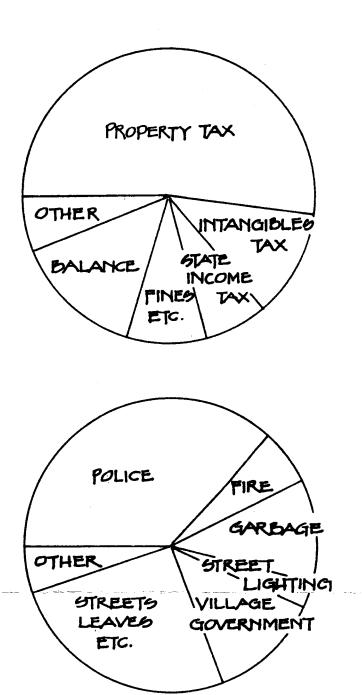
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# Update . .

#### By Debbie Carle

September always seems to be a good time for new beginnings and renewals of worthwhile projects. So we begin again a column about new neighbors and old ones, new babies, new grandparents, etc.

It's easy to begin on Princeton Avenue as that street welcomes three new households.

Don and Diane Head have hung their hats at 910 Princeton. They have two children: Amy, 12, and Alex, 7. They moved here from Cleveland Heights. (I wonder what they could say about the Cincinnati-Cleveland feud!)

814 Princeton definitely looks lived in these days. The Fields, Mary Lou and Peter, and their children, Brenda, 9, and Peter, 12, recently moved over here from Western Hills. Peter adds to our reinforcements of downtown P and G'ers.

The Taylors, Betty Lou and Frank, and their children, Jay, Jeff, and Beth, certainly aren't new to Terrace Park, just to 819 Princeton Ave. But their house at 805 Stanton Ave. has new owners.

Jo and John English have moved here from California, but interestingly enough they are originally from England. They have three grown-up sons in California — Michael, Stuart, and Peter. And they already think T.P. is a great place to live.

Helping complete the kindergarten class of 1982 is Annie McCarter, born May 31. She's the new daughter of Betsy and Kerry McCarter. She joins Kelly to make 815 Floral Ave. a busy place!

Amy and Cove Heilbronner at 819 Floral Ave., are the proud parents of a new daughter, Poe, born June 22. Those smiles are surely lighting up Floral these days.

Please contact me at 831-4178 with contributions for this column. Stanton and Princeton Avenues are easy for me since I live on Franklin Ave. And people with babies hear about new babies.

But I do need help . . . .

## Life Squad's Services Free Villagers

Well-staffed in daytime as a result of a plea last year that netted 17 new members, most of them women, the Terrace Park Life Squad now needs some new volunteers for 6 p.m. to midnight service.

Fire Chief Pierce Matthews said the night crew had been depleted by transfers and retirement, and he is anxious to keep the squad at full strength so members can provide a vital community service without it becoming burdensome.

No prior experience is required. A training course to qualify as Emergency Medical Technicians will begin September 6. Contact Matthews at 831-5188, or any present squad member.



Winners in various divisions of the annual Terrace Park golf tournament were, left to right, Pierce Matthews, Allen Carroll, Bill Weakley, Joe Lohse and Paul Kennedy.

# Weakley Becomes Village Golf Champ

The second annual Terrace Park golf tournament sponsored by the Recreation Committee was held at Fairacres Golf Course on Saturday, July 22.

Thirty-two golfers competed for low gross score, low net score, longest drive, closest to the pin off the seventh tee, and high gross score. When the firing was over, Bill Weakley won the championship of the event with a one under par 70, dethroning last year's champion, Needham Smith.

Low net honors went to Paul Kennedy, who shot a best-ever 76 gross and with his Callaway handicap had a net of 68, one stroke lower than Chuck Conway's 69.

### Historic Tour Set in Milford

Five buildings will be featured on the Milford Area Historical Society's seventh tour on Sunday, Sept. 10 from 1 to 5 p.m. Four can trace ownership back to original land grants given to veterans of the Revolutionary War. For Night Duty Unique individual architecture and interesting antiques will interest history buffs and others.

Tickets at \$2.50 are available from members of the historical society, at the museum at 114 Main St. on the day of the tour, or from Virginia Critchell, 831-0815.

American Legion Ladies Auxiliary will serve dinner at the Legion Hall from noon to 7 p.m. at \$3.95 per person. For dinner tickets, call Mrs. John Hartman, 831-2076.

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The long-driving contest on the 11th hole was won by Allen Carroll with a drive of just over 250 yards. Joe Lohse was closest to the pin off the seventh, and Pierce Matthews had most strokes to win the high gross trophy.

After play was completed, food and drinks were served at the Log Cabin in the Park.

Paul Kennedy was general chairman for the event, assisted by a committee consisting of Ray Normile, Bob Haines, Tom Stollmaier, Larry Deckard and Birdo Marsh.

#### Tree Spruced Up

Have you noticed the improved appearance of the memorial pin oak on the village green? The trimming and clean-up was done with funds supplied by the Bi-Centennial Committee.

## **Editorially Speaking**

#### By Bill Weakley

During the spring and summer months of flag-waving holidays, I was given to moments of musing on what it means to be living in a "free" country.

Recently, the morning paper ran a series of articles on various immigrant families who had the misfortune of being caught behind the borders of countries where they were denied many of the freedoms which we in America are privy to. Did I say misfortune? Perhaps I was a bit hasty, for throughout the series a common thread emerged which gave me pause. Almost without exception these poor "unfortunates" expressed amazement at the very blase' acceptance that we show toward something which to them is a most highly-valued prize: Free-

And several weeks ago at Convention Center in downtown Cincinnati, a debate was held between Madalyn Murray O'Hair, founder of the Society of Separationists, and Gaston D. Cogdell, minister of the Clifton Church of Christ. During this debate, both participants voiced their opinions concerning their individual philosophies. They took potshots at Congress, the President, senators, the environment and a host of other unwitting institutions. The marvelous fact that they were allowed to have such an exchange unencumbered by Secret Police, censors or any outside agency, went practically unnoticed by all those present, myself included.

In these United States, we have come to take for granted the right of free assembly, the right of free speech, the right To The Editor:

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In conjunction with this, we must also thank Chief Ron Pottorf for his consideration following the death of our 89vear-old father.

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to a free and uncensored press, the right to democratic elections and the right to worship in a manner of our own choosing. How often do we stop to consider what life might be like if we no longer enjoyed this priceless gift? This gift of freedom.

Perhaps we all need to be reminded from time to time that this "gift" we have is really a privilege. We can only keep it so long as we are willing to pay the price for its continuation. Free elections will exist only if we use the ballot. Freedom of speech exists only if we give it to all We may disagree with a point of view, but we must vigorously defend the right to express that point of view. Tolerance of all people gives us the right to demand tolerance for ourselves.

We are the United States of America, the strength behind the red, white and blue, but that strength is only as mighty as the effort put into preserving the heritage which has been laid in our hands.

# Life Squad Seeks **New Volunteers**

The Life Squad provides all of its services free of charge. made possible by your support of the department through the annual Pancake Supper, bi-annual phone book, and donations.

In addition to emergency runs, we provide free transportation to incapacitated village residents from hospital to home or nursing homes, or from home to hospitals. All you need to do is call a member of the squad to set up this type of transportation.

We urge you to use our services! A distraught parent barreling down Wooster Pike to Mercy Hospital with an injured child in the car is an invitation to disaster. We have the personnel, the training, and the equipment to aid you in a situation such as this AND take care of any problems which might occur enroute. Our experience has been that emergency room personnel will immediately evaluate any patients we transport. For your own safety and peace of mind, please call on us!

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## **New School Superintendent** Makes Home In Terrace Park

#### By Zoe Moore

Pictured here are Don and Donna Thompson with their daughter Nicki and son Jeff. The Thompsons moved to Terrace Park in early July and live at 3 Kris Circle. Both children will be entering Terrace Park Elementary this fall, Nicki in the first grade, and Jeff in the fourth.

But Donald Thompson is not just a new neighbor in Terrace Park, he is the new superintendent of Mariemont Schools.

While Dr. Thompson may seem young to be the man at the helm, his youth and enthusiasm are definitely assets. He comes to us eminently qualified both in educational background and revious work experience. He holds a B.S. in Business Administration from Wittenberg University; a M.A. from Wright State in Educational Administration; and a Ph.D. from Bowling Green, also in Educational Administration.

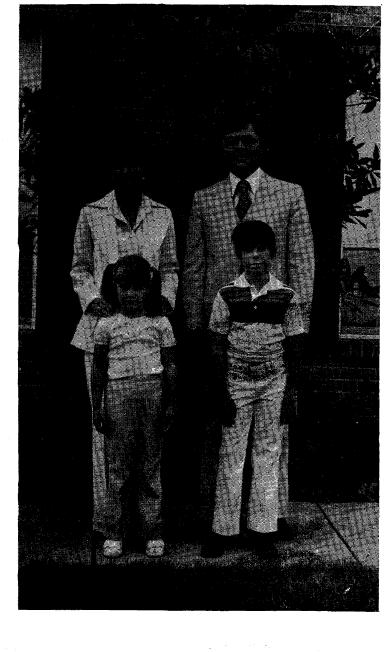
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In his career as an educator, Dr. Thompson first served in Springfield, Ohio. His positions ran the gamut from high school teacher and coach through administrator in Staff Evaluation and Program Development. One experience he especially enjoyed was as the Director of Research and Communications. In this capacity he worked with citizens of Springfield, identifying what they wanted in their schools.

Most recently, Dr. Thompson served as superintendent of schools in Pleasant Hills, Ohio. There he initiated a program which he plans to continue here, called "Superintendent's Open House." He designates a specific time each week that he is available to be called or seen by anyone in the district who has a concern to discuss with him. He hopes to have a close working relationship not only with the schools and the students but also with the parents. In fact, he will be at the Terrace Park P.T.A. meeting on October 18.

Asked to state his philosophy of education, Dr. Thompson replied,

"Foremost we need to provide basics in terms of education: mathematics, reading, writing and verbal communication skills. Second, we must foster student and parent interests. By that I mean we must provide students with exploratory opportunities so that they can determine their interests, whether they are college-bound



Dr. Thompson and his family (Photo by Bob Caswell)

or interested in vocational training. Third, we must try to provide an educational system that can maximize the potential of the clientele we serve. Here in Mariemont we have a great potential, one indication being that most of our students are reading two grade levels above their grade placement."

When asked what he views the most immediate concern in the Mariemont system, Dr. Thompson stressed the continuity of curriculum.

"The high school advanced math teacher must know how math was taught in the second grade; the third grade teacher must be able to relate his program to what was taught the year before. We need a well-defined, interlated kindergarten-throughgrade 12 curriculum. To further this end, we will be involved with an in-service program in which staff members visit other buildings and levels to find out what is being done.

"I am also concerned that we coordinate the education of children in three elementary schools so that they enter the middle school at comparable levels."

An advocate of neighborhood elementary schools, Dr. Thompson is aware that many parents are concerned about the middle school concépt and the open teaching methods of the high school. He offered these comments:

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## Council

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#### **Other Business**

In other business council... • Discussed use of private drives in the cutting up of property into lots. Councilman Rodger Miller urged the Planning and Zoning Committee to draft an ordinance due to questions which arise over maintenance of fire plugs, accommodation of heavy equipment, etc.

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