

Village Views

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Rector Is Honored

The Rev. Robert Gerhard and parishoners of St. Thomas Episcopal Church celebrated on December 21 the 20th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Senior Warden Judd Gale, on behalf of the parish, presented him with a silver tray and gave Mrs. Gerhard a check representing the balance of contributions to an anniversary fund. The anniversary, on St. Thomas Day, coincided with the anniversary of the first appearance here of the parish's first full-time rector 100 years ago. He too, like the Rev. Mr. Gerhard, came here from Illinois.

New Sewer Disposal Alternate Approved

Council at its January meeting gave final approval to a revision of village sewage disposal regulations.

The change allows install-

ation of mechanical (aerobic) disposal systems where septic tank systems are not feasible, but only to serve single-family homes and confined to the specific building lots involved. A system to serve all the buildings involved was a point at issue in recent voter rejection of proposed condominiums at Wooster and Elm.

While applications to make such installations must be made to council, councilmanic approval is mandated if the village engineer certifies that conditions require any such system, it meets state and county environmental and health regulations, owner agrees to permit and pay periodic health department inspections, and contracts with the village to keep the system operable within legal requirements.

A fine of \$50 a day is provided for improper installation and operation.

Jack VanWye Wins and Loses

Newly-elected councilman Jack Van Wye learned to his dismay at the January council meeting that he could not legally serve as a councilman and a member of the village volunteer fire department, even if he waived the pay of either office. He elected to remain on council and resign as a fireman and life squad member.

The situation arose in a random comment during council discussion of another matter.

Village Solicitor Bob Leming then recalled that a similar situation had arisen in the past, and that search of the law indicated that such dual membership constituted a legal conflict of interest.

How Grinches Spoiled Village's Christmas

Faced with the constant threat of vandalism and having to replace all the lighting equipment, village volunteer firemen decided against lighting the tree on the village green at Christmas.

The tree has been subjected to vandalism through most of the some 20 years that it has been lighted. Firemen said the wiring now is so torn up that it is beyond patching.

Breaking and stealing of bulbs has been a constant problem. In one year wires were pulled from the tree and most of the bulbs smashed, but the village Boy Scout troop bought replacements. In another year, vandals even attempted to set the tree afire.

Several residents have also given up outdoor displays because of similar depredations.

Police Chief Ron Pottorf, however, said only one such incident was reported to village police this year, and that was the smashing of several bulbs after January 1. The youngsters involved were caught.

CSO To Play Two Lollipop Concerts Here

Cincinnati's Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Carmon DeLeone, will present two "Lollipop Concerts" here on Saturday, February 4, for children four to eight years old.

Concerts will be given at the Terrace Park Elementary School, the first at 10 a.m. and the second at 11:15.

Tickets can be purchased at the school on Thursday, January 19, from dismissal time to 5 p.m., or obtained by calling Barbara Conrad, 248-0913, or Sandy Ader, 831-8953.

Besides hearing the music, the youngsters will have opportunity to see the instruments close-up, and perhaps even play one or conduct the orchestra. In addition, costumed hostesses will welcome the children and present free, Vitamin C-enriched lollipops to all.

Phone Book

Tim Harth, chairman of the telephone book committee of the Fire Department Association, reported that the phone book data compilation is complete and the book should go to the printer soon. But there is still time for last-minute changes.

Contact any Fire Department Association member to note a change or call Harth at 831-5400 after 5, please!

The books will be distributed by the association; one free per residence with others available at \$1.50 each.

Repair Permits Cuts, Fee System Is Out

Making major repairs to their homes will cost Terrace Park residents only a modest \$5 building permit fee hereafter.

Village council passed an

emergency ordinance to that effect at its January meeting. At the same time it abandoned the fee system under which the village building inspector traditionally has been paid.

That ordinance, also effective immediately, set the salaries of the inspector, Jim Parker, Village Solicitor Bob Leming and Village Engineer Carl Lindell at \$1500 a year each, payable quarterly. The solicitor had been paid \$1200 and the engineer \$800, while the building inspector got the permit fees, roughly a percentage of the improvement cost.

The changes followed protests to council that permit costs on repairs were becoming unreasonable as a result of increasing material costs. One resident complained of a \$27 permit fee for replacing a roof.

Fee schedules for initial construction or major alterations will follow the Hamilton County building code. The new \$5 repairs permit fee will be charged for:

Re-roofing a present structure, including replacement of existing gutters, downspouts or flashing.

Replacing an existing furnace, including existing exposed duct work.

Replacing a central air conditioner, electronic air cleaner or humidifier.

Applying aluminum or vinyl siding to an existing structure.

Repairing substantial fire or wind damage.

Repairing substantial termite damage.

Rebuilding or making substantial repairs to a chimney.

"Any other work which, in the opinion of the building inspector, can be considered as a similar replacement for an existing fixture, equipment or structure."

Presenting the proposal as head of a special committee on the problem, Councilman Dick Bowman said he believed it would remove most of the "frustrations" of both the inspector and residents in general. Other committee members were Jack Van Wye and Bill Howard.

Bowman disclosed that Parker had objected that the \$1500 figure was too low, that \$1800 was originally proposed, but that \$1500 was finally fixed on as equalling average permit yield in recent years.

The committee reported having "a hard time" in defining the various types of work involved in permits, finally settling on:

"Improvement — an expenditure involving long term

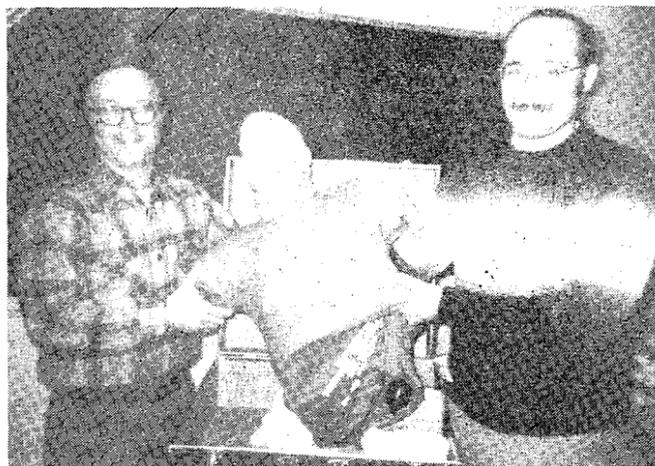
Realty Tax Level To Hold Steady

Real estate taxes in Terrace Park are likely to hold at about the current level for at least this year.

With a tentative village budget set at \$240,000 — an increase of only \$3,000 — the county Budget Commission has tentatively set, and village council accepted, a tax rate of 10.6 mills, at the same level as last year. Meantime, Councilman Edward Harness reported assurances that the Mariemont Board of Education planned to submit no levies to the voters in the coming two years.

Villagers will be faced, though, with a vote in November on at least a renewal of a 6.5 mill levy, and renewal of a 5 mill levy the year after.

Council has made no decision as yet on whether to seek just renewal or an increase. Only 4.83 mills of the authorized 6.5 mill levy is currently being collected, so as to produce the revenue based on valuations at the time the current levy was passed five years ago. Property valuations have taken a sharp jump since.



Players Lend Helping Hand

Dwight Wages, chairman of the Terrace Park Players, is shown presenting a new CPR training aid to Dennis Elliott, past president of the Fire Department Association. The device is essential for Life Squad volunteers' continuous training in cardio-pulmonary-resuscitation and replaced an older unit which the Players gave several years ago. "With this added training aid, we hope to offer a class in C.P.R. this spring for any resident to learn this life saving technique," Elliott reported.

This presentation is part of the 1977 contributions by the Players to the community. Others include new coatracks in the Community House, lighting at the Log Cabin, and a cash contribution to *Village Views*.

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Council Takes New Tack On Smoke Detector Law

Concluding that it was needless duplication of state and county requirements, council abandoned at its January meeting a proposed Terrace Park smoke detection ordinance.

State law and the county building code already require installation of such alarms in all new construction, and the state is expected to require their installation in all homes next year.

Technically, council voted to adhere to any present and future county code regulations concerning the devices.

The county code requires that any such equipment bear UL or FMS labels (Underwriters Laboratories or Factory Mutual Systems) and calls for inspection of any permanently connected to home electric wiring. (Fire officials generally prefer battery-operated devices, on the

ground that an electrical fire could make the other type inoperable.)

It adds that "The detector shall be sensitive to any of the products of combustion, except that detectors sensitive to heat only are not acceptable. Alarm signalling devices shall be clearly audible in all bedrooms within the dwelling when all intervening doors are closed."

Meantime, the village volunteer fire department has held up on sale of one such approved instrument after finding it was being offered elsewhere at a substantially lower cost. Fire Chief Lee Stegemeyer said the sale probably would resume if an advantageous price can be obtained.

A Reminder About Siren

As a reminder and to avoid confusion, Police Chief Ron Pottorf gives this outline of civil defense use of the village fire siren, which is tested at noon on the first Wednesday of each month:

The tornado warning signal, a steady sound for a period of 10 minutes, means that a tornado has been sighted and that it has or could hit within Hamilton County. It is a signal to:

1. Turn on a radio or TV for local emergency information.
2. Be prepared to go to a place of safety if the situation warrants.

Each additional sounding of the siren means that another tornado has been sighted. The sirens never sound an "all clear" signal.

The attack warning signal, a series of wavering sounds for a period of three to five minutes, repeated as often as necessary, means that an attack against this country has been detected. This is a signal to seek immediate protection from radioactive fallout in buildings marked with the Civil Defense Fallout Shelter emblem, or the best available shelter. Again, the "all clear" will be given by radio or TV — never by the sirens.

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Fire Loss Cut, Squad Sets Record

Terrace Park fire loss was \$10,350 in 1977 as against \$40,250 in 1976, Fire Chief Lee Stegemeyer reports in a summary of the year's volunteer fire department activities.

But the life squad, he said, set a new record of 177 runs during the year, topping the earlier record of 163 runs in 1976.

The life squad faced a manning crisis late in 1976. Stegemeyer said that recruiting of some 18 new people to serve in the daytime has overcome one problem, but he noted "there still is a shortage of daytime fire fighters."

Fire loss involved \$5,060 to buildings, \$2,790 to contents and \$2,500 to automobiles, the major loss involving a trailer and its contents on Stumps Road.

Four people, two of them firefighters, were injured or became ill at fire scenes. There were seven such victims in 1976.

Fire-fighting and life squad volunteers gave 3,960 man hours to the village during the year, 1,049 hours in answering calls and 2,911 hours in training in advanced fire-fighting courses and in obtaining Emergency Medical Technician certification.

The report noted that seven children were taken to hospitals by the life squad for injuries suffered in recreation. "Serious consideration," he said, "should be given to a communications link from any remote recreation area so injured children can be properly transported."

Players Go Biblical-In Their Own Way



Dave Pannkuk

Want to beat the winter blahs? Want to put some fun in your February? Come to the 1978 Terrace Park Players Supper Show February 17, 18, 24 or 25. This year's show, conceived and written by Dave Pannkuk, is called "The Books." It is a series of vignettes taken from the Old Testament. Can you imagine the problems Noah, for instance, would have if he tried to build an ark today?

Dave is directing with Marian Richardson and Dave Park assisting. Co-producers of the show are Barbara Harth and Linda Berry. Betsy McCarter, 248-0007, is taking reservations. Happy hour begins at seven, dinner at eight, and the show at nine. Beer, soft drinks, set-ups, and ice will be furnished. The price for a great evening is only \$6 a person — and the money must be in to Betsy (815 Floral) before your reservation is confirmed.

New Here?

Are you a newcomer to Terrace Park?

Village Views would like to welcome, and list, the families which have moved into homes in the village since last July.

Please call Pat Henley, 831-2147, to supply information.



Football Still Alive, Kicking

Despite the upsurge in soccer, football isn't dead in Terrace Park, these fourth, fifth and sixth graders sporting the old Terrace Park Bulldog colors of red, black and white in the past season and achieving a record of 5-1-1. Equipment was provided through a \$2,000 donation from an anonymous benefactor.

Reporting pride in the team's performance, coaches Bob Haines and Dr. Steven Lakamp announced individual awards to Jay Schuenemann, who scored 14 touchdowns; Stu Williams, middle guard; and Paul Larkin, quarterback.

Police Revising Key File, Outline Protection Rules

Reporting that the Terrace Park police department is updating its key file, Police Chief Ron Pottorf urges residents to take advantage of the service and announced new rules concerning it.

Many residents have filed keys to their home with the department, for use if they should be accidentally locked out, or in case of a fire or medical emergency. Pottorf emphasized:

No one can use your key without your permission.

The police will enter your home in your absence only with your written consent or in case of emergency.

No one not a member of the

immediate family can have access to a key unless prior written permission has been delivered personally to the police department.

The key file will not be used to allow entrance of deliverymen, repairmen or employees, in your absence.

The property owner, not the locksmith, is responsible for supplying a new key and picking up the old one when locks are changed.

An immediate change should be made if a key is registered in the name of a former tenant.

If the house is sold, the seller should pick up the key, deliver it to the new owner, and explain he can register it in his own name.

"These rules are for your protection," the chief said. "We feel that we do not have the right to allow someone to have a key to your home without being assured you are giving your full permission. We cannot become an agent during deliveries and repairs. But it is our sincere wish to assist you when you are locked out or in need of help."

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improvement by materially adding to the value of the property.

"Repairs — Expense of maintenance and incidental repairs. Repairs are further defined as the product of restoring to a sound or good state after decay, injury, delapidation or partial destruction."

Nothing Ever Happens?

So nothing happens in Terrace Park?

Police Chief Ron Pottorf's annual report for 1977 shows that police officers had 5330 calls for some type of service — including 593 vacation house checks — during the year. That averages more than 14 a day.

The report notes that the five police officers made 31 felony arrests and 92 other arrests during the year, and issued 822 traffic citations, 592 of them for speeding.

There were no fatal auto accidents in the village, but 14 persons were injured in accidents on Wooster Pike, and four elsewhere in the village. Forty of the accidents involved two or more vehicles.

The report noted that all the officers have completed firearms training, qualifying with scores in excess of 80%. Officer Gerald Rowe has been named firearms instructor and is being trained by the FBI. All the officers during the year completed special schooling in phases of police work, three of them — Fred DeMarks, Robert Hirschauer and Rowe — having completed three.



Fire Association Elects

The Terrace Park Volunteer Fire Association has elected and installed its officers for 1978. They are Tim Langner, president; Jack Richardson, vice president; Judy Schneider, secretary; Tim Harth, treasurer. The association, comprised of all members of the Fire Department and Life Squad, is both a social and business organization apart from the official fire department.

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At Garden Club

Members of the Terrace Park Garden Club will study "The Art of Eggery" at the home of Trudy Stevens on Tuesday, February 7. Following a demonstration by Mrs. Stevens, 12 members will be drawn by lot to take part in a workshop she will conduct.

Demonstration and workshop will follow a business meeting and refreshments at the Community House at 12:30 p.m.

Study Group Meets

The Child Study Group will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Doug and Marilyn Goodman, 123 Winding Brook. John Siegfried of Franklin Avenue, an attorney, will discuss wills and estate planning. All are welcome.

Chief Elected

Chief of Police Ron Pottorf has been elected a director of the Hamilton County Police Association, made up of members of most of the police and allied law enforcement agencies in the county. William Barnett, chief of the Indian Hill Rangers, is current president.

- Was informed that the Ohio Department of Transportation puts a very low priority on improvements to the New Street crossing.
- Authorized village payment of the costs of appraisal of properties turned over to the Terrace Park Charitable Trust for eventual inclusion in the

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More On Council

- Other council action:
- Recommended and approved Mayor Cadwallader's appointment of Councilman Dick Bowman as vice mayor.
 - Learned of police department acquisition of a new 360-degree radar speed checker for \$543, \$1,900 below list price, through a bulk purchase by the State Highway Patrol.
 - Authorized a letter urging expedited Corps of Engineers work on control of Mound Street erosion in Milford and was informed of impending conferences with engineers on related problems in Terrace Park.

- Agreed to seek State Highway Department approval for removal of damaged and unnecessary guard rails along Wooster Pike.

Wanted: Boy wanted part time, painting after school and weekends. Call 831-1869.

CHURCHES

St. Thomas Episcopal welcomes members of the community regardless of denomination.

Church phone 831-2052

Rector, Robert Gerhard home 831-3605

Curate, George Hill, III home 831-8941

Sunday Services: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion and sermon
9:15 a.m. family service and communion
church school

11:00 a.m. morning prayer

St. Thomas Nursery School, Jayne Aglamesis, director
pre-school, weekdays

Other churches in the vicinity are:

Baptist First Baptist Church of Milford

Community Mariemont Community Church

Presbyterian-Episcopal Indian Hill Church

Roman Catholic St. Andrew's Church, Milford

United Methodist Armstrong Chapel, Indian Hill

Milford United Methodist Church

SCHOOLS

Terrace Park Elementary, K-5 831-2485

Mariemont Middle School, 6, 7, 8 272-2720

Mariemont High School 271-8310

Board of Education 272-2722

MISCELLANEOUS

Post Office 831-5867

James Simonton, postmaster

Mail dispatched from Post Office at 3:30 and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday

3 p.m. Saturday — No Sunday collection

Window open 7:30-5 p.m., closed 12-1 Monday-Friday

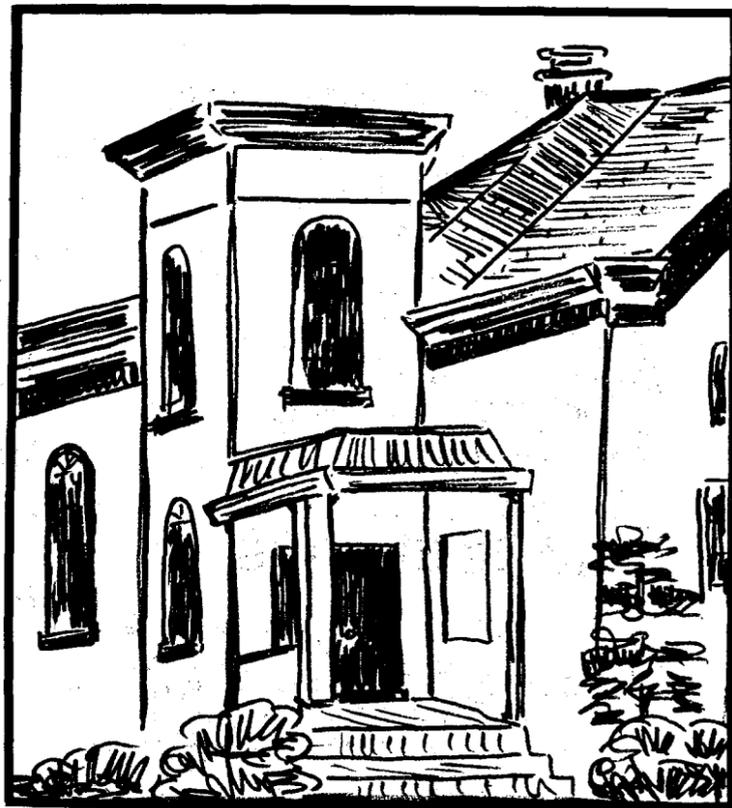
8-12 Saturday

Mariemont Library 271-3268

Madeira Library 561-8282

Milford (Clermont Co.) Library 831-0117

Terrace Park has three precincts, all housed at the Community Building. For voting information, call Hamilton County Board of Elections. 621-9801.



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VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

W. Rayburn Cadwallader, Mayor 831-1935

Councilmen

Richard Bowman, vice-mayor (Safety) 831-3534

Edward Harness, Jr. (Finance) 831-4439

William Howard (Planning and Zoning) 831-4517

Rodger Miller (Public Works) 831-9714

Charles Rockel (Recreation) 831-2059

Donald Franke, Clerk 831-4137

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Artist Honored

A design by Alison Hubka, a senior art student at Mariemont High School and a Terrace Park resident, was chosen for the Fall cover of the "Seven Hills Review," a literary magazine published by the Young Friends of the Public Library.

The organization is open to all junior and senior high school students who wish to develop their own literary interests. Students also submit material for publication and get to know other students from the Hamilton County area with similar literary interests.

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Council meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Building.

Mayor's Court is held once or twice a month at mayor's discretion at the Community Building.

Police Chief, Ronald Pottorf office 831-2137

All police services 825-2280

Fire Chief, F. Lee Stegemeyer 831-0828

Fire Department and Life Squad Emergency 825-2260

Village Engineer, Carl Lindell 831-2361

Building Inspector, James Parker 831-2491

Planning and Zoning Commission

Frank Corbin, chairman 831-6271

Zoning Board of Appeals

John Getgey, chairman 831-6356

VILLAGE SERVICES

Village office 831-2137

Hours — 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 and 1 p.m. to 5

Garbage and Trash Collection — every Tuesday

Put cans or bags on street by 6 a.m., but not before 4 p.m. of

previous day. Cans must have secure lids.

Decomposable Trash Collection — Monday and Tuesday

Bags, brush, limbs. No loose grass clippings.

Landfill — decomposable refuse and rocks and dirt can be

taken to landfill on Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m. from March through

November.

Police will check vacation homes in owners absence. Written

form must be filled prior to departure at village office during

office hours.

To reserve Community Building for meeting or social affair call

village office.

Get permission from secretary to mount signs on village

bulletin boards.

Emergency Numbers

Police 825-2280

Life Squad and Fire 825-2260

REMINDERS

Outdoor trash burning is prohibited by state law.

Bicycles — children are encouraged to ride on sidewalks, but must yield to pedestrians. Register bikes at annual inspection in September or at village office.

Shooting of firearms is prohibited in village.

Dogs and cats must be under control of owner at all times.

Allowing pets to run at large can result in arrest of owner.

SPCA picks up loose dogs.

RECREATION

Log Cabin Area — paved play area and lighted basketball court.

Wilderness Preserve — over 50 acres of natural area along Little Miami River has chipped paths and picnic table. Open to residents year-round, from dawn to dusk.

Recreation Committee — volunteer group which organizes and sponsors sports activities. Labor Day festival income helps underwrite costs.

Jim Ryan, chairman 831-1913

Sports and Commissioners

Soccer (girls, boys, 6-18), Jane Pendl 831-5170

Football (boys, 9-10), Bob Haines 831-2310

Basketball, Bill Abernethy 831-5891

Baseball, T-ball (boys), John Gislason 831-0699

Softball (girls)

Riflery, Henry Whitehouse 831-5933

Summer program — recreation and crafts for boys and girls

5-10.

Scouts

Boys

Troop 286, Bob Halley, Scoutmaster 831-0970

Cub Pack 97, Rick Bowman, Cubmaster 831-6083

Troop Commissioner, Ace Tollefsen 831-1079

Girls

Brownies, Lynn Carden 831-0486

Sally Wallis 831-7339

Juniors (4th-5th grade), Shirley Mittendorf 831-9276

Juniors (6th grade), Sandy Robinson 248-0244