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Abandoned Grocery Carts Used in Crimes

PAT P. STAPLES, CAMP WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL PREZ

Abandoned carts from Kroger, Family Dollar, CVS, and even Sears have found a home in Camp.

I recently saw 19 carts lined up in front of the junk yard on Ethan! Carts are often used by guys who steal scrap metal or copper. A business owner caught four guys using a grocery cart to steal his snow plow. They laughed as he called the cops.

Why do businesses allow these expensive carts to roam free? The manager of Camp Washington Family Dollar says he doesn't have the staff or the budget to pay someone to pick up his carts. Why aren't businesses liable if their carts are used in a crime? Can a City regulation be devised to force businesses to control their carts?

City Councilman Chris Monzel is looking into this problem. Call Chris at 352-3640 to help. Call 765-1212 to report criminals using these carts.

Artist Scott Donaldson Chosen for Mural

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Local artist Scott Donaldson has been chosen to design and oversee the painting of the new mural in Camp Washington. Scott is working on a concept that will be ready this month. We'll have more news about Scott in the next newsletter.

Camp Washington Business Association

June 18 Luncheon

Speaker: Brewster Rhoads

S.W. Ohio Regional Director;

Topic: Ohio Economic Stimulus Package

Central Parkway Church of God

3230 Central Parkway

RSVP: Joe Gorman 542-1637

Lunch provided by Kao Brands

CAMP WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETS MONDAY, JUNE 9 AT 7:30 P.M.

CW Recreation Center, 1201 Stock Street

All are welcome!

Sept. 13th Bluegrass & Art Fest Features Vernon McIntyre

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The 2nd annual Camp Washington Bluegrass & Art Fest will feature **Vernon McIntyre's Appalachian Grass** as headliner. The **Mt. Pleasant String Band** returns. A new band called **Pine Mountain Highway** will round out the show.

Vernon McIntyre's professional career began in 1960 at age 15 playing banjo for Earl Taylor and the



Vernon McIntyre

Stoney Mountain Boys. Over the years, Vernon has been an active performer and recording artist. He was a founding member of the Bluegrass Partners of Wheeling Jamboree fame. His banjo work with the Easterners was outstanding. Vernon has played with the greats of bluegrass such as Jimmy Martin, Earl Taylor, Jim McCall, Scott Stoneman, James Monroe, and Walter Hensley.

Vernon learned to play banjo on the job. His dad, stage name Boatwhistle, was a bluegrass bassist and comedian with Earl Taylor's Stoney Mountain Boys.

Financial support has been received so far from the City of Cincinnati's Neighborhoods Business District United grant, the Schmidlapp Music Fund, and the Cincinnati Parks Foundation Entertainment Grant. Thanks to Central Parkway Church of God, Thunderbolt Systems, and River City Correctional Center for help in organizing this event.

The fest will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2008 from 2 p.m. – 8 p.m. in Valley Park. You can reach the park from I-75 by taking Hoppole Street, to Colerain, go north about 1/4 mile until you see the Doughboy Statue in front of the park. Call Joe at 542-1637 for more information.

MAD MAX BINGO Open Friday & Sunday
3301 Harrison Avenue • Cheviot 241-3450

CITY HOTLINE 591-6000

Camp T-Shirts Available

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER



Our new goldenrod “Welcome to Camp Washington” are in much demand. Get yours before they run out by coming to the community council meeting. Or, call Joe at 542-1637 to reserve your shirt.

Community Board Thanks Greater Cincinnati Foundation for Grant

PAUL RUDEMILLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Board has been fighting foreclosures for years and we have been lucky to get support from the Greater Cincinnati Foundation. The 2-year foreclosure remediation grant has helped us stabilize housing inventory. Hamilton County is seeing 130 foreclosures a week, yet we have been able to slow the tide here in Camp Washington.

If you are interesting in renovating and owning one of our homes, please call Paul at 542-1637.

Flower Boxes

DAVID JUSTICE, CHAIR, ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY COMMITTEE

Camp Washington has a gardening angel by the name of Deborah Grayson. You can see her either planting new flowers in several of the gray flower boxes on Colerain Avenue, or, working the flower beds in Valley Park. Deborah has been instrumental in designing and maintaining the flower bed by the Doughboy Statue. The Camp Washington Community Council is using NSP funds to help buy flowers and materials for the boxes.

Get Your GED at Community School

JENNIFER HAYNES, INSTRUCTOR

Camp Washington Community School classes are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 5-8 pm. at 2951 Sidney Ave. (at Rachel). Call 542-2389.

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Development Issues Affect the Future

JOSEPH GORMAN, CWBA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Camp Washington will be affected by several issues, including the I-75 improvement, Hopple Bridge, the new Monmouth Bridge, the closing of Bates bridge, the relocation of the City’s Public Works facilities, the future of the City Impound Lot, former Kahn’s site use, and, filling in the business gaps along Spring Grove Avenue. The opening next year of the American Sign Museum will also impact our future.

CSX Bridge on WKRC News

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Our efforts to get CSX to paint its bridge in Camp Washington (near Ralston) is on-going. Community Council President Pat P. Staples was interviewed by WKRC news. The Enquirer featured a story about a Northside resident who crashed his truck into a debris that had fallen from the bridge. His front axle broke.

The CSX bridge is not only unsightly, but is it not safe? The mayor’s office is looking into the rusted bridge situation for the entire City. We have already heard from these communities with similar unsightly bridges: Hartwell, Kennedy Heights, Spring Grove Village, and Madisonville. Surely, CSX can be a good neighbor and help us eliminate blight, rust, uncut grass, litter, and high weeds

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