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Save the Camp Washington Rec Center

MIMI ROOK, CAMP WASHINGTON RESIDENT

The Camp Washington Recreation Center is once again on the city budget chopping block. For kids and seniors in the area, this means having to go elsewhere in the city for activities. It means the Girl Scouts, the Extreme football team, Community Council meetings, holiday gatherings, the new Custom Car Show we just started this summer, etc. all will have to look for a new location.

If you think this is wrong, now is the time to e-mail, phone or write Mark Mallory, our mayor, Milton Dohoney, our city manager, all our city council members and most especially, Norman Merrifield, the director of the city recreation department. Visit the City web site at <http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/index.html> to get relevant contact numbers.

Let them hear that we want our center open and operating. If we could get at least a 100 emails and letters to these people, they might be more reluctant to tick off voters before election time.

Community Council Elections Coming Up

MR. PAT STAPLES, PRESIDENT

We need to conduct a Council election this January and we need a slate of candidates by December. Please consider running as an officer or as a Trustee. The Council meets monthly and the Board of Trustees meets a week before the regular Council meeting. Call me to talk about it, 252-5528.

River City Picnic A Huge Success

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The 2009 annual picnic will go down as the best one in eleven years! We expanded the picnic into Valley Park and the beautiful weather, shade trees and grass made it a very comfortable event. Over 400 folks attended and enjoyed plenty of food, free t-shirts, games, raffle prizes, and informational booths.



Carol & Flo enjoy the picnic.

Community Board Housing Update

PAUL RUDEMILLER, PRESIDENT

The Camp Washington Community Board has listed the renovated house at 1246 Bates Avenue with Sibcy Cline Realtors. This beautiful house adds to the other renovated houses on Bates that the Board has completed over the years. You can really tell the difference on Bates, as more houses are fixed up and people are living in them. When Bates Avenue bridge is torn down in two years as part of the I-75 Improvement Project, the street will further improve as traffic from Central Parkway will be eliminated.

The Board has been awarded a grant from the City of Cincinnati to help renovate four more houses in the neighborhood. More details on this later. For information about our houses, call us at 542-1637.



Make A Difference Day
Saturday, October 24, 9 a.m. - Noon
Help Us Plant Flower Bulbs!
Call Joe at 542-1637

Camp Washington Business Association

Luncheon Schedule • Noon – 1 p.m.

• **October 21: American Sign Museum**

Monmouth & Colerain

Host: Tod Swormstedt

Topic: *American Sign Museum neon shop tour*

House tour: *1 p.m. we will tour four Community Board houses*

• **November 18: Washington United Church of Christ, 2950 Sidney Avenue**

Host: Rev. Pam DeFusco

Topic: *City of Cincinnati Camp Washington*

Industrial Area Plan Update & I-75 Improvement

Lunch for members is free; non-members, \$5
RSVP Joe Gorman 542-1637

Community Council Meets Oct. 12

MR. PAT STAPLES, PRESIDENT

Please join us at the Camp Washington Community Council meeting, Monday, October 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Rec Center, 1201 Stock St. Some hot topics: City Council race, City budget, NSP, CWCC Elections.

Camp Washington Industrial Area Plan

The City of Cincinnati Development Department is nearing completion of the Industrial Plan. This plan identifies potential redevelopment areas, including two sites in the Northern part of Camp, and one site at the Southern of Spring Grove. In light of the announced closing of Ryerson, the I-75 improvement (displacing some of the City's public Works department), the vacant Kahn's and Crosley sites, and, the projected expansion of Kao Brands, this plan is very timely. City reps will be at the next Community Council meeting, October 12, to get feedback on the plan.

Cover Discarded Mattress In Plastic

We have seen several discarded mattresses, box springs, sofas, chairs left at the curb after the garbage trucks leaves. The City requires that you securely wrap or place these items inside special bags so the garbage trucks can haul them away. Covering these items help fight bed bugs. Info can be had at 591-6000.

Another Student Passes GED

STEPHANIE CROW, INSTRUCTOR

Nickole Burr became the second student to pass the GED. We also have three students who have passed the practice GED and look forward to them passing the final test.

If you or your friends need to earn a GED, the Camp Washington Community School conducts regular classes Tuesday and Thursday, 5-8 pm. at 2951 Sidney Ave. (at Rachel). Call Stephanie at 542-2389 to enroll in our free classes.

City Buying Property

Some property owners on Sassafra at Colerain have received offers from the City to buy their land for a potential relocation of Public Works due to the I-75 improvement project.



Residents lined up under blues skies September 12, 2009 for the Camp Washington River City Picnic in Valley Park.

Camp Washington Community Council
Next Council Meeting
Monday, Oct. 12 at 7:30 p.m.
CW Recreation Center @ 1201 Stock St.

Council Membership is only \$3
Annual Camp Washington Community Council memberships are only \$3. Membership gives you the privilege of voting and supporting the neighborhood.

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