



# NEWSLETTER

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## Sept. 13th Bluegrass & Art Fest

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER



The 2nd annual Camp Washington Bluegrass & Art Fest is Saturday, Sept. 13, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Valley Park. This is a FREE event.

**Vernon McIntyre & Appalachian Grass** is the headliner. The **Mt. Pleasant String Band** returns and

will open the show at 2 p.m.. A new band called **Pine Mountain Highway** plays at 4 p.m.. The art fest is being coordinated by Dicere Gallery and will feature the work of several artists.

At 3 p.m., a “dog parading” session will begin, with a professional dog handler showing owners good ways to discipline your pet. The bluegrass fest will also feature “**Visitor from the Plains**,” a Native American Demonstration, including a real tipi (teepee), dress, beads, flute music.

**T-shirts** are available for \$5. These shirts will be a collector’s item, so get your shirt today.

Thanks to the following donors: American Sign Museum, Central Parkway Church of God, Camp Washington Business Association (generator), Washington United Church of Christ, National City, Funtown (stage), Thunderbolt Systems (sound system), CNBDU, Camp Washington Community Council, T-Shirts by Jay, Robert Morris, Cincinnati Parks Foundation, and, Schmickl Music Foundation

Call Joe at 542-1637 for more information.

**Camp Washington Business Association  
September 17 Luncheon  
“Year in Review”**

Central Parkway Church of God  
3230 Central Parkway

Food provided by AARDCO  
RSVP: Joe Gorman 542-1637

Notice: October 15 luncheon will feature  
David Velie from Amend LLC.

## Camp Washington Garden Club

MIMI ROOK, CAMP WASHINGTON GARDEN CLUB

The Camp Washington Community Council Garden Club is hard at work transforming an empty lot into a beautiful garden. Located at the corner of Bates and Henshaw, the garden will feature rose bushes, perennials, and trees. A second project includes providing flowers and flower pots for those residents who want to spiff up their yards.

The Garden Club has established a relationship with the Diamond Oaks Horticulture Program to produce seeds and to winterize plants. Residents Mimi Rook and Sarah Hayes are coordinating the program. Call Mimi at 328-8576 or Sarah at 281-3774 to join the Garden Club.

## VOA Homeless Vet Facility Approved

PAT STAPLES, CWCC PRESIDENT

The Volunteers of America have proposed to build a new Homeless Veteran’s Facility on land directly north of the River City Correctional Center. The Veteran’s Administration is the sponsoring entity, but VOA will operate 50-100 capacity facility.

The community council voted August 11 in favor of the project with a promise by VOA that no sex offender programs will be operated here. VOA must now raise further funds to acquire the land from Hamilton County, do environmental studies, design, and build the facility.

## Council Membership is only \$3

JOYCE SMITH, CWCC TREASURER

It’s time to renew your annual Council membership. Three dollars gives you the privilege of voting and supporting the neighborhood.

**CAMP WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MEETING**

**MONDAY, SEPT. 8 AT 7:30 P.M.**

**CW Recreation Center**

**1201 Stock Street**

**You are welcome!**

## Hopple Roundabouts

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Two presentations by the existing and new consultant firms regarding the proposed roundabouts for the Hopple Street Interchange brought spirited debate about the concept.

One of the biggest concerns about the roundabout concept is that pedestrians (in particular, blind, seniors, disabled) will have a very difficult time crossing the street. Roundabouts do not use lights. Hopple has a huge amount of traffic (300,000 cars a daily). It took the community council nearly four years to install the audio crosswalks at Hopple & Colerain to help blind, disabled, and seniors to safely cross the streets.)

I encourage residents and business owners in Camp to attend the City’s Transportation Committee meetings held every other Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in City Hall. Call me at 542-1637 to car pool.

## Farewell to our V-P, Raye Jones


PAT STAPLES, CWCC PRESIDENT

It is with profound thanks that we bid goodbye to Raye and his wife Nettie. They are moving back home to Georgia to be closer to family.

## Camp Washington Mural Dedication Was a Great Success

JOSEPH GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Thanks to all who helped celebrate (and protest) the dedication of the new Camp Washington mural Sept. 3rd. Nearly 40 people attended and enjoyed coney and cake at Camp Washington Chili.



**T-Shirts Available**  
We have a few of our new goldenrod “Welcome to Camp Washington” shirts. Get your t-shirt by coming to the community council meeting. Call Joe at 542-1637.

## County Cuts Weeds in Front of Kahn’s

DAVID JUSTICE, CHAIR, ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Camp Washington Community Council is happy that the Hamilton County Commissioners have positively responded to the Sept. 4th Enquirer article about the future of the former Kahn’s site on Spring Grove. President Todd Portune contacted our president, Pat Staples, to inform him that the weeds were cut.

The Council and the business association both supported the jail idea for the former Kahn’s site. Since that didn’t happen, the site is starting to look run down and its future is uncertain. The Community Board has convened City, County and business reps to begin working together on development ideas. An end-user company has been identified, so hopefully we can get this development moving before the end of the year.

## Community School Offers GED Classes

JENNIFER HAYNES, INSTRUCTOR

We have about seven active students enrolled in the GED class. You have a great resource to help you earn a GED right here in Camp Washington. The Camp Washington Community School regular classes are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 5-8 pm. at 2951 Sidney Ave. (at Rachel). Call Jennifer at 542-2389 to enroll in our free classes.

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