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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Neighbors,

As the 2017-2018 NANA Board nears the end of its term, I'd like to thank the elected officials, Ken Brawner, Yvonne Bush Fender, Michael Caporale, Jennifer Cronk and Hanne Løken Larsen, for their time and effort this year, as we could not have accomplished anything without

you. Additionally, I'd like to thank the numerous community liaisons that have worked tirelessly to support the mission of NANA - your participation in community meetings and events is greatly appreciated. (see page 8 for a list of committees and liaisons)

A special thank you goes to Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman and his Chief of Staff, Michelle Edwards. They moved swiftly and decisively to close the Lenox Building - 3915 Reading Road - after a complaint was made last week. While the situation is ongoing, we appreciate their willingness and ability to not only listen to the concerns of our neighbors, but act. Their support has not gone unnoticed. (see page 4 under "From The Police" for more information).

A "shameless" plug: NANA is in desperate need of new ideas and new faces - in other words, NANA needs Y-O-U. If I have learned anything while serving on the Board over the last three years, it is that this organization and community need to hear from more than a few people - do not let the few speak for the many. **BE THE CHANGE!** I encourage each of you (but especially those new to the neighborhood) to attend a monthly meeting, join a committee, or join the Board in the near future. Our diversity is our strength; let's use it to our advantage. Stay open to the idea of participation from those you may not yet know - that person may hold the key that unlocks the door to NANA's future success.

Wishing you a wonderful spring and summer!

Tiffani N. Tribble

I would like to thank **Tiffani Tribble** for fulfilling the remainder of my term as President of NANA. Tiffani is very dedicated and deeply cares about NANA. As a Leader during these times, she continues to raise the issue of diversity and inclusion and I applaud her for it. Thank you for your leadership, Tiffani!

Marvin Masterson

57TH NANA ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

THE NEW SCHOOL
3 BURTON WOODS LANE
3:00 TO 5:00 P.M.

ANA's 2018-2019 Nominating Committee comprised of: Chair Janet Banks (Barry Ln.), Reg Crutcher (Lenox Pl), Jennifer Cronk (Mitchell), Yvonne Fender (Glenwood), Carolyn Gillman (Red Bud), Emily Harten (Marion), John Jones (Marion), Charlene Morse (Burton Woods), Maura Wolf (Lenox Pl) is pleased to announce the proposed slate of officers:

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President:

Heather Herr (Betula Ave.)

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Ken Brawner (Revel Ct)

Corresponding Secretary:

Kelley Bagayoko (S F Shuttlesworth C)

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Doug Louder Jr. (Avondale Ave)

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

- Pauletta Hansel is the author of six poetry collections, including *Palindrome*, winner of the 2017 Weatherford Award for best Appalachian poetry book. Pauletta was Cincinnati's first Poet Laureate from April 2016 through March 2018. She lives in Paddock Hills. You can read more at https://paulettahansel.wordpress.com/.
- Annual Officer/Committee Reports
- Election of Officers

VISIT WITH YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

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NANA UPDATES

BEAUTIFICATION

Dear Family, Neighbors and Friends,

We had a very successful day **Saturday, April 7th** for the Great American Cleanup and Greenup Day in Seasongood Square Park. We woke up to snow and cold temperatures and braved the cold together, I love it! There was so much accomplished that day.

All of us that began our morning setup at 8:30 were greeted with hot coffee and tasty donuts from Buskens, thanks to **Edie Gaudio**. We finished our work day with pizza from Marcos Pizza. This was such a great treat that all of us enjoyed made possible by **Heather Herr**. Heather also helped us with SignUpGenius and having her assistant help us for the day.

Heather, your gift was so kind and very thoughtful. A sincere thank you from all of us to the following partners and participants

- 150 UC student volunteers and to the chief organizer Paras Arora along with his leadership team. They got out of bed, all of them, I was so pleased. Cleanup Cincy has been involved with our neighborhood Cleanups faithfully for the last few years. We are very thankful for their help lugging tires, LITTER removal, and spreading mulch. The crew enjoyed us and we enjoyed them as we always do.
- Cincinnati Parks Grounds Crew on Greenup Day and Jennifer Harten for their assistance in the park. The Parks employees were great help in assisting the volunteers and Juvenile Court Youth Work Detail in spreading mulch and feeding 38 students pizza for all their hard work.
- City of Cincinnati Department of Sanitation. We had roving trash/garbage trucks to gather all the trash gathered by volunteers, bagged and dumped. Thank you for taking all my calls seriously. Tracy Grome responded quickly to the complaints that both Maura Wolf & I had called about. Tracy and Diane Rankin responded to me twice by coming to my house picking me up and doing a neighborhood drive through. How lucky I am!!
- North Avondale Recreations Center. Thank you Blake Williams for allowing all of us to use the building and access the van, and Kayla for happily transporting students to/from hot spots on this big day. The center was warm for all of us. Your staff was very helpful for all and courteous in their assistance.
- **Juvenile Court** for sending us 3 van loads of juveniles to assist us to keep our streets clean and spread mulch.
- Congressman Chabot's Office for sending us a representative, Rosalind Fultz.
- Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (KCB) and Megan Beck for stopping by to say hello and see the digs. Megan has helped me every year with all the supplies: gloves, tshirts, water, water bottles & bottled water, and bags for trash and recycling, thanks to all KCB funders.
- Cincinnati Police District 4 and their assistance in our

- safety for the day. **Officer Lori Hamann** gave a short talk to the students and group leaders on safety and awareness. Thank you District 4 for the reassurance for everyone's safety on this day and every day.
- ToolBank and PNC Bank for the foundation money for all 52 neighborhoods to rent tools for our Great American Cleanup during the month of April. The ToolBank is a treasure trove.

To all of my family and friends who came out to support the effort to stop litter and greenup the parks, I can't say it enough, thank you for supporting me in this neighborhood endeavor.

• My personal thanks to: Janet & Bob Banks, Scott Bauer, Christopher Bolling & Stephen Peterson, Nina Caporale, Yvonne Fender, Rosalind Fultz, Edie Gaudio, Nate Goss, Teresa Harten, Jennifer Harten, Paul Harten, Ursula Hassel, Richard Jackson, John Jones, Sara Kaufman, Sarah Koucky, Mary Piper, Wendy, Grayson & Riley Ruehlman, Dianne Wachs, Nancy Windes, Ann Wong, Maura & Miles Wolf, Tyler Wolf, Weston Wolf.

I love the support that I have received and the cards of thank you and the well wishes. I owe a lot of my thanks and appreciation to **Maura Wolf**. You are a tremendous help and support.

I look forward to seeing you all in our beautiful neighborhood in full bloom.



Emily Harten Beautification Chair

CINCY NEIGHBORHOOD GAMES AROUND THE CORNER!

This summer on July 21 North Avondale will compete in the second Cincinnati Neighborhood games! Imagine the Olympics, with refined sports like **Stein holding, tug of war and supersize Jenga,** along with 13 other fun sports to enjoy with your neighbors. There is a new event this year called Torch Bike Relay. With our legacy to protect (4th place in 2016) and 80 participants to include, we will be looking for a lot of participation and fun during "qualifiers" from May 26 to July 15. Games, take place from July 21 to 28. More info is to come - until then, check out the website at www.CincyGames.com

CINCINNATI

Bryant Walker- NANA Captain North Avondale CINCY Neighborhood Games

LAW & SAFETY

Michelle Baxter moved into North Avondale in the fall of



2004 and got elected to the NANA Board in 2006. She served for consecutive 4 years as: Recording Secretary (2 years) 3rd Vice President (1 year), 1st Vice President (1 year). She also chaired the Landlord Accountability Committee which later became the Law & Safety Committee. After being termed out, most Board Members stop volunteering for NANA but not Michelle. She continued chairing Law & Safety and being a

voting member of the Board for a total of 11 1/2 year until she moved from North Avondale in the fall of 2017. Some highlights of her volunteer efforts with North Avondale:

- Helped create the Landlord Accountability Ordinance and later fought for it to be enforced
- Testified, more times than one could count, in front of City Council and numerous Council Committees
- Attended copious meetings with Councilmembers and their staff, State, County and Federal elected officials, landlords and tenants.
- Worked with other communities' volunteers and the Xavier University Criminal Justice Department to improve safety in our city
- She worked with so many Police Officers, Detectives, District Captains and even Police Chiefs
- Was on Cincinnati Citizens on Patrol 2007 to 2012
- Citizens Police Academy Alumni
- Received an award in 2008 by the Cincinnati Police for Volunteer Programs and recognized for "Dedicated Service for North Avondale."
- Was instrumental in getting the grant to place cameras along Reading Road and assisted in their placement
- Co-chaired Luminary for 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015
- Did logistics for July 4 Parade, Labor Day Parade, Party In The Park

Her Goal was to make North Avondale a safe place to live for everyone who lived here, but most importantly for individuals who had landlords that didn't keep their properties safe or clean, to do so.

Here are some comments from people who worked with her over the years:

• Michelle, Thank you for working hard and making a difference in so many people's lives. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

Commissioner Chris Monzel

• Thanks for sharing this news. Michelle Baxter will be missed. Please find the quote below from Vice Mayor Smitherman:

Michelle Edwards, Chief Of Staff

• We will miss Michelle Baxter's leadership in North Avondale. She was a great advocate for keeping all of us safe and holding landlords accountable."

Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman.

• The Cincinnati Police Department and more specifically District Four would like to take an opportunity to say THANK YOU to Michelle Baxter for all she did for the residents of North Avondale through the years. It has been such a pleasure to work with her and the Safety Committee. Although I only had the pleasure to work with Michelle for a short time, her passion and tireless work to keep residents informed and safe was very invigorating for all of us at District Four. I personally learned so much from Michelle about City Ordinances and other neighborhood services that other District Four communities have now benefited as a result of her knowledge. Michelle was not only a great advocate for North Avondale, she was a huge supporter of the Cincinnati Police Department and its officers. No matter the request, Michelle was always there for District Four and we appreciate her and her family dearly for their support. The entire District Four police family embraces Michelle and would like her to know that she will always be a valued member of our family. We wish her nothing but the best in her future endeavors.

Thanks Michelle we'll miss you,

Captain Martin Mack, District Four Commander and your District Four Police Family

• I had the pleasure to work with Michelle during a few stints in my career when I was assigned to District Four. I was always inspired by Michelle's dedication and activism for the North Avondale community. She truly cared about the safety and quality of life of her neighbors.

Michelle was always in tune with events happening in and around North Avondale. She understood the concept of community partnerships. Every neighborhood in the city would benefit from having a Michelle Baxter in their community. She will be missed.

Captain Paul Broxterman Current District Three Commander Former District Four Commander

• It was an honor to work with Michelle Baxter as Law and Public Safety Chair and on NANA events. Michelle established an amazing rapport with police leadership and leadership at City Hall. She would quickly respond to neighborhood concerns and work with the City to develop the appropriate resolution. With respect to NANA events (Labor Day Parade, Party in the Park and Luminary [not a NANA sponsored event], Michelle was able to work swiftly through the government bureaucracy in order to obtain the appropriate permits for each event. Additionally, she and her husband graciously donated sand for the Luminary event and tents for events. I miss Michelle but wish she and her family best!

Marvin Masterson Immediate Past NANA President

Michelle should have been a detective the way she noticed and remembered every detail. She was relentless in getting things accomplished. Though I may not miss our 1 a.m. phone calls when something was going on in the neighborhood, I will most certainly miss her and the reassurance in knowing she was watching over the neighborhood. Thank you for all your years of service for us!

FROM THE POLICE

≫Lenox Garage

The club/front business of the Lenox Garage (3915 Reading Road) is shut down. In addition to the vacate order, the owner issued an eviction notice to the tenants and put a notice on the door that all future events have been cancelled. The beauty shop is still operating.

Buildings and Inspections is now taking the lead from here on because the illegal activity was abated and they have orders on the structure. Buildings and Inspections is working with the owner in assisting the tenants to remove items.

If there is activity that seems to go beyond what is permitted currently (like cars getting towed there), the number to call to inquire or report is 352.3271. Someone from buildings and inspections can provide an update on the status or send an inspector out.

However, if someone believes that a club has opened, call 765.1212 for an officer to respond and investigate and also call or email me so I can do the follow up work.

Officer Lori Hamann District Four Neighborhood Liaison Unit lori.hamann@cincinnati-oh.gov 569.8679

> Fraud Alert

The Cincinnati Police Department Financial Crimes Squad is currently investigating a fraud where the victims receive unsolicited phone calls from someone posing as a Hamilton County Sheriff Deputy from Court Services. The victims are being told there is a warrant for their arrest for not showing up for jury duty. They are then instructed to purchase prepaid credit cards and give PIN numbers from those cards over the telephone, or meet someone at 1000 Sycamore Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 which is the Hamilton County Justice Center.

Cincinnati Police is asking for anyone who received calls similar to these, or was victimized by such a scheme to call or email directly the Financial Crimes Squad.

We would also like to remind our community that you will never be asked by any law enforcement officer or agent to purchase prepaid gift cards, or give account numbers over a telephone for any reason.

Anyone with information about the fraud is asked to call the Major Offenders Unit at 352.3542 or CRIMESTOPPERS at 352.3040. Callers can remain anonymous and may receive compensation for their information.: https://app.citizenobserver.com/tips/new?alert_group_id=3404&alert_id=67808

To submit a tip via text message text 847411 and put **CPD** and your tip in the message.

≫Auto Thefts

North Avondale, like many neighborhoods across Cincinnati, is experiencing an increase in Theft From Autos (TFA). The Crime Analysis and Problem Solving unit and District Four's investigators and officers are aware of the incidents that have occurred.

The response to Theft From Autos by other police agencies has been researched. The recommendations from various sources including insurance companies, police departments, and outlets have been reviewed. Best practices have been identified and implemented. The most common recommendation is to not leave valuables in vehicles. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

With the mindset of preventing crime, the neighborhood liaison unit has been completing Pink Report Cards when there is an increase in Theft From Autos in a region. Pink Report Cards are report cards for vehicles that indicate if a car passes or fails which is determined by whether there are any visible valuables. Pink Report Cards also serve as a medium to remind car owners what not to leave in their vehicles. Since the inception of this endeavor, Pink Report Cards have been done in Walnut Hills, Avondale, and twice in Corryville.

Officer Lori Hamann CPD District Four Neighborhood Liaison.

<u>UPDATE</u>: The neighborhood police unit came out and put Pink Report Cards on our cars. They have stated that most cars passed, but that doesn't include the cars parked in the private drives. Please remember to lock your car and keep valuables out of your car. If your car has be riffled through, please call 765.1212 (non-emergency number) so they can dispatch an officer. By calling this number, it provides District Four with the documentation needed to keep track of these crimes.

Carolyn Gillman - Blockwatch

- Cincinnati Police Department's Upcoming Youth Summer Programs
 - C.I.T.I Camp (Children in Trauma Intervention Camp for ages 10-13. Applications are available online at https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/police/youth-services/c-i-t-i-camp-registration/
 - Become a Cincinnati Police Explorer for ages 11-20 who are interested in an experience in the criminal justice field. Contact 513.681.0052
 - Cincinnati Police Summer Cadet Program for ages 16-18, gives students the opportunity to work part time for the Police Department. www.governmentjobs.com/ Applications/Index/cincinnati

Currently having
Open Interviews
Monday – Thursday
3:00pm-7:00pm
Saturday 9-1pm
Cincinnati Police
Department Youth
Services Unit
1201 Stock St.
Cincinnati Ohio 45225
(513)681-0052

PARKS & RECREATION

North Avondale Recreation Center ● 617 Clinton Springs Ave. ● 961.1584

Hours: Monday - Thursday: 9:30 am to 9:00 pm; Friday: 11:00 am to 9:00 pm Closed Saturday and Sunday - open for Instructor led programs only.



Memberships: Youth (5-17) \$2.00; Young Adult (18-24) \$10.00; Adult (25-49) \$25.00; Senior (50+) \$10.00; Weight Room \$10.00/3 months, \$35.00/year

THEATER EXPERIENCE SUMMER CAMP 2018

Exposing Youth & Teens to the World of Fine Arts



WHAT

- Summer camp for 10 15 year olds
- Exploring acting, impovisation, mime, dance, spoken word, singing, gymnastics and creative writing
- Voice and puppetry workshops
- · Weekly performances at various venues
- · Guest speakers and so much more!

WHEN

Monday through Friday from 12 – 5 p.m. June 4 to August 3, 2018



WHERE

North Avondale Recreation Center 617 Clinton Springs Avenue

COST

\$450 for 9 weeks

Payment options available for 10 – 12
 year olds that need full summer camp)





2018 SUMMER DAY CAMP

MAY 31 - AUGUST 10



ommission

CAMP CRC Summer Day Camps are offered at many CRC recreation centers throughout the city. Campers enjoy fun, weekly themes in a safe, friendly environment all summer long!

Total Weekly Fee: \$134.50 per week Before- and After-Care: \$20 per week Core Camp (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.): \$114.50 per week

Total 10 week cost: \$1,345.00

Registration begins FEBRUARY 20 at 9 a.m.! Visit cincyrec.org to register.

Centers Bond Hill

Madisonville*

Bond Hill*
Bush*
Clifton
College Hill (Mt. Airy)*
Corryville*
Dunham
Evanston*
Hartwell

Mt. Washington

North Avondale

Oakley

Pleasant Ridge

Price Hill*

Sayler Park

Westwood Town Hills*

McKie*

Millvale⁶

*These centers accept ODJFS vouchers. These licensed centers do not offer Before- and After-Care (camp is Monday – Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.). Please call 961.1584 if you have any questions.

Benjamin Oldiges Director - Hirsch/North Avondale Recreation Centers

≈7 Star Dragons Karate

Congratulations to students that were promoted to their next rank in Okinawa, Shuri Ryu this month at the 7 Star Dragons Karate Program. The students were awesome as they demonstrated their skills needed to be promoted to their next belt rank! An awards presentation with families and friends concluded this event. Classes are year round. The students age 6 years to 65 years train on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at North Avondale Recreation**, 617 Clinton Springs. To register and see our program goals, and accomplishments go to <u>7stardragonskarate.com</u>. Our program welcomes new students! We appreciate the continued support of our parents, family members, friends, volunteers and staff of CRC. We are so proud to have the privilege to have 33 years of service in the North Avondale Community!

Sensei Terrell Davis







Promotion Day

Join our Team! Tvesday's 4 Thursday's North Avondale Rec Center. Register at 7stardragonskarate.com









HIRSCH CENTER

●3620 Reading Road ● 751.3393

Is closed for renovations.

FUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

≫Petra van Nuis Concerts

North Avondale native, Petra van Nuis, jazz vocalist, and her husband, Andy Brown, jazz guitarist, now living in Chicago, will be performing in Cincinnati on:

Saturday, May 5 • Petra van Nuis/Andy Brown
Quartet with pianist Rob Allgeyer and bassist Eric
Sayer • 8-11 pm • Caffe Vivace •

www.caffevivace.com (This is a brand new coffee shop and jazz club 5 minutes from North Avondale) ● 975 E. McMillan Cincinnati, OH ● 513.601.9897 ● https://www.facebook.com/caffevivace/

Sunday, May 6 • Petra van Nuis/Andy Brown
Quartet with bassist Mike Scharfe and drummer
Jim Leslie • 5:30-9 pm • Washington Platform •
1000 Elm St. Cincinnati, OH • 513.421.0110

• www.washingtonplatform.com

Hope people can come to one or both shows.

Rosalie van Nuis (Burton Woods Lane)

LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP BRINGS THEIR RELEASED PRISONER OF CONSCIOUS TO

CINCINNATI: On Saturday, May 19, 2018, Amnesty International Group 86, invites Cincinnatians to join them from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the Esquire Theatre, 320 Ludlow Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45220, to celebrate film maker and Amnesty International Tibetan prisoner of conscious, Dhondup Wangchen. This local group of volunteers, who have been actively fighting for human rights for more than 40 years, has also been fighting for Dhondup's freedom since he became imprisoned. The group is excited to announce that, after a six year battle, Dhondup is finally free and traveling to Cincinnati for one day to personally share his story of triumph over adversity.

Wangchen, a novice filmmaker from the province of Qinghai in China, spent five months in 2007 interviewing 108 Tibetans about their experiences living under Chinese rule. From these interviews, he created a documentary titled, "Leaving Fear Behind," where Tibetans spoke freely about their love for the Dalai Lama, the denial of their right to worship him, the 2008 Beijing Olympics and the continuous decrease in their quality of life.

Wangchen's film was soon smuggled out of China and shown before the Olympics at film festivals world-wide. The attention gained from his film soon led to his detainment in 2008. Wangchen was later sentenced to six years in prison for "inciting subversion."

During his six years in prison, Wangchen faced physical and mental torture and was denied medical treatment for Hepatitis C, a condition which he contracted while in containment. He was also denied any contact with family or legal counsel. Six years later, on June 5, 2014, Wangchen was released, remaining under police surveillance for three more years. Last year, Wangchen escaped China, fleeing to the United States. On December 25, 2017, he arrived in San Francisco, California where he was finally reunited with his

wife, Lhamo Tso, and their four children.

Amnesty International Group 86 is excited for the opportunity to meet Dhondup Wangchen on May 19, and to hear his story. During this special event, there will also be a showing of Wangchen's film "Leaving Fear Behind." Press coverage is encouraged as there will be a short Q&A session with Mr. Wangchen following the film.

Tickets for this event will be \$10/person and can be purchased at the Esquire Theater. Interested in interviewing Mr. Wangchen or covering the event? Please contact:

Sian Bitner-Kearney (513) 505-3073 sianbitnerkearney@gmail.com

≈2018 Spring House Tour Celebrates Westwood's 150th Anniversary

Cincinnati Preservation Association (CPA) and the Westwood Historical Society (WHS) invite you to join the Westwood community as it celebrates the 150th anniversary of its incorporation as the Village of Westwood. This year's tour sponsor is Cincinnati Historic Homes powered by the Sanregret Team.

The walkable tour will be Saturday, **May 12 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.** and will feature seven beautiful homes and a church.

The homes include a 1940s ranch house, a late 19th century Victorian frame-and-shingle residence once owned by the LaRosa family, a Tudor Revival with an asymmetrical facade, and an American Foursquare.

Tickets: Advanced purchase is recommended. Tickets price are \$20 in advance for everyone and \$25 day of the tour. You can purchase tickets by calling 513.721.4506 or online at www.cincinnatipreservation.org. Cash, checks, Visa and MasterCard are welcome. Will call and day of tour tickets will be at the Westwood United Methodist Church at 3460 Epworth Avenue. Parking will be available throughout the tour area.

Contemporary Arts Center - Mark deJong (who grew up in North Avondale) Swing House April 20 through September 02.

The character of Cincinnati's architectural and a r t i s t i c complexion was forever changed b y t h e groundbreaking work of Dutchborn, Cincinnati-



based artist Mark deJong (b.1966). His launch of *Sning House* in the late summer of 2017 welcomes adventurous renters into a three-story structure where all floors and walls have been removed to allow the flight of a swing from the front of the house to the back. In concert with previous projects such as *Circle House* in Camp Washington and *Square House* in Northside, deJong turns renovation, restoration and residential revitalization into a transformative art.



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NAM May Calendar

16 Wednesday, Picture Day 19 Saturday, 9:00am Golf Outing 24 Thursday, Field Day/Last Day

Father-Daughter Dance Rocks The House!

The NAM-Fathers Group (NAMFG) hosted their 9th annual Father-Daughter Dance on Saturday, March 17. This year's theme was, "St. Patrick's Day." Tables were decorated in green table cloths along with shamrocks placed on walls and green and gold streamers going from basket to basket. Also a photo both was available for dads and daughters to take a picture.

"We had easily over 150 people attend the dance. Dads and daughters were dancing and having a blast! This event is always a tremendous amount of fun but this year's dance was off the charts," said Principal Lewis.

Students were entertained by music provided by our school DJ, Mr. Hill. "Jermaine does a fantastic job at every event he works at NAM. He displays and a lot of enthusiasm and plays the music students like to hear. He gets dads and students on the dance floor and has contests to keep them engaged," said NAMFG organizer, Mr. Butler.

"Our goal is to have an event that provides students and dads or father figures to come to school and spend a few hours with

their daughters. The interactions we have seen over the years makes this a special event for our dads and daughters. This year everyone looks fantastic in their attire," said NAMFG President, Mark McComas.

"Building community together is a huge part of the Montessori philosophy. Having our students and parents attend this event in such large numbers is great for our community. To see everyone have so much fun,



along with the large turnout, our NAMFG achieved their goal," said Principal Lewis.

Roger Lewis, Principal



THE NEW SCHOOL MONTESSORI (TNSM) 281.7999 • 3 Burton Woods Lane www.newschoolmontessori.com

Truffula Trees Made by Preprimary Students Who Care a lot.

To celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday, preprimary students read Seuss's story "The Lorax" which reminds us to notice and care for our environment. Students made colorful, fluffy truffula trees in response to the story and to adorn their classroom. As Seuss prompted in his book,



"UNLESS someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

Preprimary Students Used their Phonemic Awareness to Sound out Words with the Moveable Alphabet and to Share Interesting Facts.

New School Montessori students in our (3-6) program have been doing research with the Maria Montessori's Moveable Alphabet. Students chose a card from a wide selection of topics that interested them. These topics ranged from important information about a



variety of animals to solar system topics. The children then chose a fact from their card to write about using their phonemic awareness to sound out words with the Moveable Alphabet.

No Wonder You're Feeling under Pressure – 14.7 Pounds per Square Inch – to be Exact

As part of their study of weather, students in 4th-6th grade learned that 14.7 pounds per square inch of air is pushing down on us from the top of our atmosphere to the Earth. Ava served as teacher Nancy Buchman's helper to see if they could get those



14.7 pounds of pressure to push an egg into the flask. Students helped figure out that burning the oxygen in the flask would lower the air pressure inside the flask and let the greater outside air pressure push the egg inside.

Ann Baumgardner, Communications Director



Xavier's Noyce program Summer Camp invites students from 3-8th grade to learn science while exploring the surface of Mars, designing a human habitat, and

creating a Martian civilization!

https://www.xavier.edu/noyce/summer-stem-camps.cfm

FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS

▶ 2018 Congratulations on the installation on your new Madame President Tribble! North Avondale is a premier dwelling for all of humanity and it is time for us, without further adieu to make the world abreast of such - I dare say- IMMEDIATELY! We, those born and raised in North Avondale are indeed HISTORY MAKERS!

I am excited to learn about the ways in which my beloved North Avondale childhood neighborhood will be honoring one of our most profound global leaders, John Gray, of The Oprah Winfrey Network's 'The Book of John Gray'. He was reared on Dana Ave. and attended North Avondale Montessori. His life in North Avondale has propelled him to ultimate stardom in the name of faith and family.

I propose a John Gray Day in North Avondale and The City of Cincinnati, with the distinction of he being both born and raised in the Queen City.

I, myself was born and raised on Dickson and I take great pride in serving as a liaison in this effort.

Issa Smith nanacincinnati@gmail.com

FUN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

& Clinton Hills Swim Club

The summer will soon be here and summer fun means the Clinton Hills Swim Club at 53 Clinton Springs Ave. View their video https://youtu.be/AfZl7V1-Np0 or go to their website: clintonhills.com or their Facebook page for more information.



≈Golf Fundraiser



≈Pitching For Peace



Cincinnati's Best Address with: Beautiful Homes, Great Neighbors & Civic Passion

NANA CALENDAR

- Sunday, May 6, NANA ANNUAL MEETING, 3:00 5:00pm, The New School, 3 Burton Woods Lane
- Thursday, May 3, June 7, NANA Education/Rental Housing Meeting, 1:30 pm, District 4 Police Station, 4150 Reading Road
- Tuesday, June12, NANA General Meeting, 7:00 pm, North Avondale School Cafetorium, 617 Clinton Springs Av

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