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Free Pops Concert To Close Holiday

Memorial Day always means something unique to Terrace Parkers — a parade, speeches, flag-raising and athletic events. This May 28, Terrace Park Players are topping off this community celebration with their annual Terrace Pops "Concert on the Green." Music will begin at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring a picnic, folding chairs or blanket to sit on, and enjoy the music.

Dwight Wages, president of Players, is conducting and has planned a very special program — from patriotic marches to rag. Some of the featured numbers will be "MacArthur Park," "Dixie," "American Patrol," "Bones Trombone," selections from "Oliver," and "Scott Joplin on the March." The band has been rehearsing at the Log Cabin on Tuesday evenings. While many of the musicians are from the Park and surrounding communities, some are drawn from more distant spots such as Greenhills, Forest Park, Finneytown, and Mt. Washington.

Peter Stites, producer of the event, has arranged for Old Town to provide an ice cream truck featuring several flavors of ice cream cones and sundaes. The concert is free, of course, and is Terrace Park Players' "thank you" to the village for its continued support.

The day will start with the customary parade starting at the Myrtle Avenue side of the school, and ending at the village green. A feature there will be the raising of a new flag, and the ceremonial disposal of the old flag by members of Girl Scout Troop 947. The new flag was given by members of village council. *Village Views*, on the basis of information it received, erroneously reported last month that the flag had been given by the PTA.

Junior Olympics, with dozens of events, will start at the athletic field at 1 p.m. The second annual marathon, broken down into classes for all ages of both sexes, will start from Stanton and Elm at 3 p.m.

Mowing Deal Hits Snag

Equipment difficulties plagued the May meeting of village council, which a month ago agreed to a maintenance arrangement involving the Recreation Committee's new 10-acre playfield.

Public Works committee chairman Dick Bowman reported that present village equipment is not capable of mowing the field, and estimated the cost of suitable machinery at from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

With mowing urgent, Bowman was authorized to investigate emergency measures to meet the situation, because of long delay involved in the process of advertising for and receiving bids.

Council at its April meeting passed an emergency ordinance to lease the new

Recreation Committee field for one day a month for a dollar a year, to enable the village to mow the property.

(In reporting last month action on modification of the lease to give the village some flexibility in its mowing commitment, *Village Views* inadvertently said that, with Ned Harness absent and Rodger Miller abstaining, Bowman and Bill Howard voted no, Chuck Rockel and Jack VanWye voted yes and Mayor Cadwallader cast the deciding vote. Actually the vote was reversed, with Bowman and Howard voting for the change, and Rockel and VanWye against it.)

In response to complaints last month from Mrs. Ruth Mathis and others regarding high water during rains in the 600 block of Miami Avenue,

Bowman advised that dry wells cost \$2,000 each and that, after an investigation, he found forty puddles in the village. Due to the gravel base which allows water to drain rather quickly, the Public Works Committee did not feel that this was a traffic hazard and that while the Miami puddle was the largest in the village, dry wells would be too costly as a means of resolving the problem.

In a discussion of the possibility of an office building being constructed on the property next to the Yankee Dollar, Councilman Miller questioned whether such buildings were in the best interest of the residents of the community. Howard advised that the land had been zoned

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Park Youngsters Held In Vandalism Crackdown

Police Chief Ron Pottorf believes that a recent wave of vandalism in Terrace Park may have been checked with the arrest of three youngsters, one as young as 10 years of age.

All three have been cited to Juvenile Court in a crackdown on what police consider one of their most serious problems in the community.

In addition, restitution is being made by the parents for damage which the chief estimated at between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

Reporting some of the incidents to council, Chief

Pottorf emphasized that the three arrested were Terrace Park youngsters, and that all evidence indicates that the damage has been caused by community residents. Villagers in the past have been inclined to blame such incidents on outsiders.

Material damage in the recent wave of vandalism was caused at the Swim Club and the village maintenance equipment barn, both broken into. At the Swim Club, considerable quantities of pool paint and soft drinks were splattered about, involving difficult cleanup. Other in-

idents involved shooting out street lights and some picture windows.

There have been as well repeated instances of vandalizing of the interiors of cars on streets and driveways.

Noting that most recent incidents occurred late at night when youngsters should not be roaming the streets, Pottorf again urged parents to be aware of where their children are and what they are doing. And he again urged residents to lock any cars left unattended at any time.

New Office Building To Rise In Village



Stu Proctor and Eppa Rixey expect work to start within 30 days on this new office building, to be erected on Indian Hill Road adjoining The Yankee Dollar. Half of the 4,000 square feet of space will be occupied by their insurance firm. The brick Colonial building, designed by Steinkamp & Nordloh, will be 1½ stories in front, with garden-level offices on the lower floor to the rear. Norval Julnes will be the contractor.

A Bonus Village Air Views

With the co-operation of Ray White, Village Manager of Indian Hill and resident of Terrace Park, the *Village Views* is able to present a recent aerial photo of the village. The picture was taken in March of this year from a height of 20,000 feet.

Editorial

Our Village Doesn't Run Itself

May is a good month to think about Terrace Park. It looks its prettiest. Blossoming trees and shrubs, a succession of daffodils and tulips have colored over the dullness of winter, and the beauty of this little village in its pristine setting makes us glad we live here. We escape to its simplicity — the town appears to run itself.

Our attentions are toward mowing the lawn, getting to the kids' baseball games, thinking about the end of school and summer vacations. Of course we ponder the effects of inflation and gasoline and food prices, but are thankful that we can escape many of the problems of the big city.

But give your village a deeper thought. It doesn't run itself. The five-man police

department, secretary and three maintenance personnel comprise our salaried employees. They do an excellent job, but it takes more than that to keep us going.

It takes elected officials. These people are essentially volunteers — the clerk and mayor make about \$100 a month. The fact is, that the administration of a village with a small tax duplicate must depend on essentially volunteer leadership. It is the only way we can survive and maintain our community lifestyle.

In less than three months it will be necessary for anyone wishing to run for mayor, clerk, treasurer and two council places to file for the November election. To date, Mayor Cadwallader, Clerk Franke, Treasurer Payne and

Councilman Rockel have not announced their intentions. Bill Howard has stated that he will not stand for election in

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Mayor Ray Cadwallader announced, as Village Views went to press, that he will be a candidate for re-election.

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These jobs are not glamorous. They do not offer a step up the party ladder in this non-partisan village. To be a councilman is extremely time consuming and offers no guarantee of popularity. Many of the urban-suburban problems common to the entire country have caught up with us and the mayor and council must search out cre-

ative ways to assure that our village maintains these characteristics which make us want to live here. But, they must also keep touch with the realities of the late seventies.

Terrace Park has a good record for volunteerism. For years the volunteer Recreation Committee has run a sports program equal to many town's funded ones. The Players give proceeds for extras the village cannot afford. The Garden Club has undertaken financing and maintaining landscaping projects. And, of course, the fire department and life squad are typical of that widely-performed function in our country.

Terrace Park needs good lawmakers just as much as they are needed at all levels of government. The issues of environment, law and order,

economy in government, transportation are all right here, too.

If you as a citizen of this village, value its traditions and want to help keep it as much as possible as it is today, think about volunteering a piece of your optional time in life to serve in an exciting position as an elected official.

Any registered voter is eligible to run for council. Bob Leming, our long time solicitor, will have petition forms. These must be signed by 25 registered voters, notarized and filed with the Board of Elections before August 8. . . . PAT HENLEY

Ancient Japanese Art of Bonsai Comes to Terrace Park

By Jeanne Sanker

The ancient oriental art of Bonsai is being preserved and cultivated by Don Brown, 610 Yale, with enthusiastic support from wife, Judy, and children, Jim, 18, and Allene, 15.

The first known and authentic record of Bonsai is in a Japanese picture scroll, dated 1309, which shows a dwarf tree in a ceramic pot. The first appearance of Bonsai in a western country is believed to have been in London in 1907. When the Japanese settled on the West Coast of the United States, many brought their Bonsai with them, but the art did not really begin to flourish here until the late 1940's, after the war.

Bonsai originally meant "growing in a shallow vessel," or "tray planting," but has now become the term used for all plants grown by a particular method, whatever the shape of their containers. Many beautiful examples of Bonsai are grown in deep and tall pots. The term now may also cover low-growing plants and even small bulbs which one finds included in Japanese books on Bonsai, along with the more traditional dwarfed treelike forms.

But how did it begin? The Japanese have always been known for their interest in nature, and Bonsai was an outcome of this interest.

Since their country is small and their lots are very limited in size, they did not have the space to grow large trees such as spruce and pine, and yet they wanted to have some type of tree in their gardens. So, many people would make trips out into the mountains, sometimes enduring very perilous situations, in order to bring back a shoot of tree to be placed in a ceramic pot and then to be trained and cultivated to resemble the original tree and the way it was growing in the wild.

The Japanese worked with them for a lifetime and the Bonsai would pass from generation to generation in the same original pot. These trees, rarely over 36 inches in

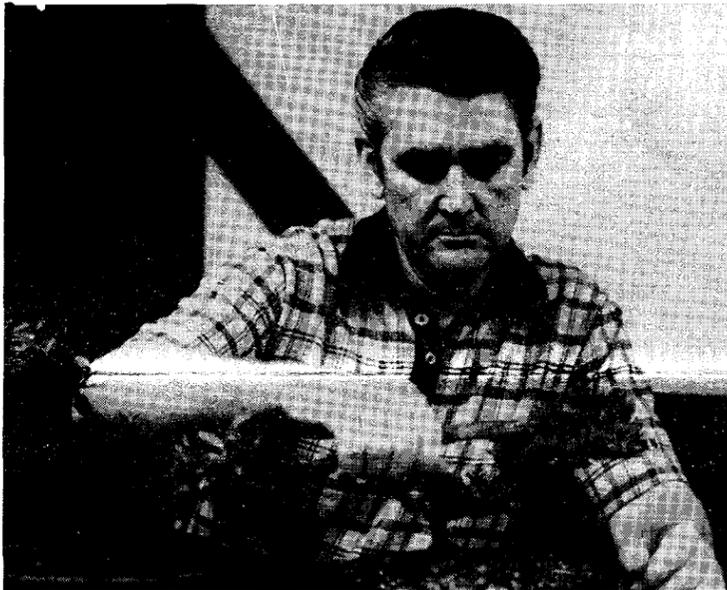
height, might be anything from a juniper to a flowering plum or a maple.

Don was a natural for becoming a Bonsai fan. He had been born and raised on a farm in Missouri and had always enjoyed working with his hands in a garden and having success in growing things. After college he joined the forest service in Washington and Oregon where his knowledge and love of growing things expanded even further. When he changed jobs in 1971 and became a representative of the Great American Insurance Company, he was transferred to California. It was there he was introduced to Bonsai at a show where there were over 100 entries.

He was so fascinated by the idea of simulating something growing in the wild, that he signed up for a year of classes. After learning the six basic designs, or forms, and the secrets of how to prune, wire, and to train the trees, he enjoyed the classes so much he stayed on for another year.

"Terrace Park would be a natural for outdoor Bonsai, too," declares Don. "If it weren't for the several severe winter months, everything else would be just right for it." He was referring to Terrace Park's rocky soil, very porous so it does not hold water, and certainly not rich or nutritious. Filtered light is much better for Bonsai than direct sunlight, so the many trees here would guarantee the right light. Also, there is not much wind here, another feature that simplifies Bonsai cultivation.

For Don, Bonsai is a great form of relaxation and it is not nearly as difficult nor expensive as people usually think. All that is needed, he says, is a little artistic talent, a bit of imagination, enduring interest, and the desire to do it. The right tools are essential, too. The pots are the most expensive part of the hobby (they must be unglazed so they do not hold moisture). He is very proud to be using some that his daughter made



Don Brown pruning and shaping his Bonsai (photos by Doug DeCamp).

for him in a ceramics class she attended in Madeira.

Don has been working with indoor Bonsai, so popular now, but which is considered a compromise on the original. However, it does enable everyone to enjoy it and serves as a "terrific conversation piece." This summer, Don is taking the giant step of starting to cultivate Bonsai in his back yard.

Though Bonsai has become a very prolific and profitable industry in this country, Don will not sell his works of art. After working with them constantly for a year or so they are truly works of love and he will only give them as gifts. He cannot even remember how many he has given away since he began this fascinating hobby eight years ago.

Don says there are Bonsai societies in many cities, including Cincinnati. The Bonsai Society of Cincinnati has been active for about 10 years, the highlight of their year being an annual show where many different forms of Bonsai are exhibited.



Garden Clubbers To Go On Tour

For the June meeting of the Terrace Park Garden Club on June 5, the members will go to Wyoming, Ohio, and tour the gardens that will be on the 30th Annual Garden Tour sponsored by the Federated Garden Clubs of Cincinnati and Vicinity and the Cincinnati Post. Transportation will be provided by car pools leaving the Community Building at 9:30 a.m. The hostesses, Kath Startzman, Rita Leming and Sue Bucy, will provide dessert and beverage to supplement noshbag lunches.

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TP Update by Debbie Carle

With the coming of spring and beautiful weather, now is a terrific time to stop and meet new friends while you're out jogging, cycling or just enjoying the outdoors.

At 914 Stanton Ave., Pam and Giles DeCourcy have moved into Pam's childhood home. Pam's family, the Sammis', moved here in 1958. Now her mother Pat is living in a condominium in Montgomery and Pam plans to settle back into Terrace Park for a long stay. Giles is a sales representative for Duro paper bag manufacturers.

Jack and Barb Smith are the proud new owners at 625 Elm. They grabbed at the chance to buy a big, old house when Nancy and Frank Gilligan decided to move to Hyde Park. Jack is the southern division manager for toilet goods for Procter and Gamble. They have four children. Shannon and Jannell attend Mariemont High School, freshman and sophomore respectively. Blayne is in seventh grade and Dannon, seven, is in second grade at Terrace Park.

Terrace Park residents for only a month are Ken and Bonita Matthews at 415 Washington Ave. Ken is a section manager for an English firm called Polymark. They and their children, Clare, 1½, and Simon, five, bravely moved here for a year or more without furniture, dishes, etc., so they really have their hands full.

And the population is growing steadily. You may have seen a few more baby buggies around lately.

Pam and Allen Carroll at 112 Robinwood have a new little girl, Kargaret Gill, born February 9. She has a big brother, Joe, almost two.

Edward J. Harness III joined Ned and Nancy and sister, Elizabeth, three, at 407 Amherst on March 5. And the Cantwells, Sarah and Bill,

added a new son, Jeffrey, at 315 Harvard on March 21.

Brand new, too, is Lindsay Marie Goodman, born April 29, Marilyn and Doug also have another little girl to help keep things busy at 408 Miami.

Please call me at 831-4178 if you are new or know of any new arrivals, so we can keep everybody up to date.



New President

Jack Richardson, 124 Wind-ing Brook, is the newly-elected president of the Terrace Park Volunteer Fire Association. The organization is the social and fund-raising arm of the official fire department, sponsoring such things as the village telephone book, the annual pancake supper, and Santa on the Green. Jack is an officer of the Life Squad.

AA Signup Set

Boys wanting to play Class AA baseball this summer should register by May 21 with Jack Harbison, 707 Lexington Ave. Call 831-8305.

TP Force Is Honored By Chamber

Terrace Park's revitalized police department was among those honored at the annual Police Appreciation Awards Dinner at the Netherland Hilton May 15.

The dinner was arranged by Fitzhugh L. Corr, 815 Miami Ave., who is chairman of the Chamber of Commerce justice and public safety committee.

Nomination of the department, headed by Chief Ron Pottorf, for a unit citation supported by both a resolution adapted by village council and by a letter from Mayor Ray Cadwallader.

"The Police Department of Terrace Park was at an absolute low point in 1977," the mayor said in his letter. "We had many officers arrive and leave the village upon learning of the many problems in existence. This intolerable system led to a complete reformation" beginning with the recruiting of Pottorf from the Mariemont department.

"During the past two years, the Village of Terrace Park has been witness to a change that has been amazing. Our force is now recognized by its peer organizations as being of excellent quality....There have been many acts of individual excellence that have created a result of citizen pride. This has been evidenced by no less than 30 letters of commendation to Village Council from citizens."

Four Graduates Capture Honors

Four members of Mariemont's 1976 graduating class have recently distinguished themselves at their universities.

Meg Cherry and Ginny McAllister were inducted into the mechanical engineering fraternity, Pi Tau Sigma, the second and third girls ever to be elected to the Washington University chapter of the honorary. Meg and Ginny were both members of Chimes, woman's junior honorary, and Ginny has been tapped for Mortar Board. Meg is in the co-op program.

Bruce Halley, a co-op engineering student at Purdue, led his fraternity, Pi Kappa Phi, to first place in the male division of the university sing, a highly-competitive event.

Chris Watkins, a junior at Miami University, received the Gary L. Best Memorial award given to political science majors.

Players Show Rollicking Musical



"Bumberton, Hopping, and Snicker'sville," a delightful, rollicking family musical, was presented by the Terrace Park Players on Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20, at the Terrace Park Community House, with 1 and 4 p.m. performances on both days. Tickets for the play are \$1 for children and \$1.50 for adults.

The title of the 45 minute production refers to three towns in the kingdom of the evil King Sweeney whose

Plans Under Way For 'Summer Fun'

The Terrace Park Recreation Committee is finalizing plans for its "Summer Fun" program to be held at Terrace Park School June 25-July 27. All grade school children, from those who have completed kindergarten through fifth grade, are invited to take part free of charge.

Jackie Strider will be the director, assisted by Steve Pruitt, Steve Sauter and Janet Stites.

Call Judy Hutton, 831-6421, for further information and to arrange for pickup of bulk materials anyone may wish to contribute to the program. Other items may be left in the garage at 100 Red Bird Lane.

Especially needed from spring cleaning are potential craft items including such things as wallpaper books, fabric scraps and trimmings, and indoor and outdoor games.

Firemen Score Tops in Contest

Terrace Park Volunteer firemen came out on top in a recent proficiency contest staged by fire training officers for the Eastern District of Hamilton County. Five departments took part.

The exercise, on a time basis, involved drafting water from a tank, laying out 200 feet of hose and getting water on target.

plan to bring misery to his subjects is overthrown by Blab, the donut seller and a not-so-valiant hero named Cheese, played by Denny Edmonds, Sue Harper and Bill Swensson respectively. The King's peculiar sidekick Limerick, played by Todd Houston, is joined by a chorus of zany townspeople performed by Linda Swensson, Sandy Tye, Linda Muther, Karen Ewald, Pam Parker and Gale Manning.

The music for the seven musical numbers is upbeat and delightfully easy, with an abundance of clever lyrics. The action of the play is fast paced with a level of humor that appeals to both children and adults.

The musical has been produced by a number of colleges and community groups across the country as well as by Nebraska Educational Television. Author Douglas B. Anderson has written several children's musicals, and recently won two national playwriting contests with his play, "The Beans are Creaking," a full length drama on the life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

Director of the Terrace Park Players production is Tom Long, who has a masters degree in theater from the University of Cincinnati and is well known in area theater circles. As well as being program director for the Clermont County Youth Theater he is presently hosting a second grade continuing science program "Dragon, Wagons and Wax" on WCET.

Also assisting on the play are: producer Joan Morgan; assistant producer Sandy Lowery; pianist Ellen Speidel; props, Teresa Dean; music, Denny Edmonds and Bob Funk; costumes, Karen Ewald and Diane Wages; program, Mike Huber; make-up, Karen Ward; cast party, Dee Cutler; posters, Peggy Goewey; set construction, Ken Yelton; publicity, Shirley Rohlfing and Sandy Lowery; set painting, Sue Bucy, Sandy Robinson, Roseann Ryan, Nancy Young, Joan Morgan; tickets, Pat Brandt, Terrace Park PTA, Trish Bryan, Middle School PTA, Mary Mace, Dale Park, and Fairfax PTA; refreshments, Terrace Park Child Study Group, Catherine Brunner, Mary Helen Petry, Judy Elliott, Betty Lou Taylor, Linda Dozois, Sue Abernethy and Becky Deckard.

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In Council

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commercial in a unanimous decision by Council and that having seen the blue prints, it was his feeling that the building would be a great asset to our community.

Solicitor Leming advised Council that the zoning ordinance needs review and restructuring.

In other business Council passed emergency ordinances to . . .

Accept the William Light Construction Company bid of \$7,450.71 for surface treatment of Amherst Avenue, part of Miami Avenue, Fieldstone and Marion Lane;

To accept the Armcel Company bid of \$9,520.00 for resurfacing Indian Hill Road;

To complete the catch basin project on Wooster Pike for the state, our share being labor which is 10% of the total cost;

To approve a mutual aid agreement for life squad service with Milford and Milamville.

Council also acted on a request by the Garden Club to pay half of the cost for installation of window shades in the Community House amounting to \$276.15.

Councilman Dick Bowman advised that he would have a recommendation within the next month regarding cable TV.

Recreation Committee has requested barricades at the playfield beginning Saturday, May 12, between Elm and Myrtle as has been done for the past two years. Chief Pottorf will have the barricades out but it will be the responsibility of the Recreation Committee to place and withdraw the barricades.

Council adjourned for an executive session.

Trash Reminder

Decomposable trash should not be put at curbside until after 4 p.m. on Sundays. Monday is pick-up day for bagged grass clippings, etc. and brush.

The village will continue heavy trash pickup, but the service should be limited to large articles which cannot be handled in the Tuesday contract collection. Old paint cans, garbage, cardboard boxes, etc. should go in the Tuesday collection.

TP-Made Quilt Award Winner

First award in its class at the recent Stitchery Fair downtown went to a quilt made by a group of Terrace Park women for the November bazaar at St. Thomas Church.

Depicting flowers of the Bible in a trellis design, the coverlet was designed by Marie Gerwin and the flowers drawn by Jeri Williams.

Others who worked on the piece were Janet Stollmaier, Ruth Hickenlooper, Barbara Thoman, Jane Peterson, Peg Reynolds, Bunny Proctor, Lize Allison, Becky Deckard, Judy Brown, Joanne Kennedy, Nancy Neighbors, Marilyn Meyer, Kay Everhart, Jo Fahnestock, Hazel Rutherford, Dotti Vickers, and Kay Pope.

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