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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
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Jana Cruse 513-8654
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Avon Woods Nature Center
861-3435



Father's Day: June 15, 2009

The idea of Father's Day was conceived by Sonora Dodd of Spokane, Wash., while she listened to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Dodd wanted a special day to honor her father, William Smart, a widowed Civil War veteran who was left to raise his six children on a farm. A day in June was chosen for the first Father's Day celebration — June 19, 1910, proclaimed by Spokane's mayor because it was the month of Smart's birth. The first presidential proclamation honoring fathers was issued in 1966 when President Lyndon Johnson designated the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Father's Day has been celebrated annually since 1972 when President Richard Nixon signed the public law that made it permanent.

How Many Fathers?

- 64.3 million estimated number of fathers across the nation.
Source: unpublished data from the Survey of Income and Program Participation
- 26.5 million number of fathers who are part of married-couple families with children younger than 18 in 2006.
- 22 percent are raising three or more children younger than 18 (among married-couple family households only).
- 2 percent live in someone else's home.
- 2.5 million number of single fathers in 2006, up from 400,000 in 1970. Currently, among single parents living with their children, 19 percent are men.
- 8 percent are raising three or more children younger than 18.
- About 42 percent are divorced, 38 percent are never married, 16 percent are separated and 4 percent are widowed. (There is no significant difference between the percentages of single fathers who are divorced or never married.)
- 16 percent live in someone else's home.
- 27 percent have an annual family income of \$50,000 or more.

For more information visit: www.census.gov

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Submitted by Lina Orr, written by Theresa Brundage, Cincinnati Partnership Specialist for US Census Bureau

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"Happiness depends upon ourselves." ~Aristotle (384 BC - 322 BC)
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Upcoming Events

- Sat., 6/27 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Rain Gardens Workshop at Avon Woods Center



paddock hills Healthy Hills

Embracing our natural resource

Dear Neighbor:

Thank you for your interest in the Healthy Hills Campaign. 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, a project of the Paddock Hills Assembly, seeks to create beautiful, secure and environmentally healthy hillsides in our neighborhood.

The campaign has three main focuses:

- 1.) Education and awareness,
- 2.) Maintenance and care and
- 3.) Long-term environmental sustainability of neighborhood hillsides.

We are asking for your help to spread the word about the campaign. Listed in this newsletter are some helpful tips for maintaining and caring for hillsides that you can share with your neighbor. This campaign is all about "each one reach one" and neighbors working together to make a difference. Also be on the lookout for future announcements about our educational workshop series. You will have an opportunity to talk to experts and learn ways to help preserve our beautiful hillsides.

Our first workshop was in May with Eric Russo and the Cincinnati Park Board collaborating regarding Greater Cincinnati hillsides, PH slopes, maintenance and care. The June 27 workshop will be presented by the Mill Creek Watershed Council of Communities and will feature rain gardens.

If you need more postcards or want more information about the campaign please contact our campaign manager, Nelda Billups, at the contact information listed. Once again we thank you for your interest and help spreading the word about the campaign, and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Healthy Hills Campaign

For more information contact: Nelda Billups
513.706.5686 nabillups@cinci.rr.com

Maintain and Care for our Hillsides

Three Easy Steps:

1. Hillsides can experience erosion from heavy rains and storm water run off. Be sure to divert storm water runoff away from hillsides. Rain barrels and rain gardens do this very well.
2. Try not to dump yard waste (leaves, branches, etc.) on hillsides. The stress from the added weight over years of dumping yard waste threatens the stability of hillsides.
3. You can help protect our hills and create a beautiful landscape by planting deep rooted ground cover like Junipers and St. John's Wart.

: Rain Gardens Workshop
: Saturday, June 27, 2009
: 10:00 - 12:00 p.m.
: Avon Woods Nature Center

: The Healthy Hills Campaign Education and Awareness Series are hosting its second workshop. Presented by Leslie Cohen and Diantha Decker, Mill Creek Watershed Council of Communities, the workshop will focus on Rain Gardens and how this green design will enhance Paddock Hills' slopes and the entire community.

: The Healthy Hills Campaign, a project of the Paddock Hills Assembly is a residents-led effort to acknowledge, embrace and care for the community's most valuable natural resource, its hillsides.

: Come and join us for this exciting workshop to learn about Rain Gardens and how crucial they are to the neighborhood.

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: *Highsmith Named Interim BME Chair*

: Robert Highsmith, PhD, has been named interim chair of College of Medicine's biomedical engineering (BME) department.

: A faculty member since 1974, Highsmith is the associate vice president for research at UC but will step down from this position while chair of BME.

: He will continue his duties as senior associate dean and director of the College of Medicine's Office of Research and Graduate Education. He also serves as professor of molecular and cellular physiology.

: Submitted by Lue Kiucius Brown, written by Amanda Harper, University of Cincinnati Newsletter.

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: *"Be fit for more than the thing you are now doing. Let everyone know that you have a reserve in yourself; that you have more power than you are now using. If you are not too large for the place you occupy, you are too small for it." James A. Garfield (1831 - 1881)*
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Meet These PH Residents



Luke Morano and Joe Cronin moved into 1221 Avon Drive in December, 2007. Neighbors knew they were living there because Christmas decorations graced the house almost immediately. But work on the house and work schedules prevented an interview to introduce them to the neighborhood.

Until now! Near neighbors, the Leitzingers, contacted them, and here they are. They chose Paddock Hills for home because it is "such a beautiful neighborhood, and for its central location." Luke works at Kerry Ford in Tri-County, so accessibility to I-75 was a strong point.

Joe and Luke have two dachshunds---adult Daisy and Abernathy, a pup. They must be skillful animal handlers, because they also have Buddha and Buster, Siamese cats. They stay busy taking care of the animals and working on the house, but they also find time for gardening and socializing. Films, photography, and art are activities they enjoy, as well.

The day after Halloween last year, Phillip and Lillian Williams, with sons Jeremiah (almost 6) and Daniel (3 years old) moved to 4519 Perth Lane. Lillian, whose family name is Carter, and who seems to be "Lilly" to friends, grew up on Bristol Lane, so they knew the neighborhood well, and knew they wanted to live here. It is a great recommendation for the neighborhood to have someone who grew up here return as an adult.

Phillip teaches at Pleasant Ridge Montessori, part of Cincinnati Public Schools. Lillian, a CPA, is employed by the Charles Vonderhaar Company on Reading Road. Living in Paddock Hills makes getting to work quick and easy for both.

Their hobbies include sports, religion, and nutrition. As we become better acquainted with them, we will surely learn more about these hobbies.

~Rheba Clark

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"A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort." Herm Albright (1876 - 1944)
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Residents Part of Historic Events

Two neighborhood families have enjoyed unique experiences with President Obama's presidency, through their children, who grew up here and were educated as we watched.

Patricia Drane volunteered locally during President Obama's campaign, at the same time that her son Matthew and his wife were volunteering in the Washington, D.C. area, where they live. Emmett and Pat went to Washington for the inauguration, and with Matt and his wife of only a few months, LaDavia, worked hard on Saturday, preparing for the Sunday concert that was part of the Opening Ceremonies of the inauguration. They were backstage during the concert, which was called "We Are One". (A lot of us watched it on television, not knowing our neighbors were right there, meeting some of the performers!) Matthew Drane works for the Gallup Poll organization which does lots of things beside take polls. As part of Gallup's international division, he opened their Baghdad office, a scary time for his parents here at home. Matthew and his wife, now an attorney, met at Miami University. Because son Malcolm is a senior at Purdue University, graduating in December, he was unable to accompany the family to the inauguration. Malcolm is studying electrical engineering, and works in the department at the university. Pat wishes he could have been with them because she says, "We still get excited when we remember it. We couldn't NOT be there for the historic event." The Dranes live on Westminster Drive.

The Jason families, of Avon Drive, were in the audience when President Obama made the graduation address at Notre Dame on May 17. Daughter Dana was in the graduating class. This, too, was an historic occasion because some people protested the President's speaking there. Mrs. Jason commented on the grace with which the President spoke. "I cried all the way through it," she said. Daughter Dana has a busy summer ahead. She has volunteered for 2 years in the Teach for America program. She has been assigned to teach in St. Louis this fall. She had a week off, but then went to Atlanta for 10 weeks of training. Dana is in Special Education and has already laid the groundwork for the job by working 2 summers in the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati, and being an intern last summer at a camp in New Hampshire for students with behavioral and/or emotional difficulties. She was a residential counselor and lived with the girls she counseled. The Jasons' son, Damon, a 2008 graduate of Notre Dame, works for the Cintas Corporation in Chicago. He is currently in the Marketing Department, but hopes to get into Sales.

~Rheba Clark

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Just Talk...

This has been one of the most beautiful spring seasons that I can remember. Because of all the rain, the grass has that emerald green color that is dazzling. Now it is warming up we should all be outside chatting with neighbors and enjoying the sunshine. We also have to eat, and believe me there are a lot of options to eating outside. One of my favorite places is the Vineyard in Hyde Park. There are umbrella's to protect you from the direct sunlight and the menu is quite interesting these days. The halibut is outstanding and the salads are all so interesting and so exciting. Dinner at the Vineyard should be put on your list for this summer. I particularly enjoy it at sunset. I love watching the dogs walk their owners, and all the casual summer life around us. At lunch you see the beautiful babies. Everyone seems to be walking with

a Graeter's cone. Is it my imagination or do people seem happier in the summertime? This is also the time to do some heavy cleanup so that we can enjoy pool life without guilt. A former neighbor came by and helped me clean my garage. I watched him grow up from a small kid to a very tall young man. In the winter he is always at my door to shovel the snow, no matter how nasty the weather is outside. It is people like my former neighbor and other caring neighbors who keep me in my house. I am grateful to our Paddock Hills president who planted a little Crabtree in my front yard for me. It blossomed this spring and now has tiny crabapples on it. What fun it is to watch the trees and too enjoy the perennials that are so loyal and come up on schedule every year. First the forsythias bloom, and then the magnolias, the hyacinths, the tulips, and the narcissi appear. The little lily of the valley pops up as well as the bleeding heart. At last the Iris' bloom to keep the lovely dogwood company. We really know that summer is on the way when our bed of hot pink peonies openly shows off their beautiful colors. I hope that my neighbors take a little time out to notice the beauty that is all around us. I would be completely happy if it were not the time to say goodbye to my dearest of friends and neighbors, the Parks. They have added so much zest to our neighborhood, but they are moving about 15 minutes away to a Clifton condominium with Burnet Woods for their backyard. While I am going to miss them way too much, I look forward to meeting "the new neighbors" in what will always be known as the "Park House". Good luck, Donna and Greg. Do not think for a moment that you are not still considered a member of our Paddock Hills family. Happy trails to you, dear friends. And happy eating to all.

~Gari

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Good Eats: Loving Cafe

As usual I was hungry and uninterested in my left-overs I had packed for lunch. I didn't want a greasy over processed burger or any pressed meat shaped into chicken nuggets and I certainly didn't have enough time to dine in somewhere for a valuable meal under \$10. So I had decided to go to Panera and cruise down Montgomery Road. As I entered Pleasant Ridge my eyes were fixed on a sign that said "Loving Cafe" so screeched my tires and made a bold u-turn in the middle of the road (not really). I parked and went inside



to find a quaint, clean, happy and interesting place. Looking at the short menu options I questioned, "What is a veggie turkey panini?" (one side of my face twisted upward). The Meghan responds: "Oh it's really good, its tofu!" I think to myself "Oh snap, I've walked into a meatless place that will not fulfill my carnivorous needs." But decided to fix my face, put away my attitude and try this. So I ordered the panini with pickles on the side. My sandwich came with tortilla chips. While I waited for my panini she offered me a sample slice of fresh basil and tomato pizza (this was really good), then I decided I would buy a cookie (made without eggs of course), she offered me a gluten free cookie made with garbanzo bean flour, she also asked me if I drank coffee because she was overstocked in Silk soy creamer and gave me one of those (I love Silk soy

Loving Cafe continued...

milk), she also gave me 10 % of my meal and I was just really overwhelmed by her hospitality because this was the best customer service I have had in a while from someone not earning tips. So my panini was ready and I was loaded up as if I went to the grocery store for lunch and I decided that even if I couldn't get over the sandwich not tasting like turkey I'd be back at least for some more pizza and a smoothie. So I get back to work and I start on my sandwich and it is really delicious, it really tastes & looks like turkey. The slaw was crispy and my bread was golden brown... I'm really impressed. Who knew (other than me) tofu could be so good? Its strictly vegan, located in Pleasant Ridge at 6227 Montgomery Rd., hours are 11a-2p & 4p-7p (7:30p starting June 21). By the way my meal was under \$6.

~Alexandria Turner

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Update On Studies/Careers Of "Our Kids"
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Becky Waits, daughter of Ernie and Helen Waits of Paddock Hills Avenue, has been studying at the Art Institute in Chicago. This summer she has changed her location, moving to Portland, Oregon, where she plans to once more concentrate on writing, an art she practiced when she was in Cincinnati Public Schools.

Carolyn French recently graduated with honors from the University of Southern California, majoring in Sociology, with a minor in Children and Families in Urban America. At USC, Carolyn was a leader in the UNICEF program for homeless children and worked on gang intervention efforts with middle school students in Los Angeles. She spent a semester in Spain studying at the Universidad de Deusto Bilbao. She has joined Teach for America and accepted a 2-year assignment in the Tulsa, OK, school district. Her summer training is in New York City. Carolyn is the daughter of Gregory French and Dianne Gebhardt-French of Paddock Hills Avenue. The family celebrated with a weeklong trip along the Pacific Coast Highway and a visit to her sister, Charlotte, now working as a CPA in Sunnyvale, CA. Carolyn's lifelong friend Julie Landrigan, also of Paddock Hills Avenue, joined the family for Carolyn's celebration.

Alice Cartwright earned a Masters Degree in Public Health from the University of California at Berkeley this spring. Her parents, Ian and Sue Cartwright, Paddock Hills Avenue, were in Berkeley for the ceremony. Alice will be working in a summer internship in Washington D.C. near the State Department, with the US Agency for International Development (better known as US AID). Her long term plan is to work on health issues in an international setting.

~Rheba Clark

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On a Personal Note...
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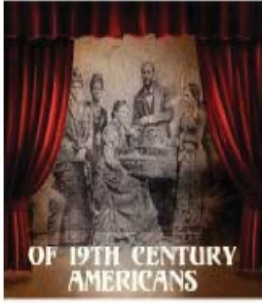


I am deeply impressed by the accomplishments and hopes of young people who have been part of our neighborhood. Two new teachers in Teach for America! And we had another one a few years ago. Shelby Stone (now has another name after her marriage a year ago) worked in Harlem for 2 years. Her brother, Kenny, graduated from Florida A&M (with honors) this spring, and is heading for NYC to work with Goldman Sachs. The news in these 2 articles is heavily loaded with folks from the east side of our neighborhood, so let me hear from you, from any sector, about other young people making a difference. The neighborhood needs to hear of them, too.

~Rheba Clark

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*"Paranoid is someone who knows a little of what is going on."
William S. Burroughs (1914-1997)*
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LET FREEDOM SING:



AN HISTORICAL NOVEL
OR COULD IT BE A MUSICAL?

VIVIAN B. KLINE

Let Freedom Sing of 19th Century Americans

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

I've been told that the best way to stay young is to learn something new. I'm trying to learning how to market my book about Cincinnati and the first jubilee singers. My grand son made me a web site so I am proud of him and of it.

Have a look: www.viviankline.com

~Vivian Kline

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

Environmental Enterprises, Inc.

10163 Cincinnati-Dayton Road

Wednesdays: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

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.hamiltoncountyclecyles.org.

“My Father taught me how to be a man – and not by instilling in me a sense of machismo or an agenda of dominance. He taught me that a real man doesn't take, he gives; he doesn't use force, he uses logic; doesn't play the role of trouble-maker, but rather, trouble-shooter; and most importantly, a real man is defined by what's in his heart, not his pants.” Kevin Smith

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