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## GULKO CHARGE, RAPOPORT GAFFE MUDDY LOCAL OPTION ISSUE

For the second time in as many months, the issue of race has been dragged into the attempt by Coventry Neighbors, Inc., (CNI) to curtail liquor sales at Irv's Bar. In August, the rumor was anti-Semitism and the source was impossible to pin down. In September, the assertion was anti-black sentiment, and the sources are known community wide: Irv Gulko and Alan Rapoport.

In an interview for the Cleveland daily paper, Irv Gulko, proprietor of Irv's Bar, asserted that CNI's grievance against him was that he has a black clientele. In the same article, Mayor Alan Rapoport, a former CNI officer, stated that the problem was "low-class, drunk, criminal-looking blacks." The Mayor went on to say, in the same interview, that the problem was one of behavior, not race, but his original remark, as published, has produced enormous repercussion throughout the community.

In the subsequent flurry of protests, denunciations and explanations, Rapoport has maintained that his inflammatory statement was made in anger at a loaded question by a columnist, based on "perception" rather than "fact," and reported out of context. Understandably, community residents of all races have given more weight to the content of his remarks than their circumstances, and appear to remain unmollified.

In the context of the larger community, the racial content of Rapoport's remarks are the main issue, as they are in Coventry. But in the Coventry community, another question runs a close second: Is Gulko's accusation merely the desperate tactic of a man who knows he cannot win a fair fight? or, Is the CNI action racially motivated?

Naturally, CNI leadership has been quick to react in self-defense. Letters to the editor and statements before Council, protesting a deliberate smear of CNI's character, were issued almost before the ink was dry on the original newspaper article. But more tellingly, in all the publicity that has surrounded the issue--which so far include a full page of letters devoted to the issue and a live, four-hour radio broadcast from Irv's--unsolicited support for CNI's character and motives has poured in from letter writers and phone callers. In terms more articulate than the CNI leadership themselves have deployed, individuals have reminded the public of CNI's support for low-income housing, backing of fair housing legislation and litigation, defense of the integrated Coventry community against destructive City Hall planners before Coventry became "chic," and the total lack of racial bias anywhere in

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### YES IS NO

If, on election day, you want to vote to curtail liquor sales at Irv's Bar, you have to vote "NO." Because the State of Ohio sets things up that way, that's why.

The issue will be worded on the ballot as a question, asking the voters if sales of hard liquor and wine by the drink should be Permitted in Precincts 1-B and 1-K. To cast a vote to stop such sales you must vote against permitting them--a "NO" vote. That's not the way the sponsors of the issue would have phrased it. The specific language is required by the State.

However you vote, you CANNOT vote to "dry up" or "close" Irv's. The issue will not cover beer sales by the drink, again because of Ohio's peculiar customs. At its latest session, the Legislature made it legally impossible to dry up beer drink sales without pro-

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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT: CNI Meeting Notes  
September, 1982

At its September 14, 1982, meeting CNI nominated candidates for Officer and Trustee terms for the coming year (see pages 4 & 5, this issue). A formal request to City Council was authorized, to pursue all avenues of revocation of the liquor license of Irv's Bar as it comes up for renewal review by the Ohio Board of Liquor Control.

In response to a request for backing of the proposed Coventry Youth Center's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) proposal, CNI formally recognized the need for a youth center in the Coventry community, and supported the concept embodied in the specific proposal.

Membership also directed the CNI Board of Trustees to check out the possibility of investing Street Fair proceeds in the proposed Center.

Bruce ("Party-Party") Hennes secured CNI sponsorship of the First Annual Coventry Village Hallowe'en Party in the mini-park provided Coventry and/or its tenants foot the bill.

Dave Burwasser, Secretary

1982 CANDIDATES' NIGHTS

As we go to press, we are aware of two planned local candidates' nights for the 1982 elections.

OCTOBER 12: "YOUR SCHOOLS" will host a meeting of candidates for the Ohio House and Senate from the Cleveland Hts-University Hts area. The candidates will be requested specifically to state their views on education. Main Library, 8 PM. This will also be the first meeting of the season for "YOUR SCHOOLS," a citizens' organization working since 1945 for the improvement of the CH-UN school system.

OCTOBER 20: JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Candidates Night will be sponsored by JCC, CH-UH League of Women Voters, CH-UH Council of PTAs, Heights Chamber of Commerce, CH-UH Public Libraries and Hillcrest League of Women Voters. Judicial candidates 7 PM; County, State & Federal candidates, 8 PM. JCC Candidates' Night is perhaps the only universally respected political institution in Cleveland Heights

COVENTRY VILLAGE. . . We Watch Out For Each Other

MASQUERADE TO HIGHLIGHT MALLS ANNIVERSARY FESTIVITIES

It's been a year since Coventry re-opened and the Mall will celebrate with a week-end of festivities starting on Friday, October 29 and culminating on Sunday, October 31.

The students from Coventry Elementary School will paint pictures on all of the outside windows and decorate the inside of the mall. On Friday, Coventry hopes to start off the three day festivities at noon by presenting a four foot marble sundial to the Coventry community and the City of Cleveland Heights (pending the acceptance of the gift by City Manager Richard Robinson).

On Saturday the 30th there will be a Masquerade Hallowe'en Dance and Party from 8 - 11 PM, co sponsored by Coventry Neighbors. Prizes will be given for the most original costume, scariest costume, etc. Coventry Elementary School PTA will be selling hot apple cider and baked goods on the lower level.

Throughout the three days there will be a variety of musical entertainment including John Bassett. There will be a magic show daily, Hallowe'en face painting for the kids and a whole host of entertainment for all.

Several of the stores will be offering special drawings. Haagen-Dazs will be giving away a free ice cream sundae for an entire year! Many other prizes will be announced.

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FUROR RAISED BY MAYOR'S STATEMENT

An unplanned side effect of the local option campaign to curtail the sale of alcoholic drinks at Irv's Bar, long a trouble spot in Coventry, has been the furor raised by Mayor Alan Rapoport's unfortunate racist remarks to Plain Dealer reporter James Neff. The details of the furor are familiar enough to those who read the local papers so they do not need to be enumerated here.

There seems little doubt that Rapoport didn't mean to make a racist statement. The fact is - he did. I have heard many people say they don't understand why the blacks are so angry. "Any one of us might have said the same thing," they say. That is precisely the problem.

Most people don't seem to recognize the blacks' response as an expression of acute frustration with white politicians who are elected as the result of the hard work and financial support of many of their black neighbors, but who apparently have little understanding of the emotional realities of the black experience.

The time has come for the people of Cleveland Heights to stop pointing with pride at their "integrated" community and relaxing in the All-America City. The time has come to listen to our black community and find ways in which we can live together in a more comfortable relationship where we can all grow in deeper understanding and respect.

-- Barbara M. Littell

(NOTE: The above represents the private opinion of one of the CVN co-editors and is not to be construed as an official position of CNI or CVN. BML)

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*      COVENTRY VILLAGE RUMOR CONTROL HOT LINE
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*      MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 9 - 5
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*      CALL:  NANCY 371-6620 or GRETTA 371-6625
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CNI TO ELECT OFFICERS/TRUSTEES

by

Bobbie Littell

Coventry Neighbors, Inc. will hold its annual election of officers at its next regular meeting, October 12 in the Community Room of the Coventry Village Branch Library at 7:30 PM. Nominations were opened at the September meeting. All offices were uncontested, but there were four nominated for the two positions of Trustee-at-large.

CVN asked each of the candidates nominated to prepare a brief biographical summary for publication at this time. They follow.

FOR PRESIDENT - Dave Burwasser has been Secretary of Coventry Neighbors, Inc., for four years and Editor and Co-Editor of Coventry Village News for three years. He is the Coventry Trustee to the Heights Community Congress (designated by CNI) and Vice-President for Neighborhoods of HCC, and a Trustee of the Cleveland Heights Democrats. Mr. Burwasser is the Secretary and a Trustee of the Cleveland Heights Local Development Corporation, and a member of the Cleveland Heights Cable TV Commission. In the 1970's Burwasser was Trustee, Secretary and President of the Unitarian Society of Cleveland, and Editor of its newsletter. He holds a degree in physics and works as an editor for Predicasts, Inc.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT - Bruce M. Hennes is currently the Vice-President of CNI. He was chairman of the 1982 Coventry Village Street Fair and is currently in charge of the Coventry Neighbors Crime Prevention Task Force. He also handles Public Relations for CNI and he served as executive producer for the videotape documentary of the 1981 Street Fair as well as producing the 1981 Coventry Neighbors Candidates Night for presentation on Viacom. Hennes is also a Democratic Precinct Committeeman and he is employed as the Executive Director of the Temple on the Heights. He is a homeowner at 2910 Hampshire Road and he is married to Lonnie Kritzler Hennes. They have two sons, Benjamin and Joseph.

FOR SECRETARY - Kathryn J. Young was the Summer Youth Employment Program supervisor on the Clean-up Coventry Neighborhood program for two years. She was a member of the Constitution and By-Laws review Committee which recommended the revisions adopted in 1981. She has been a member of the Street Fair Committee for four years, two as Sanitation Chair and two doing Booth Allocations. She served as secretary to that group for the past three years. She is actively involved with Boy and Girl Scouts as a leader, troop committee member and cookie chair. She is presently a Co-Secretary of the Board of the Coventry Youth Center. She is the mother of five children: Jay, Joel, Jamie, Gwyn and Judson. She holds a Nursing Home Administrators License and is a Therapeutic Recreation Specialist.

FOR TREASURER - Dennis Coughlin has been a Cleveland Heights resident for all of his life and a resident of the Coventry area for seven years. As a member of Coventry Neighbors he has been an active member of the Crime Prevention Task Force and the Planning and Zoning Committee and is the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Vice-Chair of the 1982 Coventry Village Street Fair, and Treasurer of the Coventry Village Action Committee. Coughlin has a management degree from John Carroll University School of Business. He worked for more than three years as a business credit analyst at Dun & Bradstreet, Inc. and has been employed in the Nursing Administration Office at St. Vincent Charity Hospital & Health Center for the last four years.

FOR TRUSTEE-AT-LARGE - Four were nominated. They are listed alphabetically.

CNI TO ELECT OFFICERS/TRUSTEES (Continued from the previous page)

- F. David Gill, 2572 Kenilworth Road is a self-employed consultant in data processing. He is president of the Cleveland Heights Local Development Corporation. In 1980 and 81 he was chair of the Coventry Fair Committees and in 1981 and 82 chaired CNI's Planning & Zoning Committee. He has been a trustee since 1979 and served as Vice-President of CNI from 1977 to 1979.

- Debra Heller has been a Cleveland Heights resident for 10 years. She helped plan, implement and promote CNI's Crime Prevention Task Force Rape Prevention Workshop and other Task Force activities. She has been an active member of the Coventry Village Street Fair Committee for four years and has coordinated children's programs for the past two. She is employed at Fairview General Hospital where she is responsible for the design, implementation and administration of the hospital's Child Life Program. "I think we need to look at the composition of the executive board--while CNI has a large female membership, female leadership has been minute. Additionally, I think we need to examine CNI meetings and to find ways to make the process accessible to more than those few who currently are able to utilize it. I think that it is significant that many people come to one meeting and never return. To remain vital we need to encourage new involvement in CNI."

- Bobbie Littell an East Cleveland resident of Coventry Village has been a member of CNI since 1977. She has been a member of the CVN staff since 1978. She became associate editor in 1979 and co-editor in 1982. Elected as Trustee in 1980, she was nominated again in 1981 but withdrew her name to allow for "new blood" in the leadership cadre; however as co-editor of CVN she has attended Trustee meetings regularly. In addition she served as Community Affairs chair of CNI for two years. In 1981 the committee sponsored the meeting to examine the On Street/Off Street Parking issue. She served on the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and is secretary of the Coventry Village Action Committee. She has been a worker on the Street Fair since she has been a member. The mother of four grown children, Bobbie is currently employed at High Tide Rock Bottom on Coventry. Her previous employment includes stints as executive director of a mental health association; director of an alcoholism program and director of volunteers.

- Bob Shields has been active with Coventry Neighbors through work on the street fair over the last two years, and is currently involved with the local option campaign. Bob is 33 years old and has lived in the neighborhood since 1977. He is employed at the Juvenile Court in Geauga County where his duties include staff supervision, administration of several programs and services, managing the Court budget, and dealing with other governmental and civic groups. As a Trustee of Coventry Neighborhood, Bob would like to see the organization become involved with more activities that express the spirit of Coventry Village, and is one of the original proponents of the Halloween Party. Bob would also like to see more concern directed toward the residential areas surrounding the commercial area.

LOCAL OPTION ISSUE

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CNI's record.

CNI President Charles Owen, who is directing the local option move against Irv's Bar, told CVN, "The people have done a better job clearing the good name of CNI that we (CNI leadership) could have done. This accusation has been exposed for the desperate ridiculous fabrication that it is."

Through the same channels, individuals familiar with the scene at Irv's Bar offered anecdotes and observations that confirmed, not the racial accusations and stereotypes, but the legitimacy of neighborhood concern over a neighborhood bar gone sour.

As we go to press, the local option campaign has entered the voter registration phase.

-- David R. Burwasser

STREET TALK

I spoke to a councilperson (who shall remain nameless) recently and suggested that a list of the police calls made to bars other than Irv's on the street would provide helpful perspective on the scope of the problems we are dealing with. The person I spoke to said, "Oh, you mean like this?" and flashed past me a memo containing just the information I was seeking. When I asked for a copy I was told that it was a "Confidential Memo" and I should not have even see it. The Councilperson was not authorized to release it to me. I then called the Police Chief and told him what I wanted; he said it would take three weeks to compile the information. When I told him I knew the list already existed he seemed surprised and said he would call me back. When he did he confirmed what I had been told! There was a confidential memo prepared by the detective bureau addressed to the City Manager and showed with Council. He added that he, Chief Lentz, had not the authority to release the information to me. When I asked the City Manager he said he did not have the authority to release it to me and told me to ask a Councilperson. He added it was not "public information." This seems like mighty strange "stonewalling." The information I am seeking contains no names of innocents whose rights need to be protected. Just whom is City Hall trying to protect, and why?

Now that I have started to name them in this column I am more aware of the number of merchants who take pains to clean up the area in front of their establishments, I see more and more, and have them pointed out to me. I wish to add to my growing list of caring merchants Trapezoik, who sweeps regularly, as does Passport to Peru. I noticed someone sweeping in front of Ascherman's also. These fine people should be recognized; please take the time to tell them how much you appreciate their efforts to keep Coventry clean. It would be good too, if you would mention to some of the others the mess around the trees in front of their places. Customer complaints are the most effective tools we have.

THANK YOU, thank you, thank you, to the City for finally removing the planter box that was in the middle of the walkway at the corner of Lancashire and Coventry. It looks great where it now is!

My apologies are offered to Lyn Knisely whose name was misspelled in the August issues announcement of her engagement to F. David Gill. That good couple will be married October 16. I wish them the very best in their life together.

Jay Gardner, Commercial Area Coordinator for the CH Planning Department, tells me Sunshine II has engaged Jim Larsen, Architect to design its facade renovation. . . Congratulations to the City on the publication of the new periodical, "Cleveland Heights Business Review." It's a good-looking and very readable piece.

Coventry Elementary School (CES) recently got a \$2,400 incentive award from the CH-UH School Board for CES's accomplishment in energy conservation. This is the maximum possible under the program. Energy was saved in the heating and lighting systems. Congratulations to principal Larry Peacock, his fine staff and the students without whom this award would not have been possible. RECYCLERS NOTE: Coventry School runs an aluminum can recycling program every month. For further information call: 371-7710.

Be sure to save the weekend of November 20 for three exciting activities planned to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Heights Community Congress. A 10th Birthday party will be held at Severance Center Saturday. Workshops will be conducted Sunday at Heights High and the whole thing will be wrapped up with a dinner at John Carroll on Sunday evening.

The Coventry Merchants Association will elect new officers at their general meeting, October 4. They are also planning to sponsor sidewalk sales on the festive Hallowe'en week-end.

-- bobbie littell

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

(Note: The following letter was submitted to the Plain Dealer but has not been published, to date.)

I take exception to James Neff's comments on Irv's Deli and the Coventry neighborhood in the September 16 issue. While the Plain Dealer was praising the Ohio Department of Liquor Control in a special salute, in part for supporting "communities wanting to do away with nuisance spots," Mr. Neff was supporting a bar with a record of over one hundred calls to the police and almost fifty arrests.

I happen to live on Coventry Road and do not consider myself a do-gooder or upper-middle class. I am surprised that Mr. Neff would fall for such a shallow issue of race when the problem is crime. If Irv's is a "gateway" for crime, then perhaps the gate should be closed. I support the dry-up vote, and perhaps if Mr. Neff lived on the street he would feel as the residents do about this situation.

Robert A. Shields  
Coventry Road

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OFFICE ON AGING NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Cleveland Heights Office on Aging is looking for a few caring individuals with a capacity to share their friendship with an older adult. Volunteers will be fully trained and supported by the professional staff of the Office on Aging. They will be asked to give between one and three hours weekly visiting one older resident of Cleveland Heights. Time is flexible and can be arranged to fit into a busy volunteer's personal schedule. Pamela Land, Office on Aging, City of Cleveland Heights, 371-6535. Try it, you'll like it!

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hibiting carryout sales as well. This, CNI definitely does not want to do, as there are other businesses that would be affected, including Irv's Deli's carryout. Therefore, CNI has circulated petitions calling for the most stringent measures possible.

You cannot vote to "close" Irv's, because delicatessens and restaurants are not subject to voter curtailment, nor has that ever been CNI's intent. Irv Gulko, proprietor of Irv's, has been putting out the word that he cannot run a deli and eatery profitably and will be forced to sell. That this is a foolish assertion can be seen by any patron of Tommy's, which does not serve drinks and is regularly stuffed to the rafters with satisfied clientele. That the statement is intended to intimidate the voters is suspected by most observers who have been moved to curiosity as to when, if ever, Mr. Gulko will address the issues of crime, disruption and community endangerment that his establishment generate on the corner of Hampshire and Coventry.

-- Dave Burwasser

- BULLETIN BOARD -\*\* COMMUNITY CALENDAR \*\*LIBRARY NOTES

Coventry Library begins all its new programs for children and adults in the month of October. Pre-School Storytime begins October 6 at 10:30 AM and 2:30 PM for 3-5 year olds. We have a new evening storytime for Preschoolers at 6:46 Tuesdays beginning October 5. School-Age Storytime with Mrs. Sicherman and Mrs. Bellamy will begin October 12, 2:30 and 3:30 PM.

Mrs. Bobbie O'Brien will do a series of special lectures on children's books for preschool parents beginning October 27 and the four following Wednesdays at 10:30 AM. This is part of a special year long project that Mrs. Elizabeth Bellamy and Mrs. Abbie Grant, PTA Preschool Chairman have coordinated for preschool children and their parents.

Another exciting program is our Hallowe'en Special October 26 at 3:30 PM. Ms. Marjorie Dodrill, Cleveland Playhouse actress will do a special program of Hallowe'en threats & treats for School Age Children.

Adult Programs include a slide and lecture "Walk"through Cleveland Heights early history with Clay Herrick. Following this, a meeting for those interested in a Heights Historical Center will be held.

A Readers Theatre for Adults will begin Oct. 10 at 3 PM. This is a chance for adults to read a part in an excellent play called "The Shadow Box."

Our "Man and Nature" Book Discussions continue October 3 with Dragons of Eden at 3 PM and Oct. 17 with "Medusa and The Snail."

A very special poetry reading will begin the poetry season at Coventry with a "Tribute to Mary Ann Magner," a poet in Greater Cleveland who died 10 years ago. Barbara Angell and Cyril Dostal will read poetry. Mrs. Angell explained, "Her poetry was good, lively and vital and should be read."

SOLID WASTE RECYCLING DRIVE

A glass and can recycling drive will be held November 6 & 7 at the Recreation Pavilion parking lot, 10 AM - 4 PM, sponsored by Heights Citizens for Recycling. They will accept glass bottles of any kind of color (rinsed, no lids or caps) and metal beverage cans (no food cans, please). Newspaper will NOT be collected at this drive. Proceeds will be used to promote recycling in Cleveland Heights and Cuyahoga County. Info: 291-0834. If you are elderly or disabled and need transportation, call 291-0834.

OCTOBER

- 4 CITY COUNCIL - City Hall 7:30
- 5 LIBRARY Preschool Story Time - 6:45
- 6 LIBRARY - Preschool Story Time - 10:30 AM & 2:30 PM
- 7 CNI - Trustees - 2910 Hampshire Road - 7:30 PM
- 10 JCC - CLEVELAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS AWARDS 7 PM
- LIBRARY - Readers Theater - The Shadowbox - 3 PM
- 12 LIBRARY - Schoolage Story Time - 2:30 & 3:30 PM  
Preschool Story Time - 6:45  
CNI - General Meeting - Election of Officers - 7:30  
Community Room, Library.
- 13 LIBRARY - Preschool Story Time - 10:30 AM & 2:30 PM
- 14 LIBRARY - "The Early Days of Cleveland Heights" - Clay Herrick - 7:30
- 17 LIBRARY - Book Discussion - "Medusa and the Snail" - 3 PM
- 18 CITY COUNCIL - City Hall - 7:30
- 19 LIBRARY - Schoolage Story Time - 2:30 & 3:30 PM  
Preschool Story Time - 6:45
- 20 LIBRARY - Preschool Story Time - 10:30 AM & 2:30 PM  
JCC - Candidates Night - 7 PM  
Judicial
- 21 ST. ANN'S GUILD - Card Party 7:30
- 24 LIBRARY - Poetry Reading - Tribute to Mary Ann Magner.



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- 26 LIBRARY - Hallowe'en Special - Marj Dodrill - 3:30  
Preschool Story Time - 6:46  
COVENTRY SCHOOL - PTA Meeting - Drug & Alcohol Education for parents and 5th & 6th Grade students - 7:15

- 27 LIBRARY - Preschool Story Time - 10:30 AM & 2:30 PM  
30 CNI - HALLOWE'EN DANCE - Mini-Park - 8 - 11 PM

NOVEMBER

- 1 CITY COUNCIL - City Hall 7:30 PM

## 2 ELECTION DAY

COVENTRY PTA - Election Day Bake Sale Meeting 7:30 PM

- 4 CNI - Trustees Meeting - 2910 Hampshire Road - 7:30  
5 PTA COUNCIL - Meeting - Canterbury School - 9: AM  
9 CNI - General Meeting - Community Room - Library 7:30 PM

DANCE CENTER NEWS

The Dance Center announces a workshop and residency program, in addition to its lecture demonstrations for schools and community organizations. The Dance Center, located in the Coventry Library, has ongoing registration for its classes in ballet, jazz, modern and theater dance. For further information call Elise Cohen, Managing Director, 932-4714.

ST. ANN'S GUILD PARTY

St. Ann's Guild will have their annual Card Party October 21 at 7:30 PM, to raise funds for new windows at St. Ann's School--replacement necessitated by drafts and utility bills. Refreshments served; raffle and door prizes galore.

Besides cards there will be board games such as Scrabble, Megan and Backgammon. Tickets are \$2. Call Julie Trent (371-1026) or Anita Gaughan (932-3560); also sold at the door.

HOUSE HELP

Are you a Senior Citizen who needs to fix your home? A low cost way to do it is available through the 62-PLUS FUND, if you can answer "yes" to four questions.

The Fund is a low-interest loan program created by the Forest Hill Church Housing Corporation. ASSIST, a grant from the Community Development Program, pays 35% of the amount you need for repairs, and you borrow the balance at 12% interest (lower than regular bank rates). You can take up to 10 years to pay, and borrow up to \$7,500.

THE QUESTIONS:

- Are you a Cleveland Heights homeowner/resident?
- Are you 62 years old or older?
- Are you in need of home repairs?
- Do you meet the following income limits?

Single person, \$15,250; couple, \$17,400.

For more information, call Forest Hills Church Housing Corporation at 321-3920 and ask for Mary Kay.

SURVEY VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT

Heights Community Congress seeks volunteers for its New Homeowner Survey. Welcome new homeowners to Cleveland Heights and help the HCC monitor housing transfers. Info: Pat Solomon, Coordinator, 321-6775.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AWARDS

The Heights Community Congress Art Show VII and the Cleveland Heights Community Improvement Awards Presentation will be held at the Jewish Community Center, 3505 Mayfield, on Sunday, October 10. The Community Improvement Awards are co-sponsored by HCC and the City to encourage and recognize individual and collective efforts to improve the City's physical environment and preserve its excellence. The Art Show and Awards Presentation are co-sponsored by the Awards Committee and the JCC. Reception: 7 - 10 PM, Mandel Hall. Awards: 8 PM, Theater.

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HALLOWE'EN IN CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

Taken from  
Cleveland Heights Info-Pak

The City of Cleveland Heights has recommended that trick-or-treating take place on Halloween Night, Sunday, October 31, from 6:30-8:30 PM.

Residents who will be participating are asked to leave porchlights on, and should make sure that steps, walks and driveways are clear of toys and branches which could cause tripping.

Police will give extra attention to traffic that night, but motorists are urged to drive with extra caution while the ghosts and goblins are going door to door.

Parents are asked to provide strict supervision during canvassing, and stress safety rules, especially about crossing streets and going only to houses with porchlights on. Light-colored clothing, reflective armbands and flashlights make children more visible. Masks should be checked to make sure they allow proper vision (make-up is safer), and costumes should be short enough to prevent tripping. It's a good idea to check all goodies and discard unwrapped items before allowing children to eat.

Many street organizations, businesses and elementary schools hold parties which serve as safe alternatives to traditional trick-or-treating. You may want to plan this type of activity instead.

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CLEVELAND HEIGHTS BEGINS CODE EVALUATION

Info-Pak

The City of Cleveland Heights has begun an intensive and far-ranging review of its housing, building, and zoning codes. A committee consisting of thirteen staff members from the Fire Warden's Office, Planning, Building, Law, Inspectional Services, and Community Relations Departments was convened by City Manager Richard V. Robinson and directed to examine the codes for consistency and fairness, to see if they reflect community values, and to establish the parameters under which city inspectors enforce the codes. The committee will meet weekly over the next two months and will file a report of recommended changes by October to City Council.

Assistant to the City Manager Marcia Nolan, chairing the committee, said a review of this kind is a large project very few cities undertake. She said, "Adequately describing community standards is complicated. For example, if a code requires all parts of a house to be in good repair, how do you define 'good repair?' Or determine how detailed the code should be?" This present housing code review is another part of the City's ongoing review process to ensure that various codes continue to reflect community values.

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CLEVELAND HEIGHTS BEGINS CODE EVALUATION

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The City of Cleveland Heights has begun an intensive and far-ranging review of its housing, building, and zoning codes. A committee consisting of thirteen staff members from the Fire Warden's Office, Planning, Building, Law, Inspectional Services, and Community Relations Departments was convened by City Manager Richard V. Robinson and directed to examine the codes for consistency and fairness, to see if they reflect community values, and to establish the parameters under which city inspectors enforce the codes. The committee will meet weekly over the next two months and will file a report of recommended changes by October to City Council.

Assistant to the City Manager Marcia Nolan, chairing the committee, said a review of this kind is a large project very few cities undertake. She said, "Adequately describing community standards is complicated. For example, if a code requires all parts of a house to be in good repair, how do you define 'good repair?' Or determine how detailed the code should be?" This present housing code review is another part of the City's ongoing review process to ensure that various codes continue to reflect community values.



