



NANA NEWS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Since the day that you were kind enough to let me serve on the Board of NANA, "Cincinnati's Chronic Nuisance Ordinance" has been a prime concern of the community. A priority of the Board has been to insist on enforcement. Some of the crime that emanates around us is often enabled by what seems to be a policy of not enforcing the Ordinance.

Michelle Baxter's daily monitoring of crime incident in NA allows your NANA Board to be constantly aware of detailed criminal activities within NA boundaries. Repeated requests for police assistance; obtaining support from other neighborhood councils; writing members of City Council, the City Manager and the Mayor; and protesting at the Cincinnati Safety Committee Meetings have failed miserably in getting Cincinnati's Chronic Nuisance Ordinance enforced!

Probably, on account of our continued and perpetual outcry, City Council announced in August that a long needed public hearing would be held in September to resolve the issue. NA would finally be allowed to paint a full blown presentation giving self evident and compelling evidence that irresponsible landlords are allowed to blatantly conduct business without regard for what the law requires. We were pleased that NANA would finally be allowed to make a presentation leaving little doubt that the Ordinance is being ignored and that certain Council members apparently condone, have delayed and show little regard for taking corrective action! YOU have a powerful weapon...YOUR VOTE. Elect representatives that will insure the law will be upheld. We need trust in elected officials committed to helping communities. Remember this at the next election!!

On September 7th the unbelievable happened. Before a large public audience, the long sought public hearing commenced. The Police Department was first to make a presentation. It portrayed that the existing Chronic Nuisance Ordinance was working well and that Neighborhoods were "PARTNERS" with police. Great strides were said to have resulted in the solid "improvement statistics" which were viewed by all in attendance. I listened with amazement about the success of training programs for negligent landlords; real police follow up; and the full attention being given to the compliance provisions of the Ordinance?? The Police Department received carte blanche treatment. No time constraints for presentation were imposed. Much praise for dedication and persistence was given and time was allowed even for questions and answers.

Finally, NANA's moment was at hand. Immediately we were told about a time limit for our presentation. We were interrupted repeatedly and any flow in continuity for our presentation was damaged. Shortly after one of our speakers

began, she was forced to speak at the "speed of light" after getting a second "time warning." Our final presenter wasn't allowed to fully make a complete and important summary to solidify and clarify our presentation. Even the audience projected an irritated air of dissatisfaction stemming from Cecil Thomas, Public Safety Chair's impeding our presentation. It was so evident of what was happening that one of Council's own members apologized to us and accused the Chair of holding a "kangaroo court". The proceedings were biased, unprofessional and embarrassing... for NANA, the Council, the Audience and Cincinnati.



Has our campaign ended? No! We have already formulated a plan for success. I'll talk on that later.

Please, please don't miss the NANA General Meeting **September 13th**. We are honored that new **Police Chief, James E. Craig, will be our guest**. With his busy schedule we are delighted he has accepted our invitation. It will be an enjoyable evening. Do not miss it and pass the word to all.

Bill Stevens

NANA General Meeting
North Avondale Recreation Center
617 Clinton Springs
Tuesday, September 13,
7:00 p.m.

▪ **Meet and listen to our new
Police Chief James E. Craig**



2011 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL

Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____
name

Address _____

Email Address/s _____

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

YOUR NEIGHBORS

- ☞ **Albert Andrews** (Ardmore) has been accepted for the Hyde Park Square Art Show on October 2, 2011. The event starts at 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.
- ☞ **Shau Zavan** (Rose Hill) was recently elected to the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra (CSO) Board for a 3 year term starting this September. Also, the Enquirer recognized her as one of the "20 Professional Women to Watch in 2011" earlier this year. See link - <http://news.cincinnati.com/article/20110201/BIZ01/301260090/20-Professional-Women-Watch>
- ☞ **Rosalie van Nuis** of Burton Woods Lane is the new President of The Woman's Club of the University of Cincinnati which fosters social activities among its members who are either affiliated with or who wish to further the interests of the University. Contact Rosalie at 751-4319 if you are interested in joining.
- ☞ **Harold and Betty Porter** of 4160 Paddock, have moved to Spring Lake, Michigan. They spent 20 years in North Avondale and say they always appreciated our community and all that made it so.
- ☞ **Fr. Joe Folzenlogen, S.J.**, has taken over the leadership of the Faber Community of Jesuit priests and brothers on Clinton Springs from Fr. John Ferone, S.J. Fr. Ferone will be on sabbatical this year.
- ☞ **John Kachuba** (Glencross) was recently featured on the Sundance Channel TV program "Love/Lust – The Paranormal." His new book, *Ghosthunting Ohio: On the Road Again* has just been released by Clerisy Press. See www.JohnKachuba.com for more.
- ☞ **Paul W. Rice** (Marion) is an author of 7 books on Amazon.com. He has a Poetry book of 116 pages, his autobiography, a historic novel about Ethiopia where he lived for 3 years, 2 children's books for ages 6 thru 12, just to name a few... paulwrice@fuse.net

FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS

- ☞ There have been a rash of automobile break-ins in the past month. The thieves were stealing Navigation devices and they broke windows to get into the cars. Please be advised to put away your navigation devices if cars are parked outside a garage as well as any DVD players, stereos, etc.
Rocco Rossi
- ☞ The city started **removing ash trees** on Redway on September 1. They took down five and said they'd be back the next day. If you plan on treating your ash tree, you MUST put a note on the tree saying you intend to treat it, and call the Natural Resource Management Section at 861-9070 to let them know not to remove them. The city also needs proof of a contract with a tree company to treat (the tree company will handle that part, but it's not enough to intend to treat).

Julie Zimmerman

FUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

- ☞ "Street" garage/yard sale for Wess Park Drive on Saturday, **September 10th**, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
- ☞ **Sonny's All Blues**, 4040 Reading Road, 281-0410 will be hosting an open mic night for musicians and vocalists who want to sit in with our house band, Sonny's All Blues band featuring Lonnie Bennett, on **Sunday, September 11 and 25** starting at **8:00 p.m.** Also during each Sunday in October. A mixture of the blues, jazz and other venues will be performed. All are welcome.
- ☞ **Zinzinnati Oktoberfest** begins at **Mecklenburg Gardens** with classic German food, beer and live oom pa pah music on the evenings of **Sept. 14, 15 & 16**. The festivities also include pig roasts, keg tappings and a book signing by Don Tolzmann of his new book, *GERMAN CINCINNATI REVISITED*. Tom Harten (Marion) is the managing partner of this historic restaurant, the oldest surviving German restaurant and biergarten in Cincinnati.
- ☞ **Doug Sawan** (Burton Woods) and his band, **Foley Road**, will be playing the Celtic Festival on September 24th at 12 noon on the Main Stage.

- ☞ **Dr. Chris Lewis**, (son of Sonny & Lavetta Lewis owners of

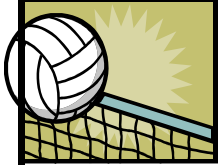


Sonny's) is hosting a fundraiser for his non-profit organization, Village Life Outreach Project. Monies raised will provide funding for the group's October trip to Tanzania, Africa where they recently opened a health clinic which serves three villages. It will also enable the group to continue their school nutrition program which feeds over 1,200 school children daily, provide mosquito nets to families to combat malaria, provide bicycles to village school children who live too far away to walk to school, and continue their efforts to teach villagers how to build water filtration systems from materials readily available in the area. It's a good cause and fun also. For information about the event on **Friday September 23, 2011** from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM at Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza go to: <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=g8alfzdab&oeidk=a07e47oathk7e3934a4&oseq=a01ddgdbnxb7d> and to learn more about the Village Life Outreach Project - http://www.villagelifeoutreach.org/sitepages/ABOUT_home.html

- ☞ On Friday, **September 30, Gabriel's Place**, located on the grounds of the former St. Michael's and All Angels (3618 Reading Rd.), will celebrate its grand opening. Community members are invited to attend the dedication which begins at 10 a.m. Tours and activities will continue through the day until 6 p.m. The community garden, kitchen incubator, meeting rooms and marketplace are designed to support cottage industry businesses, sustainable



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NORTH AVONDALE (NAC)
617 Clinton Springs
961.1584

northavondale@cincinnati-oh.gov

It's time to "Party yourself into shape" people! I'm talking about Zumba®. You haven't heard about Zumba. Well Zumba is about a fusion of Latin and International music - dance themes that create a dynamic, exciting, effective fitness system! It is a mixture of body sculpting movements with easy to follow dance steps. So come on and join the party to better health! Don't dance, not a problem, move at your own pace. That's all we ask for and plus a smile on your face. So. Ditch the workout! Join the party!

Pamela Mitchell is our Zumba instructor at the North Avondale Recreation Center. Pamela went to a class and loved Zumba and decided to become an instructor. She's been a creative person all her life. Mainly studying the Arts, like Drawing, Painting, Piano, African, Ballet, Jazz and Modern dance. So come on out and Zumba with Pam! She will be excited to see you, your friends and family members. Classes begin on Mondays and Wednesdays September 12 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. A 10 class pass card is \$60.00 and a single class is \$8:00. On September 12th the class is free. So what have you got to lose? For more information contact: zumbawithpamela@yahoo.com or the center at 961-1584.

Register Now for our **Basketball Instruction and Skills Class** and get ready for the upcoming season. These programs are open to girls and boys in the following age groups:

5 to 7 yr. olds	Sept 20th-Oct 13 th	
	Tuesday and Thursday	4:30 – 5:30pm
3 rd and 4 th Grade	Sept 19th-Oct 12 th	
	Monday & Wednesday	4:30 – 5:30pm
5 th and 6 th Grade	Sept 19th-Oct 12 th	
	Monday and Wednesday	5:30 – 6:30pm

The cost for each program is \$30 and all participants must have a current junior membership (\$10).

Looking for a Basketball Team for your child? North Avondale Center will partner again with the North Avondale Booster to offer Youth Basketball Teams for boys and girls K-8th Grade

Basketball League Team Registration and Parent Meeting
 Wednesday, Oct. 19th 5:30pm – 6:30pm

- 5-7 yrs olds - \$50 plus \$10 CRC Junior Membership
- 3rd grade and up - \$75 plus \$10 CRC Junior Membership

The North Avondale Tennis Court Dedication was held August 15, 2011. The court was one of three sites in the United States to be chosen for the "Fresh Courts" Initiative. The United States Tennis Association (USTA) in partnership with American Express has resurfaced two full-size courts and converted a court into two permanent QuickStart courts (for children 10 & under)

John Singletary, one of our NJTL coaches received a Leadership Award for his years of service to the tennis community.

Dina S. Hanks



NORTH AVONDALE MONTESSORI
●363.3900 ● 615 Clinton Springs
www.namrockets.org

Kids, teachers, and staff got back to school on August 16, welcoming Mr. Roger Lewis to his second year as NAM principal.

There are some great accomplishments to celebrate from last year and our focus is on making NAM the best it can be.

Our official report card rating for the past school year is **Effective**. All of us can be very proud of the tremendous gains we made last year.

NAM went from making 3 of 9 academic indicators to making 8 of 9 academic indicators. (Attendance has never been a concern.) We had 4 subject areas with a 10% gain or higher. We outperformed the state average on 3 indicators with an overall class rating of "Accelerated." Over a 5 year period our fifth grade did not make a single indicator and this year the fifth grade made 2 of 3. (Science and Reading).

With this news, Mr. Lewis has set the goal to reach the "Excellent" rating for this school year. He says, "We have all of the ingredients to be successful at the highest level. This is never an easy goal but if I am trying to accomplish this achievement, you are the people I want on my team. Together we have already improved student achievement and this year we simply take it to the next level."

SOUTH AVONDALE SCHOOL

●363.5500 ●636 Prospect Place, ●savondale.cps-k12.org

South Avondale School advanced 3 levels to **Effective** on the Ohio Achievement Test. It is the result of the strong team efforts of the staff along with the children's hard work in learning. There is a positive school culture with a serious attitude toward learning.

It is one of 2 schools where CPS is piloting the Olweus Bullying Prevention program. Learning what bullying is and how it affects the victim, the bully, and bystanders is the beginning of dealing with the problem. The school will be training and educating staff, students, and parents. The school will be implementing the program - a planned way of taking action, supporting the person being bullied, helping the person doing the bullying, and guiding the bystanders to the best choices.

Bullying behaviors do not just happen in school. They are also happen in the community and take many forms. Throughout the school year this section will share the progress of the program at South Avondale.

Pauline Daly

NANA is adopting a class at South Avondale. If you would like to join us, contact us at 221-6166 or clmorse@fuse.net



THE NEW SCHOOL MONTESSORI
●281.7999 ● 3 Burton Woods Lane
www.thenewschool.cc

The New School Montessori has enjoyed a year

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WOULD YOU LIKE A FREE TREE??????

CINCINNATI PARK BOARD FALL RELEAF PROGRAM 2011

TO QUALIFY:

1. Property must be in the City of Cincinnati.
2. Trees must be planted within 30 ft of the right-of-way and visible from the street. Planting between the street and sidewalk and in backyards is not acceptable.
3. Plant the right tree in the right place. Please consider the mature size of the tree. Be aware of any obstructions from wires, utilities, or other structures.

A high priority is given to planting trees on private property along streets the Park Board cannot plant due to narrow right-of-ways. The Park Board encourages such streets to coordinate delivery and planting for interested property owners.

Other priority areas include community focal points such as entranceways, street triangles, areas near street intersections, and public frontages along major streets.

Forestry staff will inspect each planting location before approving tree requests, and will inspect locations after planting to ensure guidelines are followed.



Fall ReLeaf 2011 Tree Request Form

Cincinnati Neighborhood: _____

Street Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone # (home) _____ (work/cell) _____

Email: _____

Name of Person Planting Trees (if different): _____

Please describe the planting site below. Attach any plans or maps that provide specific planting locations. Urban Forestry staff will inspect all planting sites before approving tree requests, and will inspect afterward to ensure that the trees are planted in accordance to guidelines.

NOTE: Trees must be planted within 30 ft of the sidewalk or visible from the street.

Depending upon demand Urban Forestry may limit number of trees to one per site or substitute species.

TREE SIZE	SPECIES	REQUEST
Small	Pagoda Dogwood <i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	
Small	Japanese Tree Lilac <i>Syringa Reticulata</i>	
Medium	Katsura <i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>	
Medium	Yellowwood <i>Cladrastis kentukea</i>	
Large	Sun Valley Maple <i>Acer rubrum 'Sun Valley'</i>	
Large	Kentucky Coffee Tree <i>Gymnocladus dioicous</i>	
Large	Pecan <i>Carya Illinoensis</i>	
Large	Norway Spruce <i>Picea abies</i>	

Planting Site Description

Please return this form by **September 16, 2011**. You will receive a confirmation letter by October 7 if you are to receive a tree.

TO: Fall RELEAF
3215 Reading Road
Cincinnati, OH 45229
Fax: 861-9162
Email: urban.forestry@cincinnati-oh.gov

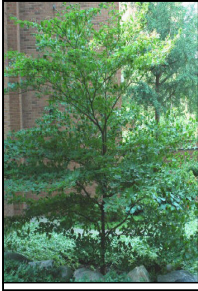
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Date Received: _____



Site Inspected: _____

Site Comments:


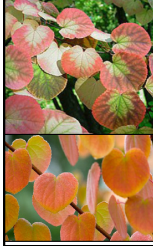
Tree Selection





Pagoda dogwood
Cornus alternifolia
Height: 20-25 ft.
Spread: 15-20 ft.
Growth Rate: Medium
Flowers: White, late spring
Light Requirements: Full sun to part shade
Special Notes: Blue fruits in early summer. Native species.



Japanese Tree Lilac
Syringa reticulata
Height: 20-25 ft
Spread: 15-20 ft
Growth Rate: Slow
Light Requirements: Full sun to part shade
Crown Shape: Oval
Flowers: Large white blooms in mid spring.


Katsura
Cercidiphyllum japonicum
Height: 40 ft
Spread: 40 ft
Crown Shape: Round, spreading
Growth Rate: Medium
Light Requirements: Partial shade
Special notes: New leaves are red, turning green in the summer and yellow/apricot in the fall.

Yellowwood
Cladrastis kentukea
Height: 25-30 ft
Spread: 25-30 ft
Crown Shape: rounded
Growth Rate: medium
Light Requirements: Full sun to part shade
Special Notes: Smooth bark, attractive blooms in late spring. Native tree species.

Norway Spruce
Picea abies
Height: 60-80 ft
Spread: 30-50 ft
Crown Shape: Pyramidal
Growth Rate: Medium
Light Requirements: Full sun
Special Notes: Sensitive to heat/drought stress.



Sun Valley Maple
Acer rubrum 'Sun Valley'
Height: 40 ft
Spread: 25-30 ft
Crown Shape: pyramidal to oval
Growth Rate: Medium to fast
Light Requirements: Part shade to full sun
Special Notes: Bright red fall color, seedless. Selected from a native species.



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food sources and access to safe community space for educational, social and spiritual activities.

For more information on Gabriel's Place, visit online at www.gabriels-place.org



After the ribbon cutting, guests can:
tour the facility
purchase local fruits and vegetables
learn about our partnerships
watch cooking demonstrations
explore gardening basics
relax with healing touch and more




Trees suitable to replace Ash



Pecan
Carya illinoensis
Height: 40- 60+ ft
Spread: 30-60+ ft
Crown Shape: Rounded
Growth Rate: Medium
Light Requirements: Part shade to full sun
Special Notes: Edible nuts, native tree species.

Kentucky Coffee Tree
Gymnocladus dioica
Height 50-60+ ft
Spread: 30-40 ft
Crown Shape: rounded
Growth Rate: Medium
Light Requirements: Full sun
Special notes: Large double compound leaves. Stout branches, native tree species.



NANA CALENDAR

- **Tuesday, September 13, NANA General Meeting, 7:00pm** North Avondale Recreation Center, 617 Clinton Springs
- First Thursday of each month October 6 at 1:30pm, **NANA Rental Housing Meeting**, District 4 Police Station 4150 Reading
- **Tuesday, October 11, NANA General Meeting, 7:00pm Candidates Night** North Avondale Recreation Center, 617 Clinton Springs

IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS/EMAIL/WEBSITES

City Complaint/Request Hotline	591.6000	Track property code violations:	
	5916000.com		http://cagisperm.hamilton-co.org/cpop/
Police District 4	569.8600	Request A Recycling Bin	242.4600
Nonemergency Police	765.1212	Report Air Odors 24/7	946.7777
To just make a crime report (no police visit)	352.2960	Where to Recycle Different Things	http://earth911.com/
To learn about Crime in Cincinnati visit:	Crimereports.com		

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		_____	clmorse@fuse.net



NANA GENERAL MEETING SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

~September 13TH 7:00pm~

~PAY YOUR 2011 NANA DUES~

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-long celebration of our 40th Anniversary where we reconnected with friends, neighbors and alumni families. We are now looking forward to our 41st school year in service to the families of North Avondale and the Greater Cincinnati Community. We invite you to stop by to enjoy our annual Harvest Moon Festival on Saturday, October 1. Please join our alumni, friends and current families as we try zumba-dancing, as we listen to cool jazz, and as we taste the interesting and delicious dishes everyone brings to the potluck dinner.

We also hope you'll come to one of our Sunday Open Houses on November 13 or January 29 from 2-4PM. We'd love to show you around the campus and take you through the Mitchell Mansion and the Annex. Teachers, staff and board members are at the Open House to answer questions and share what a New School Montessori education has meant to them and to their families. We hope you'll stop by and join us.

Ann Baumgardner Development/Marketing Director

Help US Make OUR Garden Grow!



**Help NAM and CRC!
Get the planting beds ready for next year!**

**Friday, September 16th
3:00-5:00pm
Courtyard Between the
Center and School**

For More Information
Call Bonnie Krebs(NAM) at 363-3900 or
Dina Hanks(CRC) at 961-1584

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