

# Village Views

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## Our Memorial Day



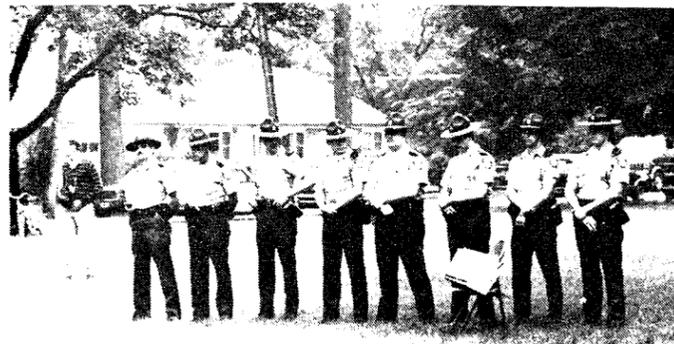
Rain held off so that Councilman Rich Gilchrist, PTA president Connie Wilson, and the Rev. Robert Gerhard could lead ceremonies on the village green.



Al Nelson of the Pops Band sounded taps as the flag was raised.



The kids raced in the Junior Olympics, but we didn't get any report of the results.



Village police were honored. Left to right are Chief Ron Pottorf, Lt. Charles McComas, Officers Robert Bacon and Mike Wright, Sgt. Jeff Harlan, and Officers Jeff Schaffer, Mark McDaniel and Robert Rhodenbaugh. Officer Mark Garner was on vacation. Harlan, McDaniel, Schaffer and Rhodenbaugh are auxiliaries, serving the village for \$1 a year to maintain their state certifications. Photos by Sally Kniffin

## We're In Trouble

Village Views faces an uncertain future because of lack of support in last month's annual appeal for contributions.

At the June deadline, Business Manager Jan McAllister reported 110 contributions for a total of \$700, which means that only one-seventh of the households in the village contributed to a paper

distributed free to all.

It costs almost \$350 a month for typesetting, printing and delivery. Advertising support has been excellent, but there's a catch. The more advertising we carry the less space is available for village news, but if we curtail advertising our position becomes even more perilous.

## \$30,000 Reduction Forecast In Village Budget For 1985

Village council is contemplating a \$30,000 cut in the village budget for 1985 to be acted on at the July 10 meeting. Council action will follow a public hearing to be held at 7 p.m. on that date.

The proposed budget totals \$528,891 as against this year's \$560,289. Anticipated revenues in 1985 are \$529,888.

The proposed budget takes no account of \$135,000 in estate taxes the village expects to receive in August.

"At the July hearing I'm going to be soliciting com-

ment on ideas for using the money," said Finance Chairman Bob Payne, "but I don't feel comfortable including it in the budget at this point."

He noted that when the money is received, it would be feasible for council to amend this year's budget to reduce or pay off the \$80,000 debt remaining on village purchase of the BBS property. It could also, he said, amend the 1985 budget to set aside the balance for fire equipment purchase. Tax abatement also is among the poss-

ibilities.

Savings in the proposed 1985 budget are almost wholly reflected in a cut in payment in the BBS debt note held by the Central Trust Co., and in payment to the Hamilton County Communications Center. Costs are up in most other categories, with the budget proposing a \$900 salary increase for the village clerk and \$300 additional for the mayor.

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## Ray Colton Is Named By Mayor To Planning And Zoning Board

Mayor Les Overway announced at the June council meeting the appointment of Ray Colton, 610 Marietta, to the village Planning and Zoning Commission. He replaces Pat Henley, who resigned her commission chairmanship recently rather than complete a term expiring at year's end.

In making the appointment, the mayor said that "Ray has already held several volunteer positions and has made many important contributions. I am extremely pleased that he has agreed to continue serving Terrace Park."

At a recent reorganization meeting, Alan Griffith became commission chairman, with Spike Gerwin remaining as secretary for another six-year term.

Since council lacked a quorum at its June meeting, only reports were heard. A later meeting is planned so necessary legislation can be

passed.

The major tree removal program planned at this time is now over, with the exception of a few stumps to be taken out, Councilman Jack Schmidt reported. A second round of pruning on young trees will be done in late June and early July. About a third of the firewood has been sold, netting \$2,000 which will go toward new trees to be planted in the fall. Residents interested in purchasing firewood should contact the village office.

Councilman Ken Bassett has been studying bids on recodifying and publishing village ordinances. It has not been done since 1976 and the expense of such work is greater than he anticipated. In the future, he felt it should be done annually, possibly with the use of a word processor.

A spirited exchanged oc-

curred between council and Marilyn Bullock when she questioned them on receipt of a letter from Mrs. Alexander, Given Lane, supporting the Pences on their petition to have the toll house property rezoned for horticultural use. It was pointed out that the May minutes reflected council's discussion of the letter. She raised several points on the study of the land and expressed the view that council got together and decided on its vote before the regular meeting. For his part, Bassett said he had come to his vote independently and knew of no discussion on the matter previous to the meeting.

Gisela Lock suggested that a money-saving plan for the Summer Fun program might be to ask the parents of children involved to contribute to the salary of a

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## Twenty-seven Village Seniors Among Mariemont High Graduates

Twenty-seven Terrace Park students were among the 104 seniors — 62 boys and 42 girls — graduated as Mariemont High School's Class of 1984. Seven of the village seniors were tapped by the National Honor Society; 15 won Ohio awards of distinction; 9 presidential academic fitness awards; two won national scholar/athlete awards; and five graduated cum laude.

As listed by the school, the graduates were:

Robin Lee Arnold, Kimberly Jo Baker, Robert Owen Bredenfoerder, Heather Bucy, Ellen Beth Cole, Carole Lee Colton, Christopher S. Conroy, Bonnie Ellen Fowler, James Parker Getgey, William Jay Gislason, Elisabeth Henderson, Thomas Stafford Hodges, Gregory Lewis Jones, Donald Lee Kincaid, William Duncan Lahke, Paul Merritt Larkin, Ross Anders

Lindell, Robert Roland Lowery Jr., Robert Wainwright Mickam, Tawnia Faye Robinson, Susan Tapp Sauter, David Harvey Schneider Jr., Jay Arthur Schueneman, Blayne Robert Smith, Carl Margaret Terwillegar, Jennie R. Ward and Stuart Church Williams.

Cum Laude were Heather Bucy, Ellen Cole, Tom Hodges, David Schneider and Stuart Williams. Tapped for the National Honor Society were Heather Bucy, Ellen Cole, Carole Colton, James Getgey, Thomas Hodges, Blayne Smith and Stuart Williams.

Given Ohio Department of Education awards of distinction were Robin Arnold, Kimberly Baker, Ellen Cole, Heather Bucy, Carole Colton, Bonnie Fowler, William Gislason, Thomas Hodges, Gregory Jones, Ross Lindell, Rob-

ert Mickam, Tawnia Robinson, David Schneider, Blayne Smith and Stuart Williams.

Presidential Academic Fitness Awards went to Heather Bucy, Ellen Cole, Bonnie Fowler, Thomas Hodges, Ross Lindell, Robert Mickam, Tawnia Robinson, David Schneider, Blayne Smith and Stuart Williams. Carole Colton and Tom Hodges received National Scholar/Athlete Awards.

Winner of a \$1,000 General Electric scholarship and commended in National Merit competition, Heather Bucy received a Terrace Park PTA scholarship award along with Stuart Williams.

In all, 65% of the class planned to enter four-year college studies with Tom Hodges of Terrace Park appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

# Proposed 1985 Budget

## Expenses

	1984 Budget	1985 Budget
Police: Salaries	\$128,390	\$141,464
Benefits	42,789	36,567
Operations/Maintenance	25,010	29,680
Utility Vehicle purchase	15,000	10,000
Fire: Salaries	3,600	3,600
Operations/maintenance	14,800	15,180
Street lighting	11,500	12,000
Wilderness/Recreation: Salaries	2,900	3,000
Operations/maintenance	500	500
Leaves: Salaries	19,100	21,000
Operations/maintenance	2,000	2,000
Trees - Special program	39,000	34,000
Waste collection	27,500	22,500
Sidewalks	2,000	2,500
Mayor: Salary & Blue Cross	2,200	2,500
Mayor's court	2,400	3,600
Council	1,000	1,300
Clerk/treasurer	3,500	4,400
Buildings and Grounds: Salaries	11,800	15,000
Operations/maintenance	13,000	14,000
Deductions:		
County Auditor/treasurer fees	3,400	3,600
Tax delinquency advertising	25	50
State examiner fees	2,000	0
Election expenses	1,975	2,100
Workmen's Compensation	7,300	7,750
County Health Board	200	4,300
Administrative: Salaries	3,600	3,600
Legal	4,000	5,500
Operations/maintenance	9,000	9,500
BBSCo Note: Principal	40,000	0
Interest	8,000	6,000
County Communications Center	20,000	10,000
Streets: Salaries	30,400	31,500
Benefits	14,000	18,500
Contracts	10,000	14,000
Operations/maintenance	18,600	28,000
State Highway maintenance	1,206	1,200
Traffic light	2,000	2,000
Revenue sharing	6,400	6,500
Improvement fund	10,000	0

## Revenues

	1984 Budget	1985 Budget
General property tax	\$287,400	\$285,800
Tree levy allocation	32,000	32,000
Intangibles tax	90,000	94,000
Financial institutions	300	0
State income, franchise, sales taxes	12,800	12,000
Estate tax	15,000	15,000
Mayor's court	46,000	48,000
Building permits	600	500
Miscellaneous	5,000	5,200
Interest	9,000	9,300
Tree donations/firewood	7,200	2,000
Gasoline taxes	10,000	10,900
Motor vehicle fees	7,600	7,600
Revenue sharing	6,400	6,500

## LETTER

To The Editor:

The Terrace Park Volunteer Fire Association is currently involved in its main fund-raising activity — publication of the biennial village telephone directory.

Advertising sold in this village directory allows us to raise the money so necessary for ambulance replacement. The Volunteer Fire Association donates this equipment to the village of Terrace Park for the protection of you, our village residents. Not all of us in the Fire Association know all of you living in Terrace

Park, so we appeal now to any of you willing to purchase an ad from us.

This year's directory will be available in late October and will be in circulation for two years, until the autumn of 1986. As you must know, the majority of the people in this village use the directory on a daily basis, so you ads will be seen again and again over a two-year period.

If you would be interested in helping us help you, or if you have any questions, please call Nonie Ward, 831-5252. The deadline for placing an ad is August 5.

The Terrace Park Volunteer Fire Association

## Head Altar Guild

New officers of the Altar Guild of St. Thomas Church are Shirley Rohlfing, president; Blanche Kain, vice president; Anne Cherry, recording secretary; Agnes Ritz, corresponding secretary, and Judy Brown, treasurer.

## Big Band Era To Return For 'Nostalgia Nite' Here

Of the many entertainments presented by the Terrace Park Players for the village of Terrace Park over the last 30 years, we are again pleased to produce Nostalgia Nite on Sunday, September 2, at 8:30 p.m., Labor Day weekend (no rain date) at the Log Cabin.

It is a dance with a live "Big Band" arranged and conducted by Jack VanWye. Soft drinks, beer and popcorn will be sold. The dance is free. Tables may be reserved in advance for \$5 and \$10 or you may bring your own. (Your check will be your reservation.) Last year the dance was a grand party; just ask those who attended!

The dance is sponsored by the Terrace Park Players with the focus of the evening being

of course dancing to the Big Band sounds. During band breaks, the Terrace Park Players fill those idle minutes with humorous skits and acts that range from vaudeville routines to a local jug band. Anyone having a special talent to perform during the dance band breaks (3-10 minutes) please call Jack Gambetta, 831-4259. Anyone interested in helping to arrange the dance, working for one hour in the refreshment booth, singing, dancing or just doing something silly, please call Jack Gambetta, 831-4259.

## 'Summer Fun' Program Opens

The Recreation Committee's Summer Fun program opened at the school June 18, to run until July 20 for youngsters kindergarten through sixth grade completed. Sessions are 12:30-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Several field trips are planned.

Bea Seebom again is directing the program. Assisting are several Terrace Park seniors, including Steve Strider, Carolyn Getgey, Barret Ott, Dave Schwinn, Mark Graumlick, Mike Gleeson, J.T. Williams, Rick Bryan, Lucy Kliendinst, Holly Pendl, Dave Rockel, Shawn Carpenter, Jannie Tritch, Geoff Fahnestock and Mark Miller.

## On Council

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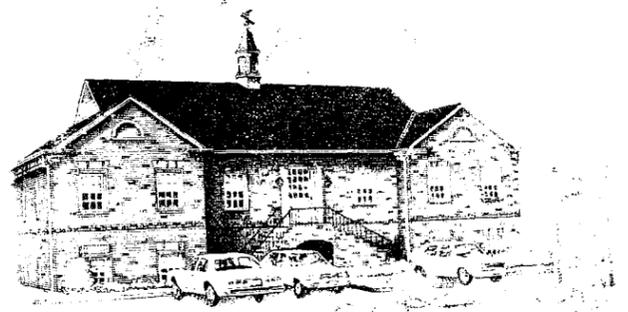
director. Her viewpoint will be considered in the future.

Council heard a letter from a Mariemont resident praising action taken by the Terrace Park Fire Department when her son's car developed a flat tire in the village, causing a full gas tank to leak on the street. She thanked the firemen for the considerate help given her son with his first car emergency, even to changing the tire.

Mayor Overway said that recent surveys have shown cost savings measures adopted by council have saved about 6%. Councilman Bill Konold thanked Clerk Judy Elliott and Treasurer Diana Greer for their excellent work, noting that the state auditor had an easy time with Village books.



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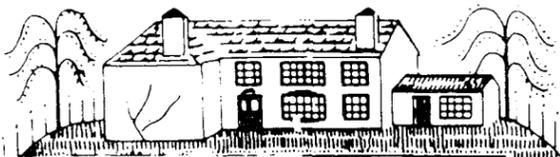
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### New Leaders of PTA

Newly-chosen officers of the Terrace Park PTA are, left to right: Dru Stockwell, corresponding secretary; Connie Wilson, president; Rikki Schmidt, treasurer; Diana Wages, vice president; Pam Ballard, recording secretary; Eileen McConkey, valley area representative and, not pictured, Mary Maxon as alternate and Debbie Carle, historian. With Marty Mileham, Mary Maxon also is co-president of the high school PTA. (Photo by Sally Kniffin)

## Even The Way You Put Out Trash Can Save Tax Money For The Village

By Sgt. Jeff C. Harlan  
Terrace Park Police Dept.

Operation of the village is, in many ways, similar to that of any major business. The cost of doing business, in this case providing service to the residents, escalates along with the rest of our economy. The only recourse the village council has, in an effort to provide the services you want, is to either raise taxes or find ways to cut costs.

This is the same old story we have heard time and time again. Cincinnati is in the middle of a battle over the jobs of 42 police officers and other service employees who were laid off. Must it always take a crisis before we, as citizens, learn that our government is not something that we can take advantage of... that eventually each dollar we waste will come back upon us in the form of higher taxes and/or less service?

Terrace Park, though not immune, is not to the crisis point yet. But we must work now to see that we never reach that point. It is the small stuff that really counts. How much work is done by your village employees that is not charged back to the taxpayers in the form of overtime? What is the benefit received for the work performed by those who volunteer their time to do the tasks required to keep our lifestyles as they are? Even those whose misfortune of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated brought them into village service for a few days have contributed an incredible amount of work toward the betterment of our community.

Does it not follow that we, as citizens and taxpayers should also contribute to that effort? What can we do, you say? It is simple.

Of utmost importance is the

overt support of your elected officials and the village employees. A simple 'hello' to a passing policeman or maintenance worker does wonders.

There are also some tangible things. For years the village picked up your heavy trash items including brush and tree limbs. Now, for the most part, Rumpke takes care of all the trash except tree limbs and brush that cannot be bundled into a parcel no larger than about 2' by 3'. These items are taken care of by the village maintenance crew. Rumpke will pick up the large waste items if you ask them to.

The problem we are facing now is that many of us are placing our trash in one spot, grass clippings in another, heavy trash in another and tree limbs in still another pile. This forces Rumpke to make two, maybe three stops at a house and, guess what? They say this will cost more of our hard earned tax dollars if the practice is not changed.

They ask that all items that go to their trucks be placed in a single pile. They will take just about anything that will fit in their truck and they will take very large items if you will call the village office and make some arrangement for that. Those items that they cannot take include tree limbs; something that cannot be bundled into a bundle less

than 2' x 3'. Tree limbs can be placed in a separate pile and the village maintenance crew will then pick them up. Remember, grass clippings and bagged leaves go to Rumpke.

If there's something you are not sure of, call the village office and speak with Mrs. Molitor. She can help.

Rumpke also reminds us that if you live on an undedicated street that you must trim the tree limbs as they are catching the mirrors on their trucks and breaking them off. They say that if they cannot move down the street without hitting the tree limbs that they will simply skip the street. That could result in a smelly mess.

When we talk about the 'government' paying for something, we must all remember that that is the same as saying that 'we' are paying for it. We are the government, you and I. Please help make it better.

### That 'Music'

Police Chief Ron Pottorf asks that residents report to the police department any annoyance caused by loud music.

Dates and times of the occurrences would be of help in building up a case against the perpetrators.



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**Anti-Drug Use Program Being Developed Here**

The Public Information Committee of the Chemical People Task Force is making plans to meet with Terrace Park parents of seventh grade students in October. The meetings will be small, informal coffees with discussion designed to promote awareness and openness about drug use in our community.

Members of the committee are currently attending sessions to learn about the problem as it really affects our teenagers. Shared information and encouraged support amongst parents will help prevent serious problems developing as these youngsters move through the junior high and high school years.

The Public Information Committee is the communication group of the Chemical People Task Force — a parents' group working to oppose alcohol and drug use and dependency in minors.

**Young Choristers Receive Awards**

Seven members of the St. Thomas Church junior choir have been awarded pewter crosses for four years of service. They are Heather and Naomi Fischer, Marion and Megan Oberle, Mary Maxon, Nicke Thompson and Tina Retherford.

Given blue ribbons for three years of service were Jennifer Bowers, Matt Keifling and Chris Malotke.

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