

20% of Village's Water Mains Deliver Insufficient Volume To Insure Optimum Fire Flow

George Kipp told Council at its February meeting that 13,000 feet of eight inch water mains need to be added to the village's infrastructure to insure adequate volume for fire fighting. Currently 20% of the water mains in Terrace Park are four inches in diameter. These will be left in place as they are more than adequate to supply water to residences. The new pipe will be laid four feet deep, next to the existing water mains and attached to fire hydrants. Should residents choose to hook up to the new mains, the cost to the home owner is estimated at \$1,000.

According to Kipp, who represents Savage Walker and Assoc. which serves as the village engineering firm, 60% of Terrace Park's water mains are six inch, while 20% are eight inch. The newest streets in the village have eight inch pipe which meets building code and engineering standards.

As indicated on the above map, new lines will be added at the west end of Stanton, all of Marietta and Myrtle, south end of Floral, north end of Lexington and all of Park, Western and Cornell. Currently four inch water mains run down the alleys behind the homes on Cambridge, Oxford and Rugby. Since the alleys are not large enough to easily serve fire equipment and addresses are not visible from the rear, the new eight inch lines will be installed on the streets and possibly some on Harvard.

The village should be notified July 1 if the state Issue II loan of \$623,000 applied for in September is approved. Terrace Park's portion of the project would be \$77,000. With the village planning to contribute 11% of the project cost it gets a better standing in the application process, according to Kipp. He added that the state notifies communities of the interest rate, ranging from 0 to 3%, when the loans are announced in the summer.

If granted, the loan would be repaid over 20 years by increasing annual fees to homeowners by \$60. Multiple fee for the first \$15 is

and commercial properties in the village totaling close to \$1 million which would cover the principal and interest. Councilman Dan Keefe said residents could see an additional \$15 charge on their water bills each quarter to cover the cost of replacing the old pipes, some of which are almost 90 years old.

The project would include new fire hydrants, each costing close to \$2,500, for Cambridge, Oxford, Rugby and possibly Harvard. Kipp said a new hydrant will also be installed in front of the Community House. Should there be a fire on the village property now, the fire trucks would have to go to Washington or Park and run the lines back to the Community House.

Jim Fox, superintendent of Indian Hill Waterworks, Terrace Park Fire Chief Phil Schneider and Kipp agree the the current four inch mains serving the village, especially near the elementary school, could be a problem in the event of a major fire. Drills near the school, according to Schneider, have shown the four inch mains couldn't provide the water needed to fight a fire at the school requiring a multiple truck response.

The fire truck's main supply is five inches, making it larger than the water main feeding it. The volume of water available to fight a fire could also be a problem on some of the larger homes on the affected streets, according to Schneider.

According to Fox, residents would see little benefit in hooking up to the new, larger lines, which are needed to insure adequate fire flow.

Kindergarten Registration

Terrace Park Elementary School will hold Kindergarten registration Mar. 6 at 7 p.m. in the school library. Any parent with a child who is age five prior to Sept. 30, 1997 planning to attend the elementary school should see Mrs. Jo Trilety to pick up an information packet at the school

Sophomore Leah Ross Wins Gold At State Meet

Swimming her best ever time (56.28), Leah Ross won the gold medal in the 100 butterfly at the Ohio High School Swimming Championship Feb. 21, which now qualifies her for the senior nationals in Nashville this summer.

Mariemont High School sophomore Ross said she really wanted to win this year after finishing fifth in this event as a freshman. All but one of the swimmers finishing ahead of her last year was a senior. That one, now a senior from Shaker Heights, finished first in the prelims in the morning when Ross came in second at 57.55. Ross trailed the Shaker Heights swimmer in the championship event, catching her in the last ten yards.

She said she probably had an advantage, even as a freshman, at the state championships because she was used to being there, having gone to watch her brother Ian swim there four and five years ago.

Ross, who will swim both the 100 and 200 butterfly for the Baracudas at Y Nationals in Ft. Lauderdale in April, said the 100 is actually easier for her since it's a sprint event. The Ohio state championships do not include the 200 butterfly.

Under the direction of Baracudas Coach Ed Bachman, Ross will begin preparing for the Y Nationals. She practices, sometimes twice a day, with the Baracudas and swims at the high school events under the direction of Coach Kevin Manness.

She says the practices are hard, especially over Christmas, but swimming is fun because of her friends on the team. They presented her with a tiara, made of plastic rather than precious medals, to go with her gold medal. And neighbors greeted her at home with a bouquet of flowers.

She's also been honored as Southern Ohio Swim League Female Swimmer of the Year and Sectional and District Champ. Ross attended the United States Swimming Girls Select Camp in Colorado Springs in October. An All-American, she was named Enquirer Player of the Week Feb. 6. She is the daughter of Mike and Laurel Ross of Harvard Ave.

The Mariemont High School swim team placed tenth overall at state with the ladies taking 12th place in both the 400 yard free relay and the 400 medley relay. Terrace Park resident and sophomore Leslie Lakamp swam on the free relay team and Ross swam butterfly for the medley relay.



The Mariemont men placed 18th in the 200 freestyle relay with all the swimmers from Terrace Park, including freshman Chris Clukey, sophomore Forrest Kennedy and juniors John Allan and David Allan. Kennedy finished 18th in the 100 butterfly and John Allan finished 24th in the 100 breaststroke. Sophomore Jeff Krueger was an alternate.

Real Estate Sales Down In Numbers And Totals, Average Price Inches Up

The 1995 trends in real estate have continued into 1996 in Terrace Park. In fact this year's headline is a clone of last year's. The 40 recorded home sales in Terrace Park in 1996 totalled \$8,443,050, down almost 22% from last year's total of \$10,862,373. The minimum sale was \$70,500 down from last year's \$102,000. This year's maximum of \$575,000 is a significant increase over last year's top sale at \$480,000.

The average sale price in 1996 was \$211,076, just \$2,184 or one percent more than last year's average price of \$208,892. This year's properties, with sales price and closing date, include:

In Memory

In memory of friends and neighbors, who died in 1996.

Terrace Park Residents:

- Kebbie Blum
 - Michael Joseph Buschbacher (1-31)
 - Sydnor I. Davis, Jr., 71 (5-24)
 - Addie Evans
 - Edward Morton Hageman, 85 (2-24)
 - Harold William Herrman, 87 (7-22)
 - Samuel R. Hollingsworth, 84 (10-22)
 - Howard "Bud" Peterson, 76 (9-4)
 - Inga Ritchie
 - Evelyn Robinson, 90 (2-13)
 - Martha Schott
 - Dorothy Keating Seiter (8-2)
 - John O. Tyner, 84 (12-28)
- ### Long-time Residents:
- David M. Heisler, 73 (1-1)
 - Clara Stander Hoffman
 - Evelyn Bellamy Peery, 71 (9-3)
 - Newell Thomas Preston, 53 (1-8)
 - Rhea Condit Sparrow, 85 (9-2)

Terrace Park's Youngest Residents

- Terrace Park welcomes its youngest residents, born in 1996.
- Elizabeth Buechel, Joe and Julie Buechel
 - Andrew Thomas Burbank, (5-5), John and Kris Burbank
 - Lindsay Robin Gislason, (6-7) William and Julie Gislason
 - Audrey Irene Helmrick, (3-29) Dwight and Karen Norton Helmrick
 - Paige Elizabeth Morrow, (8-24) Scott and Heidi Morrow
 - Aaron Joseph Routt, (8-8) Robert and Janie Routt
 - Alexandra Lauren Skidmore, (11-23) Bi and Kristen Skidmore

300	Amherst Ave.	\$215,000	6/10/96
407	Amherst Ave.	\$132,000	4/4/96
815	Douglas Ave.	\$175,000	7/19/96
823	Douglas Ave.	\$464,000	2/6/96
915	Elm Ave.	\$187,500	10/16/96
918	Elm Ave.	\$297,500	8/19/96
607	Home St.	\$264,000	6/4/96
615	Home St.	\$165,000	9/17/96
733	Indian Hill Rd.	\$80,000	7/8/96
739	Indian Hill Rd.	\$153,500	4/25/96
805	Indian Hill Rd.	\$165,000	1/11/96
401	Marietta Ave.	\$161,000	4/30/96
509	Marietta Ave.	\$575,000	6/4/96
3	Melissa Ct.	\$159,750	9/4/96
618	Miami Ave.	\$230,000	4/2/96
721	Miami Ave.	\$285,000	5/2/96
728	Miami Ave.	\$225,000	6/24/96
608	Myrtle Ave.	\$460,000	7/31/96
739	Park Ave.	\$185,000	10/29/96
900	Princeton Ave.	\$184,000	3/19/96
113	Redbird La.	\$165,000	10/2/96
113	Robinwood Dr.	\$180,000	4/12/96
115	Robinwood Dr.	\$158,400	4/10/96
210	Rugby Ave.	\$195,000	10/4/96
211	Rugby Ave.	\$357,000	2/29/96
215	Rugby Ave.	\$234,000	4/18/96
13	Sycamore Ave.	\$70,700	12/31/96
427	Terrace Pl.	\$165,000	5/1/96
102	Wagon Road	\$190,500	6/7/96
304	Wanoka Woods	\$250,000	10/15/96
120	Winding Brook	\$179,500	5/24/96
732	Wooster Pk.	\$128,900	6/18/96
803	Wooster Pk.	\$154,000	6/5/96
102	Wrenwood La.	\$143,500	9/25/96
125	Wrenwood La.	\$155,000	6/6/96
151	Wrenwood La.	\$99,000	10/9/96
615	Yale Ave.	\$212,000	10/2/96
716	Yale Ave.	\$208,000	5/21/96
808	Yale Ave.	\$201,000	4/19/96
812	Yale Ave.	\$233,000	6/20/96



Supercomputer Program For 9th & 10th Graders Endorsed by Rep. Schuler

State Representative Robert Schuler reminds his constituents the The Ohio State University will again hold its supercomputer student program July 14-25. Current 1996-97 high school freshmen and sophomores are eligible to attend "Supercomputing and Scientific Visualization" at The Ohio State Summer Institute. Participants learn and do programming on one of the most powerful supercomputers in the world, the CRAY Y-MP8/864. Fifteen students will use high-end workstations to produce state-of-the-art graphics in physics, chemistry and computer science.

To receive an application, contact OSU Summer Institute, Ohio Supercomputer Center, c/o Mary Stuessy, 1224 Kinnear Rd., Columbus, OH 43212-1163, (614) 292-9248. Applications must be entered by May 8 and the cost for those accepted is \$25.

Yokel Wins Blue Ribbon

Adam Yokel of Terrace Park is one of six Cincinnati Country Day seventh graders to win a blue ribbon at the National Seminar of the American Needlepoint Guild in Memphis for their artwork, entitled "A Kaleidoscope of Color."

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Junior High Students Earn Academic Honors

Terrace Park students earned academic recognition for the second quarter of the 1996-97 school year at Mariemont Junior High School.

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

Grade 7: Ellen Baird, Alex Castator, Amy Fisher, Gretchen Perry and Victoria Thoman.

Grade 8: Matthew Amis.

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

Grade 7: Sarah McCarthy, Courtney Callaghan, Julie Gould, Matthew Chapman, Elizabeth Brown, Laura Date, Jennifer Sarran, Jeffrey Picton, Lindsay Deeter, Katherine Sheridan, John Carrigan, Erin Deepe, Emily Holmes, Michael Keys, Jeffrey Kipp, Lewis Woolsey, Tara Hawk and Andrew Brown.

Grade 8: Joel Moyer, Jeremy Schubert, Carlton Albrecht, Amanda Hartman, Geoffrey Gray, David Startzman, Sarah Brosch, Jonathan Drackett, Jessica Read, Katherine Woolsey, Kyle Dediemar and Richard Park.

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.

Hesser Heads Committee
Terrace Park resident Tina Hesser heads the Staff Acquisitions Committee for Cincinnati Country Day School's annual fund raising auction set for May 10. The theme of Country Date '97, The Past, The Present, The Promise, emphasizes the importance of parents and teachers in the lives of children as they grow to meet the future.



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Kindervelt Celebrates Spring With Egg Hunt

Terrace Park will be hopping during the annual Kindervelt Easter Egg Hunt on the Village Green March 22 from 1 to 3 p.m. The Easter Bunny will be on hand with candy and prizes for everyone. The cost is \$5 per child.

Rec-Creations Outlet has generously donated a playhouse valued at \$500 to be raffled at the Easter Egg Hunt. Kindervelt members will sell tickets for \$1 each or six for \$5. For more information, contact Kelley Smith (831-1598) or Jill Freshley (248-0098).

Celebrate special occasions with Kindervelt's handpainted yard signs. Rental rates are \$7 per day; \$20 for three days; or \$35 for one week. A special plaque will commemorate the individual occasion. Contact Elaine Fening (831-8371) for rental information.

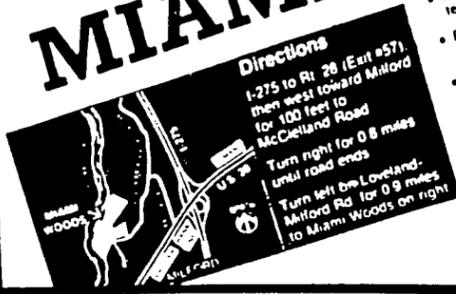
CCDS Arts Day '97

Arts Day '97 at Cincinnati Country Day School offers a special opportunity to work with professional artists and educators Sat., Mar 8 from 8 a.m. to noon. To register, call 583-0440 before the Feb. 28 deadline. Classes include: preschool paint and splatter, music fun, painted pots, ceramic tiles and bowls, memorabilia box painting, fimo fun, painted wood objects, hand colored photographs and woodworking.

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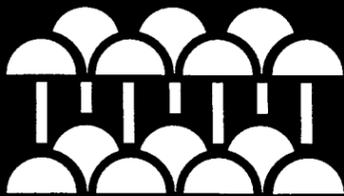
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TP Welcomes Newcomers

by Cyndy Finnigan

Despite the chill of winter, some new residents have found a warm welcome here in Terrace Park.

Cynthia and Chris Johnston at 739 Park, and their two daughters, Laura (10) and Whitney (6) come from St. Louis. Chris is an optical engineer from for U.S. Precision Lens; Cynthia is a Creative Memories Instructor, teaching such things as 'scrapbooking'.

"We knew we wanted to be in this community," says Cynthia. "We came for the schools but also for the neighborhood feel. I want to grow old here!" she insists. "It's nice in St. Louis, but it isn't Terrace Park."

By moving to this area Bob and Cathie Kocher have returned to their roots. Cathie grew up in Terrace Park and her sister Teri Moorehead is still here. Bob is from Milford and has numerous memories of Terrace Park, including coming to the Community Building for group dance classes. They reside at 3 Melissa Ct. with children Annie (9) and Brandon (11). Bob remembers his street as a big, open field years ago. He is Director of Purchasing for Surgical Appliances Industries and Cathie is office manager for C.E. Healy Co.

"We are very happy to be here," emphasizes Bob. "The schools offer such a vast array of learning possibilities."

Jan and Brian Coleman and children Katie (10) and Mary-Henley (7) are currently renting 801 Miami. Brian, who is with Ethicon Endosurgery, was transferred here from Birmingham, Alabama. "we largely discovered Terrace Park by word of mouth," states Jan "and by scrutinizing the school systems."

Jan is at home with the girls and enjoys being involved at school and volunteer activities. They are looking forward to "investigating Cincinnati" and finding a permanent home in Terrace Park.

"Return of the Pod People" Benefits Fine Arts Program

Twenty-six acts featuring the combined efforts of more than 150 Mariemont School District residents, parents, teachers, coaches and students will be featured in three Fine Arts Variety Show performances Fri., Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m., Sat., March 1 at 7:30 p.m. and Sun., March 2 at 2 p.m. All performances will be in the Mariemont High School Auditorium.

Proceeds from the show, "Return of the Pod People," will benefit the unified arts programs at the junior and senior high schools. It is the Mariemont Fine Arts Association's only major annual fund-raiser. The theme of this year's extravaganza refers to the high school's architectural pod design and the music that has echoed through school halls for generations.

Auditions for the show brought dozens of residents forward, and entertainers ages 15 to 82 have been selected for the show. There will be a women's barbershop quartet, a mother-daughter duet, a parody featuring three high school coaches, an original number by the local rock band Identity Crisis, a clown, adult and youth choruses, instrumental performances, dancing and comedy.

"The talent came forward and the show began to take on a life of its own," said Terrace Park resident John Wenstrup, the show's writer, producer and director. "I am very pleased with the talent and dedication of the dozens of other people who are working behind the scenes. It promises to be lots of fun for everyone."

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and senior citizens. Sharen Ogier (561-2208) is in charge of tickets. Raffle tickets are also available for extraordinary prizes courtesy of local merchants. J. Williams Jewelers of the Mariemont Strand has donated two Zodiac watches valued at \$450 each; The National Exemplar and the Dilly Deli have teamed to offer a "Get-Away Package" that includes dinner and an overnight stay at the inn and a gift basket from the deli; Dana Motors has donated a complete auto detailing certificate. Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20 and may be purchased from Polly Duplace (831-5883). Checks for both performance tickets and raffle tickets should be made payable to the Mariemont Fine Arts Association.

Among the performers will be retirees: Dave Pankuk, a school district resident who's performed on regional stages for decades; and Lee Harmon, a Mariemont resident who has studied clowning with a nationally known instructor.

Adult vocalists- some of whom performed on the MHS stage as students- include Jennifer Rech, Grace Holmes, David Park, John Wenstrup, Greg Hadjian, Bill and Linda Swensson, Kathy Hayes, Jack Gambetta, Beth Shatz-Merritt and Chris Wilson. Judy Deeter will perform a duet with her daughter, Lindsay, a student at the junior high.

Students will be getting in on the act too. Stephen Carter will do an oral interpretation from the movie "Rudy," Steve Early, Ryan Wenstrup, Susan Park, an entire high school math class and a troupe of singers and dancers are among the performers.

Teri Seurkamp is handling the choreography. Cameo appearances will be made by Supt. Gerald Harris, high school principal John Lauderman and high school counselor Janet Elfers.



Professional artists from Terrace Park, who are volunteering their evenings and weekends to create lavish and whimsical sets for "Return of the Pod People," include: (from left) Mark Castator, Mark Eberhard and Amy Hadjian. Not shown is Glenn Lindahl.

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TP Students Earn Academic Honors

Terrace Park students earned academic recognition for the second quarter of the 1996-97 school year at Mariemont High School.

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

Grade 9: Sarah Borchers, William Borden, Christopher Clukey, Lindsay Donnelly, Lauren Fox, Kristen Kirby, Anna Proctor and Alison Wenstrup.

Grade 10: Shannon Callaghan, John Deepe, Rachel Eberhard, Jillion Gislason, Erin Govert, Shannon Luhn, Ashley McGraw, Katherine Porter and Molly Smith.

Grade 11: Christina Ehrnschwender, Courtney Merten, Susan Park, Bethany Peebles and Daniel Startzman.

Grade 12: Lydia Davis, Melissa Donnelly, Laura Nisonger and Sara Safford.

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

Grade 9: Brian Ballinger, Rebecca Bollinger, Michael Carle, Ian Frank, Conrad Hindert, Christopher Hogue, Erika Howland, Emily Johnson, Michael McCarthy, Sally Mitchell, Timothy Nisonger, Anthony Rinaldi and Cody Rogowski.

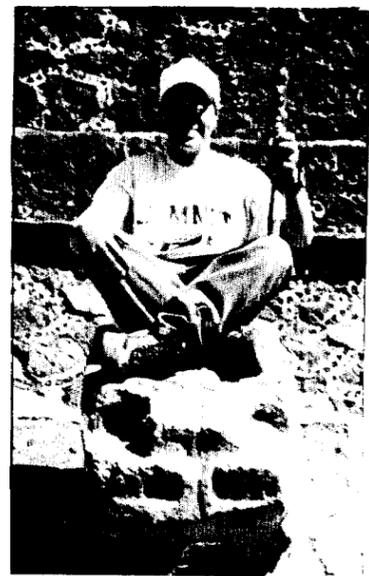
Grade 10: Joseph Campo, Kathryn Casteel, Sarah Crosby, Michael Dever, Amanda Ervin, Amanda Forbes, Johann Hindert, Forrest Kennedy, Chase Koehler, Jeffrey Krueger, Katherine Moorhead, Catherine Picton, Leah Ross, Lisa Sarran and Leslie Swensson.

Grade 11: David Allan, John Allan, Samantha Bullock, Taylor Heilbronner, Suzanne Jones, Ann Keefe, James Singler, Dustin Tretz and Ryan Wenstrup.

Grade 12: Laura Baker, Matthew Dunning, Abby Duplace, Lauren Graf, Stephanie Hogue, Page Koehler, Melissa Mitchell, Ryan Parrish and Sahataya Tiyayon.

Soccer Refs Needed

Referees, aged 13 to adult, are needed to referee soccer games in the fall for the Terrace Park Recreation Committee. The first two training sessions are scheduled for Mar. 10 and Apr. 7. Referees earn \$10 to \$16 per game and the coordinators attempt to accommodate personal schedules. If interested call Soccer Commissioner Theresa Bain (831-2032) or Referee Coordinator Mike Ross



St. Thomas Church Holds Annual Meeting

At the church's 121st Annual Meeting on Feb. 2, St. Thomas members re-elected Chris Smith of Terrace Park as Senior Warden and John Long of Milford as Junior Warden, each for a third one-year term. Tom Hodges, of Terrace Park, continues as church treasurer.

Newly elected to the church's 12-member Vestry are: Doug Cherry, Julie Northrop, and Mindy Wiegel of Terrace Park, and Carter Chatfield of Indian Hill. Offgoing Vestry members are Bob Dutina, Lew Gatch and Pere Roberts.

The treasurer and senior warden reported the church is in very good shape financially; the Endowment Fund is up \$300,000 over the past two years, and the church's 1997 budget is a record \$545,500. Ten percent of last year's budget went to outreach projects.

Smith said the church's new rector, The Rev. J. Donald Waring (who came one and a half years ago) "got his sea legs" in 1996, and — because of the high standards he set — the church now has a fine new assistant rector, Wes Hinton, and organist/choirmaster, Charles Olegar. Smith pointed out that Thomaston Woods, the church-owned housing project in Clermont County, is the largest outreach endeavor ever accomplished by a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio.

The annual meeting of St. Thomas Housing Corporation followed. President Nancy Harvey, Vice-President John Eberhard and Treasurer Sid Hunt continue in office. Harvey sees Thomaston Woods, the Corporation's major project, as a blessing; she showed a map of the site where two adjoining lots were added in 1996 to provide room for expansion of programs offered to residents.

Linda Smith reviewed those programs, which are at the heart of Thomaston Woods and served 213 children and 58 adults in 1996. She said that one of the main goals is being met: 29 of the 41 families who moved out last year were able to move into newly bought homes.

Schneider Participated In Summit's First Jr. High Exchange to Mexico

Summit Country Day seventh grader Phillip Schneider participated in the school's first three week exchange program to Toluca, Mexico at the beginning of the school year. Phillip said his stay in the industrial city located in the mountains 40 miles outside Mexico City was much warmer than he had ever imagined. He really enjoyed the cultural and language immersion in the home of Victor Gutierrez, who staid here in Terrace Park last spring.

While in Mexico Phillip went to school with Victor and was surprised to find at least three hour - long periods every day were devoted to English. He was also shocked by the tight security at the school where no one was allowed in or out during the day and parents had to show identification cards to come and go on the school grounds.

The exchange program included nine Summit students and two chaperones, who ventured out in an organized fashion every other day. Phillip said he enjoyed the San Miguel Missions, touring a silver mine and visiting the pyramids of the sun at Tiotihuacan shown in the above photo.

Exchange programs are not a new phenomenon for Phillip's parents, Phil and Kathy Schneider, as they have hosted five AFS students from Italy, New Zealand, China and Brazil on short stays in their home on Wrenwood Lane.

TP Residents Dance At Irish Ceili March 22

Janie Sullivan and Aiden Williams will perform with the McGing Irish Dancers at the 16th Annual Irish Ceili on Sat., March 22 at the Music Hall Ballroom at 8 p.m. A ceili is an Irish evening of music, song and dancing. Simple ceili dances are called so everyone can join in the fun. Call 231-1981 for information.

Munich Student Exchange Applications Now Accepted

Applications are being accepted for the high school exchange sponsored by the Munich Sister City Association of Greater Cincinnati and the Munich Germany Education Office. Applications should be turned in as soon as possible.

Fifteen Munich students and a chaperone will visit Cincinnati from May 17 through May 31. Their hosts will be their Cincinnati student partners and family. Families must be able to provide transportation to activities connected with the program. The 15 American students will visit Munich from June 18 to July 2 and will be hosted by their German partners.

The cost is \$1,100. Applications will be screened and finalists interviewed as necessary before selections are announced. Preference will be given to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

To receive an application, contact Lee Parker, program director, at 271-8210 or 527-5992, ext. 215.

Mariemont Seeks Athletic Records

The Mariemont City School District Athletic Boosters and Athletic Department need information about Mariemont athletes beginning in 1949. The names and years of Mariemont teams that won league, district, regional or state championships are needed as well as the names of individual state champions.

Send information and verification, such as newspaper articles, to Jeff Watterson, Athletic Director, Mariemont High School, 3812 Pocahontas, Cincinnati, OH 45227. The information will be used on athletic banners.



Scouting in Style: Terrace Park Brownie Troop 3430 made quite a fashion statement on their last outing where 19 third graders learned about fashion retailing at Kenwood's Limited Too. The Scouts model the latest styles in their own private fashion show at the Limited Too.

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Planning, Zoning and Development Discussed

Residents attending the Feb. 3 Public Forum on development differed in opinions as to the desirability of enlarging existing houses and building big new homes.

Builder Stock Keffer said the development brings new families into the village increasing the size of the tax base. He concluded as long as everyone adheres to current codes and setbacks, he doesn't have a problem with it. Steve Fletcher, who's had 13 projects in the Park, noted many residents increase the size of their homes because they want to continue living here. He suggested people may not want to give up the increases in property values produced by development in the village. He added, "Most people want the ability to make their house bigger and if you start limiting what you can do to your own home, our property values would go to Hell."

Ken Maddux, who's been a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for more than five years, said he didn't think development or any of the new houses in the village has been positive. He wants the side lot lines reduced to reduce the size of houses.

Council's Planning and Zoning Chairman Dan Keefe feared requiring larger lot sizes would mean many homes would be out of code and would require Board of Zoning Appeals action before anything could be done to change the property. He noted that most people want restrictions on all houses but their own.

Keefe said zoning regulations are the way to express the values and concerns of the community while preserving its character. Mayor Jennifer Comfort said, "We're trying to do what you all want us to do and getting information is the first step."

Additional concerns voiced at the meeting included:

-Zoning and use of school district property at Stanton Field and the existing lots at the elementary school. Consider securing right of first refusal.

-Status of the bike path. (Unchanged.)

-Contractors putting driveways over village sidewalks.

-Having local contractor serve as village building official. Mayor noted Savage Walker inspects Tim Harth's projects.

Planning Com. Meeting

At its Jan. 29 meeting the Commission formalized its practice of notifying residents of meetings, if residents provide village secretary with stamped envelopes or cards.

Village Solicitor Bob Molloy informed the commission it can not require geo-technical tests for the properties along the river, as its function is to determine if a property is in compliance with the Zoning Code. The geo-technical tests could be a part of the building permit process. George Kipp confirmed there is no reason to conclude the 801 Miami property site is inherently unstable. The geo-technical tests would need to be considered in the context of a proposed building or improvement to the site.

Molloy also noted that if the 801 Miami property is platted in the Recorder's office as two lots the Commission must certify the lot. The property owner may reconfigure existing lots and transfer one or both of those lots without the approval of the Planning Commission.

Parked Cars Prevent Safety Vehicle Access

Could a fire truck squeeze between cars parked on your street? Could an ambulance get through to a critically injured person?

Terrace Park Fire Dept. Inspector Dave Glassmeyer reminds residents of the Terrace Park ordinance requiring a minimum of ten feet of space between cars parked on either side of the street to allow emergency vehicles access to the location of an emergency.

Glassmeyer notes a fire truck is a large vehicle that needs room just to go straight. If it has to be turned in an emergency it takes up significantly more room. Glassmeyer reminds residents the no parking signs near the Community House are there to allow for safe passage of the emergency vehicles. He is concerned the signs are being overlooked.

MHS Alumni Directory

Efforts are being made to contact Mariemont High School alumni via phone and mail to obtain and verify biographical information to be used for the school's first alumni directory. Alumni Research, Inc. will collect the data and compile it in a hardbound volume, which is a limited edition to be offered once. The directory retails for \$59.95 plus shipping and handling charges with a portion of the proceeds channeled back to the Mariemont School Foundation.

The directory's contents will include four sections - an alphabetical and geographical student listing; a listing by class year; and an editorial section showcasing the school's history. The directory will also include graduates of Terrace Park High School.

TP Garden Club Invites Residents To Workshop

By Marilynne Chapman

Spring is in the air! The Terrace Park Garden Club invites village residents to attend its March 4 meeting at 12:30 p.m. at the Community House for a workshop by Karen Ballinger on "Spring Arrangement in a Natural Container." Guest instructor Gary Copes will assist with the workshop.

The Garden Club is open to all Terrace Park residents whose participation is welcomed. Please call Jane Bosse at 831-2669 for reservations and membership information.

The Garden Club sends a special thank you to Steve Smith of Camargo Landscaping for an outstanding job as the featured speaker at the February meeting.

97.75% of Ninth Grade Pass Proficiency Test At Cinti. Country Day

The percentages for Cincinnati Country Day School students passing the 1996 State Proficiency Tests provided by the State of Ohio were based on a handful of CCDS ninth graders who took sections of the test in October of 1996. According to Martha Crotty, CCDS Public Relations Director, the majority of this year's ninth graders took the test in March of their 8th grade year. When their scores are included with the handful reported in the Village Views January issue, the cumulative test scores for the CCDS Class of 2000 are:

- Total tested: 67
- Writing: 100%
- Reading: 100%
- Math: 95.5%
- Citizenship: 95.5%
- Total: 391
- '96 Average: 97.75%



Lauren Graf's Essay Wins \$1,000 Bond

Mariemont High School senior Lauren Graf received a \$1,000 U.S. savings bond for her winning essay on what it means to be, and to become, an American. As the Cincinnati regional winner in the It's Us America Writing Contest sponsored by Time Warner Cable and the University of Cincinnati she is now eligible to win the \$5,000 national prize.

In the Power of The Pen State Writing Contest Graf placed first in the state and received the Lisa Pruett Memorial Scholarship as a freshman and was awarded the Chris Crutcher Honorary Book Award as a sophomore. Graf has served as class secretary all four years in high school and is also the secretary for the National Honor Society.

A member of Masque and Mime drama club since her freshman year, she has been featured in Mariemont plays and musicals, this year playing Dolly Levi in "The Matchmaker."

The daughter of William and Martha Graf of Park Ave., she hopes to study theater and writing at Miami University.

Terrace Park Police Featured on Cable TV

Police Chief Bob Bacon, Sgt. Joe Winders and Officer Doug Sowders are featured in a production of the Intercommunity Cable Regulatory Commission (ICRRC) Community Report airing on Government Access Channel 23 through mid-March. The Report, taped in early February, presents Terrace Park's programs for crime prevention, community oriented policing and the bike patrol.

Chief Bacon said the show "provided an excellent opportunity to let the residents know what we have available for them." The show will air on Channel 23 at 6 p. m. Feb. 27 and at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 28. Check local listings for the March schedule.

Council Approves '97 Appropriations Of \$1,272,495

Appropriations of \$1,272,495 for 1997 approved by Council at its February meeting are artificially inflated by the \$198,000 in Issue II Funds granted by the state for the work on Elm Ave. bridge and tunnel. Village Clerk Francine Glassmeyer said the state requires the village to enter the entire amount needed for the project in order to accurately track the expenses. Only \$54,000 of the total cost will come from village coffers.

Last year's appropriations of \$1,061,839 is six percent less than this year's appropriations adjusted for the Issue II funds.

Glassmeyer explained the major increases reflected in the new appropriations measure are the three percent increase in salaries for police and maintenance personnel and a slight increase in the cost of waste collection.

State auditors, according to Glassmeyer, limit the village's estimate for estate taxes to \$25,000, when in fact, the village collected \$95,348.64 in estate taxes in 1996 and \$128,438.82 in 1995.

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The Old Milford Merchants Association is seeking antique dealers for its Apr. 27 "Antique Show and Sale," a sidewalk event in the historic section of Milford. Call 831-0815 for a contract and additional details.

To build interest, excitement and a sense of pride about historic Milford, Downtown Harmony is sponsoring an amateur poetry contest: Revitalize Historic Downtown Milford-with Poetry! Any amateur writer may enter. Three categories will accommodate a range of age groups: Category 1 is for adults (anyone out of high school); Category 2 includes students in 7th to 12th grades; and Category 3 will accept poetry from 6th graders and under. Category 1 requires an entry donation of \$5; there is no fee for student entries.

Ten finalists will be chosen in each of three categories. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and two Honorable Mentions in each category. All poems by the 30 finalists will be published in a "limited edition" booklet sold to support the Milford downtown revitalization project. The entry deadline is Apr. 25 and finalists will be announced by May 16. To receive a copy of the application, call 831-9445.

Seward Aids FAF

Nancy Seward of Terrace Park has joined the 125 volunteers of the Residential Division of the 1997 Fine Arts Fund, which kicks off its annual finance campaign Feb. 9. For information on volunteering or donating to the FAF, please call 871-ARTS.

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