**MACA Minutes December 4, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by President Frank Obermeyer at 7 pm in Immaculata’s Community Room. Officers present were Frank Obermeyer, Tom Abare and Sue Zimmerman. Directors present were Judi Cettel, Bill Moran, Pat Feghali and Russ Ferneding.

**Police Report:**  Officer Chilton reported that there has been a sharp increase of theft from autos. This is also true city wide. The cars that were broken in to were both locked and unlocked. Most of the break-ins are between midnight and 5 am. The police force has initiated undercover patrols during the time of the crimes. If you see something, call. It may be undercover police or the perpetrators of the break- ins either way it will be helping. It would be helpful for the police to know who has surveillance cameras, so in the event of a break-in the police can get visual help. If you do have a camera, please contact Officer Chilton who would like you to email her your name and address to aid in solving the crime. Her email is Jennifer.chilton@cincy-oh.gov. Another problem brought up was the re-populating of the homeless camps that are on Columbia Parkway and the bottom of Monastery. There is a three day posting and procedures to go through and those two locations are prime spots because they have natural protection from the weather. Sometimes it is a day camp because some shelters empty out during the day. Another problem was the panhandlers on Elsinore and Reading. One incident reported was how a man was dropped off with a wheelchair; the then walked it to the location and started panhandling. It is against the law to touch or even approach a car. It is also illegal to give to pan-handlers money on a road from a car. So, if you don’t give, there will be no panhandlers. This panhandling is a business with quotas and turf disputes. If you have a complaint about panhandlers, call 591-6000.

**Approval of minutes:** A correction - The Paint Out at the art museum is Jan. 3 11am-7pm. Jan. 18 is the opening of the Exhibit of Duveneck and the paint out works from Jan. 3 will be displayed from 6-9pm and 1-4 pm on the 19th and 20th. Bill Moran moved to approve and Tom Abare seconded.

**President’s Report:**  Frank passed out gifts to the departing directors- Pat Feghali and Bill Moran and President Kurt Meier. Janet Steiner also is going off the board, but she told Frank a beer at Crowley’s would be sufficient. Kudos also go to Janet Steiner for chairing the Nouveau Beaujolais event which was a great success. Frank also congratulated the newly installed people on the Exemplars plaque – Pat Sheppard, Sandy Zimmerman, Maryellen Horrigan, and Sue Zimmerman. The TV has been installed at Bow Tie which scrolls community information.

**Treasurer’s Report:**  Tom reported our current balance is $33,000. He then reported that he recently received a check for $2,000. It is from Mt. Adams Walks. Jim Steiner, Chuck Curran, Margaret Mock, and Pete Djuric who lead the works charge $10 a person and get tips. They donate all of the proceeds to MACA. Since 2014 they have given $7,251.

**Planning and Development:**  Steve Vogel. Nothing to report

**MABA:** Monk has been decorated… Greenery will be going on the bridge and in business pots…Everyone should have had a flyer from a street captain to order luminary kits ($10) which are also available at Bow Tie and the bank. There are some leftover Get Lit T-shirts for $5… Luminary night is December 16th 5:30- 8:30. At 6pm meet at the Monk for caroling and the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

**Clean, Safe, and Attractive:** Jenny Ferneding… Nothing to report

**NSP:** Terri Abare nothing to report. Julie Dietz will be shadowing Terri this year to take over NSP next year.

**Membership:** Jim Horrigan – one new lifetime membership.

**Business Guild Meeting:**  M’ellen Horrigan- Reindog Parade is Sat. The parade starts at 2pm. Graeter’s will have a pastry tent up at the monastery. Raffle tickets will be on sale. Immaculata has a concert Feb.17 at 6:30. Longworth’s is under contract and will become Salazar’s a French white tablecloth restaurant and a bakery. The top floor will be converted into two apartments.

**Grapevine:** M’ellen Horrigan and Sue Zimmerman… Winter issue has been delivered to homes. Extra copies will be distributed to Bow Tie, the churches etc. this week. If you are not receiving it contact M’ellen or Sue. Next issue will be out in March.

**Community Life:**  Frank Obermeyer said they are discussing which movies to show for Cinema in the City. There is a plan in the works for Community Life to take over the Nouveau Beaujolais event. Amy Obermeyer does the news feed to the various posting venues. .

**CIP-Civic Development Projects:** Russ Ferneding… no report, but the revitalization committee will be operating under this area.

**New Business:**

Vanessa Henderson- Busch Rec. Sat. the 8th will be youth basketball and “old” guys are needed to help teach the skills. Saturday, the 15th is Breakfast with Santa. Cost $5 per family with Sugar and Spice providing the food. There is a need for toy donations. If you would like to drop off gifts the place is 2640 Kemper

Maureen Webb –MAYC is having holiday party at Hightail this Thursday 5:30… All are welcome to join the party. Yacht Club will be at Chapter before Reindog Parade. Come join us to walk in the parade with our float.

Gary Eith – Art Club… Scholarships in the fine arts are available apply at the Art Club Website. Feb. 28 is the deadline. Jan. 3rd is the Paint Out at the Art museum from 11am to 7pm where artists will be painting their interpretation of Duveneck. Then Jan.18th the interpretations will be displayed along with works of Duveneck 6-9pm. On the 19th and 20th the show will be open 1-4pm.

HCI-Steve Nichols informed the group that Immaculata will be doing Christmas Eve service at 10:30. Carols will start at 10pm.

Pilgrim Chapel – The Friendly Beasts service is this Sunday, and Christmas Eve service is at 7pm.

Jim Steiner thanked all who help Mt. Adams Walks to be successful including the businesses who display posters for the walks, the Grapevine with free ads, Amy Obermeyer who puts it on the website. They do 30 regularly scheduled tours a year and private tours. Tours start up again May 5th.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm

Submitted by,

Sue Zimmerman