



NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION

Newsletter

REPRESENTING CLIFTON HEIGHTS • UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS • FAIRVIEW

December, 2017

Next monthly meeting:

January 16, 2018

Hughes High School, Innovation Lab
Second Floor, 2515 Clifton Ave., 7 p.m.

Dear Neighbors,

As 2017 draws to a close, here is a recap of important issues CUF is involved with:

Regarding our schools, Lyn Martin has volunteered as CUF's LSDMC (Local Decision-Making Committee) representative at Hughes. Hughes has achieved both state and national STEM certification, which Principal Kathy Wright hopes to use as a marketing draw for the school. This year there is also a student at Hughes from Puerto Rico. After the devastating storms there, with help from the parent organization and others, he was able to bring his parents to Cincinnati. Anyone wishing to make a contribution to this family can contact Lyn Martin at a CUF meeting or leave a message on the website at <http://www.cufna.org>.

Also, the Clifton Area Neighborhood School (CANS) effort continues with information gathering and enrollment. See CANS Advisory Group's website at: cansadvisory@gmail.com for further information.

Parks and greenspace have always been important to CUF. During 2017, we solidified a Fairview Park working committee that we hope to expand to our other parks. The committee has identified a wish list, which is now being vetted by the Cincinnati Recreation Commission and Parks Department to determine funding priorities and possibilities.

Last month with the cooperation of Parks staff, we planted four new trees in Bellevue Park. See photos inside. We hope to reopen the now-closed park access from Sauer Street by making repairs to the existing steps. With help from Tom Reece and other Recreation staff, we hope to install a new sign for Coy Field at the Marshall Avenue entrance.

And, we're now official members of the Cincinnati Parks Advisory Council. By developing relationships and working together with all city stakeholders, we hope to keep park improvements on an uphill trajectory.

Meanwhile on a larger scope, CUF continues to work with the Neighbors of Uptown and other community councils to pressure the city into better communications and decision-making practices. Zone changes recommended in the UC Impact Study are heading to the Planning Commission and City Council this month. We have other recommendations we hope to include in the overall revisions of the land use code coming up this year. The process for granting tax abatements for developers is another issue being brought to the city by communities.

This month, CUF has been invited to participate in the Western Hills Viaduct Coalition. A group of city and county communities directly impacted by the viaduct is forming to create a single, more powerful voice in resolving the problem of the crumbling structure.

Finally, on a lighter note, CUF has been invited to participate in the 2018 Cincinnati Neighborhood Games. This "Olympic" event was organized last year to engage residents of the city's 52 neighborhoods. CUF is in need of a Captain to make this happen. For more information see: <http://www.cincygames.com>.

It was reported that only 27% of eligible voters participated in the November election for Mayor and City Council. This number is abysmal. Community improvement demands citizen participation. We urge you to become involved in any one of the issues currently affecting our neighborhood. Come join us!

Remember, there is no general meeting in December. Happy Holidays and hope to see you on January 16th in the New Year!

Linda Ziegler

CUF Neighborhood Association general membership meeting 21 November 2017

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:10pm, by Linda Ziegler.

Guests:

- CPD – Captain Bardoa, Sgt. Volkerding, Officer Hageman,
- UCPD – Officer Jim Vestring, Sgt. Dave Hoffman
- Tom Reece - CRC
- Moreo Rivera - Trinitas

Safety Updates:

Officer Hageman and Sgt. Volkerding reported that crime has generally gone down, except for thefts, and they read off recent arrests. Violent crimes and traffic accidents are taking precedent over “nuisance” crimes which can delay response time.

Officer Vestring and Sgt. Hoffman announced that there would be some UCPD promotional interviews coming up. The time and venue for the Richard Spencer event is TBD. There will be no change to the game day parking restrictions on Calhoun and McMillan for the 25 November UC football game with UConn, but it will be discussed for future FCC and UCFB games. The number to call for UCPD Dispatch is 513-556-1111.

Reports:

- The Treasurer’s Report was shared.

Announcements:

- Mike Morris presented the plan for CUFNA to purchase 6 bus benches to match those ordered by CHCURC. Mike will also try to get a DBA/Tradename set up so that CUFNA can get Non-profit status with the USPS.
- Invest in Neighborhoods has a new Director. The City has agreed to pay for aggregated insurance for community councils and their boards. An official vote will happen soon.
- 5 trees were planted in Bellevue Hill Park with the cooperation of CUF volunteers and Parks on 16 November.
- Tom Reece announced that new Picnic Area and conversion of the former baseball fields into a multi-purpose field would happen in 2018 in Fairview Park. A new sign at the entrance to Coy Playground on Marshall will be installed.
- Jules Rosen passed out surveys dealing with CUF’s identity, recognition and possible branding problems/opportunities.
- Moreo Rivera introduced himself as the Community Outreach person for Trinitas. It was also announced that CUFNA would not go forward with support of the proposed zone

changes to the Deaconess property to the south of Straight Street or the Sansalone properties.

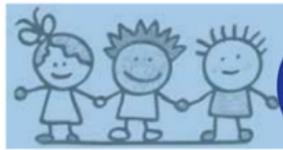
- Lyn Martin reported on the Hughes LSDMC. Hughes has received both state and national accreditation as a STEM school. A family impacted by the hurricanes in Puerto Rico is living in Cincinnati with a child attending Hughes – any support would be appreciated.
- If CUF wants a zoning overlay district, per the University Impact Area Solutions Study, we need to make a specific written request.
- The OTR Museum and Peoples Liberty are having an event on 26 November, to collect and scan historic photographs.
- The Cincinnati Games will be held again in 2018.
- There are some zone changes / text amendments to the code having to do with outdoor signage. Staff Conference, 27 November, 4pm. Planning Commission, 1 December, 9am.
- City Council passed an Ordinance this past summer requiring homeowners to replace their lead supply pipes whenever GCWW replaces water mains on their streets. GCWW will provide a credit for the first \$1,500 worth of work. GCWW can do the work and assess the homeowner over the next 10 years. If your house is older than 1927, you may have lead pipes.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45pm

Next General Meeting: 16 January 2018, at the Hughes High School Innovation Lab.

Financial Report, Nov., 2017

Balance on Nov 1, 2017	\$6381.84
Income:	
Dues	12.00
Tower Fund: Reimburse for planters	3,600.00
Total	3612.00
Expenses:	
Cinti Park Bd: Planter maintenance	3,600.00
Natorp’s: Trees for Bellevue Park	931.50
FedEx: Nov Newsletter	386.54
Ziegler: Reimburse Nov agenda	10.40
Total	4928.44
Balance on Nov 30, 2017	\$5,065.40



CANS



CLIFTON AREA NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

serving Clifton, Spring Grove Village and CUF
(Clifton Heights, University Heights and Fairview)

Campus Visioning Feedback

Representatives from CANS Advisory Group, Clifton Town Meeting, Cincinnati Public Schools, and Clifton Recreation Center held a community input gathering meeting on Tuesday, Oct 24 to build consensus recommendations of the collective community in the re-establishment of school operations at the Clifton School, including use of the Rawson Farmhouse property.

We are now seeking your feedback on the results and outcomes from this meeting. The meeting presentation and the results & outcomes details are all at our website in the Brainstorm section.

Specifically, look at Step 3. Visit www.canselementary.org

There is a survey link for your feedback as well. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XTZSJXH>

In coordination with CPS & Rising Stars Academy at Vine, CANS Advisory Group is co-hosting Open Houses for families who are interested in learning more about CANS. Next school year, we will have pre-K, K and 1st grade classes. Please drop in to visit class rooms, see the facilities that are the temporary home of CANS, and hear more about future plans.

When: Tues, Jan 23. 4:00 - 5:30pm

Where: 2120 Vine Street, 45202

Read more at our website: www.canselementary.org

CANS Advisory Group, the CANS PTO, and Clifton Recreation Center are producing this event.

School Enrollment / Recruitment

The CANS Advisory Group Recruitment/Enrollment Committee has created a strategic plan for the important work of filling our CANS preschool, kindergarten, and first grade classes for the 2018-19 school year. There are many ways to plug in to this plan and help out. Please click on the link on the website to contact the CANS Advisory Group if you would like to assist us in this work.

100% renewable energy for city facilities

Saves \$ and Reduces Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The City of Cincinnati has signed an electricity contract with Dynegy Inc. to purchase 100% green energy for almost all City facilities beginning January 2018. This represents another step in Cincinnati's transition to 100% renewable energy by 2035.

Now all City police and fire stations, health clinics, recreation centers and most other City Administration buildings - including City Hall - will be powered entirely by renewable energy through at least 2021.

The City will save more than \$100,000 per year compared to current utility rates and the results of this green power purchase will reduce the City's greenhouse gas emissions by 9.1%.

Bellevue Park trees

On November 16, staff from the Cincinnati Park Board helped us plant four trees in Bellevue Park along the walk. Thanks to Mike Morris, Jack Martin, Mark Bambach, Paul Gallagher, Dave Boutelle, and Wes Brock, we now have new burr oak, cypress, elm and scarlet oak trees in the park.



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LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM (LSLRP)

To reduce exposure to lead in drinking water, the Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) continues to develop a lead service line replacement program. This program requires full lead service replacement with copper. The utility-owned section of the line is replaced on a planned or emergency basis if:

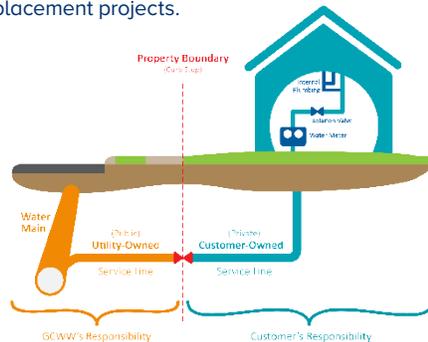
- The utility-owned section of the line is replaced on a planned or emergency basis.
- A leak or failure is discovered on either the customer-owned or utility-owned section of the service line.
- A disturbance on either the customer or utility-owned section of the line occurs for any other reason (renovation, demolition and rebuild, or other construction work.)

A service line provides water from the water main in the street to the property. The illustration below reflects a typical service line ownership situation.

The water main is installed down the street and the public (utility-owned) service line connects from the water main to the property line. This is the GCWW portion of the water service and is the responsibility of the utility.

The property owner is responsible for the private (customer-owned) service line section from the property line into the house/building. This private service line may be made of lead or other materials containing lead.

GCWW is mobilizing this new program now and work has begun as part of some water main replacement projects.



The Greater Cincinnati Water Works has had a program to reduce the risk of lead in drinking water for many years. However, from a public health and safety perspective, it is important to remove the risk of lead that may exist in home plumbing systems.

Is your Service Line LEAD?

A simple way to find out if the material of your service line is lead is to use our **Lead Map** located on GCWW's "Lead Awareness" site.

Lead.myGCWW.org

No Internet? No Problem!

Call **651-LEAD (5323)** and one of our agents would be glad to assist you with determining the material of your service line.

Stratford Avenue, 1931



*Highway Dept.
Feb. 1931
Stratford Ave north from Straight St. before imp.*

Pictured here are two views of Stratford Avenue looking down from Straight Street in 1931. The images show the before and after results of a project by the Highway Dept. for the completion of the street. They were taken in February and June of that year.



*Highway Dept.
6-7-31
Stratford Ave north from 275' S. of DeVolie Ave. after imp.*

Source: Highway Department collection,
University of Cincinnati Libraries; Archives and
Rare Books Library.

*Happy
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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, 7:00 p.m, Hughes High School, 2nd floor, 2515 Clifton Ave.
- CUF Trustee meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m, Hughes High School, 2nd floor
- CUF annual meeting and election: 3rd Tuesday in July, 7:00 pm, Hughes High School, 2nd floor, 2515 Clifton Avenue

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.