

Council Meets Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m.

Camp Washington Community Council NEWSLETTER

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President's Message – Fight Crime, Join Citizens on Patrol

PATRICK STAPLES, PRESIDENT

Well, you can almost taste it. That's right, Spring! That special time when trees and flowers start to bloom, and the only thing on your car is from the birds not the salt trucks. Baseball starts its six-month journey to October. Yes, we love this time of year.

Warmer weather also means more questionable activity on the streets. Many of you know that we have a group of neighbors who walk the neighborhood called Citizens on Patrol Program (COPP). These volunteers walk through the community, alerting the police to potential problems, be it drug dealing, trespassing, neighbor conflicts, littering. COPP has been responsible for Camp Washington having the lowest crime rate of all the neighborhoods in District 5. We could use some more volunteers this year. Come to the community council meeting on Monday, Feb. 14 at 7:30 Get involved!

Teen Council Dance Feb. 18

DONNA BAKKE, YOUTH COORDINATOR

The Camp Washington Teen Council's hosting a dance for *all ages* at the recreation Center, 1201 Stock Street, on Friday, February 18 from 7 pm – 9:45 pm.

Cost is \$2.50 or \$1.50 and a canned good.

Girl Scout Cookies will be available for purchase beginning February 22nd. Need a cookie connection for your family or business? Call Donna at 542-1637.

David Pepper Speaks at CW Business Association, Feb. 16

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

City Councilman and Mayoral candidate David Pepper will speak at the Camp Washington Business Association at its luncheon meeting, Wednesday, February 16, 2005 at Noon. The meeting will be held at the River City Correctional Center, 3220 Colerain Avenue. Lunch will be provided.

There are nearly 140 businesses in Camp Washington, and we are in front of a comprehensive renaissance involving attracting new businesses, converting abandoned warehouses into loft apartments, improving the retail center, and completing several new single family house renovations. One of the biggest issues facing companies here is property and business expansion. We'll get Mr. Pepper's thoughts on how the City of Cincinnati can help our companies expand and grow employee base, would be the central message of your presentation. Also, he will address our concerns about safety and crime perceptions in Cincinnati.

Solar Plexus Offers Yoga

WILLIAM S BRASHEAR, OWNER

The Solar Plexus, 2855 Colerain Ave., has classes in yoga, dance, and natural vision therapy. Our therapeutic Thai Yoga Massage is the most affordable around. The owner has everything priced so that these types of services are available to everyone, not just the wealthy. No one is refused yoga classes or vision therapy for inability to pay. Call 284-6723 for more info.

Visit the Camp Washington Web Site at <http://www.cddcinc.org>

Residential Home Development Heating Up in Camp Washington

PAUL RUDEMILLER, DIRECTOR

The Camp Washington Community Board is celebrating its 30th year of operation by doing what we do best – renovating run-down houses to sell to new homeowners. Several new renovations are going on to accommodate the growing demand for good, solid housing here. We have houses on Bates, Sidney, and Henshaw either under renovation or in the planning stage.

Camp Washington Business Association

Luncheon Meeting

Wed., Feb. 16 @ Noon

River City Correctional Center

Agenda:

- Welcome by John Barton
- Redevelopment Report
- City Councilman David Pepper
- New Business Update
- Center Tour

Lunch provided by River City

RSVP Joe Gorman 542-1637

Safe & Clean Committee Needs Members

DAVID JUSTICE, CHAIRMAN

The Camp Washington Community Council's Environmental Safety Committee reminds residents to report incidences of litter, graffiti, and public right of way problems, such as bent stop signs, broken curbs, and smelly sewers. For instance, if you see people working on their cars in the street, and littering the area by throwing tires, car trash, auto parts, call the City hotline at 591-6000 and report it.

We need you to join our efforts. We have one short meeting every month. The next meeting of the committee is Tuesday, March 1 at 10 a.m. at 3205 Colerain. Everyone is welcome!

Keep Cincinnati Beautiful is having a Great American Cleanup Town Meeting at City Hall, Saturday, Feb. 12 from 9 a.m. - 1:30. Lunch provided. Blight Index Training is being offered, as well as info about the Great American Cleanup. Call 352-4380.

GED School

KIM MOORE, INSTRUCTOR

The Camp Washington Community School resumes operation Tuesday, January 18 at 5 p.m.

If you're interested in working towards your GED, stop by our school at 2951 Sidney Avenue on Tuesday or Thursday nights at 5 p.m. for enrollment. You can call the school at 542-1637.

New Playground at Mass & Rachel

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The City of Cincinnati is installing new swings, slides and other fun stuff in the little park at Massachusetts and Rachel. This playground should be ready to go this Spring. So, get your kids out of the house, away from the TV, and on the swings!

Kroger Store Still Open

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

According to Reuben Shaffer, V-P Operations for Kroger, there has not been a decision made to close the Camp Washington Kroger store. He promised to notify the Camp Washington Community Council and City Councilman Christopher Smitherman if the store is closing. There have been many rumors circulating around for the past six months that the little store is closing. We'll just have to take Reuben's word for it.

Small Arts Grants

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The City of Cincinnati sponsors grants for artists and small arts organizations. With reduced funding, the competition for this money will be strong. Remember to cross the T's and dot your I's, as the review process is rigid. For more info, contact C. Gutjahr, at 352-4985.

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