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EUCLID HEIGHTS BOULEVARD - UPDATE

by

Barbara M. Littell

The surface drainage and preparation work of phase one (westbound lane) is almost complete, according to Dominic A. Tomaro, Cleveland Heights Director of Public Works, and the man in charge of overseeing and coordinating the project. It is hoped this portion of the work will be completed by May 15.

When the preparation is finished the old road-bed will be removed and the sub-base rebuilt; then a new base must be laid. When the next course, the binder (rough asphalt) is completed traffic should be allowed access to areas where there is no actual work going on.

This will be done in sections starting at Cedar and moving east to Coventry, and should take 3 - 4 weeks. Residents will be notified by the contractor when access to their homes will be limited. When the westbound lane is finished the whole process will be repeated in the eastbound lane.

All time estimates are subject to revision because of the weather. The first phase took a little longer than planned because of the heavy rains.

Work is being done simultaneously on the Lee-Taylor segment which is closed to through traffic. It is hoped that this segment will be completed June 1. Plans for the segment between Coventry and Lee are now being formulated.

POLICE COVERAGE INCREASED

At a recent meeting on the EHB project, communicators expressed concerns about police and fire protection. A call to Police Chief Martin Lentz established that he shared their concerns. Police patrols have been increased at night when residents must park at a distance from their homes.

Extra radar watches have been assigned for traffic control on the two way lane and "Look Both Ways" signs have been erected.

Chief Lentz and his staff have surveyed the area to determine possible access to properties from the rear. Strategies have been developed to deal with possible criminal activity; plain clothes men have been assigned to this activity.

All police officers are routinely updated regarding construction at the start of each shift, using video tapes.

Calls from the area will be earmarked

for "special attention" and regular communication between the police and fire departments will be maintained. If you see any unusual or questionable activity do not hesitate to call the police.

FIRE/EMERGENCY PLANS EXPANDED

"The CH Fire Department (FD) usually doesn't have problems with obstacles -- but does have a problem if surprised by them," according to Lt. Robert Maver of the Fire Prevention Bureau. Planning and preparedness are part of the FD's day to day operation.

During the work on EHB there will be twice daily inspections of the progress so that if, for instance, there is a catch-basin being installed and there is a gaping hole at the end of a drive at a particular address, that information is on the FD's map should they get a call for emergency vehicles.

The department has a fire plan for every major (Continued on page 10)

BOOS AND BRAVOS

- BRAVO:** Thanks to everyone who helped out on Coventry Village Clean-up Day. Their efforts really made a big difference in how our neighborhood looks.
- BOO:** To the dog owners who are allowing their pets to befoul the new city park in front of Coventry Yard. When the park is completed it will be a really nice place, so let's not mess it up.
- BRAVO:** To Jim McCormick of the Illuminating Company for his prompt correction of the improper street lamps that were installed on streets north of Mayfield between Coventry and Hillcrest (see April CVN). Also, those noisy street lights on Kenilworth Road that the neighbors have been complaining about have been fixed. Good Work!
- BOO:** To the joggers who are wearing out the grass and making a trail on the Euclid Heights Blvd. median strip. C'mon, joggers, it's a big median; try to vary your path a bit.
- BRAVO:** Many thanks to the Heights Community Congress and WVIZ-TV for their innovative home repair series. This program should help householders save money and make our neighborhoods better looking at the same time.
- BRAVO:** To the Horvitz Construction Company for silencing those noisy motors that provide power for the flashing arrows at the EHB construction site. Many neighbors found the motor noise hard to take 24-hours-a-day.
- BRAVO:** To the City of Cleveland Heights, those "Look-Both-Ways" signs should make getting on to Euclid Heights Boulevard safer.
- BRAVO:** To the Cleveland Heights Board of Control for insisting that K-Mart and Pick-n-Pay have a design scheme for their new Severance Center stores that is of good quality and respectful of architecture in the area.

-- Charles Owen

DANCE CENTER MOVES - TEMPORARILY

The Dance Center, which has been operating its program at the Coventry Village Library, will re-locate during the library reconstruction. Its temporary home will be in the basement of the University Heights Branch of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Library System, located at the corner of Cedar and Fenwick Roads in the Cedar Center shopping area.

There, they will operate a full compliment of dance classes from June 29 till August 22. A fall semester is also being planned at that location. Plans for the 1982 winter and spring semesters will be deferred at this time pending availability of the new space at the Coventry Library.

The Dance Company will perform on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, May 6, 8 & 9 downtown at Cleveland's Trinity Cathedral at 22nd and Euclid. Performances begin at 8:00 PM. Tickets will be available at the door. There is ample, free, guarded parking behind the Cathedral on Prospect.

The Company will appear at Cain Park during the summer, July 8 & 9.

COVENTRY VILLAGE ARTS FAIR PLANS PROCEED

by

F. David Gill, Chair, Coventry Village Arts Fair Committee

The 1981 Coventry Village Arts Fair will be held from 6 PM to 11 PM on Saturday, July 11, and from Noon to 7 PM on Sunday, July 12, pending City approval.

The change of name from "Street Fair" to "Arts Fair" is part of an evolution in which creative aspects of the Fair such as the fine arts, music, dance, mime, and the like are emphasized, and inappropriate behavior discouraged.

Note that the Fair will open Sunday one hour earlier than in the past.

If you need more information, or if you would like to participate in the Fair, please call one of the following as appropriate:

General Information - F. David Gill 321-4735

Booth Space Reservation - Kathryn Young 321-3413

Juried Fine Arts - Sherri Appleton or Shelly Bachman 932-4423

Musicians may send tapes for consideration to River City Music, 13309 So. Woodland, #3, Cleveland 44120.

The next Coventry Village Arts Fair Committee meeting will be at 2572 Kenilworth Road, Monday, May 11 at 7:30 PM. Anyone interested in participating or observing is cordially invited.

POSTER COMPETITION

by

Bruce Hennes

The Coventry Village Arts Fair Committee is sponsoring a competition to choose the publicity poster for this year's Arts Fair.

Any resident of Cleveland Heights and anyone attending school in Cleveland Heights may enter.

First Prize is gratitude and exposure; your signed work reproduced with area-wide distribution. Two runners-up will have their work prominently displayed at a special Fair exhibit.

Technical requirements are as follows:

1. The poster must be in black ink on white stock, reproducible by photo-offset.
2. The poster must be 14" x 19" with a 1" border beyond the cut size marks.
3. The winning poster also becomes the design for the official Fair T-shirts. Thin lines will not transfer well to T-shirts.
4. The poster must contain the following information:
 - A. "Coventry Village Arts Fair"
 - B. "Saturday (or Sat.) July 11 and Sunday (or Sun.) July 12"
 - C. "(Sat.) 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM and (Sun.) 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM"
 - D. "A production of Coventry Neighbors, Inc."
 - E. The location and/or a small map is optional
 - F. The artist's name, address, phone number, and school affiliation (if any) must be printed on the back of the submission.
5. The Committee reserves the right to make minor alterations.
6. Design of the winning poster becomes the property of Coventry Neighbors, Inc. Actual art work for all submissions will be returned to the artists.

All entries must be delivered to 2910 Hampshire Rd. (at Wilton) no later than 9:00 PM, June 1, 1981. The decision of the Committee is final. You will be notified by phone as when to pick up your entry.

For Further Information call 321-4670.

A HELPING HAND

by
Carol Hamilton

If you are a kid, it is the neighborhood place to go for candy, comic books and toys, not to mention a place to receive simple first-aid, make an emergency phone call or take shelter from a bully or other harassment on the street. The place is Carroll Drug and owner, Don Horvat, is the man who has offered his helping hand to young and old alike since he set up business on Coventry in 1976. Now it is official; Don is one of approximately 35 local residents and merchants who have become participants in the "Helping Hand" program sponsored by the Coventry Elementary PTA and organized this spring by JoAnn Rosen, a PTA member and the mother of three.

The program was formed as a safeguard against the day when a child may need aid while far from home. These havens for kids are identified by the Helping Hand insignia, a blue hand on a light green background, that can be seen in the windows of Arabica, Coventry Bike & Ski, the Coventry Library and Carroll Drug.

Thanks to these Coventry merchants who believe that in Coventry Village. . . We look out for each other.

COVENTRY VILLAGE LIBRARY - CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

by
Barbara M. Littell

It will be business as usual for the Coventry Village Library during the interior reconstruction phase of the Library's \$250,000 renovation project, according to Rachael Nelson, Director of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Library system.

The first phase of the project, the exterior work, is almost complete. A hole has been dug for the elevator shaft which will provide access to the library for elderly or disabled people, and the masonry has been opened for access from Washington Blvd. The roof work has been completed, and the gutter work and windowframes are almost finished. Landscaping, which was started last year, is progressing according to plan. In the meantime planning is in progress for the interior design; specifications are being prepared for furniture and carpets. The current tenants have been given until June 30 to vacate, so that the next phase can start, July 1.

The next phase is the front interior. This should be completed by the end of the year at which time the library will move into the newly renovated space and the area where the library had been will be remodeled for the Dance Center. "Normal" library programming, i.e. story hours, children's theatre, poetry readings, etc., will be continued as usual. Any changes will take place after the move is completed.

The Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf will vacate their space at the end of the current season and will relocate permanently. The Dance Center will move to the University Heights Branch Library at Cedar and Fenwick, conduct its summer and fall programs there and, depending on construction progress, return to Coventry for its winter or spring semester.

The Heights Guild of Artists and Artisans will continue its Co-Op in the basement through the end of 1981. No decision has yet been made regarding the allocation of the basement space.

FAIRMOUNT, DOBAMA OPENINGS

May 7 will be a busy day in Coventry for in addition to CNI's Trustees meeting and the Annual Spring Concert of Coventry School's Choir and Orchestra, both Fairmount Theatre for the Deaf (FTD) and Dobama are opening new shows: FTD, Edward Albee's Seascapes and Dobama, A Life In the Theatre by Pulitzer playwright David Mamet.

Seascapes is a fantasy, played on a beach by two couples, one human and the other reptile - but it's really about human relations. Curtains are at 8:00 PM Thurs - Sun and 2:00 PM Sun, May 10 & 31; and 2:00 and 7:30 PM, May 17 & 24 at the Coventry Village Library, 1925 Coventry Road, Cleveland Heights. Box office opens Mon - Fri, 9 - 4 and two hours prior to performance, 932-2573 (Voice or TTY).

A Life In the Theatre is a two man show - an older actor (Ted Burr) who tells a younger actor (Ken Armour) about his life in the theatre on stage and off. Marge & Everett Dodrill direct and stage; with sets by Ron Newell, Kate Janezic is producer.

Curtain is at 8:30 on Thurs & Sat, 9:00 on Fri and 7:30 on Sun. The show runs until May 30. Dobama still has the best ticket prices in town, \$3.75 (Sat \$5.00). This will be the last of Dobama's regular season productions but the company is already hard at work on the 3rd Annual Marilyn Bianchi Play Writing Festival to be held in June.

FAIRMOUNT THEATRE OF THE DEAF TO LEAVE COVENTRY

When Seascapes closes, May 31, Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf (FTD) will have completed its 1981 season and its sojourn on Coventry. FTD's lease was not renewed by the Library Board because the space currently occupied by them is needed for library expansion. In 1981-82 FTD will produce four shows at the Cleveland Play House's Brooks Theatre. The Theatre Trustees are looking for additional space for classes, rehearsal, office, shop and storage, preferably in the Heights area.

The last activity on Coventry will be an open house, May 26 & 27 for people interested in the Summer Experience in Sign Language Theatre program being offered during July and August. This program, funded by the National Committee on Arts for the Handicapped as a pilot project, will be for both deaf and hearing students from ages 11 to 20, without cost.

Workshops in Acting/Singing in Sign; Mime/Movement/ Theatre Production; Costumes; Promotion; Sign Language for Theatre will be conducted by Betty Kravitz and Michael Regnier. At the end of the season, a play will be produced which will be video taped and used throughout the United States as a teaching tool.

The open house will be at 7:00 PM at the Theatre in the Coventry Library at 1925 Coventry. For further information call 932-2573.

THE 3rd ANNUAL MARILYN BIANCHI PLAYWRITING FESTIVAL

Mark your calendar NOW. On June 10 the 3rd Annual Marilyn Bianchi Playwriting Festival will hold a special benefit performance. This year 272 entries have been received, evaluated, the winners chosen and the plays are in production. The winning plays will be presented at this special benefit and the authors will be present to receive their prizes and experience the joy of having their plays produced by Dobama's professional company.

In 1979 the winning scripts were published. Due to lack of funds in 1980 Dobama was unable to publish them. It is hoped that proceeds from this year's special benefit will enable both the 1980 and 1981 plays to be published. Tickets at \$10.00 may be reserved by calling Joyce Casey at 247-8938.

-- bobble littell

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS REPORT Charles Owen, Chair

A MEETING OF MINDS. On a rainy April evening, the Environmental Concerns Committee had the pleasure of meeting Cleveland Heights Mayor, Robert Arnold and Health Director, Walter Oswald. Mr. Arnold agreed at the meeting to help the Committee in its efforts to resolve some of Coventry's more pressings environmental concerns. The discussion focused on four problems:

Early deposits and late removal of garbage Dumpsters from neighborhood sidewalks and treelawns by property owners.

Early deposit of trash and other refuse well in advance of the City's collection day.

Problems with present City pick-up process for bulk items (couches, etc.) and white goods (stoves, etc.) from neighborhood treelawns.

Frequent violations of animal leash laws, especially in the evening hours.

While the Committee knows that things won't change overnight, we would like to thanks Msrs. Arnold and Oswald for working with us and supporting our goals.

COVENTRY SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM. The Environmental Concerns Committee, pursuant to authorization at the April CNI meeting, has applied for the sponsorship of four Cleveland Heights youths under the C.E.T.A. program again this summer. The high school age youth will work 20 hours per week on environmental protection in Coventry Village, from 15 June through 21 August, 1981.

FLOWER PLANTING The flower planting program is expected to start in mid May.

OPERATION PRIDE The park benches that were ordered with the \$5,000 grant that Coventry Neighbors received under the Operation Pride program have arrived at City Hall. The benches will be at the commons between Hampshire and Lancashire Road, the parking lot on Hampshire near Coventry Road and at the City park in front of Coventry-Yard. The benches will be assembled as soon as possible by the Cleveland Heights Service Dept.

INTERESTED? Anyone who would like to join us should drop a note to Coventry Neighbors, Inc., 2745 Hampshire Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44106.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT F. David Gill, Chair

The committee met on April 28 to prepare a list of neighborhood recommendations for the rumored expansion of the Pick-n-Pay store. These are likely to be presented for discussion and ratification at the May 12 general meeting of CNI, as will the issue of the ABC sign variances (See Community Bulletin Board, page)

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE REPORT David R. Burwasser, Chair

A special meeting of Coventry Neighbors, Inc., has been called for May 26, 1981 to consider the proposed new Constitution and Bylaws of CNI. The draft documents comprise the report of the Constution & Bylaws Committee, which has been convening intensively since February. The meeting, which will be at the Unitarian Society, 2728 Lancashire, will be open but only dues-paid members as of April 26 may vote. Copies of the old and new versions have been mailed to the membership. Thanks to Committee members Bruce Hennes, Bobbie Littell, and Kathryn Young. Thanks also to Diane Bersnak for some envelope work and to Lonnie and Benjamin Hennes for tolerating constitutional business in a residential environment (theirs).

CRIME PREVENTION TASK FORCE REPORT. Bruce Hennes, Chair

COVENTRY VILLAGE. . . We Watch Out For Each Other Is the slogan adopted by CNI's Crime Prevention Task Force for its upcoming educational campaign. The Task Force's action was ratified by Coventry Neighbors, Inc. at its April meeting.

The slogan is designed to express concerns about everything from neighborhood security to village friendliness.

This slogan will again come up for consideration at the May meeting when it will be proposed as a slogan for Coventry Neighbors, Inc. If CNI adopts it, it will appear on all CNI publications.

If you have any questions or other slogan suggestions please call Bruce Hennes at 321-4670.

The next meeting of the Task Force will be on June 11, at 8:00 PM at the home of Carla Fletcher, 3015 Lincoln Blvd.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REPORT bobbie littell, Chair

EUCLID HEIGHTS COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK Howard Koverman of Concerned Residents of Euclid Heights Blvd. (EHB), coordinator of the apartment house segment of the communications network being set up by CNI's Community Affairs Committee, announced that he has contacts in eight buildings. It is hoped that a contact person can be found in each building so that messages about the construction project concerning access to the apartments can be communicated to the residents.

In a project of this scope it is virtually impossible to adhere to a strict schedule because of many variables. The Horvitz Construction Co. is responsible for notifying the residents in advance when access is to be curtailed. When schedules cannot be adhered to, the planned network will make it possible to notify the residents of these changes. When a change occurs, the contractor will contact Koverman, who will in turn notify one person in each building who will tell the others in his/her building. In this way vital information can be communicated in a matter of hours.

COMMUNICATORS who attended a recent meeting expressed concerns regarding parking, police, fire and emergency coverage during the reconstruction. In a meeting last week with City Manager, Richard V. Robinson, Koverman received the City's pledge to cooperate with our efforts to identify the cars of EHB residents who have been displaced by the reconstruction. Koverman has prepared stickers which will so identify EHB residents cars. These stickers, instructions for their application and an information packet will be distributed by him. If you wish to receive a sticker, call Howard Koverman at 321-3502 or 932-3398. Descriptions of City Hall's plans in regard to police, fire and emergency coverage can be found on page 1.

CORRECTION: Although CNI was asked for A-95 review comments in March, we have not become an "A-95 Review Agency" as reported in the April CVN. Karen Lind, Coventry neighbor and NOACA employee, explained to CYN that an organization can be "solicited for comment" on a discretionary basis; this is not the same thing as being a "review agency." It is still a tribute to CNI's reputation for soundness and judgement.

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* CNI is looking for residents of EHB
* apartments who have a telephone and
* a concern for their neighbors, to
* serve as COMMUNICATORS in their own
* buildings to help their neighbors
* get answers to questions arising from
* the reconstruction of EHB; to pass on
* messages about building access; and
* to identify persons with specific
* problems.
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* Hours: week-days, evenings, week-ends
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* Call: Howard Koverman, 321-3502
*       bobbie littell, 321-8397
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**** COMMUNITY CALENDAR ****

MAY

- 4 City Council - 7:30
City Hall
LIBRARY: Flight Inflation with Information 7:30
- 5 LIBRARY: After School Special 2:30 & 3:30
- 6 LIBRARY: Preschool Story Hour 10:30 & 2:30
New Decade Players 4:00
DANCE CENTER: 7:30
Trinity Cathedral
- 7 COVENTRY SCHOOL: Bike Rodeo 6:00; Choir & Orchestra 7:30
CNI TRUSTEES 7:30, 2910 Hampshire Road
FTD - Seascapes 8:00
DOBAMA - A Life In The Theatre, 8:30 Openings
- 8 DANCE CENTER: 7:30
Trinity Cathedral
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Trinity Cathedral
- 10 Judy Chicago Show Opens
3130 Mayfield Road
- 11 STREET FAIR COMMITTEE
7:30, 2573 Kenilworth
- 12 LIBRARY: After School Special, 2:30 & 3:30
CNI GENERAL MEETING
7:30, Unitarian Society
- 13 LIBRARY: After School Story Hour 10:30 & 2:30
New Decade Players 4:00
- 14 COVENTRY SCHOOL - Bike Rodeo (rain date) 6:00
- 16 HCC Home Repair Workshop
10:00 AM & 1:00 PM
- 18 CNI ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE 7:30
1642 Glenmont (up)
CITY COUNCIL 7:30
City Hall
LIBRARY: Book Discussion, 7:30, Watership Down
- 19 COVENTRY SCHOOL - Pre School Round up 8:30 - 11:30 AM
LIBRARY - After School Special 2:30 & 3:30

- COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD -

LIBRARY NOTESDebbie Graves

Coventry Library hosted the first annual Book and Author Dessert on April 11 with about fifty people attending. Approximately 16 were authors from the Coventry area: Ben Berkey, Harvey Pekar, Alice Shustic, Bert Stratton, Robert Wallace, Barbara Angell, Diane Leonard Trawich, Robert Lenning, Joan Jordan, Harry Shapiro, Frederick Taft, Natalie Crouter and J.B. Silver were among the authors attending from Coventry with Louis Block joining us from University Heights. We hope to have a repeat of the program next year and hope that more Coventry neighbors will come to share the great resources we have in the people of this area!

The last Inflation Fighting programs will be held May 4 & May 19. On the 4th Shony Long, Coventry Librarian, neighbor and free lance writer will join Susan Barlow of Pick-n-Pay to discuss Coupons and Refunding. Ms. Barlow will also discuss Nutriscan, a nutritional scorecard developed by Pick-n-Pay. On the 19th Sandy Montalvo will come from the Illumin-

ation Co. to discuss Home Energy Conservation. Our book discussion this month will be on Watership Down, by Richard Adams. If you enjoy this book, come and defend it, as Ms. Graves does not.

THE HOME REPAIR "NACC".Reid Robbins

The Heights Community Congress(HCC) has received a one year grant from the Cleveland Foundation to assist Cleveland Heights residents who are interested in doing their own basic home repairs through a program entitled Project NACC (Neighborhood Alliance for Code Compliance). The HCC will be conducting "How-to" workshops where local tradesmen will offer instruction on common maintenance problems. Workshops currently scheduled include window repairs and basement waterproofing on Sat, May 9; and exterior painting and plumbing repair on Sat, May 16. All workshops are free, but reservations are necessary. If interested call the HCC at 321-6775.

The HCC staff are also available to help any street interested in organizing a work sharing campaign, a tool exchange or joint bidding with contractors. These strategies can help reduce home repair costs while also raising concern for the physical appearance of the street. If you think your block might be interested in any of these ideas, call HCC and a staff member will assist you in contacting your neighbors and organize a street meeting.

GARD -
- COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD -

** COMMUNITY CALENDAR **
MAY

PLANNING & ZONING NOTES. . . F. David Gill, P/Z Chr. 19

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING, May 20.

BZA CALENDAR #1469: Request of ABC Appliance, 1782 Coventry Road, for permission to keep their 22½ square foot projecting sign.

As reported here last month, the BZA ordered this sign removed in March in response to ABC's appeal of the Building Commissioner's similar decision. ABC is now asking that the same Board grant a Zoning Code variance so that the sign may stay in place.

During appeal cases, public comment is not solicited. However, the public is invited to address the Board on this matter, since a variance is now being sought. CNI will have the opportunity to present an opinion if it so chooses, at the 7:30 meeting at City Hall.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN. Rachel Beam

Coventry Neighbors Crime Prevention Task Force is sponsoring a Self-Defense Workshop for women only. The three hour workshop teaching the basics of self-defense will be held at Coventry School on May 26 from 6:30 - 9:30 PM.

The workshop, which is being conducted by the Rape Crisis Center will also provide information on rape prevention. Parts of this program were televised several months ago, and was highlighted by women being shown how to break a board with their bare hands.

Reservations by women 18 or over (unless accompanied by a parent) may be made by calling Rachel Beam at 371-6095. The cost is \$6.00. Please try and come. The benefits you can gain for such a minimal amount of time and money are endless.

CRIME PREVENTION NOTEBOOK -- Residential Security

Sooner or later, your home may be a target for burglary. The generally young and inexperienced burglar is looking for an easy target; to gain entrance as easily, quietly and quickly as possible.

Common sense dictates simple, low cost methods of protecting your property; install deadbolt locks; don't hide keys in "hidden" places outside; use electric timers for your lights when you go on vacation. The list goes on.

Another common sense action involves "hiring" a security professional to give you a detailed, personalized analysis of both the inside and outside of your home. Sound expensive? Just call the CH Police Department's Crime Prevention Bureau (321-1234) and set up an appointment for such an analysis

- LIBRARY: Flight Inflation With Information - Home Energy Conservation 7:30 PM
- COVENTRY SCHOOL - Pre-School Round-Up 8:30 - 11:30
- LIBRARY: Pre-School Story Hour 10:30 & 2:30
- BZA 7:30 City Hall
- COVENTRY SCHOOL Pre-School Round-Up 1:30 - 3:30
- LIBRARY: After School Special 2:30 & 3:30
- CRIME PREVENTION TASK FORCE Self Defence Workshop 6:30 - 9:30 PM.
- CNI CONSTITUTION & BY-LAW REVIEW, 7:30 Unitarian Society.
- FTD OPEN HOUSE 7:00
- LIBRARY - Pre-Story Hour 10:30 & 2:30
- New Decade Players 4:00
- DOBAMA - A Life in The Theatre closes
- FTD - SeaScapes closes.

JUNE

- Deadline for COVENTRY VILLAGE ART FESTIVAL's Poster Contest
- LIBRARY - After School Special 2:30 & 3:30
- LIBRARY: Pre-School Story Hour 10:30 & 2:30
- New Decade Players 4:00
- CNI TRUSTEES 7:30, 2910 Hampshire Road
- DOBAMA - 3rd Annual Play Writing Festival Benefit 8:00 PM.

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* God is a verb.

* --Buckminster Fuller

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— Bruce Hennes

ODDS 'N ENDS

Coventry Art Gallery, 1816 Coventry Road opened its newest show "from Kent" May 3 with works by members of the faculty of KSU. I do hope you got to see the April show. It was a blast. . . Reid Robbins who has been HCC staff person in Coventry is leaving to take a position as housing analyst on a Cuyahoga Plan project in Maple Heights and Garfield Heights. Reid has been the one at HCC responsible for "running off" CVN. We shall miss him. . . I hope you had a chance to catch Charles Owen, Bruce Hennes and Alan Rapoport on the Lynn Sheldon Show on WERE last week when they talked about Coventry. If not you'll have another chance on May 19 when they will be on the Jim Hale Show again on WERE, AM 1300 in the early afternoon (time not firm yet). People in Greater Cleveland are discovering that Coventry is no longer a neighborhood of rebellious "hippies," rather in COVENTRY VILLAGE . . . we watch out for each other.

We are sad to note the passing of two ladies who have been an integral part of Coventry for many years, Mrs. Max Ferris and Mrs. Carrie Gaines. Although in failing health in past months, Mrs. Ferris helped her husband run Diamond Flowers on the strip until her death last week. Mrs. Gaines took over as custodian for Kenneth Ross, who owns a number of buildings in Coventry, when her husband died a number of years ago, and continued in that capacity until her death, also, last week. CNI offers sincere condolences to the families of both of these hard working and gracious ladies. They were part of what makes Coventry.

It is interesting to note that Cleveland now has a Men's Center right down the hill where Genesis was at 12200 Euclid. Good luck to this new venture. . . Congrats to Caledonia Neighbors - their new newsletter looks great - their logo is super.

The Heights Guild of Artists & Artisans started their spring classes in late April, and are now planning for their summer season from June 22 to July 29. Each class lasts 6 weeks. One, a Clay Workshop is presented as an alternative to summer day camp, so you'll have to register early. For further information send a card to Moira Beale, 12955 Larchmere #203, 44120.

In keeping with the spirit of renewal at the Coventry Village Library, the librarians would like to see their doll house restored. The house has been at the Coventry Library since it was purchased at a house sale in 1974. Hundreds of children have played with it since then and it is in need of some maintenance work. Anyone who would like to undertake this task should call Debbie Graves at Coventry Library.

-- bobbie littell

FIRE/EMERGENCY PLANS EXPANDED (Continued from Page 1)

BUILDING in the city, complete with maps, floor plans and strategies. Each fireman has a book similar to a football players "play book," which contains his personal assignment according to the plan. When a routine inspection of the city is made all construction, road work or conditions that affect operations are noted on FD's map. At the beginning of each shift, plans are updated to cover current conditions.

During the period of limited access to EHB, the Asst. Fire Chief and an officer from Station #1, which serves this area, will have up-dated, first hand knowledge of conditions. Routing, access to hydrants and strategies will all be planned in advance and updated twice daily, Maver said.

COUNCIL COMMENT

CIVIL GOVERNMENT. Cleveland Heights Council got tweaked in this space last month for delays in passing the revised Point-of-Sale (POS) inspection ordinance. No sooner was the ink dry here than Council did, indeed, unanimously enact a revised POS law that, according to Public Safety & Health Chair, Alan Rapoport, embodies "ninety percent" of what he was seeking. "It is no longer legally possible for a buyer to assume responsibility for point-of-sale violations without knowing what they are," Rapoport told the April CNI meeting.

A last-minute question was raised on the night of the vote by Mayor Robert Arnold, who wound up voting for the unamended bill after getting agreement that a tidying-up amendment could be appended later. The discussion was notable for its civility and restraint; Arnold furnished his colleagues with an apparently irresistible example of disagreeing without being disagreeable.

TREASURE IN TRASH. A divided Council passed an ordinance in April to outlaw the removal of trash set out for collection on treelawns. Much of the debate centered on the issue of recycling recoverable items that have been discarded -- a public good, according to Councilmember Alan Rapoport; an invitation to concentrated littering, according to Councilmember Marjorie Wright.

A call to City Hall disclosed that there is an approved, legal way to dispose of such items in Cleveland Heights -- but it must be done at the discarder's discretion. Garage sales are legal provided that one does not do them on a frequent basis; the activity must be limited to the garage; and posting of outdoor signs advertising the sale is prohibited. (This last point is frequently ignored and can lead to a real hassle.)

So there's no need to feel bad about throwing away useful or collectable items; if you follow the rules and don't try to make a business out of it you can make them available and get a little cash flow in addition.

-- Dave Burwasser

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