



NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION

Newsletter

REPRESENTING CLIFTON HEIGHTS • UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS • FAIRVIEW

May, 2013

Next monthly meeting:

May 21, 2013,
Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria,
Lower Level, Straight Street

Springtime in the city

“ ‘Tis Spring, ‘tis Spring! The bird is on the wing! My word. Absurd! The wing is on the bird!” --

source forgotten

Spring and Fall have got to be my favorite seasons in this area. Comfortable weather in which to do yard work and walk around the CUF neighborhood. U Square might have opportunities for al fresco dining. Paul Gallagher will soon walk around planting flowers in those large pots at various sites in the neighborhood. Other neighbors will tend flower gardens such as the one by St. Monica-St. George Church. Rob Neel and his cohorts will continue to stroll around picking up litter and other debris. Opportunities abound for residents of CUF to help keep our neighborhood clean, tidy and a little more colorful and welcoming. Did you know that Keep Cincinnati Beautiful has a project called “Future Blooms” that paints boarded up buildings, including the addition of faux flower beds, to beautify a neighborhood in transition? Their research has shown that after painting the buildings people are less likely to pollute there, there are fewer calls to police, and it says that somebody cares. You can read more about Future Blooms and perhaps volunteer by going to the website: www.keepcincinnatibeautiful.org.

A great way to help our neighborhood is to participate in the clean up of our historic stairways and alleys. Did you know that CUF has about 29 stairways? Neither did I, but with help from Christian Huelsman, a CUF resident, I learned about that. About 10 are closed or

impassable but the others require a little..OK, a lot, of TLC. We also have about 9 alleys in CUF that also need periodic care. Huelsman's organization Spring in Our Steps (www.springinoursteps.com) arranges for those clean up events. On March 23, several CUF trustees (Sandra Wilson, Sally Larson, Daniel Lewis, former trustee John Stork and I) participated in the Schorr Alley cleanup with other volunteers. The next scheduled cleanup of Schorr Alley will be on May 25, between 9 am and noon. Here is a photo of our happy but tired group after the March 25 cleanup. Let's encourage our neighbors to do a little planting and cleaning to show we take pride in CUF.

Ken Jordan



From left: Matt Jacob, Ken Jordan, Pam Sattler, John Stork, Sally Larson, Beth Nagy, Christian Huelsman.

CUF Neighborhood Association Minutes, General Meeting April 16, 2013, Deaconess Hos- pital Cafeteria, 7:30PM

Board Members Attending: Craig Lloyd, Sally Larson, Linda Ziegler, Rob Neel, Cherie Wallpe, Chip Kusssmaul, Tony Walsh, Nathan Hess, Sharon Buckner, John Ligon, Rolf Kuhn, Daniel Lewis; absent: Janine Denlinger, Julie Zavon, Ken Jordan

Meeting chaired by Cherie Wallpe

Guests

Corryville Suzuki Project
Lisa Johnson, District 5 Police Officer and
Lance Long, UC Police Officer
Mike Robinson, Director City Public Services

Corryville Suzuki Project

The meeting was opened with a short recital by two CUF children enrolled in the Suzuki Project. The Project will host a concert on Sunday, May 19 at the Rohs Street Cafe, 2:00 PM. Also, on Friday, May 31, they will hold a fund raiser and recital at St. Monica/Old St. George Campus Ministry Center, 328 McMillan Street, Located behind St. Monica/St. George Church, 7:00 PM.

Police Report

- Lisa Johnson, District 5 presented the police report. The district is working with UC on student safety and both landlords and community members regarding nuisance parties. Prostitution continues to be a problem. Also working on traffic and other issues occurring on Hollister Street. Due to construction, traffic flow and parking continues to be an issue on Calhoun and McMillan Streets.
- Lance Long presented the police report for UC. April 27 is graduation day. There is not a lot of campus construction other than the rehabbing of Morgens and Scioto Halls. Crime continues to be a concern on campus and the administration is focusing on educating students about safety.

Mike Robinson, Director City Public Services

Mr. Robinson presented the city's new waste collection program. New carts will be distributed beginning April 4 and continuing through August. Mailings will be sent to residents. The new program will result in semi-automatic trash collection as the carts can be connected to the trucks for automated loading. The goal is to increase efficiency and reduce injuries to public service employees. CUF will be receiving 65 gallon carts with radio frequency ID's sometime in July. Residents can change to larger or smaller carts as appropriate. The city is strongly encouraging recycling. Residents can call 591-6000 to request recycling carts.

Other details include:

- Commercial collection will be required for buildings with 5 or more units. The new ordinance takes effect May 1 and implementation must be completed by October 7.
- There will be amnesty days on special holidays for trash collection.
- Yard waste will be collected on the same

days as the recycling schedule.

- Call 591-6000 to arrange pick up of bulk items.
- There will be increased resources allocated to monitor and resolve litter issues.

There will be Monday through Saturday trash pick ups in the CUF area during the move out period 4/19 through 4/29. There will again be special pick ups July 1 through August.

Residents should call 564-1750 with any public health related concerns.

Interim Development Control

CUF has applied for an Interim Development Control.

Historic Conservation Board

The Historic Conservation Board approved the request for Historic Conservation designation for the Goetz House.

LSDMC

Chip Kussmaul reported that the Hughes LSDMC is focused on getting a permanent principal at the school. Also, the acting Principal, Dorothy James promptly responded to the concerns raised by residents regarding student behavior in the neighborhood.

CHCURC

Cherie Wallpe reported that the construction projects at U Square are on target and restaurants are opening.

Announcements

- Greg Landsman, City Council candidate introduced himself with brief comments and a handout.
- Drivers age 8 to 13 are needed for the soap box derby. Contact Linda Ziegler for more information.

Concert benefitting Corryville Suzuki project

Sunday, May 19, 2pm, Rohs Street Cafe. \$5 Admission gains concert entry and a raffle ticket. Kids and previous ticket buyers are free! Rodrigo Carpinteyro-Martinez, Matteus Thompson, Louise McKinney, and Mable Lecrone (all current or former CUF residents) will be playing various Suzuki and popular pieces to fundraise for their strings program.

If you want to support some talented kids, a phenomenal strings program, or check out what Suzuki students at various levels sound like, join us!

Candidates for CUF Board

In July the elections for the CUF Board of Trustees will take place. The candidates who have agreed to run are:

Christian Huelsman
Carolyn Young
John Stork
Craig Lloyd
Cherie Walpe

Candidates' statements will appear in the next two CUF newsletters. Thanks to all for offering your service.

CUF Treasurer's report

Balance: April 1, 2013 \$6,895.86

Income:

Invest in Neighborhoods \$612.48
Membership dues \$96.00
Total Income: \$708.48

Expenses:

Total Expenses: - \$0

Balance: May 1, 2013 \$7,604.34

CPS Budget Conversation

How Should CPS Close Its Budget Gap?
You're invited to a community-driven conversation on the budget. CPS is confronting a multi-million dollar budget gap that must be closed by the end of June 2013. What are your ideas to reduce expenses or increase revenue and address systemic fiscal challenges?

Attend a public conversation: 6:30 pm,
Wednesday, May 29 at Midway Elementary
School Cafeteria 3156 Glenmore Ave.



Spring Trees, McMicken and Straight

Household Hazardous Waste

From now through November 2, residents can drop off their household hazardous waste for free at the following Environmental Enterprises, Inc. locations:

4600 Spring Grove Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45232 (Directly across from Winton Road)

Tuesdays from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. and

Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

(Closed May 25 and August 31)

Yard Trimmings Drop-Off Sites

West (Green Township) Kuliga Park, 6717 Bridgetown Road

North (Colerain Township) Rumpke Landfill, 3800 Struble Road

All sites accept brush and tree branches cut into lengths of less than 4 feet and smaller than 12 inches in diameter. Local compost facilities will recycle all yard trimmings collected into usable compost. The Bzak site is closed on all major holidays. Visit our website or call (513) 946-7766 for more information.

Computer and Television Recycling Drop-Off

The District will host a Computer and TV Recycling Drop-Off again this year every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. – noon from May 4 through October 26 at two locations. The Drop-Offs will be closed May 25 and August 31.

Cohen Cincinnati, 4538 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226

Cohen Norwood, 5038 Beech Street, Norwood, Ohio 45212

Acceptable Items: monitors, CPUs, printers, televisions, fax machines, main frames, laptops, mice, keyboards, speakers, scanners, personal copiers, printers, cables, chips, circuit boards, back up batteries, cell phones, cameras, CD/DVD players, electronic game devices, GPS units, telephones, video equipment, and PDAs.

Visit their website or call 946-7766 for more information.

Cincinnati's Historic Conservation Board

"In an effort to re-energize the Cincinnati Historic Conservation Board, City Council confirmed new members to the seven-member board. Last year, City Council voted to restructure the Historic Conservation Board with staggered, consistent term lengths of three years per term. The Administration recommended the appointment of five new members and the reappointment of one current board member to its Historic Conservation Board."

Members presented by the City Administration to be considered for the Historic Conservation Board include:

- Reappointment of Judith Spraul-Schmidt to the Historic Conservation Board as Board Chair. Dr. Spraul-Schmidt is an Adjunct Associate Professor of History at the University of Cincinnati, Blue Ash College campus. Her three-year term is effective from June 24, 2013 to June 23, 2016. Dr. Spraul-Schmidt resides in Cincinnati.
 - Patricia Bittner, a licensed architect with Elm Street Town Homes with extensive experience in restoring historic properties will serve as the Board's urban design professional. Ms. Bittner will serve a two-year term from June 24, 2013 to June 23, 2014. She resides in Cincinnati.
 - Mike Burson, an architect and CEO of Facility Management and Planning Services and the former Director of Facilities for Cincinnati Public Schools will serve as the Board's architect. Mr. Burson will serve a three-year term from June 24, 2013 to June 23, 2016. He resides in Cincinnati.
 - Judi Craig, Vice President at Parsons Brinkerhoff with extensive experience in project management in transportation planning and community issues in our area will serve as the Board's urban planner. Ms. Craig will serve a three-year term from June 24, 2013 to June 23, 2016. She resides in Cincinnati.
 - Jameson Muth, Transaction Manager with CBRE Global Corporate Services will serve in the area of real estate development. Mr. Muth will serve a one-year term from June 24, 2013 to June 23, 2014. He resides in Cincinnati.
 - David Zelman, an architect and project director with FRCH Design Worldwide will serve in the Board as a historic preservationist. Mr. Zelman will serve a two-year term from June 24, 2013 to June 23, 2015. He resides in Cincinnati.
- "We are excited for our new Historic Conservation Board members and look forward to working with so many distinguished planning and architect professionals who will represent the Board in their areas of expertise," said Planning Director Charles Graves.

The new members were confirmed by a vote of Council at the May 9 City Council Meeting. The Administration's recommendation for new members of the Zoning Board of Appeals will go before Council within the next several months.

New Trash Cans

from city manager Milton Dohoney:

Residents should begin using their new 65-gallon trash cart as soon as they receive it. The cart is designed to hold approximately 5 full kitchen-size trash bags.

All trash should be inside the trash cart with the lid securely closed before it is placed at the curb on collection day.

Residents are encouraged to make full use of their recycling cart to both reduce the volume of material being placed in their trash carts, and to help divert recyclable materials from the land fill. Residents may call 591-6000 to request an additional recycling cart if it is needed.

When residents have large or bulky items that do not fit into their trash cart, they can call 591-6000 to schedule a special pickup. Up to 3 bulky items may be scheduled in any given week.

Residents are encouraged to repurpose their old trash cans and carts for the newly reinstated Yard Waste collection program. Yard waste may be placed in cans that are clearly labeled as "Yard Waste" and placed at the curb for pick up biweekly. (Yard waste collection occurs on the same biweekly schedule as recycling.)

Residents who find that a 65-gallon trash cart is too big for their needs may call 591-6000 to trade for a smaller 35-gallon trash cart.

Some residents may find that a 65-gallon trash cart is too small, even after maximizing use of recycling carts. If this occurs, residents may call 591-6000 to trade for a larger 95-gallon trash cart.

Changes to the trash collection program are expected to save more than \$2 million annually in the City's budget.

Folks have asked me, so I wanted to let you know: The funding used to purchase carts cannot be used to pay for police officers, firefighters, rec center staff or other day-to-day operations.

For more information on the program, or to see a more detailed schedule of when your neighborhood will be getting trash carts, please visit www.cincinnati-oh.gov/trash.



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

CUF Neighborhood Association
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: _____

Non-resident: _____

Non-resident property owner: _____

Membership fee: \$6.00 per year.
Make checks payable to CUFNA.

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