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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Summer is here Neighbors and Friends and I hope you are all enjoying it to the 10<sup>th</sup> degree (even though most days right now are pretty humid and hitting the heat index in the mid-90's++)

I am so excited for North Avondale and all of the events that have been taking place recently. I can't remember any other year where so many people from our neighborhood have come

together for so many different fun activities.

I especially want to thank **Jolene Struebbe** for putting together the "Before The Makeover Tour" and Morgan Rottinghaus for putting together the Food Truck Festival. I look forward to all of the upcoming North Avondale events that will take place during the rest of the summer.

I'm wishing everyone a happy (and safe) 4th of July and I hope everyone this weekend finds a pool to stay cool in during the day and a firework show in the evening that will fill up your cup.

I also want to thank all of you that I have heard from recently on various items and issues and I encourage you to keep reaching out to engage with NANA in the future because my door (and email and phone) will always be open to you all!

Happy 4th of July!

Heather Herr

NANA GENERAL MEETING
IN PERSON! at the North Avondale Recreation
Center
617 Clinton Springs
or
VIA ZOOM:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7228542133 Passcode: 45217 Meeting Agenda Items:

- Rupel Property Updates
  - Councilmember's Landsman & Kearney
- 3980Rose Hill request for Conditional Use Permit

No August NANA Meeting Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 14, 7:00 pm THANK YOU FOR PAYING YOUR 2021 NANA DUES



#### **NANA NEEDS YOUR INPUT**

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE NORTH AVONDALE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (NANA) REGARDING THE POTENTIAL ZONING HEARING FOR -3980 ROSE HILL

Many North Avondale Residents have recently reached out to NANA in regards to the POTENTIAL **ZONING RELIEF** for the house located 3980 Rose Hill at that is currently PENDING FOR SALE.



The applicant is not asking for a full Zoning Change but for a Zoning Relief as they are only applying for Conditional Use Permit (CUP) approval (case number is ZH20210087) for a "Convent and Monastery" under the existing SF-20 regulations to house 7-10 members of the religious order at the property. The use would not limit the property to the same 7-10 members, as some priests may leave while others join.

The Conditional Use approval would allow the use only as a Convent and Monastery, which is specifically defined as a "group dwelling for members of religious orders." If the current applicants sell the property in the future, the property could be used by another religious organization as a Covent and Monastery, but would not allow any other uses other than what is permitted in the SF-20 District by right (primarily single-family residential). Check out the General SF-20 Zoning Information from the City.

Doug Owens in the Zoning Department is the Case Manager working with the prospective purchaser on their application. He did confirm that the **CUP does not expire or cancel out when the owner who obtained that permit sells.** The only way it can cancel is if the property has been "abandoned" or left unoccupied for a one year (365 day) period. He also confirmed that, given the requested/intended purpose of this application being for the housing of priests in a number which exceeds the five people unrelated allowed, going forward, the only way the CUP could be used is for that of a convent or monastery. There is no other used allowed.

Bed and Breakfasts are not permitted uses in the SF-20. Also, please note that the approval for a Convent and

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Monastery will not allow Transitional Housing, which is prohibited in the district. The applicants have not asked for this use and it is not under consideration for approval as part of this request. Transitional Housing would not be permitted, whether by the applicants or a future buyer, unless a Zone Change or Use Variance is requested, which would require an additional hearing and would likely not be supported by Zoning Staff.

The July 7th hearing at 2:00pm will be conducted via Zoom. Anyone that wishes to speak at the Zoom hearing must register 2 days in advance at the following link:

https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/buildings/hearings-appeals/registration-for-zoom-video-conferencing-participation-form/

Anyone that would like to follow the hearing, but not speak may view the hearing via YouTube at the following link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCp6cvxpxNr460OlR1OPUuvw?view as=subscriber">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCp6cvxpxNr460OlR1OPUuvw?view as=subscriber</a>

The city said that one can email the **Zoning Hearing E** x a m i n e r **D** a v i d **S** t u r k e y a t **David.sturkey@cincinnati-**oh.gov to share one's perspective, but all emails must be received prior to the hearing (July 7th at 2 pm) to be considered part of the official record. Include Case # ZH20210087 in your email.

If you have further questions regarding the proposed Zoning Relief, feel free to reach out to Doug Owen at 352.2441 or douglas.owen@cincinnati-oh.gov.

At this time NANA cannot take any particular stance on this issue without Neighborhood Engagement (and potentially a neighborhood vote) at the next NANA **General Meeting on July 13th**.

### From The Priests:

Dear Neighbor:

Thank you to everyone who came out to meet us at 3980 Rose Hill this past week. It was good to get to see the diversity and vibrancy of the community in person. We are looking forward to being a part of the community if the city approves our request for the necessary Conditional Use Permit.

One of you asked us what exactly a Conditional Use Permit is and so we thought it might be useful to everyone to know what exactly we are requesting from the city and why.

As a community of 7-10 Catholic missionaries who live together in community while serving over 30 communities of faith throughout the Ohio Valley, we exceed the 5 or less non-blood related persons who are permitted to reside in a single-family home without special permission from the city. Hence, we are required to request from the city a Conditional Use Permit to utilize the property as a residence for our priests.

This Conditional Use Permit is NOT a zoning change,

which modifies the legal status of the property (i.e. changing it to multi-family housing, commercial usage, transitional housing, etc.). On the contrary, we do not desire to change the zoning status of the property and for that reason we are requesting only a Conditional Use Permit which allows us to utilize the single-family home as a residence for our priests without affecting its zoning status. Conditional Use Permits can only be granted by the city if the requested use is one of those officially permitted for the property in question according to the Municipal Code of Cincinnati. In the case of the property at 3980 Rose Hill only 3 usages are permitted by municipal code and one of these is that of Convent/Monastery.

Hence, we are petitioning the city to grant us a Conditional Use Permit to utilize the home at 3980 Rose Hill as a convent for our community of priests.

Should the city see fit to grant us this permit than we look forward to being a part of the vibrant community we got a taste of this past week.

In case any of you would like to learn more about our community and our ministry throughout the Ohio Valley here is the link to our local website <a href="https://rcohiovalley.org/legionaries">https://rcohiovalley.org/legionaries</a>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at jbullock@legionaries.org or rcarlin@legionaries.org

Thank you again to everyone who came out to meet us this past week.

Sincerely,

Fr John Bullock, LC & Br Ryan Carlin, LC

# NABA

# From Michael Caporale, NABA President To the North Avondale Community at large

Over the last several years it has been my honor and privilege to have served the North Avondale community as President of NABA. Next month NABA will meet to nominate and elect new officers and trustees. My term has expired. Change can be a reenergizing force bringing new ideas and solutions to our long term goals. Therefore, effective immediately I am resigning my position as a trustee and as the President of NABA with the ever present optimism for the future of our community and business district. I thank you for allowing me to serve our neighborhood businesses these last few years. With confidence in our shared future,

Michael Caporale

# WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

- Megan E Rothe at 526 Clinton Springs Ave.
- Doozy 606 LLC at 3613 Eaton Ln.
- Johnny Neeplo at 685 N Fred Shuttlesworth Cr.
- Benjamin M Schneider at 692 Glenwood Ave.
- Xan Boone at 711 E Mitchell Ave.
- Roman C Corbin at 815 E Mitchell Ave.
- Kathryn Stoklosa & Alex Hubbard at 517 Norway Ave.
- Deette R Deweese at 3900 705A Rose Hill Ave.
- Avid Real Estate Solutions Today LLC at 3856 Vine St.
- Cinciwide Investments LLC at 3588 Washington Ave.

### **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

# **BEAUTIFICATION**

**&O**On a beautiful Sunday evening on June 27, over 100 people gathered to view the house at 3997 Beechwood Avenue as part of the "Before the Makeover" fund raising event, hosted by Nana beautification **chair**, **Jolene Struebbe**, and **sponsored by Heather Herr** / **CB Team Herr and Brad Lauck**, **property owner/Lauck properties**. The event, and donations, raised approximately \$2600, which will be used for future beautification projects

in North Avondale.

Guests were treated to by cocktails Anjou, East Walnut Hills newest (and best!) bar they were



briefed on architectural features of the home and stories from the three families who had lived in the home in the past. We were delighted to have two sisters who grew up in the home next-door tell tales of growing up in the neighborhood in the 1950s in the 1960s as well as a woman who grew up in this exact house who shared her family stories.

We could not have pulled off this tour without the generous donation of time from 12 friends and neighbors who served as House guides. I wish to thank Aisela Allie, Tracy Connor, Wade Price, Bindy Marks Waits, Laurie Pike, Melissa Huber, Julie Hermes, Kim Hubbard, Joanna Groden, Susan Kenford, Wendi Wilson, and Nia Terry. In addition, I would like to thank Jim Miller and Mike Huber for coordinating ticket sales. Carolyn Gillman also graciously contributed her time in researching historical house records for the tour.

This event would not have been possible without **Brad** Lauck saying "yes" when asked if we could use his home as a fundraiser. Thank you Brad!

In addition, we are grateful to Heather Herr /Team Herr for underwriting the cost of cocktails, allowing 100% of ticket sales to be used for NANA beautification. Thank you Heather! Jolene Struebbe donated flowers and tablescapes for the entryway and Jim Miller and Mike Huber donated water for all to enjoy on such a hot day.

Guests, as they exited, strongly requested an "After the Makeover" tour!! Stay tuned!!! And, the best is yet to be!

The Beautification committee is pleased to announce the addition of two new volunteers: In charge of Litter, we welcome Coral Weigel, (Edge Hill Place) and overseeing our neighborhood garden plots, we welcome Judith Evans (Rose Hill Avenue). We are indebted to Laurie Pike for her previous work as our Litter/Clean up Chair and, of course, to Maura Wolf as our past Beautification Chair. (clap, clap)

## **&**Litter Report

If you've noticed litter on your street or at a particular spot in North Avondale, the Beautification Committee would like to invite you to join the Adopt-a-Spot program run by Keep Cincinnati Beautiful.

All you need to do is pick up litter in the area you've chosen one day a month for one year. It doesn't need to be a whole street, it could be a block, street corner, or part of a park. There's no need to purchase any special equipment, Keep Cincinnati Beautiful will supply all of the



materials needed to you after signing up and they'll even install a sign at the spot recognizing your efforts.

Sign up today and help keep North Avondale beautiful!

https://www.keepcincinnatibeautiful.org/programs/great-american-cleanup/adopt-a-spot.html

Questions, please contact Coral at coral.a.weigel@gmail.com



If you have any questions about the cleanup, please contact Coral at <a href="mailto:coral.a.weigel@gmail.com">coral.a.weigel@gmail.com</a>

# **Neighborhood Garden Plots**

Did you know that our neighborhood tends to about ten (10) garden plots that enhance the beauty of our neighborhood? These plots are at: Seasongood Square (and Circle); the Dana Triangle; the Dana Roundabout Circle; Marion Triangle (diagonal from the Belvedere); Washington Triangle; Asmann at Winding Way; Roundabout at Dakota & Marion; the North Avondale Sign on Clinton Springs before Dana; Kessler Memorial; and the Pamela Smitherman Memorial at the North Avondale Recreation Center. Currently there is an opportunity for you to meet other neighbors who enjoy gardening by agreeing to help care for these plots. We especially are looking for help to maintain and improve the Seasongood

Circle and the Washington Triangle garden. Please reach out to Judith Evans at jbernetevans@gmail.com if you can help!

Further news, Our OSU, Hamilton County Master Gardener Volunteer Application form has been approved to claim volunteer hours for working in our gardens. It will be listed on and the continued on next base.

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The Master Gardener Volunteer list as "North Avondale Community Gardens". It is the responsibility of each MGV to track their own hours and submit to OSU online each year for credit. Thanks to **Ann Wong** for initiating this program on behalf of our neighborhood. Please reach out to Judith Evans at jbernetevans@gmail.com if you have questions.

#### > Featured Garden of the Month

Welcome to the Butterfly garden of **Denny Harper and Kim Hubbard at 3946 Rose Hill Ave.** 

Denny and Kim moved in to their North Avondale home in 2018 and Denny immediately got started creating his butterfly garden. About a decade earlier, Denny had

butterfly garden. About a decade purchased a farm in Adams County, where he was mesmerized at the biodiversity in the county and on the farm. In addition to being able to grow so many different varieties of plants on the farm, he was fascinated by the number of butterflies he saw there. He estimates there were at least a couple of 100 of different varieties of butterflies.



When planning the garden for their

North Avondale home, Denny decided to re-create an environment that would serve as a host to butterflies in an urban setting. He contacted the North American Butterfly Association (NABA) and followed their guidelines regarding providing host plants, such as dill and milkweed



and nectar plants, such as zinnias and butterfly weed. Other plants that the butterflies like include butterfly bushes, coneflowers and New England asters. The garden is now certified by NABA as an official butterfly garden.

The butterflies which may include swallowtails, hair streaks, checkerspot, and skippers and sulfurs begin to show

up in mid July in the garden. They will remain through the fall. Creating your own butterfly garden might be something you decide to do too! Denny said after putting in the proper plants, he almost immediately noticed butterflies beginning to appear. And why does he do it? Well, to quote Denny, "butterflies are living art when you look at them".

### Flower Pots

You may have noticed that our flower pots are decked out for the hot summer. The Park Board offered us options and we have chosen to have them fill the pots with "Striped Beauty" Canna, "Dragon Wing Red" Begonia, "Lucky Lemon Glow" Lantana, "Trailing Red' Mezoo and "SC Bewitched Green with Envy" Ipomoea. You may or may not know that NANA contracts with The Park Board to change out the pots three times a year and to keep them watered so our streets look more beautiful. In addition, we are in the process of developing a comprehensive multiyear plan for new placement of pots and new sizes of pots. Be

on the lookout for these new additions and new groupings. Many thanks to **Sarah Koucky** for her help with this project. If you would like to donate to the purchase of new pots, please send a check to NANA earmarked for "Beautification-pots" or donate on our website.

Many thanks to **Carolyn Gillman** for overseeing the restoration of the broken flower pot at Red Bud and Mitchell Avenue. This pot was broken during the sewer street work and has now been replaced and planted.

### Reading Road Corridor Street Trees

We are working with Urban Forestry to replace missing trees along the Reading Road Business Corridor. We are expecting 3 new trees to be planted this fall on Reading Road, one near Barry Lane, one in front of the funeral home and one in front of 3850 Reading Road. We are also working to see if any more new trees can be planted along Reading Road between Paddock and Clinton Springs.

Please remember to reach out to Marianne Prue at Marianne.prue@cincinnati-oh.gov to request a street tree on your property.

### & Landmark Trees

We have received submissions from a few neighbors on trees they consider noteworthy. There is still time for you to nominate trees in your or a neighbor's yard. Please send a picture, general age of the tree (if known), and why you think it is special to Jolene Struebbe at <a href="mailto:imstruebbe@gmail.com">imstruebbe@gmail.com</a>.

Jolene Struebbe, Beautification Chair

### **DEVELOPMENT**

### **Rupel Property**

Councilmember Landsman has offered to come and speak with the General Assembly on July 13th at the Monthly Meeting regarding development of the Rupel Property. This offer was spurred by residents contacting City Council concerning business development in the NA Business Corridor. Councilmember Landsman will be joined by Councilmember Kearney and, if available, representatives from the Port. The JSDC continues to work directly with City administration regarding contractual terms of the Rupel Property Stabilization Agreement.

As disclosed in previous News, the JSDC recommended that Grace & Grit be extended a purchase option on the house to the Port. Instead a purchase option was granted to RBC & Co. The actions around this option were in direct contrast to previous agreements between the City and North Avondale surrounding this property.

Jeff Herr, Chair And Beth Ewing, Co-Chair, NANA and the NA JSDC

### **EVENTS**

•North Avondale's First Annual Memorial Day Food &

## Beer Truck Festival!

Thank you to everyone who came out for north Avondale's first annual food and beer truck festival over Memorial Day weekend. We had an incredible turn out with over 400

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**neighbors in attendance**. We appreciate all of the food and beverage trucks who made it out and look forward to welcoming them back again soon: Granny's Goodies On The Go, Kona Ice, Madtree Brewery, Ocelot Pizza, Quite Frankly, TacoOso.

Special thanks to **Heather Herr, Jeff Herr, Carolyn Gilman & Jay Rottinghaus** for volunteering to help set up and plan the event.

### **Future Events**

We will be planning a few smaller events throughout the summer and another larger event for Halloween in the Fall. Be sure to join the North Avondale Social Events Page on Facebook or North Avondale Parents and Friends Facebook page for updates and information.

If you are interested in planning or chairing a future event in North Avondale, please contact Events Chair, Morgan Rottinghaus. Please note, all NANA sponsored events or partnership events must be reviewed and approved by the NANA board. We look forward to your input and ideas! Events Chair Contact: Morgan Rottinghaus:

Email: scopetto@msn.com Phone: 917.683.0349

> Keeping Community Strong, Morgan Rottinghaus, Chair

### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

## Teach Children the Origins of Healthy Food

As summer approaches and we begin to look forward to hot weather, it is inevitable that images of luscious, succulent food fill our heads. From a wellness perspective, eating healthy food should be our goal. But where and how do we get healthy food? We should realize that obtaining healthy food is possible and it does not always require patronizing expensive select grocery stores. The best place to get fresh healthy food is from the original source- where it is grown – the garden. It is time that children begin to realize that fresh food does not come from Kroger, but it comes from the ground.

# So, give your children some healthy 5-minute lessons for the summer:

- 1. Cut off the end of a celery bunch. Put a toothpick between each stalk and place in water. Watch it carefully and in a time, a celery plant will grow
- 2. Take one cob of fresh corn and lay it horizontally in a pan of water, making sure that the water covers the corn. In a few days, you will see plants growing out of the cob. Just place the cob with the plants, in a pot with soil. Keep the soil moist; be patient and see what happens.
- 3. Slice a ripe banana in half. Scoop out the banana seeds with a spoon. Place the seeds in a pot of dirt, keep the soil moist and, again, be patient and watch what happens.
- 4. Take a strawberry and make several thin slices of the skin of the strawberry. (The black dots on the strawberry's skin are the seeds of the strawberry). Take the slices and lay them separately in

- a pot of soil. Keep the soil moist and be patient and see what happens.
- 5. Take several small potatoes and place in a pot of soil. Cover with soil and water consistently. Be patient and watch what happens.

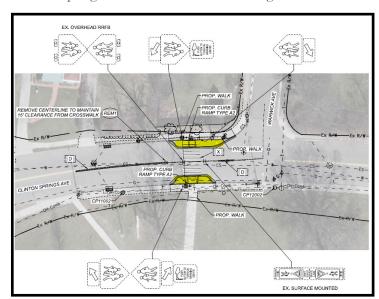
These are just a few activities for children for the summer that can help children learn the origins of healthy food. To begin to eat healthy food, grow your own. If you are interested in actually planting food on a larger scale than what the activities imply, join a community garden. There are many community gardens around the city. One is on Hale Avenue in Avondale – the **Hale Avenue Community Garden**. There are several empty raised beds there waiting for someone to claim them and start planting. If anyone is interested in joining the Hale Avenue Community Garden, call 513.602.6710 and get started.

Enjoy the summer! And eat Healthy!

Kimya Moyo, Health Liaison

# LAW& SAFETY

- Update: Regarding the new All Stop at Clinton Springs and E. Mitchell. The order to have the street painted STOP has been sent to the Public Service Dept. Unfortunately, they are short-staffed and have a backlog of work to complete.
  - The custom message board is also taking longer than expected. I apologize for this inconvenience.
- Completed: The High Friction Surface Treatment along the curve at E. Mitchell and Red Bud Ave. has been installed and the project is completed.
- New Sign: Traffic & Engineering submitted a work order to fabricate and install a new curve warning sign near 822 E. Mitchell. To be completed in July.
- Road changes coming to Clinton Springs in September. Bump outs to be installed at Clinton Springs/Leyman, Clinton Springs/Dickson. Please see the image.



Bump Outs are added to intersections to narrow the crossing distance for pedestrians & encourages the drivers to slow down.

Carolyn Gillman, Chair

# FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS

Rose Hill, Beechwood, Betula, Redbud, Redbud Place, Avon Fields, Avon Fields Place Neighborhood Block Directory Update

It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood A beautiful day for a neighbor Would you be mine? Could you be mine? The above Neighborhood Block Directory committee has met and is now beginning the data collection phase. "Won't you let us get to know you as our neighbor?"

While information in the public domain, such as homeowner names and addresses, can be obtained through the Auditor's website, we are also requesting that neighbors on these streets please share their preferred name (which may be different than their given name), addresses, cell phone numbers, email addresses, and child details (optional) for the directory. Including your information allows you to receive breaking news on neighborhood block issues such as safety and construction concerns, alerts on door-to-door scams, and it may help you find a lost dog quickly or it may even encourage you to reach out and invite a neighbor to dinner! If you live on one of the streets above, please email your contact details, below, to Mike Huber shown huberhm@msn.com by July 31, 2021.

For example, the listings would look something like this:

| Resident's<br>Preferred Name<br>(Last name first) | House<br># | Street        | Cell<br>Phone/Landline<br>(optional) | Email             | Resident Children<br>under 19<br>Name & Age |
|---|------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---|
|   |            | Avon Fields   |                                      |                   |   |
| Doe, John   | 2222       | Ln            | XXX-XXX-XXXX                         | xxxxxxxxx@xxx.com | Mary (4), Robert (2)                        |
|   |            | Avon Fields   |                                      |                   |   |
| Doe, Jane   | 2222       | Ln            | XXX-XXX-XXXX                         | xxxxxxxxx@xxx.com | "   |
| Smith, Bob  | 312        | Rose Hill Ave | XXX-XXX-XXXX                         | xxxxxxxxx@xxx.com | N/A   |
| Smith, Kate                                       | 312        | Rose Hill Ave | XXX-XXX-XXXX                         | xxxxxxxxx@xxx.com | N/A   |
| Johnson, Mike                                     | 4345       | Betula Ave    | XXX-XXX-XXXX                         | xxxxxxxxx@xxx.com | Sarah (15), Elise (12)                      |
| Stover, Judy                                      | 4345       | Betula Ave    | XXX-XXX-XXXX                         | xxxxxxxxx@xxx.com | "   |

The Neighborhood Block Directory is a much smaller subset of NANA and as a result is nimbler to focus on concerns (and social events) specific to the above streets. This directory is intended to be used solely for the benefit of neighbors for neighborhood activities only.

It is the committee's goal to distribute the Neighborhood Block Directory (and perhaps map) on or before the annual Fall Block Party. Thanks to a generous donation by a fellow neighbor, there will be NO charge to receive a copy of the Directory.

If you have any questions about the project or want to help, please email Jolene Struebbe at jmstruebbe@gmail.com. I'm looking forward to getting to know my neighbors!

# Jolene Struebbe (Beechwood)

Good afternoon, my name Elizabeth A. Tye, I have resided at 820 Red Bud Ave for over 12 years with my Husband Kevin and our children.

I am running for Municipal Court Judge, here in District 2. **elizabethtyeforjudge.com** 

I am having a **meet and greet social hour** at my home for my neighbors on **August 6, 2021 from 5pm to 7pm**. I will serve light refreshments and/or food truck. If questions, please contact me directly by phone or text at 641.4600.

Elizabeth A. Tye (Red Bud)

### Think Square 4 art Exhibition

Vanessa Sorensen (Marion Ave.) will be participating in the Think Square 4 art exhibition. The show will be July 2-26 at the Cincinnati Learning Collaborative in East Walnut Hills. The exhibition will include Vanessa's "Medicine Buddha" linocut stone basket alongside the work of 63 local artists in diverse media. All works are 5"x 5" and sell for \$130 each, framed. The opening was Friday, July 2nd from 4 -7pm. The Collab is located at 2813 Woodburn or visit <a href="https://www.cincilearncollab.org/">https://www.cincilearncollab.org/</a> for an online viewing option.

Print Shop: <u>www.nessypress.com</u> Website: <u>www.vanessasorensen.com</u>

Blog: Nessy Designs

Vanessa Sorensen (Marion Ave.)

# AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

# ► Burton Avenue Honorary Renaming Dedication

June 12th was a beautiful day for the street dedication for **Robin Pearl II** at the corner of Reading Road and Burton Ave. It was wonderful with presentation including: all of the Pearl Family and friends; Freddie Phiphus for the

opening prayer; Councilman David S. Mann; Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman; Nana; Heather Herr; Beth Abare Ewing; Marla Barone; the police department and the fire department who so graciously helped Robin unveil the sign to the entire community in attendance.

➢Please join us on Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at the Aquatic Center for Family Night and a Concert in the Pavilion featuring "Dangerous Jim and the Slims!"



St. Bernard Aquatic Center Family Night & Concert Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup> 6-11pm

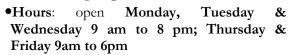


### NANA CALENDAR

- Wednesday, July 7, 2 pm Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Hearing on 3980 Rose Hill Avenue To view: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCp6cvxpxNr460OlR1OPUuvw?view\_as=subscriber
- Tuesday, July 13, 7 pm, NANA General Meeting at North Avondale Recreation Center, 617 Clinton Springs or Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7228542133 Passcode 45217
- NO AUGUST NANA GENERAL MEETING
- Tuesday, September 14, 7 pm, NANA General Meeting at North Avondale Recreation Center

### PARKS & RECREATION

North Avondale Recreation Center -617 Clinton Springs - 961.1584





- •Weight Room is by reservations
- •Open Gym from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm call for reservations
- •Masks must be worn unless you are vaccinated and your temperature must be taken upon arrival.
- Soccer
  - •FCC is finishing a mini pitch soccer court on one of the Tennis courts.
- •CRC's STEAM Summer Camp provides hands on experience with gardening at our North Avondale Recreation Center.

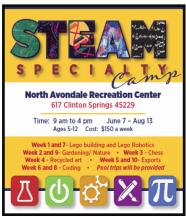
For more information regarding STEAM Summer Camps, <a href="https://">https://</a> web1.myvscloud.com/wbwsc/

ohcincinnatiwt.wsc/splash.html

•Membership Per Year: Adults (25 years & up) \$25; Seniors (50+) & Young Adults (18-24) \$10; Youth (5-17) \$2. **Fitness Center:** \$10 for 3 months; \$35 for a year.

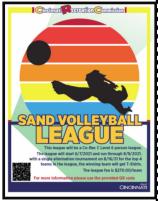


- •Pickleball inside the gym on Monday/Wednesdays from 10:30 am- 12:30 pm. Balls & Paddles provided.
- •North Avondale S.T.E.A.M Specialty Camp June 7th -**August 13th** 9am - 4pm \$150.00 per week.
  - •Ages 5-12 apply at Cincyrec.org









# **Youth Scholarship Golf Outing**

Saturday, August 14, 2021 1:30pm Shotgun Start **Avon Field Golf Course** 4081 Reading Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45229

# Teams of 4

\$80/player

\$320/team

Price includes 18 Holes of Golf, Cart, \$5 Prize Fund, Cookout Dinner, and Gratuity

The proceeds from this golf outing will go toward the Cincinnati Recreation Commission's Youth Scholarship Fund. These college scholarships are an opportunity for the Cincinnati Recreation Commission to connect and engage with at-risk-teens and show appreciation for not only academic achievements, but also character, commitment, and service to community.

Help us to encourage and inspire our future community leaders!

To Register:

Call or email Taylor Schafer 513-961-5681 / taylor.schafer@cincinnati-oh.gov Cash or Check Only

**Split the Pot Cash Bar Basket Raffle** 

Star Dragons Karate members were recognized for

Academic Excellence on May 29, at North Avondale Recreation Center Dojo. Throughout the year, students set goals of academic excellence and improvement. Grades are monitored and verified to establish awards for straight A's, Honor roll and Academic Improvement. 12 of



20 youth earned an A Team award by earning straight A's in a grading period. We are extremely proud of their noteworthy achievements during such a challenging academic year. Additional awards earned were for Star Students, 6th grade recognition, and Volunteer awards.

7 Star Dragons returned to competition this month with 1 student representative after over a year off due to COVID. Congratulations to Devlin Kennedy for winning 1st place in 13-14 year Boys Kata, Kobudo (weapons forms) and Sparring, at the Miami Valley Tournament Association, Xenia, Ohio on June 12, 2021. After winning 3 first place, Devlin qualified to participate in 11-17 year Grand Champion and won his First Grand Champion Award.

NARC Dojo will begin in August registering students 6 years and up for fall classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Updates and current registration information will be available at: http://7stardragonskarate.com Sensei Terrell Davis

Tim Johnson, Service Area Coordinator

- ➢Hirsch Recreation Center 3620 Reading Road -751.3393
  - Hours: 9am to 7pm Monday thru Friday,
  - Hirsch Pool Opened until August 14.
    - •First come first served
  - Our weight room 6 people at a time
  - **Spinning classes**: Mon. & Wed., 6:15 7:00 pm.; Thursday 7:30-8:15am. Sign up: 751.3393 or front desk.
  - Yoga: Tuesday 6:00pm call to reserve space.
  - Pick up a Gym Schedule at the Center.

Blake Williams, Service Area Coordinator

# **NORTH AVONDALE** SCHOOLS



North Avondale Montessori 363.3900 ● 615 Clinton Springs www.namrockets.org

Dear CPS Parents, Families, and Caregivers,

I am excited and honored to share a video that introduces

Interim Superintendent Tianay Amat, as well as pass along her 30-60-90 day plan. Please take a moment to watch our introductory video and learn not only about her commitment to academics and supports for our students, but why she thinks JOY is so important to our path forward! https://voutu.be/55M1PITKob0



You'll also hear from our Board President, colleagues and parents who have worked with her closely.

I also encourage you to read the Interim Superintendent's 30-60-90 day report, which includes a letter from Ms. Amat to staff, families, and our community. It also provides her biography, our ongoing commitment to equity and anti-racism, and outlines her priorities for her

first 30, 60, and 90 days as Interim Superintendent. https://www.cps-k12.org/sites/www.cps-k12.org/files/ pdfs/Interim Superintendent 30-60-90 Day Plan final.pdf

Thanks for your ongoing support of Cincinnati Public Schools!

Krista M. Boyle Chief Strategic Communications Officer



THE NEW SCHOOL MONTESSORI (TNSM)

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# Metamorphoses Unfolding at The New School Montessori

In Montessori classrooms, you will hear a lot about life cycles. In fact, you will hear a lot about cycles in general; water cycles (evaporation, condensation, precipitation, and collection), three-year cycles (the three-year Montessori curriculum), and even the three-hour work cycle in (3-6) environments. As Montessorians, we value and honor the phases everything and everyone passes through. Each phase is significant and important in itself. Infant, child, adolescent, and adult. Spring, summer, fall, and winter. Morning, afternoon, and night.

In our preprimary classrooms, teachers and students observed the metamorphoses of butterflies unfolding: egg, caterpillar, chrysalis, butterfly. Students walked up to a mesh container with several chrysalises like wise professors hands behind their backs, leaning forward, observing, discussing, waiting. One by one, day



after day, a chrysalis would open up and a butterfly would

emerge. Each time a butterfly emerged, the children clapped in awe and amazement. Teachers and students released butterflies into the blooming spring gardens of the Preprimary Woods and watched as the butterflies flitted among the flowers and the children at play.



As we watch our students go through TNSM's 9-year process from 3-year olds to 6th graders, we see a metamorphosis of sorts too. Students learn to tie their shoes, calm themselves down, compromise, read, write, add, subtract, multiply, divide, solve equations, jump rope, play sports, learn languages, navigate friendships, write stories, understand poetry, play an instrument, draw what they see, dance, conduct science experiments, navigate the internet, research their interests, present work in front of peers and adults, forgive, persuade, lose a game without crying, win a game without bragging, discuss politics, debate ethics, compare cultures, graph the path of a hurricane, and so much more.

As our children grow into their independent adult lives, it is impossible to not come to these moments bringing the same excitement, hope, reverie and joy, having witnessed an amazing metamorphosis and a precious stage in students' development.

Ann Baumgardner, Communications Director

### INMEMORIAM

Eugene "Gene" Louis Beaupre (formerly of Avondale **Avenue)** April 28, 1946 - May 28, 2021

Eugene "Gene" Louis Beaupre, PhD, was a man whose laugh, smile, and positive outlook were infectious to all who knew and loved him. And many, many people knew and loved him. He



leaves behind a legacy that is impossible to quantify.

In his nearly 45 years as a beloved political science faculty member at Xavier University, Gene inspired and mentored countless students to lives of public service. It was not just what he taught, but the way he taught. He believed in his students, even when they didn't believe in themselves. His enthusiasm for his students and his subject matter knew no bounds. The result is an army of Xavier graduates all over the world, inspired by Gene Beaupre, doing good and living the Jesuit tradition of serving society as men and women for and with others.

Gene entered the world a loved and precious child on April 28, 1946. He was born in Defiance, Ohio, joining sister Noel and brother Chris as the youngest child to Lou and Orpha Beaupre. Gene's selfless and kind ways took root as the cherished son of Lou and Orpha. The family moved to the Washington, D.C. area, where Gene attended Blessed Sacrament Elementary School and St. John's College High School. His older brother Chris

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enrolled at Xavier University in Cincinnati, and Gene followed in his footsteps.

Gene graduated from Xavier in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in philosophy. He served as student body president his senior year and liked to joke that he barely graduated. Seems Gene had a knack for inspiring activism on campus. And while the good Jesuits at Xavier may have appreciated his passion for justice, they weren't always pleased with his tactics.

After graduation, he stayed in Cincinnati and found a broader outlet for that passion. He became a founding member of the unofficial "Xavier Mafia" at Cincinnati City Hall; a group of young leaders working for the public good by advocating for political, community and social change. Gene ran political campaigns, served as chief of staff to three Cincinnati mayors, including Jerry Springer, and led the City's Department of Neighborhood Conservation. By 1974, he was still running campaigns and working for the City, but the one-time student activist returned to campus to start his five-decade affiliation with Xavier as a teacher and leader of the University's community and government relations efforts.

As his colleague, Xavier History Professor John Fairfield put it, Gene helped start "just about everything at Xavier that's connected to community engagement. He started the Neighborhood Summit that brings together hundreds of neighborhood activists, he started the Community Building Institute that works with non-profits and the neighborhoods around us, he started the Service Learning Program in Over-the-Rhine, he started the Summer Service Internships and the Philosophy Politics and the Public (PPP) Honors Program."

He also persisted in completing his own academic accomplishments, earning his PhD in political science from the University of Cincinnati later in life while working and teaching full time at Xavier. In addition to teaching, Gene served as Xavier's Director for Government Relations and was a valued advisor to Xavier President Mike Graham, S.J. for his entire presidency.

Gene was also a local, and sometimes national, media star. He was a trusted and respected source for dozens of news reporters who sought his insight and analysis on political campaigns and politicians. For him, election day and the day after election day were holidays. He was giddy talking to reporters and students about the results, the numbers and the next steps after the votes were counted. Every political reporter in town wanted Gene's take. He cut through the rhetoric and shared his informed insight, typically with a story or joke, that helped news readers and viewers get it. His true brilliance was in his ability to share his knowledge in ways that everyone understood. He met people where they were and made them feel like he was speaking only to them. As he would put it, Gene knew how to read the

In addition to his work and his students, Gene had many interests. He loved to work out. He loved marathon running and long-distance road bicycling. He loved cars. He loved classical music. He loved coffee and drinking coffee while talking politics with his many friends and students. He loved his dog, Bella. But most of all, he loved his family. His wife Lynn Marmer and his daughter Emily Marie Beaupre were his world. The three of them have always been a tight and loving unit, but especially the last few years. Gene also leaves behind seven nieces and nephews.

Lynn and Emily ask that donations be made to the Cincinnati Alzheimer's Associations or the charity of your choice in Gene's name. If you are so inclined, in lieu of flowers, Lynn and Emily ask for a perennial that they will plant and watch bloom every spring as a reminder of Gene's presence in their lives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Bellarmine Chapel on the campus of Xavier University on Friday June 4 at 11am. A reception followed in the Conaton Board Room in Xavier's Schmidt Hall, Office of the President.

For those unable to attend, Mass was live-streamed - <a href="https://youtu.be/lEHyNKfySjU">https://youtu.be/lEHyNKfySjU</a> to view.

Obituary | Eugene "Gene" Louis Beaupre of Cincinnati, Ohio | Geo. H. Rohde & Son Funeral Home (rohdefuneral.com)

# FROM THE GOVERNMENT

**凌** Join in the conversation with the Metropolitan Sewer Department on July 14 at:



https://cincinnati-oh.zoom.us/j/4883325241? pwd=cmorTDVnbitNWExKbjhFYmNXcTFtUT09 Meeting ID: 488 332 5241 Passcode: 348119

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### **SUMMER PRODUCE**

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# ABOUT YOUR NEIGHBORS

Pr. Uma Kotagal (Paddock Road) is retiring from Cincinnati Children's after 46 years and the City of Cincinnati honored her with a proclamation declaring June 30, 2021 as "Dr. Uma Kotagal Day"

To read more, <a href="https://">https://</a>



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