



NANA NEWS

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NANA produces the **NANA NEWS** 10 times a year. We used to mail out approximately 3,000 copies but the cost was around a thousand dollars an issue and we simply cannot afford it with the City cuts. Added to that was USPS changes that drastically slowed delivery by the postal service bulk mail. This year we are sending out one in combination with our annual dues request in hopes that we can reconnect with some of you whose email addresses we don't have. Due to our need to hold the **NANA NEWS** until we had some crucial information, you may receive this hardcopy late but if I have your email address you received it by May 8th.

The **NANA NEWS** is now emailed out as a blind copy (no one else sees your email address and we never give your email address out to anyone). It is posted on northavondalecincinnati.com, the NANA website and on the neighborhood yahoo site. Some people still prefer a paper copy for which they pay \$10.00 extra a year. We used to charge \$7.00 a year but since we have under 100 individuals paying for this service and we need 200 pieces for bulk mail we have to send it at regular postal rates (which is faster anyway).

One advantage to emailing the **NANA NEWS** is that it is in color, has more pictures and more information. The emailed version is now usually six pages instead of the previous four.

PLEASE send to clmorse@fuse.net your email address if you don't normally receive a **NANA NEWS** or send it in with your dues envelope. It is very important as a community that we stay connected and informed.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Soon all households in North Avondale will be receiving a request asking they remit their 2011 NANA annual dues. Only about 10% of those in North Avondale participate as an ENROLLED MEMBER (one who pays dues). You must be 18 years of age, live, work own property in NA and pay dues to be classified as an Enrolled Member"-----we certainly need more ENROLLED MEMBERS.....dues are exceedingly cheap!

Those who do not pay dues in NA are "General Members". The privileges of those having a General Membership are the same as the Enrolled Membership except General Members cannot serve on the NANA Board; vote for the election of NANA officers; or, vote on any question regarding amendment of the NANA bylaws. The dues paid by Enrolled Members and monies received from the City of Cincinnati NSP grant fund determine what monies are available for NANA to spend for projects bettering the community and mandatory operational costs for our organization.

Bill Stevens (1)

NANA's 2011-2012 **Nominating Committee** comprised of Bill Stevens (Red Bud); Michelle Baxter (Clinton Springs); Carolyn Gillman (Red Bud); Sue Afanuh (Mary Ln); Reginald Crutcher (Lenox Pl) is pleased to announce the proposed slate of officers:

2011/2012 NANA Board of Trustees.

President:

Bill Stevens (Red Bud)

1st Vice President:

Diana Noyes (Clinton Springs)

2nd Vice President:

Carolyn Gillman (Red Bud)

3rd Vice President:

Jeffrey Glen (Spring House Lane)

Recording Secretary:

Reginald Crutcher (Lenox Pl.)

Corresponding Secretary:

Barry Myers (Leyman)

Treasurer:

Maura Wolf (Lenox Pl.)

50TH NANA ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY

MAY 22, 2011

3:00 TO 5:00 P.M.

THE BELVEDERE

3900 ROSE HILL AVENUE

AGENDA:

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PLANS FOR 2011-2012

A SURPRISE!

VISIT WITH YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

After speaking to the City Manager Dohoney on April 18, NANA looks forward to hearing the City Managers report on Chronic Nuisance Ordinance Items: ■ Item # 2011-00350 – Winburn's Proposal without Criminal Penalties (NANA Strongly Opposes) ■ Item # 2011-00351 – Winburn's Proposal with Criminal Penalties (NANA Supports) ■ Item # 2010-01640 – Thomas's Proposal (NANA Strongly Opposes no criminal penalties and having the police enforce it).



Thank You Volunteers!



GREEN-UP DAY & GREAT AMERICAN CLEAN-UP was Saturday, April 16, 2011 9:30 a.m. to 1:03 p.m.

Everyone in the neighborhood should be grateful to the groups and the few neighborhood volunteers who came out in the rain to rake & bag leaves, mulch the playgrounds pick up litter and weed at Seasongood, Dana Triangle and MLK. The ravine by the Dana triangle was cleaned out of furniture and trash as well as the Gershuny property. Litter was collected along Reading, Mitchell and Clinton Springs. Thank you to the volunteers who braved the weather:

Burton Woods: Brian Hill, Marissa McGinnis; **Dakota:** Ursula, Austin & Matt Hassel; **Leyman:** Buzz Scannella; **N. F. Shuttlesworth:** Fred, Anise, Sherryl, Thandiwe, Fegan; **Red Bud:** Marian Miller, Bill Stevens; **Spring House Ln:** Cathryn & Beck Lovely; **Avondale Youth Council:** Michael Anderson, William Hetcher, Hakiem Lamier, Chris Rogers, Ronald Washington, Damon Walker; **North Avondale A's:** Raepheal Dell, Bob & Elijah Johnson, Alta Marie & Jeremiah Miller, D'Wayne Mondy, Tim Patton, Donta Williams, Barry Wilson; **Volunteers of America** Greg Avery, Joseph Barnes, Vincent Bright, Terry Embry, Gregory Hill, Marion Landocre, James Macke, Nick Moeller, Bennett Ruter Jr., Daren Voshel.

Also thank you to all the neighbors who pick up litter everyday in our neighborhood!



PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

The City Planning Department, as a result of the MLS using their community council boundaries map, thought it would be helpful if community councils stated their boundaries by streets in their bylaws. In the past NANA did that but with the last bylaw change went to just attaching our map. Even though the Planning Commission tabled this item it should serve as a "best practice." Therefore, NANA is putting them back in:

ARTICLE III BOUNDARIES

SECTION 1 The boundaries of North Avondale shall be congruent with those shown in the map found on page seventeen (17) of the "North Avondale Community Master Plan", issued in January of 1974 by the Cincinnati City (2)

Planning Commission; a copy of which is attached hereto as 'Appendix A' and which is incorporated herein by reference.

ADDED TO THIS SECTION:

And further described as: Beginning at the northeast corner of Glenwood and Vine east along the north side of Glenwood to Lexington then east along the north side of Lexington to Victory Parkway; then north along the west side of Victory Parkway to Asmann, then west along the south side of Asmann to Reading, then north along the east side of Reading to the south boundary of Avon Fields golf course, then west along the south boundary of Avon Fields golf course crossing Paddock and continuing along the south boundary of Avon Fields golf course and Avon Woods Nature Reserve north, west and north to a point that is St Bernard and then the southeast corner of St. Mary Cemetery, then west along the south boundary of St. Mary Cemetery which is the dividing line between St. Bernard and Cincinnati, then along the northern boundary of the properties of Avon Fields Lane, then south along the west boundary of the properties on the west side of Rose Hill Avenue following the boundary between St. Bernard and Cincinnati to the south side of Mitchell, then west along the south side of Mitchell to Vine, then north along the west side of Vine to Kessler, then west along the St. Bernard-Cincinnati boundary to I-75 then south to the north side of Mitchell, then east to Vine, then east along the north side of Vine to the northeast corner of Glenwood and Vine, the point of the beginning.

As the dues have not kept up with inflation and to avoid making bylaw changes in the future to adjust to inflation, the following is proposed:

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2 The annual dues for a NANA Enrolled or Affiliate Member shall be set by a 2/3 vote of the executive committee ~~two (2) dollars, minimum, per fiscal year.~~

NANA monthly meetings are not always needed due to content or lack of neighborhood participation. Therefore, to allow flexibility, the following change is proposed:

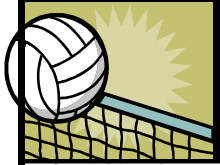
ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SECTION 5 The Board of Trustees shall; fix the hour and place of the ~~monthly~~ membership meetings;

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

SECTION 1 The regular membership meetings of NANA shall be held on the second Tuesday of each month **unless canceled**, except for the membership meeting held in May of each year.

Additions in bold. Deletions contain a strikethrough



NORTH AVONDALE (NAC)
617 Clinton Springs
961.1584

northavondale@cincinnati-oh.gov

Registration is open for the **2011 Summer Day Camp** (Monday, June 6th – Friday, August 12th, 7am – 6pm Monday – Friday) The fee for this year's program is \$800 plus \$10 for a center membership. (a 10% discount is offered on additional children)

70's Disco Pee Wee Prom Date: Friday, May 13th Time: 6:30pm - 9:30pm Cost: \$10.00 Presale until May 6th \$12.00 at the event

Save the Date – Helping Home Buyers Succeed!!!

Our next Money Matters Workshop will be offered on Monday, **May 23rd** from 6:30pm – 8pm at the North Avondale Recreation Center. This May's topic is Helping Home Buyers Succeed. Please RSVP to 961.1584

Dina S. Hanks



NORTH AVONDALE MONTESSORI
•363.3900 • 615 Clinton Springs
www.namrockets.org

Fuel the Rockets 2011 Sourcing Toward Excellence Support North Avondale Montessori School

Their goal this year is to raise \$30,000.00. 1. Give online at Networkforgood.com

2. go to <http://www.nam-school.org/> to download a pledge form

May 16,17,18,19,20 Book Fair 8am to 3pm

May 25 last day of school

THE NEW SCHOOL MONTESSORI
•281.7999 • 3 Burton Woods Lane
www.thenewschool.cc

With exploration as a tenet of Montessori education, we include field study as an integral part of our curriculum, and invite children to begin exploring early. Whether touring our city's parks and museums or riding a zip line at Camp Ernst, our students feel at home in many environments. This school year students have been on excursions to Cincinnati's art museum, zoo, downtown public library, and to a behind-the-scenes tour of the Cincinnati Ballet just to name a few.

In early April, the first through third grade students explored Caesar's Creek on a fossil-hunting trip to review what they'd learned over the years about geological time periods and the early animals and plants captured in the fossil record.

Preprimary students had a follow-up field trip where they contrasted what they'd seen in February to the spring changes they observed in our temperate forest at Burnet Woods.

Fourth and fifth grade students prepared for their field trip to Cleveland by learning about Ohio geography, the history of Native Americans and the history of Cleveland. TNSM parent Claudia Reilly worked with students on improvisational theater so they'd have an appreciation of it when the *Cabaret Dada Improv Theatre* group performed for them in Cleveland. A

chartered bus delivered the class to Cleveland's Botanical Gardens and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. They also visited the Cleveland Museum of Art and the Great Lakes Science Center. The students tried various foods at an Italian restaurant in Little Italy, Mediterranean food at Aladdin's with a tour of a pita bread factory and the Mongolian Grill.

Sixth graders researched our nation's capital for their 5-day trip to Washington D.C. where they were responsible for budgeting their meal money and figuring tips. They met Congressman Steve Chabot, toured the Capitol building and the old post office with its clock tower. They visited the National Archive, Smithsonian Museums, Arlington Cemetery, the Holocaust Museum, and the "Newseum" (history through the news). They attended a play at Ford's Theater, had a night tour of the monuments, rode in a paddle boat in the Tidal Basin by the Washington Monument and took a boat ride down the Potomac to Mount Vernon. We're proud of our TNSM students, their work and the staff who encourage them to explore and learn.

Ann Baumgardner Development/Marketing Director

FUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

♫ **2011 Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Sale** The Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District event will feature FreeGarden™ compost bins (\$35) and rain barrels (\$50) available for sale to Hamilton County residents only on a first come, first served basis. The sale will be held on **Saturday, May 14 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in the parking lots of Village Crossings & Green Township Administration.

♫ **Used Book Sale and Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, May 14, 2011, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at North Avondale Montessori School (615 Clinton Springs Av.)** in the gym and the cafeteria

♫ **Wine and Cheese New School Reception** on Saturday, **May 14** from 6:30-8:30 PM Clifton Cultural Arts Center (formerly Clifton School) 3711 Clifton with parking available in the lot off McAlpin 3rd floor auditorium

♫ **Little Miami Expedition Sat, May 21, 10:30am – 12:30pm** Magrish Riverlands Preserve. Families and individuals welcome but register early - space is limited, only two children (6 years and up) per adult. Call 861.3435 to sign up. *Rachel Rice Cincinnati Parks, Avon Woods*

♫ **Computer and TV Recycling Drop-Off Program:**
Location: 2trg- 11085 Kenwood Rd., Blue Ash, OH 45242
Dates: Monday – Friday, May 2 - Oct. 31, 2011. 9am - 4pm
 Open ONLY two Saturdays. June 18 & Oct. 15 9am – 2pm
Details: Only for Hamilton County residents. Please bring proof of residency (driver's license or utility bill). Items from businesses, churches and non-profits will not be accepted. Items accepted free of charge include: CPUs, monitors, printers, televisions, fax machines, main frames, laptops, mice, keyboards, speakers, scanners, personal copiers, cables, printers, chips, circuit boards, back up batteries, cell phones and PDAs.

NANA CALENDAR

- First Thursday of each month June 2, at 1:30pm, **NANA Rental Housing Meeting**, District 4 Police Station 4150 Reading
- Friday, May 20, 8 to 10am, The New School Open House for the neighborhood to view the new enrichment center
- **Sunday May 22, NANA Annual Meeting, 3:00 to 5:00 pm Belvedere**
- **Tuesday, June 14, NANA General Meeting, 7:00pm** North Avondale Recreation Center, 617 Clinton Springs



IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS/EMAIL/WEBSITES

City Complaint/Request Hotline	591.6000	Track property code violations:	
	5916000.com		http://cagisperm.hamilton-co.org/cpop/
Police District 4	569.8600	Request A Recycling Bin	242.4600
Nonemergency Police	765.1212	Report Air Odors 24/7	946.7777
To just make a crime report (no police visit)	352.2960	Where to Recycle Different Things	http://earth911.com/
To learn about Crime in Cincinnati visit:	Crimereports.com		

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~NANA ANNUAL MEETING~
 ~May 22ND 3:00 TO 5:00pm~
 ~PAY YOUR 2011 NANA DUES~

CITY OF CINCINNATI RESTORES CANCELLED YARD WASTE PICK UP. Previously in the Cincinnati Municipal Code (CMC) it was illegal to comingle yard waste and trash. Negative responses to the cancelation prompted City Council to change the Code to allow comingling. First, they restored the pick-up just for the week of May 9 to 13 but later restored it completely. But with budget constraints, it is recommended you not put off any projects that may result in lots of yard waste as the City may cancel yard waste pick up again.

When Preparing Yard Waste:

- ✦ Brush and branches should be put into bundles no larger than 4'x2'.
- ✦ Individual tree limbs should be no larger than 6" in diameter.
- ✦ Leaves and lawn clipping should be in an appropriate container such as a bag or can.
- ✦ When possible, consider composting or yard waste drop-off sites as an earth friendly alternative to disposing of yard waste with regular garbage.

Our closest **yard waste site** is 3320 Mill Creek Road, Cincinnati, OH 45225 which is off Spring Grove. Hours of Operation: Open year-round Monday through Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (except holidays) It is about 4 miles away from NA.

- DO NOT place yard waste in plastic bags. Plastics can not be composted and therefore are not accepted at yard waste drop-off locations.
- The use of biodegradable brown paper yard waste bags is encouraged. Cans may also be use to transport yard waste but will need to be emptied once at the drop-off location.

Editor Note: shouldn't we rename Yard Waste to be called Yard Recycling!