



**NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION**

Newsletter

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December, 2019

Next monthly meeting:

January 21, 2020

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

Season's Greetings!

On behalf of the CUF board of trustees, we hope you enjoyed being a part of the CUF community in 2019. One thing is certain: whether we like it or not, there's always something happening in our neighborhood! In the past year, we were introduced to electric-powered scooters and red bikes sharing our streets. Our parks benefited from increased programming and amenities. Our new neighborhood elementary school, CANS, opened at its permanent location. Revitalization efforts continue to reshape parts of our neighborhood and stabilize others. Several social and service events were held in the neighborhood and we are seeing an increase in membership and participation. Efforts to improve parking and city services are ongoing and making progress, as are CUF's relationships with community partners and city representatives.

Thank you for being a part of what makes CUF a great neighborhood. We are fortunate to be a diverse community of professionals and students, families and retirees. We appreciate what you add to this community, and we hope to see you at upcoming events! As a reminder, our next meeting is on Tuesday, January 21st, 7:00pm at Hughes High School.

The CUF Neighborhood Association is grateful for all that we were able to accomplish this past year, and we look forward to a fruitful 2020!

-Nathan Hess, President

CUF Neighborhood Association General Membership Meeting (and Potluck)

St. Monica – St. George Parish Newman Center
19 November 2019 -

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:12 pm, by Nathan Hess after the 6:30 pm potluck session.

Guests:

- Captain Craig Gregoire – CPD 5
- Officer Nick Hageman – CPD 5
- Officer Carra Sparks – UCPD
- Peggy Frondorf – Cincinnati Ward Representation Proposal
- Brenden Regan – CHCURC Housing Initiative
- Aaron Bartels and Mark Beecher – Trinitas
- Isaac Wolff – AEPi

Safety Updates:

- UCPD Officer Sparks provided upcoming UC Football home game dates for November 2019 and UC Basketball home games for November and December 2019. Last Sunday, 17 November 2019, UCPD and CPD 5 went door to door passing out crime safety/burglary prevention door hangers and also provided feedback to approximately 164 students on things (weaknesses) that burglars commonly look for when casing homes. The 2019 Shop-with-a-Cop event is scheduled for Saturday, 14 December 2019 from 9 am to 12 noon with each child able to spend \$100.00. There is no CUF family identified yet for this event so please spread the word among your neighbors.
- CPD 5 Officer Hageman provided YTD Crime Stats as of October 2019 as follows: (1) Homicides down by 50%; (2) Rapes down by 33%; (3) Robberies up by 22%; (4) Felonious Assaults up by 25%; (5) Total Violent Crime up by 7%; (6) Burglaries down by 5%; (7) Auto Theft up by 64%; (8) Theft down by 4%; (9) Theft from Autos down by 12%; (10) Total Property Crime down by 2%; and (11) Total Crime down by 2%. (referenced Officer Hageman's monthly crime stats report document). Additionally, he advised of a few

common property crime prevention tips, such as keeping doors and windows always locked; keeping porch lights on at night; and installing glass block windows in lower level/basements of houses; letting trusted neighbors know when you will be out of town; be more vigilant when expecting package deliveries; and be aware of snow shovel gypsies. CPD will be implementing a Holiday Task Force to provide high police presence and visibility during late night and early morning hours. Lastly, some discussion occurred regarding excessive speeding and vehicle crossing of double yellow lines on W. McMicken between Brighton and Ravine streets (including Metro busses).

- Isaac Wolff representing the AEPi Fraternity advised of several upcoming parties/events dates and times scheduled for November and December 2019. Address of the fraternity is 2625 University Court.

Special Guest Speakers:

- Peggy Frondorf representing Henry Frondorf, Westwood Neighborhood introduced herself and spoke about a proposed charter amendment to establish Ward Districting in Cincinnati, similar to what is done in other major cities throughout the United States. Cincinnati's total 300K residents would be divided into Districts of 60K residents which would encompass 13 neighborhoods per district. The next step is to obtain enough signatures to add the proposal by the March 2020 deadline (60 days prior to the May 2020 election). She also had the signature sheets available for those present who were interested in the voters being allowed to decide on this issue. Please refer to www.faircityincy.org for more information.
- Brenden Regen representing the CHCURC Housing Initiative introduced himself and spoke of several interesting housing revitalization projects throughout CUF, designed to spur more owner-occupied houses. He also explained how non-profit (501.3c) organizations can use the legal process of "receivership" to obtain vacant and public-nuisance buildings by suing the delinquent property owner(s) in order to stabilize the building for future sale to a new owner (preferably owner occupied versus landlord).

Reports, Discussions & Announcements:

- The Treasurer's Report was shared by Nathan Hess.
- The District at Clifton Heights and other Trinitas related updates: Aaron Bartels from Trinitas provided a brief update advising that the interior demo of the old Deaconess medical

office building has begun and all demolitions will be completed by the end of December 2019 (to include barrier fencing to enclose the site); Straight Street final grading finishes; and they will be back at the January 2020 General Meeting to provide more status updates now that the City of Cincinnati has approved a TIF ordinance for this project to capture public benefits, tax initiatives, and funding for street improvements. Additionally, Fr. Al Hirt from St. Monica-St. George advised that since the removal of the cell tower located on the former Deaconess Hospital, that cell phone coverage has drastically deteriorated next door at the Church. Aaron Bartels from Trinitas advised that both the Sprint and Verizon Carriers leases are expired but one of the carriers has found a new location and that Trinitas has been approached recently by the other carrier for possible installation on the top of their future building, however there are several engineering (structural and material) requirements that may or may not accommodate this future installation.

- Fairview and Bellevue Hill Parks updates: Jack Martin advised that there are no major updates to report
- CHCURC Block 1 updates: Chip Kussmaul advised that it is moving along.
- CHBA updates: Jack Martin advised that there are no major updates to report and no meeting scheduled for this week.
- NOU updates: Jack Martin reported on behalf of Linda Ziegler regarding the Go-Vibrant Walking Trails joint initiative with the Corryville and Mt. Auburn neighborhoods and that a Go-Vibrant representative is scheduled as a guest speaker at the January 2020 General Meeting.
- LSDMC/CPS updates: Hughes Rep Lyn Martin reported that the Hughes LSDMC meeting was cancelled and CANS Rep Tracy Schwetschenau reported that the new school is having a good year so far and is open to ideas for parent outreach.

- Additional Announcements by CUFNA President Nathan Hess:

- CUFNA Membership Initiatives: The new CUF Flags are available in different sizes for purchase (the cost per each flag also decreases based upon the amount of flags purchased within each order), and a proposal for the board to purchase 10 quantity yard signs that will announce the time and location of the Monthly General Meetings.
- CUFNA Website Redesign: A tentative update should be available at the January 2020 General Meeting.

- Landscaping Revitalization around the 6 points intersection (McMillan-Ravine-Fairview Streets, St. Monica-St. George Church & The Asian Market) is in review by the CUFNA Board and includes design drawings submitted by Landscape Designer Mark Bambach. There has also been some discussion among the Board Members regarding the possibility of approaching Trinitas for some of the funding to design and maintain the new landscaping.
- Census 2020 jobs: Nathan Hess advised that a Census Bureau Rep may speak at the January 2020 General Meeting.
- IIN (Invest-in-Neighborhoods) Leadership Academy is scheduled for January 2020 at IIN's Offices located downtown at the Cincinnati Fire Museum Building and the Annual Neighborhood Summit is scheduled for Saturday, 14 March 2020 at the Xavier University Cintas Center.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:11 pm

Next General Meeting: 21 January 2020, 7:00 pm, Hughes STEM High School (Innovation Lab, 2nd floor)

Next Board Meeting: 7 January 2020, 7:00 pm, CHCURC Offices

Minutes submitted by Carolyn Young.

CUF financial report November 2019

Balance on: Oct. 31, 2019 \$ 6,533.35

Income:

Membership	\$ 40.00
NSP	\$ 6,078.00
Donation	\$ 67.16

Total income: + \$ 6,185.16

Expenses: 11/12/19

Rosen - PITP Reimb	\$ 75.00
Martin - PITP Reimb	\$ 435.11
Wallpe - Mutt Mitts	\$1,253.63
Martin - PITP Reimb	\$ 19.22
GCWW	\$ 10.41
ACH Bambach - PITP Reimb	\$ 59.08
Ntukogu - Website 2 of 3	\$ 600.00

Total expenses: - \$ 2,452.45

Balance on: Nov. 30, 2019 \$ 10,266.06

Krohn Christmas

Discover the beauty of Cincinnati's German history at Cincinnati Parks Krohn Conservatory's 2019 Holiday Show: "A Zinzinnati Holiday."

Surround yourself with evergreens and poinsettias as you stroll through the historical representations of Cincinnati's buildings. On view you will find Atlas Cedar, Lawson Cypress, and an array of Amaryllis such as the lovely Papilio and Red Pearl.

Show Dates & Times:

Open Daily (November 9th, 2019 - January 5th, 2020) 10AM - 5PM

Special Holiday Hours:

Christmas Eve (12/24): 10AM - 5PM

Christmas Day (12/25): 10Am - 2PM

Family Nights "Krohn By Candlelight"

(Open until 7:30 PM)

December 13 - 23

December 26 - 30



An acoustic Christmas with Over the Rhine

Where:

Memorial Hall

Date:

Fri, December 20, 2019 thru Sun,
December 22, 2019

Time:

8:00 PM on 12/20 and 12/21, 2:00 PM
12/22

Price:

\$40-\$65

Antique Christmas

Taft Museum of Art

Enjoy a glimpse of Christmas past at the Taft Museum of Art's annual exhibition of holiday treasures. Visitors will find beautiful decorations throughout the historic house, thanks to generous collectors from Cincinnati and beyond. This year, guests can expect many new and exciting displays, including several feather trees with decorations ranging from vintage Disney ornaments to characters from German fairy tales. Figures of the jolly old elf will also be on view under a large tree adorned with antique paper, chenille, and glass ornaments.

Other highlights include a whimsical display of the types of transportation Santa Claus uses to make his special deliveries, as well as a feather tree hung with brightly colored Russian ornaments watched over by figures of Grandfather Frost and the Snow Maiden. A forest of small trees decorated with pre-WWII German, Polish, and Japanese miniature glass ornaments and a vibrant collection of Art Deco gift boxes will also put visitors in the holiday spirit!

Through January 4.

Taft Museum of Art
316 Pike St, Cincinnati, OH
Phone: (513) 241-0343



*Happy
Holidays!*

City holiday trash schedule

When your regular trash collection day falls on the date shown, your trash will be collected the following day.

Collections for the remainder of the week will be delayed one day.

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020: New Year's Day
Monday, Jan. 20, 2020: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday, Feb. 17, 2020: Presidents Day
Monday, May 25, 2020: Memorial Day
Saturday July 4, 2020: Independence Day
Monday, Sept. 2, 2020: Labor Day
Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2020: Veterans Day
Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020: Thanksgiving
Friday, Dec. 25, 2020: Christmas

Christmas Tree Recycling Tips

- You can put the tree out on the street whole; you do not need to cut the tree into segments to meet the usual yard waste limitations
 - You must remove everything from the tree - not just lights and tinsel and ornaments, but also tree stands and tree bags
 - Only leave real trees at the curb; Cincinnati Public Services can deal with artificial trees, but it is a different process than the one for real trees
- These trees, once they are collected, will be chipped at the recycling center. After that, the chips will either be added to big compost piles or used as pine mulch.

Check your collections schedule by downloading the free Fix it Cincy! mobile app <https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/cityofcincinnati/cincinnati-city-hall-mobile/> Fix It Cincy! Mobile
With Cincinnati City Hall Mobile, get involved to help keep your neighborhood clean, safe & vibrant!
CINCINNATI-OH.GOV

Fountain Square ice rink

The rink features 600 pairs of rental skates; a full-service concessions tent with hot and cold snacks, and alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. It is open to skaters of all ages and the rink operates seven days a week.

Neighborhood Leadership Academy

The City of Cincinnati is launching a Neighborhood Leadership Academy to provide residents with valuable tools and resources for better understanding how city government works and how they can be more engaged with the process. The goal is to equip participants with the knowledge necessary to make them more engaged residents and to help them become civic leaders in their respective neighborhoods.

The program is scheduled to begin Tuesday, January 14, 2020, and will run for nine consecutive weeks from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Invest in Neighborhood's headquarters (315 W. Court St.). Each week will have a specific prompt and leadership from corresponding City departments will be in attendance for each session. Sessions will discuss things ranging from the City's budget to technology and data analytics initiatives used by the City to public health initiatives.

Visit the [Neighborhood Leadership Academy page](#) for more information.

The Academy will culminate with a graduation ceremony at the annual Cincinnati Neighborhood Summit on March 14, 2020 at Cintas Center on the campus of Xavier University.

The Neighborhood Leadership Academy is free and available to all resident of Cincinnati residents. Class size is limited to 25 participants so residents must apply for consideration. The application is available online.

The Neighborhood Leadership Academy is brought to you by the Engage Cincy Action Team (ECAT) and the City of Cincinnati. For more information, please visit www.cincinnati-oh.gov/ecat or contact Engage.Cincy@cincinnati-oh.gov.

Recyclable items

The Cincinnati Recycling Program accepts the following materials:

All plastic bottles and jugs, regardless of the number stamped in the bottom. If you crush the jug/bottle, you can screw the lid back on for recycling. Labels ok.

NOTE: To be considered a bottle or a jug, the mouth (top) of the container must be smaller than the bottom

Glass jars and bottles (any color) – Metal lids ok if detached from bottle, labels ok

Aluminum beverage cans

Steel cans – Labels may be left on

Cartons (Juice boxes, soup/stock boxes, etc.) – remove caps and straws

Empty aerosol cans - with lids and tips removed

Paperboard (cereal boxes, frozen food boxes, 12-pack containers, etc.)

Cardboard - broken down to 3'-by-3' sections

A variety of paper products

- o Office paper

- o Newspaper

- o Magazines

- o Junk mail and envelopes (with or without windows)

- o Telephone books

- o Paper grocery bags

- o Clean pizza boxes

Some odds items are not able to be recycled through the City's curbside recycling program but are accepted by local recycling and reuse outlet centers. A list of such items is available here.

Should It Be In A Garbage Bag?

No, please just place your recyclable items in the cart or bin. The only exception is shredded paper, which may be placed in a clear plastic bag.

Plastic Grocery Bags

Plastic bags are not accepted in the City's curbside recycling program. Due to stringent standards for the reselling of this material, manufacturers require plastic bags be clean, dry and in like-new condition to be used in the manufacturing process. Due to the collection and separation process, Rumpke Recycling can't meet those manufacturer's standards. Many local retailers have established plastic bag recycling programs. We encourage you to seek out these types of opportunities to recycle your plastic bags and films.



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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 \$10.00.

- 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., CHCURC offices.
- 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: \$10.00 per year.
Make checks payable to CUFNA.

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