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Summer Fun on the In Between



30th Annual Paddock Hills National Night Out The 30th Annual Paddock Hills National Night Out Celebration and Membership Drive is a great summer community event.

Meet new neighbors and visit with old friends.

Meet representatives from District 4 Police and Engine 9 Fire House.

Join or renew your Paddock Hills Assembly membership.

Suggested dues:

Single Membership \$20/Family Membership \$40

Hot dogs, hot metts and ice cream are on the menu.

Clowns, magicians and face painters and activities will entertain the kids.

Tuesday August 7th 7-9 PM

The In Between

Paddock Hills Lane between Avon and Paddock Hills Avenue.



Thank you to Liz and Don Swain for organizing the Paddock Hills 5th Annual Block & Rock Event in June.

Kudos to volunteers who help set up and clean up.

And thanks to all the people who came out to share the night. If you were on vacation or didn't make the Block & Rock be sure to come out for National Night Out on August 7.

Its Commonly Jazz, the area's longest running free summer concert series, kicks off at 6 p.m. August 2 at Seasongood Pavilion in Eden Park running the next four Thursdays in August.



Organizer Carolyn Wallace, has designated August 23 as "Paddock Hills Night" at the event, with neighbors encouraged to carpool and gather together for the night, which will feature beloved local artists Mandy Gaines and Eugene Goss. PH residents will receive a \$5 discount on t-shirts.

Wallace, a long-time Paddock Hills resident, has booked and nurtured the jazz series since it was first launched at Swifton Commons in 1985. The lineup again features a mix of local acts (Brett Gallaher, Cincinnati Contemporary Jazz Orchestra, Mike Wade) with national act bassist Mimi Jones and her Black Madonna Project (Aug. 9).

For complete lineup, visit <u>www.itscommonlyjazz.com</u>.



You still have time to represent Paddock Hills in the 2018 Cincinnati Neighborhood Games! A full list of games can be found here: http://www.cincygames.com/events.html.

JUST SHOW UP: Qualifiers (tryouts) for most events like the 3legged race, 40-yard dash, Golf Chipping, etc. are Saturday, July 7 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the North Avondale Rec Center, 617 Clinton Springs Avenue.

Contact Paddock Hills' Neighborhood Captain Owen Cramer at <u>opcramer@gmail.com</u> for more information about other Qualifiers and Finals, including

• SUPERSIZE JENGA Wednesday, 7/25 6:00 PM Madtree on Madison Road on Oakley two-person adult team, two-person youth team and adult/youth team

• Two fun events on Thursday 7/26 at Christian Moerlein Malt House Moore Street in Over the Rhine: TRIVIA - Six Adults (21+) 6:30 PM and STEIN HOLDING - Adult man and woman 7:00 PM

• CHESS Finals: Saturday, 7/28, 10:00 AM at Yeatman's Cove (one adult and 1 youth)

Owen may also be able to put people through to the CORNHOLE Tournament on Monday 7/23 6:00 PM Madtree on Madison Road on Oakley: two-person adult team, two-person youth team and adult/youth team

Message from the President

I had an all too common conversation the other night while at a family party. I was asked where we live,

which as many of you know, leads to something like, "So, where exactly is Paddock Hills?" I am then inevitably asked about the neighborhood, because like Mr. Snuffleupagus, folks don't always seem to believe our community really exists.

So why am I even bringing this up? Because discussions such as this one always drive home what a special community we have in Paddock Hills.

When I talk to people about where they live, I get some version of the same things: the schools are good, the commute is easy, home values, etc.... Now Cincinnati has some great neighborhoods, but the thing is, I don't hear of places like Paddock Hills very often.

I love talking about the residents who have lived here for 30 plus years. Folks who grew up in Paddock Hills, and are now raising their families here. We have residents living as adults in their childhood homes. I mean how cool is that? Heck, I played in Avon Woods as a kid, with a friend who lived on Egan Hills Dr. Now we live on the same street, and our children play in the woods with their friends.

Beyond that, we are a community which has always celebrated its diversity. We welcome all newcomers, and don't hesitate to pitch in and help when a neighbor is in need.

I know all of this probably sounds a little corny, and maybe a little clichéd. Regardless, we have something really cool going on here, and it's more than just a collection of houses and streets. It's all of you, and I am really glad our family is a part of it. We have only been here for four years, so a drop in the bucket compared to many, but this is an awesome place. Thank you for making Paddock Hills the gem it is.

Joe Galvin



Paint Disposal

New neighbors bring new projects and paint colors. And sometimes they inherit old leftovers.

In response to an inquiry at the June Community Meeting Luekiucius Brown ran down a location that will safely dispose of all kinds of paint products including aerosol cans.

Midwest Environmental 3118 Spring Grove Avenue 681 - 9990 currently accepts household drop offs two Fridays per month from 8 - 2. July 13 and 27 are the upcoming dates.

Items accepted:

Aerosols, Antifreeze, Bleach, Brake Fluid, Car Batteries, Chemistry Sets, Cleaners Fertilizer, Fire Extinguishers, Fuel (Gas/Diesel), Kerosene, Oils, Paint, Pesticides Pool Chemicals, Sealants, Solvents, Thinners, Transmission Fluid

Mosquitos: What You Need to Know

The season is upon us, and our wet weather promises a heavy infestation.

How To Avoid Mosquito Bites

Be aware of peak biting periods (early morning and evening hours).

Avoid infested areas such as tall grasses/weeds and shady areas.

Wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothing.

Long-sleeved shirts, long pants, jackets.

Tuck pants legs into boots/socks.

Use appropriate chemical repellants for your skin.

Equip/repair all doors and windows using 16-mesh screen.

Drain Standing Water

By draining standing or stagnant water on your property, you eliminate mosquito breeding sites and help reduce the neighborhood's mosquito population.

Larvicides

Larvicides are chemicals or natural bacteria that can be used to kill mosquito larvae in standing water that cannot be drained.

They are the most effective form of mosquito control because they kill mosquitoes before they become adults and disperse by flying.

Larvicides can be purchased at most gardening, hardware or home improvement stores.

Garden Musings

Do you enjoy trees on your property? If so, you might want to consider that mulch should be placed in a ring, a donut, about 6-8 inches around a tree and should never actually touch the bark.

Bark needs to be totally exposed to air. Soil or mulch creates an entryway for insects, eventually killing the tree.

I've been seeing mulch hills recently, and while it may look nice & tidy, it's not good for our precious trees.

MaryCarol Hopkins

Fitness Corner

Go Green With Outdoor Activity!

Most people think of doing exercise at an indoor fitness facility. However, research reveals that "Green Exercise" (outdoor exercise) delivers health benefits beyond those of indoor exercise. Green exercise can improve mood and self-esteem in as little as 5 minutes by reducing feelings of tension, anger, and depression. The increased enjoyment derived from green exercise also is linked to stronger exercise adherence. Also using outdoor space, reduces your annual cost of using a fitness facility all 12 months of the year. Enjoy your Summer and go GREEN!

Lynne Stone

American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) Certified Personal Trainer and Fitness Instructor

Furniture Donations

Paddock Hills resident Blake Gordon is organizing the annual furniture drive for the International Student Community Furniture Sale.

"Paddock Hills neighbors generously donated to the event last year and are invited to do so this year," Gordon says.

Contact Gordon to schedule your pickup on August 11, or before that day, if necessary. Text 513-430-8633, or email <u>furniture.ifi@gmail.com</u>.

Please donate gently used sofas, chairs, tables, bookcases, desks, lamps, beds, dressers, rugs, dining tables and chairs, vacuum cleaners, cooking and eating utensils, bedding and towels.

Wasson Way Trail

The Wasson Way Trail will be opening July 28 at 9:30 a.m.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony will be attended by Mayor Cranley and several council members. The event kick-off is at the end of Tamarack Ave. in Hyde Park, next to Withrow High School, where there is parking. Along the path will be booths with prizes. Children are encouraged to come, because they have a chance to become Trailblazers.

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he trail will eventually cover 7.6 miles, connecting the east side to Mariemont and the Little Miami Trail. One section will link Paddock Hills via Victory Parkway near Xavier.

Susan Conner

Arrivals

We are pleased to announce that Avon Drive residents Chris Fies and his wife Kara welcomed a new addition to their family. Their first child, baby boy Dawson arrived on the scene on April 29th.

Chris says, "You should see us walking the neighborhood fairly frequently and are looking forward to meeting more of our neighbors."

Welcome to Dawson and congratulations to his parents!

And Departures

As I write this, I'm sitting on my deck, enjoying a warm late spring evening, counting all of the things I love about this place; the big trees, the chirping birds, the charming view of the Spanish tile roof on "the Clark house."

We have a funny tradition in Paddock Hills; one where the house you occupy is actually known by the former owner's name. When I moved here, it took me a while to figure out that my home was officially called "The Judge's house". I bought this house from Judge William Mallory back in 2003. And even though Mallory only lived here for five years, it remained under this name for quite some time. These days, Bill and I occasionally see each other, usually by chance. The first time I saw him, after many years, was in front of "our" house, the night I was headed to my first date with the future Mrs. Kellie Weyand. He happened to be driving by, as I was leaving. He stopped to compliment me on how I had taken care of "his" house. That night, and in each subsequent meeting, he would tell me how much he misses this community, how much the memories still call to him, how he would love to move back.

Soon the house at 1283 Avon Drive will officially be called "The Weyand House" (or maybe "Jake's House"—I'll let you folks decide). For as it turns, after 15 years, sadly, I will be departing Paddock Hills. Frankly, we just need some additional space. We will be moving to Blue Ash in about a month, ironically, near "The Judge".

I have so enjoyed living in this community. I enjoyed toiling on an antique home that was like caring for a member of my family. I enjoyed making it my own, while still respecting (and rediscovering) its 90-year-old history.

Soon, I know that I, like The Judge, will be passing through, wistfully watching the home and the streets that hold so many memories for me. I have put my heart and soul into this house—into the neighborhood, really. And it was awesome, all of it. Thank you all.

Jake Weyand

Newsletter Delivery

From time to time we mail hard copies of the Paddock Press in an effort to reach new community members and neighbors who are absent from our email address list. As we have moved to more cost effective electronic distribution and Web based platforms like Nextdoor and Facebook it is sometimes difficult to make connections. If you are not currently receiving email copies of the Paddock Press, or need to update or make changes to your information please contact Paddock Press <u>newsbird@zoomtown.com</u>.

Calendar/Upcoming Events

Monday July 23	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Trustee Meeting	Avon Woods Nature
	7:00 - 9:00 PM	Community Meeting	Center
Tuesday August 7	7:00 - 9:00 PM	National Night Out	Paddock Hills Lane
Thursday August 23	6:00 - 8:00 PM	Paddock Hills Night It's Commonly Jazz	Eden Park
Monday August 27	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Trustee Meeting	Avon Woods Nature
	7:00 - 9:00 PM	Community Meeting	Center

Frequently Called Numbers

Unattended, abandoned cars, litter, overgrown weeds, snow removal, pot holes, dead animals, sidewalk repair and graffiti, etc.

To report concerns or request services from the city: Cincinnati Public Works 591-6000 www.5916000.com

Cincinnati Police

District 4 569-8600

Officer LaDon Laney Neighborhood Officer ladon.laney@cincinnati-oh.gov 569-8676

Avon Woods Nature Center 861-3435

Paddock Hills Media

Paddock Hills Neighborhood website http://www.paddockhills.org

Nextdoor Paddock Hills http://paddockhills.nextdoor.com

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/Paddock-Hills-266186546751105/

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