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## COVENTRYARD IS SOLD, TWO SHOPS THERE CHANGE HANDS

*by Larry Beam*

A group of investors calling themselves Coventryard Associates has purchased Coventryard. The property will be managed by Simon & Co., of Eastlake, developers and managers of Eaton Square Mall and numerous other properties in the Cleveland area. Further details of the transaction, which closed on Wednesday October 26, are not available. A representative of Simon & Co. told the *Coventry Village News* that some changes will be made, but he would not elaborate. He would prefer, he said, to let his organization's actions speak for themselves.

Several near-by commercial and residential properties, once rumored to be part of this transaction, have not changed hands. One source, however, indicated that negotiations for other properties are continuing. Roger Ritley, an owner of the building just to the north of Coventryard, which shares the rear courtyard area, says that his organization will "continue to work cooperatively" with the new ownership.

Some tenants of Coventryard and other observers speculate that the new ownership will seek to change the mix of businesses in the building; perhaps some of the shops on the lower level might be replaced by other businesses appealing to an older and more moneyed clientele than the records, jeans, and magic shops now located there. More visible promotional efforts are expected.

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## COVENTRY NEIGHBORS NEEDS YOU

Coventry Neighbors, Inc., is already a significant force in our neighborhood. We produce this newsletter, an annual street fair, a yearly Halloween party, and numerous special public service events like the recent Candidates Night which was video taped and presented by Viacom Cablevision. We help mold City policy by regular appearances before City Council and the City's various boards and commissions. Our meetings are an open forum for the discussion of neighborhood concerns.

Now we want to expand our activities, improve our performance, and broaden our base. We can do this only by involving more of our neighbors. We need your minds, your energies, your membership dues and other contributions.

To join Coventry Neighbors, Inc., simply fill out and return the form provided on the bottom half of the last page. Your participation is deeply appreciated and does make a difference.

---Bruce Hennes, President of CNI

**NOTE:** The November Regular Meeting of Coventry Neighbors, Inc. will be held one week later than usual, on November 15. The usual meeting date, the second Tuesday, is Election Day.

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## MEETING NOTES

### October Regular Meeting

These people were elected to the Board of CNI: Bruce Hennes, President; Kathryn Young, Vice President; Larry Beam, Secretary; Diana Cyganovich, Treasurer; Charles Owen and Bob Shields, Trustees-at-Large. Kathryn Young will also serve as Trustee of the Heights Community Congress. [See story on page 5.]

David Burwasser was directed to write a letter to the Editor of the *Sun Press* expressing the organization's support for the school levy.

Appreciation was expressed to Bobbie Littell for a job well done in her term as editor of the *CVN*.

Retiring CNI President David Burwasser gave a state of the Neighborhood address, which focused on the future of CNI.

The November meeting will feature a presentation by HCC staff members about renewed efforts to monitor steering activity in the real estate market.

## CVN SEEKS ART

The *Coventry Village News* would like to begin using small drawings to fill odd bits of space—spaces like the one where this solicitation appears, and at the bottoms of pages. Persons willing to make such contributions should contact Larry Beam at 371-6095 for details.

## BOBBIE LITTELL LEAVES CVN EDITORSHIP; LARRY BEAM TO REPLACE HER

Bobbie Littell, for two years editor of this newsletter, has resigned. She has accepted employment with *Star Line News*, a new journal expected to premier on November 3. Her column, Street Talk, one of the most popular features of the *CVN*, will continue under her authorship.

Her love, devotion, and many hours of hard work maintained the *CVN* as one of the finest neighborhood journals in this region. Bobbie was superlative in every way, and will be profoundly missed. While much of the credit for making the *CVN* what it is today goes to past editors Alan Rapoport and David Burwasser, it has been under Bobbie's stewardship that the *CVN* has truly flourished.

The *CVN*, with a readership of over 4,000, is by far the most important activity of Coventry Neighbors, Inc. Its production each month requires many hours of hard work. There is much planning and preparation, many hours of typing, and seemingly-endless hours of folding, collating and stapling. While all this is a group effort, Bobbie, like other editors before her, always did far more than anyone else.

Larry Beam has been selected by the Editorial Board to replace Bobbie. Larry, now Secretary of CNI, has been Associate Editor since March. His writing and editorial skills have already left their mark on the *CVN*. The new appearance of the *CVN* is his work.

We wish both him and Bobbie much luck in the future.

---Bruce Hennes, President of CNI.

## THREE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AWARDS GO TO COVENTRY AREA

The City of Cleveland Heights and the Heights Community Congress join forces each fall to honor those who have made substantial improvements to the physical environment of Cleveland Heights. Awards are made in nine categories.

Community Improvement Award winners in the Coventry area were: the Ballard Residence, 2824 Hampshire, in the Individual Residence category; and the flower boxes of 2555 Kenilworth Road, in the Special Projects category. The Coventry Elementary School Playground Committee received a Special Committee Award.

Improvements to numerous houses on Hampshire, between Coventry and Middlehurst, were recognized by the nomination of that street for an award in the Streets and Neighborhoods category.

Other Coventry nominees for Community Improvement Awards included The New England Clam House, behind Coventryard; bliss Restaurant, 1876 Coventry Road; the Bier residence, 2672 Derbyshire; the Hoffman Residence, 2432 Edgehill; the Hannen Residence, 1789 Wilton Road; and the Sorensen Residence, 2045 Coventry Road.

The Cleveland Heights Local Development Corporation (LDC), the City program that helps merchants and commercial landlords make improvements, received a Special Committee Award. CNI activists David Burwasser, F. David Gill, Charles Owen, and Larry Beam are officers of the LDC.

**COVENTRY YARD SOLD; SHOPS THERE CHANGE HANDS** continued from page 1

Residents of near-by buildings hope that the new ownership of Coventryard, or pressure from the City, will resolve some problems they've experienced this last Summer. The New England Clam House agreed, when it received permission from the Board of Zoning Appeals to have out-door seating, to terminate the out-of-door activities at 10:30 pm; they also agreed that there would be no amplified music outside. Yet amplified performances of live music continued in the courtyard last summer until after 1:00 am some nights.

Tenants of neighboring buildings on Lancashire alledge that some deliveries to Coventryard are routinely made through a drive leading to Lancashire from behind Coventryard; use of that drive for that purpose is specifically forbidden by the Zoning Code. City officials said they were unaware of these problems.

Classic Antique and Brass Shoppe is the new name for the Classy Brass Shop on the lower level of Coventryard. The new owners, Doris Holland and Bayo Olukoya, will offer fewer hardware items, and plan to widen the shop's offerings significantly. In addition to brass, they will carry paintings, sculpture, oriental rugs, and items of copper and pewter. They believe that Coventryard has strong growth potential, and plan to work with the building's tenant organization to bring more effective promotional efforts and a better tenant mix.

The Sorcerer's Cellar, formerly Pendragon, occupies a small shop space across the hall from the brass shop. Its new owners are Helene Goldenberg and her husband David Mark. They plan to add a collection of theatrical make-up and a variety of novelties to the shop's inventory of magic tricks, costumes, and magicians' paraphernalia. Goldenberg believes that new management of Coventryard will make a substantial difference to the viability of businesses located there.

## STREET FAIR PLANNING BEGINS

What? Start planning the Street Fair before the first snow?

Due to the staggering complexity of so large an event and complexity of its funding, planning for the Fair will start earlier this year than ever.

The agenda for the first meeting will include selection of a Fair Committee Chair, the establishment of a committee structure, and the examination of various funding alternatives.

We anticipate that Street Fair Committee meetings will be held monthly through May, and more frequently thereafter. You need not be a member of CNI to work on the Fair.

If you have always wanted to get involved in the activities of CNI but find our regular monthly meetings not to your liking, then this is a perfect opportunity.

Early Fair Committee meetings are always a mix of veterans and newcomers. Newcomers fit in quickly, and always form the core of the group the next year.

If you have any questions, please call Kathryn Young at 321-3413 or me at 321-4670.

—Bruce Hennes, President of CNI.

## CNI ELECTS NEW BOARD; NEW DIRECTIONS ARE MAPPED

*by Bruce Hennes, President of CNI*

New officers and trustees were elected at the October meeting of Coventry Neighbors, Inc. All votes that night were unanimous, and a record number of voting members were present.

Roles and responsibilities for the new leadership were worked out at a recent meeting of the new Board.

I, as President, will in addition to running the meetings and keeping the Board motivated, continue the yearly Halloween Party, CNI's Public Relations and Crime Prevention efforts, and see what can be done to open a permanent office on Coventry.

CNI's new Vice President, Kathryn Young, plans to run the Street Fair and will serve as a trustee of the Heights Community Congress. She also plans to work on minority membership recruitment, relations with merchants and City Hall, and on various grant applications.

The new Secretary, Larry Beam, has been named Editor of the *Coventry Village News*. He will work on CNI's Planning and Zoning concerns, and will help us we try our hand at grantsmanship.

The new Treasurer, Diana Cyganovich, in addition keeping the books, has pledged to work on increasing membership and on the creation of more CNI social activities.

Bob Shields, who will continue as a trustee, plans to work on membership recruitment, planning and development, and the creation of ad hoc interest groups within CNI.

Charles Owen, CNI's new Trustee, will continue his work on the environmental Concerns Committee. He will also serve as a liaison to City Hall and to the Coventry Merchants. He will work with Larry Beam on a neighborhood opinion survey leading to a formal long-term planning effort.

In addition to the commitments outlined above, each Officer and Trustee will work on getting other members of CNI involved in these activities.

I hope to report to you a year from now that that most, if not all, of these plans have been accomplished.

I won't be able to do that without your help.

Please don't hesitate to approach any of us to talk about any of these matters—or any other neighborhood concern. I can be reached at 321-4670.

On behalf of my Board, I thank you for your overwhelming support. I look forward to seeing a lot more of you in the trenches with us.

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## TOP OF THE HILL DEVELOPMENT OPPONENTS SEEK SUPPORT

The Cleveland Heights Gateway Coalition, a group opposed to the large condominium and commercial development proposed for the Cedar-Fairmount commercial area, has published a newsletter and is seeking members. Membership in the organization may be obtained by sending \$5 to Arthur Divell, Treasurer, Cleveland Heights Gateway Coalition, 2529 Norfolk Road, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118. The organization plans a house sale in the near future as a fund-raising effort. Anyone wishing to contribute should contact Mr. Divell.

## COMMUNITY WATCH-DOG: Facts of Life

### *Opinion*

The Spanish class at Heights High has 32 students. A French class has 36 students. Educational excellence? Sounds more like the Cleveland schools. They won't get smaller if the levy fails.

CH-UH teachers' salaries: with a BA degree, beginning level: \$14,600, which is 15th in the county. (Starting salary for a City refuse truck operator is \$16,000 plus fringes.) Maximum for a teacher with a MA is \$29,600, which is 9th in the county. Not so hot for this All-America City. Eighty percent of the School system budget goes for teachers (human services, not for books or equipment). If the levy fails, cuts in teaching staff are certain.

CH-UH administrative costs are two per cent of the budget--18th in the county. Pretty good.

Tax valuation in the CH-UH school district is \$55,940 per pupil (22nd in the county). In Cuyahoga Heights the tax valuation is \$496,473 per pupil. The reason for the difference is that they welcome commercial development and industry whose taxes pay for the schools. Residents pay little in real estate taxes; they pay instead by putting up with the noise, smell, traffic, and other unpleasant aspects of industry. We pay more in real estate taxes, but we gain by having a high-quality residential community and housing resale values. Nothing comes free. For what we get, we always pay, although sometimes costs are hidden in the future.

Right now our kids are dependent on us. Twenty years from now we will be dependent on them. They will be the managers of society when we are old. The kind of education they receive now will influence the kind of adults they become. Conclusion: the community and personal insurance we can buy is to invest in our youth. To me that means: *vote for the school levy.*

So, what if you have complaints or have heard complaints about our schools? They may be valid. Things are not perfect anywhere in this world; certainly not in our schools. But a failed school levy won't improve anything. Instead of voting "no" out of anger, ignorance or because of rumor, consider the other ways to correct problems: First, get informed. PTA meetings are very informative. Seniors and people without children are welcome. Call and talk with the principal. Come to School Board meetings. Attend meetings of the board's lay finance committee. Second, vote for those School Board candidates who ask a lot of questions, and who impress you as having initiative and sense of accountability for producing constructive change.

Even if the CH-UH school levy (issue 32) passes, it won't be enough to offset the money the schools will lose if issue 3 passes. Issue 3 would rescind the state income tax increase approved in January.

If issue 2 passes, requiring a 60% majority to pass any tax legislation in the state legislature, guess who will control the vote--the rural districts. Cities always suffer when the legislature is under rural control.

My message is: Vote YES on the CH-UH school levy, Issue 32. Vote NO on Issues 2 and 3.

--June C. Wortman

## THIRD SET FIRE STRIKES BUILDING ON LANCASHIRE

*by Larry Beam*

The six-suite apartment building at 2764 Lancashire Road has suffered its third arson fire in three years. The most recent fire, which occurred on October 9, was confined to the exterior of the structure, and did only minor damage. Fire Warden Robert Maver believes the fire was started by children.

"Frank's Boy," the arsonist who kept Coventry in fear for two years, confessed to starting the other two blazes, both of which did major damage. The building has been vacant and boarded up since the first fire. Frank's Boy, whose real name is Arthur Dietz, is confined at Lucasville State Penitentiary.

John Gustaf, who oversees the City's Apartment Improvement Program, or AIP, would like very much to use the resources of his program to assist the renovation of the building. The AIP would provide part of the financing--as much as 20%--at less-than-market rates of interest--4% in a recent instance. The AIP also offers a variety of technical and financial advice.

Three factors have contributed to the building's continued state of disrepair: slowness in an insurance settlement for the building, recent increases in rates of interest, and continuing indications from the City administration that the site may be acquired for a parking lot.

Roger Ritley, speaking for the building's ownership, very much wants the site to become a parking lot. Ritley is also a principal in the ownership of the neighboring commercial structure, sometimes called Ritleyard, that houses David's Cookies, bliss, and other businesses; he sees added parking there as a key to the success of commerce in that immediate area.

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## LIBRARY GOINGS-ON

"Meet the Kids on the Block" at Coventry Village Library Tuesday, November 22, at 2:30. This special Thanksgiving treat will introduce some very unusual puppets who know all about handicaps. We hope everyone in the neighborhood will come meet these kids and share their sense of fun and joy at being themselves.

Seminars on aging will be completed this month with with two seminars by Ms. Cyndy Dunn, Corporate Coordinator of health and Ancillary Services at Judson Park. Ms. Dunn's subject on November 3 will be "Dealing with your Aging Parents," at 7:30. On November 17, Ms. Dunn will discuss "Alternative Lifestyles for the Elderly: Resources in Greater Cleveland." This series of five programs by the staff of Judson Park has been enlightening and stimulating. We hope to see lots of Coventry friends at the two remaining sessions. The series has been sponsored by the Coventry Community Library Advisory Committee, whose next meeting will be on November 1 at 7:30 at the Library.

The Coventry Village Singles Forum will discuss "What's it like to be single during the Holidays" on Monday, December 12, 7:30 PM in the Community Room.

---Debbie Graves Shoup

## FUND THE COVENTRY YOUTH CENTER

### *Opinion*

Cleveland Heights City Council should heed its own lay Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) and provide Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the Coventry Youth Center (CYC)—if only on the basis of the findings of need for youth services provided by the CYC's own research.

Too often, Cleveland Heights staff and Council seem to forget that CDBG funds are, in origin, redirected antipoverty grants. The Federal government abandoned not the national commitment to attack poverty at the local level, but the idea that grant categories invented and budgeted in Washington, DC, are applicable across the country. The CDBG formulation permits local flexibility, but is not intended as an abandonment of original purpose. Even the rationale for CDBG funding of new Cleveland Heights fire stations, made at least technical references to needs of low and moderate income families in the community.

In fact, Council should think itself fortunate that it is being asked only for a release of Federal "funny money." The CYC's findings of need in Coventry and environs—in terms of, for example, juvenile court filing frequency and prevalence of single-parent and latchkey-kid homes—disclose the sort of thing for which local government is expected to take some action in civilized societies. Council should expect a demand for action that would stress the General Fund, and should feel relief that *only* a response from CDBG is under consideration.

CYC is a year old and has already suffered the rigors of excessive response from the community—a demand for service that the fledgling organization was temporarily unable to meet. With CDBG and foundation funding last year, CYC got itself onto firmer footing; but the foundations have made it clear that further grants require further commitment from the City.

When the City went back to the CDBG well year after year for its controversial new fire stations, it answered critics with the logic that it is improper to terminate a major project once underway. Council is now bound by its own logic: pulling the plug on the Coventry Youth Center at this stage would be nothing short of criminal.

—Dave Burwasser

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## SINGLES FORUM TO HOLD PROGRAM AND PLANNING MEETINGS

*by David R. Burwasser*

"What's it like to be single during the Holidays?"

That question will be addressed at the first program meeting of the Coventry Village Library Singles Forum on Monday evening, December 12, at 7:30 PM, in the Community Room of the Coventry Village Branch Library. Featured speaker will be Tina Schlatter, singles columnist for the *Plain Dealer*. Discussion and social hour will follow. All single adults are cordially invited.

For those interested in matters organizational, the next planning meeting of the Singles Forum will be on Monday, November 28, at 7:30 PM at Coventry Library. Single adults interested in helping plan the business of the Singles Forum are welcome.



## FIRE CHIEF BRICE RETIRES

*by Larry Beam*

Vincent Joseph Brice, Fire Chief here for thirteen years, retired at the end of September. He is 64, and served the City's Fire Department for a total of 33 years.

Chief Brice, who was a journeyman painter before joining the Fire Department in 1948, enjoys home repair tasks, and will spend some of his new-found leisure working on his Lyndhurst home. He will bowl, golf, and pursue winter sports, especially ice-skating, which has been a life-long avocation. He has been a regular skating partner of this City's best-known advocate of the sport, former Mayor Marjorie B. Wright.

Chief Brice led the Fire Department through very substantial changes in the way fire protection is provided and in the nature of the Department's services. One of the town's two new fire stations are the most visible of his achievements. He led the fight for the "two-station concept," and caught most of the flak in the controversy surrounding the selection of sites for the new stations. Once the decision to build the new stations was made, Brice oversaw their design. He visited every new fire station within several hours' driving time from Cleveland Heights. He incorporated into our stations the best of what he found on those tours, and avoided problems he learned of.

Brice bought and rehabilitated aging fire-fighting equipment; this policy, like the two new fire stations, offered an important savings in municipal resources. Brice added emergency medical services to the Fire Department's activities. He introduced training as Emergency Medical Technicians for all fire fighters, and improved every aspect of training for these employees.

Cleveland Heights now cooperates with Shaker Heights in fighting fires near their common border. That program, known as Mutual Automatic Response, was largely Chief Brice's work. Under the program, the city whose equipment is closest to the fire responds—no matter which city the fire is in. The program will likely grow in future years, leading to much more extensive cooperation among fire departments in neighboring cities.

It was largely the diligent and untiring efforts of Chief Brice that led to the capture of Arthur Dietz, the arsonist known before his capture as "Frank Boy," who terrorized Coventry for three years.

Those who had the opportunity to work with Chief Brice will never forget the man's gift for wit and comedy. With his lieutenant, Bob Maver, these brass of the Fire Department formed a comedy team of professional quality.

Despite the demands of his busy career, Brice, with his wife Julia, has time to raise two sons, of whom he always speaks with pride. One is a Doctor of Chemistry, the other an attorney.

A successor to Chief Brice has not yet been named.

## HCC ANNUAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 20

The Heights Community Congress will hold its 11th Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner on Sunday, November 20. Wine and d'oeuvre will be served at 6:00 P.M., and dinner at 6:00. The cost is \$7.50 per person, and reservations should be made before November 14. The guest speaker will be Dr. Arthur Naparstek, Dean of the School of Applied Social Sciences, Case Western Reserve University. The evening's festivities will include the presentation of the first Bernice E. Lott Memorial Award to "the individual who best exemplifies the goals of the Heights Community Congress."

## STREET TALK

It seems summer has just left us and already the first of the fall festivities is behind us. All reports indicate that the second annual Halloween party was a great success and a good time was had by many. The live music added a neat touch. The Best Costume prize was awarded to, of all people, the uniformed police officer on duty, Jim McManus, by acclamation. About 1,100 people, all in all—about 300 to 400 at any one time—enjoyed laughing at each other's get-ups, dancing, and cavorting around the minipark in the second edition of what looks like a new tradition.

The Inn on Coventry has a new dinner menu just in time for the extended evening hours that most of the stores will institute as the seasonal shopping orgy approaches.

There's good news for early-rising street people (or all-nighters): Tommy's will be opening for breakfast at 7:30 Mondays through Saturdays beginning November 7. The event will be celebrated by a new menu featuring some of the same kind of crazy, fabulous concoctions that have made Tommy's famous in the whole greater Cleveland area. I love the way the items on the menu get named for the regular customers that dream up and order these specials.

After 12 years of using the former Marmaroshier Jewish Center, 2728 Lancashire Road as its church home, the Unitarian Society of Cleveland has replaced the large Star of David medallion, located prominently on the front of the building, with a colored-tile replica of the Unitarian symbol, a flaming chalice. Designed by Paula Dubaniewicz, the medallion is mounted above the church's main entrance, which has been repainted. Artist Dubaniewicz has appeared in the May Show every year since 1978, winning an award in 1981. She has received the John J. Humphrey award for sculpture and an Ohio Arts Council fellowship. She has a studio on Superior Avenue.

Dobama opens its second show of this its 23rd season, *Home*, by David Storey, on November 25. It sounds like a great holiday treat. Curtains are as usual at 8:30 on Thursdays and Saturdays; 9:00 on Fridays, and 7:30 on Sunday. It's still the best ticket buy in town. Now they have a special subscription deal going whereby you can get 10 tickets for \$35. There is a whole raft of subscriber bonuses like invitations to opening night parties, advance notice of stimulating theater discussions and free tickets to the theater and dinner at the Mad Greek so that you can introduce your friends to the Dobama experience. For further information call the box office at 932-6838.

Turkey Ridge's live music schedule is out and it looks like a goodie. Sunday night continues to feature jazz with Souleyes on the first Sunday, the 6th, and the third one, the 20th; Jank Hannon on the 13th and 27th. Every Monday brings The Rocko Phil Oldie Show, a new feature. Tuesdays will be guest night with the inimitable Charlie Weiner on Tuesday, the 1st, Sadie Gray on the 8th, Windwords on the 15 and the 29 and Luxury Liner with Mary Michels on the 22. On Wednesdays there'll be Disco with Dance Sensation. Each Thursday Little Willie will be there with his Allstars. Playing on Fridays are Mike Reid on the 4th and the 18th; Silver String Band on the 11th and Luxury Liner with Mary Michels on the 25th. The Echoes will hold forth on the first three Saturdays and take a break to let the Silver String Band back on the last Saturday. That's a lot of pretty good listening for a neighborhood nightery. It is surely appreciated.

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## COVENTRY PTA PLANS SECOND PLAY AREA

The Coventry Elementary School Playground Committee, winners of a Community Improvement Award for the just-completed play area in the school's front yard, are planning a second similar area behind the building. Like the front play area, the new one will be designed by Don Tarantino, an architectural designer and Coventry parent. To be located in a secluded area near the school's special Kindergarten entrance, the new play area will have a transportation theme, and will be designed for the school's smallest students. It will include a climbing apparatus designed after the Space Shuttle, and another resembling a truck, with real tires.

It will be paid for with the proceeds of two Neighbors in Action Grants from the City's Community Development Block Grant program, and with the generous contributions of parents and other donors.

## CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

Most police will attest to the fact that all street criminals look for an easy mark. Not the weakest or the oldest, but the easiest, often someone who appears to be wandering about in a fog.

The best defense is to be alert. You should learn to trust your instincts and intuition—even if you sometimes feel a bit foolish doing it. If you see suspicious activities, call the police. Trust your feelings.

If you suspect that you are being followed, you should change direction quickly. If the potential criminal turns to follow, you should bolt and start yelling for help.

The noise is nearly certain to attract some attention. Most muggers will take off after the first outcry in search of a more docile victim.

As one police officer said, most muggers are just out for a quick score. They want fast money, and no attention, no cops being called, no people looking out windows.

—Bruce Hennes

## STREET TALK . . . continued from the previous page

A warm welcome to Tom Ross, the new beat cop, or Basic Patrol Officer assigned to Coventry. He says that so far he likes Coventry and finds it different from his old beat, the Cedar-Lee area.

As former editor of *CVN* I would like to thank all of those unsung heroes who could always be counted on to help out in a pinch on production and assembly of the *CVN*. There are many, but a few names stand out as people who, when called would manage to eke time out of their busy schedules to give a few minutes, or hours to help when things got bogged down (as they always seemed to). I particularly want to thank Liz Brown, Diane Bersnak, Adele Burwasser and Marge Crutch, on assembly and Tony Wagner on distribution for giving above and beyond. Thank you, also, to the staff at the Heights Community Congress, particularly Dorothy Embry (and Suzanne Kinsella before her) and Helen Payton for all kinds of help. They, too, deserve an above and beyond accolade. I want, also, to extend my best wishes to my successor Larry Beam. I will continue to be around and will help out where I can, when asked within the limits of my available time. Lastly, I want to thank all of the readers who provided me with such helpful and encouraging feedback. It was good to know that someone out there read and cared about what we were trying to accomplish.

Frederick L. Tate

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COVENTRY NEIGHBORS, INC. Trustees Meeting, Thursday, December 8, 7:30 PM at 2910 Hampshire Road. Committee Chairpersons are asked to attend. The Trustees meeting is open to all dues-paid members of CNI.

NOW is the time to join COVENTRY NEIGHBORS, INC. Membership includes a subscription to the *Coventry Village News*. All memberships will expire on December 31, 1984.

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