Christmas caroling!
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Come for an evening of caroling tonight! We'll meet at the community building in the back at 7 o'clock. There will be a bonfire, hot cocoa, and cookies. In case of rain or very cold weather the caroling will be cancelled. Hope to see you all tonight!
A LETTER FROM YOUR CIVIC ASSN. PRESIDENT

December's meeting of your CA was very informative regarding the zoning issues facing Minerva Park currently. In order for the attending members of CA to be better informed - Dick Busick who is also President of the Northland Community Council - gave us a closer look at what changes are proposed for the Cleveland Ave.-Rt. 161 area. I think you should be aware that:

1. New sewers and storm sewers to handle run-off and control flooding and drainage into Minerva Lake are being proposed and may be paid for by the developers of the Meijer's store site and the City of Columbus.
2. Cleveland Avenue may be widened to five lanes from the 161 intersection to just south of Minerva Park.
3. An access-road may be designed and added from Cleveland Ave. just south of Long's Funeral Home northeastward to the light at 161 and Forest Hills Blvd.
4. A new store complex is planned for south of 161 along the access road, east of Cleveland.
5. NCC no longer opposes the Meijer's store plans with the following conditions:
   a. the updated CPD text (which specifies all details of the proposed improvements and usages of the improvements) would be made available to NCC for approval before it is presented to Columbus Development Comm.
   b. the planned lighting of Rt 161 from Rt. 71 to Maple Canyon be extended through Cleveland Ave. and Forest Hills Blvd.
   c. Cleveland Ave. would be widened from the 161 intersection to just south of Minerva Park.

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Diagram:

- Raintree
- Proposed Meijer's Project
- Cleveland Ave.
  - Five lanes up to just south of Minerva Park
- Minerva Lake
- Maplewood
- Proposed Store Sites
- RT 161
- JORDAN RD.
- Proposed Access Rd.
- Lonie's
- East
- N
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the present priority of planned improvements to the intersection of Cleveland and Morse be adjusted to take into account the increased traffic flow from the proposed new sites.

As you know, other pieces of property are for sale all around us. Yes, we all wish it could stay farm land but let's be realistic-instead of fighting progress, let's help control it. If you would like some say in the issues that face us today, give us a call. We have had some input from a very few concerned residents. If our stand is to be based on the opinions of a few residents, then it shall, or we will not take a stand at all.

We are most interested in hearing what you have to say, so call us during the next few weeks or come to the January meeting and hear what else is going around in your backyard! CALL:

John Kinkella 895-2802
Trish Haaser 891-1962
Peggy Yoakam 882-0422

I would also like to thank the entire Zagrzejewski Family - Andy, Mari, Jill, and Marty for their work in preparing the Christmas wreaths and installing them around Minerva Park. They add a festive touch and I appreciate the Zag's work. Thank you.

Now to one and all I sincerely wish you a very Merry Christmas and in the spirit of the season, a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

JANUARY CALENDAR

7th - NCC at 7:30
13th - City Council at 8:00
14th - Civic Association at 7:30
28th - Women's Club Mardi Gras 7:30

All of these meetings are held at the Community Building and are open to the public.

There's still time to see the last performances of Ballet Met's THE NUTCRACKER. December 23rd and 24th are the last days for performances at the Ohio Theatre, 29 E. State Street. Call 469-0939 for more information.
OUR FEATHERED FRIENDS

If anyone is interested in feeding and looking after the ducks, let the Villager know. People in our community have expressed a desire to donate feed or money for the ducks. Any interested person can call me, Betty Beatrice 899-9246.

CITY COUNCIL NEWS


Mayor Cockerell read a letter from Qube stating that they will be raising rates January 1, 1986 as follows: Basic - $1.25, Qube - $1.20, Additional cable outlets - $0.50 and additional Qube outlets $1.00.

LEGISLATION

Resolution 85-21 was passed honoring Councilman Jerry Brown for nearly six years of service on Council and to the Village of Minerva Park.

Resolution 85-22 passed consenting to the reacquisition by Warner Communications, Inc. of 50% of the ownership held by American Express.

Resolution 85-23 passed accepting the amended amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission.


Resolution 85-25 provides for the transfer of funds within the General Fund.

Mr. Roscoe presented several zoning cases. One will require Council action. It is currently tabled for further investigation.

There was discussion about the requests for zoning changes that concern Minerva Park and will be coming before the Columbus Zoning Commission December 12th. It is expected that Columbus City Council will be asked to act upon these requests at a January meeting.

Several interested residents were also in attendance and shared in the discussions and refreshments. See YOU at the next council meeting! It will be held Monday, January 13, 1986, at 8 pm.
WESTERVILLE SCHOOLS

For those residents whose children attend Westerville Schools, please note. The school district is currently looking at the overcrowding of schools. Most elementary schools in Westerville have kindergarten through fifth grade in one building. Due to overcrowding, Hawthorne has one kindergarten classroom and grades one through three. If you have any thoughts or suggestions on this situation, write them down and send to Dr. Richard Miller, 336 S. Otterbein Avenue, Westerville, 43081. Community ideas will only be accepted through December. The decisions that the Board of Education makes will affect Westerville Schools for the next several years. This is the perfect time to voice your opinions before decisions are made affecting the education of your children.

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MINERVA PARK WOMEN'S CLUB

We've billed the January meeting as a Mardi Gras party. While we can't duplicate the street parade and entertainment of that event held yearly in New Orleans, we thought a fun-and-games evening would boost the spirits of those of us plodding through the dark days of winter here. Besides games and contests, we want to show off some local talent. Wear a decorated hat. We'll award prizes for the funniest, most original, and the prettiest. Please let Peggy Holfinger know of your, or someone else's, ability to entertain (we'll send the winners to Ed McMann's STAR SEARCH?). The stage will be set for an evening of fun. If we have a good turn out of members and guests, it should be a great evening! The meeting will be held at the Community Building on Tuesday, January 28th at 7:30 p.m. Georgene Luty and Julia McDonald will be hostesses.

A big THANK YOU to - Harold Nestor and Fred Baker (our auctioneers for the Christmas auction); to the auction team - Peggy Yoakam, Ginny Gordon, and Debbie Tissen; and to each member and guest who contributed and/or bought articles at the sale. Each of you helped make the project a huge success.

Anyone who has not received a VILLAGER DIRECTORY may phone the club president, Marge Vance 882-8508.

The Women's Club OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH plans to dine at the Black Angus on Thursday, January 9th at 1 p.m. Reservations deadline is Monday, January 6th and can be made by calling Marge Vance at 882-8508 by that date.

All Minerva Park women are invited to join this group.
The Women's Club is printing a cookbook. Use the form below, and mail your favorite recipe(s) to Nancy Toy, 2802 Wildwood Road. The deadline for submitting recipes is January 15, 1986.
Westerville Civic Symphony
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