

# Village Views

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## Youngsters Aid Wildlife



Terrace Park Fifth Grade students in the classes of Beth Kauffman and Emma Wallace are pictured in their project of stocking wildlife feeders in the Wilderness Preserve. The feeders, set up this year, were planned and constructed by Boy Scouts from Troop 296 under the supervision of Jamie Allison.

## Bureaucratic Foul-up Hits Village Treasury

Terrace Park will have to tighten its municipal belt a little this year because of a bureaucratic muddle that denies the village federal

revenue sharing funds it had expected.

Mayor Dick Bowman said federal and state officials admitted the errors and offer-

ed apologies but no money. Finance chairman Ned Harness said matters had been straightened out and that the village should receive \$15,000 a year in the future, but in the meantime must carefully scrutinize and cut expenses.

Revenue-sharing allotments are made by the state under a complex formula drafted by the Treasury Department and the Bureau of the Census. Terrace Park received \$27,000 last year and had anticipated receiving \$17,000 this year.

Only recently, though, the mayor was notified that the village would not receive any revenue-sharing money this year on the grounds that it had been overpaid last year and had failed to meet some requirements of need, including an assertion of a 50% increase in village per capita income, and an insufficient increase in taxes.

Harness told the February council meeting that he had challenged the findings, calling "impossible" such a per capita income increase in a village with no industry, or radical changes in population status. In the process, it was learned that some demographic data from Loveland had mistakenly been applied to Terrace Park in reaching the 1979 figure.

Among other actions, council passed an emergency ordinance upping payments required from those not appearing in court to answer for misdemeanors. Mayor Bowman said a previous ordinance "posed problems" in mayor's court in no allowing for mitigating circumstances and permitting payout for less than a court appearance could involve.

Council also:

Heard that the village should learn on February 20 when cable TV will be available.

Named Jim Nordloh as consultant to estimate costs of refurbishing the Community Building.

## Teachers Given Increase of 9.3%

Mariemont's Board of Education and the district's teachers have agreed on a contract providing a 9.3% increase retroactive to January 1.

Dr. Donald Thompson, district superintendent, said the board had anticipated a 7% increase in last fall's successful levy campaign. It was able to "go a little more," he said, because of a \$24,556 increase in state funds. The increase came because Mariemont's teaching experience exceeds the Ohio average, and because of increased

enrollment in special programs.

The agreement sets Mariemont's starting salary at \$10,870, with a top of \$23,425 with 18 years of experience and some work beyond a master's degree.

It increases the teacher payroll by \$148,160, from \$1,604,455 to \$1,752,615.

Besides direct pay increases, the agreement provides an increase in severance pay benefits, additional sick leave, and an increase in project pay.

## River Set-Aside Called TP Boon

Secretary of the Interior Cecil B. Andrus has designed the lower 28 miles of the Little Miami River as a recreational component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

Councilman Chuck Rockel told the February council meeting that the designation solves many problems for Terrace Park, including proposals for relocation of US 50.

Village Clerk Don Franke is president of the Lower Council of Little Miami Inc., which

pioneered the project.

"The accomplishment," Franke said, "was considerably more complicated than anyone imagined 12 years ago when Little Miami, Inc. first had this dream... Today we take comfort that this important federal designation stands guard over a treasured resource."

The 64 miles upstream from Clifton Gorge were federally designated in 1973. The new action covers the stretch from Foster to the Ohio River.

## Police Needed? Phone 825-2280

Residents seeking police assistance, especially at night or on weekends, should call 825-2280 rather than the business office in the Community Building. The county dispatcher at that number will immediately relay the message to the officer on duty, who may be on patrol and out of the office at the time.

Police Chief Ronald Pottorf reported some recent problems to the February meeting of village council, and emphasized that calls should be made that way concerning any kind of problem.

The police, he said, are ready and willing to respond, but can be effective only if trouble is reported immediately, and not to the office some time later.

In other police matters, Pottorf reported that Patrolman Fred DeMarx resigned February 1, but that Patrolman William O'Connor had reconsidered plans to join the State Highway Patrol.

Council approved appointment of Michael D. Hicks, who has been on the Amelia police force, for a year's probation at \$13,500.

## Terrace Park Really Appeals

It isn't only people who have that thing about Terrace Park.

When Pat Stegemeyer and the children left Princeton Avenue to join Lee in West Palm Beach, Fla., (he had become an editor of the afternoon newspaper there) it wasn't feasible to take their cat along. It was instead adopted by George and Becky Meinberg, who leased the house.

The Meinberg's bought a house in Montgomery and moved last July, taking the cat along. But after two weeks it disappeared!

Still wearing its identifying collar, it showed up at 801 Princeton in December when Michael and Mary Anne Howard were moving in with their two daughters after buying the house. It's fat and sassy again after adopting the Howards or being adopted by them, depending on the point of view.

Nobody knows where it had been in all those months, how it covered the nine miles from one place to the other, or even how it knew which way to go.

## Date Shifted For Paper Drive

Boy Scout Troop 286 thanks you for your continued support of its paper drives and announces that the next paper drive have been rescheduled to Saturday, March 29, because of a conflict of activities on the previously-scheduled date.

## Holly Finds Honesty Does Pay

Holly Kranz, 133 Wrenwood Ln., found \$100 on the floor at Wendy's in Milford on January 8, and she and her mother turned it in to Milford police. But nobody reported the loss or claimed the money, so on February 12 Milford Police Chief Robert D. Lee sent it back to Holly.

"Your honesty and integrity on turning the money in," he said in a letter, "sets an outstanding example for all members of the community and reflects most highly in you and your parents as well. Let me say on behalf of all of the officials of Milford that we are proud to have you and your family as members of our neighboring community."

Lee was so pleased he sent copies of the letter to Terrace Park's mayor, Richard Bowman, and Police Chief Ronald Pottorf, and to Milford's city manager and council clerk as well.

# The Olympics? Terrace Park Has Its Own Skating Star

By Jeanne Sanker

The snowy scene at the lake on Given Road and the exciting skating at the Olympics in Lake Placid remind us that Terrace Park has its own skating star! She is Amy Meyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Meyer, 602 Lexington.

Amy and her partner, Rusty Witherby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Witherby of Mariemont, are seniors at Cincinnati Country Day School. They started skating together just a year ago but have already participated in two competitions. Realizing it is an honor to be chosen to compete in U.S. Figure Skating Association competitions, they were proud to have finished fifth in the ice dancing division of the regional group held in St. Clair Shores, Michigan, in November, and to have finished ninth at the USFSA Midwest Sections in Fort Wayne, Indiana, on December 12-15. There were 22 states represented there.

The entire Meyer family are avid sports enthusiasts with the ice rink being their center of interest, especially since both Amy and her brother, Ched, now at Culver Military Academy in Indiana, excel there. Ched is on the Culver hockey team which travels to

many cities for competitions. It is not at all unusual for Richard Meyer to be accompanying Ched to some competition in an eastern state while his wife, Elise, goes west with Amy for her participation in some women's skating events.

Amy's interest in skating began when she was a little girl and had to go along with the family to Northland Skating Center for Ched to work out with his young hockey team. Amy decided that sitting on the side lines was not for her so she started to take skating lessons at the Center and has loved every moment of it since.

During the year that she and Rusty have been skating as a team, they practice two to three hours a day, five days a week, coached by Cathy Macri of Northland Center who has participated in three national competitions herself. Sometimes Amy and Rusty have to go to the rink as early as 6 a.m. and practice two hours before school. Other days may find them skating there again at the midnight session. Since there are so few skating rinks in the Cincinnati area, serious skaters find it very frustrating to try to find times when they

can be scheduled into the busy rinks.

Along with the discipline necessary to be competitive in ice dancing, the skaters must be athletic, strong, graceful, have a good sense of rhythm, and have the will to achieve. Amy and Rusty have worked hard as a team.

"One of the best parts of being involved in the various competitions," says Amy, "is to be acquainted with so many skaters who are truly dedicated to the sport. It is inspiring just to be with them and I always learn from them."

What is to become of Amy's and Rusty's ice dancing career after this year of school? They do not know just now. Amy plans to go to college in the fall, majoring in business, and she is not sure how much time will be available for skating or even if there will be a rink nearby. She would like to continue her dream of earning a USAAF gold medal someday, so we know she will keep her skates handy.



Amy Meyer and Rusty Witherby execute a "lift" in skating practice.

## St. Thomas Bazaar Proceeds Give Many Helping Hands

Fragrance clings to the hand that gives the flowers, goes an old Chinese proverb. It certainly should apply to the Women of St. Thomas Church.

Net proceeds from their annual bazaar amounted to \$10,155. Over half of this amount has been allocated to many local, national and international charitable organizations.

Contact Queen City, a Christian telephone ministry, is one such beneficiary. This is a "telephone hotline" operated on a 24-hour basis for any troubled caller in need of support and comfort.

Several schools receive help, among them Bethany School, a private Episcopal day school in Glendale managed by the Sisters of the Transfiguration, and the Crossmore School in North Carolina, an institution providing food, clothing, shelter and Christian guidance to dependent and neglected mountain children. As far away as Korea, a school called "Berea in Korea" receives financial support. A Korean counterpart of the one in Berea, Kentucky, it provides primary education for young children as well as technical courses for more advanced students.

For abused women, financial assistance is given to the Cincinnati Rape Crisis Center, a counseling and referral service for victims of rape; and to the Alice Paul House which provides temporary shelter to and counseling

service for battered women and their children.

The elderly are aided through St. Mary's Memorial Home in Glendale, a retirement home for elderly women.

Additional organizations receiving funds are:

Camp Stepping Stones, a center providing educational and recreational programs for the handicapped; Teen Challenge, Inc. of Cincinnati, giving live-in rehabilitation, vocational training and Christian guidance and counseling to disturbed youths, delinquents and drug abusers; Holmes House, a temporary shelter to troubled and delinquent girls; and the Light-house program of temporary shelter and counseling for runaways. In addition, The Children's Hospital in Cincinnati has been a regular recipient of a generous annual donation.

Other local allocations include the Cincinnati Free Store on East McMicken Street which is a center supplying basic survival necessities to the needy; and Talbert House which serves as a half-way house for ex-offenders and ex-drug addicts.

Further away but not forgotten are the victims of leprosy under the care of the American Leprosy Mission, an organization dedicated to the treatment and prevention of leprosy; the Alaska Mission which focuses on training Indians and Eskimos to become future church leaders in the widely scattered multi-lingual parishes of Alaska;

and to the women of Third World countries assistance is given through the Sewing Machine Project of the Episcopal Church Women in the form of treadle sewing machines.

The Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief (hunger) and Bishop Jones of the Diocese of Wyoming for work among Indian people on the Wind River Reservation, are additional recipients.

## Gardens of Spain On Club Program

Members of the Terrace Park Garden Club are inviting husbands and friends to a very special evening meeting on March 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Building. Dalton Battin, landscape architect and former Cincinnati parks superintendent, will give a talk and slide show on "Gardens, Castles, and Cathedrals of Spain and Portugal."

The guests will be welcomed by dessert and coffee. Hostesses will be Fran Marsh, Ginny Alter, Pauline Olson, Hazel Retherford and Marsie Lyon.

## At Library

Pre-school story hours for youngsters three through five will be held at the Mariemont Library on February 27. Sessions will be from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00, and 1:30 to 2 p.m.

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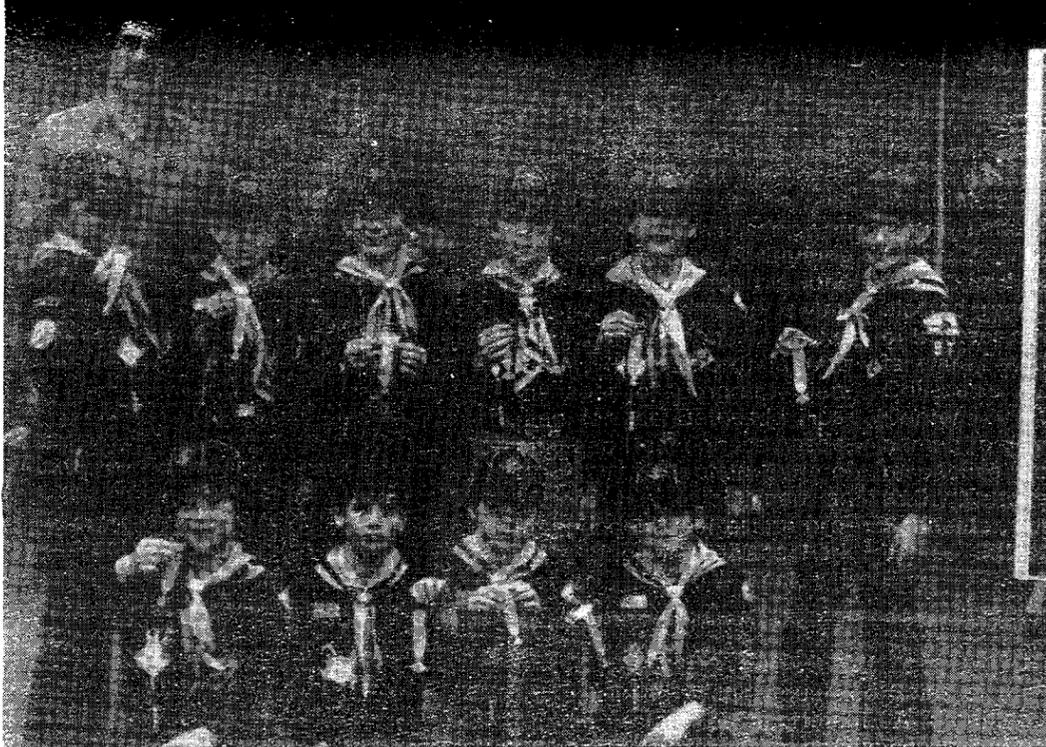
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## About People . . .

**Dr. Stanley Brown**, 821 Myrtle Ave., who has been "Mr. Swimming" in Terrace Park for years, has been given a United States Swimming Officials award for his long dedication to amateur swimming competition . . . **Jay Avner**, 313 Oxford, is now manager of program planning for the Bethesda Hospital and Deaconess Association . . . **Stephen Early** of Milford has established an independent real estate broker's office in Terrace Park Center . . . **Greg W. Lock**, 816

Yale, who joined the Navy in 1978, has completed basic machinists' mate training at Great Lake Naval Training Center . . . **C. L. Harrison III**, 303 Oxford, was recently re-elected treasurer of the board of trustees of Children's Dental Care Foundation, a unit of Children's Hospital Medical Center . . . Terrace Parkers named to dean's lists of their respective colleges include **Kathy Critchell Gregg**, **Judy Schneider**, **John Holloway**, **James Stites** and **Guy Van Epps**.



Raised to the highest rank of Cub Scouting, which is an introduction to Boy Scouts, are, left to right, first row: Eric Avner, Doug Normile, Doug Pfingstag, Tommy Bell; second row, leader Jay Avner, Kurt Kaiser, Todd Rafter, Jay Taylor, Bret Haines, Matt Bernard and Tommy Goewey. (Photo by Sally Kniffin).

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## Cub Scouting Celebrates A Birthday

By Zoe Moore

National Cub Scouting is celebrating its 50th birthday this year . . . and in Terrace Park, it certainly is alive and active.

Cub Scouting here dates

back thirty-six years to when Ellis and Bonnie Rawnsley, along with Grace Siegel, organized the local pack under PTA sponsorship. Since that time, interest has waxed

and waned; some years there was no pack, but today Cib Scouting is going strong.

On January 31, prospective second graders and their parents were invited to attend a Cib Scout Pack meeting. Pack leader Dave Hummel, along with assistant pack leader Tom Petry, presented advance in rank and merit awards to the present Terrace Park Cub Scouts. These Cubs are in two dens. Dens 1 and 3 are combined under den mothers Judy Bernard, Sharon Haines and Charlene Pfingstag. Den 2 is led by Frances Stafford, Arnora Hummel and Pat Beech.

Following the awards ceremony, Den 2 presented a magic show and Dens 1 and 3 displayed American Indian ceremonial masks they had made — much to the delight of the prospective scouts.

For the Cib Scouts who will be moving on to Webelos (the highest rank), it is worth noting that this will be the first Webelos program Terrace Park has had for several years. Dick Mittendorf is chairman of the Cub Committee and the men who will serve as leaders for the Webelos program are Jay Avner, Frank Taylor and Erv Pfingstag.

Not only Cub Scouting, but the whole Scouting program here in Terrace Park works because of the dedication and love and patience of so many of the parents here. It would be impossible to calculate the hours spent in the scouting endeavors, but as a community we are so fortunate to have such commitment. To those leaders, we, as a community, say, "Thank you."

## Fruit Sale Widens Student Worlds

The annual AFS Christmas citrus fruit sale was again a great success. Many thanks go to all who purchased the fruit, and to all those in the Terrace Park AFS chapter who gave so generously of their time and talent.

It was necessary to make a change because of a heavy frost in Texas. This year the fruit came from Vero Beach, Florida.

AFS is having a good year under co-presidents Bob and Barb Anderson of Mariemont. Because of the sale of the fruit, two students, Kirsti Ullsfoos from Norway and "G" Sanchez from Costa Rica are now living with the Jim Gilchris and Fred Vickers respectively in Terrace Park. Nathalie Rose-Pizant and Larry Azure are living with two Mariemont families.

The AFS chapter is now looking for families in the school district to host students for next year. In addition the chapter is looking for students to go on the Domestic Program for fall and spring as well as students to go on the American Abroad Program. If interested in any of these programs please call Betsy Gale, telephone 831-4548.

Speaking of the Gales, Jud and Betsy co-chaired the fruit

sale this year, and their untiring efforts are invaluable in making Mariemont AFS chapter one of the most active in the city.

## Insurance For Seniors To Be Topic At AARP

Insurance needs and problems of senior citizens will be discussed by Blue Cross officials at the March 10 meeting of the fast-growing Terrace Park chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons. The meeting will be in the St. Thomas Church undercroft at 1:30 p.m.

Reports at the February meeting, the new organization's third, said that membership had grown to 134. The chapter has set a limit of 200 members.

Seventy-seven attended February's luncheon meeting, and gave enthusiastic reception to a program by Dr. Simon Alexander of UC's College-Conservatory of Music. Dr. Alexander illustrated musical types from classic to disco, and interpreted them in terms of sociological conditions.

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**Days Are Busy  
 For TP Child  
 Study Group**

The Terrace Park Child Study group is really hopping these days. In January, Dr. Loraine Perlmutter, a child psychologist, spoke to the members and their husbands on "The Perfect Mother Syndrome." In February, the group met in the home of Marilyn and Doug Goodman for a pizza party, a great way to get to know people better.

Take a glance at what Child Study has to offer for the next few months and if you're interested, please feel free to join in.

February 25 is Teddy Bear Day at the Mariemont Library. Everyone is invited to bring his or her favorite bear to the library for a special program at 10 a.m.

On March 25, Dr. Patsy Person will speak to the group at the home of Pam Carroll, 112 Robinwood, starting at 7:30 p.m. Come and ask all the little questions you've always wanted to ask a pediatrician.

April 5 will see an Easter Egg hunt at the Green. There will be plenty for everyone and there promises to be an Easter Bunny too. Call Debbie Carle, 831-4178, if you'd like to come.

On April 29, Marjorie Harth will be with the group to demonstrate flower arranging for children and moms.

**TP Update**

It hardly seems possible, but spring may be on its way. And hopefully when we're all outside more, we'll be able to make some of these new neighbors feel welcome.

Sandy and Guy Randolph, at 710 Myrtle, moved here last summer from Harrisburg, Pa. Guy is in sales with Procter and Gamble. He grew up in Mariemont so they're enjoying being back in this area. They have a little girl, Taulbee, who is two.

Sandy's sister, Jo Beth Todd, and her husband, Dick, live at the corner of Miami and Oxford. Moving up here from Pinehurst, N.C., I'm sure they find our winters interesting! They have three children, Tammy in college, and Danny and Jim in the Mariemont school system.

At 729 Park Ave., Jerry and Roger Oberle live with their two daughters, Megan, nine, and Marion, six. They came here from New Haven, Conn., and they're both teachers at Country Day.

Please call me, Debbie Carle, at 831-4178, if you know of anyone new in the community or if you're new yourself!

**We're Sorry**

To whom it may be of concern:

Our car struck your large gray female tabby cat as she bounded across Wooster Pike at Kris about 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29. We rushed her to the Milford emergency animal clinic, but she couldn't be saved. We left her body with the vet since she had no identification. We're very sorry.

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