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#### Domestic Cases Up 100% Drizzling Rain Can't Dampen Council heard reports from: In his first report to Council \*Mayor RAndy Casteel that after returning from surgery, Police

Chief Bob Bacon said he is disturbed by the tremendous increase in domestic disputes in Terrace Park. Chief Bacon said in November and December of 1993 there were five domestic calls, but this year for the same time period the number has soared to ten.

There have been no arrests with the people dealt with this season, according to Chief Bacon. He said the problems have not all been between spouses. Confrontations have also been between exspouses or between a parent and a child

Chief Bacon is pleased "people are more willing to call the police." He feels the community is getting to know the police department better and actually feel better with a familiar face. He added that not all calls for help are made by women as men have called for help when they feel things are getting out of hand.

Encouraging people to call the police, Chief Bacon said they are always willing to help resolve problems before they escalate to violence. He concluded by asking people to keep their dander down, learn how to talk and call us if you need intervening.

Chief Bacon also warned Council there had been three incidents of phone fraud in just the last month. He warned residents to be cautious in what information is given out over the phone and if they have any questions, don't hesitate to call the police department.

Council passed resolutions increasing by four percent the salaries of both police and maintenance employees. Council also renewed its contract with the Milford Community Fire Department for daytime coverage at the same annual rate as last year, \$6,700.

By authorizing the purchase of two new radios, which have the Milford City Band, Terrace Park police can actually talk to each other without being picked up by scanners. Chief Bacon concluded this increases safety for both the police officers and the community

## Council Approves **Eagle Scout Project**

In a dozen page report to Council, Boy Scout John Harth Council members Wilson, Startsman and Brown must work with record keeping. Mayor Casteel noted Village Archivist Esther Power needs cooperation and proper response from those involved. He concluded the archivist "works hard and she's ready to go; please help her."

Julie Rugh that the Community House roof leak was temporarily fixed and more repairs will need to be made after the first of the year. The Boy Scout Cabin, which is village property, also has a roof leak caused by vandalism.

\*Sally Gilchrist that a public hearing on zoning will be held before the January Council meeting. The zoning of areas near the Sleepy Hollow subdivision will be updated to prevent any future use for offices.

\*Treasurer Al Roberts that Terrace Park can not follow in the financial footsteps of bankrupt Orange County as the village money is invested in the Star Ohio Fund. The State Treasurer, who oversees the funds, has basically said they don't do derivatives.

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## **TP Students Earn Academic Honors**

Terrace Park students earned academic recognition for the first quarter of the 1994-95 school year at Mariemont High School.

Achieving a 4.0 or higher grade point average and named to the Honor Roll are:

Grade 7: Sarah Borchers, Niamh Condon, Lindsay Donnelly, Kristin Kirby, Sally Mitchell, Timothy Nisonger and Anthony Rinaldi.

Grade 8: Shannon Callaghan, John Deepe, Rachel Eberhard, Jillion Gislason, Ashley McGraw, Lisa Sarran and Molly Smith.

Grade 9: Samantha Bullock, Christina Ehrnschwender, Susan Park, Bethany Peeples and Daniel Startsman.

Grade 10: Laura Baker, Lydia Davis, Melissa Donnelly, Stephanie Hogue, Laura Nisonger and Sara Safford.

Grade 11: Amanda Campo, Kristin Jones, Benjamin Ross, Kelsey Shaner and Stephanie Smith.

Grade 12: Ayars Borden, Christopher Dahlmeier, Jennifer Powell and Frank Rinaldi.

# **Terrace Park's Holiday Spirit**

The humidity was high but so were the spirits of the residents for the eighth annual tree lighting on the Village Green Dec. 4. Despite heavy rains earlier in the day, village residents lit their luminarias and proceeded to the Green for carols, horse drawn wagon rides and pictures with Santa.

Grace Holmes, who organized her first tree lighting in 1987, reported Scott Nelson of Comey and Shepherd once again financed the installation and lights for the tree. Jack Butcher of Madison Tree put up the lights for his fourth year and Eppa Rixey Insurance Agency again sponsored the wagon rides. Al Nelson organized the music by the Sometimes Marching Band for his eighth year and plans to continue the tradition again next year.

Jeff Willis provided the photo equipment for those magic moments with Santa, who was helped by Rick Dunning.

Mayor Randy Casteel thanked Grace Holmes on behalf of the village for her eight years of devotion to this traditional opening of the holiday season in Terrace Park, Next year's event will be organized by Barbara Howland.

## **TP White Squirrel** Moves to Museum by Wes Cowan

On the rainy afternoon of Nov. 27, an albino squirrel, who has been a familiar and beloved sight to the residents surrounding the Village Green, was struck by an automobile and killed near the corner of Park and Elm. Park Avenue resident Wes Cowan, Curator of Archaeology, and Director of Special Projects at the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History, retrieved the squirrel's body, and its skin and skeleton have been added to the museum's mammalogy collections. An examination of the squirrel by museum scientists revealed it to be a robust male, although his diminutive sexual organs suggest he was incapable of breeding with others of his kind. His passing is mourned by Terrace Park residents.



Grace Holmes and Al Nelson orchestrated the "singing in the rain" version of Christmas carols on the Village Green.



### **Recreation Com. Elects Officers** by Sandy Wittman-Shell

The Terrace Park Recreation Committee held its election of officers at the Dec. 12 meeting. Elected for 1995 are President-Fred Albrecht, Vice President-Dave Moyer, Secretary-Sandy Koehler, and Treasurer-Doug Burgess, Jack Forbes officially assumed responsibility as Field Commissioner.



#### St. Thomas Sets Christmas Services

Christmas services scheduled at St. Thomas include:

Christmas Eve, Saturday, Dec. 24:

4 p.m. (A half hour earlier than usual) Children's creche service, where the Junior Choir enacts the Nativity Pageant and children bring their favorite stuffed animals for a blessing.

outlined his Eagle Scout project proposal to construct and install 100 boundary marking signs in the Wilderness Preserve, Harth noted Chief Bacon had suggested the village had a problem with people going into and out of the Wilderness Preserve without knowing it. The Chief said they frequently get complaints of trespassing because the boundaries are not clearly marked.

Harth also told Council he plans to make and install several birdhouses to encourage more birds to live in the preserve. He also plans to construct a bird blind near a clearing to create an area for bird watching.

Members of Terrace Park Scout Troop #286, parents and surveyor George Kipp will work with Harth on the project. After an extensive period of questions, Council approved the project.

Achieving a grade point average between 3.2 and 3.9 and named to the Merit Roll are:

Grade 7: Brian Ballinger, Rebecca Bollinger, Ted Borden, John Chunn, Christopher Clukey, Margaret Duplace, Tristan Eckerson, Ian Frank, Lindsey Hader, Conrad Hindert, Christoher Hogue, Erika Howland, Emily Johnson, Jessica Klekamp, Michael McCarthy, William Minor, Anna Proctor, Cody Rogowski, Zachary Shimp, Anthony Vila, Allison Wenstrup and Lauren Williams.

Grade 8: Joseph Campo, Kathryn Casteel, Sarah Cowan, Elizabeth Croswell, Randy Denker, Michael Dever, Erin Govert, John Harth, Johann Hindert, Chase Koehler, Jeffrey Krueger, Shannon Luhn, Jonathon Malotke, Katherine Moorehead, Eric Moyer, Catherine Picton, Katherine Porter, Sarah Roberts, Leah Ross, Joel Shimp, Jacob Starks and Leslie Swensson.

Grade 9: David Allan, John Allan, Steven Early, Taylor Heilbronner, Suzanne Jones, James Singler, Dustin Treftz and Ryan Wenstrup.

Grade 10: Matt Dunning, Abby Duplace, Parker Everhard, Lauren Graf, Adrew Gray, Trey Harness, Naomi Howland, Page Koehler, Heather Minor and Melissa Mitchell.

Grade 11: Heather Bollinger, Allison Bullock, Shelly Eaton, Antoni Gambetta, Poe Heilbronner, Andy Maddux, Elizabeth Overbey and Leslie Pope.

Grade 12: Jody Ader, Michelle Armstrong, David Bowers, Julie Harth, Erick Koehler, Susan Krueger, Stephanie MacMillan, Francesoc Mannato, Erin McCoy, Les Mitchell, Julia Porter, Amanda Rebel and Ben Treftz.

**Bill Drackett announced TPRC** will host a Family Skate Day at Castle Skateland on Jan. 8 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The price will be \$3 at the door. More information will be distributed through the elementary school and a flier in this issue of the Village Views.

Basketball Commissioner Dave Moyer said the season is underway. There is a boys team in each of the seventh, eighth and ninth grades this season, which is seen as a very positive trend for the Recreation Committee. There was discussion about ten foot versus eight foot backboards. Currently the elementary school has stationary ten foot backboards and league games are played on eight foot backboards. The committee is looking into purchasing quality, adjustable backboards.

8 p.m. The Holy Eucharist, with the Family Choir leading the singing of carols.

10:30 p.m. Choral Festival by the Senior Choir preceding the 11 p.m. Festival of Holy Eucharist.

Christmas Day, Sunday, Dec. 25:

10 a.m. The Holy Eucharist (One service only today and no church school)

New Year's Day, Sunday, Jan. 1, 1995:

8 a.m. The Holy Eucharist

10 a,m, The Holy Eucharist (Nursery care available and church school resumes Jan. 8)

The community is cordially invited to all these events and services.



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# Letters to the Editor

## Weakley Suggests Jones Check Facts

In response to Steph Jones' letter in the last issue of the Village Views, it is too bad Ms. Jones did not take the time to check her facts. While it is true the Golf Team was given a dozen balls at the beginning of the season, those twelve balls were totally inadequate for the 15 nine-hole matches and three 18 hole tournaments that were listed on the schedule. Three dozen would have been much more appropriate, for by the time the season was less than half over, the boys, did indeed, have to provide their own balls. They were also without team uniforms (shirts) all the way through the district competitions and had not some of us parents ordered shirts for them, they would have been without at the State tournament. It is true the school coughed up the money for the shirts and some balls, which we also made sure would be available to them in Columbus, but the tardiness in supplying this fine team was inexcusable.

Moreover, on at least three occasions, the van which is supposed to transport the team to and from matches, would not start and parents had to be summoned at the last minute to provide transportation. That they rented a van to make sure the team got to Columbus and back seems like the least they could do and not worthy of special praise.

The golf bags are without stands, so that every time there is moisture on the ground from dew, sprinklers, or rain, the grips of the team's clubs become wet and slippery, which is a very difficult distraction in a game that requires intense concentration and focus. I personally have not seen an umbrella in the three years my son has played on the varsity team, and in fact, loaned two umbrellas to members of the team at the district competition.

This was a great golf team with an incredible amount of heart and determination that made it to the state championship for the first time in almost thirty years. They did a really great job. The picture and its caption are correct and should stand as a tribute to this fine team and the obstacles they overcame. Next time you want to criticize, Ms. Jones, dig a little deeper and see what kind of hole you are dealing with.

Sincerely, William R. Weakley

## **Chief Thanks TP** For Its Concern

I want to address this letter to all of the parents and children that showed their concern for me and my family during my recovery from surgery. I understand there seems to be different stories about why I needed surgery. The plain truth is that I have some medical problems with my liver which caused other complications. The doctors had to re-route my blood flow by using a shunt, which involved some of the veins in my body. I am recovering very well.

But far more important to me is the support I received from my coworkers and the residents of this village. It would have been very easy for me to get down and wonder "Why Me". But every time I started to get down, I received another package of cards. All the cards meant so much to me, but the ones that really struck home were the ones from the kids. They replaced the pain with inspiration and the gloom with happiness. All of the cards made me remember why I love the Village of Terrace Park so much. My self and my family thank all of you for your warm concern and we wish you a very "Happy Holidays"!

Your Chief, Bob Bacon

## Kindervelt #76 **Appreciates** Village Support

On behalf of Kindervelt #76, we want to thank you for your continued support of Children's Hospital Medical Center. December 4 was far from a "cool crisp evening" for the tree lighting/luminary. We truly feel the tree lighting and lumminary go hand in hand, and if at all possible, should occur at the same time.

We hope you enjoyed the lights, the holiday music, the generous wagon rides, Santa, and the beauty of our community. The evening drizzle didn't seem to dampen the spirit of the crowd at the Village Green

For future reference, in questionable weather, listen for the siren to signal the lighting of the luminary. If there is no siren the luminary will be postponed exactly one week. If you did not use your luminary kits on Dec. 4, please feel free to use them during your own holiday festivities or save them for next year.

Thanks again for your support!

Julie Smith, Sandy Wittman Shell Luminary Co-Chairs

## **TP Newcomers**

## Lost and Later Found **On The Kitchen Table** by Ricki Schmidt

As Terrace Park mail carriers know and visitors to my kitchen have seen, The Village Views receives an amazing amount of mail. My family hopes I'll make a New Year's resolution to maintain this newly cleared spot on the table big enough for a cereal bowl and a glass of juice. I hope you find some of this information useful, and/or interesting.

\* The Children's Museum located in Longworth Hall on Pete Rose Way has booked more than 350 school groups through the end of the academic year. Effective Jan. 1 to accommodate these groups, the Museum has adjusted general admission hours, reserving weekdays 10 a.m. to noon for scheduled groups. The Museum is open to general admission noon to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday. General admission is noon to 8 p.m. on Friday and 10 am. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. During the summer and over Cincinnati Public School System breaks, (ie. Christmas) the museum is closed Monday and open to general admission 10 to 5 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. General admission is 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. If you're totally confused now, call the Museum at 421-5437 before heading downtown.

\*Communiversity, sponsored by UC's College of Evening and Continuing Education, offers more than 100 fun, informative, noncredit classes for adults. Winter quarter classes begin throughout the quarter, some as early as Jan. 3, others as late as Mar. 12. Cost varies, depending on the class, but many classes are free to senior citizens on a space available basis. Call 556-6932 for course catalogue and information. (Classes range from Getting the Most for your Antique Dollar, through business and career development, writing, computer skills, culinary arts, home and garden to studio arts and handicrafts , language, law and finance and contemporary issues such as Hospice Care in the Home.)

'Use Caution When Shoveling. Although the winter has been mild to date, Terrace Park can anticipate some snow in '95. The American Heart Association, which warns snow removal can be hazardous if not done properly, advises observing the following health precautions:

-Wear a hat or scarf as most heat is lost through the top of the head.

-Create "pockets" of warm air during outside activities by wearing lightweight, well insulated clothing in layers.

-Protect ears and hands, which are susceptible to frostbite.

-Don't drink caffeine or smoke cigarettes if you're planning out-



Village Views is the second Tuesday of the month. Anyone wishing to submit an article may send it to the editor at 107 Marian Lane. All letters to the editor must be signed.

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#### Name Chili King by Christy Albrecht

The first annual newcomers Chili Cookoff was held at the Community House Nov. 19, Out of 15 delicious entries, Tony Kippins was awarded the first prize of chili spices donated by Ti Pi Gourmet. Kelly Smith took second place, winning a decorated apron made by Marcy Kerr.

The evening included country line dancing with Ann Kramer of Royal Fitness. Rich Uhle won a Royal Fitness pass as the "best male dancer". The "best couple" award went to Kathy and Scott McKeown and Stewart Kerr was named "most creative dancer".

Marcy Kerr chaired the event, and along with Sally Kippins, is planning a Newcomers Valentine Party on Feb. 18 at the Community House. Established Terrace Park residents are also invited.

door exercise. These stimulants cause arteries to constrict and the heart to beat faster, which the cold will also do, doubling the stress on your heart.

-When using a snow blower, wear goggles to prevent stones or ice from hitting the eyes.

-Don't fill shovel completely, so there is less weight to lift and less strain on the heart.

Rest every 15 minutes, even if you don't feel tired.

-Stop shoveling or exercise immediately if you experience any of the following: rapid heart beat, shortness of breath, fatigue or pain/ pressure in chest, arms, neck. If these symptom persist longer than a few minutes, get medical care at once

-If you have a history of high blood pressure or heart disease, seek your doctor's advice before shoveling snow.



"The Flying Soccer Balls" finished second in their league and went to play offs, allowing only two goals the entire regular season. The six and seven year olds include: (front row from left) Annie McCormick, Molly Oliver, Allison Perry, Grace Proctor, Christine Ryall, Panny Cowan, Carrie Porter, Virginia Holmes, Julie Keys and Alex Clapper; (second row from left) Shani Hadjian, Katie Fellows, Erin Pritz, Chelsey Bieser, Sarah Aicklen, Julie McCormack and Jennifer Finnigan; (third row from left) Coaches Gary Barnes and John Finnigan.

## Schmithorst Gives **Joint Recital Jan. 22**

Vincent Schmithorst's first recital in prizes in major piano competitions Terrace Park in May, 1992, there is in Europe and has several recorda second chance.

Schmithorst, who resides with his wife Theresa at 625 Valley View will include those by Bach, Mozart, Dr., will give another joint recital at Rachmaninoff, Chopin and others. the Community House Sunday, Jan. 22 at 2:30 p.m. An accomplished pianist, Schmithorst has won prizes in competitions here and abroad. He has appeared with several orchestras, including the Cincinnati, Symphony Orchestra, the Indianapolis Symphony, the Columbus Symphony, and the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra.

The other half of the recital will be performed by Niklas Sivelov from Sweden. Last July Sivelov won second prize in the artist's division of the American Music Scholarship Association's annual piano compe-

## **Don't Hide Fire Hydrants**

If the volunteer fire fighters were coming to put out a fire in your house, would they be delayed because they couldn't find the fire hydrant? Would they have to take valuable time to dig it out or uncover it? Please discuss this with your neighbors and make sure the fire hydrant that serves your home is free and clear. If you have any comments or suggestions please contact any Terrace Park volunteer fire

For those of you who missed tition here in Cincinnati. He has won ings to his name.

Works performed in the recital A reception to meet the artists will follow the concert.

The recital is given as a benefit for the Cincinnati based American Music Scholarship Association's piano competition. The recital, which is free and open to the public, will help publicize the AMSA's goals and activities. Donations to AMSA would be welcomed. Since seating is limited to 140, an early arrival is recommended.

The AMSA needs host families to house an artist or junior artist from abroad during the competition, which usually takes place during the first week of July each year. This is often a rewarding experience, involving the excitement of the piano competition and offering an opportunity to hear lots of great music in your home as well as at the competition, for free. Host families need to have a good piano, preferably a grand.

For information on both the recital and hosting an artist, call Vincent Schmithorst at 248-9132.

## Village Students Excel in Writing

Terrace Park residents Bobby Bodnar and Lauren Graf were part of a writing team of three Mariemont High School students recognized

## **Villagers Swim** In Wildcat Meet

Local swimmers participated in the Wildcat Invitational at the University of Kentucky Dec. 2-4. Representing the ME Lyons/Anderson Barracudas were: Matt Buban, Casey Clukey, Chris Clukey, Allison Cowan, Sarah Cowan, Shelley Eaton, Susie Krueger and Leah Ross.

Chris Clukey took two second place awards, in the 50 and 100 breast stroke.. He also placed sixth in 50 free, fourth in 100 butterfly, and eighth in the 100 free style, all in the 11-12 age group.

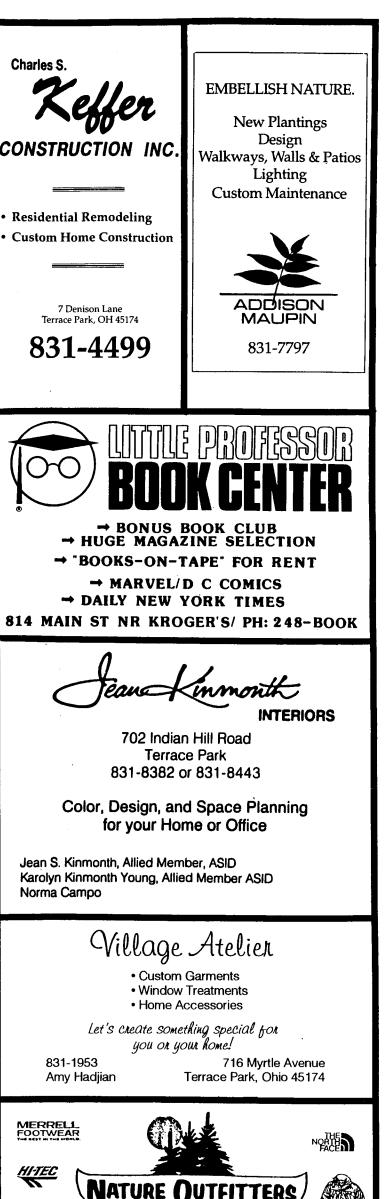
Shelley Eaton won second in the 1650 freestyle in the 15 and up age group. She place sixth in the 200 free, fourth in the 200 breast stroke and fifth in the 200 IM, all in the senior age group.

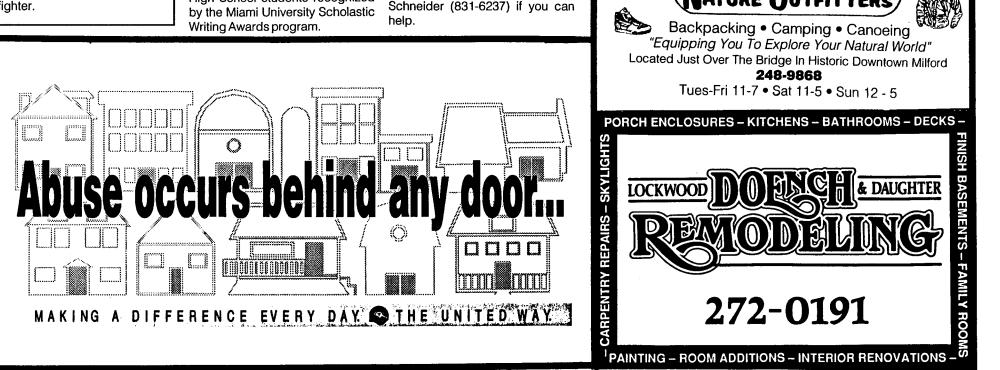
More than 20 teams from the south and midwest participated in the three day event.

## **Artists Sought** For PTA Program

Calling all local artists to participate in Terrace PArk Elementary's Fine Ats Week, April 3-6, 1995. We are looking for local artists to participate in this enrichment opportunity. If you are willing to spend a morning or afternoon at the school educating children about your art form, please let us hear form you. There is such talent within this community; we encourage you to share it with our students.

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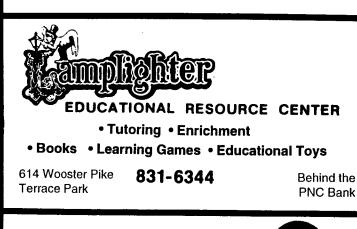
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## Council

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\*Fire Chief Phil Schneider that his department made one run last month to St. Thomas Church, which had an electrical problem in its organ. Schneider also reported the new pumper is operational, and the new doors providing an extra three inches are installed in the fire house. New recruit John Burbank joined the department for this month's drill.

\*Building Inspector Tim Harth that six permits were issued totaling a little more than \$63,000. Harth reminds residents a permit is needed to install any antenna, including satellite dishes. A dish was recently installed without a permit and the village received 14 complaints. The dish has subsequently been removed.

\*Assistant Life Squad Chief Sally Gilchrist that 18 squad members have completed the recertification course and taken the test. She noted almost the entire squad will be certified through 1999-"we're in great shape."

Amherst Avenue resident Paul Power informed Council that a number of cars are not stopping at the intersection of Amherst and Elm.

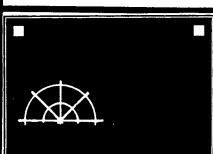
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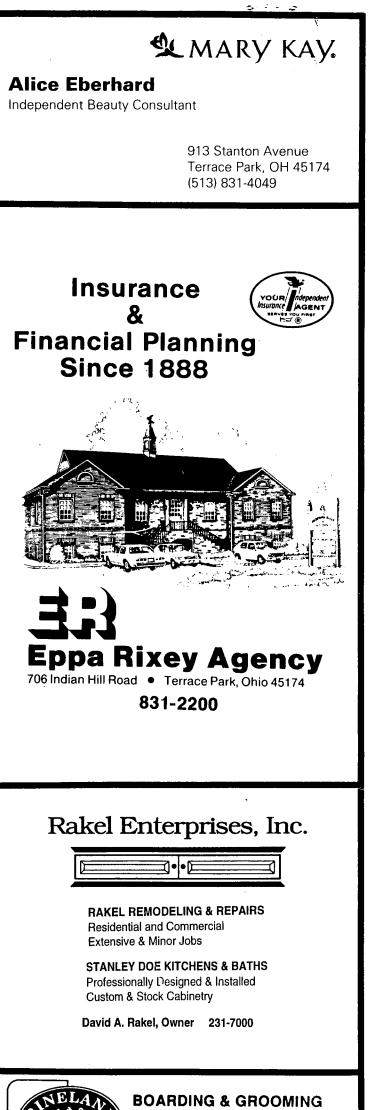
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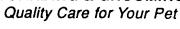
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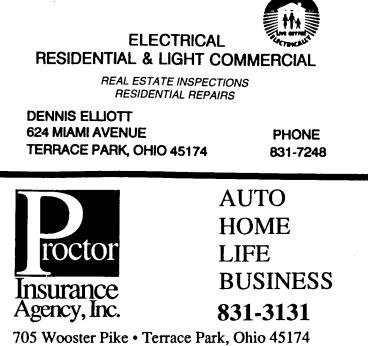






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