



Council Seeks TP Input On Metro Bus Rerouting

by Pat Henley

Terrace Park Council members were again asked at the October 10 meeting to address a vehicle problem. This time it concerns the Metro bus line which connects the village with downtown Cincinnati and Milford.

Metro representatives Nancy Edwards and Ted Meyer and driver Rudy Powell appeared to suggest possible service changes. Their visit was scheduled because of complaints received from a few residents over a period of years.

Candace Grafton of Harvard Ave. spoke on the nuisance caused by the frequent bus trips along Amherst Ave. She had talked with other residents who live adjacent to the line who were also concerned with the noise and safety of small children.

Although there are 20 round trips per day, Monday through Friday, only about 15 people regularly use the bus service during the rush hours. Daytime ridership is sparse. In 1990 a study prepared for Metro suggested rerouting the service to Wooster Pike only. This is again a possible solution. Others are to move the midday trips, only, to Wooster, and another is to have morning inbound and evening outbound through the village.

Other residents who spoke regarding the bus problem were Doug Hynden of Miami Ave., Robin Pendry of Elm Ave. and Jamie Stevens.

Mayor Randy Casteel asked Rules and Law Chair Dan Keefe to coordinate discussion and he requests that questions and input be directed to the village office.

Police Chief Bob Bacon and Safety Chair Rusty Wilson spoke of findings regarding the traffic situation

on Park and Western. A new suggestion would be to install rumble strips, but this again demands study. Bacon repeated that surveillance has not caught speeders, and that there have been no accidents on this stretch of street. The Safety Committee recommended that Western Ave. not be closed at Wooster Pike.

Street trees constitute another continuing subject, and Council approved purchase of 26 trees to be planted this fall. Earthscapes will provide the stock, and Davey will do the planting. The cost will be just over \$100 each.

Julie Rugh also proposed and Council concurred to close the Environmental Services area on Saturday and Sunday, beginning Dec. 1. However, the area in front of the gate will be accessible for pick-up of mulch and compost.



Eaton Makes All American

Terrace Park's Shelley Eaton was selected by the National Interscholastic Coaches Association of America as a member of the All American Interscholastic Swimming Team. The Mariemont High School senior was honored for her times in 200 meter freestyle (1:51.66) and 500 meter freestyle (4:54.98). She won first place in 200 meter freestyle and second place in 500 freestyle at the state level during the 1994-95 school year. She is the daughter of Margaret and Christopher Eaton of 109 Michigan Ave.

Members of the Mariemont High School swim team were also nominated for the All American Team and received an honorable mention. The nominated relay team included 1995 graduates, Stephanie MacMillan and Susan Krueger, both of Terrace Park. MacMillan now swims for Wooster College and Krueger swims at the University of Florida.

Pancake Supper Set For Nov. 4

The 36th annual Pancake Supper will be held Sat., Nov. 4 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Park Elementary School cafeteria. If you don't get your tickets from the door-to-door salesmen, you can buy them at the door. Tickets for kids ten and under are \$2 each and adult tickets are \$4.

Dennis Elliot reminds residents the donations are tax deductible and support the Volunteer Fire Fighters and the Emergency Medical Service. The proceeds are used to purchase equipment not in the village budget.

Two TP Residents Seek Mayor's Office

(Editor's Note: The Village Views solicited from each candidate a personal statement and picture which appear in alphabetical order.)

Jennifer A. Comfort

My background in law, business and community service give me the appropriate skill set that the Mayor's job requires.

I remain committed to:

- *Ensuring that Terrace Park's safety record, character and charm continue into the next century.
- *Providing excellent basic village services at the lowest possible cost.
- *Promoting the volunteerism which is so essential to our community spirit and services.

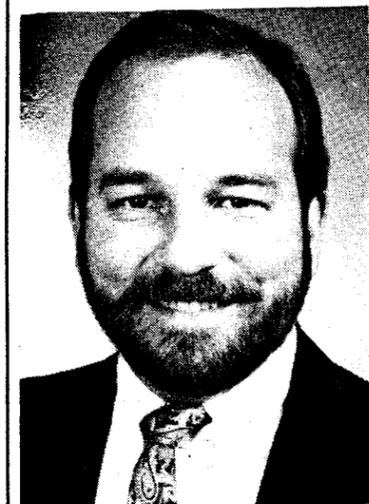


Richard G. Ward

My goal in seeking the office of mayor is to contribute to our village by participating in its government. I think I can help.

If elected I will bring a fresh approach to decision making and problem solving. The important issues are evident: infrastructure and services. The present administration has been working on them. Establishing priorities and applying resources where they're needed is my plan. Not all matters require massive effort to address. Some things need only a catalyst, others non-intervention. When appropriate, I would plan to merely stay out of the way and let those who have the ball run with it.

I've enjoyed helping with my children's sports and scouting activities. I'm inspired by my wife's commitment to numerous village interests, particularly S.A.F.E. There are so many volunteers who make this community a great place to live. I'm ready to contribute as mayor.



Overbey and Zdeblick Named National Merit Semi-Finalists

Five Terrace Park students received recognition in the 1996 National Merit Scholarship Program. Betsy Overbey and Nick Zdeblick were named Semi-Finalists, while Ben Ross, Maren Schmidt and Melissa Wachterman were commended students.

A Mariemont High School senior, Overbey plays varsity tennis and is a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club and AFS. She plans to pursue studies in English, hopefully at a university in the South. She is the daughter of Lynette and Terry Overbey.

Zdeblick coordinates the Big Brother Program at St. Xavier High School, where he is a senior. He represented St. X at a leadership conference this summer at Xavier University, where he was elected Vice Mayor. Zdeblick said he was shadowing Cincinnati's Vice Mayor Tyrone Yates the day of the Pharon Crosby-Police Protest March. He now serves as an aid in the office of the Vice Mayor, tutors in the inner city and is active in Model United Nations. Zdeblick, the son of Joy and Bill Zdeblick, would like to combine a career in medicine and politics.

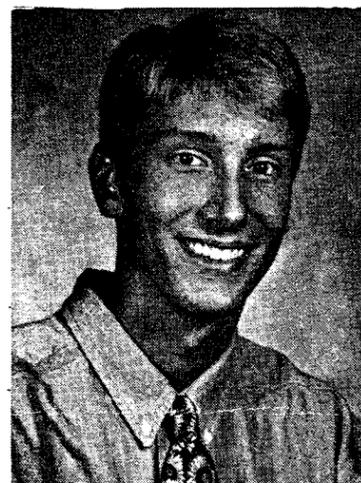
A Mariemont High School Senior, Ross plays drums in the Marching, Pep and Concert Bands. He is a member of the National Honor Society and an Eagle Scout. The son of Laurel and Mike Ross, he is also active in the Environmental and World Affairs Clubs and on the staff of *The Warpath*.

Schmidt is an Americorps Volunteer Scholar, working with Summerbridge Cincinnati. She has taught inner city students at the summer programs at Cincinnati Country Day, Seven Hills and now the Hughes Center. She is a senior at Seven Hills Upper School where she organized The Hague International Model United Nations. She was one of 20 student officers at last year's Hague conference of 3,000 delegates. She is a member of the gymnastics team and is in the fall production of Joseph, And his Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat. The daughter of Ricki and Jack Schmidt, she will head the spring "Happening" retreat for the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Wachterman is a senior at Cincinnati Country Day School where she has starred in numerous theatrical productions and is now playing the "neurotic" Florence in the female version of *The Odd Couple*. A member of the Cum Laude Society, she was also named an Advance Placement Scholar with Distinction for earning grades three or above on five or more AP exams with an average grade of at least 3.5. She heads Country Day's Model United Nations, and is Features Editor for the school newspaper and a member of the crew team. The daughter of Candy and Dick Wachterman, she spent this summer as an AFS student in Argentina.



Betsy Overbey



Nick Zdeblick



Ben Ross



Maren Schmidt



Melissa Wachterman

Happy Halloween!
Trick or Treat Oct. 31
From 6 to 8 p.m.

PTA FUN FEST
Oct. 27, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
(See VV Page 5)

School Board Answers Letter And Seeks Support For Levy

Dear Editor:

A letter you recently published suggested the Madeira School District was more effective and efficient than the Mariemont City School District, and that the Mariemont School Board should look for ways to save money rather than "tax and spend."

The Mariemont District has not only looked for ways to save money, it has found them. Since the last district levy passed, student enrollment has grown 19%. Yet the schools have operated within a budget that had projected only 5% growth. (Current projections anticipate 25% more students in the system by 1999!)

The district has saved \$400,000 in energy costs alone during that period. Administrative costs have been pared by more than 9%. Phone costs have been reduced by \$400 a month. And despite having 315 more students today than in 1992, we have fewer administrators and fewer teachers aides.

While we have been effective in reducing costs, the district has done so with the desires of the communities we serve in mind. In a district-wide survey conducted last summer, 79% of residents wanted the district to maintain neighborhood elementary schools rather than consolidating them as Madeira has done. Almost 90% favored the creation of a new junior high which the district plans to do by renovating and re-opening the Dale Park School in 1996. The vast majority of people here want small class sizes maintained. And 98% agree that a high quality teaching staff is a priority. These compo-

House Survey Continues

Carol Cole, archivist for the Terrace Park Woman's Club House Survey, reported that she continues to receive completed forms. She said several callers have asked the following questions:

Q: Is there a deadline? A: No, but the sooner the better.

Q: What if I don't have a picture? A: Send in the survey and the Woman's Club will get a picture, or you could send in one later.

Q: What if I've lived in more than one house in the village? A: There are plenty of forms. Call Carol, 831-5771, or Pat Henley, 831-2147 for more. "Ancient history" will make it un-

Q: What is going to be done with this information? A: The club will make a presentation next Labor Day, and if interest is sufficient, hopes to publish a paper-back book. Information is not to be used for any commercial purpose.

Village Views Deadline

The deadline for the next issue of *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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Flower Show Workshop Emphasizes Education



Effie Miller, 92 years young and still entering shows, admires the dahlias in the horticulture entries.

by Ruth Rauth

Everybody won at the September 19th Flower Show Workshop at the Community House, where the emphasis was on learning rather than competition. Co-chairwomen Lanie Grever and Debbie Oliver were aided by registrars Jane Peterson, Shirley Brown and Betsy Ecker and hostesses Sarah Lewis, Sara Osborn and Diane Govert.

Twenty six members participated in five artistic classes, including: Back to School Junior Class, Distinctive Design Invitational Class, Copy Cats Helping Class, Mums The Word Challenge Class for arrangers working in pairs and Grab Bag, which included whatever the arranger chose to enter.

Forty two specimens were entered in the horticultural class. Judges Jean Ives, artistic, and Maggie Jacobs, horticulture, judged with Garden Club members present to give helpful suggestions about conditioning and preparing flowers and understanding how arrangements should look to qualify for the various classes. This benefited both old and new members.

Twelve imaginative entries in the



Grant and David Rosson, left to right back row, and four year old brother Evan receive their ribbons.

junior class showed that the enthusiasm for the last flower show continues to grow among the young.

The November program will be "Everything Old is New Again" about decorating for the holidays. Speaker will be Carol Dursey. Residents interested in joining the club may call Judy Brown, President.

Mariemont Board of Education

ReElect MARIE HUENEFELD & LEN WEAKLEY

Constantly Working To Improve Our Schools

Making Tax Dollars Work Harder

- Re-evaluated administrative costs - saved 9% over last 2 years
- Re-opening existing facility as a Jr. High School
- Implemented more effective use of space in elementary schools
- Continued fiscally responsible approach to spending

Responding To Priorities of District Residents

- Committed to maintaining neighborhood elementary schools
- Initiated district-wide survey
- Encouraged and facilitated volunteer involvement in schools, resulting in building and playground improvements
- Established more convenient extended-time care at no cost to taxpayers
- Support teaching staff with competitive salaries, quality benefits and continuing education

Improving Quality of Education

- Involved in ongoing evaluation of curricular needs
- Initiated programs for identifying special needs of students
- Emphasized integration of computer training with academic curriculum
- Conducted successful selection process to hire new superintendent



Marie Huenefeld, a life-long resident of Mariemont, has championed the needs of children for over 18 years. As a parent of two Mariemont graduates -one with special needs- she has volunteered in every area of the school district.

"Our school board remains dedicated to the children of our district. I have the experience, commitment and time to continue being an effective member of this successful team."

Len Weakley brings both business and legal perspectives to the board. Having grown up in Mariemont, he is strongly motivated to give as much to the children of the district as he received.

"Based on my life-long involvement in the community, I will continue to provide the dedication and hard work needed to maintain and improve our quality schools in a fiscally responsible way."



The Blessing Of The Animals



At the Oct. 1 Blessing of the Animals on the Village Green, The Rev. Don Waring, counted the votes for the person who looked most like their pet. The winner here with The Rev. Waring is John Fischer and his dog Scout.



Patti Normile chats with St. Francis, who appeared with a box of dog biscuits.



This young man and his cat seemed to have understood the message of love and tolerance.

Hoxworth Honors TP Blood Donors

Terrace Park residents were honored for their donations of blood to the Hoxworth Blood Center. James Porter of Elm Ave. has donated seven gallons while George Kipp of Miami Ave. has donated four gallons. Three gallon donors included Richard Steidle and Marc Tiry. Donating two gallons were James Carl, Cynthia Hudson, Mary Kipp and Pamela Orr. One gallon donors included Sue Porter and Sandy Wittman-Shell.

Becoming a volunteer blood donor is safe and simple. You must be at least 17 years old and in good health. There is no upper age limit. You must weigh at least 100 pounds and you may give blood as often as every 56 days. For more information, call 451-0910.

TP Police Develop Alzheimer Program

The Terrace Park Police Department, effective immediately, has developed an Alzheimer Locator Program. The purpose of this program is to first get an Alzheimer patient registered with the police department and secondly get the patient entered into the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). This will assist the Police Department in identifying an Alzheimer patient and returning them to their home should they wander from their home. The police are very excited about this program and believe that it is the first of its kind. If a resident needs more information or wishes to register a spouse or parent, please contact Chief Bacon or Lt. Hayhow at the police department.

Three Candidates Seek Two School Board Seats

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Marie Huenefeld:

I am a life-long Mariemont resident. My sons and I graduated from Mariemont High School. I have volunteered in every aspect of the school district including PTA boards, levy precinct captain, levy co-chairman and board of education member. Experience on the school board and my volunteer work has prepared me to deal with current educational issues.

Our children's education is our highest priority. Even with increasing enrollment, appropriate class size and neighborhood schools have been maintained. We have continually improved curriculum and retained quality staff. Our board has reduced administrative, energy and utility costs and implemented a plan to manage facility needs. Last year we selected an outstanding new superintendent.

I am sensitive and responsive to the feelings and needs of our communities. I believe I have the experience, commitment and time to deal with the challenges we face.

I ask for your support November 7.

Thank you,
Marie Huenefeld



Rick Koehler:

Terrace Park resident Rick Koehler is earnestly seeking one of two seats open on the Mariemont School Board. Having four children currently enrolled in the school system, and a fifth who was a 1995 graduate, Koehler considers himself well-acquainted with issues and concerns facing schools today. He believes that the quality of the curriculum is of paramount importance, and will actively work to ensure that standards reach the highest levels attainable.

Acknowledging the need for involvement in matters beyond curriculum, Rick is working with Jerry Sasson on the newly-formed Substance Abuse Prevention Committee. And he will undoubtedly make other valuable contributions to the school board as a result of his profession as an architect.

To summarize his position, Koehler states that his goal is to build Mariemont into "the finest public school system in this state, both academically and socially". He promises new vitality in an already sound organization.



Len Weakley

I feel that I bring a unique perspective and valuable experience to Mariemont's School Board.

I was born in Mariemont, attended grades K through 12 in Mariemont (graduated 1964) and raised my family in Mariemont. Our daughters Monica and Laura graduated from MHS and Erin is a sophomore. I have served on the school board since 1986 and participated in other volunteer organizations such as the High School Booster Board, levy campaigns and community groups. As a result of the wonderful memories and the educational opportunities that I had, I am dedicated to ensure the same for all the children in the district, as well as my own.

My educational background in business (BBA and MBA) and in law (J.D.) helps with policy, business and financial decisions which continuously face the board.

I am dedicated to continuing efforts necessary to control expenses and minimize taxes, while pursuing excellence in education.

Comfort For Mayor

"I have known Jennifer Comfort for years and have been impressed by her ability to get things done, to look at difficult issues objectively and to take a strong stand based on principle when necessary. If you have a chance to talk with Jennifer before election day, I believe you will quickly recognize her strength and competence. I believe she would make an excellent mayor for Terrace Park."

Jack Schmidt, Mayor of Terrace Park
1988-1991



Jennifer A. Comfort

- Proven History of Community Service
- Experience in Business and Law
- Positive "Can do" Attitude
- Accessible, Lives & Works in T.P.



ELECT

RICK KOEHLER

**MARIEMONT
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Active resident of Terrace Park since 1976. Ready to bring new vitality to the school board.

★ **VESTED INTEREST**

Has four children in grades K - 11 in the Mariemont School System.

★ **LEADERSHIP**

Has experience running his own architectural firm for over 16 years.

★ **ABILITY**

As an architect, will have valuable skills in helping to evaluate school buildings and property.

★ **Thank you for your support.**



Boy Scouts from Terrace Park's Troop 286 joined other area Scouts to represent the Dan Beard Council at Philmont this summer. Front row, from left, are Grady Randolph, Jeff Krueger, Matt Buban, Dan Messner of Lebanon, Philmont guide Mike Snyder, Chris Hogue, John Harth, Matt Guelle of Milford, and Jonathan Malotke. Back row, from left are Bryan Randolph, Leader Gerry Malotke, and Neil and Chris Lewis, leaders from Lebanon.

Scouts Train in Centerville And Camp in New Mexico

Terrace Park Boy Scouts camped at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico in July and learned leadership skills at Camp Woodland Trails with Centerville Troop 236 in August.

Matt Buban, Jeff Krueger, Jon Malotke, Mile Carle, John Harth, Brian Randolph, C.J. Humler and Grady Randolph spent four rigorous days and nights at the camp near Dayton. Adult leaders Tim Harth, David Randolph and Riley Humler also completed the training.

The Leadership Training Course is a unique program offered through the Centerville troop, which is one of the largest and best run Boy Scout groups in America. The Terrace Park contingent was invited to attend and all participants highly praised the quality and quantity of materials presented.

Topics covered during the course of each 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. day included compass reading and reconnoitering, dutch-oven cooking, working with and repairing ropes, first aid, troop organization and leadership, nature identification, problem solving, confidence building, team work and camping skills.

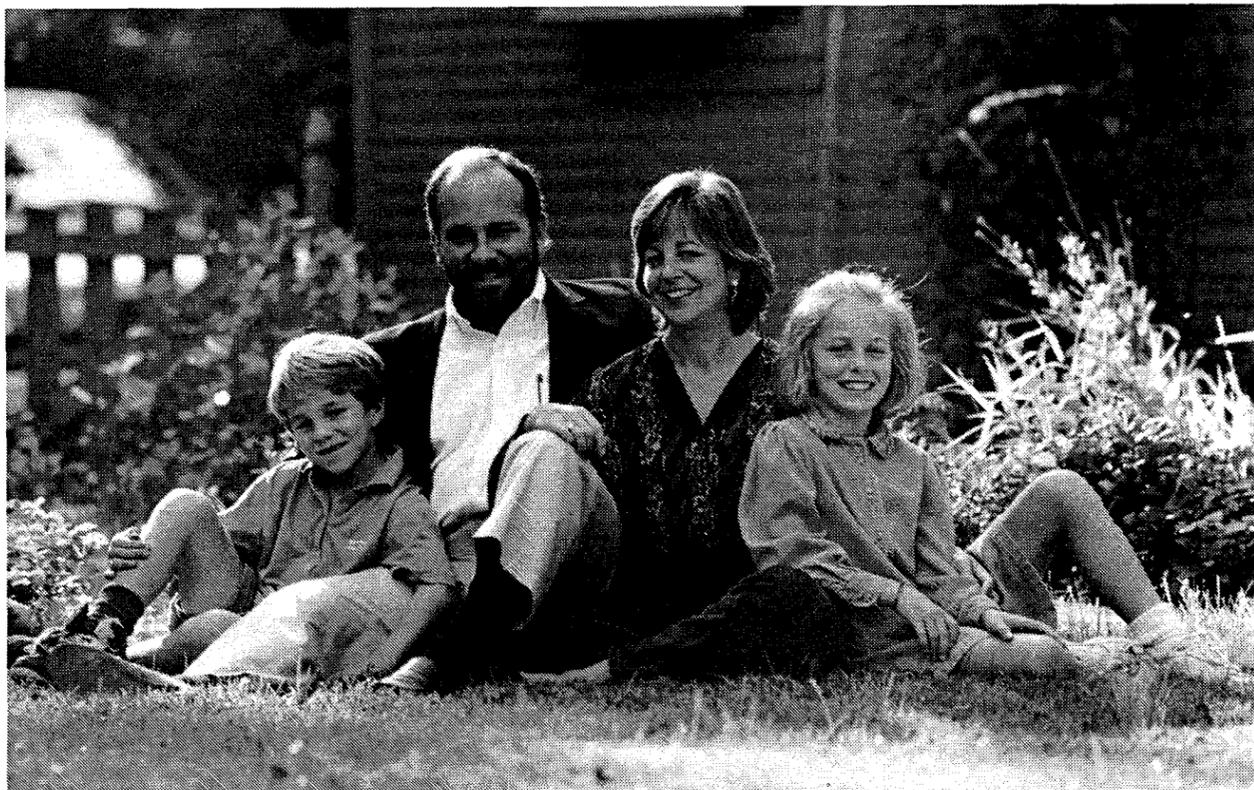
The course is designed to help senior scouts learn and review skills needed to lead and facilitate the development of younger scouts and to continue to advance in Scouting. Adult leaders involved in the training brought back many new ideas to Terrace Park's troop after observing Centerville's large and efficient operation.

In July Gerry Malotke took Grady Randolph, Jeff Krueger, Matt Buban, Chris Hogue, John Harth, Jonathan

Malotke, and Bryan Randolph to the Philmont Scout Ranch. Their two week camp in New Mexico included a challenge course, overnight camping at Crater Lake, panning for gold and a Mountain Man course for shooting rifles and throwing hatchets. When they were "homesteading" at Crooked Creek, they milked cows, chased chickens and even baked a birthday cake for Krueger. The cake, made of biscuit mix, hot chocolate and sugar, looked ugly but tasted great.

When working on their conservation project of trail building, they learned how precious water was when they ran out of it. They found a stream and later pumped their water through a purifier. While at the ranch they learned to lariat, brand, ride horseback and played horse shoes.

VOTE NOVEMBER 7th: 6:30 am - 7:30pm



Ellis, Richard (Nick), Julie & Laura Ward

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PTA Fun Fest Focuses on Kids

TPRC Replaces Family Fee With \$65 Fee For Each Sport



PTA Fun Fest Chairs Tammy Fischer, left and Betsy Porst, are refocusing the fundraiser once known as the Pumpkin Festival to children, fun and fantasy. Fun Fest, running from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 27 at TP Elementary will feature new haunts for the little ones in Casper's Corner, organized by Erin Rosson and Jane Egasti. The "real" Haunted House is headed by Amy Hadjian while Beth Srofe and Kay Barnhill are running the Pumpkin Patch Cafe, offering BBQ sandwiches, hot dogs and pizza. Cathy Borchers and Judy Deeter head games while Sandy Koehler and Lane Merten organize the Bid and Buy. Entries for the Pumpkin Carving contest should be dropped off at the school between 5 and 6 p.m. the night of the fest, according to organizers Maureen Sullivan and Clare Williams. Fun Fest will also feature video stills of the Annual Halloween Pumpkin Parade held Oct. 27 at 2 p.m. at the school.

Halloween Can Do

It's time again! The Youth of St. Thomas Church are collecting non-perishable food items on Halloween Night. Your donations of food will be used by Inter Parish Ministries to fill Thanksgiving baskets for those in need. If your house is missed, you can drop off your donations at St. Thomas Church no later than Sun., Nov. 5.

The Terrace Park Recreation Committee voted unanimously at its Oct. 9 meeting to discontinue the annual \$100 family participation fee and to initiate in Jan., 1996 a \$65 per sport individual fee. Instructional sports will remain \$10 per sport.

Several commissioners received phone calls or solicited community input prior to the meeting. One resident came to the meeting to discuss the issue. In determining the \$65 individual sport fee, the committee considered the close to \$60,000 needed to professionally maintain its fields, in addition to the maintenance of field/sports equipment, insurance, league fees, gym fees, uniforms and the ever increasing number of participants. As always, any resident needing financial assistance in order to play, can call any commissioner. All calls will be strictly confidential.

The committee also discussed the use of the fields by select teams and decided to maintain the philosophy for which the committee was established: TPRC fields will be used for TPRC teams only. The committee is here to provide recreational sports for all interested Terrace Park children.

A school facilities usage committee was established by the Mariemont School Board to determine a policy for the use of all district fields. The Recreation Committee is waiting for and will abide by the school board's decision regarding the use of Stanton Field. That decision is expected by December. Resident Buz Ecker presented a suggested policy for select teams which the Recreation Committee will consider if they are put in the position of determining the use of Stanton Field.

Baseball Commissioner Skip Kirby (831-1791) and Softball Commissioner Steve Wilson (831-7666) are looking for volunteers interested in coaching. Anyone interested is encouraged to call. The committee voted to spend an additional \$2,800 to get the baseball diamonds back into condition when the fields are repaired. Work on Drackett Field will begin as early as Oct. 22.

Soccer Commissioner Jamie Egasti reported the September goalkeeper clinic was well attended. Instructional soccer has 52 participants. The regular season will end Oct. 21 with some teams going on to tournaments. Tournament practices will be scheduled at Stanton Field.

An official thank you was extended to Mike Ross for his management of the Terrace Park referees, who are considered excellent. Referees, who earn \$10 per soccer game, are required to take a five day course at their own expense.

Basketball Commissioner John Finnigan reported 189 children have registered to play basketball on 23 teams, not including the seventh grade and older. Second grade competitive boys and second grade instructional girls were offered for the first time, with 23 boys and 22 girls registered to play. Coaches met Oct. 12 to draw teams and establish the practice schedule.

Leaf Collection Continues
Til Nov. 24, When Pick Up
Of Yard Waste Resumes

TP PTA Considers Changing To PTO

by Cyndy Finnigan

At the Terrace Park Elementary PTA's evening meeting Oct. 10, Sue Kaffer discussed the merits of having a PTA versus a PTO. She noted that the high school and junior high school have PTO's next year which will save approximately \$700 in dues. The Terrace Park PTA will consider at its Nov. meeting leaving the national PTA organization for an independent PTO.

Treasurer Sandy Wittman-Shell reported \$19,080 on balance in the PTA account plus \$2,200 in Kroger coupons.

Beth Srofe reported on the district's Central Committee, which consists of one parent from each of the five schools, a high school student, a teacher and a board member. The committee offers parents a forum to have their voices heard: one parent expressed concern over a perception of increased substance abuse. A task force was established by the Board of Education to explore

methods of drug abuse education and prevention. The central committee, which commended the elementary schools' summer enrichment programs, would like to hear parents' ideas.

Sixth grader Laura Date told the PTA of the new school store staffed by her classmates to sell school supplies during lunch recess. She noted running the store provides "an opportunity for students to learn business and economics in a hands-on manner."

PTA President Jill Smith announced co-ordinators are needed for the drama and gymnastics programs after school. A parent co-ordinator is also needed for a skating party with Mariemont and Fairfax on Feb. 16.

After the meeting Superintendent Gerald Harris sought support for the upcoming school levy. He noted that Mariemont schools provide excellence in education and that enrollment, which increased by 19% since 1992, is expected to increase by 25% by 1999.

TP Kindervelt Raffles Painted Picnic Tables

Debbie Davis and Lou Ann Mauk of Kindervelt #76 invite you to purchase raffle tickets at \$1 each for beautiful child-size picnic tables. The tables are hand crafted, painted white and decorated. Tickets are available from any Kindervelt #76 member with the drawing set for Nov. 11 at the Kinderklaus Markt, which also features holiday items, handcrafted treasures and baked goods. The drawing will take place at the Markt which benefits Children's Hospital.

Crisis Center Sponsors Fundraising Banquet

Terrace Park resident Candace Grafton is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cincinnati Crisis Pregnancy Center, which is celebrating its service in the greater Cincinnati area with a fundraising banquet Thurs., Oct 26 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

Gary Bauer, President of the Family Research Council in Washington, D.C., and recording artist David Teems will be featured at the "Life What A Wonderful Choice" Fundraising Banquet. The cost for the evening is \$35. For reservations, call 961-7777.

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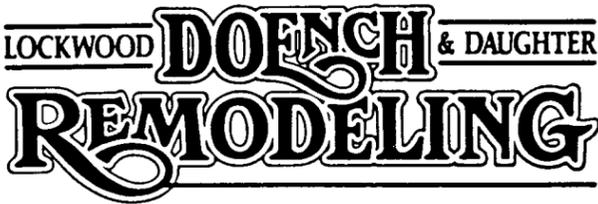
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Terrace Park Storm Water

Terrace Park's location, nestled between Indian Hill and the Little Miami River, has protected and preserved its nostalgic charm. Every year, however, with the return of the red bud and the dog wood, the spring rains roll off Indian Hill down Winding Brook and Red Bird Hollow Creek into the Little Miami. This year the rains didn't just roll, they raged and ravaged, overflowing the banks of the creeks that many village residents may have never even known are there.

Elm Road, Lane and Court

Spring storms on May 14, 18 and June 1 resulted in flooding in the vicinity of Elm Court, Elm Lane and Elm Avenue. The volunteer firefighters responding to the siren on June 1 found Elm Court had become a river with major flooding in the Sleepy Hollow subdivision. Fire Chief Phil Schneider said he'd never seen anything like it. Building Inspector Tim Harth said he waded down Elm Court to turn gas off at the residences. Two of the homes had water to the top of their basements.

Ironically, the cleaning of some storm water drains and blockage of another may have exacerbated the flow of heavy storm water of June 1, resulting in the extensive Sleepy Hollow flooding. After the May storms the Ohio Department of Transportation had cleared the extensive system of drainage canals running parallel to and just north of Wooster Pike. There was nothing holding back the flow of water off Indian Hill until it reached the 54 inch culvert parallel to the Elm Road tunnel under the old railroad tracks. A tree trunk was lodged in the culvert impeding the natural flow of the channel.

If this weren't enough, several of the homes in the Sleepy Hollow subdivision had some final details unfinished. J. Carey Fitzpatrick, Inc., which built the seven subdivision homes in 1991-1992, is bankrupt and the two unsold subdivision lots had been sold back to the creditor Fifth Third Bank. On June 1 there were several openings to crawl spaces which provided water entry to the basements. These have now been completed and there has been no subsequent basement flooding on Elm Court, not even on Aug. 9, when a record, three inches of rain fell in Indian Hill in one hour and fifteen minutes.

Indian Hill and Fieldstone Roads and Redbird Lane

Bob Halley, long time resident of Red Bird Lane attested to the mountains of water roaring down off Indian Hill. He explained the remaining structures of the bridge carrying the old traction train from Madeira to Terrace Park are just to the north of his property. On the night of Aug. 9 he said the Red Bird Hollow Creek rose seven and a half feet from the base of the bridge structure to the top in just over an hour.

That night the storm waters played havoc with the properties along Indian Hill, Swallow Field, and Red Bird. This is not a new problem area for storm water. As one resident who addressed the September Council meeting noted, Indian Hill storm water has plagued the residents of that area for 15 years.

Storm water coming down both sides of Indian Hill Road converges at a 24 inch culvert which followed a natural creek bed between two homes on Indian Hill Road, back behind Marian Lane homes into another 24 inch culvert under a Fieldstone property driveway to the storm water drains at the intersection of Winding Brook and Fieldstone. This drain empties into Winding Brook which flows past homes on Fieldstone, Winding Brook, Wagon Road, Wooster Pike, Elm Lane and eventually flows through the famous 54 inch culvert at the Elm Road underpass, then to the Little Miami River.

Sounds simple enough, but it isn't. The culvert under Indian Hill Road now opens up to nothing. The creek bed is filled and totally grown over with grass. Back in August of 1980, Virginia and Paul Marquett wrote to the mayor about this problem. She also addressed the Council at the September, 1995 meeting about the same problem.

On Aug. 29, 1980 Robert Roman and Virginia Marquett, agreed in a communication to the Mayor to have the village aid them with the problem. Eleven years later in May, 1991, the village solicitor proposed Street Commissioner Bob Bacon meet with the two neighbors on Indian Hill to decide on the best location for a culvert box to collect the water that runs down the curbs on Indian Hill Rd.

In Nov., 1991 Savage, Walker and Associates, at the request of Mayor Randy Casteel, submitted a proposal for \$1,900 for engineering services in conjunction with the storm drainage study of the problems in this area. At its regular November meeting Council denied the study by a 4-2 vote, with the majority feeling this was not a village issue.

In Aug., 1993, Savage, Walker and Assoc. (SWA) was again asked for an Engineering and Surveying proposal in reference to the same storm drainage channel to cost \$600. Conferences, communications, letters from lawyers continued through the summer of 1994. In March, 1995 Savage Walker and Assoc. submitted an Engineering proposal for a Storm Drainage Analysis in this same area at a cost of \$4,800. This was passed by Council Apr. 18, 1995.

Savage, Walker and Assoc. Analysis

This report, dated Aug. 15, 1995 analyzed the amount of runoff for various storm frequencies, the capacities of existing facilities and design of new storm water facilities to carry the larger storms. George Kipp of SWA reported the entire 41.5 acres of this watershed flow either to the 24 inch culvert draining to Fieldstone Dr. or to the existing ditch just west of Red Bird La. and on to the Redbird Hollow Creek. Presently all storm drainage facilities, with the exception of the 24 inch culvert at Fieldstone, are undersized for even two year frequency storms when they should handle up to 25 year frequency storms. Since all areas north of Indian Hill Road bypass the 24 inch culvert crossing at Indian Hill Rd. due to siltation, the runoff finds a path along Swallowfield Drive to the back of the residences on Redbird Lane.

Recently the village paid \$972 for cleaning the culvert under Indian Hill Road. The village cleaned only in its right of way, which left the years of silt built up still remaining in the old creek bed south of Indian Hill Road. As indicated in the photo the residents of Redbird Lane have also redug the trench behind their properties to allow more direct flow of stormwater to Redbird Hollow Creek.

SWA suggests any runoff from the watershed north of Indian Hill Rd. should be diverted either to the abandoned mining pit just east of Redbird Lane residential area, or to Redbird Hollow Creek just north of the Redbird Lane residential area. They recommend sealing the existing 24 inch culvert crossing Indian Hill Road just cleaned out by the village and constructing a new storm sewer system with three new culverts, eight new catch basins and four headwalls. To the south of Indian Hill Rd., SWA recommends cleaning out and re-grading the channel to the existing 24 inch culvert at the entrance to the Fieldstone storm sewer system.

SWA suggests completing this work in four stages:

1. Storm sewer from Redbird La. subdivision to the old mining pit: \$118,000.
 2. Storm sewers from Swallowfield Rd. to Indian Hill Rd. :\$70,000.
 3. Cleaning and regrading channel south of Indian Hill Rd. : \$42,000.
 4. Remove and replace 10 inch storm sewer on north side of Indian Hill Rd. : \$40,000.
- Total Cost: \$270,000.

Editor's Note:

This is the first in a series of articles outlining the water problems in Terrace Park. Since the residents of the northern part of the village along Indian Hill Rd. and Redbird La. have been plagued by storm water for at least 15 years, I thought it was appropriate to begin in that area.

This series will address:

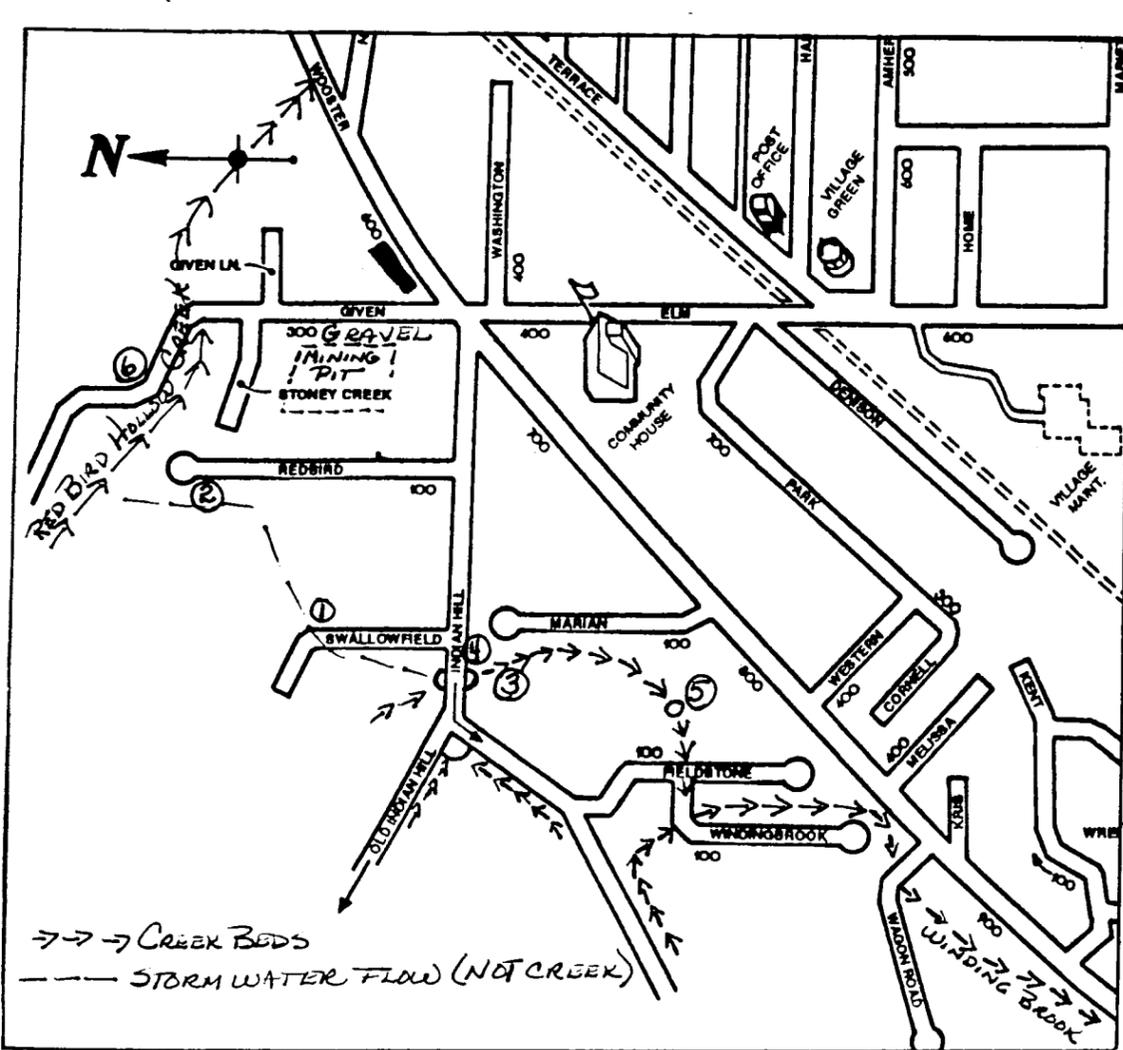
- * The storm water converging at the 54 inch culvert at the Elm Rd. tunnel.
- * The 11,100 feet of four inch water mains in the village that need to be replaced for fire protection at an estimated cost of \$700,000.

Issue II Could Benefit The Village

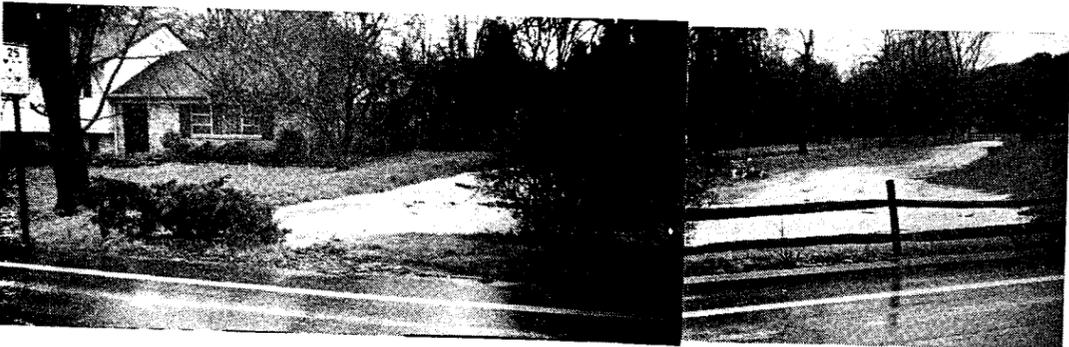
Issue II would authorize \$120 million in general obligation bonds annually for ten years to assist in financing local road, bridge, water, wastewater, stormwater and solid waste projects. The total bonding authority supported by the Ohio General Revenue Fund would be \$1.2 billion.

Engineer George Kipp, on behalf of Terrace Park, has applied for Issue II funds to replace the Elm Rd. bridge (\$65,000), the retaining wall (\$15,000) and the 54 inch culvert (\$70,000). The total cost with contingencies for the project is \$159,000. Since the Village would be responsible for 20% and engineering fees, the Ohio Public Works Commission funds could be \$127,200.

Ohio Public Works Finance Officer Matthew Markey explained the funding to be distributed in July, 1996 is the final round of the current Issue II funds. Even if the Elm Rd. project is funded this year, Terrace Park's need for Issue II funds will not end. The Indian Hill Rd. storm water improvements are estimated at \$270,000 and replacing water mains is estimated at \$700,000. Consider these when you vote Nov. 7 between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m..



1. (Above) Storm water, blocked from flowing under Indian Hill Rd. toward the stormwater feed into Winding Brook at Fieldstone, crosses Swallowfield and heads to Red Bird Hollow Creek along the back yards of residents on the western side of Redbird. Four years ago Street Commissioner Bob Bacon did a dye test which confirmed this storm water flow. 2. (Right) Drainage ditch behind homes on western side of Redbird was recently deepened and widened by the residents.



3. Flooding south of Indian Hill Rd. before culvert under Indian Hill was cleaned recently by the village.. Silt and grass filled in original creek bed located on private property and forces storm water flow to the east of the natural channel which once led to the 24 inch culvert leading to Fieldstone and on to Winding Brook.



4. The village recently cleared this 24 inch culvert under Indian Hill Rd. at a cost of \$972. Silt filled channel on private property south of Indian Hill Rd. was not cleaned and water flow remains impeded.

5. Creekbed leading to 24 inch culvert under Fieldstone property. Although it is not clear if this culvert is in village right of way, the fire department cleaned railroad ties and other debris from the culvert close to ten years ago.

6. Base of old traction line bridge northeast of Redbird La. On Aug. 9 the creek rose more than seven feet to the top of the bridge support in just over an hour. According to Indian Hill officials water from the creek flowed across Given Road.

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Newcomer News

Marilynne Chapman extends a very special thank you and welcome to all 105 families that joined Newcomers this year. She added a portion of the Newcomers dues goes to welcoming new folks to the village.

She reported the wine and cheese gathering, hosted by Jennie Gould, was well attended and enjoyed by all. Future social events include: a couples dinner-dance, a Polaroid scavenger hunt and a summer garden party. Buncorama 2 is set for June and two new Bunco groups will be starting in October and November.

Over 100 guests, newcomers and old timers gathered at the Log Cabin for the Octoberfest, which featured beer, brats and German music. Each guest was given a secret identity. The object was to ask questions and mingle to reveal one's mystery person.

Chapman noted special interest groups are under way. Sixty couples are participating in Couples Dinner Club and dinner assignments can be obtained from her at 248-4705. Girls Night Out is set for Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. at Funky's in Kenwood. Mindy Wagner (248-8852) is handling those reservations.

As a community service Newcomers will be selling Terrace Park flags, which can be ordered from Karen Groppe at 831-7711. Orders will be taken through Oct. 30 for delivery in time for the holidays.

Anyone interested in joining Terrace Park Newcomers, please call Erin Rosson (831-5259).

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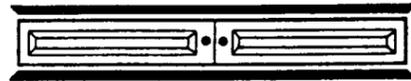
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