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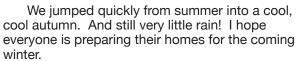
REPRESENTING CLIFTON HEIGHTS • UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS • FAIRVIEW

November, 2010

Next monthly meeting:

Tuesday, November 16, 2010, 7:30 p.m., Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria, Lower Level, Straight Street

From the President's desk.



The City has completed the planting beds along McMillan and Ravine in front of St Monica. The Board will be spending both NSP funding and asking for Tower Fund support for permanent drought hardy plantings in these islands. Local landscape architect and neighbor, Mark Bambach, graciously donated his time and talent to see these plans created.

Ongoing plans continue in the Business District. Matt Bourgeois and the Clifton Heights Business Association were able to secure the largest grant from the City for the second phase of the Streetscape project for the Old Town Business District. There is continued hope for the development plans between Calhoun and McMillan with the pairing of resources of Towne Properties and Al Neyer.

Our next big meeting is November 16 at Deaconess at 7:30 p.m. We will have fire safety speakers and Christian Huelsman will be coming back to talk to us about the City's new recycling program and how we can all participate.

See everyone there on Tuesday the 16th!!

Rob Neel, President

CUF Neighborhood Association

Minutes of the CUF General Meeting 10-19-10

Introduction Opening Remarks

Police Report:

Officer Lisa Johnson presented crime stats for September. Arrests are up in the CUF community with over 30 arrests for drugs and solicitation. Three juveniles were arrested for robberies.

Please copy serial numbers for bikes, lawn mowers or other valuable items that may be targeted for scrap metal thefts.

Detective Stuart Isaac with the Cincinnati Police Dept and liaison with the FBI is working on fraud cases related to home foreclosures in the community and city. Detective Isaac handed out material detailing information related to home foreclosures and predators of homeowners with potential foreclosure issues. Please feel free to contact him with information if you suspect issues concerning homes in your neighborhood.

Officer Long with UC Police relayed crime stats and safety issues concerning the University's campus. Bike thefts are up on the campus. The Homecoming parade is on the 30th of October and parts of Calhoun and Clifton will be closed for the parade. There will be construction traffic on Jefferson due to renovation and construction on student housing at Morgens Hall soon.

Updates

St. George has been approved for roof repairs, though the contract needs to be bid out. Classen Park is in the middle of being renovated and utilities are being buried at/along Calhoun and Ohio. Additional street trees were added to the community over the weekend with help from community members.

The Fire Department's Ladder Company 19 located in Corryville is will be placed on a 'brown out' for Nov., Dec., and Jan. It is important to write letters in support of keeping the Ladder Company open especially during the winter months. Talk of the temporary closing of the Ladder Co. 19 led to discussion about outside fires and bonfires within the community. Fire codes and regulations may not be clearly understood by residents and fire personnel and are a matter of contention over enforcement. Fire code and enforcement may be a potential meeting topic for the next general meeting.

Tony and Maureen relayed updates concerning the I-75 interchange near the McMillan/Central Pkwy. intersection. The Western Hills viaduct is being repayed but it has not been determined by ODOT what will be happening at the intersection. A meeting for the public concerning an interchange for I-75 will be scheduled in January.

Make a Difference Day is on Oct. 23 at Christy's Saturday morning (9:00 a.m). A neighborhood pick up is planned.

An announcement of a liquor license transfer

of ownership for the Pic-N-Go on W. McMicken was made for anyone with objections or issues concerning the establishment. Community members with concerns are urged to raise them with the police by October 25.

City of Cincinnati City Council passed changes to the zoning and variance appeals process on October 12. The changes will do away with the Zoning Board of Appeals and City Council hearings as part of the zoning variance request procedure. The process has been streamlined to be overseen by a Planning/ Building Dept. employee to make decisions concerning zoning variances. John Ligon provided insight into the changes that will be taking place with Use Variance Standards in the Cincinnati Zoning Code.

Recycling Carts have been dispensed to some streets in the community. There may be questions about how the carts are distributed, please offer feedback to the city if you experience problems or challenges with the new recycling program.

Meeting adjourned.

CUF Treasurer's report

Balance October 1, 2010 \$8,230.47

Income:

Dues \$18.00 Total Income: + \$18.00

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Expenses:	
Water Works	\$49.07
Plants	47.88
Saftey vests	33.38
September Newsletter	144.29
Safety Vests	27.00
Honda Pur	412.15
Fittings	98.01
Poly Tank	329.99
Mulch	36.00
Mulch	20.00
Planting supplies	621.93

Total Expenses: -\$1,819.70

Balance November 1, 2010 \$6,428.77

Getting a historic designation for your home

Have a home with history? Getting a historic designation highlights your home's special story.

A historic designation for your home takes a lot of time and research, but the payoff can be grand: getting official recognition of your home's architectural style or its ties to events or people who were important in the past. Want to get your home designated as historic? Consider these issues: KNOW WHAT "HISTORIC" MEANS

Is the house a unique architectural style? Did someone famous live there? Did an important event occur there? Historic generally means at least 50 years old, but age alone doesn't make a home historic. Does your home still look historically accurate? Did significant events or important people live there? Having historical significance helps earn your home a historic designation. CHOOSE THE HISTORIC DESIGNATION YOU WANT

The National Registry of Historic Places (http://www.nps.gov/nr/National_Register_Fundamentals.htm), administered by the National Park Service, is prestigious and imposes no restrictions on what you can do with the house. If you want stricter rules about what can and can't be done to the house — and you don't mind having to answer to the local preservation board — consider a local designation. State historic designations offer a third option. They can mirror the National Register or be slightly more strict, but are typically not as restrictive as local historic designations.

SET ASIDE TIME FOR RESEARCH

You'll need to document the home's architecture and why that's unique, take photos, research the deed and who owned the property, and why the home is historic. Local and state historic preservation officials are good sources of information and research assistance. Costs vary. If you hire a preservation consultant, it could cost several thousand dollars. If you do it yourself, you'll save the fee.

REFINANCE OR SELL

Once you've got your designation, be sure you get credit for it when refinancing or selling your home. Not all appraisers are familiar with historic properties. Try to deal with a bank that handles a lot of historic properties. They're more likely to use appraisers who know the historic housing market.

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Uptown Consortium, Inc.

Employment Information Session

When: November 18, 2010

Where: Old Bethesda Oak Hospital Building

619 Oak Street

Cafeteria – Ground Floor Cincinnati, Ohio 45207

FREE parking is available at the June Street
Parking Garage (next to White Castle) Limited to
the first 200 people who pre-register at:
 sposey@uptownconsortium.org
 or by phone: 513-861-8726 or
 Fax: 513-861-1902.

What can I expect?

Q: What is an Uptown Employment Session?

A: A meeting to inform residents living in Uptown (Avondale, Clifton, Clifton Heights, Corryville, Fairview, Mt. Auburn, and University Heights) about the career opportunities and hiring practices of Uptown institutions:

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center TriHealth, Inc. (Good Samaritan Hospital) University Hospital University of Cincinnati The Christ Hospital

- Q: What happens at the Uptown Employment Session?
- A: Company representatives will present information about career opportunities and hiring practices. Formal presentations will be followed by Q&A period. Local workforce development organization will provide information on job readiness resources.
- Q: Who should attend the Uptown Employment Information Session?
- A: The information sessions are open to residents of Uptown who are 18 years and older.
- Q: Do I need to pre-register for the Uptown Employment Session?
- A: Yes. The Information Sessions are limited to the first 200 people who pre-register.
- Q: Can I attend the Uptown Information Session even if I don't pre-register:
- A: Priority seating will be reserved for pre-registrants. However, if space is available, walk-ins will be allowed to register at the door until the 200 person capacity has been reached.
- Q: What are the benefits to me if I attend?
- A: As an Uptown resident you will benefit by:
 - Gaining expert insight about the career opportunities available to you in your own neighborhood.
 - Learning up to date information about the organization and their hiring practices,
 - · Developing an understanding of the skills,

- knowledge, and experience employers want to see in candidates.
- Discovering what it takes to get from where you are to where you want to be.
- Q: Will employers accept applications, resumes, or offer jobs?
- A: No. You will receive information on how to apply at each of the participating institutions. Employers will not accept applications, resumes, or offer jobs at this session.

This is an information session only!

Hughes High School



Hughes High School was established in the 1800s with the estate from Thomas Hughes, a cobbler from England. When he died in 1824, he left his estate to the City of Cincinnati to start a school for boys whose parents could not afford to send them to school. In the 1800s, high school was not a civil benefit and the only citizens who could send their children on to school were those with the money to do so. Hughes was one of the forefathers of the modern public high school.

In 1851, after 27 years of allowing the estate to accumulate, the original Hughes High School was built at Fifth and Mound and served the community of students who lived west of Race Street. Imagine Race Street as the center street for the city! The original Hughes High School operated there until 1911. With changing population from the city basin to the hillsides, Hughes also moved up the hillside.

The current building was built between 1908 and 1910 at 2515 Clifton Avenue. The Jacobethan style building was accented by Gothic features with gargoyles. The local architectural societies deem the building "Tudor Revival Collegiate." The building was designed by architect J. Walter Stevens from Minnesota. The design was actually part of a competition by the local architectural community in their efforts to discourage local patronage abuses. Ironically the award went to an out-of-town architect.

Hughes served the children of the West End and the western hillsides and basin, and continues to do so today as a magnet school. The building recently underwent a renovation that began in 2008 and finished this summer 2010.

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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

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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.

(please check the membership expiration date on your newsletter mailing label)