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Frequently Called Numbers

Unattended, abandoned cars litter, overgrown grass, weeds large trash, Christmas trees, etc. Snow removal, pot holes, dead animals, sidewalk repair, and graffiti, etc.

Cinti. Public Works, 591-6000

Serious home structure problems

Bldg. & Inspec. Dept., 352-3978

Cinti. Police—Street Corner Drug Enforcement

Community Police Officer

Louis Arnold, 569-8649

louispolice.arnold@cincinnati-oh.gov

Avon Woods Nature Center

861-3435

Great American Clean-up

WHY SHOULD I PARTICIPATE....

The GAC is not only a cleanup, it's about community building. Neighbors work side by side to improve the quality of life in their community. By ridding their neighborhoods of litter, illegal dumping and graffiti they are creating a clean and safe neighborhood in which to live, work and play. Many communities add beautification projects to enhance their neighborhoods.

Let's all come together Saturday, April 26th to help keep our community "Cincinnati's Best Kept Secret" Volunteers will meet at the bottom of **Avon Drive at 9am**. Lunch will follow the cleanup at the Nature Center. Volunteers please **call me at 641-4225** or **e-mail me at pjonz1999@yahoo.com**. Ideas for cleanup areas and beautification are welcome. ~Pat Jones



A picture from last year's GAC on 4/28/07

Upcoming Events

- **Sat., 4/26 - 9am-12pm Great American Clean-Up** at Community Garden
- **Sat., 5/17 - 11am-1pm Spring Grove Tour** at Spring Grove Cemetery
- **Mon., 5/19 - 7pm-9pm Community Meeting - Elections** at Avon Wood

“Silent gratitude isn’t much use to anyone.” G.B. Stern



It has certainly been a pleasure and a wonderful opportunity to be a part of a close, family-oriented and neighborly community. Even more it was an honor and surprise to be recognized for my services in connection with the Paddock Hills Press. I am very grateful for all the accolades and comments received by Paddock Hills. I plan to continue to keep you all happy with the coming presses. Please feel free at any time to drop a message, suggestions or any other comments at adlipp825@gmail.com (and please be patient with my responses). Thank you all again soooooo much!

Alexandria

Just Talk by Gari Silverblatt

I really hate surprises, don't you? This month's mail brought along with all the junk mail, several invitations to surprise parties for birthdays. Now I have been the "victim" of lots of surprises because one of my daughters and her family are always surprising me. It started when I was 60, they cooked up an elaborate scheme that made me think I was going to a recital for a friend's daughter, and I walked into a room with tons of people all yelling "Happy Birthday". I was a little stunned and certainly felt confusion but I wasn't dizzy or anything. I just tried to recover and enjoy a pretty fabulous party with gorgeous flowers, live band and great food. There was not a detail that was overlooked except that several of my friends whom my family didn't know were not invited!



I have had over the years many surprises which included surprise visits. Surprise flower arrangements surprise gifts, etc. but a couple of years ago I got a double surprise: My son in law told me he would be in town on business and would be stopping at my house for a brief visit. It turned out the only business he had was to deliver a very fancy automobile to my driveway. I nearly dropped over. I got pale, my heart started racing like crazy as he dangled the keys to the car in front of me. I survived that so that I could tell all my friends and then on the day of the birthday party my baby daughter was at the Parks' home decorating for my birthday party. I certainly didn't expect my older daughter as she was supposed to be in India. There was a knock on the door, and in walked a woman who looked so much like my eldest daughter that I got pale and faint. You see, it was my older daughter who had not gone to India after all and was there to celebrate my birthday. So you see what I mean when I say I hate surprises. Don't get me wrong. I won't breathe a word to the friends who are going to be surprised. I hope they have good hearts or reliable pacemakers. HAPPY EATING....gari silverblatt

Spring Grove Cemetary Tour

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!!!.....Our community tour through Spring Grove Cemetery and Arboretum was such a success last spring that we are doing it again! This year the tour will focus on the award winning horticulture. Spring Grove is considered one of the most magnificent examples of landscape architecture and design in the country. Don't miss out.....please join us for a morning of discovery and fellowship.

We will meet our tour guide Saturday May 17th at 11 am at the main entrance of Spring Grove. There is a small parking lot to the right of the entrance. We do suggest carpooling if possible. We will provide a tram for those who prefer to ride during the tour. Following the tour, boxed lunches catered by Giminetti Baking Company will be served in the Historic Office. The cost of the lunches will be \$8.00 per person and will include a sandwich, a side, and a cookie. Please use the enclosed sheet and mail back with your order for lunch.

CISV and Paddock Hills – the tradition continues

Desmond Daly (Westminster) an 11 year old North Avondale Montessori student will travel to Amsterdam for a month this summer to represent the US as part of Children's International Summer Villages (CISV.)

Village is a four week international camp attended by delegations of eleven year olds from 12 countries. Each delegation consists of 2 boys and 2 girls and an adult leader. Over 60 Villages are held throughout the world each year.

On Sunday, April 27, Desmond (and others traveling this summer) will shoot 80 basketball (or soccer) goals as part of CISV "Around the World in 80 Goals" Fundraiser.

You can sponsor an amount per shot (for example .10 each/\$8.00, .25 each/\$20.00, .50 each/\$40.00, \$1 each/\$80 and \$5 each/\$400) or make a general donation.

Desmond is also willing and able to help with yard work, pet care and be a mother's helper this spring and summer to earn money for his trip.

CISV is an independent, non-profit, non-political, volunteer organization that offers children, youth, and adults the opportunity to make new friendships worldwide and to understand and appreciate different cultures. You can learn more about CISV at www.cincycisv.org

To sponsor Desmond this summer, please email his mom, MiMi Chamberlin Daly at mimichamb@aol.com or call 513-242-3940.

IN MEMORIAM: William Chatman and Helen Richards

Mr. Chatman, a longtime resident of Spring Meadow Drive, died March 6 after a lengthy illness. Mr. Chatman enjoyed bowling very much; he was part owner with neighbor Alex Tyler of a bowling alley on Reading Road for many years. He spent his last few weeks in a nursing facility, visited by some of his Spring Meadow neighbors, who will miss him very much. Funeral services were held at Calvary Methodist Church on March 15.

Mrs. Richards moved to Cincinnati in 2004 to be near her daughter, Donna Park, of Paddock Lane. She died March 29 and was returned to her native New Jersey for funeral services March 31 and April 1. Mrs. Richards made friends easily in her adopted city, thanks to her great sense of humor and ability to make people laugh. While in Cincinnati, Mrs. Richards lived at the Seasons Retirement Community.

We will miss these two from our community life and conversation, and offer our sympathy to their grieving families.

"Birth and death are not two different states, but they are different aspects of the same state. There is as little reason to deplore the one as there is to be pleased over the other."

Mahatma Gandhi



Meng's Martial Arts of Cincinnati Ltd. has opened its School at 3911 Reading Road in North Avondale. The facility encompasses 5,500 square feet of training space and offers classes for Children ages 8 - 12, Youths, Adults, and Seniors. Courses are given in Internal Health training based upon Traditional Chinese Medicine. In these classes you will learn how to exercise without exercising by using special breathing techniques and a form of Tai Chi and Qi Gong. The Self Defense training is for all ages and will enlighten the student in the ways of avoidance and basic combat. The Martial Arts classes are designed to assist the student in improving in every aspect of their lives in Body Mind and Spirit, as well as preparing them for combat. Our hours are from 5:00 pm until 10:00 pm Monday through Thursday with special or private training in the mornings and weekends. Check our Web Site www.cinciwingchun.com for more information.

The Prairie Needs You

Cincinnati Park Board recently decided to reclaim a little-used community garden area within Avon Woods Nature Preserve, and restore it to a planted prairie area and vernal pond. This exciting and rewarding project could use your help in order to get things underway as soon as possible. The Preserve needs some enthusiastic and dedicated friends of the preserve to help pull out remaining garden items and nonnative plants, to prepare the area for implementation of a renewed habitat. This is an exciting opportunity to restore a native habitat area of about an acre to an acre and a half. Not only will this project create habitat to draw more species of fauna to the area, it will also be an excellent educational area for self guided walks and naturalist programs. To help the Avon Woods crew with this project please contact the naturalist director at the Avon Woods Nature Center.



Dates:

Tuesday, April 22nd (Earth Day), 10am-12pm

Saturday, May 10th (International Migratory Bird Day), 11:30am-2:30pm

Any time given would be most appreciated. Simple cotton gloves will be provided for the work. You are welcome to bring your own sturdier pair of gloves. Please call or email Olivia Gennett at Avon Woods to arrange a time.

Phone: Avon Woods Nature Center (513) 861-3435 or Email: olivia.gennett@cincinnati-oh.gov

Send Names of Graduates, PLEASE



Talking to a neighbor last week, I learned that a "little girl" that I first knew 11 years ago when I moved to Paddock Hills is graduating from college this spring! I was delighted, if amazed, to have the news. I know all of you will be equally pleased to learn about the graduates of the neighborhood and what they plan to do next. I know about a few of the high school graduates, but I know I don't have all the names. Please call me so that I can interview them and share their good news with all of you. My phone: 242-1347.

Leave a message if I'm not home. ~ Rheba Clark

*"He who seeks more than he needs hinders himself from enjoying what he has."
Solomon Ben Judah*

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Please complete your box lunch selections, listed below, and return your choices and check by Saturday, May 11th. Make checks payable to Paddock Hills Assembly, mail to:
Pat Jones - 4511 Springmeadow Dr...45229

SPRING GROVE CEMETARY TOUR
SATURDAY MAY 17TH
BOX LUNCHES \$8.00 PER PERSON

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____

PLEASE SELECT ONE FROM EACH GROUP

MEAT

Roast Beef _____

Turkey Breast _____

BREAD

Wheat _____

White _____

Marble _____

CHEESE

American _____

Swiss _____

Provolone _____

SIDES

Potato Salad _____

Pasta Salad _____

Fruit Salad _____

Total: \$ _____

Plus a cookie!!!