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Freedom Garden Installed on Henshaw

MIMI ROOK, CAMP WASHINGTON GARDEN CLUB

Do you like fresh vegetables or salad with your dinner? Imagine being able to walk outside and pick them right out of your own yard! A “food desert” community like Camp Washington lacks a local grocery store, so most of us have to drive some distance to the store to get vegetables. This Fall, Teresa Irvin and her family will be able to do just that. They are the first family here in Camp Washington to own a Freedom Garden.

Freedom Gardens are 4’x4’, raised-bed gardens, easily assembled and designed to fit in small yards. Teresa and her family will have freshly-grown food from the seeds they have already planted. The family will even be able to do some cold weather growing, as another garden bed was recently stacked on top of the first one, with a folding cover to protect plants from the cold weather as fall and winter move in.

The project is the brainchild of Bonnie Mitsui of Turner Farm. Turner Farm was growing organically and sustainably, long before it became fashionable. The Freedom Garden crew consists of Turner Farm gardeners Katie Charlton Perkins, Megan Hill, and Sarah Harris, a local gardener who provides ongoing garden guidance to recipients of the garden beds. Juliann Gardner, owner of One Small Garden (1smallgarden.com), supplies the project with the precut, easy to assemble, red cedar beds and the cold weather covers for the gardens. Gardner also concocted the soil mixture designed to best grow vegetables. Bzak, a local landscaping firm, supplies the

soil mix.

New owners can attend free classes at the Civic Garden Center on Reading Rd. to build personal knowledge of gardening, health and nutrition, and harvesting.

For more information, call Katie at Freedom Gardens at 919-8447.



Teresa shows her new Freedom Garden to neighbor Troy.



Sonny’s Bar Finally Coming Down

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

For years, the Camp Washington Community Council complained to the City of Cincinnati building inspectors, health department, fire and police, to deal with the problems caused by an irresponsible absentee landlord and his vacant buildings at 3130 Colerain. Sonny’s Bar and the vacant building next door at 3132 Colerain are finally being demolished. Our next battle will be about developing those lots, but we’ll at least enjoy this victory for the moment.

Support Your Council, Renew Membership

JOYCE SMITH, TREASURER

This is a friendly reminder that your Camp Washington Community dues of \$3.00 for 2011 are now being accepted. Please support your community & send check to: Joyce Smith, c/o Camp Washington Community Council, 2951 Sidney Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45225. Or, bring to CWCC regular meeting (2nd Monday each month, 7:30 pm, at the Camp Washington Recreation Center). Thank you.

Former Kahn’s Site Development UPDATE

Wed., October 20, Noon - 1 p.m.
Camp Washington Business Luncheon

Speaker: Mathew Lafkas,
Vestige Redevelopment

3220 Central Parkway (Church of God)
Food provided by Vestige Redevelopment

RSVP: Joe Gorman 542-1637

PHOTOS BY JOE GORMAN

Deborah Grayson Wins Cincinnati Horticultural Society Award

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Long-time gardening volunteer Deborah Grayson, her husband Bruce Meizlish, and I attended the September 21st Cincinnati Horticultural Society “2010 Gardener’s Recognition Ceremony” in Loveland, Ohio.

Deborah was nominated by the Camp Washington Community Council for her gardening work at the Doughboy Statue and entrances in Valley Park. This award recognizes area gardeners whose contribution to Horticulture is an inspiration to everyone.

Deborah’s green thumb and big heart have transformed the Doughboy and flag area into a beautiful memorial for all veterans everywhere.



Deborah Grayson, and her husband, Bruce Meizlish

Camp Washington Mural



Thanks to building owner Gary Robinson for completing the paint job next to the “Campy Washington” mural.

One of the primary reasons for painting the mural was to eliminate the previous peeling paint eyesore.

The Campy Washington mural is one of the most popular murals completed by ArtWorks and the City of Cincinnati.

Community Police Officers for Camp Washington:

P.O. Melissa Cummins (569-8595) &

P.O. Lisa Johnson (569-8507)

Report crime: 765-1212; Emergency Dial 911

Camp Washington Community Council Council Meets

Monday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m.

CW Recreation Center @ 1201 Stock St.

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