

## MACA Minutes June 6, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Frank Obermeyer at Immaculata community room at 7 pm. Present officers Marilyn Ormsbee and Sue Zimmerman and directors Judi Cettel, Steve Vogel, and Dan Weinstein.

**Fire Department:** Joe O'Shea talked about the dangers of nonprofessional fireworks. Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks including sparklers (They burn at 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit, and many get burned on head, face, ears, hands and fingers etc.). Make sure fireworks are legal. Keep a bucket of water or garden hose nearby. Light fireworks one at a time and never try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully. Never use fireworks while impaired by alcohol or drugs. 2021 injuries by firecrackers -1,500 and sparklers 1,100 injuries. 74% of injuries occur on July 4. Smoke Alarms Installation. Sign up to have Cincy Fire Department install smoke alarms in your home. They have smoke alarms earmarked for homes of students who attend Cincinnati Public Schools. For all others they have smoke alarms available from the American Red Cross. You can call the Fire Prevention Bureau at 357-7585 or email [cincinnati-oh.gov/fire/fire-prevention-forms-/smoke-alarm/](https://cincinnati-oh.gov/fire/fire-prevention-forms-/smoke-alarm/)

**Police Report:** Officer Amanda Johnson gave details on the Oregon St. shooting on May 26. There was a high school graduation party at an Air B&B. Neighbors reported hearing a gun shot at 11:20 pm. At 12:15 am University Hospital had a teenager shot in the right foot. He apparently went home, and his parent took him there. Police recovered shell cases. Some questions were raised about who rented the B&B since renters are supposed to be 24 years old. Also, there are at least 35 Air B&Bs in Mt. Adams. The problem of pedestrian traffic on St. Gregory dangerously crossing the street without paying attention to cars was mentioned. There will be a reorganization of the Police Districts and Mt. Adams will be included in the Central Business District. Also, the police are looking for volunteers for Citizen's on Patrol. Officer Johnson passed out applications.

**Cincinnati Rec. Commission:** Vanessa Henderson sent in her report. Bush Summer hours 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Monday - Friday. Bush Pool will open on Monday, June 12th. Open swim Monday to Saturday 1:00-6:00pm Memberships \$30.00 (or \$2.00 daily) Youth 17 under \$45.00 (or \$5.00 daily) 18-59 year-old \$30.00 (or \$3.00 daily) 60 year plus. More pools may open pending outcome of additional lifeguard classes. Classes are held at Mt Auburn pool. For more information, contact Aquatics 513-357-7665. Dine on a Dime will happen in July date TBA Free and open to public. Summer Day Camp is filled with 45 children. UC Health Mobile Mammography at Equitas Health Center: Friday, June 23, 2023 12:30 to 3:00 and Friday, July 14, 2023, 8:00am to -10:30am. Harriet Beecher Stowe Birthday Celebration Sunday, June 11th 1:00 to 4:00pm CRC Center Membership Information - cards are valid at all CRC centers (additional fees for fitness rooms). As a matter of safety adults may use the fitness room after 8:00am. The showers are not available during Sumer Day Camp hours 7am- 6pm.

**Cincinnati Art Club:** Christine Kuhr and Joe Stewart talked about the renovation of the building exterior. They are currently fundraising for the project. Joe Stewart is the chair for the fundraising campaign. There will be some fundraising events. The plan is to fundraise for 18 months. The main event will be a gala. But you can contribute at any time. Flyers were distributed.

**Sawyer Point Skating Rink:** Megan Rigaud talked about the skating rink and the skating parties with a DJ. Saturday 7-10 free rental skates for kids and adults can rent skates. There are all kinds of events and go to [skatedowntowncincy.com](https://skatedowntowncincy.com) to see all the events.

**Minutes:** The May minutes were approved as emailed.

**President's Report:** Frank thanked Maryellen Horrigan and Sue Zimmerman for their 15 years of publishing the Grapevine and introduced Terri Abare as the new publisher of the Grapevine. Terri is looking for help. People who are interested in working on the Grapevine can reach her at [macagrapevine@gmail.com](mailto:macagrapevine@gmail.com). MACA put an ad in the Playhouse playbill for *Origins* and *Shane* welcoming them back to Mt. Adams. Art on the Hill is June 10. There will be no Meeting in July since the first Tuesday of the month is 4<sup>th</sup> of July. August 1 will be National Night Out at El Barrel at 6pm. Volunteers are needed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Marilyn Ormsbee reported expenses of \$1,000 and the balance \$52,000.

**Planning and Development:** Steve Vogel reported on the 1036 St. Gregory. The house will be torn down and replaced on the same current footprint. We had concerns about a retaining wall, but it turns out the wall was for landscaping and not retaining. So as of now there are no variances needed.

**MABA:** Debbie Weinstein reported that all the pots and the bridge pots have been planted and please be careful when you see the Gator and people watering. The next meeting is June 13 at Roberta Teran's.

**Clean, Safe, and Attractive:** The purple flower pots have been removed on Pavilion and will be replaced.

**Membership:** No report

**Community Life:** Events are in the planning stage. National Night Out August 1. Volunteers needed.

**NSP:** Nothing to report.

**Business Guild Meeting:** The white paint on the lamppost was not vandalism; it was primer. The lampposts are being painted.

**Grapevine:** The summer issue is out. Extra copies can be found in the bank, churches, etc.

**Walking Tours:** Sunday 1pm at the Bar and Grill; \$10 per person.

**MAYC:** Yacht Club is celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary on June 22, 6-8:30 at River's Edge Event Center at Newport Landing. 101 Riverboat Row. The cost \$10 members and \$25 for guests. If interested email Dave Zimmerman by June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Pilgrim Chapel:** June 25 at 1 pm there will be a free presentation on "How to Talk to Your Doctor" by Dr. Peter Ruehlman. The talk will address a topic that often gets lost in the crisis of a new diagnosis or in circumstances where one could learn to be a "better patient." Dr. Ruehlman will cover health issues such as cancer, and end of life discussions.

**Holy Cross Immaculata:** Summer Festival is August 4 & 5. Sponsorships and volunteers are needed. There will be a Major Raffle, Silent Auction, Basket Raffle, Parish Parties, Bands, Food etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Submitted by Sue Zimmerman