
uh been through a tornado.
      They say it's like a train coming. That's, that's what it sounded like and then
      y'know and it sound like a huge locomotive just you know coming right over your house.
Clayton: It's that Ohio weather.
Jon: *
Kay: I remember looking out next door and I thought it was a huge big icicle? had
formed? like instantly off that house and later I realized it was like a drain pipe or
something it had fallen down and it was kinda crusted over *
      It was uh? it was pretty dramatic.
Clayton: That sounds horrible *
Kay: Yeah, and uh I remember going out in the garage and the car wa in the garage and
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so there wasn't any radio and then somebody uh managed to come in
and find some live batteries and rig up the transmitter so they could actually transmit a
radio signal.
Kay: Mmmmmm.
Jon: Uh, but that didn't happen 'til like 9:30 in the morning.
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0:00- Opening remarks; Where the interviewee is living on Oakland next year.
0:36- Interview "officially" begins
0:56- Discussion of how long the Marshalls have lived in the area and what makes the University District a unique or desirable neighborhood (characteristics of neighborhood society)
5:07- The Marshalls talk about the various neighborhood "characters" and their stories.
8:58- Students living in the area, zoning laws
13:11- The Blizzard of 1978
18:08- The Marshalls experiences with various student riots (political & football)
24:45- Diversity of Northwood Park (the Marshall’s neighborhood) and it’s inhabitants.
25:51- More about the riots (specifically, changes in student behaviour and changes on High Street).
31:14- Elderly Residents in the area
32:44- Neighborhood Organizations (Soviet Study Group, Community Association, Garden Club, etc.)
36:51- History of the Neighborhood (Street Car Suburbs, Street Cars, the Log Cabin House)
43:26- Characteristics and Stereotypes of the surrounding neighborhoods ("Father Shotgun" narrative, Stephanie Hummer Park)
50:33- Thoughts on moving out of the neighborhood.
53:13- The Marshalls ideas of the difference between urban and suburban living.
55:18- Closing statements
57:56- End Recording