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Camp Washington Community Council
 Meets Monday, June 11, 7:00 p.m., Rec Center

GED Graduation Ceremony A Success!

STEPHANIE CROW • INSTRUCTOR

It was an honor to participate in the 2012 Literacy Center West graduation ceremony held June 7 at Elder High School. Not only did we celebrate the graduation of six Camp Washington Community School students, but 75-year old student Allen Barker was named Student of the Year!

The six graduates are:

- Allen Barker
- Chantell Edens
- Magen Bradshaw
- Sherella Searcy
- Teresa Coleman
- Charlie Wiley



“This was a beautiful ceremony,” said school director Joe Gorman. “Very inspiring words by the students, especially LCW student of the year, Jonathan Roberts.”

The Camp Washington Community School provides free GED and tutoring services. We offer one-on-one instruction. GED classes are held Tuesday and Thursday, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 2951 Sidney Avenue. Residents are encouraged to call 542-1637 today!

Pool Passes for Kids Who Clean-Up

THERESA BLOOM • CWCC BOARD

Thanks to generous donations, Camp Washington Community Council was able to purchase 15 Cincinnati Recreation Center pool passes for 2012. Passes are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Kids must be between the ages of 6-17, and willing to “work” 2 hours on June 16, 2012 helping to beautify Camp Washington (picking up garbage, pulling weeds, etc.) If you know of a child who could benefit from a pass, contact Theresa Bloom at 349-6243 for additional information. Thanks!

Camp Washington Urban Farm Grant

JOSEPH GORMAN • COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The Camp Washington Community Board successfully submitted an \$800,000 grant application to the Dept. of Health & Human Services, Community Economic Development (CED) Projects, to establish the Camp Washington Urban Farm Project. Forty new jobs will be created as we grow and distribute fresh produce to fight being in a “food desert.”

Our affiliates include the Washington United Church of Christ, Side Streams, the Cincinnati Recreation Commission, and Hamilton County/River City Correctional Center.

Three major components of the CWUF include: Monmouth Urban Garden, Stock Street Urban Garden, and a retail distribution center at Sidney and Stock. We’ll know in September if we get the grant.

Camp Washington 3rd Annual Golf Outing at Hidden Valley a Huge Success!

JOSEPH GORMAN • COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The Camp Washington Business Association has 71 members - and our community is better for it! Thanks to the leadership of CWBA president Charles “Chip” Wood, the golf outing raised over \$20,000. The proceeds of the golf outing go to the Community Board to continue its work developing housing, organizing the community council, and staffing the business association. “Outstanding effort by the local businesses who have pitched in on many community projects, including the golf outings, River City Picnic, and the restoration of the Doughboy Statue,” said Paul Rudemiller, President and CEO of the community board.

Thanks to our Corporate Sponsors: AARDCO, Kao Sales USA, United-Maier Signs, Meyer Tool, Garden Street Metals. Congrats to Reliable Castings team led by Tom Barton for winning best score!



Doug South from Kao Sales USA gives CWCB's Paul Rudemiller a sponsorship check for the golf outing.

Mill Creek Press Conference and Greenway Trail Dedication June 19

JOSEPH GORMAN • COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Folks in Camp Washington have another feather in their caps as the Mill Creek hike, walk and bike trail expands. Imagine riding your bike on this trail all the way to Glendale from Camp Washington!

Agenda:

9:00 a.m. Press Conference (Arrive early to park and get seated.)

9:35 a.m. Ribbon Cutting

9:40 a.m. Tours, Walking and Biking on the Trail!

Featured Speaker: Jay Jensen, Associate Director for Land and Water Ecosystems at the White House Council on Environmental Quality.

Camp Washington has a historical kiosk along the trail!

Directions: The Salway Park trailhead is located next to Old Timber Inn and to the intersection of Crawford and Spring Grove Avenues (across the street from the Gwen Mooney Funeral Home in Spring Grove Cemetery).

American Sign Museums Opens June 23 with Ribbon-Cutting

JOSEPH GORMAN • COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Camp Washington will never be the same now that the American Sign Museum (ASM) is opening! This world-class museum features signs representing much of America's spirit, growth, and technology. A ribbon-cutting

ceremony occurs at 1330 Monmouth St. on Saturday, June 23 at 9:30 a.m. Please join us and see this magnificent facility, which includes a reception/meeting hall featuring a 200' Mail Pouch barn wall.



Joe Gorman, Chip Wood and guest speaker Laura Brunner at the ASM Reception Hall in May, 2012.

I-75 Improvement Project Back on Track

JOSEPH GORMAN • COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Good news from the State of Ohio. There has been some exciting stuff going on behind the scenes regarding the I-75 Improvement Project and the rebuilding of the new Hopple Street Bridge. The State's transportation department has received funding to improve the I-75 stretch through Camp Washington, from the Western Hills Viaduct to the I-74 ramp. Should start in 2013 and be completed in 2016.

New Rain Garden at Rec Center

JOSEPH GORMAN • COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Take a moment and see the future! A new rain garden has been installed at 1201 Stock Street as part of the Metropolitan Sewer District's effort to improve water flow from combined sewers and stormwater sewers. Thanks to Mimi Rook, Steve Gerth and Don Bannon from CRC, and David Russell from MSD.

Camp Washington Pool Opens June 11

JOSEPH GORMAN • COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The Camp Washington Rec Center pool opened Monday, June 11 at 1 p.m. This should be another exciting summer of swimming. Call the rec center at 681-6046 for more information about the pool.

Interested in the **Community Garden**?
Call Mimi at 542-1637 to get involved!

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