



# NANA NEWS

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors,

Summer is ending and school has begun. This has been a lovely summer, especially the bright sunshine and comfortable temperatures. These both made for some beautiful days and evenings to enjoy the outdoors with friends and neighbors.

The **NANA monthly meetings** are starting back up and scheduled for the **second Tuesday of the month**, beginning Tuesday, **September 13, 2022**. The meetings will start at **6:30 pm** and last for about 1.5 hours. Each meeting will have the business section and then close up with a topic of interest. The September meeting will include your neighbor, **Remco DeJong (Beechwood)** discussing his **"Home Solar Power" project**. Please come with questions on how to install a solar system in your home.

The **NANA Events Committee** is moving into action and is planning a fall festival in October and a Winter Wonderland in December. Morgan Rottinghaus (Lenox Pl) is leading this and has an event planning team started. If you want to get involved, please reach out to Morgan. Stay tuned for more information.

Your NANA Board members were hard at work this summer. A brainstorming meeting was held to develop ideas for **Community Budget Requests for FY24/25** with the City of Cincinnati's Planning Division. We had a great neighborhood response. **Patrice Watson** (NANA Vice President) (Avon Fields) led the group in a brainstorming session that resulted in three potential projects:

1. **North Avondale Streetscape: Project lead - Troy Robinson** ([troy.robinson1669@gmail.com](mailto:troy.robinson1669@gmail.com)) North Avondale Place making and branding. Pedestrian Safety. More walkable community across main arteries, safety, community engagement and awareness. Funding for façade improvements along blighted main arteries. Landscaping and lighting improvements.
2. **NA Recreation Center Playfields and Playset: Project lead- Sarah Koucky** ([Kouckys@gmail.com](mailto:Kouckys@gmail.com)). Build upon a highly visible and used public space; showcase as an innovation and environmentally sustainable area; increase return visits; improve safety and comfort; activate and improve engagement in the community.
3. **Revitalize Seasongood Square: Project lead- Maura Wolf** ([Maurawolf100@gmail.com](mailto:Maurawolf100@gmail.com)). Improve safety, stabilize southern end of the neighborhood business district, increase

usage of this asset; activate and engage neighborhood; improve relationship with adjacent community; calm streets and support beautification goals.

The **Zoning Committee** met on July 13<sup>th</sup> and is organizing into four working groups. These are:

1. The Neighborhood Master Plan,
2. Future Zoning and Environmental actions and City proposals,
3. Outreach and communication with other neighborhoods and organizations..
4. Enforcement of Existing Zoning Code
  - Enforcement actions include identifying and investigating several non-conforming group homes as well as identifying some elder-care uses that are conforming in multi-family zoned areas. A letter requesting action from the City will be prepared for NANA's consideration.

The Zoning Committee is also attending Green Cincinnati and various other zoning and building code meetings regarding plans the City has to develop "transit corridors" and increase residential density to address issues such as lack of affordable housing. Changes are coming and NANA needs to become better prepared to work with other neighborhoods to move forward. Coming changes must be met in a way that best preserves our historic buildings and community diversity. **We are looking for more participation, especially in the areas of the Master Plan and outreach.**

There are so many ways to get involved in our neighborhood. Please consider giving back and volunteering a few hours each month. You can also visit the website and make a donation. We need your support.

*Sarah Koucky*

**NANA GENERAL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, September 13, 6:30 pm**  
**at the North Avondale Montessori School**  
**Cafertorium**

#### Meeting Agenda Items

- **Business Section**
- **Remco DeJong (Beechwood) discussing his "Home Solar Power" project**

**Next Meeting Tuesday, October 11, 6:30**

**THANK YOU FOR PAYING YOUR 2022 NANA DUES** <https://northavondalecincinnati.com/membership/>

# COMMITTEE UPDATES

## BEAUTIFICATION

Your Beautification Committee has been BUSY!! Here are some things that are going on and ways YOU can help:

### **1. Please use the Fix It Cincy! App / Help us Clean up the neighborhood**

Take a look at the Fix It Cincy! App on your smart phone. (You will need to download this free app from the app store.) This is a way that you can request services (even submitting a photo) from the City of Cincinnati concerning icy/slippery streets, graffiti removal, litter, potholes, missed garbage collection, sidewalks, trees, grass and weeds, and much more! As your beautification chair, I could use your help to report issues that detract from the beauty of our neighborhood. You may have noticed; please tell me you did! that sidewalks on Clinton Springs are getting cleaned up!

- I have been able to get a hazardous tree limb removed that was crossing the sidewalk at 205 Clinton Springs,
- Had a dead tree removed from the front yard of 100 Clinton Springs
- Got the grass cut at 3901 Dickson at the corner of Clinton Springs.
- There are more work orders in the queue.

Reporting these issues allows the city to take care of our neighborhood and certainly makes it more beautiful for all of us! You can also call 513.591.6000 or visit [www.5916000.com](http://www.5916000.com)

### **2. “New” Red twig dogwoods have been planted in our community gardens/ Releaf program news**

When the Parks emptied our flower pots this summer, we were able to repurpose the red twig dogwoods that were being pulled out into our community gardens. We hope to continue to work with the Parks to do this in the future. We also were able to get 5 serviceberry trees from the City’s fall releaf program last year to plant in the Washington Triangle Garden. When you drive by this garden, you will notice them as they have the green watering bags around them.

Check out the Cincinnati parks foundation link to learn more about requesting a free tree for your yard. Applications opened on September 3, 2022. <https://cincinnati.parksfoundation.org/programs/reef/>

### **3. What is happening at the Victory Parkway / Dana intersection?**

XU experienced some utility delays, but much should be happening now....I know you are like me and we can’t wait to see how this intersection is made even more beautiful by Xavier University.

### **4. Reading Road streetscape / upcoming volunteer opportunities / grant writer?**

A small group has begun work to devise a plan to improve the beauty of the Reading Road Streetscape through North

Avondale. We are investigating opportunities to plant more trees and are planning on redistributing the flower pots along the Reading Road corridor. In addition, the Safety committee is looking into some traffic “calming” options with the City. Finally, if you are someone who enjoys applying for grants, please let me know. The City of Cincinnati is offering money for beautification; we just need to apply for it! Many hands make light work!

We also would be interested in having someone or some organization to adopt our Reading Road corridor, picking up litter, liaising with Keep Cincinnati Beautiful. to learn more or sign up <https://www.keepcincinnatibeautiful.org/>

- Further, I am looking to create a team of weeders or people with weedwhackers to keep the Reading Road corridor looking tidy. Please reach out if you can offer help with these initiatives.

- I want to give a shout out to our community gardeners and the property owners at The Belvedere, Dottie Shaffer (and staff) at Full Spectrum Health Care, and other property owners, such as Weston Wolf and Haley Boling, on Reading Road who TIRELESSLY pick up trash thrown from vehicles. It is a daily task and we are so grateful that they do this for the benefit of all! Please adopt this street.

- In the short term, this fall, you should notice some immediate improvements on Reading Road, stemming from the work of this group. The week of October 3 our flower pots will be moved to be distributed more evenly along the Reading Road Corridor. They will also be replanted with our fall designs. Thanks to Ann Uhlman with the Parks for her help in making this happen! Your NANA dollars allow for the planting (3x/year) and watering of 20 flower pots along Reading Road.

- Marion Triangle will be getting a new shade tree planted this fall. Thanks to Dave Boutelle with the Parks!

- Dave is also planning to improve the beauty and safety of Seasongood Park by limbing up trees to improve visibility and removing dead limbs from the trees. Please use this park. The playground is terrific. In addition to maintaining the beautiful flower beds at the edge of the Park along Clinton Springs and Reading, your neighbors also maintain the boxwood circle garden in the park. In fact, we are looking for help in maintaining that circle. Please let me know if you can help.

- Our fire hydrants are getting a fresh coat of paint! Our city is so helpful! While hydrants are typically only repainted every 3-6 years, I was able to get the following done this fall, because the city likes to work with neighborhoods who CARE! This is a project, less than a year old, from our Water Works. Check out the new paint jobs this fall at 3842, 3770, 3756, 3700, MLK Park on Reading Road and 999, 951 Dana, 890 Clinton Springs, and 760 N. Fred Shuttlesworth. I attempted to drive every street in our neighborhood to request this.

- Next steps will be contacting property owners along Reading Road, where street trees are not feasible, to encourage and support them in planting trees in their front. If you own property on Reading Road and would like to

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reach out to me.

## 5. Our committed community gardeners – spotlight on Washington Triangle Garden

Please join me in thanking **Megan Rothe** (Clinton Springs Ave.) and **Terri Byczkowski** (Mt. Lookout – yes! Really!!) for their unbelievable commitment to cleaning out and rediscovering the base of the Washington Triangle Garden. This season they have been weeding and weeding some more, picking up trash and trying to identify the varieties of the existing plant material in the garden. They have worked with neighbor Cecil Thomas to keep the garden watered and to cut back the overgrowth obstructing the sidewalk behind the garden. Mr. Thomas is working this fall to eliminate the honeysuckle that is taking over the sidewalk and overhanging the garden. We are grateful for his support! Megan and Terri generally garden on Tuesday evenings. Please stop by to help if you have a bit of free time. We are looking to partner with Shiloh Seventh-Day Adventist Church for additional help in clearing out the overgrowth around the garden and in mulching. However, we are desperately in need of some one time help in this garden to weed and mulch this fall. PLEASE consider donating your time to support and supplement the work that Megan and Terri have done all season.

## WASHINGTON TRIANGLE GARDEN WORKDAY

Volunteers urgently needed to help clean up  
Sundays in the Fall 9am - noon

September 25 • October 9 • October 16

We will be weeding and mulching to clean up this  
garden

Washington Avenue at Clinton Springs

Let us know you are coming so we will have tools on  
hand

If you have old newspapers please bring them along  
Questions/RSVP Terri Byczkowski  
[terribycz@yahoo.com](mailto:terribycz@yahoo.com)

The entire neighborhood will thank and love you! Or at  
least, this Beautification Chair will!

## 6. Irrigation at Seasongood Square Park and Garden

The irrigation system at Seasongood Square Park and Garden was upgraded this Summer. Costs (\$1700) were covered by both NANA and NABA. We are fortunate that Seasongood and the Marion Triangle on Reading and Clinton Springs have irrigation! While these parks are owned by the Cincinnati Park Board, we partner with them to keep them looking great for the neighborhood.

## 7. Beautification gets new volunteers

We are pleased to welcome **Tom Buten**, Goss Road, helping out with Litter and **Rob Lewis**, LedgeWood, helping out in our community gardens. Thank you to all of our volunteers and especially to these two new ones! Now that the weather is hopefully cooler you may want to

volunteer too. Please let us know!

## 8. Please continue to water your trees! It has been such a hot summer!

9. Go to this article in the September newsletter at <https://northavondalecincinnati.com/newsletter/> to learn how to protect your trees NOW from deer damage.

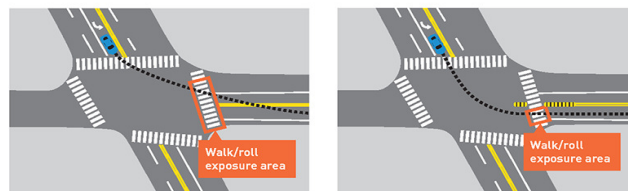
*Jolene Struebbe, Beautification Chair & Judy Evans,  
Community Gardens Chair*

## LAW & SAFETY

The majority of crashes appear to be the result of distracted driving and/or speeding (rear ends, and drivers changing lanes into other cars). DOTE will install a hardened centerline to try to slow down the cars and to make crossing that intersection safer.

### What's a hardened centerline?

Hardened centerlines are small rubber barriers next to crosswalks that require people driving to make slower, squarer left-hand turns. This small change has been proven to significantly slow down vehicle speeds at crosswalks and improve safety for people in the crosswalk.



*Carolyn Gillman, Chair*

## WELCOME

Your NANA Welcome committee has been hard at work all summer! I'd like to give a shout out to the best neighbors who have committed time this summer to planning and those who have agreed to be our Welcome ambassadors. In no particular order, I greatly appreciate my committee: Janet Banks (Barry Lane), April Pandora (Clinton Springs), Beth Ewing (Winding Way), Kim Hubbard (Rose Hill), Monica Human (Lowry), Charlene Morse (Burton Woods Lane), Bryan Nelson (Spring House Lane), Sheena Walker (Avondale Ave.), Wendi Wilson (Lenox Place), Katie Andress (Rose Hill), Rosalind Fultz (Greenwood), Tom Buten (Goss Ave.), Tanya Ficklin (Warwick), Reg Crutcher (Lenox Pl), and Tiffani Tribble (Barker). They have been a pleasure to work with! And they have worked hard and in a most timely manner! Thank you all!

We are changing the committee name from **Welcome Wagon** to simply **Welcome** and we are set to begin welcoming new neighbors, who are property owners this fall, hopefully in October. New neighbors who are renting will be part of our phase two project as they are much more difficult to identify. Our welcome packet will include a small succulent with a plant care label, an updated neighborhood directory (consisting of where to find stores and who to call for public services, etc.), a NANA refrigerator magnet, information from the "local" block watch or street watch, and a personal note from our ambassador. New neighbors will also be encouraged to join NANA and to participate!



## LONGEVITY IN NORTH AVONDALE

**Longevity in North Avondale** -This project developed to record our history from those who have lived in the neighborhood the longest is now wrapped up. Thanks to all who participated!

*Editor: Thanks to Jolene Struebbe who initiated this project and carried it out beautifully.*

Can you imagine visiting your grandparents at Casa Blanca, their home (below) at 1401 Dana Avenue and then getting to live in this house yourself once they passed? Well Annamarie Becker Harten (and her 7 siblings) got to do just that!

Casa Blanca was built in 1927-28 and Annamarie's grandfather, Judge Edwin Becker and his wife, Arnolda, bought the house in 1929, the year her father, Flavian, was born. The Beckers lived in the house with two of their children quite comfortably. In 1968, Flavian and his wife, Peggy and their SEVEN children (Flavian, Maura, Julia, Annamarie, Brian, Gregg, and Eric; son Sean was born later ) moved into the THREE bedroom house (+ maid's quarters on the second floor) from Mt. Lookout. The family had planned to build a house on Alpine Terrace on a lot they owned, but decided to come to Casa Blanca for "a year or so" and ended up staying until 1986 when they sold to Xavier University. Original thoughts were that this would become the XU President's house, but ultimately XU decided dorm space was more important and sadly the house was torn down to make way for Xavier Village, which is currently on the corner.



Annamarie recalls that while the house was definitely NOT a house for 10 people, to an 8 year old it was a "treasure trove". When the family moved in, they inherited all of their grandparents furniture and belongings! Annamarie loved going to the basement and looking through all the family photo albums. The basement was the largest floor of the house with many rooms. They had a rathskeller complete with a fireplace, pool table, juke box and pinball—perfect for the entertaining needs of the teenagers that grew up in the house! The home also had a large library with built in cabinets. Annamarie especially loved the fountain room with

its fish and the calming sound of water in the fountain. It had arched windows that overlooked Victory Parkway and Dana and they had plants everywhere in the room!



The property had 5 acres and was very secluded; the kids could run and run. The family had a few dogs, then a few more (none were neutered or spayed as Annamarie recalls) until they had 13! The dogs became helpful as the family was broken into more than a few times. Flavian used to get the dogs bones from the market – really large cow leg bones. When the dogs were done with the bones, they left them in the yard. To some, they looked like human bones – all the better to keep the "uninvited" at bay. Annamarie recalls that there was a phone booth at the bottom of the hill that her friends would handily use to call up to see if the coast (dogs) were clear before coming up.



The Becker kids followed their parent's leads and went to The Summit Country Day School through the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. For high school, some of the kids remained at The Summit, and others went to Walnut Hills or St. X. They participated in the Bellarmine Chapel (at XU) youth groups and they all enjoyed playing football at the Quaker Church yard and going to the XU football games. In fact, Annamarie met her future husband, Tom Harten, at the XU football game when she was just 11. Tom was fooling around, stomping on mustard packets and squirted mustard all over Annamarie! The Harten's also had eight children and enjoyed throwing parties at their home at 952 Lenox. Annamarie says she almost lived at the Harten's, hanging out with her best friend, and Tom's

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## IN MEMORIAM

✿ Ursula Ann Dorenkott Hassel, 88, (Dakota) of Cincinnati passed away peacefully on July 26, 2022. Services were held on August 1, at 10 a.m. at Bellarmine Chapel, on the campus of Xavier University. Reception followed.

Ursula was born in Cleveland, OH, but she considered Cincinnati her home. Ursula loved gardening in her yard and in community gardens of North Avondale Neighborhood Association. She was active at Bellarmine Chapel and walked to church daily. She is preceded in death by her



parents Charles and Emily, and her sister, Margaret Dukes. She leaves behind her brother Charles Dorenkott, and eight sons. John (Patricia), Lawrence (Sonia), Mark, Thomas, Charles, David (Amy), James and Richard (Joan). She also had thirteen grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to **North Avondale Neighborhood Association**, (go to other under "My donation is for" and write Ursula) or **Bellarmino Chapel**.

### Memories From Neighbors:

The Hassells and the Hartens both moved around the corner from each other, more than fifty years ago, both with eight children. There were many happy days shared between our families. Ursula was beyond loving and giving to all. She meant so much to me and my family and often visited and read to my mother during her long term illness.

Ursula also was very involved in NANA. Ursula was a lover of gardening too. Over the years, Ursula worked in the Triangle garden up from the NA sign, Seasongood Square and the roundabout at Marion and Dakota.

*Sarah Koucky*

Ursula was so dedicated to the neighborhood. She was Beautification Chair from 1998 to 2014 (16 years!) which meant she attended an Executive meeting and a General Meeting every month as well as overseeing the beautification in our neighborhood! Ursula helped and participated in numerous Great American Clean-ups and Green-up the Parks over the years and when it got to be too much for her, she would work at the sign-in table (such dedication). She continued to attend most General and some Executive Meeting up until recently. She maintained beautiful gardens at her home and in her adopted flower beds mentioned above. But more importantly she was a wonderful person. She supported me as Administrator and as a person. She will be missed.

*Charlene Morse*

## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

- ETL Enterprise LLC At 45 Carplin Pl.
- Kathryn Elizabeth Lawler At 1429 Dana Ave.
- William Patrick Mccullough At 3928 Dickson Ave.
- Lori B Goetzinger & Matthew W Rimstidt At 3956 Glencross Ave.
- Rs Home Partners Llc At 703 Greenwood
- Dinushki De Livera & Hunter Pasek At 958 Marion Ave.
- Kathryn Gieselman At 2 Revel Ct.
- Crystal Grace At 3900 Rose Hill Ave. #802A
- Summit & Shuttlesworth Llc At 784 N Fred Shuttlesworth Cr.
- Cincinnati Investments LLC At 208 Sturgis Ave.

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✿ On September 25, 2022, **Communities United for Action (CUFA)** will celebrate our 42<sup>nd</sup> birthday at a gala held at the **Willow Event Center**, 7881 Colerain Rd, Cincinnati Ohio 45239. We hope you can join us at the celebration where we will recognize CUFA's heroes past and present. We will also host a dinner and silent auction for CUFA members and supporters from 4pm to 7:30pm.

Reservations are \$25 per person, or \$200 per table (each table seats up to 8 persons). Please direct questions to [cufa@cufacincy.org](mailto:cufa@cufacincy.org) or 513.853.3947.

*Nina Caporale (Avondale Ave)*

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sister, Maura. In fact, there were many large families in the neighborhood at the time and all played together. She also notes that if her parents had built that house on Alpine Terrace, she likely never would have met Tom. But she did.

Tom and Annamarie Harten, married since 1979, have lived in Norwood and Avondale, but the longest as North Avondale residents, first as childhood residents, then residing on Beechwood Avenue and in two different houses on Marion Avenue, where they currently reside. Tom and Annamarie love their neighborhood and have been active in NANA (GreenUP) and NABA (with Tom serving as President and on the Board). They have 4 children, all raised in North Avondale (Maura, David, Stephen, and Elizabeth), and 6 grandchildren. Three of their children live and/or own properties in North Avondale, continuing the love of the neighborhood for yet another generation!



## FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS

✧ **Jim Hart**, Xavier University music professor and North Avondale resident for the past 32 years is accepting new students in private music lessons at his North Avondale music studio. Jim teaches the following private lesson categories for all students from children to adults and from beginners to advanced:

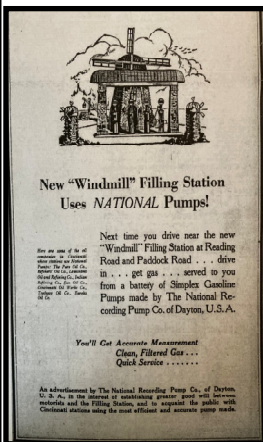
- \* Classical Piano
- \* Jazz Piano
- \* Popular Piano
- \* Classical Voice
- \* Jazz and/or Popular voice
- \* Music Theory: classical and jazz
- \* Music composition and arrangement (all styles)

Contact Jim at:  
Tel. 513.252.3366  
Email: [jameshartcole@gmail.com](mailto:jameshartcole@gmail.com)

*Jim Hart (Valley Lane)*

## ✧ Old Windmill Gas Station at Reading & Paddock!

I saw this gas station windmill 80 years ago at the corner of Reading and Paddock; now I have the photo to share with others. January 1, 1948



*Mel Nizny (Rose Hill)*

✧ A "curious neighbor" wants to know if anyone is familiar with the history of lions in the local architecture? Or, if they know of why these two buildings on Clinton Springs have lions on them? If any history is known, please share.



*Curious Neighbor (Clinton Springs)*  
[nanacincinnati@gmail.com](mailto:nanacincinnati@gmail.com)low

## ✧ Rosemary's Babies Company Good Neighbor Pledge

The below Pledge was presented at the July 12, 2022 NANA General Meeting. It is here so it is available to all our North Avondale neighbors.

*Elaine Bobbey*



### Rosemary's Babies Company Good Neighbor Pledge

This Good Neighbor Pledge is made by Rosemary's Babies Company (RBC), declaring our commitment to fostering a sense of safety, welcome and investment in the neighborhood when the Holloway House and Resource Center opens our doors in the Avondale/North Avondale community at 3864 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45229.

The purpose of this declaration is to formalize the goodwill intent from RBC as the organization fulfills its mission to support parenting teens who desire to change the trajectory of their lives. This pledge is not a legally binding contract, nor is it intended to be.

The RBC Pledge is based on the assumption that all members of a neighborhood have certain basic rights that include safe and quiet enjoyment of their properties and public spaces as well as access to available community resources, services, and public facilities to meet their needs. Therefore:

- RBC pledges to offer ongoing services that support clients/residents in achieving long-term personal goals that contribute to their self-sufficiency and break the generational cycle of poverty, a long-term problem for the greater Avondale area
- RBC pledges to encourage clients/residents to be good neighbors by abiding by the facility code of conduct and respecting neighboring property boundaries or rights of way
- RBC pledges to encourage clients/residents to have a sense of ownership in the neighborhood and pride in their residence/facility

Signed this day, July 12, 2022,

*Rog*

Rosemary D. Oglesby-Henry  
Founder and CEO  
Rosemary's Babies Company

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## ✧ Blood Donation Opportunities

### Where to Donate Near North Avondale

Hoxworth Central - University of Cincinnati Medical Ctr.

Address: 3130 Highland Ave, 4th Floor

To schedule your donation call 513.451.0910

Whole Blood, Platelet and Red Cell donations can be made at this center.

Hours: Wednesday: 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Thursday: 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday: 6 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

*Maria Schade (Beechwood)*

## FUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

- The USPS's ceremony to designate the Post Office building located at 3493 Burnet Avenue in Cincinnati, Ohio, as the "John H. Leahr and Herbert M. Heilbrun Post Office"

Location: 3493 Burnet Avenue, Cincinnati OH 45229

Date: Friday - September 9, 2022

Time: 9:00am to 10:30am

Parking: At Childrens Hospital Lot on the corner of Northern Avenue and Burnet Avenue. The Post Office will have a few handicap spots blocked off for those that need them



Picture taken at the bench in their honor in front of the North Avondale Montessori School

- The Family Fun Day

Hi Neighbors!

My family has owned Western Athletic Club since 2004 and our goal has always been to provide a wonderful place for individuals and families to exercise surrounded by people who want the best for them. Western is only 18 minutes (that's what my phone says every time I leave my house on Red Bud Ave) and is a wonderful indoor facility which offers healthy activities for everyone. Not only does Western offer tennis and fitness, but we currently have the only dedicated indoor pickleball courts in the Tri-state area. Hope you can come to the Free Family Fun Day on September 10 from 12:30-2:30. Thanks!

Angela Farley Wilson (Red Bud)



- I would like to share the good news about our Caregivers initiative with the North Avondale Community. We know that caring for a loved one can be financially, emotionally, and physically exhausting. Our Caregiver sessions offer personalized support, access to resources, effective strategies, and Incentives for participation in the program.

Below is a link that will allow people to click on to be pre-registered as well. Feel free to forward!

Upcoming sessions for September are:

Greater New light Church (Change to Health Gap)

710 N Fred Shuttlesworth Cir, Cincinnati, OH 45229

Sept. 15th - Oct. 20th., 6pm- 7pm Thursdays

Registration Link

[https://closinghealthgap.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eJRnfO3Cw4oy84](https://closinghealthgap.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eJRnfO3Cw4oy84)

Also, there is an opportunity for residents who are 18 and over that are or would like to be active in the community to join our Caregiver Champion team! Joining the team, residents will have an opportunity to attend events as well as help to plan pop up events to promote and recruit for our Caregiver initiative! Contact me if interested at 513.384.9540

March'e Thomas

Community Outreach Coordinator The Health Gap

- Norwood International Art Show

The inaugural Norwood International Art Show will be held September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 9am to 3pm at Victory Park (approximately 2055 Mills Avenue, Norwood Ohio 45212).

Welcoming Week is a network of events throughout the United States and abroad where communities bring together neighbors of all backgrounds to build strong connections and affirm the importance of welcoming and inclusive places in achieving collective prosperity.



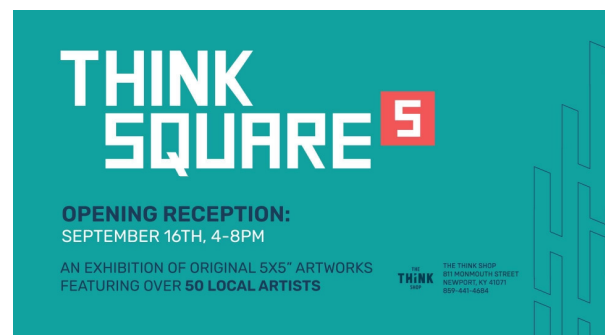
To celebrate Welcoming Week (September 9 – 18, 2022), Norwood Together is presenting

the inaugural Norwood International Art Show in partnership with Queen City Clay and Off-Pike Market. We are excited to welcome artists new to America (Bhutan, Syria, Peru, India, Venezuela, and Bolivia) as well as local artists of all mediums -- including sculptor Nina Caporale, presently residing in North Avondale!

TICKETS ARE FREE. Read more at <https://www.norwoodtogether.org/art-show/> To sponsor this event, please contact [norwoodtogether@gmail.com](mailto:norwoodtogether@gmail.com)

Nina Caporale (Avondale Ave.)

- Vanessa Sorensen (Marion Ave.) will be participating in the "Think Square 5" art exhibition. The show will be on display September 16 to November 18, M-F 9am-4pm at the Think Shop in Newport. The exhibition will feature the work of over 50 local artists in diverse media. All works are 5"x 5" and sell for \$125 each, framed. The opening is September 16th from 4-8pm. The Think Shop is located at 811 Monmouth. Newport, KY, 41071.



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## ABOUT YOUR NEIGHBORS

☛ The Please welcome Woman's Art Club of Cincinnati (WACC) President, Sue Blaney (Burton Woods Lane).

Signature WACC member Sue Blaney assumed the role of President of the organization on July 1, 2022. "Outgoing President, Margaret Kastner asked me to take on the position. I admired the leadership she provided the organization during COVID," shares Sue. "Margaret believes in me and that encouragement, coupled with a very strong Vice President, Elizabeth Olsen, makes this a wonderful opportunity."

Sue is quick to remind members that Margaret served as President during the most unusual and stressful time of COVID during which Margaret shifted gears and ran the club via ZOOM at times and without the support of a Vice President. "She did a remarkable job," shares Sue.

The WACC is part of Sue's history and complements her interest in learning more about women in art's history. Her grandmother was an artist and member of the WACC in the 1950s. Sue carries on the family tradition with her membership in the Woman's Art Club of Cincinnati.

When asked how she envisions her tenure as President Sue laughs and says, "I have the advantage of not taking on this role during a global pandemic. Elizabeth and I plan to take advantage of returning to in-person events." She continues, "The WACC is an amazing collection of women and with their support and encouragement, we plan to elevate women in the arts, both members and non-members, through our monthly meetings, community out-reach, and group sponsored events."

☛ My family and I have lived in North Avondale since April 2000. Love it!! As a man of many talents, I have taught in a Vocational School environment for fifteen years, the last three being in Ethiopia in the mid 80's. While there, I was divorced and married one of their beautiful women! We have five beautiful daughters! I spent seven years with PNC Bank in Louisville and three of those years, designing three Derby Floats for the Kentucky Derby Festival, which were all winners in their division.

Moving to Florence Ky, I managed twelve Radio Shack retail stores in this area, then moved over to Cincinnati in 1988 and worked as a collection agent for Macy's, then seven years with Entex Information Services as a PC trouble shooting technician.

Now retired, but still writing as I have ten books on Amazon and with my publisher Bookbaby.com. My book about Ethiopia, is about "Third World Women's Issues" that I researched there and then wrote about it when I



returned to the U.S. in 1986. Its title is "The Orphan, a Portrait of Courage" and this book has been nominated to go from "Book to Film" next fall and maybe on the screen before Christmas of 2023! There are four beautifully illustrated Children's Books in my inventory, also Poetry, inspirational, surviving Divorce, How to avoid Drugs (teenagers) and Modes of Church Worship and why we repeat them every service. Our eldest daughter and her spouse own "The Elephant Walk" restaurant at 170 W. McMillan St. downtown.

*Paul Rice (Marion)*

## ENVIRONMENT

☛ I found a really good recycling place in Cincinnati but they are a recycling and REUSE store, and have "free" days, and the rest of the time purchasing items for rebuilding, refurbishing, poster boards, pots, and lots of different stuff... etc... they will even take "unmarked plastics" in a separate bin. People who drop off can sort into their bins,

<https://www.cincinnati-recycling-and-reuse-hub.org/>

*Marian Miller (Red Bud)*



## FREE TREE

Want a FREE tree for your home? City of Cincinnati residents can apply now for a free tree through Cincinnati Parks' Fall ReLeaf Program. 🌳



Click sign up, fill out the application, select your tree and a pick up date. Low canopy neighborhoods are being prioritized. All other neighborhoods can apply September 3.



For general information and types of trees available go to <https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/cincyparks/news/apply-for-your-free-tree-its-releaf-time/>

Thee website to register is: <https://cincinnati-parks.regfox.com/releaf-application-2022>



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*Ann Baumgardner, Communications Director*



## **FROM THE GOVERNMENT**

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## LIBRARIES, PARKS, & RECREATION



### North Avondale Recreation Center -



- Summer Hours: open Monday thru Friday 7 am to 7 pm;
- **North Avondale is hosting a barbershop talk series on July 18 from 6pm-9:30.** The theme is manhood and relationships.
  - Free Lineups, tapers, and beards. Free food and drinks. The focus is on ages 18-25 but all men and sons are all welcome.
- **Senior Knitting & Social Group:** Monday, 12:00 to 1:30 membership required
- **Evening Open play Pickleball** on Thursday nights from 5-7pm. Membership required
- **Beginner Open Pickleball and Lessons** on Wednesday mornings from 10am-noon.
  - Membership required
- **Tai Chi class** Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. Membership required plus fee \$50 per month, \$7 per class
- **Camps for champs**
  - Sports offered: Soccer, Baseball & Softball, Basketball, Flag Football and Volleyball
  - K-2 grade = \$30/week; 3-6 grade = \$40/week

*Nialani Robinson, Community Center Director*

### Hirsch Recreation Center - 3620 Reading Road • 751.3393

- **Hours:** 7am to 7pm Monday thru Friday
- **Hirsch Otto Armleder Pool** open Monday -Saturday 1to 6pm
  - **Price:** Children 0 to 17 free; 18 to 59 \$5.00; 60 and above \$3.00 a visit
  - **Closes for the year on August 13**
- **Free La Soupe Frozen** meals available Wednesday after 2:45 pm until gone. This is for anyone who may need a meal in our surrounding community.

- Please call 513.751.3393 for availability.

- **Monday & Wednesday Spin class time has changed for the summer to 6pm - 6:45 pm.** \$5 for members \$7 for nonmembers, punch passes are available. Please reserve your bike ahead of time.

*Brittany Barrett, Community Center Director*

## UPDATE

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**Green line** **Red line**  
**Boy**  
**Neighbor**



## OPPORTUNITIES



### IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS/EMAIL/WEBSITES

<b>City Complaint/Request Hotline</b>	591.6000 <a href="http://5916000.com">5916000.com</a>	<b>Truancy Hotline</b>	363.0003
<b>N.A. Neighborhood Officer Anthony Hill</b>	569.8678 anthony.m.hill@cincinnati-oh	<b>To learn about Crime in Cincinnati visit:</b>	<a href="http://Crimereports.com">Crimereports.com</a>
<b>Neighborhood Liaison Sgt. Shawn George</b>	569.8655 shawn.george@cincinnati-oh.gov	<b>Track property code violations:</b>	<a href="http://cagisperm.hamilton-co.org/cpop/">http://cagisperm.hamilton-co.org/cpop/</a>
<b>Police District 4</b>	569.8600	<b>Nextdoor Neighbor Site:</b>	<a href="http://nextdoor.com">http://nextdoor.com</a>
<b>Nonemergency Police</b>	765.1212	<b>Request City Services</b>	5916000.com
<b>To just make a crime report (no police visit)</b>	352.2960	<b>Request A Recycling Cart</b>	591.6000
		<b>Report Air Odors 24/7.</b>	946.7777
		<b>Where to Recycle Different Things</b>	<a href="http://earth911.com/">http://earth911.com/</a>

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