



# Paddock Press

A publication for the neighborhood of Paddock Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio. Funded by The Neighborhood Support Program.  
Newsletter address: P.O. Box 16028, Cincinnati Ohio 45216-0028. Newsletter deadline is the 25th of each month  
for ten monthly issues. President Lina Orr, turnerorr2@aol.com and 242-2221.

April 2009

Volume #16, Issue #2

## Paddock Hills Assembly Officers

Lina Orr, President  
John or Janice Lambert, Secretary & Trustee  
Bill Williams, Vice President, NSP

## Committee Chairs

Ed Allie, Trustee, ITT Chair  
Joyce Coleman, Welcoming  
Olivia Gennett, Naturalist Avon Woods  
Tim Hammond, Gardens  
Patricia Jones, Treasurer  
Lora LaRosa, Membership  
Donald Swain, Community Development, Trustee

## Trustees

Juanita Adams, Trustee  
Maurice Adams, Trustee  
Robin Bratt, Trustee  
Luekiucus Brown, Trustee & CNAS Security  
Laura Caliman, Trustee  
Todd Farmer, Trustee  
Chuck Leichty, Trustee  
Henry Merrick, Trustee  
Betty Tuggle, Trustee and Social  
Kathleen Grant, Trustee & Publicity

## Newsletter

email Alexandria Turner  
newsletter@paddockhills.org

## 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**

Jana Cruse 513-8654

jana.cruse@cincinnati-oh.gov.

**Avon Woods Nature Center**

861-3435



## Healthy Hills

Embracing our natural resources

The Healthy Hills Campaign is a residents-led movement in Paddock Hills to acknowledge, celebrate and embrace the community's most valuable natural asset, its hillsides. The campaign, supported by the Paddock Hills Assembly, focuses on education and awareness, maintenance and care and environmental sustainability of neighborhood hillsides.

Scheduled to launch in April 2009, The Healthy Hills Campaign will result in beautiful, secure and environmentally healthy hillsides in our neighborhood. Come to the April 27th 7:00 p.m. community meeting in Avon Woods Center to learn about this new and exciting initiative, meet our partners and join this neighborhood-based, residents-led campaign to protect and enhance our hillsides.

Our community has many great attributes. It is one of the most conveniently located areas in Cincinnati with active and involved neighbors. Embracing and caring for our hillsides and the beautiful trees, plants, and variety of wild life they support is also what helps makes Paddock Hills a truly great community.

Mark your calendar and come to the April 27th meeting to learn more about the Paddock Hills Healthy Hills Campaign!

*Nelda A. Billups, Chair  
PHA Hillside Committee*

.....  
"Our character is what we do when we think no one is looking."

~Karl Otto von Schonhausen Bismark  
.....

## Upcoming Events

- **Sat., 4/25 9:00 am - 12:00 pm** Great American Clean-up
- **Mon., 4/27 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm** Community Meeting/Healthy Hills
- **Sat., 5/23 10:00 am - 12:00 pm** Spring Tour: Cooking w/ Herbs & Vegetables
- **Mon., 5/25** Freestore Foodbank Hunger Walk (see article for more info)



# Not-So-New Neighbors on Sunnyslope Terrace

The mouth-watering smell of dinner in the oven mixed with the delighted squeals of three children getting a bath upstairs greeted callers at 4514 Sunnyslope Terrace on a recent sunny afternoon. What appeared to be the tallest man in the world had opened the door and called to his wife, Brenda Ndiaye, to come down from the bathing. She introduced us to her husband, Moussa, the tall one, and quickly instructed him about how to finish the baths while she ushered us into the spacious living room.

“The furniture is pushed back because Moussa brought the children some remote-controlled cars,” she explained.

The Ndiaye family moved to Sunnyslope Terrace in May, 2008, “not yet a year,” Brenda smilingly warded off apologies for our being tardy to call on them. Brenda came to the US from the Islands about 10 years ago. She was an English teacher there, but worked briefly here for American Airlines before becoming a full-time mom. Moussa is a math teacher in the Woodward Career Tech School. He came here from Africa.

When the baths were finished, Dad Moussa handed 16-month old young Moussa to his mother, and daughters Layla (7 years) and Sayeeda (4 years) peered shyly through the stair railings until they were summoned to meet the callers. They happily received some books one caller had brought for them.

Brenda enjoys writing, reading, and cooking, especially baking. The enticing smell from the kitchen confirmed the cooking interest, for sure. They moved to Paddock Hills because the neighborhood appealed to them strongly. They look forward to ending the number of people who have lived in the house over the past 6 or 7 years. “We’re here to stay,” they said happily, and the neighborhood is happy about that, too!

~Alice Adams and Rheba Clark

.....  
“A little rain can straighten a flower stem. A little love can change a life.” Max Lucado  
.....

## In Memoriam: Tom Garner 1930-2009



The quiet presence of Tom Garner is already felt, especially at the east end of Paddock Hills Avenue. He died on Mach 12. He was always ready to help with whatever was needed, be that planting flowers that his wife had requested, digging out a pair of crutches for a neighbor who needed them for a few days, or driving his wife to places she needed to go. These deeds, in just the last few years, following his active life of service as Chairman of the Human Relations Commission, mediator in school boycotts, teaching at the Police Academy and the University of Cincinnati, being a captain in the Air Force, lab technician for Albert Sabin, and Assistant Director for Research and Training at CG&E.

One would never have heard of these accomplishments from Mr. Garner, but his fellow parishioners at St. Andrew Episcopal Church would add to them his faithful service on the vestry and as a lay Eucharistic minister for over 50 years! “He was a reader,” his wife says, “and people would request that Tom be the reader at funerals.”

Our sympathy goes to his wife JoAnn, and his sons Stuart and Geoffry and their families.

~Rheba Clark, with reference to Enquirer article, 3/28/09

# *New Neighbors on Paddock Lane*

You may already have met Mandy and Ted Monty as they walk the neighborhood with their 2 year old Golden Retriever, Louis. He is a friendly dog that encourages petting, and several neighbors have done just that. They moved to 4415 Paddock Hills Lane in late January. They had rented a house in Mariemont for several years, had looked in other parts of town, but found the age, affordability, and architecture of Paddock Hills to be exactly what they were looking for. "We wanted a house with character," Ted said, "not a new house like all the others on the block." They liked the high ceilings and big rooms of this house. They like the accessibility to work, downtown and other locations, seeing that they can be at their destinations quickly. Mariemont now seems like a long drive.

Mandy has worked as a dietician at Children's Hospital for 5 years, the length of time she has lived in Cincinnati. She grew up in Stark County and went to Bowling Green University (OH). Ted attended the University of Dayton. He is a Controls Engineer (he said that means electrical) for Keyence in Blue Ash, also for 5 years. He has family in the East, but came to Dayton from the Cleveland area.

In addition to Louis, Ted and Mandy have a cat, Simon. They like to travel, had planned a second trip to Europe (London and Paris) this year, but bought the house instead. They were married last April. Ted and Mandy are eager to learn more about their neighbors. They asked about special events, such as neighborhood yard sales, and were pleased to learn about ours. Someone at Children's Hospital has told Mandy that someone else there lives in Paddock Hills, so she is on the look-out. Ted quickly learned that one of his old friends from UD is a son-in-law of Peter Mello, his across-the-street-neighbor. Now how much more lucky can you get?

Stop and pet Louis when you see Ted and Mandy out for a walk with him, and get acquainted with all three.

*~Rheba Clark*

---

## *Paddock Hills Resident Co-leads Rites of Passage Programming for Girls*



Girls and their adult mentors (e.g., mother, aunt, grandmother, sister and/or friend) are invited to Grailville in Loveland, Ohio any or all programs in a series of Rites of Passage gatherings, designed to support the physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual journey of girls on the path to womanhood. Join us for sharing, transformation and celebration of the woman you are becoming! Activities will include writing, art, ritual, conversation, meditation and play. This program is geared toward girls aged 12-14 years. Adult participants will be helped to find ways to provide a creative and supportive environment for the younger women exploration of this time of transition. Programs include half-day gatherings on April 4 and September 26, 2009 and a weekend retreat for girls July 31-August 2, 2009. This program is facilitated by Paddock Hills resident Pauletta Hansel, Co-Director of Grailville and a poet and teacher who leads creative writing activities with an emphasis on programs for women and girls. Other facilitators are Beth Barr, also Co-Director of Grailville and a Licensed Independent Social Worker specializing in supportive services and advocacy for women and girls and Quanita Munday, an Integral Life Coach, and director and founder of Nzuzu LLC, committed to building stronger circles of women around the world, with experience in facilitation in the arts, diversity education, asset based community development, youth development, and building effective collaborations. Quanita and her family hope to move to Paddock Hills this summer!

The Rites of Passage Programs will be held at Grailville, 932 O'Bannonville Road, Loveland OH. Tuition for the half-day gatherings including meals is \$25 for an individual and \$40 for an intergenerational pair. The

retreat is \$150 per person, including meals and lodging. Scholarships are also available. For information or to register contact 513-683-2340 or visit [www.grailville.org](http://www.grailville.org).

The Rites of Passage Gathering will be held April 4, 2009, from 9 am to 1 pm, at Grailville, 932 O'Bannonville Road, Loveland OH. Tuition including meals is \$25 for an individual and \$40 for an intergenerational pair. Scholarships are also available. For information or to register contact 513-683-2340 or visit [www.grailville.org](http://www.grailville.org).

~Pauletta Hansel

.....

## *PHA Community Spring Tour*

It's time for our annual PHA Community Spring Tour. This year we are excited to announce a herb and vegetable cooking class. The class will be held on Saturday May 23rd from 10a until 12-noon at Benkens Garden Center, 6000 Plainfield Rd. (corner of Plainfield and Woodford roads). Marilyn Harris, of WKRC AM's, Cooking with Marilyn, will host the class. Benkens Garden Center will also have people available to answer ques-



tions about herb and vegetable gardening, in addition to a 10% discount on all herb and vegetables that weekend.

Please save the date, Sat May 23rd. It should be a great time for those interested in cooking healthy and growing their very own herbs and vegetables. It will also be a treat just to tour the garden center.

We are once again going to provide box lunches, for those interested, at a fee of \$8.25 per person. We got such rave reviews on last year's lunches that we will again use Giminetti Baking Company. Lunch will be served following the class in Benken's Community Room. Please see the included menu form & return menu choices by **Saturday May 16th**. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Jones at [pjonz1999@yahoo.com](mailto:pjonz1999@yahoo.com) or call 513-641-4225.

.....

## *Paddock Hills can Step Up for the Freestore Foodbank Hunger Walk!*

Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, 2009

Now in its sixth year The Hunger Walk is a 5K Run/Walk is produced by the Freestore Foodbank, starting and ending in one of Cincinnati Park's gems, Lytle Park, to benefit its network of over 400 community partners: food pantries, soup kitchens, and social service agencies. (Including where I work- CAIN: Churches Active in Northside.)

In 2008 The Hunger Walk & 5K grew to become the fifth largest 5K in the City of Cincinnati attracting over 2500 participants. Every dollar raised goes directly to feeding needy people in your neighborhood, our community and in the twenty counties served by the FreestoreFoodbank's 400 plus non-profit community partners.

As you may know, poverty is rapidly growing in Cincinnati. In 2007, even before the current economic crisis, Cincinnati ranked as the third poorest American city with 23.5% of the population and 36.4% of children living in poverty. The HungerWalk raises funds that get food and necessities to people in need. Show that you care and Go to <http://www.freestorefoodbank.org/> to register today! It is a fun and worthwhile family-friendly event. Hope to see you there.

In case you did not know the FreestoreFoodbank (Mayerson Distribution Center) is right in our backyard on Tennessee across from Blue Gibbon. With faith, hope and love to you and yours!

~MiMi Chamberlin Daly

# Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

Environmental Enterprises, Inc.  
4600 Spring Grove Ave.  
Tuesdays: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Saturdays: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Environmental Enterprises, Inc.  
10163 Cincinnati-Dayton Road  
Wednesdays: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Sites closed 4-11, 5-23, 7-4, 9-5

Hamilton county residents can drop off qualifying household hazardous waste (pesticides, solvents, prescription medication, etc.). Proof of residency is required and residents are encourage to review the list of acceptable items prior to visiting the drop off site. Commercial waste is prohibited.

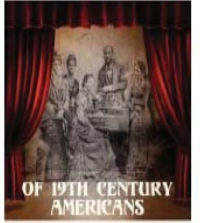
For question about the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program, call the Hotline at 513.946.7700 or visit [www.hamiltoncountyrecycles.org](http://www.hamiltoncountyrecycles.org).

## Let Freedom Sing of 19th Century Americans

-a historical novel, or could it be a musical?"

A new novel by Paddock Hills resident Vivian B. Kline is the story of real people who lived in Cincinnati plus others, making this story an easy and pleasant read for high schoolers on up for \$14.95. More description and excerpts of the novel at [www.outskirtpress.com/letfreedomssing](http://www.outskirtpress.com/letfreedomssing). Buy the novel at this site or from Joseph Beth, Barnes and Noble, Amazon.com or from the author at [viviankline@aol.com](mailto:viviankline@aol.com)

LET FREEDOM SING:



## When did you move to Paddock Hills?

Recently, a resident who moved here in 1955 asked if they are the residents with the longest "tenure" in the neighborhood. I didn't know the answer, being a very recent resident, but I thought we could get some information this way. Call me, if you have lived here longer, or if you know someone who has, and we will "spotlight" that resident in a future article.

~ Rheba Clark (242-1347)

## Green - up Day at Avon Woods Nature Preserve

On Saturday, April 25 from 9:00am – 12 pm, take part in "Living Our Green Life" departmental theme this year by volunteering in your neighborhood park. Put on old clothes and sturdy shoes to assist with removal of invasive plants and litter. All tools will be provided and extra gloves available if needed. Participants receive Green-Up Day t-shirts and a pizza party at noon. Families of all ages are welcome! Meet at the Nature Center. Please register by Thursday, April 23 by calling Avon Woods Nature Center at 861-3435.

~ Erin Morris

Non-Profit Org.  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
Permit #5739

Paddock Press  
The Paddock Hills Assembly  
P.O. Box 16028  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45216-0028

