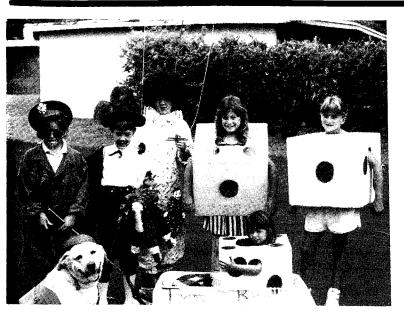
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Prize winners in the parade included, from the left, Aaron and Howard McClurg, Maren and Carrie Schmidt, Gina Rinaldi and Leslie and Ashley Seta.

# Rain Holds Off, Fete Reaches Goal

Labor Day Festival was a great success thanks to the generous participation of village residents and the weather.

Despite the forecast of rain, villagers turned out to spend close to \$10,000. After expenses, the Recreation Committee's net income should be approximately \$6,500, which is a \$250 increase over last year's festival income. The Memorial Day Raffle raised \$2,650.75, bringing the 1987 committee income within \$200 of the 1986 total.

Gloria Hader and Mickey Forbes' garage sale was the biggest success, making \$2,446.83. Hader said the sale's success would have been impossible without Sue and Jim Porter's barn, Brian Critchell's truck and Pam Ballard's hours of work.

more than doubled last year's

The Recreation Committee's profits, earning more than \$600 and Bob Lipka's Bingo made \$1,096.90. Festival chairman Rusty Wilson introduced new games this year with the help of games chairmen, Robin and John Armstrong and Linda and Gregg MacMillan.

> The Recreation Committee was not the only winner on Labor Day as Parade Marshalls Laurel and Mike Ross awarded 250 tickets for parade costumes, which were judged by the Mariemont cheerleaders. The Grand Prize for Most Humorous went to Bullfighter Maren Schmidt and the Grand Prize for Most Original winners were Chinese Dragon people, Parker and Rachel Eberhard and Abby and Maggie DuPlace.

Winners on bicycles were: Julie Shortridge, first; Erin Sandy Ader's food booth Popelka, second: and Kyle

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# Tree Levy Action Delayed, Extra Car Impost Ruled Out

Village council at its September meeting deferred until October a final decision on

whether to drop the final year's collection of the 1.6 mill tree program levy.

# Village To Plant **New Trees**

tember meeting accepted the \$7,168 bid of the Davey Tree Co. for 115 trees to be planted by village maintenance men this fall.

New trees are to be planted on Amherst, Cornell, Douglas, Elm, Fieldstone, Floral, Harvard, Indian Hill, Marion, Miami, Myrtle, Park, Robinwood, Rugby, Stanton, Terrace Place, Wagon Wheel, Washington and Wooster Pike.

Varieties include red and Norway maples, Hess and purple ash, silver linden, London plane, Aristocrat callery pear, red and scarlet oak and lacebark elm.

Casteel said Davey did not bid on some tulip poplars

Village council at its Sep- which had been considered, citing some problems which had developed with the variety, and which in any event it recommended for spring plantting. Casteel got approval to purchase locally other new trees, including some Sargent cherries.

> Responding to a resident's comment concerning need for pruning and other constant care, he said that village maintenance men had been given special training by Steve Sandfort, village tree consul-

> Casteel added that Davey would be deducting \$411 from its bill to compensate for loss of tulip poplars planted

automobile registration fee the village would be permitted to levy under state legislation passed earlier this year. Finance chairman Bob Payne said that, with an estimated 1,600 cars in the village, the tax would yield only about \$7,000 after administration costs. Noting some unresolved questions, he proposed deferring any possible action until next year. Only three residents ap-

It decided, too, to pass up

at least for a time the \$5

peared at the public hearing preceeding the council meeting, called to consider the tree levy issue, with their concern centered on continued maintenance. Councilmen Randy Casteel, Rich Gilchrist and Jack Schmidt, who have been in charge of the tree renewal program, noted that \$9,000 has been budgeted for next year for tree work. Schmidt said that forecasts are that the village will lose 40 to 50 trees a year, and Casteel said the \$9,000 budget was based on an assumption that 40 trees will need removal and replacement annually.

# School Appropriation Increased By 5.4%

By Ricki Schmidt

Education at its September 8 meeting adopted an annual appropriation resolution of \$7,479,722.94 for the 1988 fiscal year. This represents a 5.4% increase over last year's appropriation of \$7,096,039.71. Supt. Don Thompson explained the 5% increase was projected in levied monies so that was adhered to in putting together the appropriation.

This year's appropriation of \$3,461,230 for instruction is 46.3% of the total budget and represents a 10.2% increase over last year's appropriation. The 1988 appropriation for operation and maintenance of buildings is 12.8% higher than last year's while administration costs increased only 2.3%.

Terrace Park's current student enrollment of 205, a 12.6% increase over last year, required the reopening of the second floor classrooms in the section of the building erected in 1913. The sixth grade now uses these rooms.

Thompson said there is money in the permanent levy fund to purchase fitness centers for each of the district villages. The district has applied for a \$12,000 grant to establish the exercise centers, subject to matching funds.

Thompson reported the district's teachers voted to accept limited coverage for psychiatric care to avoid a 38% increase in health insurance premiums. The board then authorized termination of the district's hospitalization cover-

The Mariemont Board of age with Community Mutual (Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Southwestern Ohio) and contracted for coverage with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Ohio.

The monthly cost is \$90.46 for single and \$229.81 for family coverage. The board also terminated life insurance coverage with The Equitable and began better coverage with Metropolitan Life.

In other action, the board employed Terrace Park resident Marlene Scholl as a parttime teachers' aide .

# **Ballot**

Selection of a new mayor and whether to renew a 3.11 mill village operating levy are the only local issues to come before Terrace Park voters in the November elections.

Seeking to succeed Les Overway as mayor are Jack Schmidt, 107 Marion Lane, and Randy Casteel, 819 Wooster Pike. Unopposed for two places to be filled on village council are Councilman Bob Pavne and John Wenstrup, 110 Wrenwood. Village clerk Judith Elliott is unopposed for re-election.

Schmidt is ending a term on council. Casteel is in midterm as a councilman.

#### Three Options Open

Payne, outlining the village tax situation, said there were three options open concerning the tree levy:

- 1. Terminate the 1.6 mill levy one year early.
- 2. Allow it to continue into 1988 to build a reserve for tree emergencies.
- 3. Reduce the amount of the levy to provide for a smaller reserve.

He pointed out that village council has called for twoyear renewal of a 3.11 mill levy that expires at the end of this year, and has three other, five-year, levies totaling 13.15 mills which expire at the end of 1988.

As for the tree levy, he said, "which option is chosen probably won't affect the need for increased general millage on the November, 1988, ballot. Extraordinary estate tax recèipts or sale of additional property could delay the increase until November, 1989, when the 3.11 mill levy would be subject to renewal again."

Concerning the general tax picture, one resident, Mel Aichholz, urged consideration of an earnings tax as a relief to older residents on fixed incomes against rising property taxes.

#### 'Lean Program'

Summarizing the tree program, Payne noted that original estimates on renewing the village "tree forest" had been \$350,000. Council instead voted for a "lean" program financed by a five-year 1.6 mill

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# Chairman Gives Thanks

Our annual Labor Day festival concluded this year's fund-raising efforts for the Terrace Park Recreation Commission. We were fortunate to have good weather. The threatened rain failed to dampen spirits. I would like to take this opportunity to express the entire community's appreciation for the efforts of all the volunteers who helped make the festival a success.

Most of us saw Labor Day as a one-day festival of fun, food and games. A small group must be specifically recognized because their work began in May and is just now ending. Gloria and Art Hader, Sue and Jim Porter, Mickey Forbes and Pam Ballard worked tirelessly to ensure the success of the garage sale. Sandy and Tom Ader redesigned the food and beverage area including a new beverage express lane.

Bob Lipka and his committee spent most of the past several weeks gently persuading local merchants to donate bingo prizes. Robin and John Armstrong and Gregg and Linda MacMillan organized the games. Mike and Laurel Ross organized the parade, while Dave Lewis headed the table and chair committee. The Terrace Park Players provided the sound system and Dennis Elliott handled all the electrical work. John Gislason kept the teenagers happy at the blackjack table and Gayle Taylor ran another successful bake sale.

Thanks to all of you for making Labor Day a success!

Rusty Wilson, Chairman 1987 Labor Day Festival

# Villager Is Author Of Children's Book

By Ricki Schmidt

Leezie Borden of Terrace professionals were very acces-Park has signed a contract with Scholastic, Inc. to publish her first book, "Caps, Hats, Socks and Mittens", and is slowly adjusting to being

Her picture book with illustrations by Lillian Hoban will appear first in hardcover and later in paperback. Borden was thrilled with her illustrator who has written and illustrated her own series of "Arthur" books for Harper and Row's "I

from Scholastic for her second book about a neighborhood trucker, inspired by her son Ted's love of trucks. She confesses she has files of half-finished work but has submitted three additional manuscripts to Scholastic.

publishing company that had no children's division was a source of encouragement. With her friend's pointers and guidelines, Borden began the long process of submitting manuscripts to publishers. Since it might be months before hearing about a submission, a writer must be very patient but very persistent. She added, one also must be able to take rejection.

Borden was encouraged

# Festival

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Graff, third.

In the float and wagon section, winners were: Gina Rinaldi, Leslie and Ashley Seta, first; Alan Cowgill, sethird. The funniest costumes were worn by Aaron McClurg, first; Amy Carle and Melissa Wachterman, second, and Melissa and Julie Harth, third.

third.

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referred to as an author.

Can Read" Series.

Borden also has an option

A friend who worked for a

when nothing negative was said about her trucker manuscript at a writing lab during a week-long seminar she attended at Vassar this summer. She explained both published and unpublished authors were at the seminar to learn from other authors, illustrators, editors, literary agents, art and marketing directors. These

Powell, third. Winning on scooters and tricycles were Leah Ross, first; Courtney Calahan, second; and Lauren

cond, and Carrie Schmidt,

The prettiest costumes were worn by Gillian Gislason, first; Christin Jones, Stephanie Smith Erin Keefe, second, and Amanda Ervin, third. The winning pets were Howard McClurg, first; Cocoa Keefe. second, and the elusive Ginger,

Bonnie Rawnsley Advertising: Ruth Binkley Rauth

A history major, whose writing carried her through school, Borden wrote several phonics-oriented stories for classroom use when she taught first grade. She was a volunteer at the Historical Society several years, enjoying her exposure to the old manuscripts. Now she's near newer books when she works part time in a local bookstore.

sible, giving tips in their field

even while sharing breakfast.

She had her first editor lunch during a recent visit to Scholastic in New York. She concludes, "being involved in a book is a real thrill!"

#### Her Cover Chosen

Megan Oberle illustrated the cover for the first volume of Inward Bound, Mariemont High School's new literary magazine. The creative collection, which was printed this summer, includes four poems by Oberle and one by Andrea Beck. Both of these Terrace Park residents will be seniors at Mariemont this fall.

#### Stolen Detector **Brings Arrest**

Terrace Park police recovered a radar detector stolen in Indianapolis in checking out some loiterers around the Stop-N-Go store on Wooster Pike on September 7. The serial number on the device had been scratched out, but a laboratory test made it visible.

Kourren Ashurst of Vine Street, Cincinnati was arrested for possession of stolen prop-

## Village Saves Money On **New Cruiser**

Although admitting that thealmost-banana yellow color of the new police cruiser takes a bit of getting used to, Police Chief Ron Pottorf says the village saved \$1,803 by snapping up a left-over from another department's order.

Additionally, he told village council, he and his men transferred the radio and other equipment themselves on their own time, saving \$400-500 and getting the car into service the day after it was received.

Pottorf said Thompson Chevrolet of Loveland had bid on supplying a new cruiser and snapped up the vehicle when it was found to be available in Detroit. The chief said few dealers are interested in handling such small orders since "they don't make any money on them."

While they resemble conventional models, Pottorf said police cars have larger engines, oversize cooling systems and alternators, heavy duty drive chains and reinforced bodies.

## On Council-

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levy to produce \$33,000 a year or a total of \$165,000. Donations and firewood sales were expected to yield \$40,000 more, for a total of \$205,000.

Actual expenses, he said, have amounted to \$204,012, against revenues of \$147,078, including only \$15,677 in firewood sales and donations.

It was substantial estate tax receipts in 1984, he said, which resulted in a decision to "double up" tree work in

A factor, he added, was a "Zimmer ripple effect" which came about because of sharp curtailment of tree work by the Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co. That, he said, made possible "some real bargaining" with tree contractors and the decision to be aggressive in the program.

Some questions as to frequent yard sales at a spot on

#### Bible Coffees To Be Resumed

Friendship Bible Coffees will again be offered this fall. Each small neighborhood group (women, men, couples, or teenagers) meets for just 1 1/2 hours a week in a private home. Care for pre-school children can be ar-

Materials used in class are a student book and New Testament for \$1.00 each. The study book avoids all doctrinal differences so that these coffees are completely non-denominational in point of view.

For further details on how to start or join a study, please contact Carolyn Konold (831-0372) or Bunny Proctor (831-3421).

## Orders For **Firewood** Being Taken

Village Administrator Ron Pottorf told village council at its September meeting that orders are being taken from villagers for firewood produced by the village tree

Pottorf said that there is ample firewood, but a manpower problem in getting it cut and split. A quantity of the wood, he said, will not be distributed because it is diseased or insect-infested.

The base price is \$70 a truckload, cut, split and delivered but not stacked.

Wooster Pike brought disclosure that the village has no regulating ordinance and Police Chief Ron Pottorf is opposed to one. He said a law would be an administrative nuisance.

An issue in the Wooster Pike instance is whether the area is in a residential or a business zone, the latter bringing it under other regulations

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# St. Thomas Church Takes Lead In Healing Ministry Foundation

Three members of clergy with associations with St. Thomas Church are trustees of the newly-organized Episcopal Healing Ministry Foundation, with 11 Episcopal bishops as its advisory board.

Plans include providing theological training to clergy and laity in the sacramental rites of healing during seminars and retreats. The first workshop is scheduled for Oct. 5 at the Community of the Transfiguration, an Episcopal convent in Glendale, Ohio, where Mrs. Neal resides.

The three trustees are the Rev. Mrs. Emily Gardner Neal, chairman, who was ordained deacon 10 years ago; the Rev. Robert D. Gerhard, vice chairman, rector of St. Thomas Church, Terrace Park, Ohio; and the Rev. Dr. George A. Hill III, executive secretary, rector of St. Barnabas Church, Cincinnati, and former assistant at St. Thomas.

Bishops on the advisory board include the Bishop W. G. Black of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

The foundation is the outgrowth of Mrs. Neal's 10-year healing ministry in the Cincinnati area at St. Thomas Church and the Convent.

"The role of St. Thomas



Left to right are the Rev. George Hill, the Rev. Robert Gerhard, and the Rev. Emily Gardner Neal.

assist the revival of the healing ministry in Cincinnati by being a servant church and clinic where we witness to the people of the area about the role of the healing ministry in the church," the Rev. Mr. Gerhard said. "Throughout this past decade St. Thomas has provided the weekly healing services led by the Rev. Mrs. Neal (in which) hundreds of lives have been ministry..."

Church was to foster and touched and changed through this ministry."

At a time in which television "faith healers" and evangelists have come under public scrutiny, the trustees and advisory council are emphasizing that the purposes of the Episcopal Healing Ministry are to "promote orthodox teaching, liturgical practice and trained ministers to celebrate this sacramental

#### Fall Comes The Little Miami 10

Early fall brings the beginning of migrating ducks. Some fly over forming their irregular V. Some stop for a day or two. Noticeable are the young particularly the male wood ducks who look as though the artist who painted these gorgeous birds had missed a few enameled areas, leaving them brown and rumpled in spots.

Solitary great blue herons are almost daily visitors on their way south. They stand erect and stately or wade slowly waiting for a small fish to swim unsuspectingly close.

The greatest treat and surprise of our first autumn is a migrating osprey rising from the water with a large fish clutched in his talons! Myriads of small white

butterflies on the riverbank's weeds, birds in the berries, EDITOR'S NOTE: In July, 1985, Polly Bassett

moved one block up and to the other side of Miami Avenue and then discovered, she says, what an asset the Little Miami River is to Terrace Park. Since the move, she has kept a record of happenings along the stream. Here are her reflections of fall along the Little Miami.

leaves falling across the open expanse and sailing downstream provide early impressions of fall. Tree trunks and lights suddenly show from the hills beyond the golf course. Some boys fish from canoes in the pool below the house a last chance before winter sets in. They catch several bass and a catfish or two.

A ghostlike fog greets us

many mornings. Sometimes it totally obscures the world beyond the edge of our bank.

While we were graced with a blue moon in 1986 (2 full moons in one month, I learn), it is enough to watch the harvest moon hanging huge, orange and low in the sky.

The reflection of the moon on a lake makes a soft path of light. On an ocean it catches the crest of the waves as they break. But the river looks alive in the moonlight - like jewels which catch the light in the moving current.

Squirrels chatter as they crack acorns on the deck and busily bury their treasures before the days grow cold.

#### Poet Elected

Ruth Binkley Rauth, 414 Western Ave., has been elected vice president of the Ohio Valley Poets Association. Advertising director of Village Views, she published a collection of her poems, "Promises in the Wind," in 1981.

# PTA Planning Pumpkin Festival

Terrace Park Elementary PTA will hold its annual Pumpkin Festival at the school on Wednesday, October 14 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., with Ways and Means chairmen Mickey Forbes and Pat McGraw in charge.

Lane Merten is organizing the games while the monsters and ghosts in the Haunted House are directed by Marcy McClelland. Amy Heilbronner will purchase the prizes.

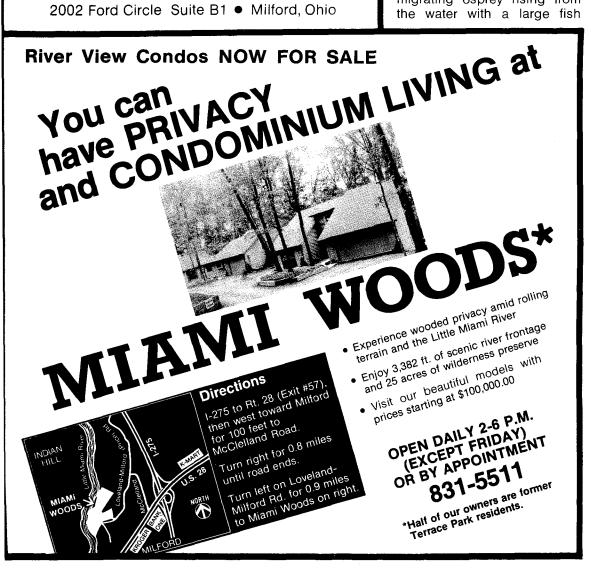
Plan to buy your pumpkins from Leezie Borden and home baked goods from Laurel Ross. Mary Malotke and Diane Klekamp are organizing the dinner while

Sandy Ader does the decorating.

Equipment will be set up by Cyndie Park and Barbara Harth heads the clean-up crew. Connie Wilson is handling finances and Sue Porter producing the publicity.

Gift items and promises of work can be purchased at the Pumpkin Patch. Anyone wishing to donate items or promises should call Jill MacKenzie at 831-8888.

The Pumpkin Festival is the principle source of PTA income, supporting Fine Arts Week, Everybody Counts, and Olympics of the Mind.



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# Stop Sign Crackdown Threatened

Terrace Park police expect to crack down on running of stop signs in the village.

Police Chief Ron Pottorf told the September council meeting that there has been increasing disregard of stop signs which was a hazard to schoolchildren.

He said officers had been lenient with village residents, giving warnings instead of citations, "but we're going to have to get tough even if it does lessen our popularity."

He again asked residents to report any unusual or suspicious circumstances in their neighborhoods and asked also for understanding when an officer stops a resident out walking late at night.

"It's impossible for us to know everybody in the village," he said, and stopping someone on the streets "is for your protection."

# **Ambulance** Is Recalled

Life Squad Chief Shirley Mittendorf told village council at its September meeting that the village ambulance had been recalled for corrective work by the Ford Motor Co.

She said the recall was to avert any potential problem, although the village ambulance is not the same model as the Cincinnati ambulance which caught fire and burned.

The correction is to be made November 2.

She reported that the Life Squad made 10 runs in the past month, making 75 for the year to date.

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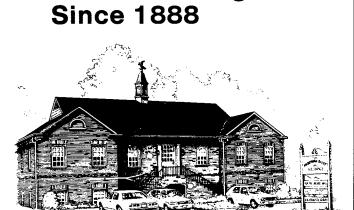
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