# Five Homes Opened For Holiday Tour 


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Rita Leming and Inge Ritchie join Eunie Bowman to check over the posters for the Christmas house tour. The scene is beside one of the interesting fountains and pools which enhance the river-side setting of the Bowman house.

Five homes will be featured on the Garden Club's bi-annual Christmas house tour, Sunday, December 8. Diane DeCamp is general chairman for the popular event, proceeds from which are used for Garden Club's continuing projects for beautifying the village.

Hours for viewing the homes are 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. The club has extended an invitation to viewers to visit the Community House for refreshments and a Wreath Boutique after the tour.

Tickets may be purchased from any Garden Club member or the ticket chairman, Rita Leming.

The following homes will be on the tour:

Mr. and Mrs. Flach Douglas, 1 Circus Place the historic John Robinson "Circus House," built in 1860 , and purchased by the Douglases in 1908. Interesting features in this 17 room house include nine fireplaces, inlaid parquet floors and stained glass windows.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bowman, 307 Wanoka Woods Terrace - a contemporary design home with large expanses of glass areas, permitting view of the river and surrounding area. Unusual landscape treatment including dramatic use of water.

Mr. and Mrs. William Petitt, 15 Elm Avenue - an interesting older home built in the $1890^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$ which was by the local citizenry for many years. There has been considerable remodeling and restoration since the occupancy of the Lewis Gatch family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wright, 301 Wanoka Woods Terrace - a distinctive contemporary home which compliments its setting, a view of the Little Miami and wooded banks.

Mr and Mrs. Thomas Stollmaier, 202 Harvard Avenue - still retains the zharm of an older home (circa 1880) though re-

## modeled several times.

School Levy
But Operating Issue Sails Through
by Ellis Rawnsley
Rumblings of discontent with the Mariemont school system may have been reflected in the November 5 vote on a 65 mill school levy.

District-wide, the levy passed by only 217 votes out of a total of 3873, accoring to unofficial returns. In Terrace Park, the issue barely squeaked. by 550 to 514 , or 51.7 per cent, although in the past the village usually has given school issues strong support.

On the other hand, with less than a third of the number of votes involved, the Terrace Park village operating levy won by a
out of a total of 1062 . Effects of botn levies will be fell in tax bills recelved next July.

Terrace Park has 1472 voters, of whom 1092 or :hree-fourths, cast ballots.

The voting saw Terrace Park remaining an island of Republicans in a national Democratic deluge.

Not even the Space Age slamor attaching to former astronaut John Glenn was sufficient to carry the community over a Republican newcomer, Ralph Perk. But, losing the village by only one vote, Glenn came far closer to victory than any other Democrat. The biggest vote of all went to Helen Fix, successful candidate for
campaigned in Terrace Park several times. Her total of 902 copped uat of any otner candidate or issue.

A campaign calling for a firmer hand in Juvenile Court seemingly paid off with a heavy vote in the village for David Grossman in his successful race for election o that court.

The big winner was the Votomatic voting system, given its first full-scale election test after a trail run in the May primaries.

Kath Startsman, presiding judge of Precinct A, said the voting went "beautifully" in spite of the relatively heavy voted in the village, and that mechancally the election was "the

Carl Lindell, village engineer, detailed proposed improvements to the walkway over the Elm Roadrailroad bridge. As most TP youngsters know, the present walk is toonarrow, too steep, and too uneven, especially for bicycle traffic. Lindell believes he can get a good improvement job done for $\$ 500-600$, by filling the hillside with bank-run and then raising the walk. Much of the grading work can be done by the village maintenance crew. Griffith referred Lindell's suggestions tothe Public Works Committee for study and recommendation.

Both Treasurer Al Roberts and Finance Chairman Dick Bowman expressed satisfaction with the current status of village finances. Bowman noted that spending is well in line with expenses projected last fall.

Under Rules and Law review, Gene Desvernine was asked to rewrite a letter to be distributed to all residents regarding-trash disposal rules at the landfill. This letter is to be presented at the next council meeting for approval.

Gene also broached the subject of unleashed .0 gs since his committee is involved with this problem. This topic has often been aired, and Dick Bowman suggested that complaints against a roaming og should first go to the og owner directly from the complainant. It was pointed out again that the village does have a leash law on the books and that offending owners can be cited and fined 25.

Safety Chairman Griffith recommended the hiring of Phillip Bock as a probationary police officer and this recommendation passed. Bock is already certified and has completed the required amount of schooling, having served the past year. as a policeman for the Cincinnati Park Board.

Pat Henley, Building and Grounds chairman, asked council members for reaction to a report on the Wilderness Preserve that she earlier had mailed to zouncil members This report is excerpted on page 4. Since the Recreation Committee is in the process of drafting a master plan for all remaining village land that might be used for recreation, Pat strongly recommended that the Wilderness Preserve Committee also have a voice and representation in this study.

Recreation Committee Chairman, Ed Tigner also said the committee plans a formal presentation at the December council meeting of its study and resulting

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## Letters

Mayor's Plea For
Village Millage Pays Off
Over $60 \%$ of the voters cast their ballots for the Village Tax Levy. This is an impressive display of support. We on Council will do our best to prove that your trust is well placed. We will work vigorously to be sure that your tax dollars are only spent when it is necessary, and then only when the best possible value has been obtained. Your generous support is a great challenge for us to do our jobs as well as we can. Our sincere thanks to you the people of Terrace Park.

Frank Corbin
Mayor

## Council

## Opposes

## Sewage Plant <br> Citizens of Terrace Park

 who opposed the building of a sewage treatment plant adjacent to village boundaries were given support by their council at the November 12 meeting.A resolution proposed by Councilwoman Pat Henley was unanimously passed by council. It stated that the building of any sewage treatment plant adjacent to the village boundaries presented an undesirable risk to the community.

To those council members who at first questioned why the resolution should lie approved Bill Ryan responded, "to indicate support for Little Miami, Inc., and other conservation groups who have worked to prevent the plant is construction, and also for the 520 residents who signed the petition against the plant."

Ohio EPA has not yet announced its decision on whether or not the permit to build will be granted. It is expected that whatever the decision the case will be appealed to a higher OEPA review board by either B.B.S. Co. or those in opposition.

## Classified

world Book, 1972 edition, $\$ 140$, Kenmore Vacuum with Powermate, $\$ 35$, Vinyl covered cartop luggage carrier, $48^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{x} 48^{\prime \prime}$ x $14^{\prime \prime}$, \$15. 831-3354, Davidson.

Do you have any wooden shafted golf clubs tucked away in the basement or attic? Tom Ryan is starting to collect them, so if you know of any, call 831-7326.

Reliable older teenager wants odd jobs. Call Bob Holloway, 831-9515.

## Wiiderness Useage Increases Bit lt's Still Quiet Place

Use of Terrace Park's mowed, as encroaching box Wilderness Preserve hasincreased immensely since a new trail was cut last spring opening up the westernarea. The new trail runs along the small creek which empties into the Little Miami River, into the Little Miami River,
and then returns along the river to the picnic area.

This trail was the major project for the committee which has met for the last year to plan the orderly development of the Wilderness Preserve as an area for quiet recreation. Members are Jim Allison, Diana Durden, Louise Halley, Bob Terwillegar and Jan Watkins. Pat Henley, of council, is chairman.

The group has followed the guidlines set down for the land's use in the spring of 1971. At that time council allotted some money for development. Former councilwoman Jan Decker chaired the group which first recognized the potential of the 50-plus acres which the village had controlled since 1966, but which was seldom used.

The current committee has prepared a report about the former Miami Grove: Wilderness PreservePast, Present and Future Past, Present and Future. It is excerpted for VV.
The original purposes have been amended slightly to read:

1. To provide a natural area for our residents where they can find refreshment and enjoy solitary and group nature pursuits.
2. To make simple and unobtrusive changes to utilize the existing area for the above.
3. To maintain and protect our shoreline of the Little Miami River in conformity with the scenic river aims.

In the summer of 1972 the village employees cleared a parking area, mowed two trails, and provided a picnic table. Boy Scouts chipped the trails and they and the fire department cleared debris from the old homesites. In 1973 the imprivements were maintained, but there was no expansion. Usage increased and the new committee mapped the area for future development.

In spring of 1974 the halfmile trail was cut and chipped. The rough area used by Boy Scouts were leveled and seeded. A large piece of former farmland was


## Village Bulletin Baard

Clothing Exchange Needs St. Thomas Clothing Exchange is continually in need of clothing, buyers, and volunteer workers.

The exchange is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10 to 2. It operates across the street from the church at 97 Miami .

The exchange is an arm of the Women of St. Thomas and proceeds are used for the work of that organization. Any person interested in helping may contact Mary Hage at 831-8894, the exchange, on Tuesdays, or at 831-5926.

Put It In The Basket
Boys interested in competing in basketball sponsored by the Recreation Committee should report to the elementary school gym on Saturday mornings:
8:00 to $9: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. - fourth

## and fifth grade

9:30 to 10:45-sixth grade 10:45 to noon - seventh grade

Need a Good Helper?
Rosemary Karvellis, who is active in the Nearly-New Shop operated in Newtown by the Inter-Parish Ministry, reports that there are two young women for whom she can vouch personally who are interested in obtaining household work. For additional information, call her at the shop at 5614056 , or at home, 831-8597.

Gardeners Also Party
Terrace Park Garden Club's Christmas luncheon will be held Tuesday, December 3, at the Community House. Officer Kath Startsman, Jane Peterson, Hoppy Stevens and Blanche Kain will act as hostesses for the day.

Members will follow their usual custom of bringing a gift for an elderly person and a handcrafted ornament.

## Bottles Buy Bushes

Recycling continues every second and fourth Saturday at the elementary school parking lot, from 1 to $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The MHS environment group will take your bottles, cans and papers. Proceeds are used for conservation prujects at the high school.

Moms Treat Tots
Child Study Group members will treat their children to a Christmas party at St. Thomas Church on Wednesday, December 18 at $40^{3}$ clock.
Hans Brinker - T. P. Style
There are still openings for families who want to skate at the Gardens Ice Pavillion. Call Louise Halley at 831-0970 for information about the Saturday afternoon fun, from 4:30 to 5:30. Space is provided for hockey and figure skating instruction.

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## 'The Good Life' Means Action

 At The Allison'sFrom mineralogy to music and from garbage cans to collection boxes, Ray Alis on's so-called leisure hours since he moved to Terrace Park 26 years ago are as varied and demanding as his daily job. In fact, for most men a position as president of the J.H. Day Company, makers of large industrial mixers, requiring travel throughout the United States and sometimes to Europe would limit their community involvement. For Ray this has been just the beginning, and his extra energy has been channelled continuoulsy into everything from politics and conservation to the Boy Scouts and the Salvation Army.

When Ray and Marge moved here with their two children, Jim and Judy, then pre-schoolers, Ray said they felt a feeling of pride just $n$ being part of the comnunity and also felt an obligation to help maintain such a fine neighborhood by participating in civic activities. Almost immediately, Ray found himself elected councilman, then made vicemayor and, just as quicky, mayor when a tax levy for assurance of garbage collection was defeated and his predecessor resigned because he felt it a vote against him. Ray became known as "The Garbage Mayor" when the collection assessment went on. He is still just as interested in the political field but cannot participate because of extended travel in his work.

When son, Jim, became a Boy Scout, Ray became involved, too, first becoming cub master and then scout master for a number of years. He still participates and keeps an interest in scouting by being a merit badge counsellor, with special pride because Jim is now scout master and his grandson is also in scouting.

Ray and Marge have been very active at $S$. Thomas Church, Ray being a member of the vestry and Marge active in women's groups. For a number of years they taught a fourth-grade Sunday School class and were also leaders of the youth group.

The Order of Masonshas played a prominent part in Ray's life and he has worked faithfully, going through the various chairs. In addition to being a past master, he is also a Shriner.

Ray is now serving on the Advisory Board of the Men's Rehabilitation Center of the Salvation Army. His Assignment is the care and maintenance of the many collection boxes seen throughout the city and nvolves a scheduled checkup to make sure the collections are being made and that the boxes are in good condition. He also spends time visiting and counselling with the men who are residents at the Center.

How did he become a rock hound? Through son, Jim's interest in mineralogy during high school, Ray's interest in the subject was


Ray Allison displays some of the larger rock formations on his patio. This is a piece of drip stone from a Kentucky cave.
whetted and thus began his favorite "'at home" hobby. Jim's interest waned as his love of biology grew, but Ray's continued enthusiasm has made this hobby a very big part of his life and his ravels. Wherever he goes, re searches for mineral samples of the area. His =ollection of rock samples, carefully catalogued and meticulously cared for, is becoming museum size; in fact, a special room filled with books, charts, rocks, and equipment for intricate study of samples, is a minimuseum. Ray is always eager to share his knowledge and often talks with high school students whoare interested in further study Ray is, of course, a mem ber of the Cincinnati Mineral Society.

Interest in nature and conservation adds fun and zeal to the Allison's travels

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in T.P., despite its provincialism, is the local citizens one accidentally meets while sojourning in sundryparts of the world.

Once deep in the foothills of the Sangre de Christo range of the Rockies, at a ranch spot one could but get to by driving twenty or so miles over a rocky dead-end mountainside road, we bumped into a Terrace Park couple who just dropped in for dinner. They d heard of the ranch and wanted to see it.

Another time in the $\mathrm{Ca}-$ nadian bush doing some nocturnal walleye fishing, at a point one could only reach by jumping off the Canadian National R.R., and then winching (not driving) a fourwheel drive through swamp and forest, who should appear in a boat from the other side of the lake but an angler claiming residency near the junction of the Little Miami and the East Fork.

This just goes to prove that if your next business lunch is with one of the opposite sex, it could be more discreet to stay in town than meet in the Izaak Walton Hotel in central England.

Was again reminded of this when I was invited to attend one of these bass fishing derbies or contests in a state to the south of us. Having never been much of a large mouth bass enthusiast myself, I nevertheless felt it necessary to attend in order to sample the evening libations liberally laced with local distillations. Now, I didn't enter the day-light contests as these enthusiasts are not only fishermen, but racers as well. Each had a bass fishing boat equipped with a fighting chair (one would think they were after tarpon), a large outboard jet propel the boat to the sundry favorite fishing grounds, a small electric trolling motor, several rods and reels of various types, tackle boxes overflowing with lures, and other equipment such as nets, ice boxes, bait boxes, and lunch and beverage boxes, not to mention a life vest or two.
The prizes were for the
the largest stringer of vie et cetera, and ran into the thousands. Dollars that is

However, I was presen he morning the official starter launched all the boats with a shot from his start ing pistol, and I planned to be back at the dock late that fternoon when the winners were recognized. In elbowing through the crowd that morning who should I bump into but that venerable historian, Mr. Terrace Park himself, Stan Miller

Stan invited me to try some of the local corn he had picked-up - the ,kind measured by the gallon and not the bushel, and I could see that Stan had already stablished himself with the local citizenry. In fact, they were all having a blast with Stan since he was buying and some commenced to urge him to enter the bass con est For a while Stan modestly declined, but eventually succumbed to the encouragement.

A few of the locals thought it great fun to equip Stan (who had not brought a rod et alone a boat) with old steel rod, about as flexible as one of Rawnsley's tomato stakes, to which was attached a worn-out reel, a knotted weak line, and a barbless rusty hook. To this they added a can of dead worms, and Stan proudly took off for the nearest dock, the locals all laughing knowing no one had ever caught a bass off that point.

To the amazement of all Stan started flipping bass out of that lake just about as fast as he could bait his hook, and when the contest was over, Stan walked off with all the prizes.

That evening Stan was cornered by all the locals who insisted Stan tell them where he'd learned to fish, and Stan regaled them with how he'd grown up around Great Salt Lake and spent his boyhood fishing.

About that time one of the judges reminded Stan that there are no fish in Great Salt Lake, and Stan replied, "Correct, Yer honor, not anymore there ain't.'

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| Herman Kirsch (D) | 4 | 5 | 7 | 16 |
| Attorney General |  |  |  |  |
| Williams J. Brown (D) | 91 | 73 | 93 | 257 |
| State Auditor |  |  |  |  |
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| Thomas Ferguson (D) | 85 | 65 |  | 237 |
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| Ted W. Brown (R) | 308 | 248 | 264 | 820 |
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| Kathleen Harrett (I) | 5 | 11 | 6 | 22 |
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| Michael J. Maloney (R) | 326 | 263 | 271 | 863 |
| Donald H. Swain (D) | 49 | 53 | 66 | 168 |
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| Chief Justice of the Supreme Court |  |  |  |  |
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| Sheldon Taft | 206 | 167 | 184 | 557 |
| Court of Appeals |  |  |  |  |
| John W. Keefe | 179 | 142 | 165 | 586 |
| Common Please Court (Jan. 2 term) |  |  |  |  |
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| William S. Mathews | 286 | 217 | 251 | 751 |
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| William R. Matthews | 265 | 217 | 241 | 723 |
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| Frank Gusweiler | 295 | 263 | 269 | 827 |
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| Thomas J. Heekin | 305 | 248 | 270 | 823 |
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| Frank J. Davis | 84 | 83 | 91 | 258 |
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| Rupert Doan | 171 | 135 | 151 | 739 |
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| Mariemont School Levy |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 158 | 184 | 201 | 543 |
| Terrace Park Village Operating Levy |  |  |  |  |
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| Yes | 204 | 213 | 239 | 656 |
| Proposition 1 (To reduce taxes for disabled) |  |  |  |  |
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| Yes | 279 | 253 | 277 | 809 |
| Proposition 2 (To Repal Section 12 of Ohio Constitution) |  |  |  |  |
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| Yes | 206 | 202 | 212 | 620 |
| No | 110 | 80 | 93 | 283 |
| Proposition 3 (Revenue bonds without tax) |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 232 | 218 | 237 | 687 |
| Mental Retardation Levy 112 |  |  |  |  |
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| Yes | 223 | 216 | 231 | 670 |
|  | 158 | 67 | 120 | 345 |

## New Neighbors

Gary and Jane Ramsey, 221 Cambridge Avenue, from Mt. Lookout with Jonathon, 6 months. 831-9710.

David and Denise Kilbury, 203 Oxford, from Anderson Township, with Trent, 5 and Quinn, 9 months. 831-8443.

Wally and Jackie Campbell, 815 Douglas, from Montrose, New York, with Ryan, 17 months. 248-0837. Yes, that phone number is correct.

Phelps and Whitney Long, 501 Miami, from Indian Hill. 248-0248.


All the picture shows is a sea of leaves, with untiring workers Charlie, Ed and Marvin dwarfed beside them Foreman Oberlie says this is only a little more than half of the almost 200 loads of future mulch the village crew has hauled to the landfill in the last few weeks.

Street Committee chairman Ferd Critchell praised workers and villagers alike for good handling of the leaves at the November council meeting. Council set November 29 as the cut-off date for curb pick-up; after that date, residents must bag and take leaves to the landfill themselves.

## Ip Boys hep

## MHS Win EHL

VV congratulates the Mariemont High School football team, which won its Eastern Hills League championship and then went on to play in the state playoffs on November 16 at Dayton.

VV, minus a sports editor, admits that readers have better coverage in the dailies, which can explain the Harbin computer ratings which gave Mariemont 124.66 points to pair it with Louisville (near Canton) St. Thomas Aquinas in the AA semifinals.

What is important to VV readers is that Coach Larry Lyons is a T.P. boy, as are Jim Allison and Don Fender who are part of the football staff. Other local boys, who suit-up and play ball are: John Augspurger, Randy Crowell, Mark DeCamp, Kurt Hildebrand, John Jordan, Pete Miller, George Stickley, Lon Stirsman, Tom Wigton, and Scott Williams.

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## Patrons Serve F.D. Too Well Almost

The volunteer fire department's annual pancake supper--a village institution of some 15 years' standing -scored its usual success early this month, enough to run out of sausages and milk in the last half-hour or so of serving.

While firemen were sent scurrying to Milford to try to round up more supplies, Fire Chief Lee Stegemeyer announced that anyone who wishes it would get a rebate on the meal, but nobody took advantage of the offer and the usual guod time was had by all.

Actually, supplies laid in were in line with the quantities used at last year's supper. What threw things out of whack was a larger-than-expected sale of 220 tickets at the door.

In all, 913 tickets were sold and 662 persons served.

The pancake supper for years has yielded a net of about $\$ 500$ to the fire department. The money goes for equipment and supplies not provided for in the village budget.


