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Happy Labor Day



## Mt. Adams Community Resources & Events

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## Douse Those Lights ! and Other Caveats.

Remember, the WEBN Fireworks will be on **Sept. 1st** this year. Please dim your deck lights during the display so you don't ruin others view. The light polution can be a real spoiler.

Also, if you have music blaring, when the show is over, please remember to turn it off or take it with you.

On another note, let's not forget to take those winter jackets to Kroner Cleaners. Now is the time. Your grubby cold weather outerwear will be needed before you need it. If Ray isn't happy with the result, you get a personal call, and a fix. Wow!

Keep your eye on those empty restaurant spots on the Hill. Three of them are ready to set up...barring the final push to clear up 100 year old plumbing, electrical, and other weird code matters. Those of us who have rehabbed old houses can sympathize re. the red tape and restrictions. Three of them are planning on making your Yuletide merry.

Speaking of rehab. those seeking \$\$ for such should go talk to Sandy Z at North Side Bank on the Hill. It's the friendliest truly neighborhood bank we have ever had here. The appraisals and terms are excellent, and the staff is a real plus. Go talk to Sandy, You never know what good things she'll have for you.

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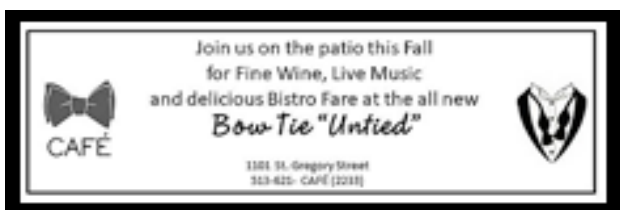
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## MACA Minutes June 4, 2010

by S. Zimmerman

The meeting was called to order by President, Frank Obermeyer at 7pm. Directors in attendance included Judi Cettel, Jenny Ferneding, Russ Ferneding, and Bryan Mock. Officers present included Frank Obermeyer, Tom Abare, and Sue Zimmerman.

**Police Report:** No report, but Frank reminded the group that Safety Sector meetings are the third Thursday of the month at Chapter at 6 pm.

**Cincinnati Art Museum:** Andrew Palamara talked about the new Docent Class at the museum. Volunteers are needed to be docents. They are recruiting this summer with an Aug. 30 deadline. Classes will start Jan. 2020 and run through Sept. Classes meet once a week either on Tues. 10 to noon or Thurs. 6-8 p.m. June 19th at LeBlond Rec. Ctr. will be a detailed presentation on becoming a docent. Information is also available on the Art Museum website.

**Approval of the minutes:** Maryellen Horrigan moved to approve and Tom Abare seconded.

**President's Report:** Frank reported that zoning issues have been prevalent recently for new builds, the 1237 Ida Street situation etc. Cinema in the City starts June 6. Sponsors need to be appreciated more. Anyone interested in helping or working on this next year, please contact Margaret Mock or Frank. Frank also passed around the latest plans for the new Playhouse.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tom Abare said it was a quiet month. Hixson helped to sponsor Cinema in the City for \$1,000. There were two new lifetime memberships. Balance is \$34,000.

### Committee Reports:

**Planning & Development:** Steve Vogel reported the 1251 Elsinore application is in revision. MACA sent two letters to the Zoning Commission and was present at the meeting last month. The applicant is to look into MACA concerns and will get back to us. The 1237 Ida Street's partial tear down-according to the city if nothing been done by the owner, by June 15th the city will demolish the remaining structure.

**MABA:** Barb Timmins said that MABA has been busy planting the pots, bridge boxes, and working on the big public gardens. Keep Cincinnati Beautiful with FCC donated gold and blue flowers to neighborhoods to celebrate being in the MLS. We are in watering mode for the season. The next Garden Stroll is June 16, 2020. MABA's next meeting is at the Blind Lemon at 6:30 on June 11.

**Clean, Safe, and Attractive:** Jenny Ferneding reported that they had to remove graffiti on Elsinore- the stonewall, the stop sign and some guard rails. Rather than call the city which will paint over graffiti, she and volunteers removed the paint to keep the integrity of the wall. If you see graffiti contact Jenny.

**Membership:** Jim Horrigan said the Grapevine is out and the application for membership is on the last page.

**Community Life:** Margaret Mock reminded people the Zoo's Pollinator Challenge is still ongoing. She provided handouts that tell how to include pollination friendly plants and bushes in our gardens or flowering pots. She encouraged people to register to help make the zoo's goal of identifying pollinator friendly gardens.

**Cinema in the City's** first movie of the season –Mama Mia! sing along is Thursday, June 6. At 7pm the live music will be Real Live Humans. The movie starts at dusk, and a food truck will be on the grounds.

**Community Improvement Projects:** Judi Cettel nothing to report.

**NSP:** Julie Dietz nothing to report. Frank mentioned that a version of the city budget came out with no NSP funding, but it was quickly changed to have NSP funds back in the budget.

**Business Guild:** Maryellen Horrigan reported the restaurants are still in the plans. There have been some plumbing and sewer problems at the former Longworth's. The old Teak location also has some issues, but will re-open as 1194 (the name is the date the original Teak opened). Quincy's will be changing. Watering of the baskets and pots needs to be worked out between the two teams. Playhouse and the Art Museum is bridging to East Walnut Hills for discount tickets typically offered with subscriptions.

**Grapevine:** Maryellen Horrigan/Sue Zimmerman. Next deadline for the fall issue is August 1st. We are always

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interested in having people write a column. We could use articles on the kids or young professional on the Hill.

**Walking Tours:** Janet Steiner reported that the tours had the best May ever!

**Cincinnati Recreation Commission:** Vanessa Henderson reported on the Business Plan Findings and Recommendations. She gave the background on the research and surveys for the Business Plan Process. She reminded us that CRC includes 23 Rec.Ctrs., 24 Aquatic pools and facilities, 6 golf courses, 85 tennis courts, 954 acres, and 5 community gardens. The survey cited the strengths as dedicated staff, number of facilities, over 1,500 programs that serve youth and seniors, two time Gold award and certification winner with the National Recreation and Park Association, and the first large urban rec.dep in Ohio to receive accreditation by the National Commission on Accreditation of Parks and Recreation Agencies. The mission is to embrace the spirit of the Cincinnati community by creating a culture of lifelong personal growth supported

through reliable and sustainable funding sources that will move us from good to great. The key points to consider include: CRC is overextended based on the current allocated resources, to provide more relevant programming, there is a need and a desire for increased financial sustainability, and it is critical to improve technology for better decision making.

**Mt. Adams Yacht Club:** no report

**Cincinnati Art Club:** no report

**Pilgrim Chapel:** David Schwab announced that Baseball Sunday will be July 14. Reds' historian Perry Thacker will be the guest speaker. After the service there will be a picnic. All are welcome to come.

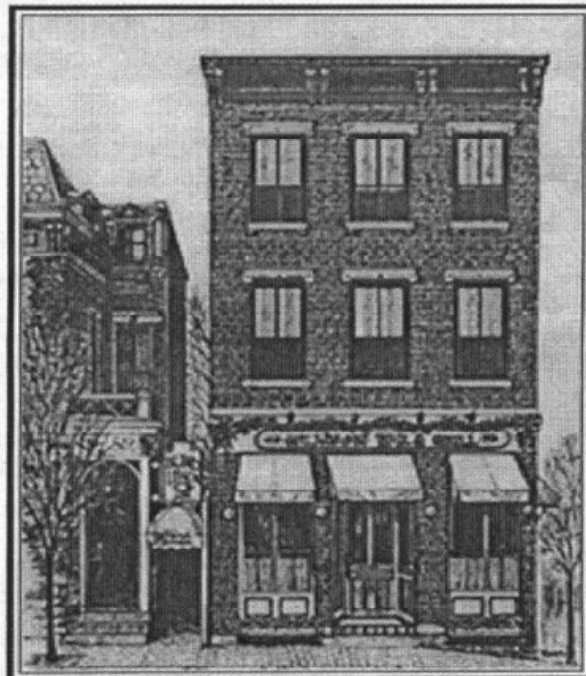
**Holy Cross- Immaculata:** Jim Horrigan HCI Golfing outing is a week from Saturday, June 15. More dealers are needed for the casino at the festival in August 2nd and 3rd. So, June 29th will be a warm up night; we will teach people how to deal etc.

**New Business:** none  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45

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## City Adopts Short Term Rental Registration

By Terri Abare

Short term rentals are not a new thing. VRBO has been in business since 1995 and Airbnb is not exactly a newcomer. What is new is the first formal regulation by the City of Cincinnati aimed specifically at short term rentals. The new city ordinance, which became effective July 1, 2019, is essentially a registration and taxation system, and it remains to be seen what impact it will have on short term rental businesses and the neighborhoods where they exist. The ordinance is lengthy, so anyone affected should read all the fine print, but this article attempts to summarize the provisions that are most likely of interest to Mt. Adams residents.

The ordinance defines a "short term rental" as any residential dwelling unit or part thereof that is offered for rent on a website, web or mobile application or other online platform, for a duration of less than 30 consecutive days. The focus is on electronic sites, and that's certainly where most of the business is conducted, but it begs the question whether a short term rental can operate without registering if it relies on word of mouth or print advertising, for example. The number of rental units in a dwelling is limited, but oddly, for a building containing four or fewer dwelling units, there is no limit on the number of short term rentals that may be operated in the building. For a building containing five or more dwelling units, the permitted number of short term units is four plus one additional unit for every four dwelling units in excess of four in the building. So for a six unit building, there can only be four short term units, but for an eight unit building there can be five short term units. There are exceptions that allow short term rentals operating prior to July 1 to exceed those limits, essentially grandfathering them in up to the number of rental units actually in operation prior to July 1.

The Registration form requires the owner/operator to certify or acknowledge to the City that, to the best of their knowledge: the unit complies with applicable building, zoning, housing, and fire codes; all taxes and utilities owed to the City are current; and the owner/operator is knowledgeable about Municipal code provisions regarding housing discrimination and the availability of Fair Housing Act training sessions. The ordinance requires the owner to display an advisory inside the unit with contact information for the owner (or a designated representative who lives no more than 50 miles from the rental unit location), police and fire departments, the location of all exits from the unit and "a list of activities and behaviors prohibited by city law that tend to be associated with the operation of short term rentals."

Some insight into what the city means by "behaviors prohibited by city law" can be gleaned from the parts of the ordinance that establish standards for denying a registration. Applications or renewals can be denied if the property has been declared a chronic nuisance under Code Chapter 765 or if the property has a pattern of felony drug activity, prostitution, criminal gang activity or a documented history of repeated offenses of violence. The ordinance does provide that if three or more citations in any one-year period are issued against the property, the property is rebuttably presumed to be a nuisance.

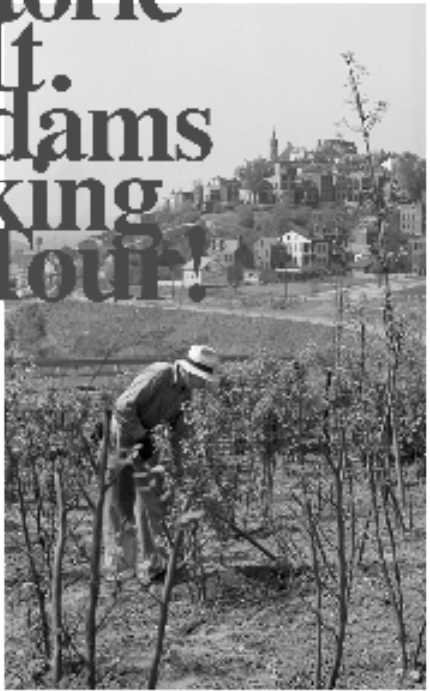
The major complaints voiced about short term rentals on the Hill seem to

pertain to parties and noise, yet it's perfectly legal to have a party in the City of Cincinnati and the City seems to have trouble enforcing its noise ordinance. The noise ordinance prohibits "the creation of noise or sound in such a manner as to disturb the peace and quiet of a neighborhood, having due regard for the proximity of places of residence . . ." That's a rather subjective standard but it provides some flexibility, which can be helpful. The noise ordinance also contains an objective standard, which requires sound meter readings taken over at least a six minute period producing an average reading exceeding the limits specified in the ordinance, measured at or within the boundaries of the affected property. The permitted decibel levels vary, depending on the day of the week and the type of neighborhood. For "Urban Mix" neighborhoods, the levels range from 65 to 75 decibels. To put that in perspective, according to Yale University's decibel level comparison chart, normal conversation is 60 to 70 decibels and a typical vacuum cleaner is 75 decibels.

The short term rental ordinance also creates an excise tax in the amount of "seven percent of the gross revenues generated from the operation of a short term rental". The tax will go into the City general fund for operating activities and the tax revenue will establish a floor for the amount the City budgets each year for the preservation and development of affordable housing.

A short term rental registration is valid for three years from the date of issuance. The ordinance specifies that it shall have "prospective application" and shall not affect any agreement in effect prior to July 1, 2019 "to the extent that the agreement and the other terms thereof conflict with the provisions of [the ordinance]".

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## MACA Minutes July 2, 2019

by Sue Zimmerman

The meeting was called to order at 7pm by Pres. Frank Obermeyer. Officers in attendance Frank and Sue Zimmerman. Directors in attendance: Teresa Liguzinski, Dan Weinstein, Judi Cettel, Jenny and Russ Ferneding.

**Police Report:** Capt. Davis introduced Officer Brendon Rock who is our temporary liaison officer to the Hill. Auto thefts are on the rise, so there are things to remember. Make sure to empty anything of value/ visible in the car; lock the car; keep key fobs at a distance from the car. (There is an electric device that can triangulate and open the lock.) Report suspicious activity on the street - get license plate, or description of the car, or report people loitering around the street. Topics brought up included noise level of the bars, the motorcycles that come in force around the Hill late on weekends, and disrupting the wedding walks with their noise, and the speeding on Ida Street. There will be motorcycle police looking for the motorcycle problem. The Safety Sector meetings are going to be cancelled. The Police will report at MACA meetings.

**Minutes:** The June minutes were approved.

**President's Report:** Frank introduced Clare who is on the District 1 LEAD team (Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion) team. The program is designed to deal with drug overdoses by offering an option for the individual to get immediate help with addiction. Clare will be around at events to survey what the community knows and feels about the program and eventually a post survey after the program has been enacted.

The crosswalk on Eden Park and Martin – a concern for a long time- has been approved and scheduled to become a reality this month. In addition to the crosswalk flower pots will be there which will add to the area.

Cinema in the City poster had an error. The August film, Auntie Mame will be on August 16th. July's movie is Men in Black on the 19th. Music starts at 7; the movie starts at dusk. National Night Out is Tuesday, August 6 at Chapter beginning at 5:30. There is no meeting that night.

The September 3rd meeting will have a speaker on the history and future of the reservoir.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sent in by Tom. Administration: attorney fee paid for response to Elsinore variance application \$1,190. New memberships: 3 lifetime; 2 annual. Grapevine paid Print Zone \$3,138; received \$1,980 in ad payments. Cinema in the City first movie shown- a full accounting will be at the end of season. Ending balance @\$31,000.

**Planning and Development:** Russ Ferneding reported for Steve Vogel. The Elsinore variance: We are waiting for the response for the new plans. The current code allows for an 8 foot cut; the original proposal was for 30 feet cut in the hill. Russ emphasized that our presence at zoning board meetings when issues come up has a very positive effect. Another issue is the wall at the end of the parking lot between 1070 and 1075 Celestial. The wall was built without a permit; the builder was told to desist by the city, but the wall went up anyway. It will be evaluated by the city, but after the fact. The concern is hillside slippage and following

the current codes.

1237 Ida had been condemned by the fire department and the city at a public meeting where Mt. Adams residents were present and testified. The city gave the developer a new deadline of June 15 to act on the property. Nothing has happened. Russ has been trying to get answers and hopes to have Art Dahlberg at our Sept 3 for answers.

**MABA:** Barb Timmins reported that the members are watering the pots and baskets along St. Gregory and the Ida bridge route. Also MABA is responsible for the entry gardens to the hill. The blue and gold flowers were from a FC promotion. We are in talks with the park board to fix entryways. The Garden Stroll will be June 16, 2020 a committee has already started work on the event. Fall Clean Up is October 19th. Clean, Safe, and Attractive: Jenny Ferneding had nothing to report.

**Membership:** Jim Horrigan....2 annual and 3 lifetime memberships. Jim touted what a bargain lifetime membership at \$100 a couple.

**Community Life:** Volunteers will be needed to help with Cinema in the City and National Night Out.

**Civic Improvement Project:** Judi Cettel reported that there is a work in progress and will be revealed later

**NSP:** Julie Deitz no report.

**Business Guild Meeting:** M'ellen Horrigan reported that our new liaison officer noticed that we have street lights out and he will take care of that. Jerome Street and Wareham need to be the overgrowth cut back; it is hiding thieves and break-ins. Would neighbors use fixitcincy app take picture and send it to the city?

Towne Properties is watering the baskets sometime 3 times a day due to the heat. (MABA only waters the ones on St. Gregory T-Th-S.)

Seasongood will have Commonly Jazz every Thursday night in August. For more information go to [www.itscommonlyjazz.com](http://www.itscommonlyjazz.com).

Tuesday is Taco War on Pavilion Street; the battle for the best taco is between Pavilion, Amigos, and Chapter. Go and eat and vote. Every other Friday Amigos starting July 19 will have Latin music.

**Grapevine:** Sue Zimmerman/M'ellen Horrigan ...The fall deadline is August 1. If you are not getting the newsletter let M'ellen know.

**Mt. Adams Walking Tours:** No Report

**Cincinnati Art Club:** Gary Eith - The club was involved in a major fund raising with Design Consultants which raised \$20,000 for the Cincinnati Art Museum's Duveneck exhibition in 2020. The club is going into a strategic planning mode over the next couple of months looking to increase membership. There will be no exhibits until September.

**Cincinnati Recreation Department:** Vanessa Henderson reported that they have 67 kids in Day Camp. She is looking for tutors to help with the OSU STEM program at Spencer Elementary for the next school year. Pools are opened. There are season passes adults \$30 Family (up to 6 people) \$120. Daily costs \$3 Kids/\$5 Adults/ \$3 Seniors. It was men-

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## Book Club News

by Charlotte Hahn

The Wise Words Book Club opens its second season on September 18th at 7:00pm in the Pilgrim Chapel Reception Room. (Take the ramp down on the right of the Chapel and enter) 1222 Ida Street. This is a whole Hill group. We are still getting to know each other, and we are a fun bunch. Come join us for our once a month escape from physical chores and enjoy your mind again.

### NOT SURE WHAT TO READ NEXT?

Check out what The Wise Words Book Club is reading.

Sept. 18	The Pioneers by David McCullough
Oct. 16	Where the Crawdad's Sing by Delia Owens
Nov. 20	The 6th Extinction, An Unnatural History by Elizabeth Kolbert
Dec. 18	The Red Address Book by Sofia Lundberg

When?	7pm Sept.-Dec, 2019
Where?	Mt. Adams Pilgrim Chapel, 1222 Ida St. ( lower level) Future dates to be determined.

Who? Everyone welcome.

Questions? [char.hahn420@gmail.com](mailto:char.hahn420@gmail.com)



**Late 19th century police wagon. Why am I thinking Mack Sennett's Keystone Cops comedies**



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tioned that the posted pool hours are incorrect. They are 12- 6 pm.

**Pilgrim Chapel:** Bruce Ford said that Pilgrim's Baseball Sunday is July 14 at 10:30 featuring Reds' historian Perry Thacker. After the service there will be traditional ballpark fare picnic. All are welcome to join us. On September 7 at 7pm there will be A Night of Opera Duets by Rebecca Clayborn and Tony Beck. The Italian Dinner is October 21st or 27th. We are waiting to see the Bengals schedule.

**Holy Cross Immaculata:** Tina Russo filled in details of the Festival Aug 2 (5:30-12) & Aug 3 (5-12). There will be a food festival with goodies from many countries. The Casino will be upgraded; dealers are still needed. People to host parties are needed. The Silent Auction will be online. Sponsors are needed and places to put yard signs. See Tina Russo.

Chuck Curran said The View is going to be open on Mondays starting July 8... Reservations are required 513.841.9999.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:57  
Submitted by Sue Zimmerman

## Designing Your Personal Space

by Vinni Brown

This week my friend Sara's daughter asked me "Where do I start with designing my new space?, I am so confused!" I know it can be frustrating so I thought I would do a sort of Design 101 article. I have written about picking paint colors and designing with a palette, but where do you start when it comes to overall design of the space. Here are some tips to help you get started!

Five things to know and do when starting to consider designing or redesigning your space:

1.Space plan, space plan, space plan. How do you want this room to function? How will it be used? This is the most important thing to know before you start to design any space. Designers spend the first 2 years of design school working with an architectural rule and hand drafting. The reason for this is you have to be familiar with space and see it and be a part of it on paper before you can translate to real space. My job here is to teach you how to do this in one article. So... if you are not proficient at google sketch-up try this exercise.

To begin: Go get some graph paper. You know, the paper with all the tiny boxes. Each of those boxes for these purposes represents 1' x 1' of space in your room. Say your room is 10 x 12. Take a pencil and draw a line that is 10 boxes by 12 boxes (round up or down and don't worry so much about inches). Make an outline of your room. Add in any doors which will be around 3 boxes, color those 3 boxes in. (If this is too small to deal with, double the boxes so the room becomes 20 boxes by 24 boxes. As long as you are consistent your scale is the same. ) Relax, don't get too technical.

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Next: Make tiny furniture. Cut little sofas and chairs and tables out of the graph paper based on the box method above. Sofas are generally 84x35 (or 7 boxes long by 3 boxes wide) Chairs are about 3 boxes by 3 boxes, side tables are about 2 boxes by 2 boxes. Now start moving them around your space.

2. Focal points. Always design with focal points in mind. These can be a view, fireplace, or most common, the Television. Keep this in mind when moving your furniture around. Where is your focal point? Based on the size of your TV, how far back should your sofa be? Will windows create glare on the TV? If you only have one wall for the TV, color in those boxes and build out from there.

3. Watch your traffic patterns. Make sure you leave at least 3' for walk spaces.

4. Your furniture does not have to be up against a wall! Furniture can float in a room. A sofa can have it's back to your walk space if you add a sofa table which will add a place to add color and storage.

5. Create vignettes in awkward spaces. For example in an oversized living room create a TV area, and a reading or music area. The best part about following these steps is it cost you nothing to move furniture around (you won't be exhausted moving actual furniture), but you have a game plan. You are on your way to creating a new, great space.

Don't miss the next edition when we will tackle coming up with a design "look". Creating an inspiration board, budget and shopping list.



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## MABA's Busy Season

By April Covington

**Summer in The City...**What a great summer it has been so far! MABA members care about what our beautiful landscape looks like because we know how important it is for everyone who lives in Mt Adams to have pride in their community. It's so wonderful to see people randomly picking up what others have left behind resulting in a clean community. THANK YOU!

**Going the Extra Mile...**A group of concerned MABA members met earlier in the summer with Park Board member, Wade Wolcott and Park Foundation member Jennifer Spieser to discuss Eden Park maintenance and other issues that need attention. As a follow up, Mary Moran, Evi McCord, Barb Timmins, Gail Seifert and Betsy Hendy met at Bow Tie with Jenny Mobley (Central District's Division Park's Manager) and Jenny Spieser from the Park Foundation. Budget cuts and other demands have really stretched the Park Board to maintain our park as we have come to expect, but Jennifer Spieser (head of Parks Foundation) assured MABA that she would see to it that Eden Park would get priority if we would become a part of the Foundation.

The following short term projects were agreed upon for completion this year:

- Refreshing the gazebo area and the stairs by Playhouse in the Park
- Cleaning up the area around Ida Street/Eden Park Drive (near the busstop) and Pavilion
- Spiff up Loudon/Parkside
- Fix the first step going up to the Art Museum

Long Term Projects were discussed: Entry areas and gateways, Infrastructure – stairs, walkways, and sidewalks, Continued maintenance/upkeep.

### How Do The Flowers Stay So Beautiful?

Well, we keep our community's flowers looking their best with the help of MABA volunteers. It's actually really fun! We pair up and head out to fire up the watering Gator. The plants are fed and watered on a schedule to ensure they stay perky; M/W/F and T/Th/S. We water the Business District, St Gregory, Hatch, Pavilion boxes, Ida St Bridge, Seasongood bus stop and Spike's garden. If you see flowers that are thirsty please contact us.

**What Are In The Pots We Water?** To organize what plants go into our beautiful arrangements is no easy task. I wasn't involved in this process but was shown what goes into the planning by Sue Zimmerman. She is a retired school teacher and is extremely organized. She had charts, maps and diagrams that were color coded; wow! With the help of the Ft Thomas Nursery these plans are brought to life. The pots this year contain: Red Whopper Begonias, White Diamond Frost, and Yellow Millions. The planters on the bridge contain: Gold Duranta, Red Whoppers, Diamond Frost, Zinnias, Salvia and Coleus. We hope everyone loves these arrangements as much as we do. Great job team!

**Plans for the Future...**MABA is considering being represented in this year's Art in Bloom which is an event sponsored by CAM. •Gail Seifert and Judi Cettel have volunteered to repaint the sign at Monastery and Van Meter when the weather cools off.

**Garden Stroll June 16, 2020.**

MABA has been hard at work behind the scenes setting the stage for the 2020 Garden Stroll. We hope everyone is as excited as we are to be hosting such a popular event in our community. Remember that each garden will have live music, beverages and snacks. We are still looking for gardens to participate. The co-chairs for the stroll are Margaret Mock and Sue Zimmerman. This endeavor takes a lot of planning and a lot of committees. Judi Cettel, Mary Margaret Kindel, and Mary Moran are the Garden Volunteers/Refreshments. Charlotte Hahn is on Recognition. Maryellen Horrigan is doing Publicity. Caroline Meier is in charge of the Preview Party. Gail Seifert and Maureen Webb are handling the Garden Boutique Vendors and Apparel. Suki Skidmore is getting our sponsors. Barb Timmins is in charge of Musicians. Debbie Weinstein is our money person and in charge of tickets. Dave Zimmerman is doing signage and arranging transportation. Whew! These people will also need a lot of volunteers. The Committee will meet September 25 and hopefully finalize the gardens and the points of interest that will be on the stroll.

### FALL CLEAN UP SAT. October 19th...

Calling all volunteers for fall clean up on October 19th. We will meet at Bow Tie. We will need lots of help. The more the faster the work gets done. There will be a dumpster available to all residents after the Clean Up is over.

Special Thanks A big shout out to **The Blind Lemon** for allowing MABA to have their meetings there. Also a big thanks to Pete Djuric and Jean Sepate for hosting our last meeting in their home. Their garden is absolutely amazing! Our August meeting is at Charlotte Hahn's.



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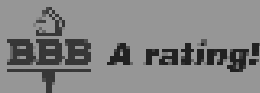
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### Status of Public Stairway Lighting Project

by Kurt Meier

"The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

The Public Stairway Lighting Project Committee consisted of 20 blue-chip members of the Mount Adams community representing every segment of Mount Adams.

Both men and women from Mount Adams volunteered their service. The Committee was assisted by the professional services of Human Nature, Inc., through Chris Manning, and Matt Minard, a lighting designer with KHL Engineering.

With the primary assistance of Chris and Matt, we were able to get the authority from the City of Cincinnati's Department of Transportation and Engineering and also the City's Park Board to undertake the project. Unfortunately, the project failed to garner support of the private and business community for a myriad of reasons.

Given the uncertain development status of Mount Adams at this time, the project is simply not feasible and will be mothballed back into MACA's Strategic Plan.

The Committee extends its gratitude to everyone who lent this project its support and efforts.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kurt Meier, Chair

### Rebuilding of the Martin Drive-Eden Park Drive Intersection

by Kurt Meier

Last year, the Mount Adams Civic Association was offered funds from the City of Cincinnati for the purpose of designing and rebuilding the Martin Drive-Eden Park Drive intersection. We accepted the offer and immediately transferred the project to the City's Park Board that had been involved in the project for a long time. In fact, the Park Board had plans for the rebuild of the intersection and was waiting on the availability of funding.

MACA and the Park Board had established a collaborative relationship, so this project was an extension of that community relationship. The project will be built in stages and should be complete within 24 months.

This is just another example of how MACA advocates for our community! Congratulations to MACA's leadership volunteers on a job well done.

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## Night Out,,, A Nite for the Dogs?

by April Covington



We love April's quirky eye, and the the fun people( and dogs)  
at Chapter on Mt Adam's Night Out.





## A Spot in Mount Adams

by Jim Steiner

This 1933 etching by E. T. Hurley, a long time Rookwood Pottery artist, depicts the Church of the Immaculate Conception, aka Immaculata, from behind. Carney Street is in the lower right corner. The three houses along the left border were located on Perpendicular Alley, which no longer exists except for a short remnant today used as a parking spot. The circle on the back wall of Immaculata is the bricked over Eye of God window, covered inside and out in 1910 for unknown reasons. The window was uncovered in 1982 when conservator Carolyn von Stein, a Mount Adams artist, restored the seven large oil paintings inside.

I think the sexiest thing about a woman is confidence, but confidence in a humble way, not in an arrogant way. Sense of humor is definitely important. And sunglasses always hide a multitude of sins. Sunglasses and a great pair of heels can turn most outfits around.

I loooooove Miss Piggy.

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## The Poetry of Nature:

### American Landscape Exhibit at the Taft Museum

By Terri Abare

If you can't visit New England this fall to experience the beauty of fall foliage, you can at least take a stroll through the special exhibit, October 5 through January 12, at the Taft Museum of Art. Enjoy scenes from the Adirondacks, the White Mountain, the Catskills and other vistas and valleys throughout the Hudson River valley, painted in the mid-19th century by a group of American painters generally referred to as the Hudson River School. The title of the special exhibit, "The Poetry of Nature", speaks to the beauty of the natural wonders that inspired the first artistic movement in the United State.

The Hudson River School was a loosely knit group of artists, but they shared a love of the pastoral settings of the northeastern U.S. The paintings on view at the Taft include some well-known sites, such as Niagara Falls, and some anonymous but serenely beautiful mountains, tranquil valleys, vast woodlands, lakes and luminous skies. These beautiful, romanticized views of nature became very popular as an emblem of America's national identity, at a time when the cities in the east began to grow exponentially and, in response, movements took root to establish national parks and city parks as bulwarks against encroaching industry and urbanization.

Artists whose works are included in the Taft exhibit include well-known artists, such as Thomas Cole, considered to be the "founder" of the Hudson River School, as well as Albert Bierstadt, Asher Durand, Jasper Francis Cropsey and Sanford Robinson Gifford. Also included are some lesser known but highly talented artists such as Louisa Davis Minot and Cincinnati's own William Louis Sonntag. The paintings are on loan from the New York Historical Society. The Taft is open Wednesday through Sunday, so you'll have plenty of opportunities to take a nice fall walk!



*Lisa Massa and Charlotte Hahn, MABA ladies at work.*



## Hill Yes! Loa Belle and Harry

By Jim Steiner

Loa Belle and Harry O'Connor – both born in 1894 - grew up in downtown Cincinnati, Harry in the Mount Adams bottoms and Loa Belle nearby. Loa's father – her maiden name was Gayhart - died when she was very young and her mother remarried. When Loa Belle was twelve, her mother passed away and soon after, her stepfather threw her out of the house. She had two brothers and a sister, but they would not take her in. She was sitting on the curb not knowing where to go when a streetcar conductor stopped, picked her up and took her to an orphanage in Covington, Kentucky. She was penniless, and her only possessions were the clothes she was wearing.

Loa Belle remained at the orphanage and at age sixteen was put out to work while still a resident. The family she worked for as a domestic treated her poorly and never paid her the agreed upon one dollar per month. The family left home one afternoon to attend a concert, and Loa Belle took a dime from them and used it to take the streetcar to her sister's house in Cincinnati located across Sycamore Street from Saint Xavier Church. The fare was a nickel, so if her sister wasn't home or wouldn't take her in, Loa Belle had a nickel to get back to the orphanage. Fortunately, her sister was at home and agreed to house her.

Unfortunately, the orphanage came for her and placed her in a home for wayward girls because she stole ten cents. Her sister knew a man associated with Union Bethel, a home for single girls in Lytle Park, and he arranged for her to leave the wayward girl's home and live at Union Bethel. Loa Belle found a job at the Ibold Cigar Company and rose to a floor leader position, a rare accomplishment for a woman back then.

Harry attended Saint Xavier School on Sycamore Street, which went to grade eight and then attended the Saint Xavier Commercial School for two years. He joined the army after America entered WW I and fought in the trenches against the Germans. He came down with pneumonia and spent time in a hospital in France and later a hospital in Chillicothe,

Ohio. Loa Belle, who met Harry when they were both sixteen, would take the train to Chillicothe to visit him during his convalescence.



***Harry O'Connor in 1917 before departing to serve in WW I.***

Harry recovered and began working as a plumber in Cincinnati and continued to court Loa Belle. In 1925 Harry proposed: "Here's the key to your house; it's all paid for; let's get married." The house, at 245 Butler Street, was in her name, and she said yes. At the time, she was making more money than Harry, but he asked her to quit her job, which she did. She became a stay at home mother, and also took on added duties managing Harry's plumbing business.

Harry did so much for so many people and never said a word. He was not a boastful man. A majority of his customers were African Americans. They always paid their bills even if it took them a long time. They would pay a small amount each month and that was okay with Harry. Another example of Harry's kindness and generosity involved one of his workers, One Eye Dave, who called Harry to tell him the repo man was at his house to pick up his television. Harry told his worker to ask him to wait, and he'd be right there to pay him.

They lived in the house on Butler Street until 1949 but were forced to move when the city acquired their property through eminent domain. The land was needed for the construction of the Third Street distributor, part of Fort Washington Way. Harry and Loa Belle's home was the last of the nearly 700 parcels confiscated by the city. Harry fought tooth and nail and wouldn't sign the deed over nor would he take the money offered him. They got less money for the property when it finally sold, but Harry didn't mind because he "fought the good fight." They moved to a home next to Saint Philomena Church on Third Street, which was also acquired for the Third Street distributor in 1954.





***A less formal image of Harry during his army service***

Loa Belle and Harry then left the bottoms and moved to Mount Adams and bought four houses and a vacant lot on the east side of St. Paul Place running south from the corner of Pavilion and Saint Paul Streets. He bought the properties as a package. The houses were in terrible shape and Harry did the needed repairs, including replacing the plumbing and removing the outhouses. He was a good landlord and when his tenants called with a problem, Harry fixed it himself. He also mowed the lawns and Loa Belle cared for all the gardens.

Harry did a lot of plumbing work for Holy Cross Church and the Passionist Monastery across the street and never sent a bill. Harry and Loa Belle's daughter, Sis, said her dad projected a tough guy image but inside he was a good person who cared for others.

Harry wasn't a regular at any of the Mount Adams bars. He stayed close to home and drank his beer from a pimento glass at the dining room table. He would always read the paper in the evening, smoke, drink his beer, and stand the entire time. He didn't go to bed until he had finished the paper. Harry was a chain smoker, but he wouldn't smoke during working hours.

In 1974, Harry and Loa Belle moved to a home Harry owned on Celestial Street and sold their property on Saint Paul Place. Caring for all four houses had become too much for an 81-year-old. The new home had a garage across the street where Harry kept his truck and plumbing equipment. He closed his plumbing business shortly thereafter and gave his equipment and client list to Bill Barlage, another Mount Adams plumber.

Wini Bruening, a long time Mount Adams resident, had grandparents who lived on the second and third floors of Harry and Loa Belle's home on Butler Street and got to know them when she visited her grandparents. They developed mutual admiration for each other. Although Wini was not a relative, she referred to Harry as Uncle Harry and Loa Belle

as Aunt Lodie. In 1985 Wini purchased Loa and Harry's house on Saint Paul, rehabbed it and lived there for over thirty years.

Wini shared this story about Uncle Harry: In the summer, Wini would visit Uncle Harry and Loa Belle at their home on Celestial Street, and she would wear shorts when the weather permitted. He told her in no uncertain terms that she was dressed inappropriately. His daughter, Sis, never owned a pair of shorts because her father didn't approve of them. Wini often brought Loa Belle back to her house and let her sit in the garden, which she loved. Harry passed away in 1985 and Loa Belle in 1996 at age 102.

Thanks to Sis and Bob Whalen and Wini Bruening for providing information for this article.



***Downtown Cincinnati in 1949 before construction of Fort Washington Way.***



***A rendition of CAM's future accessibility ramp. See p. 31***





*The digital Silent Auction was a popular choice at the HCI Festival.*



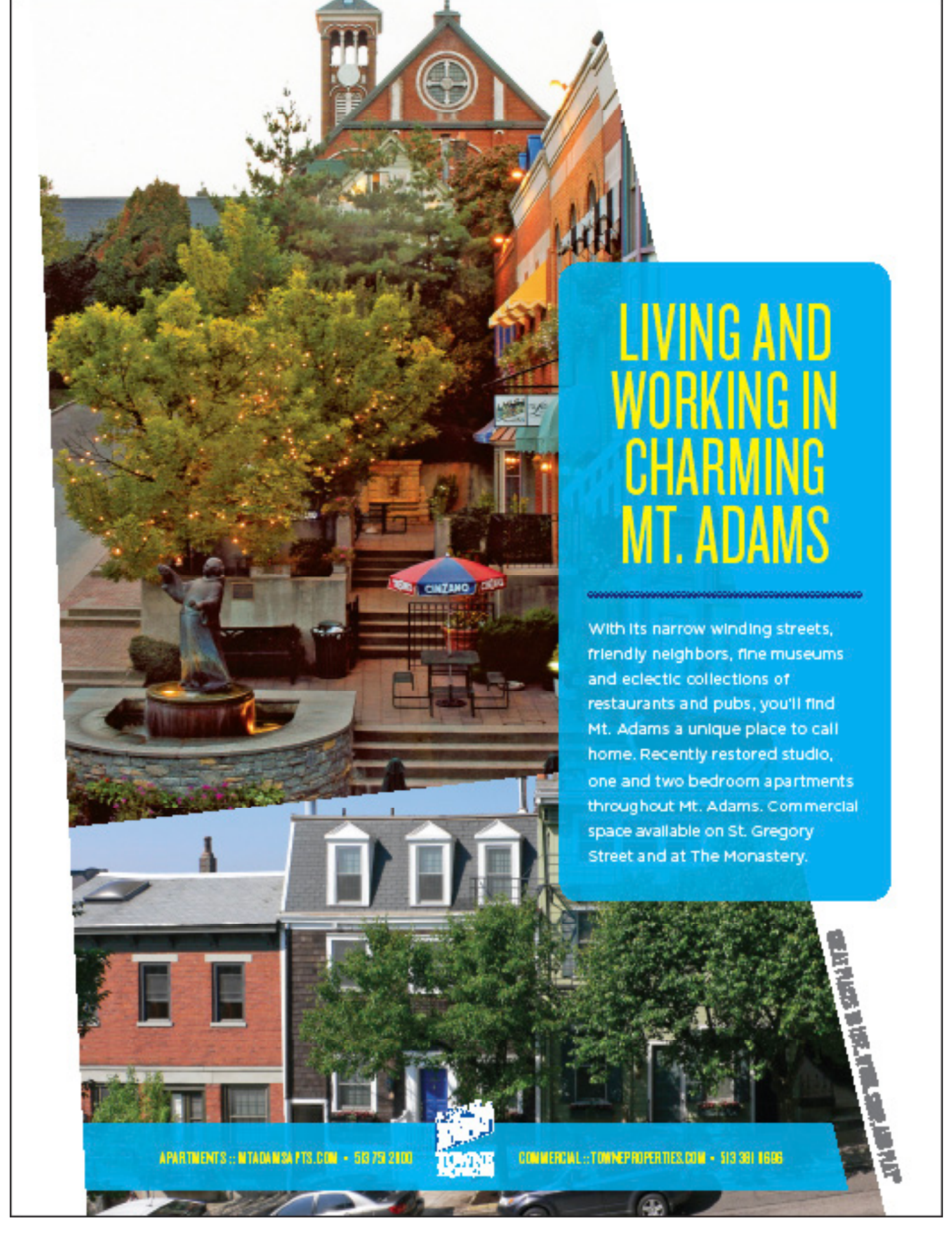
*The weather, the music, the people...all added up to fun on Mt Adams. Below: Ladies of the evening: D. Weinstein, M. Ormsbee, M. Moran Volunteers at the Festival.*



*Below; the Obermeyers volunteer at the HCI Festival.*







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## Keeping Mt. Adams Beautiful....

by Judi Cettel

The residents of Mt. Adams take great pride in the quality of their properties and their neighborhood. Keeping our community beautiful, desirable, and financially vibrant depends on everyone working together to maintain a safe and attractive community.

While the great majority of our neighbors are conscientious about maintaining their properties, there are concerns about those who do not.

Various civic minded groups and individuals play a major role in keeping the Hill clean, safe, and attractive but they can't do it alone. Now, ALL RESIDENTS, RENTERS, AND LANDLORDS are also being asked to make a conscious effort to maintain and make any needed improvements to their properties.

In accordance with the Cincinnati Code of Property Maintenance, The Mt Adams Civic Association has designed a checklist that all residents are encouraged to use. Property owners will be notified of any maintenance/appearance issues that do not conform. If you receive a notification, please make the effort to address the listed concerns within a reasonable time limit of 30 days in order to avoid a citation.

**SIDEWALKS and CURBS:** Maintain your sidewalks so that people can walk safely in front of your home.

1. Keep your sidewalks/curbs clean and clear of all debris, dog waste, leaves and cigarette butts.
2. During the winter, clear your sidewalks of ice and snow and put down salt.
3. Remove unsightly weeds along the edges and cracks in the sidewalk.
4. Repair dangerous uneven surfaces.

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1. When putting cans on the curb, make sure that lids are securely closed.
2. Do not take cans to the curb before 5:00 on the night prior to pick up.
3. Remove all cans from the curb no later than 7:00 pm on the day of pick up.

### YARDS:

1. If you have grass, please mow your lawn and edge regularly.
2. Trim and maintain any shrubs, trees, plantings and other vegetation – do not allow them to become overgrown. Pull out all those ugly weeds!

3. Remove any debris, trash, unused building materials etc. from your exterior premises.

4. Remove all political and other signage from your yard in a timely manner.

**BUILDING STRUCTURES:** Property values depend on the maintenance of all properties.

Please repair:

1. Loose and flaking paint
2. Cracked and broken steps, missing rails
3. Loose or missing siding
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Set a great example for your neighbors!

If you see trash, please pick it up and don't assume that others will.

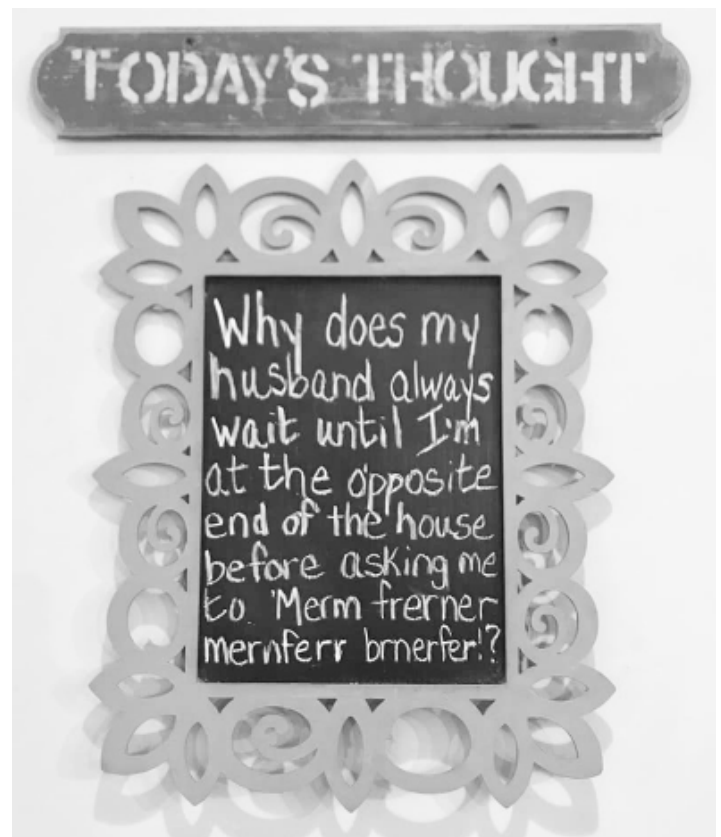
If you smoke, please carry a portable ash tray in your car to properly dispose of cigarette butts.

If you're a pet owner, PLEASE make sure you clean up after your pet.

If you notice graffiti or other public repairs that need attention call 513 591-6000 M-F 7am-5pm, file a complaint at 5916000.com or download the app. Fix it Cincy! and make a report.

Watch for, and plan to join your neighbors for the Fall and Spring "Clean Up Mt. Adams" events.

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## What's beautiful at 30? A woman...any woman...an aged wine, a good vintage furniture piece...and, oh yeah, the Mt Adam's Business Guild and Petvalu present the 30th annual Reindog parade!

Costumed canines will parade through the streets of our neighborhood on Sunday December 14th. This parade will include more than 500 dogs and their owners, with proceeds to benefit the Cincinnati SPCA.

The 2:00pm processio through the business disatrick will be led by Santa, and his canine followers, beginning at the historic Monastery Event Center. which will follow the Blessing of the dogs and the awarding of prizes. The categories to enter are Small Dog ( 25 pounds and under), Large Dog (26 pounds and over), Doag and Owner Lookalike, Multiple Dogs ( 3 or more) and Best of SHow. There will be a raffle with more prizes to raise money for our SPCA. Registration and j8dging is at 1:00pm at the Monastery Parking lot.







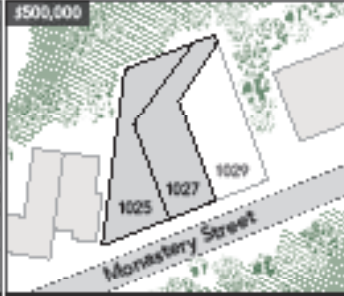
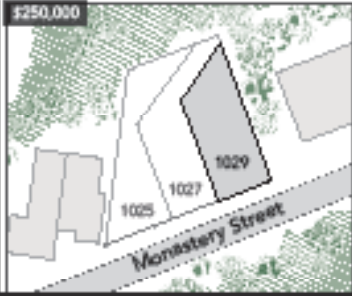
The parade route will begin at the Monastery Parking Lot 1055 St Paul Place, and leave the gate moving down Pavilion, left onto Carney Street, left onto HAtch Street, and Left onto St. Gregory through the main business district, right at Towne Fountain and returning up Pavilion to the Monastery building.

St. Gregory will be closed to through traffic from 1:45 to 2:45pm. No parking on St. Gregory from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

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## Planning and Development Committee Report

by Russ Ferneding

The Planning and Development committee meets whenever a Notice of Public Hearing is received from the City of Cincinnati by MACA. Such notices may be for an application for either a variance request or zoning relief. If a project meets with all building codes, such as for set-backs, height of the project or other code considerations and meets zoning laws, then those project will not be seen by the Committee.

When such notices are received, the chair of the Planning and Development committee, Steve Vogel, will request that the person or organization filing for the application and their architect, if there is one, meet with him and the other members of the committee. The other members of the committee are Judi Cettel, Mike McCafferty, Tom Abare and Russ Ferneding.

Typically, Mr. Vogel will request that they bring the plans with them for the project being considered, along with any other relevant documents, such a geo-technical report, renderings and pictures of the existing site and consideration of any other documents that may be relevant for the project. If the site is going to require any cut and fill with retaining walls, etc. we will ask the applicant and their architect if they have considered all aspects of the Hillside Ordinance as it pertains to their project.

At the meeting the committee will inquiry why the variance or relief is needed, if the project can be modified to meet to obviate the need for a variance or zoning relief, and what that may entail. There may be other questions or concerns raised that the committee wants the applicant and the architect to consider before moving ahead with the project.

At every meeting the Chair will always ask if the applicant has discussed their project with the neighbors that will be impacted to see if there are any objections to the project. Then the committee will meet after the applicant and the architect leave to determine if the MACA will either support or give a reserved comment to the Zoning Hearing Examiner prior to the hearing date set for the case.

Since Mt. Adams has charms and a provenance, due to the spectacular views from our hilltop, many developers want to develop projects in our community that clearly exceed what is currently allowed.

Because of the desirability of our community, the Planning and Development committee has met numerous times on various projects that require a change in what is permissible for retaining wall heights and the related cut and fill that such retaining walls require or on height and set-back provisions as they stand right now in the City's building and zoning codes.

Developers are putting a lot of pressure on the City Building Department to allow such exceptions that would allow risky projects to be built in our community. Risky, because they require deeper cuts and fills into and on our fragile hillside, as well as higher retaining walls and building heights and size than permitted by current codes and Ordinances.

But our committee is fully determined to speak out and oppose in writing any exceptions to the City Building and Zoning Codes and Hillside Ordinance as currently in force that the City may consider to allow development in our community.

However, we are only 5 people on one committee. What we need is when an e-mail notice is sent to the MACA community advising of a meeting where the City is considering to allow development and construction that goes against the City's own codes, we ask you to join us at such hearings, so that City employees can hear from our entire community regarding these matters that may or will have a negative impact on the Hill that we all so clearly treasure and love.

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## Pilgrim's Progress

By Bruce Ford



The change of season often makes me reflect upon the timeless passage from Ecclesiastes, 'For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven....' (Eccl. 3:1) If you are like me, perhaps the music of the 1960's group, The Byrds, and specifically the song on their 1965 album, 'Turn, Turn, Turn,' featuring the band's arrangement of the original song, written by Pete Seeger in the 1950's, comes to mind. 'Turn, Turn, Turn' was performed by The Byrds on The Ed Sullivan Show. No doubt some of you may have, like my family enjoyed a Sunday evening viewing it. The song was listed on Billboard's Top 100 Chart in the Fall of 1965, and was nominated for a Grammy in 1967. The song uses in a lilting tune and whimsical almost literal rendition of the Biblical text that marks the passage of time.

At Pilgrim Chapel, there are several fall opportunities for our entire community. Our music concert series opens for the fall season on **Saturday, September 7th** at 7:00 pm at our Meeting House with 'An Evening of Opera & Operetta' featuring music ranging from Gilbert & Sullivan to Puccini and Verdi duets, as well as solo repertoire performed by Rachel Claborn, soprano & Tony Baek, tenor. These talented singers are graduates of CCM as well as alumni of Pilgrim Chapel's Artist in Residence program. It will be a delightful program. There will be a reception in Pilgrim's Garden immediately following the concert.

You will see listed on this page the schedule and books The Book Club is reading. This group meets on the third Wednesday each month at 7 PM at the church in The Sinclair Room. Coffee, tea, and dessert (often created with something relating to the book being read,) are served.

Pilgrim Chapel is part of the Southern Ohio & Northern Kentucky Association of The United Church of Christ. (SONKA) For the past several years, we have held a Pulpit Exchange Series. On Sundays: September 22, September 29 & October 6 each cluster church will hear from one of the ministers from a neighboring church in a sermon exchange. The theme for this year's program is 'Living Confidently' via Prayer, Living Contently, and Remaining Faithful. The Message for each of these Sunday's is based on The New Testament Book of Timothy. The series concludes on World Communion Sunday, which is celebrated by member churches and denominations of The National Council of Churches throughout the United States. A fall picnic is planned after the area churches services conclude. (Please check our FACEBOOK PAGE for specific details and location for the picnic celebration.)

On Sunday, October 20th Pilgrim will hold its annual **Italian Dinner** from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM. This is always a great community gathering bringing together good friends, neighbors, great food and a fun evening of music. The dinner is traditional Italian fare with Spaghetti & Meatballs, Lasagna, Salad, and dessert, lemonade, coffee & tea. (Adults

\$10.00 / Children under 12 \$5.00) Additional selections of beverages are available for a separate donation. Our musical guest and DJ is Mark Rasmussen.

In November, on Veteran's Day Sunday, November 10th we will gather to remember and thank those who have served in the nation's military. Special 'Americana' music will be performed during worship. The celebration continues with an Americana Concert and lunch in The Sinclair Room (and garden- weather permitting.) Finally, Thanksgiving Sunday, November 24th we will gather for a special family worship service to offer thanks for all the blessings that God has provided each of us during the year. There will be special music and presentations during the service.

All are welcome for worship each Sunday at 10:30 AM with coffee hour in The Sinclair Room after the service. Communion is served on the First Sunday each month. A Congregation Hymn sing is sung on the Third Sunday of each month where those gathered request the singing of their favorite hymns. We hope that you will join us. May blessings be with you during this season!

Pastor Dave Schwab & Pastor Bruce Ford

### Fall 2019 Happenings at Mt. Adams Pilgrim Chapel

Sunday September 1 Labor Day Weekend (Luke 14: 1, 7-14) Sermon: 'Open Table'

Saturday September 7 Pilgrim Concert Series Presents: An Evening of Opera & Operetta featuring Rebecca Claborn, soprano & Tony Baek, tenor. Concert 7 PM; Garden Reception follows. Doors open at 6:30 PM Tickets \$10 Available at the door.

Sunday September 8 (Luke 14:25-33) Sermon: 'A New Identity' Special Music – Rebecca Claborn, soprano and Tony Baek, tenor.

Sunday September 15 (Luke 15:1-10) Sermon: 'Growing In God's Love' Congregation Hymn Sing

Area U.C.C. Congregations Holding A Pulpit Exchange on Sundays September 22, September 29 & October 6th-

On Sunday October 6 as churches around the world celebrate World Communion Sunday participating congregations will gather for Picnic following morning services. For location, please check Mt. Adams Pilgrim Chapel Facebook Page.

Sunday October 13 (Luke 17:11-19) Sermon: 'Planting Life' Pilgrim Vocal Ensemble

Sunday October 20 (Luke 18:1-8) Sermon: 'Ask Boldly; Live Justly' Congregation Hymn Sing

**Annual Italian Dinner 5:00 PM Tickets \$10.00 Adults; \$ 5.00 (children under 12)**

Sunday November 10 Veterans Day Weekend (Luke 20:27-38) Sermon: 'Hold On To Faith'

(Americana: A Celebration of Uniquely American Music in Worship followed by a musical serenade in The Garden.)

Sunday November 17 (Luke 21:5-19) Sermon: 'Infinite Possibilities' Pilgrim Vocal Ensemble

Sunday November 24 Thanksgiving Sunday (Luke 23:33-43) Sermon: 'Together In Christ'

## HCI Highlights

by Elaine Fuel



### Summer Festival a Huge Success!

The Holy Cross – Immaculata Festival is always a favorite summer tradition in Mt. Adams, and this year was no exception. On August 2 and 3, people from all over Cincinnati descended upon Mt. Adams to take part in our annual event. We had absolutely perfect summer weather and great crowds.

Friday night started with big crowds early thanks to Happy Hour pricing and music by Cereal Killers featuring Matt Hueneman and Jay Crowley and What She Said with Special Guest Mt. Adams Natives. On Saturday night, everyone danced the night away to Haymarket Riot, a local favorite from the 1970s and 1980s.

Once again we featured great food offerings at the “Taste of HCI” International Food Festival! The booths ringed an area with tall tables designed for mingling. The booths featured small bites of favorite cuisine all around the world such as Mexico, Italy, Germany, America, and Greece, all at very reasonable prices.

This year our casino room was busy all weekend, and once again included special guest dealer Fr. Fecko! As in past years, the Silent Auction was a popular place, with so many great items to consider for a bid, including themed Parties such as Wine Tasting; Cooking Class with a View; A Bengals Backyard Tailgate; Multi-Course Gourmet Dinner; Dancing Lessons with Food and Drink, and a special Italian Cooking Class just for kids! The Raffle Baskets were great ways for both kids and adults to go home with a great smaller basket prize.

This year’s Silent Auction went digital, with all items available for viewing and bidding both online and on mobile phones. This allowed people to place bid even when they weren’t at the Festival. Although some were hesitant at first, once people got online it was hard to stop them. If someone was outbid on an item they would get a text letting them know to up their bid. It was a great way to stay connected to the Silent Auction all weekend!

There were booths aimed at entertaining kids of all ages, including the always popular Kids Alley and other fun games like Big Six, Split the Pot, Bars and Bells, Putt Putt, Ring A Bottle, and SuperHero Showdown. Those last few may sound like kid’s games, but even adults had a blast! The HCI Summer Festival owes its success to the many volunteers who planned the Festival, worked at the booths, prepared food, spent time setting up, cleaning up, and stringing up the colorful lights on Guido Street that give our Festival its distinctive look.

HCI wants to thank the Festival’s many sponsors, especially: our Entertainment Sponsor Towne Properties; and our Beer Sponsors Crowley’s, Tim and Lisa Massa, and Camden Homes; Silent Auction Sponsor Monastery Event Center, and our Kids Alley Sponsors Jim and Janet

Steiner, LaRosa’s Boudinot, B&B Mechanical, and the Covey Family; our Main Raffle Sponsor Factory Direct Candle; the HCI Market Sponsor HCI Women’s Prayer Group; Taste of HCI Sponsor Beau Tuke, Sibcy Cline; and the Info Booth Sponsor Mt. Adams Civic Association. We also thank Playhouse in the Park for allowing us to use their parking garage for Festival parking. Thanks also to Mt. Adams Beautification Association and Mt. Adams Yacht Club for each staffing a booth! Special thanks to our many friends from Pilgrim Chapel for their time and support. Thanks also go out to Quincy’s, Francis Obermeyer, Mario Zuccarello, and North Side Bank.

There were many others who were Booth Sponsors, Participating Sponsors, or Party Hosts, as well as volunteers all weekend long, including during set up and clean up, who helped make the Festival a fun and enjoyable atmosphere.

Thank YOU!! Our annual Festival would not be as successful as it is without all of these wonderful people and organizations, and the whole community of Mt. Adams!

Mark your calendars now for the first weekend in August 2020 for the next HCI Festival in Mt. Adams!

### Hilltoppers

The Hilltoppers, HCI’s 55 and older group, will be beginning their Fall season in September and will meet the second Wednesday of each month. They will have their first get-together of the season on Wednesday, September 11, when they go to the Doescher Candy Co. October 16 they are going to Krohn Conservatory with lunch at the Cincinnati Art Museum and on November 20 they will have Thanksgiving dinner at the HCI Parish Center. The rest of this year’s schedule of events has not yet been finalized, but is sure to be filled with wonderful activities and short trips around the Tri-State area, plus many opportunities to meet friends for Mass and lunch.

If you are a senior in Mt. Adams, we invite you to join the Holy Cross – Immaculata Hilltoppers. Everyone is welcome! For more information please contact Ann Carroll at [awcarroll@zoomtown.com](mailto:awcarroll@zoomtown.com) and please let her know if you need transportation.

### HCI Outreach to the Community

HCI is always looking for more assistance with our Outreach Programs to the Cincinnati community. We are always happy to have new volunteers join us or special donations made to keep these programs going and doing good work. Please see below for some of our Outreach opportunities:

Tender Mercies: Lunch the first Wednesday of every month  
Catholic Worker House: Dinner every Thursday evening (for about 16 people)

St. Leo Church in North Fairmount: delivery of food and personal care items

Hope House in Clermont County: Thanksgiving Dinner supplies  
Hope House, Tender Mercies, and the Problem Pregnancy Center: Our giving tree to supply Christmas Gifts for these organizations goes up in Church around Thanksgiving. We ask that all gifts be returned by December 8 so gifts can be delivered to appropriate groups



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*MABA Meeting at the Blind Lemon*



*HCI's talented young volunteers*



*A good looking crew of volunteers at the HCI Festival, the Turners*

*Right : Peter Djuric's beautiful Martin Drive garden entry to Mt Adams*





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We'd like to give special thanks to Nancy Feldman and others who spend many hours of their personal time working to support these groups doing life-changing work in our community. If you'd like to help out or if you have questions, please call the parish office at 513-721-6544.

#### Remembering and Honoring

On Sunday, November 3, HCI will hold its annual Memorial Mass for all the deceased of the past year. On Sunday, November 10, HCI will once again celebrate its annual Armed Forces Sabbath Mass at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, followed by a reception in the Parish Center. The Armed Forces Sabbath is an opportunity to honor all military members, active duty, reserve, or retired, and thank them for their service to our country. This will be the 48th Annual Armed Forces Sabbath at HCI. It is a beautiful and moving Mass. We invite all those from the community to attend, whether you are or know a member of our military, or simply to give thanks.

For more information about Holy Cross – Immaculata Parish and any of its activities please visit the website at: [www.hciparish.org](http://www.hciparish.org), call the parish office at: 513-721-6544, or find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HCIParish> or Twitter at <https://twitter.com/HCIchurch>. Please follow us on Instagram at [hci\\_parish](https://www.instagram.com/hci_parish).



A Special dealer ( Father Len) added to the fun.

For Lipstick on a white shirt: Soften the stain first with a bit of Petroleum jelly. (Vaseline) Dab it with denatured alcohol, or hydrogen peroxide. Launder as usual.

Candle wax: Iron wax between 2 fresh paper towels with a warm iron. Keep using a new paper towel until no more wax transfers. Lay face down on fresh paper towel and apply pre-wash stain remover or dry cleaning fluid. blot with fresh paper towels. Let dry. Launder as usual.

*Please Join Us!*

**Mt. Adams Pilgrim Chapel Concert Series**

**Saturday, September 7, 2019 at 7:00 PM**

**An Evening of Opera & Operetta Under the Stars**

Featuring Rebecca Claborn, Soprano, Tony Beck, Tenor, and Jacob Miller, piano. Join us for an evening of music written by some of the world's great composers From Gilbert & Sullivan to Puccini & Verdi scored for Soprano & Tenor.

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## What's Up at the Main Library

### Exhibits & Events

#### Chinese Railroad Workers Photography Exhibit

Aug. 1-31 Downtown Main Library

To celebrate the 150th anniversary of the American transcontinental railroad completion and the significant contribution made by Chinese-American workers to this historical project, the Chinese Railroad Workers Photography Exhibit is on display at the Main Library. This exhibition pays tribute and gives a voice to the approximately 20,000 Chinese workers, who with extraordinary determination and courage, completed the massive west coast segment of the world's first transcontinental railroad. It shows the history of the Chinese railroad workers who shed blood and tears on this project from 1865 to 1869.

#### Here Comes the Showboat! ( See graphics on next page)

Aug. 2–Oct. 6 Joseph S. Stern Jr., Cincinnati Room, Downtown Main Library

The first successful showboat was Chapman's Floating Theatre launched in July, 1831 from Pittsburgh. William Chapman, Sr. was born in England and immigrated to America in 1827. He and his wife, Sarah had three sons and two daughters. Their showboat was 14ft by 100ft, and travelled down river to New Orleans. The declaration, "Here Comes the Showboat!" would cause great excitement in the small towns and villages along the rivers in the United States. For many this was the highly anticipated entertainment event of the year. Many shows included vaudeville or circus acts, drama and melodrama. See several photographs of showboats in their heyday.

#### Your Publishing Questions Answered—From Both Sides of the Desk

Saturday, Sept. 14, 1 p.m. Downtown Main Library — Reading Garden Lounge

Writer-in-Residence Jessica Strawser has a dual perspective on the publishing industry. She has been a novelist, essayist, journalist—but also the managing editor of multiple nonfiction book imprints, the chief editor of a leading national magazine, a marketing assistant involved in PR, and, through more than a decade at Writer's Digest, an attentive ear at plenty of tables filled with other and literary agents. For this session, she'll invite a couple of industry friends to join her at the podium and offer the best combined advice they can. This is your chance to ask anything you want to know about how it all works, how to break in, and how to set yourself up for continued success once you do. Registration is suggested.

#### The Wonderful World of Picture Book Art: Noisy Nora Comes to Cincinnati

Sunday, Sept. 15, 2 p.m. Downtown Main Library — Children's Learning Center

Acclaimed children's book author and illustrator Rosemary Wells wants to give children throughout the country the opportunity to experience original art. Through her Real Art for Young Artists initiative, Wells is allowing the Library to exhibit the original watercolor art from her classic

book Noisy Nora. The artwork is on display in the Children's Library at the Main Library beginning Sept. 15. To celebrate the opening of the exhibition, Rosemary Wells is visiting the Main Library for a presentation and book signing Sept. 15 at 2 p.m. No registration required.

#### Bell Bottoms to Gucci

Wednesday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m. Downtown Main Library — Genealogy & Local History Program Space

Join author Ellen Everman as she discusses her new novel, Bell Bottoms to Gucci, which takes the reader on a ride back to the 1960s-1970s. Everman is a free-lance writer/editor who lived through the colorful and psychedelic 1960s and watched hippies transform into yuppies in the 1970s as she jet-setted around the country for a Cincinnati corporation. No registration required.

#### Lafcadio Hearn Anniversary Symposium

Saturday, Sept. 28, Downtown Main Library

A group of world-renowned literary and history experts is coming to Cincinnati from around the world to discuss a writer described as "exotic" and "strange." Lafcadio Hearn began his career in Cincinnati during the 1870s and later achieved literary acclaim for his books about Japan. The Lafcadio Hearn Anniversary Symposium features presentations by five Hearn aficionados from around the world and Hamilton County. No registration is needed. Visit the event calendar at CincinnatiLibrary.org for more information.

#### The Bricca Murders

Saturday, Sept. 21, 1 p.m. Downtown Main Library — Reading Garden Lounge

It was an unbelievable crime, a crime destined to become the most notorious cold case in Cincinnati history. Jerry, his wife, Linda, and young daughter, Debbie, were found stabbed to death in their home in the city's Bridgetown neighborhood. Striking between the fourth and fifth slaying of the Cincinnati Strangler, the Bricca killer plunged a city already on edge into an abyss. Author J.T. Townsend will speak and then sign copies of his book Summer's Almost Gone at this event. No registration required.

#### Cal Crim vs. The Black Sox — How Cincinnati's Super-Cop Broke the 1919 World Series Scandal

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 7 p.m. Downtown Main Library — Genealogy & Local History Program Space

Cal Crim was Cincinnati's super-cop – part Batman, part Sherlock Holmes. He was so popular that in 1901, when wounded in a shootout with "Foley the Goat," the citizens of Cincinnati chipped in to pay off his mortgage. Crim collared the murderers of poor Pearl Bryan and the Turkey King of Winchester, Kentucky. And it was Crim who unraveled the plot behind the 1919 Black Sox scandal. In celebration of the 100th anniversary of one of the single most infamous events in sports history, join us as renowned local historian Greg Hand, regular contributor to Cincinnati Magazine and WCPO-TV's Cincy Lifestyle show, discusses the events that led to the unraveling of the Black Sox's plot to throw the 1919 World Series to the Cincinnati Reds. Free. Registration not required.

#### The Mary S. Stern Lecture with Bryan Stevenson

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 7 p.m. Aronoff Center for the Arts

Join us for the inaugural Mary S. Stern Lecture featuring attorney and human rights activist Bryan Stevenson. Stevenson is one of the country's most visionary legal thinkers and social justice advocates, as well

as the author of the book *Just Mercy*. A MacArthur fellow and founder of the Equal Justice Initiative, Stevenson is a founding leader of the movement against mass incarceration in the U.S. He recently spearheaded the opening of the Legacy Museum and the National Memorial for Peace and Justice, the first national memorial to victims of white supremacy. Tickets are \$5 and go on sale at [www.cincinnatiarts.org](http://www.cincinnatiarts.org) Aug. 5. For more information about this speaker, visit [www.prhspeakers.com](http://www.prhspeakers.com).

### Books by the Banks

Saturday, Oct. 26, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Duke Energy Convention Center  
The 13th annual Books by the Banks Cincinnati Regional Book Festival is bringing more than 100 authors to town to celebrate literature and the love of reading. The festival features an Author Pavilion, where visitors can buy books and get them signed. Kids' Corner features free balloon sculptures, face painting, and acts by top-notch children's performers. There is an area for teens including V.I.P. author meet-and-greets and maker activities. And panel discussions with authors are held throughout the day. For more information, and to see a complete schedule of authors and events, visit [BooksbytheBanks.org](http://BooksbytheBanks.org).

### The Independent Eye

Wednesday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m. Downtown Main Library  
Did you know that Clifton was once home to an underground newspaper in the late 1960s and early 1970s? Come learn more about *The Independent Eye* from Reference Librarian Chris Smith, who is talking about the newspaper and its place in local and national history from the politics of the time to the musical acts coming through town. For more information, call 513-369-6909.

### Veterans Day

Monday, Nov. 11, 10:45 a.m. Downtown Main Library  
Bob Hamilton is discussing his service and his life at the annual Veterans Day Commemoration. Hamilton's service to his country is nothing short of remarkable. Hamilton served as a Marine and an AH-1G Cobra pilot with the Army. He was sent to Vietnam in August of 1970. He was shot down once and was awarded two Distinguished Flying Crosses, 50 Air Medals, and the Navy Achievement Medal with Combat V. He now lives in Cincinnati and is a retired surgeon and flight instructor who volunteered during Operation Desert Storm. His talk is part of an annual celebration dedicated to the men and women who serve our country. No registration is needed. Watch [CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://CincinnatiLibrary.org) beginning in October for more information on this annual event.

### Submarine Warfare Development between World War I and II: 1914-1945

Saturday, Nov. 16, 1 p.m. Downtown Main Library — Genealogy & Local History Program Space

In Honor of Veterans Day, historian Gary Q. Johnson is conducting a talk on the continued development of submarines and submarine warfare from 1914 through the end of World War II in 1945. Johnson spent time in the Navy working on nuclear submarines and has studied their advances and development over time. No registration is required.

### Girl Scout Camp-in

Saturday, Nov. 16, 6:30 p.m. Downtown Main Library  
Spend the night at the Main Library in downtown Cincinnati! This overnight program open to Girl Scout Troops (Juniors and Cadettes) offers an opportunity to explore arts, crafts, science, technology, and teamwork. Campers can use the Library's many resources including the impressive MakerSpace, to design, make, and take their own fabulous

creations all while exercising their creativity and building their STEAM skills. The event runs from 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, to 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 17. Cost: \$25 per person, including adults. Please register all Girl Scouts and adults. Troops must meet Girl Scout Safety Wise. Email [programs@cincinnatiatlibrary.org](mailto:programs@cincinnatiatlibrary.org) for more information.

### Beyond the Library's Walls

See the Story Book Club at the Art Museum, Eden Park Drive, Saturdays @ 11:30 a.m.

Join the Cincinnati Art Museum and the Public Library for exciting free book and art discussions!

Sep. 21 — *Sargent's Women* by Donna Lucey

Nov. 16 — *The Shadow of the Wind* by Carlos Ruiz Zafón

### News

Public Library signs statement about race, social equity

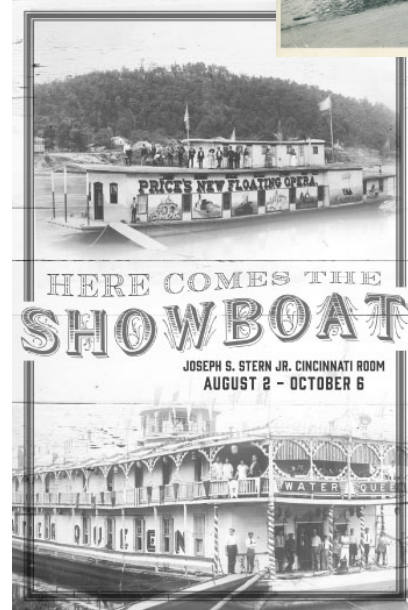
In March, the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County became the latest North American library to sign the Urban Libraries Council's (ULC) Statement on Race and Social Equity. This statement serves as a baseline upon which libraries can build policies and actions that make their communities more inclusive and just. Making this commitment is one step toward ensuring the Library is welcoming and inclusive to all, both from a staff and customer perspective. To learn more about the ULC, visit [www.UrbanLibraries.org](http://www.UrbanLibraries.org).

### Holiday Closures

The Library is closed on the following days:

- Monday, Sept. 2
- Thursday, Nov. 28

For more Library events and classes, or to make reservations, go to [CincinnatiLibrary.evanced.info/signup/List](http://CincinnatiLibrary.evanced.info/signup/List).





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## Cincinnati Art Museum embarks upon accessibility initiatives, including new front entrance ramp

CINCINNATI— The Cincinnati Art Museum is increasing its accessibility initiatives in 2019. One of the first visible changes will be a new ramp to the front entrance, allowing visitors in wheelchairs or with strollers to gain easy access to the front of the museum. Currently, the entrance for those with accessibility needs is the DeWitt entrance, at the rear of the museum facility.

The new front ramp is made possible through the generosity of the Joseph family of Cincinnati, and additional support was provided by the Fidelity Foundation.

Construction of the new front ramp begins February 25, and will be completed by the end of the summer. During the first six weeks of construction, the museum's front entrance will be closed every Tuesday–Friday at 3 p.m. During those times, visitors will need to enter through the DeWitt entrance. The front entrance will be open Friday at 3 p.m. through Sunday, and daily after the first phase of construction is completed. The museum will be open during the entire construction process.

"The twenty-first century visitor to the Cincinnati Art Museum experiences state of the art museum interpretation, stellar art collections and intergenerational learning. Equity and inclusion, for people of all abilities, backgrounds, and life stages, is essential to these goals. Universal and equal physical access is a welcome advancement we are excited to complete for Cincinnati," said Cameron Kitchin, Cincinnati Art Museum's Louis and Louise Dieterle Nippert Director.

As part of its current 2016–2020 strategic plan, the museum has already expanded accessibility programming, created a cross-divisional accessibility committee and carried out staff trainings about welcoming all visitors.

Since 2015, the museum has doubled the number of patrons who attended accessibility programs. New programming includes a before-hours sensory-friendly program called Autism Family Exploration, and Custom Accessibility Tours, scheduled sensory tours for groups who are not able to attend our regularly scheduled programming.

The museum has offered some accessibility programming since 2011. Original programs include Connect for adults with developmental disabilities, Touch Tours for people who are blind or partially sighted and American Sign Language Tours for people who are deaf or have partial hearing.

Current accessibility initiatives are being evaluated through post program surveys with participants and conversations with partners. In 2018 the museum was named the Faces of Autism, Community Partner of the Year by the Autism Society of Greater Cincinnati.

"I'm really excited to work together to make the museum a more accessible place for those with different abilities. We want to make the museum a leader in accessibility. The committee will find ways that we can better

welcome all kinds of visitors, and help them have the best experience possible while they are here," said Sara Birkofer, the museum's Manager of Accessibility & Gallery Programs.

In the fall, the museum hosted a staff accessibility training led by Child Psychologist Dr. Jennifer Smith from Cincinnati Children's Hospital Kelly O'Leary Center. They will continue on a quarterly basis and teach museum staff about welcoming all groups, people-first language and working with families with children who have autism and adults with developmental disabilities.

The museum has also created a social narrative and sensory friendly guide available online for visitors to review before their visit. Resources as well as information about programming can be found at [cincinnatiart-museum.org/access](http://cincinnatiart-museum.org/access). Questions or suggestions about accessibility at the Cincinnati Art Museum can be sent to [access@cincyart.org](mailto:access@cincyart.org).

## Innovative Smartphone Apps

By Jay Harriman, the Mouse Whisper'er

Things have changed. After the smartphone came out in 2007, it used to be a joke that there was an "app" for everything. Here the term "app" is short for computer application that can be installed on your phone. The change is that in the meantime this joke has become true.

Innovative people have created a revolution in our pockets. There are apps available for almost every purpose.

Since 2007 several things have enabled this change. First of all, networks are now far more reliable, and they are everywhere. Most people now live in homes with a network service from a local carrier, often a wireless network (WiFi). We are now accustomed to free wifi in coffee shops, restaurants, groceries, libraries, offices, waiting rooms, buses, trains, planes and hotels.

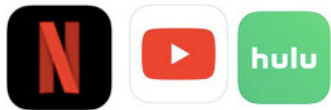
Secondly, so much of computers and computing in the technology industry has moved from the mainframe computer to the PC and then to the smartphone. Large businesses, schools and labs may still rely on large computers but almost all software today is designed to provide access via mobile phone or tablet.

Thirdly, we have become even more impatient, expecting instant answers and having much shorter attention spans. Most people now carry a smart device with them: phones, tablets, kindles, e-readers, game consoles or laptop PCs.

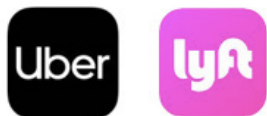
Here is a small sampling of interesting apps that you may not have known about. Almost apps are available on both Android and Apple phones as well as tablets (iPad, Surface, etc). And most apps are available as internet websites for PC users with web browsers.

So that you can have a realistic view of what the App you are interested in actually looks like, we have placed them on a page that can be printed in color for veracity. ( Ed)

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Netflix, Youtube and Hulu. These services are common alternatives to Cable TV and allow you watch television at home with just a WiFi connection. Each of these services offers an app for your phone/tablet/ PC so you can also watch TV away from home, in an airport, on a plane and so on, wherever there is a WiFi signal.



Lyft and Uber. With these apps you can get a ride just like a taxi but usually at a much lower cost. Fleets of participating drivers are available in most cities and can be engaged through these apps on your phone. Many people enjoy these rideshare services because they can be safer than taxis as well as cheaper. Once the driver drops you off at your destination, the service bills your credit or debit card and the ride is complete.



KNFB Reader. This is a text to speech reader. With this app you can point your camera at anything with text (books, labels or signs etc) and the phone will read it out loud. It will also display the text on a braille device if needed. This was originally developed as a universal book reader for the blind by Ray Kurzweil but now has many more uses. Multiple languages are supported.



Google I translate. This is an travel app on your phone that translates to and from a foreign language. Type in a phrase in English and the app automatically translates it to the target language of your choice, this works in reverse too. Also, point your camera to a menu or sign in another language and this app will display the same image on the screen in English or any other language you choose.



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Scrabble app allows you to play the traditional word game of an play against the computer or a friend/relative who also has the app installed. The best part about playing this game on a smartphone is that you do not have to play in one sitting. You can play a word now and close the app, returning to the game an hour, a day or a week later.



Cincy EZPark. This is a handy app to have on your phone. It allows you to park at any of the city parking meters without having change. Simply follow the app instructions to identify where your car is parked and how much time you need. The app will then send a secure transaction to your credit or debit card to pay the parking amount. The app even sends you a text message before the meter expires in case you would like to renew it. Renewing the parking meter can be done through the app without walking back to the car.



Star Walk. This app allows you to explore the heavens in new ways. It works with the meters in your phone or tablet to display the portion of the sky where you are looking. Open the app and hold your phone up to the night sky. The display will orient in the direction it is pointed, showing you constellations, stars and planets. You can click on any object in the sky and it will tell you about it. You may even be surprised by an actual satellite zipping across the screen.



Fix it Cincy! You can use this app to access Cincinnati City services. Report a pothole or debris in the roadway? File and track a complaint, or even find your next trash pickup or recycling day.



WebMD. This app provides a reliable source of physician-reviewed health information on the internet. The app allows you to enter symptoms and determine possible causes. It also lets you research issues by name and helps you establish healthy goals for eating and exercise.

For each of the apps above there are many alternative apps available that do similar things with slightly different features. And for each of the apps above there are hundreds of others app that are even more innovative. It is a wild wild world of apps available out there. I encourage you to explore and perhaps ask your friends which special apps they use. You may be surprised. JH



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## 2nd Annual Conquering CHD Walk

Walking for Congenital Heart Disease support, education, research, and advocacy.



Saturday, September 21, 2019

9:00am - 1:00pm

Mirror Lake in Eden Park, Cincinnati

**Register to walk, form a team, or donate at:**

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## Conquering Congenital Heart Disease

Each year 1 in 100 babies are born with congenital heart disease (CHD). CHD is the life-long consequence of a heart defect, or a structural abnormality of the heart present at birth. It is the most common birth defect. In 2019, in the U.S. alone, 40,000 babies will be born with CHD, of those, 25% will undergo life-saving open heart surgery or other interventions to survive. While there is much hope, and survival rates have climbed in the last 20 years, there is no cure. CHD requires a lifetime of specialized care. There is much we do not understand about CHD, what causes it, and how to prevent it.

The Pediatric Congenital Heart Association of Ohio is a state chapter of the national PCHA organization whose mission is to collaborate with parents, patients and providers to improve quality in care and health outcomes. They achieve this through CHD education, support, research and awareness. PCHA-Ohio partners with Cincinnati Children's Hospital and Nationwide Children's Hospital and deliver care kits, dinner and peer support to families of children undergoing critical medical procedures and long hospital stays. All of their volunteers have experienced a CHD journey and understand its hardships. They aim to improve the lives of those living with CHD wherever they are on their journey.

This year the 2nd Annual Conquering CHD Walk will take place on September 21 at Mirror Lake in Eden Park from 9am-1pm. There will be food, drinks, games, raffle and silent auction. Register to walk, form a team or donate at: [www.crowdrise.com/conqueringchdwalkohio](http://www.crowdrise.com/conqueringchdwalkohio).

**Have a glass enclosed shower to clean? First, let the shower run at its hottest temperature for a few minutes. The smears will come off easier. Use a clean mop...spray it with your glass cleaner and clean glass...rinse mop and return to the glass to rinse it down.**

**Remove ink stains from leather with toothpaste..no bleach please...just plain old toothpaste. Speaking of which, plain toothpaste mixed with baking soda and used gently, can often remove those white drink rings on your good furniture. If that doesn't work, try mineral oil ( from a drug department) and mix it with cigar ash.**

**Hanging prepasted wallpaper? (it's back in style) Try using a large cooler. It keeps the water warm longer and is tidier to use.**

**Too much salt in your dish? Slice an apple in thin strips and add to dish. After a while, toss the apple and the salt goes with it. If your soup is too salty, peel and slice a potato and add to soup. After 30 minutes, toss the potato.**

# I Can Sell That House in...

by Maryellen Horrigan

This is home number 11?, 12?, 13? I don't remember. I have kids born in San Francisco, Kansas City, Cincinnati...I think. The hubs was rarely home for this sales process. He was usually sitting in some furnished business rental in our future location awaiting our arrival, presumably with the house sold, and everyone ready to meet new friends. Did you sell it? How many came through? What did they say? This is the adult version of "Are we there yet?" It is also the recipe for a successful long marriage... every few years live six months apart.

I know the basic rules of selling a home...clean, purge, strip. Okay, clean is obvious. If necessary, get in a service. You need to spend your time more fruitfully. Toss, sell, give away all but what you truly can't live without. Think about a temporary storage unit. I had to use this in Los Angeles for the second smallest, most expensive home we had bought... a 40-year-old Hollywood-decorated ranch acckkk! The lady tried to sell my hubs her mirrored accessories and the pool table in the dining room, and he quipped, "why?" Oh My!

Take out every for-now unnecessary piece of furniture, large or small, the kids school papers all over the kitchen appliances, and all the litter of day-to-day family photos. If a potential buyer thinks your family is the model for that house, they will move on to find a family that looks like theirs. Your pictures are a distraction. Buyers should be mentally fitting their family and lifestyle into your house that you want them to buy. The only acceptable exception I have seen was a house on the market in January with a spectacular in-ground pool surrounded by old fashioned gas light style pole lights. They had the kitchen bulletin board tidily sporting pictures of day and night fun for all different aged groups around and in the pool. Perfect!

However, the real challenge is what to do when someone is about to view your home. There is an especially hot room in Hades for the Real Estate agent who sits on your curb and gee, was just driving by with a client and could they simply pop in. Grrr. Someone spilled juice, all over the floor, the dog is in season and can't go loose, there are back packs and school clothes everywhere, and you just got home from the grocery store and the bags are all over the counters. Who's on first?

When your house is on the market, you need a daily check list. And stick to it. The two top items on the list are the kitchen and the bathrooms. You can leave the house with a dusty living room and a newspaper on the sofa. You CANNOT leave a dirty stove. If the stove is filthy when I come through, I assume there is grub hidden all over to deal with. If you still have children at home, they each have a specific job. I had one smooth beds, one pushed any toy mess under the beds, one hung clothes, and the very important toddler FLUSHED!

One more comment, agents love vanilla. The more neutral your house is, the more they love it. It is easier for buyers to assume you have no personality at all, and they can do better. However, I believe there is such a thing as too vanilla. Buyers see a lot of houses. Not all of them are bright enough to take notes. There should be something that makes your house memorable. The house with the... An example: In Massachusetts we had our first grandchild. She slept at our house a few nights a week. I painted the room five coats of Chinese red. I had a twin bed for mom or dad with a Miro bedspread in popping colors and a crib cover with abstract animals in matching hues. Some told me the child would go blind! I refused to repaint. We had three offers ASAP, and all three mentioned the house with the red bedroom. Vanilla indeed! Do note, it was one small room, not the whole house.

If your house has not been updated in 40 years, you must decide if the décor is historic and fits the style of the house, or does it need a quick update/cleanup. Colored tile and bath fixtures in a mid century modern ranch is good, broken and/or cracked tile or non-matching fixtures...not so much. This is not the time, however, to rehab the kitchen. If your cabinets are scratched and gouged, consider painting them, or replace the doors. You can hire someone to do this well. If you replace all the cabinets, chances are the new buyer will throw out what you choose anyway. If they are tolerable, just not the latest, leave them alone. I don't want to pay for brand- new "I don't like that" choices. Buyers from other parts of the country have far different decorating tastes. Even HGTV is finally moving on out of its rut décor. I have never understood why my house should mirror every other like home in the whole country. Subway tile is today's avocado appliances.

In 1995, we bought in Cincy for the second time. After showing me three all white brand-new kitchens, I told the agent that the sellers would have to pay me to take them out. She nearly fainted. So she sold me a Bengal-owned 1860-80 shot-gun with 1970's cream colored Formica kitchen and baths. There was wall paper everywhere. Everything was a mancave gray, taupe, or deep beige, sprinkled with tigers. (There was the standout note, tigers!) The 10x12 kitchen had 4 doors, 3 huge windows, a half bath, and a short hall that included the basement stairs. There wasn't a cabinet wide enough for a cookie sheet. However, it had a spectacular view, a hot tub on the back deck, and 3 car parking. We bought it. I had to wait for the hubby's big-Company "Virtual Office." to move out. Then we added on and rehabbed. The event from Hell. The wait was good. It gave me time to test "empty nest." We rebuilt to suit us, and many like us. I kept the quirks down to minor décor. (There's an occasional terra cotta wall to break up the bowling alley look. My appraiser calls it Aladdin's Cave. Any house on the Hill that has been pushed to its allowable footprint is a gold piece in a beggar's bowl. The red tape is unfathomable. Whether you like the decor or interior at all is not as important as having to deal with City Hall. Take the formica and run! The interior is easy.

Try to keep your home within two weeks of the sales market. That's an ideal. There are always messy projects. But keep that goal in mind. When you market, just be sure it is clean, decluttered, and at least livable as is. And Flush!

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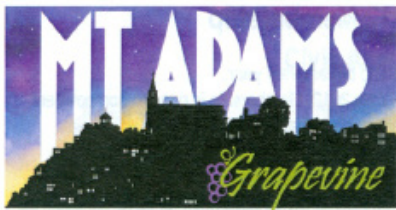
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