

★ ELECTION SPECIAL ★ LOOKING BACK AT 33-1 DRY VOTE ★

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING POTLUCK DINNER

1 P.M., SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Fourth Avenue School Senior Center *See Page 7*

Harrison West Society Meeting

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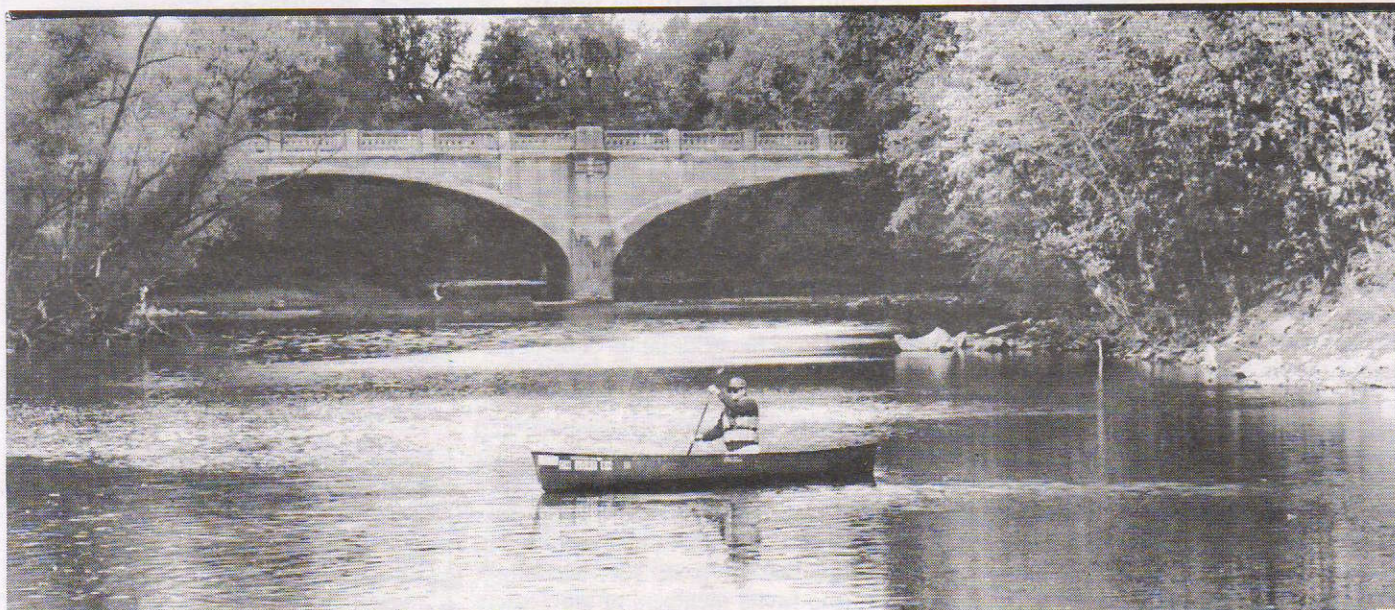
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THE VIEW FROM 315 NORTHBOUND — The graceful curves of the Third Avenue Bridge are scheduled to be replaced with two 140-foot concrete spans with 5-foot high pancaked arches. Local Cub Scout Pack Leader Guy Scheaffer is reconnoitering the Olentangy River for a springtime canoe trip from Harrison West downtown to the Santa Maria. The site near the Santa Maria was once known as Port Columbus when canal boats docked there, according to newspaper accounts from the 1860s. Parents who are interested in having their sons participate in the float down the Olentangy and Scioto Rivers can call Guy, 294-7643, or Boy Scout Troop Leader Jay Moore, 299-0113, to sign up for the May expedition.

IT KEEPS ON GOING AND GOING . . .

Bar Back In Court

Zeno's bar owners have taken their case to a new forum, the Franklin County Court of Appeals. In a 2-1 decision on October 20 the Court, with Judges Peggy Bryant and Dana Deshler voting in favor, and Judge Michael Close opposing, granted a temporary injunction allowing Zeno's to continue selling beer, wine and spirituous liquor while the Court considers the merits of Zeno's appeal.

This follows the ruling of Common Pleas Judge David L. Johnson against the bar owners last month. Judge Johnson was quoted in the *Columbus Dispatch* saying their attempts to overturn the November 1994 election had "virtually no likelihood of success." It was at this last hearing that Mary Funk was subpoenaed to appear before the Court.

The matter is now between the State of Ohio and the bar owners.

NEIGHBORHOOD MATTERS

Semi-Truck Hardship, No Kidding The Truck Stops Here!

FYI: Do 13,000 heavy trucks per year — that's about 250 a week in and out of the Abitec First and Perry oil-refinery — sound about right to you? In paperwork filed with the city, Abitec, Inc. revealed that is how many trucks come and go and that 1,000,000 (one million) pounds of oil are shipped to and from their plant every five business days. Ironically, these statistics came out of a "statement of hardship" as part of their claim seeking a variance to paint their water tower. Wait until the announced doubling of the capacity is completed in two to three years!

Tree Planting on Third Avenue

Tree planting on Third Avenue is postponed until trees go dormant for transplanting. Call Craig Copeland, 299-3737.

RHYMES WITH WABASH CANNONBALL

Habash Praises "Vibrant, Can-Do Spirit" Of HW

Here's a Democrat who's running for City Council that has been endorsed by the *Columbus Dispatch*. Mayor Lashutka has been quoted as saying that Habash is "one of the great council members" and his not being returned to City Council would be "a big loss." Matt Habash has been to Harrison West more often and any other member of Council.

"The vibrant, creative, can-do spirit generated by the residents of Harrison West is a model of what can be done when dedicated people mobilize efforts to make their community a better place to live," states Councilman Matt Habash.

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Harrison West Society Minutes

Submitted by Sean Conway
Secretary, Harrison West Society
Thursday, October 12, 1995

Autumn has fallen on the Harrison West; the trees are showing off their colors and election fever is in the air. In anticipation of these events, the Harrison West Society invited Patrick Bryant, from COTA, to speak about the upcoming levy for public transportation, and the Society also invited back Alan McKnight, from the Recreation and Parks Department, to present some of the Department's ideas regarding the renovation of Harrison West Park (Fourth and Oregon Avenues).

The first speaker, Patrick Bryant, started off his presentation by stating that he was a COTA employee who was concerned about public transportation and that he was giving the presentation on his own free time and was not being compensated. Bryant explained that Issue 3 would increase COTA's share of the county sales tax by $\frac{1}{4}\%$ to a total of $\frac{1}{2}\%$.

He further explained that in 1987 the tax was not renewed and, in all fairness, the levy represents a renewal of this previous levy. He further explained that with the loss of some federal subsidies and the growth of the county, especially in the outlying areas where most of the new jobs are, that this levy was necessary for the proper development of the county. And with a tax that will only cost the average family only \$32 a year.

Mr. Bryant went on to explain the many advantages the city would gain from its passage. Chiefly, service levels for current lines would be increased. If you are accustomed to having a bus arrive every 20 minutes, with the levy's passage that same bus would now show up every 10 minutes. All lines would have longer service hours, starting earlier and ending later. Also, the #7 Neil Ave. line, which services Riverside Hospital on Sundays, would go to Riverside every day of the week and that

there would be similar expansions on other lines. He also mentioned that new routes would be added to give people access to the more than 50,000 new jobs that have been created in areas that COTA does not presently service. Bryant ended his presentation by stating that the levy would prevent a fare increase in the near future and that the tax is a county tax and not a city one.

After answering a few questions about the quality of service Bryant thanked the Society for its time.

This brought Alan McKnight to center stage. McKnight, who made a presentation at the July meeting, was returning to the Society, as promised, to present new ideas for renovations to Harrison West Park. McKnight had a large diagram of the changes envisioned. The plan included new Victorian-style lighting, new playground equipment that would appeal to younger children than the previous equipment had, and the installation of three picnic tables and trash receptacles. Many residents pointed out that they would like to see the play equipment in the back and McKnight agreed to that change. Other features included the installation of a wrought iron fence along the alley sides and the removal of the vandalized stage in the middle of the park. Mr. McKnight went on to invite members of the Society to review and comment on the plans incorporating the latest ideas from this meeting. Everyone thanked Mr. McKnight for coming back and the meeting moved into the business stage where the Society agreed to pay the printer and to pay for supplies for the *HW News*.

Afterwards a good time was had by all at the social hour immediately following the meeting which included a large assortment of sandwiches, snacks, coffee and soft drinks provided courtesy of the residents of the Michigan Avenue Senior Center.

Hope to see everyone there next time.

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OVER THE PAST YEAR, the will of the voters in our neighborhood to reclaim the peace and quiet has been challenged in the court system. Mary Funk was named in a legal action, along with the Franklin County Board of Elections and the Ohio Liquor Commission, challenging the local liquor option ballot in December 1994. Allegations of fraudulent conduct, as well as other illegal acts, were made in court in papers filed with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas.

Citizen Funk has incurred legal bills totalling \$5,978 in defense of her reputation and of the election.

Without Mary's involvement, the neighborhood would still be awaiting a first hearing in Judge O'Grady's Court this December, 1995. It has now been dismissed from two courts, Judge O'Grady's and Judge Johnson's, and awaits a ruling from a third. From here on, it is up to the State of Ohio and the Franklin County Board of Elections to uphold the November 1994 election results.

Now is the time for the good citizens of all parts of Harrison West to come to the aid of Mary Funk whose broad shoulders have carried the weight of this challenge. To date, \$850.00 has been raised from a few of her concerned neighbors. This is the time to assist Mary and write a generous check on behalf of her efforts. For information to arrange the receipt of your contribution, call Mary at 291-9545; or mail to 1148 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Craig Copeland, President, Harrison West Society

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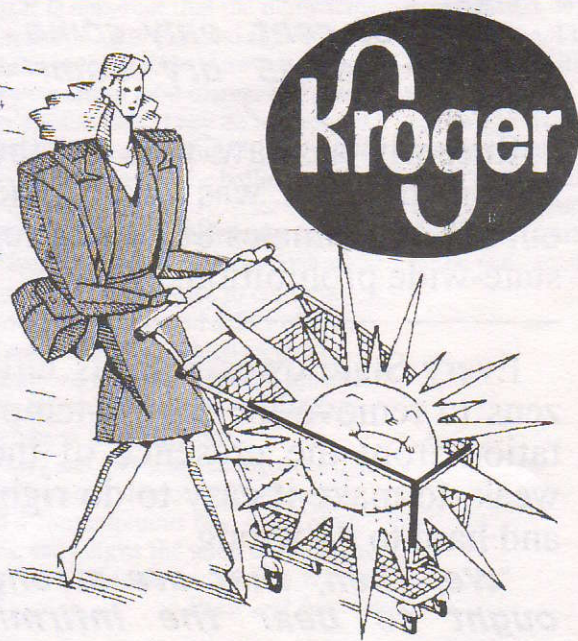
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Looking Back To The Election That Dried Up The Nation

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The American Issue Publishing Company was formed in June, 1909, as the parent company of the Anti-Saloon League of America with the national headquarters in Westerville, Ohio. The printing plant was dedicated in September 1909 and soon printed material proclaiming the "evils of

alcohol" was streaming from the presses to State Leagues and other temperance groups across the nation. Thus began the national prohibition movement which would culminate in the 18th Amendment that stopped the sales and transport of alcoholic beverages in the United States of America.

By 1915 over forty tons of printed materials poured from the American Issue Presses every month.

The 18th Amendment was ratified on January 16, 1919, only to be repealed by the 21st Amendment in 1933. Their "noble experiment" had failed. After the repeal, the Temperance Education Foundation was established by members of the Anti-Saloon League. It was devoted to education, research and data collection

on all phases of alcohol problems.

The Temperance Education Foundation, as the direct descendant of the Anti-Saloon League of America, turned over its building and contents to the Westerville Public Library in 1973. The building was remodeled and now serves as the administration building of the Westerville Public Library. The library assumed the monumental task of preserving and cataloging the temperance materials, a job that took ten years. The entire collection is now reproduced on 575 rolls of microfilm. It is available to researchers for comprehensive study of the many aspects of the temperance and prohibition movement at the height of its popularity and influence.

Thanks to the Westerville Public Library for information and election handbills.

The State Is Going Dry



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The State Is Going Dry

According to Chaplain Richards, of the Ohio Penitentiary;

87 per cent. of the inmates owe their downfall to drink,

80 per cent. are sent from the 43 wet counties;

20 per cent. only come from the 45 dry counties.

Recently a straw vote on the saloon question was taken, and out of 1350 inmates 887 voted for state-wide prohibition.

Every State owes it to its citizens to remove the saloon-temptation from the presence of the weak, to make it easy to do right and hard to do wrong.

"We, then, that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak." — Rom. 15:1.

On the 1st Anniversary of Precinct 33-I Being Voted Dry

To the editor:

We, like other homeowners in the community of Harrison West who cast ballots in last November's election, were under the misconception that we were citizens of a democracy. We believe that election laws were put into place by legislators to protect the majority from those persons who would callously trample on our rights to live in peace and safety. We also believe that judges, elected to office by that same process, were compelled to sanction the outcome of an election once certified by the Board of Elections.

Foolishly it seems, we trusted in the power of the ballot box.

It is now a year later and another judge has granted the owners of Zeno's permission to carry on business as usual, despite our certified majority vote to prevent the sale of liquor and beer by the glass in our precinct. This ludicrous decision, again, guarantees the bar's inebriated patrons continuing permission to use our yards and streets as public toilets and garbage cans; and acquiesces to them yelling obscenities, engaging bloody fights and vandalizing our property until 2:00 a.m. every Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

We wonder if these same elected judges, whose courtroom decisions have needlessly prolonged our neighborhood's ongoing nightmare, can have any faith in the very process which put them into office. For it is apparent that the many temporary restraining orders and injunctions handed the notorious bar's owners over the last year are in total disregard to the election's resolution. They do not uphold and strengthen law-abiding citizen's constitutional right to use the ballot box to govern community, county, state or country. They only permit a disruptive business to continue making money and allow their inconsiderate patrons to continue threatening the peace and safety of a residential neighborhood, which in good faith, followed the time-honored process, from the signing of petitions to the casting of votes at the ballot box.

It's very sad and scary to discover that we now live in a 'democracy' where the good of a contemptuous few, more often than not, outweighs the good of the many.

Linda and James Warren
West 3rd Avenue

Editor's note: Judge O'Grady and Judge Johnson have dismissed their respective cases. The case is now in the Franklin County Court of Appeals.

To the editor:

As election day fast approaches, we must reflect where our neighborhood was nearly a year ago. Many of us were anxiously waiting to take that first giant step towards taking back our neighborhood. At the polls, we were successful. Although we are still waiting for the court system to implement the results of that election, we must look at the positive effect this has had on our neighborhood. We must not be totally disappointed.

As a direct result of this positive step, we are now more united than we have ever been in years past. Neighbors know neighbors not only within the same block in which they live, but we know those who live blocks away as well. What a caring neighborhood we live in and love.

Now, the thing we must focus on is that once the local liquor option is finally upheld and our precinct is dry, this same option can be placed back on the ballot three years from the election day this year, or in 1998. We must remember all the battles which we have endured simply to have our votes count. As you all have seen, it is much harder to dry up a precinct than it is to make it wet. Ask yourself if you really want to endure these same battles again simply to reclaim the neighborhood which, by all rights, belong to you as a property owner? I must say from first hand experience, I do not!

In closing, I must say that we all need to **keep the faith!** God did not create the world overnight and we cannot reclaim our neighborhood overnight. We have done everything correctly and legally. In every war you have many small battles; we may win some battles and we may lose some, but the goal is to win the war. In the end, we shall prevail.

Mary Funk
Pennsylvania Avenue

To the editor:

This Tuesday, November 7, only 25% of the registered voters are expected to take the time to vote. This incredibly low turnout means that the voters of Harrison West can have a significant effect in electing the people and passing the issues important to our neighborhood.

Mayor Lashutka is particularly proud of the City's AAA Bond rating and his administration's efforts in maintaining that standing with the money people on Wall Street. This results in lower borrowing costs by way of lower interest rates charged on money the City borrows in the capital markets. Wall Street especially likes to see the voters approve Municipal Bond Issues, like Issue 5 through Issue 10, and charges a still lower rate. The City will have to borrow the money regardless of the ballot outcome; it's just cheaper if the voters approve it. Something to bear in mind is that most of this money is targeted at central city neighborhoods like Harrison West.

Incumbent City Council members Lisa Griffin and Matt Habash are the two people I call when someone in the neighborhood calls me with a problem regarding City services. They both have been ready to help on issues of trash, traffic, police and parks; cutting through the bureaucracy to reach the people who can get the job done.

Additionally, they sponsored a series of Community Policing Forums in their very real efforts to improve police services. Griffin wrote the new anti-graffiti legislation and Habash has revitalized the Recreation and Parks Department. These two Democrats are endorsed by the *Columbus Dispatch* and based on the help they have been to our neighborhood, I hope Harrison West gives them the support they deserve. They have already been here and walked on our streets, sidewalks and alleys.

Finally, lots of people in our neighborhood will benefit from the greater mobility that will come with better bus service if Issue 3 is passed. To be a great City, we need to have public transportation; it is that simple.

This Tuesday, the 7th, is the time to stand up and be counted. Again. Last year's election in Precinct 33-I, put Harrison West on everyone's map.

Craig Copeland
Vermont Place

The Harrison West Kitchen and Garden

Squash... A True American Original

By Marsha Cox, Préparateure Emeritus
La Belle Pomme School of Cooking at Lazarus

The native Indians had much longer names for this gourd. The words meant "something that is eaten raw." Ironically, it was the first dish the Indians taught the Pilgrims how to cook!

The seeds have been found in pots in Mexico that date to about 3000 BC. These early Indian called the squash "the apple of God," since its seeds were believed to increase fertility when planted in close proximity.

There are two branches to the squash family tree. *Cucurbita pepo* or summer squash and *Cucurbita maxima* or winter squash. Both are available much of the year. Squash can be cooked in a variety of ways. It can be baked, fried or boiled. Squash can be processed into soups, pies, breads and purées.

We are going to try a different side dish to serve at Thanksgiving. It is not a dessert, but a definite vegetable side dish. The recipe is from *Greene on Greens*.

Acorn Squash Flan

- 1 medium acorn squash
- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
- ½ teaspoon ground ginger
- ¼ teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- ½ teaspoon ground cloves
- ½ teaspoon crushed dried hot red pepper
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 ½ cups milk
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 3 eggs
- 3 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon brandy

1. Preheat oven to 350° F. Cut squash in half, scoop out seeds and place cut side down on a lightly buttered baking sheet. Bake about 45 minutes. Cool, then scoop out the pulp.

2. Caramelize the sugar and cinnamon over high heat until the sugar dissolves and turns a deep golden color. Carefully pour into a 1-quart soufflé dish which has been warmed. Invert the dish onto a buttered sheet of foil and let stand.

3. Place squash pulp in food processor or blender. Add melted butter through salt (the next 6 ingredients) and process until smooth.

4. Warm milk and cream over low heat. Do not boil.

5. Beat eggs and yolks in a large bowl. Beat in puréed squash mixture. Slowly stir in the hot milk and cream. Add the brandy.

6. Pour the custard mixture into the prepared soufflé dish. Bake about 1 hour or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean. Remove dish from pan and let stand 10 minutes.

7. Run a sharp knife around the edge of the soufflé dish and very carefully invert it onto a shallow serving platter. Serve the flan warm or well chilled.

Serves 8

Attention Harrison West Cooks!

We need local cooks to submit their favorite recipes. We



would like to feature our Harrison West neighbors' recipes (plus a picture) each month during 1996. I know there are at least twelve of you who have a favorite recipe to share. Please contact Craig, 299-3737; Dwight, 424-6001; or me,

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Thanksgiving Dinner Fun — Food — Good Times

For all the neighbors who were involved in the Thanksgiving Dinner last year for the Seniors at the Fourth Avenue School it is time to sign up again to make those award-winning dishes. We have set aside Sunday, November 19, 1995 at 1 p.m. as the time to get together and celebrate Thanksgiving with the Seniors. Those who participated last year no doubt can recall the good times and splendid feelings they had sharing this time.

Set up will be at noon and serving will begin at 1 p.m. So for those who would like to whip up their favorite dish to share with your neighbors and Seniors, circle your calendar and please call Mary Funk at 291-9546.

See you at Thanksgiving dinner.

Leaf Pick Up Schedule

Saturday, November 18

Saturday, December 16

The city will pick up leaves in paper bags or containers at the usual trash collection points; i.e., if you have 300-gal. containers, in the alley; for 90-gal. containers, the curb; starting at 6 a.m.

COTA's 'Expanded Service Plan' Should Benefit Harrison West, Metro Columbus

(Editor's note: Patrick Bryant, COTA Public Relations Officer, gave a presentation at the October Harrison West Society meeting in support of Issue 3 which would restore COTA's share of the sales tax to its 1985 level of one-half percent. The following information was provided by Mr. Bryant and summarizes his presentation at our last meeting.)

The Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA)'s Expanded Service Plan (ESP), culminating four years of research, planning and community feedback, proposes doubling the current level of bus service by the year 2005 in order to keep pace with Columbus' exception growth.

The Extended Service Plan shifts COTA's emphasis from a downtown orientation to one that recognizes the increasing demand for reserve and crosstown suburban commute. Thirteen regional Transit Centers will facilitate suburban transit by integrating outlying areas into the system with park and rides, crosstown and express service as well as circulator routes that will travel within suburban communities.

The Expanded Service plan increases jobs accessibility for Central Ohioans by extending service to the major centers of employment including Polaris, Ricken-

backer, I-270/ Morse Road Development Area, Eddie Bauer and Sears. The plan aims to increase mobility for those who need transportation options including students, seniors and persons with disabilities, by increasing the frequency and hours of operation on every existing and planned route.

Existing routes, such as along #3 N.W. Blvd., #7 Neil, #18 Kenny and #96 Fifth, will significantly increase frequency and hours of operation. Current routes will provide increased service during the evening and on weekends.

System improvements will be phased in over a 10-year period and will prioritize rider demand and new economic growth areas. Improvements for the Harrison West area include:

- **#5 W. Fifth Ave.** Will be extended to the South Hilliard Transit Center at Renard and Hilliard-Rome.
- **#7 Neil Ave.** Will be extended to the Camera Industrial Rehabilitation Center and Riverside Hospital.
- **#18 Kenny Rd.** Will offer all-day, all-week service to Sawmill Rd.
- **#96 Fifth Ave.** Will be extended to the Grandview Senior Center and to the Gahanna Transit Center.

To learn more about how the Expanded Service Plan will impact Harrison West, contact COTA at 275-5823.

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Councilman Matt Habash Cares About Harrison West

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"Working with citizens who devote their time and talents to improving their neighborhoods is one of the great rewards of serving on City Council," he emphasizes.

As Chair of the Safety and Recreation and Parks Committees, Councilman Habash has taken a great interest in the safety and recreational needs of Harrison West. He supported efforts to upgrade and reopen the fire station on Third Avenue. He recently sponsored legislation calling for \$200,000 in additional funding for the Police ACE program. According to Habash, "ACE has been successful in reducing criminal activity in neighborhoods throughout the city and is very popular with residents."

At the Community Policing Forum sponsored by Councilman Habash and

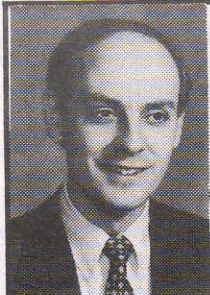
held at the Thompson Recreation Center, area residents said they wanted to see more police bike patrols in the streets and parks. In a recent letter to Safety Director Thomas Rice, Councilman Habash recommended that this request be reviewed and implemented.

"People like to have fun so it's always a pleasure to announce improvements in our parks and recreation programs," says Habash. The Councilman remembers that Bob Villa's affinity for old houses may have been the catalyst that moved him to the Short North to tape a television program. It was a beautiful day in the neighborhood when people throughout the nation saw a Columbus community come together to build the children's playground at Thomas Recreation Center," he says. "This playground will bring

joy to children for years to come and once again, shows the spectacular results that occur when people work together."

Councilman Habash also announced ongoing improvements in Harrison West Park. These include the expenditure of \$75,000 from the Urban Infrastructure Recovery Fund for new playground equipment, picnic facilities and landscaping. The Harrison West area also received a Neighborhood Partnership Grant for more than 80 trees that were planted in cooperation with the Forestry Division.

Habash believes that improvements in the University area will have a positive effect on Harrison West. He continues to support a cap over I-670 which would promote business and pedestrian activity into the Short North area and add to its visual attractiveness.



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