

Village Views

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Former Classmates Matched In Honors

Three members of the 1973 graduating class of Mariemont High School from Terrace Park are graduating this year from their colleges with highest honors and membership in Phi Beta Kappa.

Patricia Thomson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Thomson, 831 Douglas Ave., graduated May 8 from Indiana University with a B.A. in Art History and Comparative Literature with honors in Comparative Literature. Patty has been awarded a DuPont Fellowship for graduate study at the University of Virginia.

John Ranseen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ranseen, 618 Home St., graduates May 15 from Tulane University as the top psychology major in his class. John will be attending Ohio University on a teaching fellowship in the doctoral program for Clinical Psychology.

Eric Rohlfing, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rohlfing, 611 Home St., will graduate May 22 from the University of Virginia. Eric majored in physical chemistry and will be pursuing his graduate work toward a doctorate at Princeton, where he received a teaching fellowship.



Patricia Thomson



John Ranseen



Eric Rohlfing

Council Holds Up Playground Action

Village council voted in May to re-table a motion which would set the village on an aggressive course toward purchase of additional playfield space. This move came on the heels of similar action voted at council's April meeting when members elected to delay on making a conditional offer to Provident Bank on land owned by Walter Kunz.

The desired land is adjacent to the Swim Club and is part of a 122 acre tract owned by Kunz. Provident filed a foreclosure suit against Kunz on March 29. It is the largest lien holder of 28 liens against the property.

Councilwoman Henley reported on a recent Columbus meeting she and Mayor Cadwallader attended at which they presented Terrace Park's situation before officials of the Department of Natural Resources. This included a plot plan, photos, and an explanation of the dilemma in which the village finds itself — namely,

whether to initiate purchase or continue working with state and county officials for eventual acquisition. Henley said they relayed resident desire and need for additional recreation space, stressing "we feel we have been patient and cooperative."

Though department representatives made no time commitments, they gave the impression Terrace Park would very shortly know its position in relation to state plans. This group also expressed agreement to Hamilton County Park Board's sub-leasing the desired 5-10 acres to the village for 99 years at \$1 per year, once the state acquires the land.

Mayor Cadwallader requested council to convene in executive session following Henley's report, and after their return, the tabled motion was passed. Council has again apparently opted for a "wait and see" approach.

Electric Rate Increase Effective Here June 3

Terrace Park's electricity rates will be increased June 3, as a result of a rate hike granted the Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co. by the Ohio Public Utilities Commission.

The new rates will apply to power used after June 3, and CG&E officials said that monthly charge to a typical household, using 650 kilowatt-hours per month, would increase \$3.08 — from \$22.40 to \$25.48.

An extra fuel charge, authorized by the commission, will continue to appear on the utility bills.

Utility officials had appealed to the commission for an increase over a year ago, in what it said was an effort to establish uniform rates throughout its service area. The overall increase sought had been for a total of \$2.5 million, but the commission

reduced that to \$1.9 million.

Terrace Park is one of 62 Southwestern Ohio communities affected by the granted increase. Utility officials said they were those which had been paying the lowest rates, but now would be on a parity with Cincinnati consumers.

Walter Ott, a CG&E vice president, told the utility

commission during hearings that the utility could see no justification for different rates for neighboring areas.

Utility commission staff members at first opposed the increase on the ground that the company was earning a fair rate of return in the 62 communities, but later agreed to a scaled-down increase.

Work Is Planned On Ten Streets

By Lynn Nelson

Resurfacing on 10 Terrace Park streets is scheduled this year, at a cost estimated between \$6,000 and \$7,000.

Village council approved

advertising for bids on the work at the May meeting, after Public Works chairman Pat Henley reported on an inspection with Village Engineer Carl Lindell of damage caused by the severe winter, and noted that no resurfacing work was done last year.

The streets are:

Harvard, from Yale to Miami.

All of Rugby Avenue.

Oxford, from Yale to Miami.

Park, from Elm to Western.

All of Western Avenue.

All of Home Street.

Myrtle, from Marietta to Home.

All of Poplar Street.

Princeton, from Poplar to Elm.

Indian Hill Road was also deemed in need of repair, but since it is a county road, Henley and Lindell plan to meet with the county engineer about its resurfacing.

On Memorial Day

Terrace Park's annual Memorial Day parade, organized by the PTA, will assemble on the school parking lot at 9:30 a.m., and move off at 10 a.m. Children are invited to join the parade, on foot or on bikes. A program at the village green will be held immediately after the parade.

The route will be: Myrtle to Stanton, Stanton to Yale, Yale to Amherst, and Amherst to the village green.

The annual Memorial Day Junior Olympics will start at 1 p.m. at the athletic field. Events are 50 yard dash, long jump, high jump, and tug-of-war, open to boys and girls from kindergarten through eighth grade. Ribbons will be awarded for all events.

Chairman of the event, Ed Larkin, urges all competitors to form their tug-of-war rope pulling teams in their own grade levels.

This event will take place all afternoon. After the track and field events are over, softball games are planned for mothers and daughters and fathers and sons. In case of rain, the Junior Olympics will be held on Sunday, June 5 — same time, same place.

Reminder

Villagers are reminded the second Wednesday of the month is collection day for trash not normally collected by the maintenance crew or the village's private hauler. Residents are asked to confine such trash to their private curb area. Do not place items at the street more than a day in advance. Call the village office, 831-2137, to request a pick-up, giving several days advance notice.

Village Set To Buy New Maintenance Truck

At the May council meeting, Public Works chairwoman Pat Henley reviewed three bids received in response to village advertising for a new maintenance truck. She then moved acceptance of the low bid, \$9872 — blue, \$95 for undercoating, which was submitted by Beechmont Ford.

Considerable discussion followed the motion's second regarding whether the purchase would be financed from the village General Fund or the Improvement Fund. Dick Griffith offered an explanation of the general philosophy governing Im-

provement Fund expenditures, and Treasurer Al Roberts explained how monies can be transferred from the General Fund into the Improvement — but not visa versa.

This discussion led to Henley's motion being amended to read the purchase would be made from the Improvement Fund, while any revenue realized from the sale of two old used trucks would be returned to the same fund. The motion was passed by a 4-2 vote. Henley then moved for emergency passage, and this also carried.

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Village Bulletin Board

- June 7** - Middle School PTA meeting and installation of new officers. Band concert and family and staff potluck.
- June 7** - Garden Club—Mrs. Robert Kranz will give a demonstration on the art of arranging hanging baskets using both wire and plastic containers. 12:30 p.m., Community House.
- June 12** - Baccalaureate, 2 p.m. and Commencement, 7:30 p.m.
- June 14** - Last day of school for students.
- June 17** - Child study meets at 10 a.m. at Sharon Woods Museum in the Park, for nature walk and picnic. Call Pat Brandt, 248-0649.
- June 23 and 30** - Rehearsals at Log Cabin for July "Concert in the Park." 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. **Musicians Wanted!** Young, old, in-between, experience not necessary, you are wanted and needed, rusty or not! See June VV and posters re: **July Concert**

Council Modifies Zone Stand On BBS Condominium Plans

By Lynn Nelson

A proposed zone change ordinance, tabled since January, 1976, and affecting BBS Co.'s planned housing development at the southern end of the village at Elm Road and Wooster Pike, got five amendments at council's May 10 meeting, and then won first reading approval.

Bill Howard, Planning and Zoning chairman, proposed the amendments following reading of a prepared statement regarding recent informal discussions he has had with developer Jack Brendamour. This discussion was initiated by Brendamour following BBS Co.'s winning of the suit brought against them by Little Miami Inc. relative to the package-sewage treatment plan planned for the development.

A second suit, filed by BBS Co. last summer against the village, still is pending in Hamilton County Common Pleas Court. This suit attacks Terrace Park's zoning and sewage disposal ordinance.

The five amendments attached to the ordinance include:

1. Clarification as to sewage disposal. Categorical, the development's sewage disposal method cannot be in violation of the village "septic tank only" ordinance — thus any discharge-type treatment plant must be located beyond village boundaries.
2. No increased density be permitted, i.e. Residence AA at 14,000 square feet of land per family dwelling.
3. That two bedroom units, exclusive of garage and other non-living areas, must contain 1500 square feet of living area; three bedroom units, 1650 square feet.
4. That an architectural review board be established to ensure quality of construction.
5. That any land area to qualify for a specific number of units must be held free of future transgressions, rights-of-way, etc. This would ensure the land's remaining free and unencumbered.

The original tabled ordinance had received 4-1 ap-

proval from the Planning and Zoning Commission. This proposed law approved a zone change to BBS Co.'s larger land parcel from "Office A" to "Planned Residence C," subject to certain changes — and denied a zone request for the "Elephant Hole" parcel from "Residence AA" to "Planned Residence C." "Planned Residence C" would be a new type of zoning district for Terrace Park. Its purpose would be to accommodate multi-unit dwellings, and BBS Co. had advised it plans condominiums.

Howard reported at the May meeting that the P and Z Commission also approved the amendments.

Other Business

Additional council business included:

- Voting an increase in the salary of the village secretary-custodian from \$7,000 to \$8,000.
- A change in the police department table of organization to eliminate the rank of corporal, which Chief Pottorf said is recognized by the state, and substitute that of sergeant. Fred DeMarks, present corporal, thus will be ranked as sergeant with no increase in pay.
- Vacation of the Highland Avenue paper alley at a brief 7 p.m. public hearing. Finalization of the vacating of the Terrace Park-Cambridge-Miami paper alley was postponed till June, giving the four neighbors affected additional review time.
- Building Inspector Jim Parker's request that council review, simplify, and make more applicable the village fence ordinance. Parker's request was referred to the P & Z committee for study.
- A report from Clerk Don Franke that the state examiner is making his routine audit of village finances.
- Confirmation from HUD's consulting engineering firm that the village flood plain map format has been approved; this map delineates a 505 foot flood plain

Village Solicitor Bob Leming advised the amended ordinance, once finalized, would be recorded into the village's planned development ordinance. It would not set any precedent, Leming stated, since each planned development is treated by itself and "stands alone."

It appears this May action by council will delay, if not stop, the suit action now pending in Common Pleas Court.

Meanwhile, *Village Views* is advised Little Miami Inc. plans to pursue with the Ohio EPA and the Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission its opposition to a sewage permit on the basis of Hamilton County flood plain zoning regulations.

- elevation.
- Announcement from Building and Grounds chairwoman Halley that her committee plans a thorough review of heating/cooling/electricity problems at the Community House.
- Public thanks to the Park's Cub Pack for their April 30 spruce up job at the Wilderness Preserve.
- Announcement that various methods of insuring security in the Preserve are being explored.
- Approval of a \$1400 expenditure covering costs incurred in Squad Room remodeling.
- Announcement by Safety chairman Dick Griffith that the new police cruiser has been delivered.
- A request of Griffith to investigate possible means of promoting better skateboard safety; this request followed one councilman's remark that he almost hit a child who was skating over the Elm Road railroad bridge.
- Final approval of firelane and police parking designations at the Community House.
- Bill Howard's report that it appears the sewage disposal problems brought before council in April by two residents seeking a variance have been resolved in conformance with the village code.

Summer Fun Program For Youngsters Set

Terrace Park Recreation Committee is sponsoring a "Summer Fun Program" at Terrace Park School starting June 27. All grade school (K-5) youngsters are invited to participate in the program.

Supervised crafts, art, gym and playground activities will be scheduled each day at the school.

The program will begin June 27 and will continue through July 29. The times will be from 9 a.m. until noon.

Children will be provided with details as opening time approaches.

Tournament Set

Terrace Park Recreation Commission is sponsoring an 18-hole men's golf tournament at Fair Acres Golf Course (Milford) on Saturday, July 30 at 10 a.m. The tournament is open to community residents over 21-years old. Additional details and sign up time will be announced later.

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There are some familiar names, and some people still around, from the Terrace Park High School baseball squad of 1949. Pictured are, first row, Earl Williams, Bill Krummert, Ed Kirby, Henry Wedig, Ronald Sullivan, Jack Ricker, Don Aicholz; second row, Principal John Wilson, Ed Fritsch, Bill Justice, Bud Walker, Bill Curee, Jack Jordan, D. David, David Rawnsley, Dick West, Hugh McKee, Coach Dick Avery; third row, Steve Jordan, Jim Chapman, Clyde Abrams, Dick Sonntag, Pete Wickemeyer, Dick Zink, Bill Maßman, Donny Critchell, Ralph Vilardo and Barton Hebble. Not in the picture were Paul Schlechty, J. Nobert, Frank Brunner and Tom Baker.

Off-Size Envelopes? Better Use'em Up

If you've still got any of those extra-small or odd-shaped envelopes — such as for birth announcements and social invitations — better use them up.

That's the reminder issued by Postmaster Jim Simonton, who noted that in about a year from now — April 15, 1978 — new postal regulations are scheduled to go into effect to encourage the use of standard size envelopes for letter mail.

Non-standard letters are costly to process, because they cannot take advantage of the speed and efficiency of letter sorting machines, and sometimes cause jams that may damage the mail.

The new regulations also call for a surcharge on non-standard size letter mail that is too large or too flimsy for machine processing.

"Actually, the individual mail user won't be greatly affected by the new dimensional standards, since only

Family, Friends See Pottorf Officially Sworn

New Police Chief Ronald P. Pottorf was officially sworn in by Mayor Ray Cadwallader at the May council meeting. In addition to his wife and two young daughters, five police officials from neighboring communities attended the brief ceremony.

Following administration of the oath, the mayor pinned the badge of office to the chief's shirt. Council and guests responded with a warm round of applause and words of welcome.

Police officials from other communities attending were Chief Don Shanks of Mariemont, Chief William Barnett of Indian Hill, Chief Paul Ferrara of Fairfax, Lt. William Wiebold of Indian Hill, and Sgt. David DeRhode of Fairfax.

about 4% of the correspondence mail now falls into the odd-size category," Postmaster Simonton said.

The height of an envelope in relation to its width, along with its thickness and weight, are factors in the new mailing requirements.

As far as the general public is concerned, the most noticeable change will be these minimum standards for mailing pieces: Except for keys and identification badges, anything less than 1/4" thick that is less than 3 1/2" in height and 5" wide will be non-mailable.

Also non-mailable will be items less than seven-thousandths of an inch thick. The conventional postal card has a thickness of about nine-thousandths of an inch.

Pieces smaller than 3 1/2" by 5" will be mailable if they are more than 1/4" thick, but there will be a surcharge. This will include such items as film mailers and jewelry.

Area Lake Becomes A County Park

Lake Isabella, a spot just east of Remington once popular with an older generation of Terrace Parkers, has been acquired for a new county park by the Hamilton County Board of Park Commissioners.

William E. Canedy, director-secretary of the park board, said he considered development of the new park as a key to preservation of the lower Little Miami River Valley.

Just off Loveland-Madeira Road just west of the I-275 interchange, the new park is about 100 acres in extent, and includes a 28-acre fishing lake long regarded as one of the best in Southwestern Ohio. Future developments include river-front hiking trails, a ranger station-visitor center, museum, ball fields, canoe access, picnic and camping facilities and a food concession center.

Canedy said the area is heavily wooded with oak, elm, white pine, catalpa and sycamore, has been a noted spot for observation of shorebirds and waterfowl since early in the century. It has, he added, tremendous potential for nature study, including interpretation of historical geology and ecology of floodplain flora and fauna.

Despite the planned facilities, 85% of the land will be preserved in a natural state. The southern boundary of the property offers a spectacular scenic overlook of the meandering Little Miami.

The Frisch restaurant chain operated a concession at the lake for several years. The park system acquired the property from Joseph Buhr.



AFS Picnic Set

The local chapter of American Field Service will hold a pot-luck picnic at the home of Judson and Betsy Gale, 901 Princeton Ave., on Sunday, May 22, between 4 and 8 p.m. Call the Gales at 831-4548, or the Gilchrists at 831-9109.

Student Named

Lars Igeland, of Lulea, Sweden, will be living in Terrace Park during the next school year under sponsorship of the American Field Service. He will make his home with the Flack Douglases on Circus Lane.

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Villagers Go Biking 210 Miles — Just For Fun

By Jeanne Sanker

Larry Deckard, Jim Nordloh and his sons, Mike, 17, and Jim, 13, participated in the 16th annual tour of the Scioto River Valley (TOSRV), a two-day, 210-mile bicycle tour (round trip) from Columbus to Portsmouth, Ohio.

Traditionally the tour is held Mother's Day Weekend and traditionally it rains, this year being no exception. Only in 1975 and 1976 was the weather completely clear. Other years saw the cyclists riding through fog, a near-blizzard, and a flood of the Ohio River. Another group missed a tornado by a week.

Despite the chances of bad weather, TOSRV has grown from just two riders in 1962 to 3,400 in this year's group. It is the largest bicycle tour in the nation and was featured in an article on cycling in *National Geographics* several years ago. It is a recreational and social rally for bicyclists, not a race or test of stamina.

TOSRV IS sponsored by the Columbus Council of American Youth Hostels and is aided by volunteer groups at rest and food stops along the way. First aid is available from Red Cross groups at each stop and a helicopter accompanies the tour to ensure total safety.

In Portsmouth their hosts are from the CAY (Catholic Action for Youth Organization).

The tour leaves the Ohio statehouse in Columbus between six and eight on Saturday morning and follows old State Route 104 which clings to the Scioto River. The large hills of southern Ohio are avoided. In the second 50 miles there are about 10 hills, 1/4 to 1/2 mile each in length.

but the remainder of the tour is fairly flat. It takes about seven hours to reach Portsmouth, a distance of 105 miles from Columbus. Along the way are eight food stops, sometimes called the world's longest progressive dinner.

In Portsmouth, the riders are housed in all the school gyms of the city. Though there has been very little vandalism through the years, Larry says everybody sleeps with his bicycle close beside him. Meals for the group are served at the CAY Building.

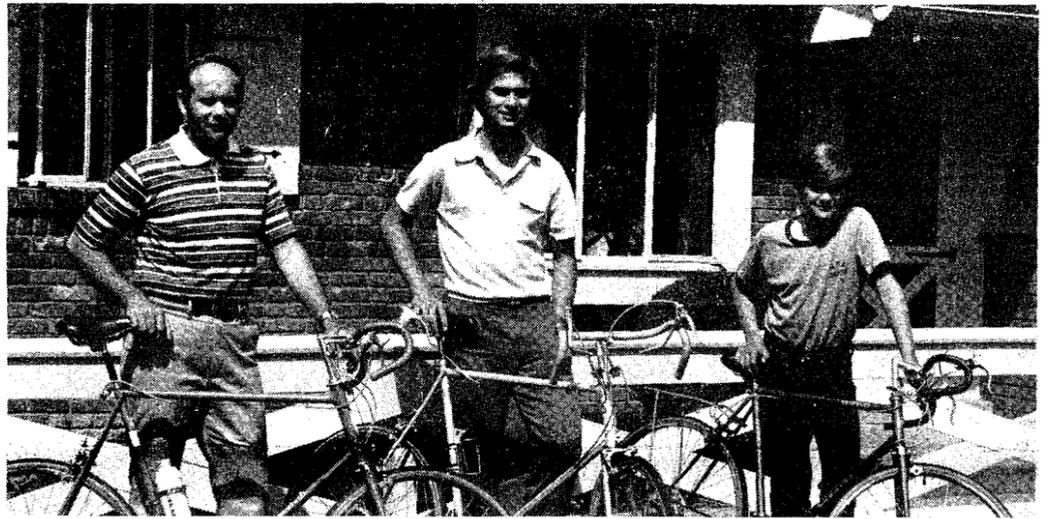
PART OF THE fun of the tour is seeing the variety of people who are participating and the many types of bicycles which are being used. In addition to many tandems, there are a number which look as though they had been hand-made for the occasion. Sometimes there is a truly antique model with the very large wheel in front.

Among the interesting participants this year was a young fellow with his leg in a cast up to his thigh who rode a three-wheeler. He did not want to miss out on this once-a-year occasion. Another enthusiast had ridden his bike all the way from Los Angeles (35 days on the road) in order to be in Columbus on May 7.

Cyclists come from every state, including Hawaii, and sometimes there are participants from Europe, too. Any aged person may be seen, last year's oldest being 79, and youngest, four.

The Nordlohs and Larry are regular riders, but they trained for the extensive mileage of the tour by going riding each weekend for about six weeks before, increasing their mileage each

week. All of them except young Jim had been on the tour before, and they will probably all be ready again next year. Right now they are resting on their laurels of having completed this year's tour in A-1 shape.



Terrace Park's long distance bicycle tourists, pictured here, are Larry Deckard, Jim Nordloh, and the Nordloh boys, Mike, 17, and Jim, 13. (Photo by Dan Vickers)

It's Official Backyard Wildlife Habitat

Hungry birds and animals may soon be passing the word along the wildlife grapevine the welcome mat is always out at 736 Wooster Pike, Terrace Park home of the Costanzo's. The property has just been registered as a certified Backyard Wildlife Habitat by the National Wildlife Federation as a link in its nationwide network of mini-refuges for wildlife in residential neighborhoods.

Steps taken by the Costanzo's to attract wildlife include the building of bird houses, shelters and feeders, the planting of plants and trees that are beneficial to wildlife and birds for their food and habitat.

Other city and suburban residents who would like to encourage Wildlife to nest and feed in their yards may write to Backyard Wildlife Program, National Wildlife Federation, 1412 16th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036 for a free Backyard Kit. Included in the kit is a reprint of "Invite Wildlife to Your Backyard," a backyard bibliography directing you towards many helpful references and an application form.



Dino Costanzo, already building a reputation as a wildlife artist, shows some of the things that have led to the Costanzo home grounds being declared a Backyard Wildlife Habitat by the National Wildlife Federation.

Start Saving For That Sale

It's not too early to begin thinking "Garage Sale Corner — Labor Day Festival."

Ann Gilchrist and Edna Stites will again co-chair this popular money-raiser and urge residents to keep eyes peeled for white elephant items as they go about spring cleaning. Everything except clothing gratefully accepted. If possible, deliver your contributions to the Gilchrist home, 742 Wooster Pike. If not, call Edna or Ann for a pick-up.

Mrs. Rohlfing New Head Of Woman's Club

The new officers of the Terrace Park Woman's Club for the ensuing year will be Mrs. Ralph Rohlfing, president; Mrs. Robert Leming, vice-president; Mrs. Justin Gale, secretary; and Mrs. John Rugh, treasurer.

They will be installed by the outgoing president, Mrs. James S. Dean, at the last meeting of the year on Tuesday, May 17. After the year's theme, "Around the World in 8 Meetings," a luncheon-tour of Sharon Woods Village will be an appropriate finale.

Benefits Seen For Donors To Area Greenbelt

A donor of land to Terrace Park's Greenbelt will find benefits to himself and to his community, according to Councilwoman Louise Halley.

1. The donor makes a gift of permanent value to all residents of the community. The Village pledges that land given for Greenbelt "shall be devoted exclusively to preserve open spaces in the Village."
2. The donor will be able to avoid paying capital gains tax which would be due should the land be sold at a price higher than the purchase price.
3. The donor is freed from future real estate taxes on the property.
4. The gift qualifies the donor for a deduction on his income before tax at the current market value of the land. This deduction operates in the same manner as charitable deductions.