



NANA NEWS

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NANA ISSUES REVIEWED WITH CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Several members of the NANA Board** met with Assistant City Manager Scott Stiles on September 24 to review neighborhood concerns that it was felt the new City Manager and his staff might not be aware of. Several items of current or continuing interest were discussed including:

- Criminal activity at problem apartments (on Dana, Burton and Reading Rd.)
- Inconsistent and selective enforcement of laws at problem apartments
- Mini Mart Truck on Burton, problems it is causing and how to get rid of it
- Reading Road Streetscape Plan and why it is taking so long to get started
- The future of the old Fire House on Reading Rd. (just north of Paddock)
- The future of the Armory site on Reading Road (at Asmann)
- The future of Gershuny property on Reading Rd. (between Avondale Ave./Barry Lane)
- Rental Rehab program at 4087 Victory Parkway and elsewhere in North Avondale.

Administrators from several City Departments, who were also present at this meeting, were asked to work with NANA to follow up on these items.

** Vice President Sulayman Bajo, Secretary Michelle Baxter, Board members John Jones, Marvin & Gerry Kraus, NANA Administrator Charlene Morse.

NANA General Meeting

- ? Tuesday ? October 9 ? 7:30 p.m. ?
- ? North Avondale Recreation Center ?
- ? 617 Clinton Springs ?

CANDIDATES FORUM

There is immense benefit in having a chance to see and hear Judicial, City Council, School Board candidates as well as important issues and levys. We are known as a community who cares about our political process.

PLEASE DO US PROUD AND ATTEND THIS MEETING!



? Have you looked at North Avondale's web site?



? Would you like to find an easy way to see what real estate is for sale in North Avondale?

? Near the bottom of the North Avondale Home page click on the blue link: www.trulia.com to see a map and listings of **all real estate for sale in North Avondale.**

? Missed a NANA General Meeting

? Click on NANA Minutes

? Been searching for your **old NANA NEWS**

? Click in NANA Newsletter for past issues all the way back to 2003.

? Would you like to learn more about the **history of North Avondale?**

? Click on History Of North Avondale heading on the left hand menu to view old postcards of the neighborhood

? Looking for information & informational websites?

? Click to the Safety & Health

? Click on CPOP, then Code violations for updates on **problem properties**

? Click to the City Resources

? Click to Landlord & Tenant

? Click to Safe Neighborhood Tips

? Click to the Links section and find numerous links to:

? Business and Economic Development

? Colleges and Universities

? Financial Institutions

? Fine Arts

? Guides & Resources

? Healthcare

? Housing

? Human Services

? Municipal Facilities & Services

? Museums

? Newspapers

? Recreation and Leisure

? Restoration and Remodeling

? Schools

? Senior Services

? Special Events

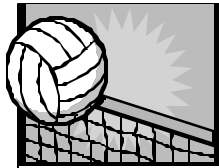
? Sports

? Transportation



And even more...

NANA greatly appreciates all of Amy Yosmali's hard work in creating and updating this website. Thank you Amy



NORTH AVONDALE
? 617 Clinton Springs ? 961-1584
 northavondale@cincinnati-oh.gov
HIRSCH CENTER
? 3630 Reading Road ? 751-3393
 Hirsch@cincinnati-oh.gov

NEW!!! I hope that you will welcome Randal Wagner (CCD) a new full time staff person at N. Avondale Center. He will be working with teens and supporting our already large sports programs.

NEW!!! Free Snack Programs are now available for school age children (5-17 year olds) at both sites!
 Hirsch serves at 2:30 P.M. & N. Avondale serves at 3pm.
NO MEMBERSHIP NEEDED!!!!

NEW!!! Hirsch Center is introducing a theater class for 10 year olds and up. This is a *multicultural and multigenerational program to teach nonviolence and tolerance through theatre. They will tentatively be performing a play in November.*

Avondale and Hirsch Recreation Centers

- Sept. 11 Flag Football (Hirsch & N. Avondale)
- 20 Soccer (N. Avondale)
- 21 Youth Night - Youth free to Museum Center 3:30 -7:30, bring \$ for dinner (N. Avondale)
- 28 Teen Outing (N. Avondale)
- Oct. 5 Teens Til Ten (N. Avondale)
- 13 Senior Fashion Show at Corryville, show 47 pm \$10 tickets includes dinner (pre-registration; Hirsch & N. Avondale)
- 13 City-Wide Teens Outing - Canoe trip (Morgan's) (pre-registration; Hirsch & N. Avondale)
- 19 Boys and Girls Club Outing – Haunted House and dinner (N. Avondale 5th & 6th grade)
- Nov. 2 Family Night -Mexican Potluck (pre-registration at N. Avondale) **(NO MEMBERSHIP NEEDED!!!!)**
- 7-9th Hirsch Play (Hirsch)
- 16 Dancing Under the Stars - Senior and Teens Dance (pre-registration; Hirsch & N. Avondale)
- 16 Volunteer and Parent Appreciation Dinner (N. Avondale)
- Dec. 14 Teen Outing (N. Avondale)
- 20 Teens Til Teen (N. Avondale)

Holiday Day Camp Hours
at North Avondale and Hirsch Recreation Center

<u>Week 1</u>		<u>Week 2</u>	
Mon. Dec. 24	7am-4pm	Mon. Dec. 31	7am-6pm
Tues. Dec. 25	closed	Tues. Jan. 1	closed
Wed. – Fri. Dec. 26 -28	7am-6pm	Wed. – Fri. Jan. 2 -4	7am-6pm

Call the Centers for more information!!!!



NORTH AVONDALE MONTESSORI SCHOOL
?363-3900 ? 615 Clinton Springs Ave.
? nams.cps-k12.org

Thank you to the NANA Community for your continued support of North Avondale Montessori School. Those of you who live close to the school have been VERY patient with the parking problems before and after school. With the new building we are making sure the parking will be plentiful around the school property.

If anyone is interested in tutoring a student at NAM, please contact Jamie Donaldson our Volunteer Coordinator at 363-33957 (voicemail). We have some students who could benefit from your expertise.

The **tentative** schedule of our building project is:

Summer 2008 - we move into our swing space (Burton Elementary site)

Dec. 2008 - Mar. 2010 - Demolition of old NAM Building and New Construction

June 2010 - Move into new N. Avondale Montessori building

Aug. 2010 - Classes begin

If you are a former student of North Avondale Elementary School (back in 1928), you may know these two men John Lehr and Herb Heibrun. They will be speaking to the staff, students and parents of NAM promoting their book ***Black and White Airmen - They're True History. Mr. Lehr and Mr. Heibrun were in the same third grade classroom, but not friends. They both served in WWII. Herb became an Army Air Force B17 Bomber pilot. John flew P-51 fighters. It took Herb and John fifty years later to discover that their lives had run almost side by side through war and peace. We welcome the NANA community to come listen to their story which will be held in the gym on **October 24th at 8:30 - 9:30 a.m**

THE NEW SCHOOL

? 281-7999 ? 3 Burton Woods Lane ? www.thenewschool.cc

The New School Montessori proudly celebrates its 37th year serving the youth, their families, and the community of Cincinnati, and we're delighted to be a part of the 100th anniversary of Montessori education.

As our name suggests, we continue to innovate. This year we're offering elementary electives including Spanish Games, Dramatic Theatre, Physical Education, Balinese Dance and Culture, and Art and Healing. We're partnering with Jewish Hospital on a project where patients can enjoy the children's art. Original works are reproduced in various forms - as artwork to adorn the hospital walls or as greeting cards for the patients.

After School Clubs have begun and include Piano, Mad Science, Found Art (created from found objects), Drumming, Acting, Brownies, Cadets and Circus. Students are learning to juggle more than academics as they learn through their work and play to serve the community, experience new challenges, and develop relationships.



MAYOR LAUNCHES GREEN CINCINNATI

By Gerry Kraus

At a Press Conference on September 12 Mayor Mark Mallory launched "Green Cincinnati", set energy efficiency goals for City Government and began the process to create a citywide Climate Protection Plan to reduce global warming. "We have a moral responsibility to protect the Earth and the City of Cincinnati is going to be a leader in helping...to reduce greenhouse gas emissions throughout the region," Mallory stated. In a motion by City Council newly appointed Office of Environmental Quality Director, Larry Falkin, has been directed to form a task force of stakeholders, including government officials, business groups, advocacy groups, community organizations, utilities and other interested parties, to recommend actions for energy efficiency in transportation, land use and waste management. A report to the Mayor and City Council recommending specific actions for climate protection is to be submitted by March 16, 2008.

CITY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY

Energy saving initiatives already underway by city departments include:

- ? Replacing all traffic lights and walk signs with LED units that will save 6 million kilowatt hours (kwh) per year when completed
- ? Beginning a streetlight modernization cycle that will save more than 4 million kwh per year when completed
- ? Park Department installing a photovoltaic system (solar heating) and a wind turbine at its Eden Park Headquarters to reduce its use of fossil fuel for heat and energy
- ? Launching a pilot project at the Buildings & Inspections Department Permit Center to encourage voluntary employee behavior changes to conserve electricity. This project is expected to produce 50,000 kwh per year in energy savings.

WHAT WE CAN DO

North Avondale residents can set the pace for citizen participation in the Mayor's Green Cincinnati initiative to combat global warming: **RECYCLE**. By reducing the amount of trash going into the landfill we can not only extend the life of the landfill, save money for the city, but most importantly reduce the amount of carbon dioxide, a major greenhouse gas causing global warming, from being added to the air. **Did you know that for every ton of trash that is put into a landfill 3.2 tons of carbon dioxide are created!**

You can recycle by participating in the city's weekly **CURBSIDE RECYCLING** program. Or you can bring your recyclables to the **NORTH AVONDALE DROP-OFF CENTER**, 617 Clinton Springs (at the end of the Community Center's driveway/parking area). Recyclable items include newspaper, magazines, cardboard, office paper, paperboard (i.e., cereal boxes), junk mail, aluminum & steel cans, glass bottles & jars, plastic bottles & jugs (remove lids).

Let's be the city neighborhood that recycles the most!

Pay your NANA Dues Today!

YOUR NEIGHBORS

Ann Brinkley (Norway Ave.) Principal of North College Hill High School was a participant in Jobs for Cincinnati Graduates (JCG) at Withrow High School in 1987. JCG is honoring its' alumni as it celebrates twenty-five years of guaranteeing that more youth in our community would achieve completion of high school while learning important life skills and preparing for career success

PLEASE WATER YOUR TREES

North Avondale has wonderful, beautiful new and old trees and with this drought we are likely to lose them - especially the big old ones.

Imagine the neighborhood without our trees

What a tree under "drought stress" looks like:

- Symptoms of drought injury to trees can be sudden or may take up to two years to be revealed.
- Drought injury symptoms on tree leaves include wilting, curling at the edges, and yellowing.
- Deciduous leaves may develop scorch, brown outside edges or browning between veins.
- Evergreen needles may turn yellow, red or purple. They may also turn brown at the tips of the needles and browning may progress through the needle towards the twig.
- In continued drought, leaves may be smaller than normal, drop prematurely or remain attached to the tree even though brown.
- Often times, drought stress may not kill a tree outright, but set it up for more serious secondary insect and disease infestations in following years.

Tree Watering: Amount of water needed and methods to use.



During the drought, trees must be given top watering priority over your lawn. However, caring for trees requires different watering methods than your lawn. Irrigation systems

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THE NANA NEWS

The NANA Executive Board was discussing possible NANA budget cuts and the subject of the NANA NEWS came up. How important is it to the community and does the cost justify the expense?

How much does it cost each month?

? The printing (\$420) and mailing (.11 a copy x 2990)

How could we cut costs?

? Should we only send them to dues paying members?

? Between 400 to 500 households

? Should we **email** them to everyone?

How Would You Like to Receive the NANA NEWS

? By Mail

? By Email

? By using the NANA Website

How important is it that everyone in the neighborhood receive the newsletter?

Let NANA know your opinions by

? Email - clmorse@fuse.net

? Voicemail - 221-6166

? Mail - 617 Clinton Springs - 45229

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designed to water turf do not sufficiently water your trees. Lawns can be replaced in a matter of months whereas a 20 year old tree will take 20 years to replace.

How much water your tree should receive depends upon the tree size. **A general rule of thumb is to use approximately 10 gallons of water per inch of trunk diameter for each watering.** Measure trunk diameter at knee height. *General formula:* Tree Diameter x 5 minutes = Total Watering Time.

Where to water your tree (soaker hoses work great)

?Deep watering to a depth of 12" inches below the soil surface is recommended. Saturate the soil around the tree within the "dripline" (the outer edges of the tree's branches) to disperse water down toward the roots.

?For evergreens, water 3'-5' beyond the dripline on all sides of the tree.

?The objective is to water slowly, dispersing the flow of water to get the water deep down to the trees roots. Watering for short periods of time only encourages shallow rooting which can lead to more drought damage.

?Don't dig holes in the ground in an effort to water deeply. This dries out roots even more. A soil needle/deep root feeder attached to a hose is acceptable to insert into the ground if your soil is not too hard and compact.

?Overhead spraying of tree leaves is inefficient and should be avoided during drought conditions. Watering at ground level to avoid throwing water in the air is more efficient.

All size trees should be watered. For more information visit: <http://coopext.colostate.edu/4dmg/Trees/caring.htm>

NANA EXECUTIVE BOARD, COMMITTEE CHAIRS & IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS

President: Tim Yosmali	641-1244	Legal Chairperson: Marvin Kraus	861-3939
1 st VP: Sulayman Bajo	290-8781	Master Plan: Bob Novak	751-2161
2 nd VP: Frank Newbauer	751-5897	Neighborhood Issues: John Jones	281-2596
3 rd VP: Deborah Elkins-Brown	861-4108	Quality of Life Issues: Marilyn Smith	221-4039
Corresponding Sec.: Tom Nickell	281-0283	NANA Administrator & NANA News Editor: Charlene Morse	221-6166
Recording Secretary & Landlord Accountability: Michelle Baxter	475-0441	City Complaint/Request Hotline	591-6000
Treasurer: Fred Fegan	861-8378	Police District 4	569-8600
Beautification: Ursula Hassel	751-4546	24 hour Neighborhood Officer	569-8654
City Liaison: Gerry Kraus	861-3939	Nonemergency Police	765-1212
Environmental: Mike Rieck	961-6563	Request A Recycling Bin	242-4401
Education & Landlord/Tenant Relations: Pauline Daly	751-8334	Report Air Odors 24/7	946-7777



PAY YOUR 2007 NANA DUES

AT THE OCTOBER 9TH NANA MEETING

CANDIDATES FORUM

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NANA CALENDAR

- Tuesday, October 9, 7:30 p.m., NANA GENERAL MEETING 617 Clinton Springs Candidates Forum
- Wednesday, October 24th at 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., Black and White Airmen - They're True History 617 Clinton Springs - Gym
- Tuesday, November 13, 7:30 p.m., NANA GENERAL MEETING 617 Clinton Springs
- First Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m., COP Meeting, District 4 Police Station Call NANA Office first