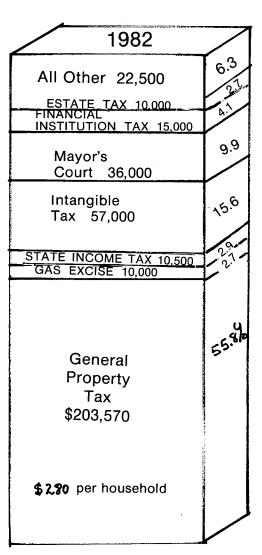
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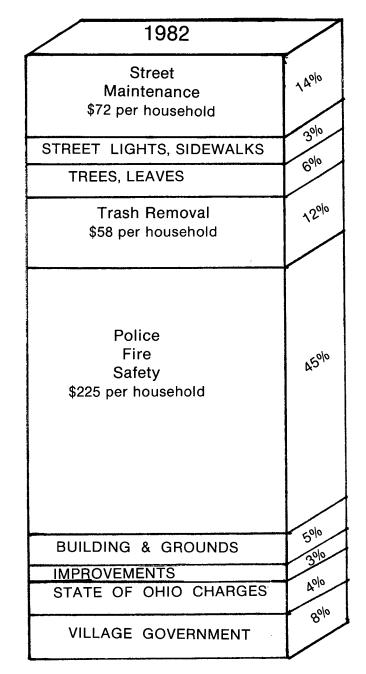
Terrace Park, Ohio

October, 1981

Where Village Dollar Comes From · · · ·



And Where It Goes



Rockel Unopposed For Mayor, **New Council Choice Delayed**

Mayor Charles S. Rockel will be unopposed for election to the post on the ballots for the November election.

Rockel was chosen by village council at its September meeting to replace Richard Bowman, who resigned because of business interests taking him to Louisville, Ky.

At the time, it was believed that the appointment covered the slightly-more-than two years remaining of Bowman's term. Subsequently the office of Ohio's secretary of state, who controls elections in the time candidate's petitions

state, ruled that an election would be necessary for someone to complete the term. Rockel alone met the September 18 deadline to file petitions for a place on the ballot.

His selection as mayor left a vacancy on council. It was disclosed at the October meeting of council that the post will not be filled until after the November elections, in which there are seven candidates for the four council seats open to be filled at were due.

Councilmen Les Overway and Rodger Miller are incumbents seeking election. Others in the race are Robert Allen, Bolton Drackett, Richard Gilchrist, William Konold, and Earl Robbins.

Because of the council vacancy, Miller has assumed the chairmanship of the council Planning and Zoning Committee in addition to the Recreation Committee chairmanship he has held.

Villagers Given Crime Alert, New Cable TV Dates Listed

By Shirley Rohlfing

Police Chief Ron Pottorf made an important appeal to the citizens of Terrace Park at the October council meeting. Commnding his force in saying their added vigilance has kept the increased incidence of crime occurring in other communities from our village, he warned that people should not be lulled into a false sense of security.

The chief noted that several times he has checked vacationers' homes and found doors left unlocked. Not only

is this inviting crime, he said, but it causes a waste of police manpower, since a back-up must be called when a home is entered by police to check it. He urged all residents to secure their property carefully

Pottorf also announced he would not seek re-election as president of the Hamilton County Police Association because of the press of his

CABLE DATES SET With questions being raised and controversy developing elsewhere over delays in cable TV installation, Councilman Les Overway reported what he said he felt were firm dates for Warner Amex cable work in the village.

He said he was told that lines will be activated and testing completed by November 23, but contacting residents for sign-up for service will begin November 7. Actual hook-ups will be

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Few Attend Levy Hearing, Village Lagging, Payne Says

Councilman Robert Payne told a sparsely-attended meeting at the Community House October 5 that Terrace Park is approaching "the edge of the cliff" financially in arguing for approval of a 2.4 mill extra levy at the November elections.

Only 17 residents attended the meeting. No objections were raised concerning the proposed levy. Questions dealt mostly with mainten-

always the possibility of a village income tax" which he said many "look on as disagreeable" and which poses some collection problems. Former mayor Dick Bowman posed that possibility a few years ago, but no such levy was considered then and Payne said that current members of village council are "opposed to it at this time."

He noted that the proposed levy is for two years, timed to with possible new sources of extra levies. Thus the village, he said, in 1983 with be faced Payne noted that "there is with the need to reconsider

the entire village tax struc-

Payne said that the 2.4 mill levy would cost the average Terrace Park property owner about \$43 a year while yielding \$31,000 to the village.

The village budget for 1982 has been set at \$465,570, the figures assuming that the levy will be approved. That, he said, represents an average of \$502 per household.

Even so, he said that the ance of village services and expire along with two current budget leaves council with little discretionary leeway

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School Concerns Dominant At Candidates' Gathering

By Shirley Rohlfing

Approximately 150 people October 8. filled the undercroft of St. Thomas Church for Candidates' Night on Thursday, Voters, the program began

all our family.

To the Residents of Terrace Park:

Your outpouring of sympathy and love for us in the loss

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personal concern for our physical and mental well

of our son, Greg, has enabled us to realize that we are not

alone in a grief no family should experience.

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They were Robert Allen, Bolton Drackett, Richard Gilchrist, William Konold, Rodger Miller, Lester Overway, and Earl Robbins. Each was allotted a three minute period

to give his position, after which a question period ensued. All the candidates praised

with the seven council can-

didates running for four seats.

beings, but most of all for the true charity of this village for

Bill and Gisela Lock

the uniqueness of Terrace

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Council Hears Crime Warning

made between November 23 through early January.

Overway said there are approximately 50 homescovered by easement agreements which will have later hook-ups, as will the homes on Wanoka and Winding Brook which require underground installation. Salesmen with Warner will be registering with the police.

Council was told that Bob Harness has drawn up a medical release form which will allow minor children to be transported and treated for a medical emergency by the Life Squad when a parent is not available to give consent. The Fire Department will distribute the forms during its sale of tickets for the November 7 Pancake Supper and forms will be available at the supper also.

Fire Chief Pierce Matthews announced that testing of the fire hydrants will continue for the next two months. While this muddies the water supply, he said such testing is necessary or insurance rates will rise. Painting of the fire hydrants will start soon.

SUITS DRAG ON

John Getgey, reporting on village litigations, said a hearing to determine fair value of the BBS Co. property at Wooster and Elm would be conducted with a jury after the first of the year. An appeal on the decision in Dr. Paul Pschesang's suit to expand his property is in the First District Court of Appeals and it will be several months before a decision is rendered. A motion to dismiss a Brendamour suit against some current and former members of council has been argued and a ruling is pending.

Overway thanked Larry Deckard, an architect, for his volunteer work on the Community House. The new ceiling is in, and Deckard will now draw up specifications for floors and doors, even though .more work is not planned at this time.

Peter Lowry and Dr. Harry Maxon appeared before council to request its support for Issue 3 on the November ballot. The issue would increase the amount of property tax going to General and Childrens Hospitals. There would be no increase in the tax, however. The levy would redistribute monies so vital services can be maintained. Council passed the resolution.

Bob Payne said the res-

the overall tax picture, he

said, is school district fund-

ing, which he noted takes a

little over 50 mills of the 1981

tax bill dollar as against only

12.64 mills for all village

solicitor Bob Lemming noted

decreases in some village

revenue sources, principally

the gasoline tax because of

reduced driving and higher-

mileage cars, and in intan-

gibles tax returns. Lemming

observed that some villagers

are not identifying Terrace

Park as their tax district, and

the village also is losing

Both he and former village

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ponse to the Tax Levy Information Night had been very favorable. He did voice the concern of many people on replacement of trees in the Park. Overway said his committee had done much study on the problem and a tree nursery had been considered and deemed impractical.

More money has been placed in next year's budget for tree replacement.

Payne is continuing to assess village liability insurance with Stewart Proctor. and errors and ommissions insurance for the fire and police departments and council members. He is also reviewing health coverage plans for village employees.

Council also:

- Hired Richard Idecker as a probationary patrolman. He will replace the village secretary and be on patrol parttime. This increases the police force to six officers.
- Learned that Halloween will be celebrated Saturday, Oct. 31 between 6 and 8 p.m.
- Accepted a bid for street repairs from the L. B. Cavett Co.
- Heard that OKI plans another study on the eastern corridor.

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since 1977, the cost of village government has increased an average of less than 8.5% per year, despite inflationary pressures.

The proposed increase, he said, would put the village property tax at 15.04 mills, less .03 mills because of an expiring bond issue for a total of 15.01.

In response to questions, he said that acquiring BBS Co. property under current litigation would need separate financing. Conceding that legal expenses have been "comparatively heavy" because of that and other law suits, he said that in four years they have amounted to no more than \$27,000.

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Major queries

Few Attend Hearing On Tax Levy

services.

and he contended that "we have been falling behind" in many maintenance programs including tree maintenance and replacement. Where the village once, he continued, was able to reserve inheritance tax revenues for major expenditures such as fire truck replacement, the money now goes into current expenses and the maintenance fund now amounts to only \$1,500.

The budget, he noted, includes a total of \$118,100 for police salaries, with the total of \$162,170 including the pay of maintenance men and the nominal sums paid to volunteer fire and life squad per-

money through trusts handled elsewhere for the benefit of village residents. "The principal problem" in Payne emphasized that

Throng Attends Candidate's Night

Park and the desire to keep it special. Staying within the budget, preserving our excellent police and fire departments and maintaining the physical environment concerned most of the candidates.

Questions from the floor included a reliable date for cable TV hook-up, lateness of street repair, and action to be taken if the new cycle shop on Wooster Pike causes trial moped runs on the railroad right-of-way and village streets.

The major portion of the evening was taken up by school board candidates who

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were introduced under the same format as council candidates by the moderator, Carolyn Meyers. The three incumbents — Thomas Allman, Josephine Lakeman, and Dr. Sandra Small asked to be considered as a slate. They presented a picture of a school system well on its way to recovery after a difficult winter of upheaval, with a more structured educational system with scheduled periods, tighter discipline, and better-than-ever rapport between teachers and parents. Bob Elliot, Bob Henderson,

and Patty Shuster argued that a change was needed to overturn the barriers thrown up in divided communities by the teacher strike and board action. Both Elliott and Henderson reiterated that they would not rehire the teachers. Shuster emphasized that she would have to judge each case individually, but her main concern was preserving good education in communities which needed to regain

harmony. All the candidates stressed that their primary goal was

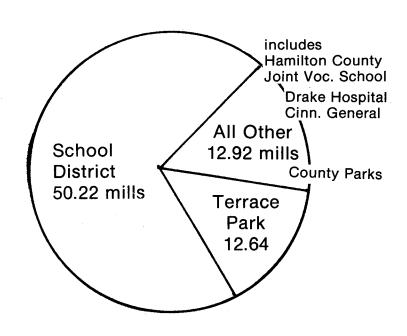
the best possible education for all the children in the system. On the whole there seemed more agreement among all those running than differences.

centered on re-hiring the

fired teachers, conditions which caused teacher dissatisfaction, and lack of communication between the school board and the public. Allman, responding to a question on future use of the schools, promised there were no plans to close any elementary school in the district, but a study may be made on the need for a middle school.

In summing up, Allman pointed out the cumulative years of experience of the incumbents and said, "This is not the year for on the iob training." Small added, "We have shown courage, and integrity — we are proud of our communities." Shuster emphasized the need for a volunteer army sharing concerns, and Henderson stressed the need to build, adding that his long years in management training gave him the experience necessary for the job.

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Four boys were advanced to First Class rank at a Court of Honor held by Troop 286 on September 28.

The four are Brad Olinger, David Olinger, Doug Pfingstag and Mark Pfingstag. In addition, Carl Mittendorf was advanced to Second Class Scout, and Sean Reynolds was promoted to Tenderfoot. Merit badges were awarded

Brad Bowman and Chris Bowman, first aid; Bret Haines, swimming, wilderness survival and basketry; Brad Olinger, David Olinger and Doug and Mark Pfingstag

and Doug and Mark Pfingstag first aid and life saving; Jason Powell, lifesaving; and Jay Taylor, swimming, wilderness survival and basketry.

New leaders appointed are: Jeff Trester, senior patrol leader; Jay Taylor, Brett Haines, Todd Rafter, David Olinger and Mark Pfingstag, patrol leaders; Kurt Kaiser, troop scribe; and Doug Pfingstag, troop quartermaster.

New members of the troop are Patrick McAllister and George Kliendinst.

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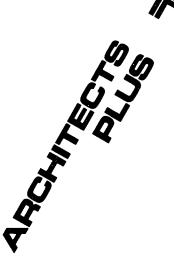
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Old House Has Ties to Terrace Park's Earliest Days

By Mel Aichholz

A house with a romantic and historic background is the comfortable stone and brick structure which stands on a slight elevation overlooking Wooster Pike and Red Bird Creek at New Street.

Built in 1810, this dwelling is on the site of an old fort, which, in the earliest years of the 19th century was garrisoned by a small detachment of soldiers from Fort Washington assigned there to lend protection to the increasing tide of travel thatwas flowing along the old Indian trail that led from Milford to Columbia. At this time, Cincinnati had a population of 750 people.

The trail had been a war path of the Delaware, Shawnee and Wyandot braves when making raids into of Kentucky. The marauding Indians would ford the river at Montauk (now Milford), follow a well-beaten path through the thick woods to Red Bird



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Creek, thence down what is now Elm Avenue to Ford Road and a crossing of the river to Round Bottom Road. The trail then led to the settlement known as Columbia at the mouth of the Little Miami River.

The front part of the house was constructed of stones obtained from the abandoned Covalt Station and Red Bird Creek. In the rear was a small 10 x 16 stone building. Offduty soldiers utilized the little structure as a barracks, in which they had dug a well. Later there was a water tower on the property.

Brick parts of the structure are extremely old. The bricks were made with straw by hand and the fingerprints of the makers are still visible in some of them.

Since 1810, the building has been owned by a number of families. Among them were those of Jacob Trabor, Ed Harding, the Gillilands, Alphonso Taft and Harry Boone and Charles Boone, who were descendents of Daniel Boone. The initials W B carved in the corner stone are still unidentified.

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AFS student for the 1981-82

Fernando is staying with

Cathy and Dick Savage in

brother is Robin Savage, who

is in his senior year at the high

Fernando is 17 and has

completed his senior year in

Trujillo, Peru, where he lives.

He plans a career in medicine,

Saito family hosted their own

AFS student from Sioux City,

In the winter of 1981 the

probably as a pediatrician.

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Luis Fernando Saito Han-

said to be original.

About Christmas

residence.

Victorian and Williamsburg idea for Christmas decoration will be a feature of a program at the Terrace Park Garden Club at noon on November

Edith (luen) Cook remem-

bers the house as the place

where she took music lessons

as a 10-year-old from Mrs.

Jeffries, who roomed with the

Gillilands. Edith Cook's house

was built next door in 1924

and was part of the estate

James luen had bought at a

bankrupt sale. Edith Cook,

now in her 88th year, lives at

SEM Laurels in South Milford.

came known as the Cincin-

nati-Chillicothe Road. There

was a toll-gate opposite the

house. There is still a marker

on the highway. Tolls col-

lected were 3 cents for each

wagon. The gate keeper's

house is still standing at 610

Wooster and occupied as a

The old stone house at 601

Wooster Pike has been re-

modeled several times and

now is the home of Fletcher

and Jean Knight. The rooms

are large with high ceilings.

The beautiful pine flooring is

In 1828, Wooster Pike be-

The speaker will be Mrs. Spencer Avery, whose program at 1:15 p.m. will follow a business meeting at 12:30

Hostesses will be Ruth Rugh, Blanche Kain, Janette Sprau and Lynn Nelson.

Nursery School Sets Open House

St. Thomas Nursery School will have its fall Open House on Sunday, November 8, from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

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Children of St. Thomas Bazaar workers ought to be fascinated by those dolls, to be sold or raffled off, but...? Left to right are Leslie Pope, Abby Suplace and Colleen Crockford. (Photo by Gordon Smith)



Co-chairmen Sue Abernethy and Mary Maxon display needlepoint stockings to be raffled off at the St. Thomas Bazaar. (Photo by Larry Deckard)

Everything's Ready For 31st St. Thomas Bazaar

BY ELINOR WINCHESTER

The 31st St. Thomas Church Bazaar, "Mistletoe and Holly," will take place on Thursday, November 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., at the church. Cochairmen Sue Abernethy and Mary Maxon invite you to come and to bring your friends from other communities to have lunch and shop at what promises to be a super-special event.

Coffee and dinner (by reservation) will also be available. Bing with prizes ranging from dinners out to Rubik's cubes is scheduled from 2 to 5 p.m. Package and coat checking and package pickup are this year's additions to such helpful services as babysitting. A wildlife print by Terrace Park artist Dino Costanzo has been added to the raffle items. Promises on the famous "Tree" include a whitewater rafting trip and brunch for 12.

The community is also invited to Preview Night, 8-9 p.m. on November 11, when the complete bazaar is open for viewing; only raffle tickets and cookbooks will be sold at that time

This year's bazaar chairmen are a story in themselves. Like those before them, they are heavily involved in church and community affairs. As mothers of two and three children, respectively, both Sue Abernethy and Mary Maxon are on the boards of the Terrace Park and Middle School

PTAs. Sue is in charge of newsletters for both PTAs, while Mary works one day a week as a teachers' aide at Terrace Park School. Both have been involved in Girl

Scouts, with Mary currently serving as leader of the 4th grade troop. At St. Thomas, Mary teaches 6th grade Sunday School along with her husband, Harry, while Sue has been involved with the Inter-Parish Ministry. In the non-volunteer line, Sue is widely known as a commentator for Shillito's fashion shows.

Sue is the third in her family to serve as bazaar chairman. Her mother, Edna Heil, was a chairman of the 25th Anniversary Silver Bells Bazaar in 1975, along with Edie Critchell and Lou Drackett. A year later, Sue's sister, Lynne Mileham, chaired the 26th Bazaar, "Grandma's House," with Marianne Gay. It would be hard to find three more attractive, outgoing, and dedicated fund-raisers-in-a-good-cause than these in one

Terrace Park family!
Both Sue and Mary stress, however, that no bazaar is in any way a two- or three-woman show. Each bazaar reflects the work of many women and men from the church and the community. Thousands of hours of time, talent, and love go into a bazaar. And just as the hours come in, the dollars raised go out — into the church and the wider community.

'Artist's Choice' At St. Thomas On Nov. 1

Villagers are invited to a free "Artist's Choice" concert and exhibit at St. Thomas Church, Sunday afternoon, November 1. The art exhibit will be open from 3-8 p.m. in the undercroft. The concert at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary will be followed by a wine and cheese reception hosted by Amy Hil and Kay Pope in the undercroft.

Among those selecting favorites are St. Thomas musiciains Ross Aldrich, violin; Dr. Harold Ward and Elaine Mac-Watt, organ; Kitty Debnar Arwine, Cynthia Hynson, sopranos; Tom Bennignus, tenor; and Judy Hake, piano, entertaining with Jerome Kern tunes. Other musicians are yet to be named. Karen Boylan and Pat Machette will be accompanists, and Pat is in charge of this musical event.

The committee for the exhibit is Betty Armstrong, Lynn Carden, Jerry Oberle and Bud Compton. Betty, Lynn and Jerry will also be choosing their favorite works of art to display as will Polly Bassett, Charlotte Brunell, Agnes Fay, Virginia Fry, Agnes Harrison, Elizabeth Miller, Caroline Moersdorf, Peg Reynolds, Rose Shundich, Stan Thomson and others.

This is the first of three special events sponsored by St. Thomas. On Sunday afternoon, January 3, the 40-voice Cincinnati Choral Society with Richard Hynson as conductor will sing Christmas music for our third annual celebration of Epiphany. Also on Sunday afternoon, March 15, at 4 p.m., soprano Kitty Debnar Arwine, accompanied by Karen Boylan, will give a song recital to benefit the Multiple Schlerosis Society.

With Thanks

Village Views once again voices its thanks to the Terrace Park Players for their support, represented this year in a check for \$250. The Players have contributed much to the way of life we enjoy in the village, and we are grateful to them for sharing funds remaining after meeting the expenses of shows that bring so much pleasure to us all.

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Tom Allman

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- Partner, Taft, Stettinius & Hollister
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Jo Lakeman

- 1981 Nominee, All Ohio Board of Education
- 1967 Award, Ohio P.T.A. Life Membership
- Eleven years as Mariemont representative to Great Oaks Vocational School Board
- Ten years as a member of the Valley Area P.T.A. Council
- Mother of six children, all of whom graduated from MHS
- Resident of Fairfax for 29 years
- Owner and General Manager of Giles A. Lakeman Roofing

A 12-year member of the school board, Mrs. Lakeman's service to the Mariemont district began in 1953 with the Fairfax P.T.A. She has been president of this organization several times, and has a thorough knowledge of parents' concerns and interests. Not only is Jo an invaluable asset because of the continuity of service she provides, her total familiarity with the field of vocational education is vital to those students choosing this curriculum concentration. No other candidate for the board possesses Mrs. Lakeman's long-time experience and understanding of school affairs as well as her familiarity with vocational education.



Sandra Small

- Doctorate in Education, University of Cincinnati
- Certified in School Psychology (Ohio)
- Certified in Elementary Education (Ohio)
- Licensed by the Ohio Board of Psychology
- President, Mental Health Services East Board
- Member, National School Board Association, Task Force on Global Education
- Psychologist in private practice
- Daughter in Mariemont High School
- Resident of Mariemont for eight years

A school board member since 1978, Dr. Small has extensive professional background as a former elementary school teacher, school psychologist and assistant professor of education at U.C. She has a unique ability to fully comprehend educational issues and to relate them to the psychological and educational needs of the students. No candidate for the board has the professional credentials and grass-roots educational experience of Sandra Small.

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Diana Heads Players

Diana Wages has been elected president of the Terrace Park Players, succeeding Mike Huber.

Other officers are Dave Park, vice-president; Cove Heibrunner, secretary; and Diana Greer, treasurer.

New board members are Heibrunner, Joe Lohse, Bryan Johnson and Catherine Brunner.

The Players are planning to stage the comedy "Harvey" at a dinner show in February. Tryouts will be held at the Community House on Saturday and Sunday, December 5 and 6.

Drug, Alcohol Problems? Talk To Detail Signs

Ways of detecting in-family signs of abuse of alcohol and drugs will be detailed at a program at the Community House at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 9.

Sponsored by the Fire Department and Life Squad, the meeting will be led by Dr. Alan Strauss, a Greater Cincinnati physician who has been active in drug and alcohol programs at Bethesda Hospital and in private practice.

His program will include a slide presentation and an opportunity for questions. The presentation had been originally scheduled as a life squad training program, but it was felt that because of its importance and general interest it should be opened to the public.

22nd Pancake Supper Set For Nov. 7

Terrace Park's volunteer Fire Department and Life Squad will hold their 22nd annual pancake supper at the Terrace Park School on Saturday, November 7. The village will be canvassed in a ticket sale on Sunday, October 25, and tickets also will be available at the door.

Hours will be from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Funds raised go for equipment beyond that which is available through village revenues. The first three ambulances operated by the department, for example, were purchased with money raised by the volunteers, as was the task unit recently put in service.

The supper has become one of Terrace Park's events, and popular since its beginning when a feature was the presence of Aunt Jemima in traditional costume.

In recent years, the supper has been put on with major help from Lou Graeter, whose firm arranges for supplies and mixes the batter used at the