



NANA NEWS SUMMER 2012

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

These are exciting times in North Avondale as we move forward on many fronts and your new NANA Board and Committees "hit the ground running." We should all be especially proud and appreciative of Carolyn Gillman, our 2nd Vice President and Membership Committee Chair, who organized (in less than one month) her brainchild, the 1st Annual July 4th Bike Parade, which was a huge success with over 75 people participating. A sincere thanks to Reg Crutcher, as Master of Ceremony, who's "radio voice" and patriotic music boomed over a PA system. We are grateful for the neighbors who participated, especially to the parents helping their children, spectators waiving and walking, and the children who beautifully decorated their bikes and trikes in patriotic fashion - several traveled the route twice. Way to go!!

In collaboration with the NA Business Association (NABA), NANA is considering a "Celebrate Fall Party in the Park" at Seasongood (DTBD). We would like to showcase the talent of our community; if you have a business you would like to promote, are artistic or have a craft to demonstrate, please share with us! We hope to have a few musical bands as well. This event can only happen if we receive enough interest from the community. If you are interested in participating, or if you would like to join the committee, please send an email to Carolyn Gillman at cgillmanwhhs@gmail.com by August 15th.

Ursula Hassel, Beautification Chair, is overseeing the organization of special beautification projects for which we need your help! One already underway is beautifying the intersection of Washington Ave and Clinton Springs Ave. A special thanks to Councilmember Cecil Thomas, a North Avondale resident, Jan Banks and Charlene Morse * for getting this project started by clearing the overgrowth. Please contact Ursula at 751.4546 if you can help.

Come attend our upcoming General Meeting, this Tuesday, July 10th, at the NA Recreation Center when we will address a request for the City's Building and Inspection to complete a "sign sweep" (to review all the signs in the business district to determine if they are permissible within our code), which NABA unanimously approved. We will also finalize a proposed NA Strategic Planning survey and complete a separate survey of priorities for councilmember Yvette Simpson.

Thanks to all of you who have selflessly volunteered over the years, and to those who have stepped up recently!! It's rewarding to see so much accomplished as it does "take a village."

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable summer!

Maura Wolf

Editor's note: and Maura too!

1st Annual Fourth of July Bike/Trike/Wagon was a great success. Thank you to: Mike Volkerding (Redway) - of Frequency City Sound for the amazing sound system; Melanie Bates for graciously allowing us the use of her yard and electricity; the Cincinnati Symphony Pops Orchestra for lending us the *American Jubilee* conducted by Erich Kunzel; the Social & Membership Committee - Reg & Kristin Crutcher, Amy Harten, Hanne Larsen, Julie Tucker-Sullivan; Jake Gillman for all his help and picture taking; Darren Baxter as our Grand Marshal and everyone who came to this fun event! Thank you to Charlene Morse for all her support and help setting up this event.

Carolyn



Ecosystem Committee Update

The Ecosystem Committee Chaired by 3rd Vice President Pamela Smitherman is working on the storm water issue (see June's *NANA NEWS*) by compiling information, contacting experts and scheduling another meeting in August.

For more information on coyotes got to northavondalecincinnati.com/minutes.htm and view *Coyote Info* and *Wildlife Conflict Presentation*

FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS

☞ My wife and I live on Marion Avenue. Recently, every morning we have noticed a clear, gummy residue on our cars and windows. Have others in the neighborhood experienced this? What could be the source?

Roger Anderson (Marion Ave)

☞ I'd just like to let everyone know that I saw 3 coyotes running up the middle of Camden Ave. @ 5:15 am on 6/5/12. First there was one alone, then shortly 2 followed. I have been noticing injured cats and found a half eaten squirrel in my driveway. This situation seems to be getting worse. I want to warn all of my neighbors to be careful and be aware that they may be lurking near by. Perhaps we can send out flyers to folks to let them know not to leave trash out or food for their pets. Thanks!

Florence Tatum-Page (Camden Ave)

See northavondalecincinnati.com/minutes.htm - for coyote information

☞ **High School Exchange Program Still Seeking Host Families** AFS is looking for a caring, flexible host family for the 2012-13 high school year. AFSers become part of your family. Local AFS volunteers' support is ongoing throughout the year. Interested? Please email Georgia Moore at damoore3@fuse.net (513.961.2592). Visit www.afs.org/usa for national AFS information.

☞ What to do if a fire hydrant near your property gets knocked over and/or damaged. Call the police nonemergency number - 765.1212 and the firemen will come and put yellow tape around it. It is then up to you to call Greater Cincinnati Water Works 591.7700 to get a new one installed.

Patricia Baxter (Red Bud)

☞ We just had a silver toyota pull up next to our house and park, leaving its engines on. It seemed to be waiting for something. No license plate in the front. As we've recently had two very apparent drug deals in that same spot in the past couple of weeks, I stepped out and started walking towards the car. It promptly took off. I didn't get a chance to look at the rear plate. Keep an eye out. A lot of drug deals seem to be going on. This is the third one for in a couple weeks in that same spot.

The main reason we have been paying more attention to this is because of the request of NA's neighborhood police liaison at a recent NANA meeting that there has been an increase of this kind of activity. He asked us all to report it more. If you see this kind of activity, please call the non emergency number at 765.1212. The two times my wife called, the police said they were highly appreciative of the information and wished that more people reported in.

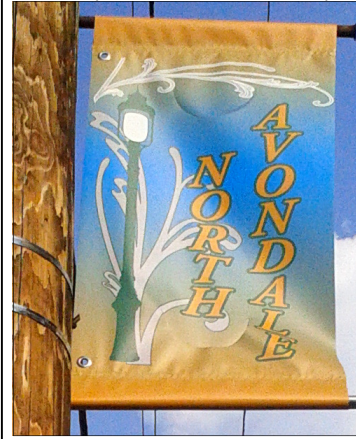
Reg Crutcher (Lenox & Glen Lyon)

Editors note: These drug dealers are coming from other neighborhoods because our neighborhood is safe and quiet. Be aware as another neighbor discovered after confronting the people in the idling car, they were actually undercover officers! There have also been arrests made.

☞ It is very important to water your trees in this drought. Please pay special attention to watering trees in the right away

Marianne Prue Urban Forestry

Thank you to the Luminary Committee, Chaired by Michelle



Baxter and Carolyn Gillman for using the proceeds from the fabulous event last December to purchase these lovely banners that are on Reading Road and on Clinton Springs. A special thank you to Darren Baxter and Carolyn for spending their day putting them up and providing financial support.

WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

120 Glenwood Ave - Antonio L Abernathy
933 Marion Ave - Alan & Lauren Burge
4025 Rose Hill Ave- Jason S Rich & Sarah E Crannell

PLACES FOR NEW NEIGHBORS

3886 Reading Rd \$545,000 ▪ 991 Marion Ave \$509,900 ▪
4033 Rose Hill Ave \$495,000 ▪ 739 Betula Ave \$487,500
▪ 3881 Reading Rd \$455,900 ▪ 711 Clinton Springs
\$450,000 ▪ 970 Lenox Pl \$399,000 ▪ 4158 Paddock Rd
\$299,900 ▪ 3937 Rose Hill Ave \$299,000 ▪ 3885
Springhouse Ln \$287,000 ▪ 1031 Avondale Ave \$285,000
▪ 925 Glenwood Ave \$285,000 ▪ 3959 Dickson Ave
\$279,000 ▪ 4048 Paddock Rd \$254,999 ▪ 2 Lenox Ln
\$249,900 ▪ 713 Avon Fields Ln \$199,999 ▪ 746 Clinton
Springs Ave \$199,999 ▪ 4216 Red Bud Pl \$189,900 ▪ 3909
Dickson Ave \$185,000 ▪ 3904 Wess Park Dr \$149,900 ▪
530 Norway Ave \$148,000 ▪ 215 E Mitchell Ave \$120,000
▪ 624 Greenwood Ave \$119,000 ▪ 3955 Dickson Ave
\$114,900 ▪ 681 S Fred Shuttlesworth Cir \$89,500 ▪ 3954
Lowry Ave \$79,900 ▪ 3720 Alaska Ct \$72,900 ▪ 622
Gholson Ave \$64,900 ▪ 3700 Alaska Ct 64,500 ▪ 3971
Dickson Ave \$54,300

2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL

Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____
name

Address _____

Email Addresses _____

Annual Dues \$100 \$50 \$25 \$10 \$5 or \$ _____

Pay Additional \$10.00 for Newsletter Mail Delivery _____

Thank you! Please make your check payable to NANA.

Send Checks to the NANA Office 617 Clinton Springs, 45229

AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Support Our Soldiers



My Mary Kay unit is doing a fundraiser this month to benefit our men and women serving in the military, especially in Afghanistan. The average temperature there now is 126 degrees!

"Yellow Ribbon Support Center" is a non-profit group based here in Cincinnati dedicated to sending care packages to area service people each month. My goal is to donate a total of 300 "Sun Care Savers" sets to the troops! Can you help?

For each package you donate, you will assist one soldier in further protection for themselves. The cost is \$35.00 per package (includes sales tax). Each package includes, Sun Care After-Sun Replenishing Gel, Sun Care Sunscreen Broad Spectrum SPF 30 and Sun Care Lip Protector Sunscreen Broad Spectrum SPF 15. Each of these products has been approved by The American Cancer Society.

Yes, I would love to help. Accept my donation for _____ Sun Saver Sets @ \$35.00 per set.

Total Included \$ _____

Payment Method: Check Credit Card Cash

Name/Company: _____

Address: _____

If payment by Credit Card:

Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

This is a fundraiser that my Mary Kay unit is participating in to support the troops. We are asking are friends, family and the community to get involved by donating Sun Care Sets to the troops from the local area. My contact is not on the flyer, so for any neighbors interested in participating, they should contact me at: meekaowens@hotmail.com or 513.846.2337 *Meeka Owens (E. Mitchell)*

Gabriel's Place Marketplace (3618 Reading Rd.)

Every Thursday 4:00pm to 7:00pm

Free Samples

Fruits for sale

Vegetables for sale

Tours

Our farmers' market that will run weekly through October 25. All sales are cash only. Check the website for available produce. gabrielsplace.diosohio.org/

FUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

Janiece Bouldin Blunt of Altadena, California-certified Dunham instructor will present 2 workshops at the Contemporary Dance Theater. (Dunham technique) Sat. & Sun., July 21 and 22. Each at 10:00-12:30. Pre register by to CDT- 1805 Larch Ave. ph. 591.1222.

Barbara Bouldin (Ardmore)

Art & Rockin' Fun to Benefit Pro Seniors at August 11 Event Creative works by area artists and live rock from the decades will fuel the fun at Pro Seniors' signature fundraiser, the **3rd Annual "Rock On for Seniors,"** at 7 p.m. August 11 at the Cincinnati Radisson Riverfront (Covington).

The event is being dedicated to the memory of **George Meinhardt**, respected real estate leader, passionate community volunteer & family man, and former member of the Board of Trustees.

The event has attracted a great array of talented artists who are creating 16 unique rocking chairs for the live auction. Robin Hartman, head of the art program at The New School will be painting one of the children's rocking chairs for the silent auction. (Two years ago she did one of the main auction adult chairs which was incredible). **WCPO's Clyde Gray** will emcee, and *Ohio Hall of Fame Auctioneer Don Bates* will lead the live auction. Entertainment will be provided by the "The Cincy Rockers."

Tickets are \$65 (\$600 for table of 10). For tickets or to obtain information about Pro Seniors and **"Rock On for Seniors"** sponsorship opportunities, visit www.proseniors.org or call 458.5525

Rosalie van Nuis, (Burton Woods) Trustee Pro Seniors, Inc.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CINCINNATI FIREFIGHTER?



BECOME PART OF THE PROUD TRADITION OF THE CINCINNATI FIRE DEPARTMENT

SIGN UP TO TAKE THE EXAM: JULY 2ND - JULY 27TH www.cincinnati-oh.gov/cityhr/pages/-4270/

EXAM TAKES PLACE ON: AUGUST 4TH - 9AM DUKE ENERGY CENTER



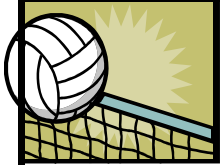
A CAREER IN FIRE SERVICE CAN OFFER BOTH EXCITING CHALLENGES AND RICH REWARDS.



YOU CAN EXPECT: COMPETITIVE WAGES & BENEFITS

PAID TRAINING
CAREER ADVANCEMENT
UNIQUE SCHEDULE

NANA General Meeting
North Avondale Recreation Center
617 Clinton Springs
Tuesday, July 10, 7:00 pm



NORTH AVONDALE CENTER (NAC)
 617 Clinton Springs
 961.1584
 northavondale@cincinnati-oh.gov

- Spots still remain for our 10 week summer day camp. Camp began on June 11 and runs daily from 7am-6pm. Call Randy Wagner for information on how to sign up.
 - Pools opened on June 4. Visit <http://cincinnati-oh.gov/crc/pages/-5649-/> for complete information on all things aquatics.
 - Hirsch Pool will be open 1:00-7:30pm Monday through Thursday and 1:00-5:30 on Fridays and Saturdays.
 - After school day camp will begin August 22nd with the beginning of the Cincinnati Public School year. For registration information call the center.
 - Stop by after August 1st to pick up a Fall Program Guide of all our activities scheduled through December.
- Have a safe and happy summer.

Tim Heyl SAC-675.9811 (cell)

HIRSCH CENTER

•3620 Reading Road • 751.3393

Hirsch@cincinnati-oh.gov

The Hirsch recreation center summer programs:

- Youth summer drop-in, Monday - Friday 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM. (Free with membership)
- Teen summer drop-in, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM. (Free with membership)
- Teen Stomp Team - M & W, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- Teen fitness program, T & TH, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

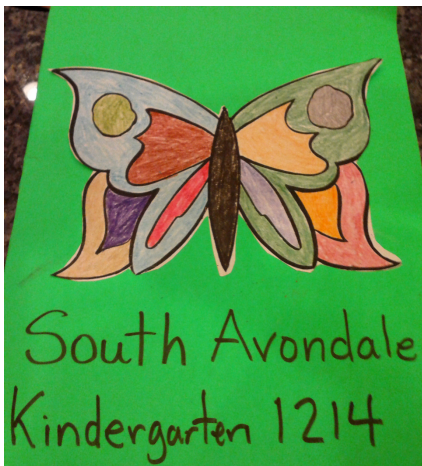
Karen S. Williams M.Ed., SAC



SOUTH AVONDALE SCHOOL

•363.5500 •636 Prospect Place,

•savondale.cps-k12.org



How to Help NANA's Adopted Kindergarten Class at Our Neighborhood School

NANA adopted a Kindergarten class at South Avondale School, which is North Avondale's neighborhood school. Thank you to Teresa Harten, Pauline Daly and Maura Wolf for tutoring and Diana Noyes for all her hard

work organizing and volunteering this year. Also, thank you to Sean Daly for his help with planting the tree. **See the lovely thank you card the students sent to NANA!**

There are many ways that we can help, individually or as groups, to enable these children to have a more successful educational year. In either small or large ways, according to

our ability, we can contribute in part to developing good citizens in our neighborhood.

For more information contact the co-chairs, Diana Noyes <noyesdi@gmail.com> or Pauline Daly <pdaly@fuse.net> or 751.8334.

This is the List of needs we hope to meet:

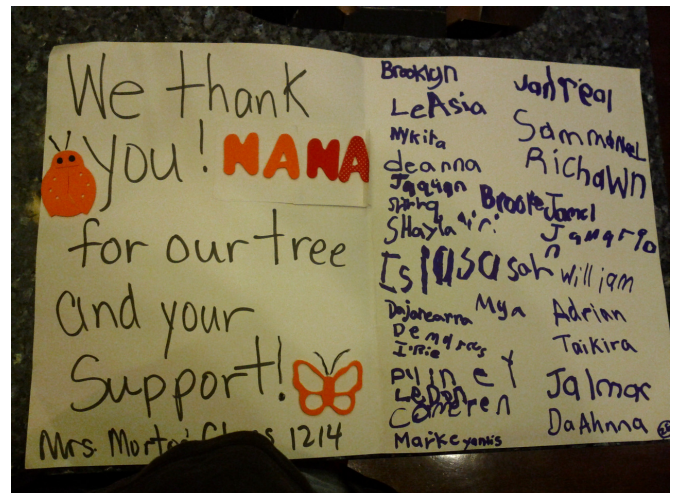
- Early in the school year - plan an event to introduce us to the new students.
- Plan a short activity and a healthy snack
- December - plan a Christmas party
- May - plan an end of year activity and healthy eating
- Graduation - Contribute a cake?
- Throughout the year we would like to at least monthly have volunteers to come for an hour and help with a learning activity
- Helping with learning phonics aids the students in learning to read. We can assist you in doing this. The children will benefit from your efforts.
- If you have another idea to interest and benefit the students, we would be glad to discuss it with the teacher.

The summer is a good time to get your volunteer badge. See *March NANA NEWS* page 4 for the directions.

List for Adopt A Class - Mrs Morton's Kindergarten

This list consists of things needed during the year which will not be reimbursed. There will be 25 - 30 students.

- Plastic notebook folders with pockets - 2 sets of 30 (one set for each semester). They are used to send home materials and need to be replaced by the 2nd semester.
- Fat pencils (John R. Green) - 8 boxes of a dozen
- Fat crayons (John R. Green) - 2 boxes of 200 (Sargent Art) (Crayolas last longer but they are more expensive.)
- Glue sticks - 4 boxes of 30
- Hand sanitizer - 4 Large at Sam's - will refill small dispensers.
- Tissues - Depending on size of boxes and need for 25 children, over about 40 weeks in the school year.
- Zip Lock bags - sandwich bags and gallon bags - 3 packages with (4 boxes in each package)
- Snacks - goldfish, animal crackers, fruit snacks, pretzels



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(Large boxes)

Clothing:

- used and usable school outfits
- girls & boys underwear & socks
- black or navy pants
- socks

Books are given for birthdays

Students shop on Fridays based on the past week's behavior

- Dollar store can supply jump ropes, pencils, pencil sharpeners, puzzles etc.
- View masters and films
- Small plastic baskets (Big Lots)



NORTH AVONDALE MONTESSORI

•363.3900 • 615 Clinton Springs

www.namrockets.org

The North Avondale Montessori Greenhouse project work dates will be August 4th and 11th starting at 10:00am. If either day gets rained out the make-up day will be August 18th. Opening day of school Wednesday August 22nd. There will be a NAM Picnic Saturday, August 25 from 11:00 am to 1:00pm.

DISCOUNTED EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Discount for Early Registration **EXTENDED!**

SUMMER DANCE CAMP FOR KIDS

with CONTEMPORARY DANCE THEATER and MAMLUFT&CO. DANCE

Ages 5-10

August 6-10

Drop off as early as 8, Pick up as late as 6*

Dance Activities from 9am-3pm

Additional Care after 3pm \$15/day

Showing/Open House on Sat., Aug. 11

DISCOUNTED EARLY REGISTRATION. Discounts for siblings, too! (See website.)

Located at Contemporary Dance Theater, 1805 Larch Avenue, Cincinnati

H A S B E E N EXTENDED to JULY 16! Summer Dance Camp for Kids (Ages 5-10): a great late-summer all-day camp for children, August 6 to 10

Drop off as early as 8am, Pick up as late as 6pm* Monday-Friday, August 6-10 9am-3pm

*additional care after 3pm \$15/day/child

Saturday, August 11 10:00am-11:30am Showing/Open House

Specializing in teaching children how to move healthfully and creatively with confidence in modern techniques. Registration price includes two snacks a day and a camp t-shirt. Siblings also receive a SIGNIFICANT discount! Scholarships are also available. At Contemporary Dance Theater, 1805 Larch Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45224 Visit mamluftcodance.org/camp for more information



THE NEW SCHOOL MONTESSORI

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www.thenewschool.cc

TNSM ELEMENTARY STUDENTS TAKE GLOBAL APPROACH TO COMMUNITY SERVICE

The New School Montessori sent a group of 12 students, ages 9-12, to Costa Rica with their teachers to participate in service-learning projects and to learn about the culture, history, and beauty of Costa Rica.

In the weeks leading up to the trip, TNSM students emailed pen pals at their sister school in the town of San Rafael. TNSM students were surprised by a hearty chorus of "Happy Birthday" sung for one of our student travelers - with cake and a piñata to follow. San Rafael students gave tours, sang songs from their culture, and were pleased to meet their pen pals and to share their school.

The service projects included: putting a fresh coat of paint on the San Rafael school kitchen, bleachers, and dugouts, helping out at the Monkey Sanctuary by sorting, preparing, and later feeding a breakfast of worms and bananas to the marmoset and tamarin monkeys, and helping with a reforestation project at the Manuel Antonio National Park.

The beauty of Costa Rica was evident as the students woke every morning for beach walks and yoga, and learned how to meditate. They enjoyed the majesty of nature from many different angles: upside down on a zipline through the forest,

underwater - peering through a snorkel at dolphins and soaring from the sky while parasailing. The students explored Costa Rica on horseback and experienced the warm waters of the Arenal Volcano hot springs and the cool waterfall and pool of La Fortuna.



To learn more about the students' adventures and to see pictures, visit their blog at tnsmcostarica.blogspot.com.

The trip was developed and planned by a non-profit group based in Asheville, North Carolina called True Nature Education. They connect organizations with communities who want to share an interactive and educational travel experience.

Ann Baumgardner Development/Marketing Director



NANA CALENDAR

- **Tuesday, July 10, NANA General Meeting, 7:00 pm** North Avondale Recreation Center
- Tuesday, July 19, 5:00 pm **NABD Meeting/Cookout** Garr & Stewart Parking Lot 3939 Reading Road
- Thursday, August 2 at 1:30pm, **NANA Rental Housing Meeting**, District 4 Police Station 4150 Reading
- **NO AUGUST NANA General Meeting**
- **Tuesday, September 11, NANA General Meeting, 7:00 pm** North Avondale Recreation Center



IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS/EMAIL/WEBSITES

<p>City Complaint/Request Hotline 591.6000 5916000.com</p> <p>NA Neighborhood Officer Alex Hasse 569.8654 Alexander.hasse@cincinnati-oh.gov</p> <p>Police District 4 569.8600</p> <p>Nonemergency Police 765.1212</p> <p>To just make a crime report (no police visit) 352.2960</p> <p>To learn about Crime in Cincinnati visit: Crimereports.com</p> <p>Chronic Nuisance Mark Manning 352.3359 mark.manning@cincinnati-oh.gov</p>	<p>Truancy Hotline 363.0003 Call if you see school age children during school hours.</p> <p>Track property code violations: http://cagisperm.hamilton-co.org/cpop/</p> <p>Neighborhood Yahoo Site: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NorthAvondaleOnlineCommunity/</p> <p>Request A Recycling Cart 591.6000</p> <p>Report Air Odors 24/7 946.7777</p> <p>Where to Recycle Different Things http://earth911.com/</p>
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Strategic Planning for Land Use: Rebecca Williamson (Chair), Zach Albertiz, Michelle Baxter, Andrew Beiting, Reginald Crutcher, Edie Gaudio, Carol Harten, Ken Pray, Michael Romanos, Maura Wolf

At Large General Volunteers: Marla Barone, Heather Herr for special projects, Vanessa Sorensen, Graphics; J Miles Wolf, Photography, Julie Zimmerman - help with written correspondence

Please join one of NANA's Committees

~ your efforts and contributions will be greatly appreciated by the whole neighborhood!!

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NANA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY

~ July 10TH 7:00pm ~

From **Your Neighborhood Business Association (NABA)** Did you know that we have no less than 3 beauty parlors in our Reading Rd. business district? We also have a doctor, a dentist and a gem of an old fashion Blues bar, and more. We are working very hard to revitalize our shopping areas and would appreciate your patronage. To help that, we are developing a **Business Database**. Please send your business information to clmorse@fuse.net. Also, in all those years, did you ever dream that you would ever be able to turn left from Paddock onto Reading? NABA is also working with the City and State to reconfigure that intersection. We hope that you will support us. For questions about NABA, please call Patricia Baxter 861.2266