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Newsletter of the Finneytown Civic Association

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ENERGY ALLIANCE CAN HELP YOU SAVE YOU MONEY AT APRIL 23 FCA MEETING

By Joe Gorman, President

The public is invited to the regular meeting of the Finneytown Civic Association, Monday, April 23, 2012 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Springfield Township Senior/Community Center, 9158 Winton Road, Room A.

Featured topic is energy saving tips featuring the Greater Cincinnati Energy Alliance. Save 20% or More on Your Energy Bills through Home Energy Improvements! Lilah Glick, Marketing and Community Outreach Director will present on energy saving opportunities available through the Greater Cincinnati Energy Alliance's Home Performance with Energy Star program. Come learn about cash incentives, low-interest loans, nationally certified energy professionals, and project assistance available to help you save money and enjoy a more comfortable home.

Other topics of discussion include housing, land bank, membership, Brentwood Park, and, safety.

For more information about the Finneytown Civic Association, please visit our web site at www.fcaontheweb.org.

'CASH MOBS' MOBILIZE TO BOOST SMALL BUSINESSES

By Joe Gorman, President

FCA Trustee Gregory Hopkins suggested that we use social media to organize a series of "cash mobs" to benefit some of our small businesses in Finneytown. The premise is simple: an alert goes out via Twitter, Facebook, email, etc. that directs like-minded shoppers to a particular retail store or restaurant.

After discussing the idea the FCA Board selected **Humbert's Meats** as our first cash mob target. Humbert's fits the profile because they are locally owned and independently operated, not to mention they sell quality products!

We are asking everyone to go to Humbert's on Saturday, April 28th and spend \$15-20 (or more if you wish). Humbert's is located at 9159 Winton Rd, by UDF. They are open 8-5 on Saturday's and the phone number is 931-3324. Humbert's also has coupons available in the Hilltop Press.

2012 MEETING DATES:

GENERAL FCA MEETING:

Monday, April 23 7-9 pm

Monday, September 24 7-9 pm

MEET THE CANDIDATES FORUM:

Sunday, October 14, 7-9 pm

Township Senior Center

Please let us know if you have a new email or phone contact. With so many people opting out of residential land lines, it is very difficult to get to know new neighbors and to keep everybody informed.

Do call me on my cell at 325-5202 or email me at jgorman@fuse.net if you have concerns, compliments, or want to volunteer.

FCA Membership Reminder:

Annual Dues are: Family \$20; Individuals \$10.

Mail to: Finneytown Civic Association, P.O. Box 317696, Cinti., OH 45231.

Finneytown School News

By Cathy Zimmerly

After Prom (April 28)

Many Finneytown businesses have given support to us and even though the event is for the kids and held on school campus, it is technically not a school-driven event but a parent volunteer fest. There will be an Open House for the public to come see the transformation of the school into the "There's No Business Like Show Business" theme.

As you know from your own kids' experience, After Prom is a fun way to keep the kids safe after prom ends and provides an alcohol/drug free environment.

We have raised about \$8000 to host the event and there will be great door prizes (iPad, Mac Pro Book, etc.) that the kids can win throughout the evening. Parent and community volunteers are needed to help set up on Friday night, come to the Open House on Saturday from 8-10 and clean up and tear down on Sunday.

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BRENTWOOD PARK COULD BE A TREASURE

By Joe Gorman, President

Brentwood Park is caught between a rock and hard place. In this era of "self-service" government, with public cut backs in budgets and staff while taxes seem to get higher and higher, maintenance, programming, and security of Brentwood Park will seemingly fall to neighbors. Nestled between Hempstead, Monsanto, Mockingbird, and Madeleine Circle, Brentwood Park could be a nice, leafy green retreat. Instead, unruly teens rule the place, picnic tables and playground equipment are marked with graffiti and, with no access for cars, it is difficult to access the park.

We will be discussing the park at the April 23 FCA meeting. Please join us and lend your voice to ways to better use the park.

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP'S GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP

By Robin Hendley, FCA Clean-Up Coordinator

Saturday April 21, 2012 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM EDT

Check In: Springfield Township Fire Station, 9150 Winton Rd.

Thank you again for registering as a volunteer to the Great American Cleanup. This email is confirmation of your successful registration. Check-in will be at 8:00a.m. at the Main Fire Station at 9150 Winton Road. There will be a liability waiver for you to sign before beginning any projects. Waivers can be downloaded in advance from the Township's website, or can be picked up at the event.

Please wear comfortable clothes that can get dirty and is weather appropriate.

Please bring work gloves if you have them. Rakes, litter sticks, and hand held shovels may also be helpful. We will supply plastic gloves, trash bags and Great American Cleanup T-shirts (while available.)

STEVE ELLIOTT COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

By Joe Gorman, President

For many years now, the Finneytown Civic Association has awarded service scholarships to two seniors at Finneytown Schools. We will present two \$500 checks on Senior Awards Nights, May 24. This is a special evening for the community to see excellence in our students.

FCA General Membership Meeting

Monday, April 23, 2012, 7-9pm

Springfield Township Senior Center