



NEWSLETTER

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Camp Washington T-Shirts Available at Council Meeting May 8

PAT P. STAPLES, PRESIDENT

Help us promote Camp Washington by wearing a "Camp Washington Welcomes You" t-shirt. Printed on light gray shirts, we have both red and blue inked shirts printed by T-Shirts By Jay, 2916 Colerain Avenue. Jay does great work and if you need shirts printed for your own organization, Jay can be reached at 242-5775

You can pick up your free shirt at the Camp Washington Community Council, Monday, May 8 at the Camp Washington Recreation Center a 7:30 p.m.

Call Joe at 542-1637 for information.

Dough Boy Statue Restoration

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

A bank account has been established at the Camp Washington branch of National City Bank (2927 Colerain Avenue, 45225) for your tax-deductible donations for the restoration of the Dough Boy statue.

The Dough Boy represents all the fallen Camp Washington soldiers who served in our world wars so we could enjoy freedom. This statue is famous for its unique casting technique.

We will have dedication ceremony this summer, celebrating with a community festival called "Peace in the Valley Park." Call Joe at 542-1637 for more information.

Work on Your GED This Summer

BRAIN HAYNES, INSTRUCTOR

The Camp Washington Community School will be open this summer to provide GED instruction. The school is open 3 nights a week – Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 5 - 8 pm. (Thanks to National City for funding our third night!)

If you need a G.E.D. certificate (high school equivalency), call instructor Brian Haynes at 542-1637. The Community School is located at 2951 Sidney Avenue (at Rachel).

Valley Park Spruced Up

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped spruce up Valley Park on April 22. This event coincided with the city-wide Great American Clean Up and, Earth Day. Thirty-five volunteers planted 11 trees, mulched existing trees, planted flowers around the Dough Boy statue, painted picnic tables, and, added a new Mutt Mitt post for dog owners to clean up after their dogs. Lunch was provided by the Cincinnati Park Board.

Special thanks to Deborah Grayson and Bunny Lacey, who led the weeding and flower planting, and mulching in the landscaped beds by the statue. Hats off to the residents, friends, Girl Scout Troop# 2186, River City Correctional Center, Park staff, and, to Talbert House volunteers for helping.

Camp Washington Business Association

Guest Speaker:

I-75 Mill Creek Expressway

Washington United Church of Christ

2950 Sidney Avenue (at Rachel)

Wednesday, May 17, 2006

Noon - 1 pm

Food provided by Garden Street Metals

CAMP WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETS MONDAY, MAY 8 AT 7:30 P.M.

1201 Stock Street, CW Recreation Center

The Ohio Department of Transportation is in the process of developing its plan to make major changes to the I-75 expressway, including, the stretch running adjacent to Camp Washington.

This stretch of the plan is called the "I-75 Mill Creek Expressway," which begins at the Western Hills Viaduct. Major changes are going to happen to Hopple Street, with the north exit being re-configured. Check out the web site at <http://www.i75millcreekexpressway.com>

Recreation Center - Last Chance to Sign Up for Summer Day Camp

JEFF SEPATE, DIRECTOR

Camp Washington Recreation Center is accepting registrations for Drop In Summer Day Camp for ages 6-12. The program will run from June 12 to August 11. We offer a variety of activities including arts & crafts, sports, field games, Reds Rookie Success League, swimming, and field trips.

This is a non custodial day camp and space is limited. Call 681-6046 to register.

Mad Max Bingo

3301 Harrison Avenue

7 pm Friday; 6:30 Sunday

241-3450

Sara Lee Kahn's Closing This Fall

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

One of the great companies in Camp Washington history announced it is closing this Fall. The primary reason for the closure and loss of 350 jobs is that the plant has become outdated.

Started in 1883, Elias Kahn opened a neighborhood retail meat market in Cincinnati, Ohio. He chose the American Beauty Rose as a trademark for his line of fine meat products. Soon after opening for business, he fitted the back rooms with equipment for slaughter and rapidly built a reputation for select cuts of meat and several varieties of sausage. Shortly after his death in 1899, his children continued with the family business, incorporated it and named it E. Kahn's and Sons. In 1926 the current location was acquired and Kahn's soon became one of the largest independent meat processing companies.

What's this going to do for the neighborhood? Besides the loss of jobs, the vacating Kahn's property on Spring Grove adds to other vacant properties on Spring Grove, notably, the 165,000 sq. ft. Xpedx facility. The fact that the Sara Lee complex has been deemed obsolete by the company, and is the primary reason for closure, means adaptive re-use or demolition considerations for the property will be a challenge.

Camp Washington and the City have begun developing an Urban Renewal Plan to specifically address how we can attract new companies along Spring Grove Avenue. The slated closing of the Sara Lee Kahn's plant makes this Plan even more important.

Six New Stores at Hopple Street Crossing To Open in June

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Joining in June the new Fifth Third Bank branch at Hopple and Henshaw will be six new stores in the new Hopple Street Crossing.

According to the developer, the new stores will include: Deveroes; Wireless Plus One; Sam's Quick Stop; All About Hair; Miss Betty's; and, It's Financial. This is a 100% occupancy, which shows the strength of the Hopple and Colerain business district. There are over 300,000 cars a day that use the Hopple Street exit and viaduct.

New Dicere Art Gallery Opens

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Australian artist Robert J. Morris has opened the Dicere Art Gallery at 2853 Colerain Avenue. Gallery hours are: Friday, 4:30 pm – 9 pm; Saturday, 11 am to 6 pm. He is opening an outdoor sculpture garden in May. Artist Gene H. Sowels' paintings will be featured beginning May 20. You can reach the gallery by phone at 541-3737 or by the web site: www.diceregallery.com.

Community Board Update

PAUL RUDEMILLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We've installed new siding at 3059 Sidney (at Stock) and have purchased 1246 Bates.

Helpful Hints

Valley Park Police	352-4088
Litter & Graffiti.....	591-6000
District 5 Police	352-3578
Resource Officer William Keuper	956-1039
Recreation Center	681-6046
Head Start	541-9080
Small Smiles Dental Clinic	591-1400
http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov	
http://www.hamilton-co.org	
www.findlaymarket.org	

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