



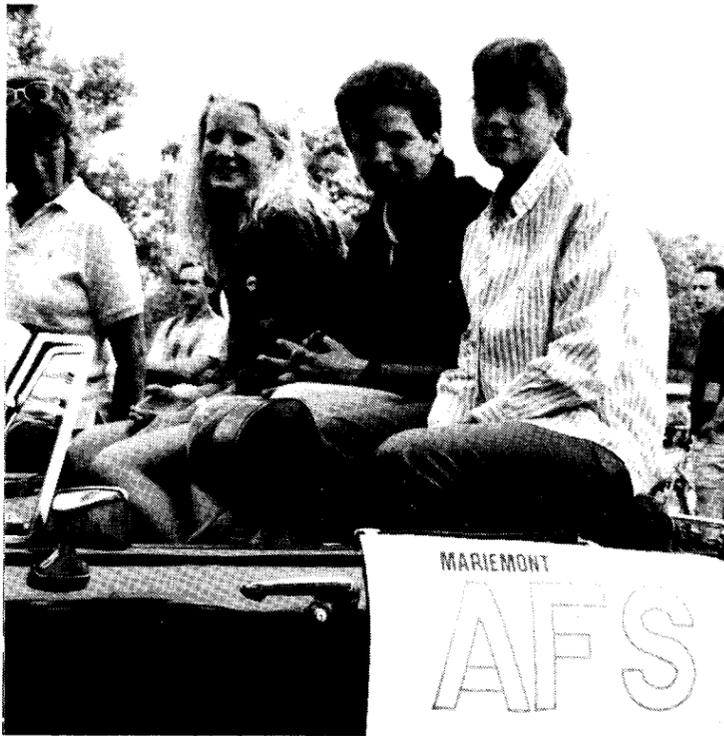
## Youth Is Seized As Drug Pusher

Terrace Park police arrested an 18-year-old alleged drug pusher at the Stop'n Go parking lot on September 24. Identified as Walter R. Saile III, of Anderson Township, he is out on bail awaiting trial.

Charged with felony drug trafficking, he allegedly sold marijuana valued at \$140. Pottorf said Saile had been selling drugs in Terrace Park and nearby communities, adding that more arrests are expected.

Police Chief Ron Pottorf said Terrace Park police Lt. Bob Bacon got word of possible drug activity at the parking lot. Undercover work by Bacon, Pottorf, village Officer Mark Garner and a Mariemont police officer resulted in Bacon making the arrest.

Pottorf reported also that a year's work, with the cooperation of Cincinnati Bell, had resulted in arrest of a Mariemont teen-ager charged with telephone harassment of a village resident.



## Visitors From Abroad

Living in Terrace Park while attending Mariemont High School this year are these three foreign exchange students, pictured as they took part in the recent school homecoming parade. Left to right, they are Helene Junkrans from Sweden, living with the Greg Todd family; Alex Campi from Italy, staying with the John Smiths, and Patricia (Packy) Villegas from the Dominican Republic, staying with the John Armstrong family. Their stay here is sponsored by the American Field Service.

## Insurance Ups Village Garbage Collection Cost

Rumpke Container Service won another three-year contract for garbage pickup at the October council meeting, but at a higher price.

The contract is based on a charge of \$3.25 per household per month, as against the \$2.35 under the last contract. A Rumpke representative said the increase was largely the result of increased liability insurance charges. The only other bid was for \$9 per household.

## A Tip To Parents From Mayor Overway

Mayor Les Overway suggested at the October council meeting that parents having differences with their teen-agers about night driving pay a visit to mayor's court, usually held on the second Monday of each month.

"You should see some of the characters we get in here," the mayor said, referring to the 16 drunk drivers cited this month and the 20 the month before.

## Two Village Girls In Merit Semifinals

By Ricki Schmidt

Terrace Park residents Carla Hutton and Hannah Payne were among the 15,000 high school students chosen as semifinalists for National Merit Scholarships. The daughter of Tony and Judy Hutton, 100 Red Bird La., Carla is a student at Cincinnati Country Day. Hannah, the daughter of Bob and Susan Payne, 629 Lexington Ave., attends Summit Country Day.

Mariemont High School had one senior, Seth Rogers, make the semifinalist list. The percentage of Mariemont students qualifying as merit semifinalists has declined over the past four years. Only 1.9% of the 1984 graduating class made semifinalist, while 1.4% of the 1985 seniors made the list. Last year's 1986 senior class had only 1.2% qualify as semifinalists and this year's Rogers represents .96% of the 1987 class. Wyoming High School had 8.1% of this year's senior class named merit semifinalists while Indian Hill had 3.9% and Madeira had 2.9%.

Scholastic Aptitude Test scores for the Class of '86 were 466 in Verbal and 472 in Math for a total of 938, which is 25 points below the state average of 963. Over 80% of the senior class took the SAT, which some colleges use to predict the probability of scholastic success as a college freshman. Generally, the more students taking the test, the lower the average; however, 77% of last year's graduating class went on to further education.

SAT averages for the recent years have been:

	Verbal	Math	Total	State Total
1982	439	485	924	958
1983	453	494	947	962
1984	440	471	911	968
1985	486	508	994	964
1986	466	472	938	963

## Leaf Pickup Begins

Depending somewhat on the season, leaf pickup in the village is expected to start in the last week of this month, according to maintenance foreman Marvin Alexander.

He emphasized that leaf piles must be free of any foreign matter which could damage pickup machinery.

## For Hallowe'en Fun

Terrace Park's official Hallowe'en celebration will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, October 31. The fire siren will be sounded at the start and end of the designated period. There will be other activities.

Youngsters at the elementary school will have a costume parade, "just for fun," in front of the school that day at 1:30 p.m.

The Mariemont library will have a party for toddlers accompanied by a parent at 10:30 a.m. Friday; another for pre-schoolers aged 3-5 during regular story-hour sessions on Wednesday, October 29, and for older children from 7-8 p.m. on Thursday, October 30. All children should be in costume.

## Community Hall Decision Near

Village council hopes to solve by month-end the remaining Community House problem - relocation of the police headquarters and village office. The remainder of the building has been reopened to public use with the completion of electrical rewiring.

Police and village offices are now on the second floor of the Community House, a location that has been ruled dangerous as well as inconvenient for the public.

Councilman Randy Casteel said he hoped that council would be able to reach a decision at a special meeting he expects to call to consider its options.

Major consideration is being given to a plan submitted by the fire department which calls for expansion to the rear and alongside the present firehouse. The police and village offices would be housed in space made available in the firehouse.

Casteel said some consideration had been given to leaving fire and life squad quarters as they are, and building a separate structure for police and village offices. That, he said, was complicated by the fact that there is no suitable tract of village-owned land available. Then too, he added, village insurance carriers are urging that there be a daily physical presence around the Community House as a measure of protection.

Earlier council suggestions had proposed reduction in fire equipment to reduce construction costs. However, fire department members successfully defended the present equipment alignment in a meeting with Casteel and Jack Schmidt, members of council's safety committee, and Edward F. Gassert, former Evendale fire chief called in as a consultant.

Gassert supported the fire department view to a large extent, while proposing several equipment changes. He said the ideal solution would be to refit the current diesel pumper

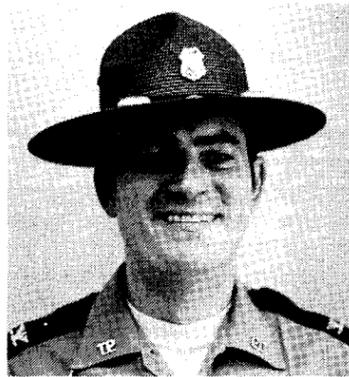
as a combination truck, and eliminating the task unit. But he conceded that the retrofit would cost upwards of \$35,000.

In other actions, council:

- Heard from Marilyn Bullock a plea for a program of sidewalk replacement and grass-trimming along street and sidewalks, and suggesting a spring "spruce-up day" to make the village more attractive. She added that she had put in some 20 hours edging the walk across the village green. Mayor Les Overway said the issue was largely one of manpower and money but asked Councilman Rusty Wilson and Chief Pottorf to consider what might be done.

- Heard from Rich Gilchrist that a resident on Indian Ridge Road in Indian Hill has offered the village one-to-two acres for inclusion in the Terrace Park green belt. Council indicated it was dubious about acceptance until the village can find a way of avoiding the \$1,400 a year in taxes now being paid on some 25 acres of green-belt.

## Administrator Named



Chief Ron Pottorf

Village council at its October meeting completed action on legislation creating the post of village administrator and naming Police Chief Ron Pottorf to the post. Pottorf has been serving as police chief and street commissioner. He will receive \$600 a year more for the additional duties.

Council's primary purpose in creating the post was to provide for coordination between the now-separated fire department and life squad. The ordinance, though, does also give him responsibility for village buildings and equipment and centralizing village purchasing.

An ex-Marine and a former Terrace Park police officer, Pottorf came here from Mariemont to become chief 10 years ago.

## Pancake Supper Scheduled Nov. 8

Members of the volunteer fire department and life squad will hold their annual pancake supper at the elementary school from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, November 8.

Door-to-door ticket sales will begin Sunday, October 26.

A village tradition of more than 25 years' standing, the supper is the annual fund-raiser for the two service units. Proceeds go to help finance equipment purchases.

# Aptitude Tests Often Misunderstood, Schools Contend

By Connie Wilson  
Mariemont School Board Member

The public entertains a continuing fascination with the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores. The SAT scores, along with the ACT (American College Tests) are used by college admissions offices as one of the predictors of success for students entering their freshman year of higher education. The SAT (the "A" stands for aptitude, not achievement) was designed to be a "school proof" test; this is not what it was designed to measure. A characteristic of the students which would be independent of school achievement — the school's impact on the student. The erroneous assumption is that one can compare this data and use it to compare the quality of various schools. The news media frequently adds to this error.

The College Board, the test publisher, offers the following quote to further clarify this point. "The College Board strongly discourages the comparison of states, school districts, schools, or other sub groups on the basis of SAT scores alone. In order to make comparisons of student performance on tests between states, a common test given to all students would be required. Because the percentage of SAT takers varies widely among the states, and because the test takers are self-selected, the SAT is inappropriate for this purpose. States do not use a common material test for evaluation purposes; therefore, the means to make valid state-by-state comparisons do not presently exist."

One further note: Comparisons cannot be made between states, school districts, or any other sub group on the basis of national Merit Finalists which are spawned by the PSAT, the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test. This test is also an aptitude test, not an achievement test. It is designed to measure the ability of the student to learn, not how much the student has learned to date.

The test data that can be compared as a measure of the impact of the college preparatory program of studies are the achievement tests. Little is said about these tests. There are over a dozen achievement tests in addition to the aptitude tests which students may elect to take. One achievement test that students taking the SAT participate in is the Test of Standard Written English (TSWE).

In Ohio, only 16% of the students take the SAT. This is because the SAT is used primarily for admission to colleges on the east and west coasts. In mid-America, including Ohio's state schools, the ACT is the required admissions test. In many schools in Ohio, only students wishing to be considered for eastern schools take the SAT. Nationally, 40% of the graduates in 1986 took the SAT. In Mariemont, 84% of the 1986 graduates took the SAT. Statistically and as mentioned by the College Board themselves, it is inappropriate to suggest a comparison between one population where the top 16% participate and another population where 84% participate. Thus, comparable figures are provided to match the data more appropriately.

To not take into account the relative percentages of students taking the test would cause one to believe that Mississippi, with 3% taking the test, was outperforming 40 other states including states such as California, New York, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Massachusetts where the percentage of test takers reach as high as 66%.

The range of scores possible for the SAT is a low of 200 and a perfect score of 800 for each of the verbal and math aptitude measures.

Mariemont's verbal SAT mean score for 1986 was 466 for all of its students (84% of the class took the test). The mathematics mean score was 472. This compares to the national mean of 431 in verbal and 475 in mathematics. Ohio's mean scores were 460 in verbal and 503 in math. If we measured only the top 40%, similar to the national participation, our mean scores would be 573 in verbal and 581 in math. Narrowing the numbers even further to compare to the state of Ohio's 16%, Mariemont would display scores of 623 in verbal and 646 in mathematics.

On the achievement Test of Standard Written English (TSWE), the national mean was 42.6; Ohio's mean was 45.4, and Mariemont's mean score for the 84% of our graduates taking the TSWE was 46.1. If we took the mean score of the top 40% of the class, Mariemont's

mean is 57. If we measured only the top 16%, our mean score is 60+. The test is truncated and does not differentiate among superior achievers over 60. It is

interesting to note that Mariemont students compare very favorably on this achievement test.

## Two Honored

Two Terrace Park residents were honored recently for 35 years of service with the Procter & Gamble Co. They are Frank Corbin, in corporate purchases, and Alan Joslyn, in general office management systems.



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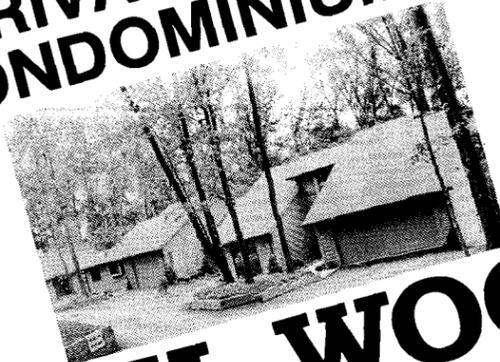
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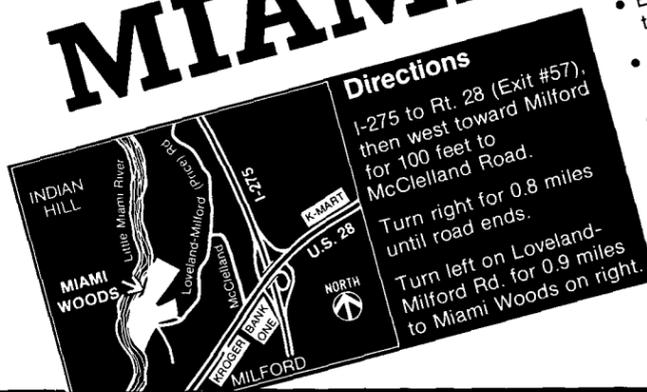
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## Peace At Last? Village Gets Noise Relief

Leader of the group which worked to stop loud music emanating from the former Golden Pheasant tavern on Round Bottom Road, Ted Swensson notes that "1986, like 1985, has been nearly free of noise pollution" from what is now Township Tavern.

The group, with the backing of village and Anderson Township officials, went to court against the former owner.

"The new owner," Swensson said, "appears to understand that we are committed to action on several fronts should he start outdoor racket again. He indicates to me that he is going to concentrate on outdoor softball" instead of rock music.

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# Tennessee Town Has White Squirrels, Too

Terrace Park isn't alone in having a colony of white squirrels.

John Schulkers recently turned up an Associated Press story from Kenton, Tennessee, reporting a colony that has existed there for over 100 years. They're so highly prized that the town imposes a \$50 fine for killing one.

Both Terrace Park and Kenton white squirrels are believed to be a rare strain of the common gray squirrel, with the two strains more likely to be hostile than intermingling. Tennessee wildlife officials are, in fact, considering steps to curtail gray squirrels because of their threat to the white.

Terrace Park's colony has existed for more than 50 years, to

the knowledge of old inhabitants. Never very large, it appears to center on the triangle between Terrace Place, Miami Avenue and Harvard.

Cats are another Kenton threat, Mayor Damon Cross is quoted as saying.

"We didn't used to have that problem," he said. "But then we passed a leash law to keep the dogs tied up and the cats got out of control."

## Home Tour Set

December 7 has been chosen as the date for the Terrace Park Garden Club's Christmas House tour, with five homes to be on display. For further details, see the flier accompanying this issue.



Adjusting the Spring Garden quilt to be raffled at this year's St. Thomas Bazaar are, left to right, quilters Alice Sturzenberger, Libby Clancey, Kay Pope and Hazel Retherford.

## Bazaar Gives Christmas Preview

St. Thomas Bazaar presents an "Old Fashioned Christmas" on Thursday, November 13, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. A preview party will be held the night before, from 7 to 9.

The best of past bazaars, including a Children's World beginning at 3:30, and Grandma's Parlor, will be featured. Decorations include herb wreaths and timeless arrangements in antique containers as well as traditional Christmas creations. Town and Country has iron bed head boards, student desks and even an early oak telephone booth.

Making its debut at this year's Bazaar is St. Thomas Temptations, a collection of 100 recipes featuring Teasers, Titillators, Tempters, and Mortal Sins. The book will sell for \$5 on both Preview Night and Bazaar Day. Ann Lindell and Bazaar chairman Ricki Schmidt edited the cullinary collection of recipes from church members.

For the first time, Promise Tree purchases may be made on Preview Night. This year's chairmen Nancy Harness and Patti Roberts can still take your last minute pledges. Also on sale at Preview Night are raffle tickets for this year's Spring Garden quilt done in muted shades of rose and green. Hazel Retherford led the quilters who worked throughout the entire year.

Also working year long are the Sewing Ladies led by Ruth Hickenlooper. When they are not making gowns for Childrens Hospital, they create bears, baby balls and, of course, aprons.

Grandma's Parlor returns to the church parlor with finer items

such as Victorian china, band boxes, and antique linens and jewelry. Mary Struke, Charlotte Brunell, Jenny Haight and Gertrude Addicott will be selling the elegant treasures.

Linda Swenson organized the Children's World with games

and special shopping just for youngsters. Betty Cooksey's Country Kitchen will feature jellies, soups and scents, in addition to home-made delicacies. Betsy Craig and Elizabeth Miller are preparing the luncheon. Babysitting will be available.

## Lunch Privileges Tied To Scholastics

By Ricki Schmidt

Mariemont Senior Class president Lucy Trestler asked the Mariemont City School Board at its regular meeting October 14 to increase the traditional senior lunch privileges for students who maintain a "C" average. Past senior classes have simply requested permission to leave campus at lunch. Superintendent Don Thompson commended the seniors for tying "the privilege of open lunch to maintaining good grades."

The board's concern for students not capable of making C's produced a compromise. Beginning second quarter, all seniors who maintain or surpass their grade point average as of the end of the junior year or have at least a 2.0 average, will be able to leave campus Monday, Wednesday and Friday. During the third quarter, students meeting these qualifications can leave campus four days a week, and those qualifying in the fourth quarter can leave every day. The administration can suspend the lunch privileges if conditions warrant.

The board employed retired assistant superintendent James Stock as a public relations educational aide at \$10 an hour, not exceeding \$10,000 per year.

A \$5,000 donation was accepted from the Boosters Club for the Athletic Fund. Athletic Director Tom Crosby is responsible for the fund with purchases approved by the superintendent.

Curriculum Supervisor Lois Eha reported to the board on the district's enrichment and challenge efforts. Enrichment classes are offered to all fourth, fifth, and sixth graders to provide an "enjoyable learning experience which will stimulate interest and awareness to foster higher order thinking skills." The nine week science course

offered before school at the three elementary schools has a district enrollment of 32, while the 9-week morning Spanish class has attracted 65 students. Melissa Rupe teaches enrichment art one day a week after school at each of the elementary schools with a total enrollment of 61. Pam Henley has 64 students enrolled in her once-a-week music courses offered in the afternoon at the three schools.

A challenge course designed to meet the needs of third through sixth graders who've demonstrated exceptional aptitude or achievement in mathematics is taught by Janet Seipel.

Dr. Thompson explained this year's third and fourth graders will be selected for participation in this math program only if they score in the ninth stanine of their ERB's, which are standardized tests. Students previously qualified for the program by scoring in the eighth or ninth stanines. Those fifth and sixth graders previously selected for the math program by scoring in the eighth or ninth stanine will still be included in the program, while all new students coming into the class must be in the ninth stanine. This is the first year third graders will be in the program.

The students attend one fifty minute class per six day cycle during the school day. The course goal, according to Eha, is "to utilize the logic of mathematics for problem solving and the development of critical analytical skills."

## Heads Drive

Lucy Maish, 735 Park Ave., is Terrace Park captain for this fall's annual membership drive of the Cincinnati Art Museum.

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**Transition  
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Councilmen and others involved in the recent separation of the village fire department and life squad operations reported a smooth transition at October's council meeting.

On operations, Life Squad Chief Shirley Mittendorf reported the squad had made 11 runs since the last council meeting, 10 in the village and one in mutual aid of Milford. In turn, Milford responded to two calls here while the village ambulance was down for 24 hours for electric system repairs.

She added that an active recruiting campaign is under way, with hopes of holding an emergency medical technicians' course here soon.

Fire Chief Pierce Matthews reported that five members were taking an advanced training course sponsored by the Eastern District Fire Association. He noted later that the fire department was averaging 40 calls for assistance yearly, instead of the 11 inadvertently reported in Village Views last month.



**Joins Firm**

Jodi Barnhart of Terrace Park has joined Wolf Blumberg Krody, Inc., a Cincinnati-based advertising, public relations and sales promotion agency, as an account executive. She is a 1982 graduate of the University of Cincinnati with a bachelor's degree in fine arts.

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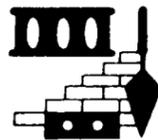
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