



**NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION**

Newsletter

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December, 2015

Next monthly meeting:

January 18, 2016

Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria,
Lower Level, Straight Street

Neighborhood Housing

In a complex neighborhood such as ours we experience issues from a variety of interests including developers, landlords, renters, students and owner-occupants. Their concerns and priorities sometime seem to be part of a gradual and random evolution. Regardless of what a property owner might be planning with their investment, a community has a basic right to a well-maintained and safe environment. Additionally, it should have an appearance that makes residents proud to call it home. When it becomes obvious that things are not moving in that direction we need to try to make a change.

The University Impact Area Study is a positive step that we have not seen before. At the minimum it has allowed area stakeholders to engage in a group dialogue that exchanges information and provides a forum for voicing opinions. What comes of it remains to be seen. Several members of CUF have been attending the meetings.

In the meantime, some members of our neighborhood association have been meeting to discuss what we might initiate towards a goal of preserving and improving the neighborhood's housing stock. This housing committee is seeking to investigate the feasibility of a revitalization or preservation district that respects the history of the area while maintaining the cohesive look and feel of a neighborhood. The goal is to promote a diverse community that attracts owner-occupants and protects their investments. Our proximity to major employment centers, the university and the downtown area are obvious and important assets that we offer.

But the worst thing that a neighborhood association can do is be complacent and stand

by as a mute witness to others' selective ambitions. We continue to ask for basic adherence to the laws governing property ownership and for the enforcement of municipal codes.

University communities outside of ours have faced similar challenges and come up with cooperative solutions. We have unique local problems affecting our residents that need to be solved. It is apparent that others in this university area are starting to think so too.

Craig Lloyd

CUF Neighborhood Association General Meeting November 17, 2015 7:30 p.m., Deaconess Cafeteria

Meeting commenced at 7:40 p.m.
Safety Updates were provided by CPD District 5 and UC Police.

Guests:

Public presentation of proposed project at Calhoun/McMillan/Vine (a.k.a. CHCURC Block 1) followed by Q & A from Developers Burgess Doan (M-G Securities) and Mike Ealy; Kevin Spectre, Lead Designer; and CHCURC Director Matt Bourgeois.

Community was assured that the giant screen TV will be removed from plan. Community members questioned height of project as proposed hotel (with event center) has nine floors (approx. 170 rooms) and stands at 148 feet high. This is well over the legally permitted 85'. The Residences at St. George (adjacent to hotel) has 8 floors and approx. 105 units for the healthy and independent 55+ community. 400 car underground garage for residents and hotel guests. 24 flats on W McMillan. Phase 2 of the project would not begin for several years and proposes condominiums or office at Scioto site (initial use for construction staging). Condominiums are in line with community efforts to increase owner occupied housing on Scioto as formalized with CHCURC in 2014 and CHCURC included in the RFP to potential developers.

- Organized Residents of Detzel against development.
- Treasurer Report October 2015 was given.
- By-law revisions as written and published in September and October CUF News and General Meetings was publicly motioned and APPROVED. Ten members of Board of Trustees in attendance. Unanimous.
- Announcements:
 - Electronic survey re: city's web site: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N77VLDK>
 - Survey for CPS, due by Dec 1: <http://www.k12insight.com/survey>

Minutes prepared by Recording Secretary C. Wallpe. Approved, December 1, 2015.

Next General Meeting: January 19, 2016
Meeting Adjourned 9:54 p.m.

Financial Report, November 2015

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|-------------------------|-------------|
| Balance on Nov 1, 2015 | \$14,117.85 |
| Income: | |
| Dues | 48.00 |
| Total | 48.00 |
| Expenses: | |
| Reimburse Ziegler | 29.58 |
| Park Board | 2800.00 |
| Total | 2829.58 |
| Balance on Nov 30, 2015 | \$11,336.27 |

Study: Cincinnati one of best places to get rich?

“When it comes to saving money, where you live matters.” Online magazine *Money Under 30* found 10 cities with affordable housing and above-average salaries for 18-to-34-year-olds. Could these be the best cities in America for getting rich?

Money Under 30 studied cities across the United States to find the ideal combination of modest expenses and decent salaries. In other words, they looked for locations where you can earn *and* save at the same time. Cincinnati was #8 on the list.

Source:

<http://www.moneyunder30.com/best-cities-to-get-rich>

Cincinnati Works

Cincinnati Works offers a comprehensive approach to eliminating poverty in the Tri-State area by providing job readiness training and ongoing employment counseling.

Over 5,000 people have been helped begin their journey to economic self-sufficiency since Dave and Liane Phillips founded Cincinnati Works in 1996. Cincinnati Works is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that brings hope and encouragement to people living in poverty, through a network of job services and employer partnerships.

At Cincinnati Works, our mission is to help willing and capable people living in poverty achieve economic self-sufficiency through employment. Using a holistic approach, we offer access to area employers while providing comprehensive support services, which include:

- Behavioral Counseling
- Legal Advocacy
- Spiritual Support
- Childcare Resources
- Transportation Assistance
- Lifetime Membership

By addressing the multiple concerns and needs of our Members, we are able to coach and prepare them for long-term employment and, ultimately, economic self-sufficiency.

Email: info@cincinnatiworks.org
Phone: 513.744.WORK (9675)

2 locations:

Cincinnati Works
708 Walnut Street, Floor 2
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Cincinnati Works at CityLink Center
800 Bank Street
Cincinnati, OH 45214

<http://www.cincinnatiworks.org>

Happy Holidays!

OKI survey

You Have the Green Light: Share Your Transportation Needs to Shape Our Region's Future

Calling anyone and everyone! Whether you drive, ride, pedal or walk, your input is needed to guide the future of transportation improvements in our community and across the region.

The Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments, also known as OKI, recently launched a survey on November 30, to understand what short and long-term transportation needs and issues are most important to you. The online survey is short, taking only about 5 minutes to complete, and will be open through Friday, January 8.

Make your opinion count by participating in this survey! Click [here](#) to take the survey. Or you can find the survey on OKI's Facebook page found at <https://www.facebook.com/okiregional>. For more information about the 2040 plan, visit <http://2040.oki.org/>.

Your input will be used by OKI to update the region's 2040 Plan, which identifies the transportation projects and programs to be implemented over the next 25 years. Since transportation and economic development are closely connected, the 2040 Plan helps advance our region and improve quality of life for all of us who live, work and play here.

The goal of this survey is to gather as much community input as possible, so feel free to forward this email to your friends, family and networks. Thank you in advance for your participation!

Questions? OKI is happy to share additional information. Please contact Florence Parker, OKI's public involvement specialist at (513) 619-7686 or fparker@oki.org.

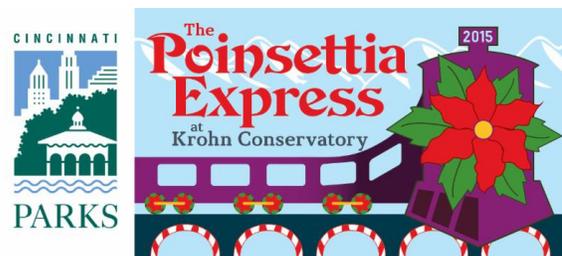
Also for your information, we have partnered with Red Bike (the bike sharing program) that will award one survey participant a one-year complimentary membership to Red Bike (value \$80) for submitting their survey. The chance to enter is completely optional and all we are asking for is their email address. This request for their email address is not mandatory to complete the survey.

CPD opportunities



The Cincinnati Police Department is seeking qualified candidates to apply with the department.

In an effort to encourage candidates to register for the exam, teams of CPD Officers will be looking for potential prospects at their Open House Recruiting Event, "Are you Fit Enough to Be a Police Officer?" Challenge, hosted at the Cincinnati Police Academy on Saturday, December 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.



The 2015 Holiday Show at Krohn is blossoming with the sweet twist of peppermint this season! Hop on the Poinsettia Express and explore a landscape of swirling trees and striped blooms of deep reds and rich chartreuse. Candy cane striped amaryllis, crimson poinsettias dappled in white, spiral junipers, and speckled caladiums create a charming floral setting for this year's interactive train display and botanical architecture.

Trains carrying peppermint candies interweave with fascinating "gingerbread" houses made of all natural minerals. Refresh your holiday spirit with your family and friends this year at Krohn Conservatory!

WHERE: Krohn Conservatory
WHEN: November 14 - January 3

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Winter Break Day Camp

We're going to celebrate the quiet calm of winter and ring in the New Year! Join in on the fun as we go exploring, play seasonal games, get creative with arts and crafts and simply relax with a story. Be ready for an exciting time!

Fee: \$25 per child. Online registration for this camp ends at noon on Dec 24. Call 751-3679 for more information and inquiry on the availability of camp slots after this time.

WHERE: Burnet Woods
WHEN: December 28

Straight Street hillclimb



On Sunday, November 22, CUF resident Suzanne Summer (above and below left) pedaled to a first-place finish in the women's division and eighth place overall in this year's Straight Street Hill Climb. Approximately 125 entrants competed, running, walking, and/or pedaling in this grueling 0.3 mile race.





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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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