

# Village Views

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## School's Employees Get Bonus

By Ricki Schmidt

Mariemont City School Board approved a 2.5% bonus for its 160 certified and non-certified employees at its regular January meeting.

The bonuses, totaling approximately \$92,000, are financed by an unexpected increase of \$148,171.46 in personal tangible business taxes. The remainder of the tax revenue will be placed in the general fund for use in the final year of a three year tax levy passed in May, 1985.

Superintendent Don Thompson explained the tax is levied against businesses for machinery and inventories and is difficult to predict.

The bonuses will not be considered part of the benefit package in determining any future percentage pay increases. The bonuses will be distributed before the end of January.

At its organizational meeting January 7 the board elected Ray Bucy president and Barclay Campbell vice president. Thomas Allman will serve as the legislative liaison to the Ohio School Board Association and in the absence of any volunteers, Ray Bucy will continue as the Joint Vocational School representative.

The board approved the annual budget of \$6,167,830 for the year commencing July 1, 1986. This represents a 4% increase over the current budget of \$5,912,718. The approved budget includes:

Instruction	\$2,824,124
Support & Non-instruction Services	\$2,296,699
Extra-curricular Activities	\$148,227
Construction Services	\$511,545
Bond Retirement & Balance	\$212,203
Permanent Improvement Fund & Balance	\$175,032
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,167,830</b>

The board established a service fund of \$7,500, maximum allowed by state law, for use by board members for seminars and other board-related professional expenses. Last summer, under advice of legal counsel, the board took action to allow newly-elected board members to have the maximum allowable salary of \$80 under state law. The new board, however, voted to keep salaries at \$40 per meeting for a maximum of 12 meetings.

Advertising for bids on 65- and 35-passenger buses was authorized. The district qualifies for total reimbursement from the state for the two new buses and it has been over



## Youngsters Help Her Celebrate

Mrs. Elizabeth Geiger, a Terrace Park resident for 60 years, celebrated her 97th birthday recently with the help of the Builders Club, a new service organization for Terrace Park Elementary fifth and sixth graders. The children were amazed at Mrs. Geiger's description of growing up without plumbing, telephones or televisions. She misses the trains that used to come to Terrace Park and is a little disappointed the village never got a sewer system. Mrs. Geiger raised her four children in her house on Park Avenue which was built by the Terrace Park Lumber Co.

## Recreation Commission Elects Officers For '86

Larry Scholl, 1 Elmwood, is the new president of the Terrace Park Recreation Commission. Board members unanimously named him to the post at their reorganizational meeting January 13.

Scholl, who has been a member of the board the past four years, previously was vice chairman. He succeeds John Gislason, who will continue as a member of the board.

Tom Ader, 714 Lexington, was named vice chairman. In addition to his new duties, he'll continue to be in charge of field maintenance.

Ricki Schmidt, 107 Marian Lane, succeeds John Sheridan as treasurer. She'll also serve as softball commissioner. Sheridan will continue as a board member.

Sue Porter, 808 Wooster Pike, was re-elected secretary.

Other board members and their responsibilities include: Jack Harbison, baseball; Dick Hird, soccer; Mike Pope, basketball; Judy Hutton, Summer Fun; Hank Phillips, Labor Day; Jim Greiner, Memorial Day; and Terry Bernard, member-at-large.

## Tax Rate In Village Still Tops In County

With tax payments due January 31, Terrace Park continues to have the highest rate in the county, according to tabulations by the county treasurer, both in the nominal rate and the actual lower effective rate on which bills are paid.

Mayor Les Overway commented on the overall tax situation at January's council meeting, noting that 63% of the money goes to schools, 21% to the village, and 16% to the county.

A sharp increase in now-due tax bills is mostly the result of passage last May of a 6.95 mill levy for the schools.

Terrace Park's nominal levy is 93.10 mills, as against the next highest of 87.20 in the Columbia Township area which lies in the Mariemont School and Kenwood Fire Districts. The effective rate, that on which tax actually is paid, is given by the county treasurer as 67.69 mills as

against 64.32 in the Springfield Township area lying in the New Burlington Fire and Greenhills School Districts. The Kenwood effective tax is 62.8.

In Mariemont, the total tax is 82.06, the effective tax 59.73.

The effective-tax formula varies from community to community, based on reductions made by the legislature, the amount of agricultural land, homestead exemptions and other such factors.

Commenting on taxes in a projection of village finances in the coming year, Councilman Bob Payne said:

"Presuming that the indicated \$119,000 estate tax distribution is received in 1986 with no complication, we have the option to terminate the tree levy at the end of 1985, that is, two years early, with no risk of the need to raise taxes when the 3.11 levy terminates in December, 1987."

## Year's Tree Work To Cost \$47,499

Village council pushed ahead with the tree renewal program at its January meeting, letting a contract for this year's work to Tri County Turf, Inc. on a bid of \$47,499.20 which was some \$4,000 under the next lowest offer.

The Davey Tree Co., which has done the work up to now, bid \$51,110. Councilman Jack Schmidt, who has directed the tree program, said he had satisfactory report on work Tri County has done for Mariemont.

This year's program, to start immediately, calls for removal of 140 trees, clearing 165 stumps, and pruning of 670 other trees. About 125 new trees are to be planted. The work is to be done on Oxford, Rugby, Harvard, Miami between Amherst and Edgewater, Marietta, Stanton between Miami and Elm, Washington, Park and Cornell Avenues and New Street. Twenty-five trees on lower Elm already have been felled by village crews.

In the past two years, the village has removed 350 trees, given corrected pruning to 1,005 others, and planted 217 replacements. Pruning and removal has cost \$94,500, and replanting \$11,400.

The work is being financed primarily by a five-year levy yielding \$32,000 annually. Two year's work was done in one in 1985 by "borrowing" from an inheritance tax windfall.

At the completion of the program, Schmidt estimated, the village will have removed 475 trees, pruned 2,205 others and replanted 442, at a total cost of \$187,900 for removal and pruning and \$22,900 for replanting. Of that total, some \$50,000 will come from the village's general budget, \$12,000 from firewood sales and \$3,000 from donations.

Schmidt added: "This provides a 'mid-course' summary of the Terrace Park tree program. The program was formalized in November, 1983, when residents voted a five-year tax levy to begin renovation of Terrace Park's street trees.

"The program was projected to cost about \$330,000 — \$302,000 for pruning and removals, \$28,000 for replanting. Against this, the tree levy was projected to raise \$160-165,000, about half of the total projected cost.

**"It now appears we will be able to complete the total job for about \$210,000, and will require no incremental tax funding. This represents a savings of about \$120,000 or around 35% versus the original estimate.**

"The bulk of the savings

was achieved by arranging the work to be completed in mid-winter when tree service rates are at their lowest of the year. For the past two winters, Terrace Park's tree work has been the only substantial tree work in the region. This has led to very competitive bidding from already-low winter rates. The successful bid rates for 1986 were about 8.5% under 1985 which, in turn, were about 10% under 1984. We have gained some additional savings by lumping the work into four larger packages rather than spreading the work out over five years.

"We have replanted each street the same year it has been worked, and many of our new trees are already growing strongly. The lacebark elms on Elm Road had to be pruned in late 1985 to maintain street and sidewalk clearance. In total we have removed 250 trees, pruned 1005, and replanted 213. All but three of the new trees have lived and the three 'casualties' will be replaced.

"For 1986, we plan to remove an additional 165 trees (including those on lower Elm) and prune 670 trees, completing virtually all of the older part of Terrace Park. The balance of Terrace Park will be completed in 1987.

**"There is one part of the 1986 work which warrants special mention, and that is the removal of the entire row of hackberry trees on lower Elm Road. From a safety standpoint, about two thirds of the trees had to be removed — residents will recall the frequent blockage of Elm by a fallen tree after thunderstorms.**

"Once we had marked all the trees that had to come out, those that were left would have been an unattractive stand of undesirable trees. After reviewing the situation with the residents involved, the decision was made to remove the remaining hackberries as well and to replant the entire row with linden trees in the spring. We regret the short term appearance of lower Elm; in a very short time it will regain its rightful stature as one of the beauty spots in our region."

## Corey Retires

Bob Corey, 713 Park Ave., has retired as village building inspector after serving for three years, and the village is seeking a replacement.

A candidate should have some familiarity with building plans and practices, and develop knowledge also of village zoning requirements.

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## Artist Honored

Works by Dino Costanzo, Terrace Park wildlife artist, have been on exhibition this month at the Town Club in the Carew Tower and Nature's Niche and Book Shop in the Farbach-Werner county Nature Preserve on Colerain Avenue.

Following an interest begun while he was still a small boy, Dino studied at the University of Cincinnati and Miami University, where he was awarded the prestigious William P. Hohmann scholarship. His works are found in galleries and homes throughout the eastern United States, and he has donated over 1,000 prints and original paintings to Ducks Unlimited.

Recently married to Robin Smith, also of Terrace Park, he has a studio in Norwood as well as at 736 Wooster Pike.



Dino Costanzo

## Fire Losses Low in 1985

Fire Chief Pierce Matthews reported at the January council meeting that the volunteer fire department responded to 46 calls in 1985. Fire losses, he said, were \$3,500 to structures and \$4,800 to vehicles.

The volunteer life squad made 112 runs during the year.

Matthews emphasized that both fire department and life squad are in constant need of recruits. He also asked that he be called by anyone having a copier that the department could use.

## More On Bonus

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eight years since any new buses were purchased.

Mrs. Carolyn Tuttle of Mariemont questioned the board about the district's grading philosophy. Superintendent Thompson and Assistant Jim Stock explained elementary students are graded according to ability, a student performing at the best of his ability rating an A. High school students, however, are graded on actual accomplishment and are required to acquire a specific body of knowledge. Students in the middle years are in a transition period. Gradually, from grades five and six through seven and eight, students are graded less on ability and more on accomplishment.

In answer to Mrs. Tuttle's question of how students are grouped or tracked in the seventh grade, Dr. Thompson said the "ERB (standardized test) is not the only criteria." Dr. Stock added "we use ERB scores to validate the teacher's judgement" as to where seventh graders should be placed.

Hamilton County Board of Election records indicate campaign financing reached new heights in this year's school board election. Connie Wilson headed the list with campaign expenditures of \$1,876.43. Thomas Allman spent \$568.39 while Helen Cantrell's campaign cost \$472.28. Judy Hoffman spent \$293.65 and Tom Shaver spent \$286.60. Ricki Schmidt's expenditures were \$203.22 while David Moreton's were \$131.87.

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## Real Estate Market Holds Steady In Terrace Park During 1985

By Mel Aichholz

At the end of each year, *Village Views* has regularly published the transfers of houses sold during the year. There were 42 houses sold in 1985, the same number as in 1984. This represents a turnover of 6%. There were also several building lots sold.

Following is a list of residential sales recorded at the Hamilton County Court House:

422 Cornell	\$ 60,000	305 Harvard	77,500	212 Oxford	153,000
414 Elm	68,900	706 Indian Hill	126,000	222 Oxford	122,000
		315 Indian Hill	139,500	900 Princeton	117,500
		2 Kent Circle	105,000	108 Redbird	89,500
		500 Marietta	74,500	214 Rugby	180,000
		509 Marietta	138,000	180 Stanton	110,000
		604 Marietta	127,000	805 Stanton	71,500
		212 Miami	100,000	820 Stanton	125,000
		622 Miami	157,500	914 Stanton	148,500
		715 Miami	158,000	17 Sycamore	47,000
		600 Myrtle	103,000	315 Terrace Pl.	82,500
		3 Oxford	108,000	406 Western	61,000
		429 Elm	126,500	410 Western	87,000
		110 Fieldstone	78,000	805 Wooster	70,200
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		210 Harvard	50,000	148 Wrenwood	70,000

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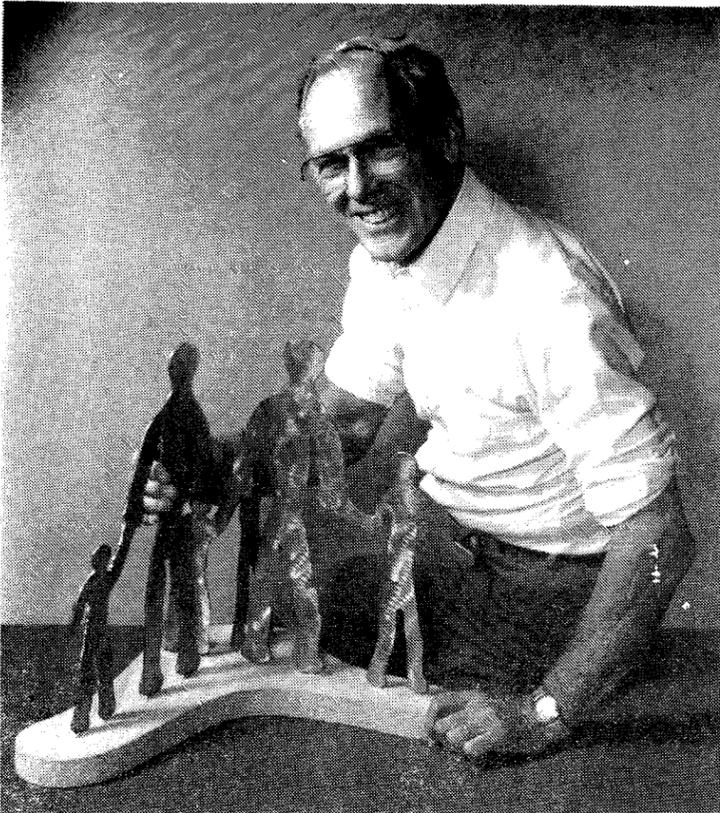
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### His Design. A Winner

The first large outdoor metal sculpture created by Stan Thonson, 831 Douglas Ave., shown here with a model, will be erected at a new branch library at Brookville, Ohio, as the result of a competition conducted by the Dayton and Montgomery County Public Library. His design, chosen by vote of library patrons, includes six stainless steel silhouettes representing a man, woman and four children visitors, with books in the hands of some of the children. Weighing over 1,200 pounds, the sculpture will be bolted to a free-form concrete base. Twelve sculptors submitted designs in the contest.

## Development Plan Advances In Council

Residential development of the Eveland Lumber yard property moved closer at the January meeting of village council, as council gave first readings to proposals to re-zone the tract and to vacate the unused portion of Western Avenue.

The project, however, still needs approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission, where it is delayed by questions concerning disposition of storm water and access to Park Avenue near the Elm Avenue bridge.

Zoning changes are being made so as to permit George Eveland to continue business operations should the development plan fall through.

Council learned at the meeting that the village has to back-track on a recent zoning

variance granted to permit two lots on property at Princeton and Poplar. David Todd reported that the county recorder refused to accept proffered deeds because they did not agree with county records. The enabling legislation is to be changed accordingly and re-passed.

In other actions, council:

- Heard from Village Clerk Judith Elliott that the village ended 1985 with an unencumbered balance of \$47,913.
- Adopted a resolution urging the state to dejournalize — abandon formally — long-standing proposals for a US 50 bypass.
- Heard from Councilman Payne that village liability insurance premiums are now \$15,352.

## Cold Can Be Killer, Life Squad Warns

By Barbara Bowen

With more winter weather yet to come, it may be helpful to talk about some precautions against cold injuries and when symptoms are severe enough to get help.

Layering of clothes retains more body heat than does one heavy coat. Wool retains its insulating quality even when it is wet, down does not. Much heat is lost through the head. A hat keeps your head warm and allows more heat to go to the body.

The two cold weather dangers are hyperthermia and

frostbite. Hyperthermia can be recognized by vigorous shivering, confusion, and pale skin, very cold to the touch.

Cold fingers and toes should never be rubbed or massaged. Damage to tissue will result. Rather they should be held against a warm part of the body. If the skin is gray or white waxy, if there is swelling or intense pain, or movement is not possible, it could be frostbite.

Hyperthermia and frostbite are serious conditions. If you suspect either one, call the life squad immediately.

## Joyce VanWye Provides Spark Bringing New Light to Music Hall

By Jeanne Sanker

Footlights have always played a big part in the musical career of Joyce VanWye, but for the past three years it has been street lights, spotlights, and accent lights which have dominated all her spare time, attention, and energies.

The climax for all this hard work and dedication was sharing the limelight at the spectacular "Coming to Light" ceremony held at Cincinnati Music Hall at dusk on December 18, the opening night of "The Nutcracker." The ceremony recognized all those involved in establishing a totally new exterior lighting system for the Elm Street side of Music Hall.

And just what was her part? She was the one with the idea, and she was the one who followed through step by step, from vague beginning to exciting finish. Her very positive plan was the result of a negative incident several years ago when two elderly women were mugged in the vicinity of Music Hall. Coming upon this sad scene as she was departing from her daily work as subscription manager for the Cincinnati Opera Association in Music Hall, she was unusually observant of the drabness of the whole area and the many dark corners which seemed to invite such criminal behavior.

Because of her lifelong love of Music Hall and all it represents, Joyce decided to do something to make the area safer. She soon had some lighting ideas which she presented to the Cincinnati Music Hall Association, to Sylvester Murray, then city manager, and to other committees and departments. Approval was given, but little did she think at that point that her project would soon grow from installing some new lights for safety reasons into a long-range program of im-



provement and beautification for the whole Music Hall area and beyond.

She soon found herself on a plodding path to find funding for such a project and is especially enthusiastic about the many people with whom she has been associated during these years of planning and fund seeking. What a surprise it was to find herself in the luxurious, downtown office of a now-prominent citizen who, as a young lad, was an employee of her parents' county fair business in Kentucky. That is Oliver Waddell, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the First National Bank of Cincinnati.

Through Waddell she became acquainted with Manuel D. Mayerson, who was not

only agreeable to her project, but became the chief benefactor with many ideas of his own on enlarging the project to restore Music Hall to its original look. Always supported by her own family, it became even more involved with husband Jack becoming the chief historian, spending hours researching historical documents and endeavoring to find any records pertaining to the building as it was when designed by Samuel Hannaford and build in 1878.

Kenneth Cunningham, a well-known landscape architect, also became part of the totally-enthusiastic team, making plans not only for what is now the first phase of the improvement project and includes illumination of the Elm Street facade, back lighting of the rose window, lighting fixtures similar to those used when the Hall was built, but also for the future plans to refurbish and illuminate all sides of the building.

There is now added interest for renewal plans for the whole area, complete with well-illuminated fountains and walkways.

At the "Coming to Light" ceremony just at dusk on December 18, it was Mayer-son who pushed the button to introduce the total new look. A colorful highlight of the ceremony at that moment when the lights came on was the surprise "Jack-in-the-Box" appearance of a beautifully constructed and decorated Nutcracker, so apropos for the gala occasion. The Nutcracker had been completed with many hours of talented work done by Terrace Park friends, Kebbie and Karl Blum.

Both Joyce and Jack are known for their work in Terrace Park as well. Both instrumentalists, they started the Pops band/orchestra in 1964 which Jack directed for 13 years. Both have participated in activities of the Terrace Park Players, and Jack served a term on village council.

### Help Wanted

Terrace Park's life squad is always looking for new members. Anyone interested in this valuable volunteer community service should contact Shirley Mittendorf, 831-9276, or Nonie Ward at 831-5252 for information.

### In Memoriam

Tablets memorializing Pat and John Getgey have been placed on the village green, between three trees, through the contributions of village officials and others.

The Getgeys were killed in an airplane crash in 1984. Getgey was village solicitor at the time.



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## Terrace Park Players All Set For 27th Season's Production

Terrace Park Players proudly announce their upcoming production of *Norman's Conquests*, a light English comedy featuring a Don Juan's efforts to create happiness in the lives of all the females he touches.

The characters are delightfully portrayed by many talented local community performers, including Pat Lipka, Marcy McClelland, Rick Schatz, Bill Schneider, Kathy Wedding, and Mark Woods. The production is directed by Flach Douglas and co-produced by Kathy Wolford Schatz and Mike Ross.

This performance marks the 27th season for the Players. Performances will be at the Terrace Park Community House on February 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 and 22. Price of ticket includes dinner with each performance. Dress rehearsal will be February 6, open to the public for \$1.

For reservations and more information, please call 831-1516 or 831-0072.



Among those staging the Players' upcoming show are, standing, left to right, Flach Douglas, Bill Konold, Pat Lipka, Marcy McClelland, Mark Woods, Kathy Wedding and, in foreground, Rick Schatz.

## New Vestry Members Are Chosen At St. Thomas' Annual Meeting

By Elinor Winchester

At the 110th annual parish on January 14, members of St. Thomas Episcopal Church heard reports on the state of parish and elected new Vestry members.

Re-elected for one-year terms were the senior warden, Alan Joslyn, and the junior warden, Chris Smith. The four newly elected vestry members (of a total of 12) are Rosie Shundich of Terrace Park, Mary Coryell of Kenwood, Graham Jollis of Milford, and Marco Pangallo of Mariemont. They will serve three-year terms.

Commended at the meeting were offgoing vestry members Beatty Collins, Carol Mount Peterson and Ted Ringwald of Terrace Park, and Debbie Gammons Kaufman of Hyde Park.

Continuing Vestry members are John Bowers, Helen Campbell, Debbie Carle, Lynn Mileham, and Hank Phillips of Terrace Park, and Austin, Robert Dunlap, and David Mencer of surrounding areas. Mencer is also the new church treasurer, replacing Jim Ritz of Terrace Park, who re-

signed. Clerk of the vestry is Mary Osenbaugh, also of Terrace Park.

In his State of the Parish report, The Rev. Robert D. Gerhard reviewed the parish reorganization which took place in 1985. A major change was the creation of five commissions headed by non-vestry members to carry out tasks connected with the church's mission. Commission heads for this year are Dottie Vickers and Ace Tollefsen of Terrace Park, and

Dan Cooksey, David Durham and Guy Wiley of adjacent areas.

A feature of the annual meeting is the naming of the "Lovely Christian Lady." Last year's LCL, Hazel Retherford, chose Helen Collins as her successor for 1986. Both are Terrace Park residents.

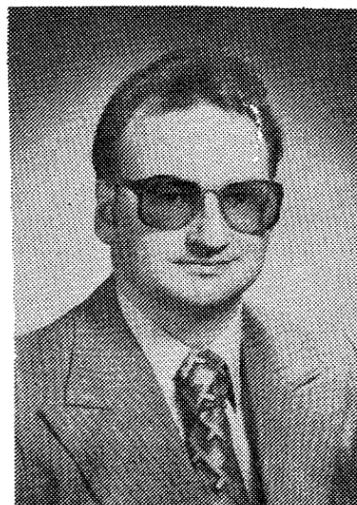
By way of statistics, the annual report notes that 28 baptisms, 20 marriages, 14 funerals and 15 confirmations were performed in 1985.

## Dance Set By Kindervelt

Terrace Park's Kindervelt is planning its second annual square dance, to be held March 1 at Livingston Lodge in Indian Hill for the benefit of Children's Hospital.

Hours will be from 8 to 11 p.m., with tickets at \$15 per couple, including beer, soft drinks, snacks and door prizes. All are invited and no square dancing experience is necessary. The caller will be Bill Stiehl.

For tickets and information, call Amy Nisonger at 831-7320.



## In New Post

James D. Ladrigan, 38, 598 Wooster Pike, has been named vice president of sales at Material Recycling Company, a part of Cincinnati Bell Supply. The company is a subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Enterprises, new ventures company of Cincinnati Bell, Inc.

A native of Cincinnati, Ladrigan began his telecommunications career in 1965 at Cincinnati Bell Telephone, where he held a variety of craft jobs before becoming a business office supervisor. He also served as a member of the telephone company's special task force on divestiture.

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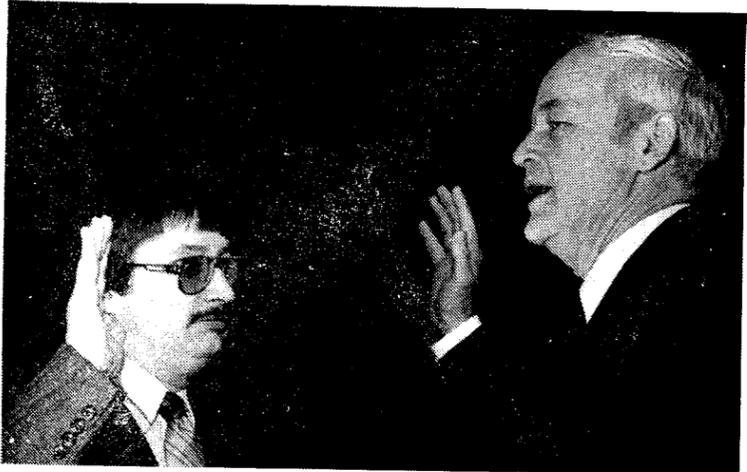
## Wins Nomination

Nominated by Raymond Walters College committees, Elizabeth Maddux, 708 Lexington Ave., will be among 34 students at the school to be included in the 1986 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. The Blue Ash school is a branch of the University of Cincinnati.

## Officials Sworn In



Tim Gleeson is sworn in as a councilman by retiring councilman Ken Bassett at a special council session on New Year's Day. (Photos by Allan Kain.)



New councilman Randy Casteel takes the oath.



Re-elected, councilman Rich Gilchrist is congratulated.



Rusty Wilson is sworn in for another term.



Diana Greer begins a new term as village treasurer.

## Mayor's Message To Council

### By Mayor Les Overway

I want to take a few minutes to review where I believe we are as a village and outline some responsibilities I believe we have as elected officials.

To begin, I believe our village is in excellent shape, much better than it has ever been. There are several reasons for this:

— First, our Police, Fire, Life Squad and Maintenance Departments are in an excellent position to take good care of the Terrace Park residents' safety and health needs.

The equipment necessary for each group to fulfill its responsibilities has been substantially upgraded in the past two years.

— Second, most of the remaining village assets are in better condition than they ever been. Substantial progress has been made on the tree program. A sound road resurfacing program has been started. Our Community Building has had several repairs and should be in good shape. And, several small beautification projects have been completed.

— Third, Terrace Park's single family residential character has been maintained. In fact, I am pleased to tell you that all of the building projects currently being discussed with Planning and Zoning are for single family residences.

— Fourth, the village is in good shape financially. One reason for this is the higher priority we've all placed on making sure that the tax money is spent wisely.

For example, the budgeting process continues to improve because the process is even more challenging and rigorous than it was just a few years ago. Our employees have joined Council in becoming much more cost-conscious as a result of our limiting spending to \$100 without a council committee chairman or the Mayor's approval.

Of course, another reason for our sound financial condition is the voters' positive response to the need for a tax renewal when we asked them for it.

Now, because of these improvements and the confidence the voters have shown, I believe we — council, the Mayor, other elected and appointed officials and our employees — have several responsibilities.

— First, and while our safety organizations are in good order, I think we must continue to work to make

them even better.

Over the past year, Chief Pottorf and I have made a special effort to improve the way his people are evaluated and trained. As a result, the personnel review process has been refined, his people better know what they need to do to improve, their in-house training program has been improved and they have the opportunity to attend special classes to help them progress professionally.

The result is an even better Police Department.

I believe some of the training ideas we've developed may have application to the Fire and Life Squads.

While on the subject of safety, I want to express my increasing concern about the safety of Wooster Pike. Let me give you some examples. In 1985 we averaged 10 drunk driving arrests per month, up 2½ times over the four we averaged in 1981. That's 2½ times in just 5 years. And we had 16 drunk drivers in court just last month. We also averaged 70 arrests per month of those who have exceeded the speed limit by more than 10 mph. That's 52% over the 46 we averaged in 1981.

We're doing a better job patrolling the area. But we're able to patrol Wooster Pike only about 25% of the time. As a result, we're not even seeing the majority of people who break the traffic laws.

This is of concern. We have several kids who either cross or walk along Wooster Pike every day to get to school, to the recreation fields or, in the summer, to the swim club.

We simply must make sure we're doing everything possible to protect these kids.

Along these lines, I'm planning to ask Congressman Gradison for help in getting federal monies to recurb Wooster Pike. This should help keep cars off the sidewalks. If we can't help, I may be coming to council looking for ideas and possibly money.

— Our second major responsibility is to work hard to finish the program to upgrade our assets. The tree program is almost complete. I'd like to see us catch up on road improvement within the next year or two. And also, I'd like to see us clean all the Indian wells. I'm convinced that effort directed against these Indian wells will help reduce our water problem.

Consistent with upgrading our assets, we must continue to work to beautify the village.

The strip of land next to Elm, between the bridge and the log cabin, looks much better because of special beautification efforts as does the property behind the Yankee Dollar. I really encourage the appropriate council committee people and our maintenance department to jointly target one or two more sections to beautify this year.

Finally, Chief Pottorf and I have a special project that we believe could play an important role in this beautification program. We plan to give you the details in the February meeting.

— Our third major responsibility is to keep Terrace Park a single family residential community. The voters have twice reaffirmed this goal at the ballot box, both times by a substantial margin.

While we're not presently being challenged on this issue, I suspect we will be in the future, simply because some large sized parcels of land are still undeveloped.

— Our final responsibility is to continue to work hard to conserve our finances. Experience indicates that this is the surest way to keep the residents' trust.

Council has done a good job on this as evidenced by the large majority given to our tax renewal. But this trust is something we must re-earn virtually every time we spend village money. To help us do this, I'm going to continue the practice of requiring a council committee chairman or the Mayor's agreement on every item costing more than \$100.

Also, I'd like Council to make a major effort to sell the Brendamour property to someone who will develop it as a single family residential area.

Conceivably, part of the proceeds could be used to make the entire Wooster Pike area a safer place for our kids. Finally, my personal goal in the financial area is to avoid asking voters for additional taxes during the next two years and to be able to cancel the tree levy at the end of 1987, one year earlier than promised. I hope you will join me in reaching this goal.

These are the responsibilities I see facing us. They will certainly prove to be challenging. But, the last council made substantial progress in these areas and I believe that, working together, we can do the same.

## Committees Named

Here is the composition of committees of village council, announced by Mayor Overway at the January 1 special meeting, with the first-named the chairman in each case:

Rules and Law (General Assembly, law contracts and claims): Tim Gleeson, Randy Casteel, Rusty Wilson.

Building and Grounds (Health, sanitation, parks, playgrounds and community property, including the Community Building, trees and sidewalks): Randy Casteel, Jack Schmidt, Richard Gilchrist.

Finances (Appropriation of property, sale of property,

assessments for improvements, finance, ways and means): Bob Payne, Tim Gleeson, Rusty Wilson.

Public Safety (Fire, police, traffic): Jack Schmidt, Richard Gilchrist, Randy Casteel.

Public Works (Services, lights, telephone, telegraph, cable TV, conduits, sewers, streets, waste collection, transportation): Rusty Wilson, Bob Payne, Tim Gleeson.

Planning and Zoning (Building codes, zoning, dedications of property): Richard Gilchrist, Bob Payne, Jack Schmidt.

### Sworn In

Connie Wilson, 309 Stanton, was sworn in as a new member of the Mariemont Board of Education at a special meeting January 7. She joins Ray Bucy, 309 Red Bird Lane, board president, as Terrace Park representatives.

President of the Terrace Park PTA, Connie topped the ticket in a seven-candidate race for the board in the November election. She plans to complete her term as PTA president.

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## Junior High Grid Team Wins Title

By Coach Jerry Summerville

The 1985 Mariemont Junior High School Football season was a great success, the Warriors compiling a 6-0 record and claiming the unofficial title of conference champions.

The first string offense averaged 22 points per game while the defense allowed only two touchdowns all season.

Each game saw different individuals making outstanding contributions, with quarterback **Chresten Armstrong** leading the offensive thrust. Running backs Sean Mowry, Frank Burns, and Mark Hammond capitalized on the blocking of the offensive line — **Marc Duckwall**, Jim Hall, David Vick, Derrick Simmons, and Bobby Rosselot. Receivers Gary Hodge, Greg Spreen, and Mike Budelsky kept opponent's defensive secondaries alert.

The defense, led by **David Boudrie**, **Jacey Harbison**, Sean Mowry plus defensive ends Gary Hodge, **William Konop**, and Shannon Enoch, swarmed the opponent's offense, giving up only one touchdown from scrimmage play. Only one team penetrated the Warrior 25 yard line. (Terrace Park players are identified in bold type.)

### A Welcome To -

Among recent newcomers to Terrace Park are:

Timothy and Beverly Shimp, 315 Terrace Place.

Sy and Kathy Swart, 148 Wrenwood.

William and Linda Swensen 407 Cornell.

Richard and Kathy Schatz, 118 Robinwood.

John and Joy Hammond, 308 Marietta.

Mathew and Gail Nickum, 130 Wrenwood.

J.C. and Ellen Dillon, 603 Marietta.

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