

## TRAC Shares Survey Results With Council

When people hand you a survey and ask you to go to some effort to return it, they can't expect 100% participation.

Indeed not. According to professional pollsters, a response from 5% of those surveyed is excellent. But in Terrace Park, where residents were asked to describe their recycling habits and then deliver these surveys to the Community Building, the response was 25% of nearly 800 homes.

These included some sage questions and strong comments, all of which will be turned over to village council members to help them make decisions about disposing of our wastes. (The survey was conducted by TRAC- Terrace Park Recycling Awareness Committee.)

But the clearest message came from 64% of the respondents, who said they would like to participate in a curbside recycling program. A number of nearby municipalities, including Milford, Montgomery, Loveland, Indian Hill and Cincinnati, have initiated curbside recycling.

Offered by at least three area waste haulers (including Rumpke, which does our regular collection), the program provides each home with a sturdy bin into which newspapers, aluminum cans, steel cans, glass bottles and several grades of plastic bottles can be placed.

This is then collected weekly at curbside, probably on the same day as trash collection. The haulers separate and recycle these materials. Only participating homes are billed. The cost is about \$2/month, with bills coming two to three times a year. With village council's approval, a similar service could be launched here.

More than half of the respondents (107) said they do use the large drop-off bin, located at the dump, however many people complained about the status of the road and the difficulty of recycling anything when the ground around the bin is muddy. Ninety-four people said they either don't like the location of the bin or have simply quit using it.

Sixty-five percent of the respondents said they recycle elsewhere. Most, but not all of these people also use the bin. For 47 people, a big issue is newspaper. They want to be able to recycle it in the village, although they're willing to make an extra effort to take old papers someplace that will accept them. Several people suggested that the drop-off bin is not really necessary here, since there are more comprehensive recycling bins at nearby Kroger's and Thriftway groceries.

Sixty-six percent of respondents said no, they aren't interested in Terrace Park adopting a pay-per-bag system of financing trash collection. However, those who did favor it, did so enthusiastically. In other small towns where it has been started, there are recycling opportunities provided as well. It frees people who do not generate a lot of trash from underwriting the habits of those who do.

As of December 1993, a new state law will go into effect banning any yard waste in public landfills.

It's not clear how these regulations will affect Terrace Park's practice of communal composting of leaves and grass at the dump. However, if we can meet with federal and state approval, 75% of the respondents said they would like us to continue this system. About 50 people also indicated that they do backyard composting, including one woman who has been doing it for 30 years.

Here's a sampling of some of the comments tacked on the survey. About the drop-off bin:

—"Once was enough."

—"The pot-holed road to the dump is a total turnoff. We in T.P. should be ashamed of ourselves for not being more concerned."

—"Concrete or crushed limestone around bin area would help with the mud."

—"About the cost of recycling:—"

"I still find it hard to understand why we pay extra to recycle when this would be picked up anyway if we did not recycle."

About a pay-per-bag program:—"Absolutely not!"

—"I think this is a great idea; maybe the only way to get real participation in recycling."

About other issues:—"Indian Hill has a very efficient city owned and operated trash collection service including recycling. Their trucks already come down Given Road to the pike and up Indian Hill Rd. Perhaps they would consider a contract with the village."

—"Does it hurt if the glass (going into the drop-off bin) is broken?" (Answer: No, as long as it's not going into a co-mingled bin, like the one at Kroger's. In that case, glass should be carefully bagged. Broken glass does "contaminate" newspaper.)

—"Won't anybody take junk mail?" (Answer: Yes, Cincinnati Paperboard, where you can also deposit newspaper, cardboard boxes, cereal boxes and magazines.)

## Brendamour Presents Plans For Development to Council

With Jack Brendamour exercising his right of first refusal, village council at its April 7 meeting authorized execution of an agreement to sell to him village-owned property at the Wooster and Elm intersection at the west end of the village.

The village earlier had accepted a bid of \$81,000 for the 7.8 acre tract from Mr. and Mrs. William Wood, allowing them to stable four horses but limiting any future development to a total of seven houses. Brendamour intervened, but challenged what he called modification of the bid.

At the April council meeting, he and his son, David, submitted preliminary development proposals for "a little neighborhood" of nine compatible houses on lots of a minimum of 18,000 square feet. While council approved in principle, the Planning and Zoning Commission still must rule on the plan and on Brendamour requests for waivers of village rules on curbs and sidewalks, storm water disposal, and permission to use aerobic disposal systems.

The village acquired the property in 1982 for \$103,500 after years of legal wrangling over various development plans. Council finally worked out a condominium plan which village residents overturned in a referendum. There followed a web of suits and counter-suits which was resolved by village purchase of the property while giving Brendamour first-refusal rights.

A major problem concerns water supply to the development. The Brendamours said the area could be served through existing lines from Wooster Pike via Wrenwood and Robinwood. They asked, though, for village assurance of being reimbursed on a prorated basis should any other now-undeveloped properties tap into the

line.

But they said they and the Indian Hill Water Works favored development of a water line loop in the whole area which they said would be more efficient and of value in case of fire or a water main break. While offering to pay for design and construction management for such a loop, the Brendamours said "we are only prepared to pay for a prorated share of the construction cost. The rest would fall upon other water users in the area."

A feature of the proposed development is that all utilities would be underground. David Brendamour said later that he planned to occupy one of the new houses.

### In other matters:

\*Council gave first reading to an ordinance calling for registration of aerobic sewage disposal systems and requiring periodic inspection.

\*Council authorized a \$1,500-a-year contract with William L. Helmsderfer to maintain the troubled village ambulance.

\*Building Inspector Tim Harth reported issuance of 10 building permits in March involving construction estimated at \$93,658.

\*Fire Chief Pierce Matthews reported only one fire call in the past month, a false alarm to which Milford responded. Matthews reported also that Tony Lehman, Bob Donnelly, Jack Gambetta and Lee Nordloh are taking training as firemen. While welcoming them to the force, Matthews said he still saw no solution

## Residents Air Concerns Before Commissioners

Fifteen people turned out for the monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County held at the Terrace Park Community House on Wednesday, March 18. Board meetings are being rotated among all neighborhoods in Hamilton County in an effort to make the meetings more accessible to residents.

In his opening remarks, Mayor Randy Casteel thanked the Commissioners for coming to Terrace Park. He cited the significant impact that our history of volunteerism has had on the Terrace Park municipal budget, in that volunteers make up a large portion of our fire and life squad services. Casteel questioned the future ability of small villages to survive given the continuing reduction of funds coming from state and county resources. He reminded the Commissioners of the reduction to our village budget when they stopped distributing the Library fund to Hamilton County communities.

Terrace Park resident Jan Popelka asked about the future of the Hamilton County jail. Discussion focused on the choices faced by the Commissioners' construction of a new jail or putting two inmates in a cell (currently one inmate is housed per cell). Commissioners have pointed out that they have to consider providing safety to the general public on a balance with concern for the people being incarcerated.

to the current daytime staffing problem.

\*Assistant Life Squad Chief Sally Gilchrist reported 11 emergency medical runs in March.

\*Barbara Howland reported the planting of 39 trees and grinding of 27 stumps. She reported also that the nursery from which the village has been buying trees has given a dawn redwood or metasequoia, and council agreed to donate it to the village school. The species has been traced by fossils some 50 million years. While there is evidence it once grew on this continent, its present native habitat is in China, where it was rediscovered in 1945.

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## Community Plans Memorial Day Celebrations

Plans are underway for the traditional celebration of Memorial Day in Terrace Park set this year for Monday, May 25. Mrs. Cathy Borchers, newly elected vice president of the Terrace Park P.T.A., will serve as parade marshal. The parade will assemble behind the elementary school at 9:30 and will proceed at 10AM from Myrtle to Stanton to Yale to Amherst, and then on to the Village Green. There the community will participate in ceremonies commemorating this solemn occasion.

### BAKE SALE

Enjoy breakfast on the Village Green after the Memorial Day Parade Monday, May 25. The P.T.A. will again offer doughnuts, coffee, and orange-drink for sale from 9 to 11 AM.

A Bake Sale will also be set up to provide a wide variety of goodies for your holiday needs.

Donations may be dropped off Sunday, May 24 6-8 PM at the Hawk's, 710 Myrtle or at the Green between 8:30 - 9:30 Monday morning.

### GAMES

Fun for the entire family is planned by the Terrace Park Recreation Commission.

Mini-marathon co-chairmen Tom Crosby and Rick Klukey will accept registration on the green prior to the parade and memorial service. The race to Drackett Field will begin following the service. Runners will compete in 12 categories. Prizes will be awarded at Drackett Field after the final runner crosses the finish line.

While the race begins on the green, the fun gets underway at Drackett. Lunch will be served and games for adults through pre-schoolers are scheduled.

### CONCERT

Terrace Park Players invites your family and your friends to the Village Green for a free Memorial Day concert on Monday evening at 5 PM. Bring your blankets, picnic baskets, and your kids! Come and enjoy this festive conclusion to the traditional celebration of Memorial Day in Terrace Park.



## Fire Safety House

Over 150 elementary-age Terrace Park children experienced fire safety techniques in an actual house setting March 14, 1992. Under the sponsorship and guidance of Terrace Park Firefighters, children entered an actual two-story house constructed on a trailer (loaned from Blue Ash F.D.) where they learned how to get out of a house filled with smoke. Basic fire safety in the home was discussed including the

importance of working smoke detectors, determining heat areas, unlocking windows, and the importance of remaining calm in an emergency.

Children also had the opportunity to try on the firemen's gear and equipment, take a close-up look at the trucks and extinguish a fire with a hand-held fire extinguisher.

# Terrace Park Teams Capture Third Place In Ohio Swim Meet

Things went swimmingly in mid-February for five Terrace Park teens who participated in the State Swim Meet for Ohio High Schools.

Mariemont High School students Randy Krueger and Ian Ross were largely responsible for the school's third-place division finish and 19th-place in Ohio. Ian, son of Mike and Laurel Ross of Harvard, placed 14th in the 100 breaststroke. Randy, son of Neil and Vivian Krueger of Miami, placed 4th in the 100 backstroke. He broke the school record and earned National High School All-American status. Randy's time ranks him as one of the top 20 swimmers in the nation for the 100 back. He also placed 6th in the 200 IM, breaking Mariemont's IM record by 3 seconds.

Kathy Lowry, a freshman at Cincinnati Country Day and daughter of Peter Lowry of Park and Pat Lowry of Marietta, placed 12th in the 50 freestyle. Most recently, Kathy competed in the Junior Nationals March 28-29. She looks forward to competition in the Cincinnati Aquatic Club Senior Nationals in the 50M free style and the Junior Nationals in the 100M free style this summer.

Jon Maddux, son of Ken and Beth Maddux of Lexington, and a senior at St. Xavier High School, set a state record in the 200 medley relay and placed 15th in the 100 breaststroke. Jon is captain of the St. X team, which won the Division 1 title for the third consecutive year.

St. X teammate Kevin Sheridan, son of John and Melanie Sheridan of Lexington, placed 17th in the 200 freestyle and 20th in the 500 freestyle. The St. X swim team has won a state title 16 of the past 22 years.

## Hospital Honors Volunteers

Volunteers at The Christ Hospital will be recognized for the services they donated in 1991. A total of 415 adult volunteers accumulated more than 57,101 hours of service last year. Terrace Park volunteers who will be honored for reaching service plateaus include: Emily Robbins, 3,000 hours; Howard Robbins, 100 hours; and Tucky Harrison, 100 hours.

## MUSICIANS WANTED

Did you enjoy playing in a marching band in school life? Dust off your instrument and join the T.P. Sometime Marching Band. Form up to play for the Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 25. For details, call Dan Startzman, 831-1948.



(From left to right): John Maddux (St. Xavier), Randy Krueger (Mariemont), Ian Ross (Mariemont), Kevin Sheridan (St. Xavier).



Kathy Lowry

## Recreation Board Plans Annual Sale

The Recreation Commission will hold its annual garage sale during the Labor Day Weekend! Lynette and Mark Castator are chairing this summer long effort to collect your unwanted treasures as you clean out your garages, basements and attics this spring and summer!

From now until the end of summer, donations will be accepted. If you have items you wish to donate, please call: Lynette & Mark Castator 831-6210 or Denise & Brent Hall 831-3966.

After school adjourns for summer vacation, the Tornado Room of Terrace Park Elementary will again become the drop-off and storage location for items until the sale.

A specific schedule for drop-off, pre-sale shopping and the actual date of the garage sale will be posted at a later date.

As always, all proceeds benefit Terrace Park's recreation programs. Thank you for your contributions and support!

## Letter To Editor

To the editor:

Knowing my younger daughter will return to Mariemont School District when we move from Caracas back to Terrace Park, I continue to be interested in the actions of the Board of Education. At its March meeting the board employed Michele Hummel on a three year administrative contract and Tom Crosby and Sandra Sommer on two year administrative contracts.

Hummel, who has her doctorate and has been an administrator in the district for five years, and Crosby, who has been an administrator for eight months, were hired for not less than \$57,563. Crosby's \$4,421 salary for coaching football brings his total salary to \$61,984. Sommer, who has been a successful administrator in the Cincinnati School District, was hired at not less than \$56,800.

The district employs nine administrators, including the superintendent and treasurer. According to the district calendar the total number of students was 1349, or one administrator for 149 students. There were three elementary principals for the 811 students in k-6th grade for an average of one administrator for 270 students. The high school had 538 students and three administrators, or one administrator for every 179 pupils.

Without considering the cost of the superintendent car rental and insurance or his retirement fund, the administrative salaries now totals \$526,663, which is an increase of 20% over last years administrative salaries of \$437,932. This 20% does not include any life or health insurance cost.

I thought Village Views readers might find this information as interesting as I did.

Sincerely,  
Ricki Schmidt

## Classical Concert Open to Residents

East meets west in a free classical concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 2nd in Terrace Park's Community House.

Two impressive young musicians will perform. They are: pianist Vincent Schmithorst, 20, a graduate of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music, and violinist Vit Muzik, 19, a graduate of Ostrava Conservatory of Czechoslovakia and now a student at CCM. Vincent is the son of Hal and Elsa Schmithorst of Yale Avenue and Vit is living with Paul Gibby and Camilla Warrick on Home St.

Featured composers include Mozart, Beethoven, Paganini and Wieniawski. Vit and Vincent will perform duets as well as solo pieces. Vincent, who started studying the piano at age 4, has competed internationally. He also has a degree in physics and is teaching math at a private school in Westwood. Vit began playing violin at 5 and he too has toured and competed in parts of the world.

The concert is open to any music lover. Terrace Park residents are encouraged to bring a friend. A reception for guests will follow.

## Looking For A Few Good Men And Women...

Response to the Village Views special issue in November which saluted the many contributions of Ellis Rawnsley was strongly positive. The suggestion was made, however, that other Terrace Park residents also deserve to be featured in the spotlight, and we heartily agree. If you know of a Terrace Park resident who you feel has made significant contributions of their time and talents to this community, please submit the information to Dianne Donnelly, 758 Indian Hill Road. Please include the individual's name and a brief statement as to why you are recommending that they be "spotlighted".

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# Bowers Plans Trip of a Lifetime

For Jennifer Bowers, the next few months hold the promise of dreams coming true as the result of much hard work and dedication to her art. Jennifer will graduate in June as Salutatorian of her class at the School for Creative and Performing Arts, where she is a mem-

ber of the National Honor Society. She has been involved in the cast of all major productions by SCPA over the past three years, including *Pinocchio*, *Annie*, and *The Wiz*.

Three years ago, Jennifer auditioned for and was selected to perform with Music Theatre Company, SCPA's premiere performing group. Under the leadership of artistic director Jack Louislo, the ten to twelve students in this troupe sing and dance to Broadway show tunes at conventions and galas all over the tri-state area. After graduation, Jennifer will join the Music Theatre Company in a tour of Europe. The group will perform in Munich, Germany, as part of a Sister City exchange program, and in Paris, France.

"I am especially thrilled to go on this tour," said Jennifer, "because I know it will influence me greatly. It will broaden my knowledge and skills. Imagine trying to communicate with people without a common language."

Upon her return from Europe, Jennifer plans to attend Northwestern University in the fall to major in Broadcast Journalism. She is the daughter of Frame and Judy Bowers of Fieldstone Drive.



Jennifer Bowers

## St. Thomas Sets Summer Schedule

Sunday, June 7—the Day of Pentecost—marks the final wrap-up of winter programs and the last day for the three service schedule at St. Thomas.

On June 14 the summer schedule begins, with Sunday services at 8 and 10 a.m. There will be summer Church School from 10 to 10:30 during June and July only.

Holy Communion is offered on Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. year-round. During July and August, the service of Compline replaces the Healing Service at 7:30 p.m. on Mondays.

Vacation Bible School takes place early this year—June 22-26, mornings—with classes for 3 year olds through children who have completed 4th grade. Registration for non-members is June 7-14. Questions may be addressed to the church office. Volunteers are still needed; anyone willing to help should call Pam Bell, 231-6958.



Pictured, left to right: Helen Tollefsen, Shirley Brown, Faye Corey, Betty Buschbacher and Diana Greer.

## T.P. Garden Club Installs New Officers, Plans Sale

Ogle Annett installed new officers of the Terrace Park Garden Club at the April 7th spring luncheon at the Community House: President, Fay Corey; Vice President, Shirley Brown; Recording Secretary, Betty Buschbacher; Treasurer, Diana Greer and Corresponding Secretary, Helen Tollefsen. Members-at-large are: Diane DeCamp, Julie Ward, Joy Zdeblick, Betsy Ecker, Jane Peterson and Lynn Nelson.

In her address to the group, retiring President Diane DeCamp thanked the members for their participation in the community projects sponsored by the garden club. Among those that she mentioned are improving the lights at the Village Green and additions to and maintenance of the memorial and school gardens. Betty Buschbacher announced the winners of total points for the year in Artistic and

Horticulture categories. They are: Debbie Oliver, Lynn Nelson, Lanie Grever, Joy Zdeblick and Renne Mabry.

### A Reminder

Lucy Maish and Debbie Oliver, co-chairwomen of the Garden Club Plant Sale, thank all those who pre-ordered their bedding plants through this project. Residents may pick up their plants at the Village Green on Friday, May 8, from 3:30 to 7PM or on Saturday, May 9, 9AM to 12 noon. Additional plants will be offered for sale on Friday and Saturday. Luscious hanging baskets and other flowering plants make the perfect gift for Mother's Day week-end.

## T.P. Girl Scouts Celebrate 80th Birthday

Area Girl Scouts gathered at the Terrace Park Elementary School gym on March 13 to celebrate the 80th birthday of Girl Scouting in the United States. Second grade Brownie Troop 1288 presented a plaque to Dr. Jerry Sasson, honoring Mrs. Woodruff (Marcy) Clark, the first Girl Scout leader in Terrace Park in 1938. Mrs. Clark is currently a resident at the Marjorie P. Lee Episcopal Retirement Community. The plaque will be on display in the school.

A Girl Scout flag, given by the now disbanded sixth grade troop and presented by the fifth grade troop, will be made available for use by all the Terrace Park troops.

Many parents and long-time Girl Scout supporters were in attendance to see activities showing the talents of each age group. Terrace Park Brownie troop leaders include: Renee Mabry and Linda Swenson, first grade; Teresa Hawk and Sandy Wittman-Shell, second grade; Carolyn Haskins and Julie Rugh, third grade; Lin Bollinger, fourth grade; and Jill Crowell, Suzanne Lakamp, and Janet Sarran, fifth grade. The afternoon festivities closed with a traditional Girl Scout "Friendship Circle".

## CCDS News

Saturday, May 9th, is the date of Cincinnati Country Day School's fund-raising auction. This year's event, called "A Date in the Country," will be held under a tent on CCDS grounds, 6095 Given Road, Indian Hill. Terrace Park residents who are assisting in the planning of this event include: Brandon and Tucky Harrison (raffle); Marlene Scholl (photographer and live auction); and Linda Yokel (calligraphy and student projects for the middle school).

CCDS also announces a new summer program to begin in June, 1992. A variety of day camps, sport camps, and academic classes will be offered for children ages three through eighteen. For further information, contact the school at 561-7298.

The CCDS Middle School Math Counts team took 4th place in the state wide competition in Columbus in March. Terrace Park members of the Math Counts team are Melissa Wachterman (gr. 8) and Zoe Hutton (gr. 7).

Terrace Park residents Larrisa Myslik (gr. 11), Alex Phillips (gr. 10), and Sandra Scholl (gr. 12) have been recognized by CCDS for earning Honors in the third quarter.



## Kindervelt Tennithon Participants

The 1992 Kindervelt Tennithon, held on February 15 throughout the greater Cincinnati area, raised \$157,000 for Children's Hospital Medical Center. Seventeen of the 886 young people who participated city wide were from Terrace park. Each player canvassed the neighborhood for pledges. Terrace Park players pictured include: (front row from left) Steph Smith, Jill Gislason, Erin Govert, Lindsay Watson, Jeff Picton, Aaron McClurg. (Back row) Ashley McGraw, Dan Mason, Daniel Startzman, Joe Campo (who raised the most pledge money among Terrace Park players) and Eric Shaner. Participants who are not pictured were: Joey Denker, Matt Duning, Reed Keebler, Betsy Overby, and Hampton Taylor.

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\*Police Chief Bob Bacon said placement of new stop signs at Floral and Amherst had brought requests for signs elsewhere. While he said he did not believe conditions justified additional signs, he did report a proposal to install stop, entry and exit signs at the Myrtle Avenue school approaches where, he said, two children have been struck by cars recently.

\*Bacon also reported four drug-related arrests and officer training in racial awareness, photography and street drug interdiction.

## Help Is Available

Cincinnati Park Board is sponsoring a new Plant Hotline during the month of May. Garden enthusiasts who call the Plant Hotline at 541-8176, Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., are advised by Mt. Airy Arboretum Horticulturists Cheryl Shelby and Paula Miller.

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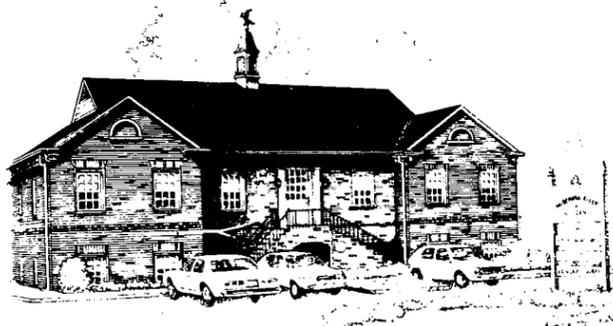
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