



# Newsletter

NEIGHBORHOOD  
ASSOCIATION

REPRESENTING CLIFTON HEIGHTS • UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS • FAIRVIEW

May, 2011

## Next monthly meeting:

Tuesday, May 17, 2011,  
7:30 p.m., Deaconess Hospital  
Cafeteria, Lower Level, Straight Street

## From the President's desk



Spring is really here, with all of its green and the blues of rain. Here's hoping for intermittent rain during the hot months, too, this year.

Neighbors came out in the rain and cold for the Great American clean up on April 16th. Thank you to all who volunteered their time, including friends from Hughes, CHBA, CHIA, CUF, and UC. Coy Park/Field and Marshall have never looked so good. Keep that spirit alive and think about doing a mulching project on your block with the tree wells or corner gardens. We will be planning big clean ups of the Fairview Park entrance again later this spring.

Look to the 2nd annual Neighborhood Picnic this weekend on May 14th at Bellevue Park. Bring a yard waste bag.

The Business District is moving along. Plans are underway for the grassy knoll and hopefully Towne/Neyer will be able to break ground soon. Uptown and North American open 65 West in the middle of this month. New businesses are working on coming in to our district, including a shoe store!

And it turns out City Council does listen to the neighborhood associations. We will have at least one more yard waste pick up this next week. Hopefully with all the pressure from the citizens, they will find at least some way to help with yard waste, like a monthly pick up. In the meantime, use the yard waste drop off sites as listed later in the newsletter.

See everyone hopefully at the May 14th picnic and at the May 17th meeting. We have representatives from Price Hill Will and the Hillside Overlay District coming to speak to us about their respective organizations and good work. See everyone soon!

Rob Neel

## Minutes of the CUF General Meeting 4-19-11

### Police:

Officer Lisa Johnson discussed more arrests in recent robberies. The car window smashings that happened the previous weekend 4/16-4/17 was purely vandalism without robbery. Graffiti is up.

Officer Johnson is interested in doing another landlord meeting in May. Discussed the McMicken prostitution issue and Citizens On Patrol evening night out in front of one of the known houses and how successful it was.

Officer Lance Long from UC Police discussed increased panhandling and theft on campus. Cinco de Mayo is on UC Police's radar. UC graduation will be June 10th.

- Dr. Charles Collins came to speak to the group about UC Health Psychiatry services and their move to Deaconess Hospital. The history of the available space, the move into geriatric psychiatry that they had not been doing before. Old geriatric psychiatry staff was hired back. 3 floors of psychiatry services. Security is both Deaconess and UC Police so there are two levels of security. The Psychiatry Emergency Room will eventually transition over. There are medicine doctors coming over with the Psychiatry doctors to help with medical issues. UC wants to have the potential to eventually buy the space and the building if things go well.

- Mr. Bryan Valerius came to talk to us about our locally owned and operated ACE Hardware store on Ludlow. Very informative and helpful staff. No flowers but they are also housing Shadeaux Breads. He passed out coupons and information. Support our local businesses!

- The passing of Dr. Susan Montauk was announced. There will be a memorial in the spring.

- The Conditional Use Variance at 226-228 West McMillan was discussed.

- Parking Permit discussions continued and the importance of zoning and zoning code enforcement.
- The recent clean up from April 16th was discussed by Daniel. About 45 people came out despite the rain and bad weather. Neighbors in University Heights mentioned the improvements at Coy Field and along Marshall.
- CUF Family Picnic for May 14th 11 to 2 pm! Flyers were available and announcement was made.
- City Neighborhood boundaries were discussed again, esp as it relates to the Heights. Cherie Wallpe attended the first meeting. As a positive note, CUF received its first notice for property considered contested both CUF and the Heights!
- Zoning issue for a property on Calhoun was discussed although no details were available.

### CUF Treasurer's report

Balance: April 1, 2011	\$5,254.13
Income:	
Dues	90.00
NSP	747.38
CUF Community Fund	4,276.50
Total Income:	+ \$5,113.88
Expenses:	
Fed Ex Jan. Newsletter	134.79
GC Water Works	12.39
Soap Box Derby	110.00
Fed Ex	25.00
Total Expenses:	- \$282.18
Balance: May 1, 2011	\$10,085.83

### Save the date!

**CUF Spring Picnic**  
**Saturday, May 14th**  
**11:00 - 2:00**  
**Bellevue Park**

If you'd like to help with planning please email Cathy at: [cathyr57@gmail.com](mailto:cathyr57@gmail.com)

### City of Cincinnati resumes yard waste pick up

Beginning the week of May 9, the City of Cincinnati will begin picking up yard waste for the remainder of 2011. City Council had cut the program during the budget process last year, but has now voted to restore it.

The City will pick up yard waste on your usual trash collection day.

Yard waste collection week does not include special items such as tires, appliances, and sofa beds. To schedule a special pickup of any of these items, please call 591-6000 or visit 5916000.com

While yard waste does not have to be separated from regular trash, it does help city workers to be more efficient if:

- Brush and branches are put into bundles no larger than 4 feet by 2 feet.
- Individual tree limbs should be no larger than 6 inches in diameter.
- Leaves and lawn clippings should be in an appropriate container such as a bag or can.

When possible, consider composting or yard waste drop-off sites as an earth friendly alternative to disposing of yard waste with the regular garbage.

Several yard waste drop-off sites are in operation across Hamilton County. Residents are strongly encouraged to utilize these free sites for disposal of yard waste. The closest site for CUF residents is:

West Fork Solid Waste Facility -  
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 For Cincinnati residents only. Accessible off Spring Grove Ave. and off Beekman St.  
 Open year-round Monday through Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (excluding holidays)



### CUF board member elections

The 2010 election of CUF board members will take place at the July meeting. Thanks to all who have come forward to run for the open positions. Here are the candidates' statements:

#### Nathan Hess

I am a young professional working in medical research. Three years ago, I bought a house in Fairview and moved from the suburbs. I appreciate our neighborhood's wealth of diversity and sense of community, and I look forward to working with the neighborhood association to ensure our community is safe and well-maintained.

#### Rolf Kuhn

As a 16-year plus resident of the CUF community, my major interests include reuse of existing properties, keeping the neighborhood clean and safe, a plus side quality of life for all residents - students, the elderly, residents and animals, and recycling. This is the best neighborhood in the city and, as a community council trustee, I will pledge my time and efforts to keep our area clean, safe and a great place to live for all.

#### Sally Larson

I have been a resident of CUF (Clifton Heights) since 1976, and an active member of CUFNA off and on during that time. I have served on various committees over the years and also as a trustee of the Tower Fund. My current CUFNA board term is expiring and I am happy to run again for another term.

#### Rob Neel

I have lived in the neighborhood for 15 years and have served as the CUF president for the last three years. I believe in clean streets and good neighbors. I love the diversity of CUF, with its students and mix of professionals. I will continue to serve my community however needed.

#### Tony Walsh

I have been a CUF resident for 24 years and a member for most of that time. A professional photographer, I've owned and operated my business, Walsh Photography, since 1980. My wife Maureen France and I have raised two great kids here and that is one reason we continue to work for the improvement of this community.

### Streetcar on track

On May 3, Mayor Mark Mallory and City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr. announced a revised construction plan for the Cincinnati Streetcar project that will use the \$99 million in funding that has already been identified and secured.

Under the adjusted plan, the City will move forward with a \$95 million, four-mile, first segment

of the Streetcar line from Fountain Square to Findlay Market.

"The vision for the project remains the same. We are going to build a Streetcar that connects Downtown to Uptown and then we are going to build out into the neighborhoods," Mayor Mark Mallory said. "We are going to get started with the funding that we have in hand. We must move forward in order to attract jobs and residents to our region."

The Mayor and Manager explained that it would cost \$9 million to extend the Streetcar line from Fountain Square to The Banks. They are continuing to explore additional funding options in order to get to The Banks during construction of the first segment.

Even as the City begins building the first segment of the Streetcar system, planning will begin on the second segment, which will go up Vine Street and around the Uptown, university and hospital area. The City will continue to pursue additional funding for the second segment. In the future, additional connections into more neighborhoods are envisioned as part of a city-wide system.

### Northside tries recycling containers

Installed to coincide with the Great American Cleanup on April 16th, the Cincinnati neighborhood of Northside has recently added on-street recycling containers along the Hamilton Avenue Business District. The new receptacles are sleek, attractive, and easy to differentiate from the uniform trash containers, which can be found throughout the city.

The containers were obtained through a grant, assisted by the Office of Environmental Quality. Recycling pickup has been contracted through Rumpke Recycling. Hopefully the design choice for the new recycling containers will encourage proper use, not as another place for passersby to throw their trash.

### Tree City USA

2011 is the 30th consecutive year that the City of Cincinnati has received the distinction of being named a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation!

The Park Board is proud of the Tree City USA designation, and to be the recipient of a Tree City USA Growth Award for the 16th consecutive year. The prestigious Growth Award recognizes environmental improvement and higher levels of tree care in select Tree City USA communities.

In addition, the Park Board was recently awarded a \$37,500 grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to help further replenish the City's tree canopy cover due to the impact of the Emerald Ash Borer. The Ash Removal and Canopy Restoration Grant program is funded by the USDA Forest Service to aid in the recovery of urban forests.



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### CUF membership

Any person subscribing to the purpose of the CUF Neighborhood Association, Inc. and paying dues set by the Association may become a member. Election of Trustees is held at the annual meeting in July. Eligible voters are residents of the community who are at least 18 years of age and who are fully paid members of the Association and who have attended three general meetings after payment of dues during the year prior to the annual meeting. Non-resident members have voice but no vote in Association meetings and may not hold elective office. Annual CUF dues are \$6.00.

- CUF general meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month, except August and December, 7:30 p.m, Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria, 311 Straight Street
- CUF Trustee meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m, Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria, 311 Straight Street
- CUF annual meeting and election: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in July, 7:30 pm, Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria, 311 Straight Street



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2364 West McMicken Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type:

Voting Membership: CUF resident \_\_\_\_\_

Non-voting Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

CUF organization: \_\_\_\_\_

CUF business owner: \_\_\_\_\_

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Membership fee: \$6.00 per year.  
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