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Hamilton County Jail Open Meeting is Feb. 13 at 6 p.m.

PAT P. STAPLES, PRESIDENT

Please come to the public meeting Tuesday, February 13 to share your thoughts regarding the possible placement of the new Hamilton County jail at the former Sara Lee Kahn's site. The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Camp Washington Recreation Center, 1201 Stock, at 6 p.m.

This is a very big deal for the community, as the comprehensive jail complex can be the catalyst for rejuvenating the commercial and industrial corridor along Spring Grove Avenue. There are about 50 acres of vacant or under-used property along this stretch and a new jail would be a shot in the arm for industrial developers to invest in the neighborhood.

The community would also like to see public support for residential housing development. The Community Board needs help in rehabbing houses that were acquired from foreclosures and property flipping.

The public meeting is coordinated by Hamilton County Commissioners, led by commission president Todd Portune, and, Cincinnati City Councilman Cecil Thomas. If you have suggestions for the jail, or have questions about its operation, please come to the public meeting to have your voice heard.

Camp Washington Business Association

Wednesday, February 21, 2007

Noon - 1 pm

Kao Brands

2535 Spring Grove Ave. (at Alfred)

Business Association Meets 3rd Wed. Every Month for Networking

JOSEPH GORMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Camp Washington Business Association has fifty-eight (58) paid members to date for 2007. We meet monthly for an hour, usually at lunch time. We are going to try a breakfast meeting in April at Concordia School at 1133 Clifton Hills Avenue (at Central Parkway).

Our meeting schedule for the next five months is below:

- February 21: Kao Brands - Noon
- March 21: Reliable Castings (lunch provided by Midwest Environmental) - Noon
- April 18: Concordia School - 8 a.m. breakfast
- May 16: Machine Flats (lunch provided by Micro Metal) - Noon
- June 20: Pride Cast Metals - Noon

The food is usually donated by a member company, so all we ask is that you RSVP so we can get an accurate head count. For more information, call Joe Gorman at 542-1637.

GED School Is Open for New Students

JENNIFER HAYNES, INSTRUCTOR

The Camp Washington Community School is open 3 nights a week – Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 5 - 8 pm. We are seeking some new students. If you or a friend or family member needs a GED, our school offers personal service and guidance.

You will be surprised how easy it is to join our school and get started on your GED. The community school is located at 2951 Sidney Avenue (at Rachel). Call 542-1637 for information.

CAMP WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETS MONDAY, FEB. 12 AT 7:30 P.M.

1201 Stock Street, CW Recreation Center

Community Board Spotlight

PAUL RUDEMILLER, COMMUNITY BOARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Here is the before and after photos of a recent renovation on Sidney Avenue. On this particular house, we had to take off the entire roof because the knee wall had weakened. With a new roof, the house is couple few shorter than what it was. We also found the original porch railing after tearing off the rotted boards.



Cincinnati Enquirer Features House

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Thanks to the Enquirer for featuring the most recent community board house renovation on Massachusetts Street. Pat Staples and Mimi Rook's house looked great in the Jan. 28, 2007 Home Section feature.

Henshaw to Hopple Turn is Dangerous

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

If you have tried to turn left out of Henshaw (by the Fifth Third Bank) onto Hopple you well know how dangerous this is. The community council is asking the City Traffic Engineering Division for help in reconfiguring this turn. Perhaps, adding a light at this intersection. District 5 police is enforcing the posted no left turn between 7 – 9 a.m., and, 3 – 6 p.m.

American Sign Museum to Open in Camp Washington Fall 2007

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

File it under the “you won’t believe it until you see it” category because you have to see for yourself the awesome, huge, original, compelling and fun signs that will be on display in this unique museum coming to Camp Washington.

A smaller version of the American Sign Museum is in operation in about 8,000 square feet of space at the Essex Studio in Walnut Hills. But, the new facility to be located behind the Machine Flats loft apartments on Monmouth Street will be nearly 29,000 sq. feet, easily big enough to show off many of the historic signs under the auspices of proprietor Tod Swormstedt. We’re looking at an opening in the Fall of 2007.

Bluegrass Festival in Valley Park

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Anyone out there want to help put together a bluegrass festival at Valley Park this August? We are looking for a few pickers and grinners to organize the first annual Peace in the Valley Park Bluegrass Festival. We’ll throw in a Gospel act to keep people in line! We may even have it in conjunction with River City Community Picnic. We could also celebrate the Dough Boy with a flag ceremony.

Please let me know about your ideas or suggestions. To help, call Joe at 542-1637.

Call City Hotline 591-6000 for Help

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

There is one number that folks can call to report a long list of problems or thank a city employee for doing an outstanding job. If you see litter on a lot, an abandoned car, broken or missing street signs, fallen tree limbs on public property, and a variety of other complaints, please call 591-6000.

The staff that answers the phone do a good job in finding solutions or getting you to the right person. Remember, you can help prevent the little things that annoy us all by making that call!

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