

## Council Puts Contract On Hold To Ponder Recycling Options

Village council at its August meeting gave first reading to a proposed new garbage collection contract, delaying final action pending a study of recycling options.

The questions concerned whether to continue the current recycling bin, and a possible shift to a pay-per-bag collection system.

Under an option offered in the proposed contract, villagers would pay 75 cents each for bags in which to put out garbage. The effect would be to shift garbage collection costs directly to residents, rather than payment through taxes. While it would reduce the village budget, Councilman John Prues, chairman of the finance committee, noted it would cost users more in the long run.

One option would continue the present curbside recycling for which participants pay \$2 a month, billed directly by the contractor. Councilman Dan Startzman argued for retaining the recycling bin nevertheless, saying the dual system would leave residents "no excuse" for not recycling.

Council member Julie Rugh reported that Rumpke, the present

contractor, was low bidder at \$51,156.96 for the first year, \$52,102.56 the second, \$53,048.16 the third, and \$53,993.76 for the fourth for a total of \$210,301.44. Waste Management bid \$244,626.72 over the four-year life of the contract, and BFI \$243,208.

Council passed an ordinance requiring users of aerobic sewage disposal systems to register with the village and show maintenance contracts calling for at least twice-a-year inspections and also named the Ohio Department of Transportation as the village agent in licensing

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## Rawnsley Pens History In Honor of Centennial

It may surprise residents of Terrace Park to learn what village leaders once thought of human flesh.

Alarmed by "vulgar exposures," the council of 1908 passed an ordinance forbidding swimming in the Little Miami River or walking through the streets in anything less than full

bathing attire. Police now are not required to enforce this law because it was repealed in 1938.

These forgotten facts are among dozens to be found in the new history of the village being written by veteran newsman Ellis Rawnsley. The book, which will run at least 80 pages and include lots of maps and pictures, has been in the works for a year. It was occasioned by the centennial of the village's 1883 incorporation, which will be celebrated in grand style next spring.

Plans now call for the printing of 1000 copies. But the seven members of the book's committee aren't sure this will be enough. Therefore, they're encouraging residents to order early. A booth for this purpose will be set up at the Labor Day celebration.

The cost (before Oct. 1) is \$10 plus tax. After that, it will be \$12 plus tax. Delivery is expected in early December.

Rawnsley has pulled information from a myriad of sources. He's read through 100 years of council minutes, about as many school board minutes, letters, private papers, previous histories and narratives. He also considers village archivist Esther Power to be one of his best suppliers of details.

"I tease her about being a bulldog," he said, "because she gets her teeth in something and doesn't let go."

The result of these labors is a fascinating, highly readable manuscript, which begins with evidence of pre-historic tribes and follows settlement of the village by English settlers in 1789 to present-day Terrace Park, which boomed with growth following World War II.

Rawnsley works at his dining room table on yellow legal pads and an electric typewriter. Next to him are a stack of untouched New York Times crossword puzzles, his passion, which he hasn't been able to look at. "This is hard work at times," he said. "But I'm having a lot of fun discovering things I never even knew."

For instance:

Tillie, the famous circus elephant who resided here, has two legs that live on as umbrella stands.

The name Terrace Park resulted from a contest in 1881. The prize was a sewing machine. However, the entries were so few and disappointing that the man who sponsored the contest ended up pinning the name Terrace Park to this place himself.

The first person arrested for riding a bike on the village's new sidewalks was a member of council, which had just enacted the law. (But as Rawnsley points out, "Who in his right mind would want to ride a bike on a gravel street?")

Developers in the 1860s offered a house and 50-foot lot for \$2,000 and threw in a year's pass on the Little Miami Railroad. In those days, 30 trains a day came through Terrace Park.

In 1900 a tree survey showed that the village was overplanted in maples. Eighty-four years later urban forester Steve Sandfort made a similar discovery. Sixty-nine percent of the trees here, he said, are maples.

### A Reminder: Drive Carefully!

School begins Tuesday, August 25, for children living in the Mariemont School District.

VILLAGE VIEWS reminds its readers that we have many children, ages 5 through 12, who are either walking or riding their bikes to Terrace Park Elementary School daily. We urge residents to use extreme caution in driving throughout the village!

### CCDS Recognizes Award Recipients

Four Terrace Park residents were recognized as having achieved Honors for the 1991-1992 school year at Cincinnati Country Day School. These include: Lee Jennings and Alex Phillips, grade 10; Larissa Myslik, grade 11, and Sandra Scholl, grade 12.

CCDS Middle School students were also named for high academic achievement. Receiving the William H. Hopple Jr. Award were B.J. Cotter, and Anna Yokel; both sixth graders live in Terrace Park. In addition, Cotter and Yokel, along with Melissa Wachterman, grade 8, received the Country Day Middle School Awards, which are presented to those students who best represent their school.

### AARP To Meet

Financial consultant Jerri Bornhoffer will discuss alternatives to CDs and other financial problems at the September 14 meeting of Terrace Park chapter, American Association of Retired Persons. The meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the undercroft of St. Thomas Church.

### Picnic To Honor Village Staff

On Sunday, September 27th, from 4-7 pm, residents of Terrace Park can say "Thank You" to village employees by providing a pot luck dish for the second annual "Appreciation Picnic." The Picnic will be held in the side yard of Ellis Rawnsley, which is adjacent to the Community House.

"Your main dish, vegetable, salad or dessert may be taken to the Community House kitchen on Sunday prior to the picnic at 4 pm," states the event's chief organizer and originator, Councilwoman Julie Rugh.

Call Kathy Swart, 248-2055, or Julie Rugh, 248-1091, with your plans for a donation. This picnic is planned for all village staff members, including police officers, maintenance staff, office staff and their families.



It's Labor Day Festival Time! Labor Day Commissioner, Denise Hall, reports that over a hundred volunteers are busily working towards the big day....Monday, September 7.

For anyone new to Terrace Park, this is an annual event offering a day of games, great food and fun on the village green. Profits from the day's activities benefit the village sports programs, provided by the Terrace Park Recreation Commission.

The Festival will begin at 10:00 a.m., with the traditional parade, which will include antique cars, village leaders, music presented by the Mariemont Marching Band, scout troops, police, fire and life squad units and much more. Don't forget those decorated bikes! (Be at the Terrace Park School at 9:30 a.m. to line-up!)

Special events will include:

•The Award Giving Pet Show! 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This is your opportunity to show-off your special pet. There will be an \$1.50 entry fee for each pet.

•The Canine Category: We're looking for that special pooch who excels in the following:

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Best costume Best trick  
Best groomed

•Other Pet Category: We're excited to meet your special pets! Bring your cats, bunnies, hamsters, lizards, mice, snakes...surprise us! Awards given for these characters too!

•Magic Show 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. A special Magic Show will be performed on the Gazebo.

•Turtle Races 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Terrence Park's list Annual Turtle Races will be the highlight of this year's event. The turtles are in the midst of their rigorous training right now! Wagers will be accepted from all Festival Participants. Imagine the wealth, and notoriety you'll attain when you cash in on the winning champion!

As always, there will be continuous bingo. Some terrific prizes await the players, including brunch for two at the Omni Netherland Plaza.

There will be several new rides for the youngsters to enjoy. And, of course, the Festival wouldn't be complete without the wonderful food! Come hungry and enjoy grilled burgers, brats, sno cones, cotton candy, popcorn and more!

The Festival succeeds because so many Terrace Park residents work hard to make it happen. Denise expresses special thanks to the following Chairs:

Garage Sale - Lynette & Mark Castator  
Parade - Linda Naylor  
Food Booth - Susan & Jim Amis  
Bingo Prizes - Nan Cowan & Melanie Hynden  
Games - Robin Pendency  
Electric - Dennis Elliott  
Set-up - David Moyer

A sincere thank you too, to every single person who staffs a booth, helps set-up/tear down, helps with the garage sale or helps in any way!

Volunteers are still needed to help with food, games and the garage sale. Please call Denise Hall at 831-3966.

### Pettit Retires to Elm Avenue

Bill Pettit, of 415 Elm, has retired after 47 years as a practicing attorney - the past 19 in practice with Flach Douglas.

"People are still welcome to call and seek his advice, but don't expect him to go to court," says Peggy Pettit, his wife of 36 years.

Since his departure from the practice July 1, the name of the Main Street, Milford, practice has changed to Flach Douglas & Co., LPA. Douglas, another longtime Terrace Park resident, would have preferred to keep the Pettit name but professional advisors said there was no choice in the matter.

### Annual Garage Sale

Terrence Park Recreation Commission will hold its annual garage sale on Saturday, September 5, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The sale will be held at the Elementary School parking lot. Toys, books, antiques, appliances, bric-n-brac, tools, sports equipment, furniture and much more have been collected all summer for this annual event! Questions? Call Lynette Castator 831-6210 or Denise Hall 831-3966.

# The People Who Feed The Ducks

Anyone fortunate enough to live along the Little Miami River in Terrace Park knows that the bird traffic is varied and plentiful.

But according to Paul and Mildred Scott, who live about two miles downstream, it wasn't always this way. When they bought their home 30 years ago they were impressed by the scarcity of ducks.

Then, nearly 20 years ago, they began their own feeding and protection program. They spend \$18 a week to purchase corn, which they toss along the river banks each morning. If Paul hasn't done this chore by 6:30 a.m., he's awakened by the honking of impatient ducks and geese.

He routinely sees mallards, wood ducks, black ducks, harlequins and has counted as many as 50 Canada geese stopped for food. Once Mildred discovered seven orphaned baby geese, which she temporarily adopted and raised inside a crib. They became so attached, they followed her everywhere and had to be taught how to swim.

The Scotts' most difficult contribution to wildlife is trying to discourage illegal hunting. Armed with a bullhorn, Paul will hop in his car and follow the sound of shots upstream. This means navigating the bumpy gravel road through Kroger Hills reserve. But once he finds hunters he utters no words.

As a result, he's been threatened, shot at and chased into his own yard. One outraged hunter even called the area's game warden to complain that Scott was harassing him. But Scott fights back by alerting authorities. Although it's out of their jurisdiction, Terrace Park police are often the first to respond.

Chief Bob Bacon recalls an incident this spring in which two hunters with .22 rifles were "popping ducks right and left." When police arrived the hunters had fled. But they left behind 12 dead birds with heads and wings chopped off. If they'd been caught, they would have faced charges of hunting fowl out of season and discharging firearms within a restricted area.

"If Paul comes up with someone shooting at the ducks, he goes ape," Bacon said. "But I've got to give the guy credit for the work he's doing."

In addition to caring for wild birds, the Scotts have adopted 10 dogs, nine of whom were cast off

and abused. One dog, for instance, arrived with burned paws. His former owner had come after him with a cigarette lighter.

"We believe that all living things have the right to a decent life," Scott said. "That's why we do what we do."

## Neighbors Surprise Pete Cook With Ice Cream Social



Pete Cook

Neighbors in the 700 block of Miami Avenue banded together to throw a surprise, going-away party for Pete Cook, who has moved to Milford after living at 725 Miami for 42 years.

Plans called for families to gather at 7 pm, on July 6th, to stage an "Olde Fashioned Ice Cream So-

cial" as a surprise for Pete's arrival at 7:30 pm. Pete, however, arrived at 7:05 pm, and those few assembled called to him to, "Keep driving around the neighborhood and come back at 7:30 pm!" By the appointed time, approximately 40 neighbors had gathered to welcome Pete with a rendition of "For He's A Jolly Good Fellow!"

Ice cream sundaes were made to order with a selection of 7 flavors of ice cream and 11 toppings! Cook, always the "King of Puns", promised while eating a bowl of ice cream, "I promise, I won't 'dessert' you all!"

Cook was presented with a framed, monogrammed picture of the neighbors gathered in front of his home. It read, "We Love You, Pete! Your Friends On Miami."

Neighbors will miss this 42-year resident of Terrace Park. With his perpetual smile and a joke upon his lips, he was known to all who passed 725 Miami Avenue.



## Bethesda North Honors Volunteers

Laura Winkler, Fieldstone Ave., Terrace Park, was recognized recently for 9,000 hours of service to Surgery/ Post Anesthesia Care Unit departments and the North Ambulatory Surgery Center at the 1992 Adult Volunteer Recognition Program. Pictured with her is James Connelly, Senior Vice President of Bethesda North Hospital. Also recognized at this program were Betty Alexander, Given Lane, and Peter Stites, Douglas Ave., for 1500 hours of service; and Edna Stites, also of Douglas, for volunteering 2000 hours of service in 1992.

# A Message From The Post Mistress

by Judy Trame

"Return To Sender" is more than just a popular Elvis song also the message many customers want sent to companies sending them unwanted packages. Since the majority of those packages have "Return and Forwarding Postage Guaranteed" printed on them, many people think the company will always pay to have the package returned if the customer does not want it. This is true only if the parcel is unopened (not even to take a peek - even if you tape it back). That also means that you can't open the envelope attached to the package.

If nothing has been opened, it's easy — just write "Refused" on the package, and leave it in your mailbox or drop it in any collection box. However, if you open anything (the package or the envelope), you have to pay to send it back.

Quite often, packages endorsed "Return and Forwarding Postage Guaranteed" are easy to get confused. This is most easily explained by the concept of who the mail belongs to at any given time. Before mail is received by the addressee, it belongs to the sender. Once the mail piece is received and

opened, it belongs to the addressee. After all, once mail has been opened, it has completed its journey. The mailer has done his job of sending it out, and the Postal Service has done its job by delivering it. So, any mail being returned has to be paid for by the person who received it **once it has been opened.**

However, this does not mean that once you have opened a package you are stuck with paying the postage. There is another way to handle the situation. Just write the company advising them that you received an item you did not want. Ask them to send you a return label for either Business Reply or Merchandise Return. This label tells the Postal Service that the company will pay the postage to have the item returned. Also, you should be aware that once you have canceled a membership in a book or music club, it can take the company some time to get that cancellation into their computer. You may have to return packages before the cancellation goes into effect. Just send the package back marked "Refused," without opening anything, and you won't have to pay.

The Postal Service wants you to get all your mail, but we also want to make it as easy as possible for you to **NOT** receive the mail which you do not want. If you have any questions about how to handle a particular piece of mail, the best thing to do is to call your local post office **BEFORE** you open the letter or package.

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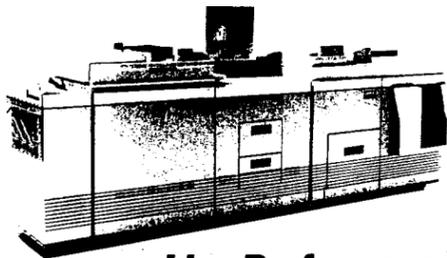
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# St. Thomas Prepares For Fall

St. Thomas continues its summer schedule of Sunday services at 8 and 10 a.m. through September 6th.

On Sunday, September 13th, the church returns to its regular schedule, with Eucharist services at

8, 9:15 and 11 a.m. Christian Education for 2 year olds through adults is offered at the 9:15 service, and a fellowship hour now follows that service.

Major fall events include a Stewardship Weekend led by The Rev. Jon Shuler of Knoxville, TN (a former curate at St. Thomas) on October 2-4, an Artist's Choice Concert and Art Show on November 1st, and a fall bazaar November 14th.

Programs for junior and senior high youth are being revamped this year. The senior high fall kick-off will be an afternoon picnic at East Fork Lake on September 13th. Thereafter, they will meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays for a 5 p.m. class; 2nd and 4th Sundays will offer varied events aimed at fun, fellowship, and/or service. The junior high group has new leaders, and plans are to be announced soon.

Monday evening healing services resume September 14th. The Holy Eucharist is offered on Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m., on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m., and on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at a 7 p.m. Praise and Worship Service.

Adult classes offered during the week include a 10:30 a.m. Bible Study with Assistant Rector Stephen Bolle on Wednesday, a 7:30 p.m. Wednesday class, and a 6:45 p.m. lectionary-based Bible study on Thursday. A fathers' group meets Wednesday mornings at 6:15.

The church's several choirs—Junior, Senior, Women's, and contemporary—welcome new singers.

Interested people in the community are invited to any of these services or meetings. For more information, call the church office at 831-2052.



## The Girls Of Summer

The Terrace Park "Warriors" first and second grade team concluded their season undefeated with a 7-0 win record and captured first place in their division of the softball league. Players pictured, from left to right, include: (Bottom row) Alison Park, Casey Clukey, Jennifer Sarran, Lindsay Deeter. (Second row) Emily Holmes, Chelsey Mitchell, Lucy Watson, Kristen Hesser. (Third row) Lauren Fisher, Katie Oliver, Jane Dimmitt, Megan Govert, Meggie Safford. (Top row) Coaches, Tammy Fisher and Diane Govert.

## T.P. Alumni Reunion Brings 200 to School

Alumni of the former Terrace Park High School inducted three persons into their Hall of Fame at their annual reunion at the elementary school on August 9.

The inductees are Lester (Pat) Patterson, the high school's first full-time coach, Helen Miller Hill, former student and music teacher, and Jack Bickett, a leading athlete.

Some 200 former students attended the open house at the school, at which Elementary School Principal Dr. Jerry Sasson was a speaker. The Class of 1937 held a reunion dinner at Eastgate Holiday Inn the night before. The Class of 1942 is planning a reunion in September.

## RWC Dean's List

John Belanger, son of Roger and Pat Belanger, of Winding Brook, was named to the Dean's list for Spring Quarter at UC's Raymond Walters College, in Blue Ash.

## MEET A WINNER!

Joe Campo, 310 Harvard Ave., recently participated in the C.A.B.A. 11 and under World Series in Tarkio, MO. Joe's team, the Cincinnati Bulldogs, coached by Chuck Querner, earned their way to the Series by qualifying at a previous state tournament in Columbus.

Joe is the son of Mike and Norma Campo and will be a sixth grader at Terrace Park Elementary.

The Bulldogs won 4 of 5 games in the preliminary "round robin" tournament including an exciting win over unbeaten and heavily favored Hawaii. The good fortune came to an end when the Bulldogs were beaten by Kansas and Grove City, OH in the double elimination championship series.

Many local companies helped the unsponsored Bulldogs with travel expenses to the tournament. These were: Croswell Bus Lines, Rixey Insurance, Yankee Dollar, and Graduate Services.



## Mauk Promoted

Andrew M. Mauk was recently promoted to Vice President of Ostendorf-Morris, a full service, regional commercial real estate firm. Mauk is a specialist in office and industrial brokerage. A graduate of Dennison University, Mauk joined Ostendorf-Morris' precursor, Realeam, in 1985. He also serves as vice chair of the United Way Field of Service and is a member of The Gentleman's Committee, both involving fund raising for the handicapped and needy.

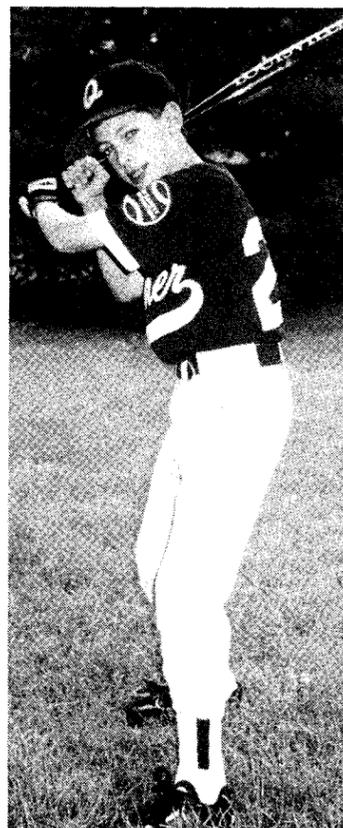
Mauk resides on Stanton Ave., Terrace Park, with his wife, LouAnn, and daughter, Hannah.

## Basketball Sign-Up

Basketball sign-up for boys and girls in grades 3-6 will be at the Terrace Park school gym on Saturday, September 26, between 10 am and 12 noon. Forms and the \$35 fee must be completed and given to Dave Moyer then or by the registration deadline of Oct. 6. Call Dave Moyer with questions at 831-4322.

## CORRECTION

Jim Porter did not request - or receive - village approval to build four houses served by one private drive as reported in the last edition of Village Views. He received approval for four houses served by three private drives.



Joe Campo

## STOP! WAIT!

Don't renew your magazine subscriptions until September when members of Mariemont High School classes and clubs will be selling magazines to community residents to earn money for their organizations. Think about renewals or subscriptions as gifts. The students need your support. For information, contact Dianne Donnelly M.H.S. P.T.S.A. Fundraising coordinator, at 831-7586.



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**Council —**

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water line construction on Wooster Pike to the proposed Brendamour development.

Council member Barbara Howland reported that the village expects to receive a Small Business Administration grant for tree work being administered by the state, in an amount not yet determined. She has planned a village forum on street tree management to be held at the Community House at 7 p.m. on September 1.

**On other matters:**

\*Building Inspector Tim Harth reported issuance of 13 permits for construction worth \$64,634.

\*Village Treasurer Margot Grund reported receipt of \$37,100 in inheritance taxes. The village budget estimate for the year was \$25,000.

\*Life Squad Chief Connie Wilson reported 21 runs and indicated need to consider replacement of the eight-year-old ambulance.

\*Fire Chief Pierce Matthews reported no village unit runs, but two responses by Milford, and two task unit calls. He reported also the recruitment of Jim Christoferson as a volunteer fireman.

\*Virginia Marquett appealed for village assistance in dealing with frequent flooding by storm water. Council last year said the problem was not a village responsibility but one for affected property owners to solve.

\*Police Chief Bob Bacon proposed the use of portable data base units in police cars to facilitate communications; said confiscated car had been returned to its owner as a hardship case; reported that Sgt. Jerry Hayhow had attended a crime prevention school and that Officer Joe Winders had returned to duty after throat surgery.

\*Barbara Howland said 638 trees would be fertilized and pruned this fall through money available because of removal of several trees by CG & E rather than at village expense.

\*Sally Gilchrist announced a public hearing at 7:15 p.m. before the September 8 council meeting—on proposed updating of the village flood plain ordinance.

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