

Paddock Press

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Paddock Hills Fall Picnic

Welcome the fall colors and new neighbors at the annual Paddock Hills Fall Picnic 5-7 p.m. Sunday, October 3 at the Avon Fields Nature Center.

The PH Assembly will provide burgers, mets, hotdogs, chips, drinks and cookies. (No need to bring pot luck this year).

We have traditionally used the event to welcome new neighbors.

This year updated neighborhood directories will be available to all PH residents.

Newly designed Welcome Packets, with essential information and phone numbers, neighborhood overview and history will also be available for those new to the area.

There will be a book sale to benefit our Little Libraries.

Bring a chair, a sweater, or outdoor games, but mostly bring yourselves.

We look forward to seeing you.

Halloween Party

The long running Paddock Hills Children's Halloween party will be 6-8 p.m., Friday October 29 at the Avon Woods Nature Center.

It will be a night of crafts, snacks and the kids get to show off their costumes.

The coordinator this year is Robert Fetcher who would appreciate any parent volunteers who can help him coordinate and facilitate the event. Please contact Robert at fecherrm@gmail.com.

Young Adult Gathering

The next Paddock Hills young adult, meet-and-greet happy hour will be 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, October 8, hosted by Megan and Jason Wurth, 1283 Avon (corner of Paddock Hills Lane) at their driveway side yard.

The event is a chance to foster friendships in the younger Paddock Hills community. Feel free to bring your favorite happy beverage. For more info, please contact Megan at mowurth@icloud.com.



A Night Out with District Four

Cincinnati Police

will stage their annual night out and meet-n-greet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, October 5th.

Food will be provided and there will be games for the kids.

All neighborhoods in District Four are invited, and that includes Paddock Hills.

The event will be in Avondale this year on the new football field located at 623 Prospect Place (corner of Rockdale Avenue and Prospect).

Traffic Meeting

Attention: Residents of Paddock Hills Avenue, Egan Hills & Sunnyslope

There will be a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, October 11 at the Avon Fields Nature Center to get input concerning traffic proposals.

Residents of Paddock Hills Avenue will be asked their opinion of an idea to change certain sections of the street to allow parking only on the north side. Ideas are also being proposed to better prevent vehicles from speeding into the cul-de-sac thinking it is a through street. Ideas include a stop sign and possibly a speed hump.

Also proposed are speed humps for Egan Hills and Sunnyslope.

If a majority of residents on each street approve of the proposals, they can sign petitions to be sent to the city traffic engineering department asking it to look into the ideas. If you cannot make the meeting, a Paddock Hills Assembly representative will be knocking on your door soon to see if you are interested in signing the petitions. We cannot forward the petitions unless all residents on the streets are contacted.

Yes , Virginia, There Will Be a Holiday Stroll

Please save the date for the 2nd Annual Paddock Hills Holiday Stroll on Sunday evening December 12.

Last year's inaugural event was a huge success. PH Assembly organizers plan to repeat the festivities, complete with carriage rides, hot chocolate and cookie stations throughout the neighborhood.

The Motorcycle Santas will be back!
And there are more surprises in store.

Get started planning now, to decorate your home
For the winter holidays.

This year awards will be given out for the most festive looking homes.



President's Letter

Paddock Hills, we need your suggestions and ideas!
A good idea could be worth \$10,000.

As your Paddock Hills Assembly President, I am excited to share with the community an opportunity to spend up to \$10,000 on a project that would alleviate the issues created by the Covid-19 pandemic on our neighborhood.

The \$10,000 grant money is available to each neighborhood in the city under the Neighborhood Activation Fund (NAF) through the department of Community and Economic Development.

To earn the grant, each community has to describe the pandemic's impact on their neighborhood and it's activities and services and devise a project.

This is where we need your help.

We have to come up with a project that meets at least one of the eligible activities:

- Supporting neighborhoods through summer youth programs.
- Supporting neighborhoods through community events.
- Supporting neighborhoods through public performances.
- Supporting neighborhoods through education or enrichment programs.

The Neighborhood Activation Fund, Round 1, applications are open through December 2021.

Please submit your suggestions to paddockhillsassembly@gmail.com so we can submit the NAF application ASAP!!!!

Lynne Stone
President
Paddock Hills Assembly

Slow Signs

You may have noticed new signage on the neighborhood streets reminding people children and pets are playing.

We want to thank trustee Paul Jones, an inveterate neighbor walker, who was instrumental in placing and securing the signage.

Paul was also the point man on the fencing and equipment for the Little Libraries.



Security Cameras: If You See Something, Say Something



There is now an email address dedicated to reporting any suspicious activity that may be caught on the security cameras maintained by the PH Assembly.

As you may know, the cameras are aimed at the neighborhood's main cross streets and intersections.

In the past we have caught drug deals and incidents of reckless driving on the cameras. But this only becomes truly useful if residents report any questionable activity.

Even if it's not an incident caught on camera, they can still possibly help identify suspicious pedestrians or vehicles leaving the neighborhood.

If you see something that should be checked out, please send an email to phacameras@gmail.com. It is important that you relay the date and time of the incident.

Canine Issues

It seems it is time again for our semi-annual reminder about dogs and their poop.

Please pick up your dog's excrement and respect your neighbors' yards. The vast majority of dog owners in Paddock Hills are responsible, but it only takes one or two dog owners to make a mess.

If you have an encounter with an unruly or vicious dog, especially where its owner seems unwilling to control the animal, please contact our neighborhood police officer Anthony Hill (he prefers email: anthony.m.hill@cincinnati-oh.gov). Our experience has been that Officer Hill is diligent about following up on such complaints. We have found, in general, Cincinnati Police have been rigorous in enforcing state and local laws concerning vicious animals.

We know dogs will be dogs, even with the best training and due diligence of owners. But we would encourage people to file a complaint in cases where the owners can't (or won't) control their animals.

On a positive note, Paddock Hills mail carrier, Joe Jones, says he has had few problems with vicious dogs in the four years he has been on this route.

Little Libraries Need Books

Our Little Libraries could use some freshening up!

“If you have children's books to donate, feel free to add them to either library on your next fall walk. The age range for books needed is 6 years and younger,” says Kim Gordon, a PH Assembly trustee who spearheaded the Little Library effort. “We will also have a book sale at our Paddock Hills Fall Picnic on October 3.”

There are two Little Library locations: At the end of Egan Hills Drive and at the ravine on Paddock Hills Avenue.

If you have a bulk donation it would be best to coordinate with Kim, gordonka27@gmail.com .

The little Library concept is pretty simple: Take a book and/or donate a book. Browse the shelves and select a book and replace it with one or more you or your children have read. It is of course the honor system; No library card needed!

Community Ambassadors

We want to remind residents that a few years ago the Paddock Hills Assembly established block captains, or as we like to call them: “Community Ambassadors”, for each block in the neighborhood. They should be a point of contact for you if you have any concerns, questions or issues with anything going on in the neighborhood.

The Ambassadors are especially useful since we know it can be hard for many people with kids and busy lifestyles to attend the monthly community meetings. This is a way for you to pass on idea or a concern that otherwise might be raised at a meeting. Please note your ambassador, and contact email, if you have concerns, that will be communicated to the Assembly Trustees

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National Night Out

August 3



Calendar / Upcoming Events

Sunday October 3	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	PH Fall Picnic New Neighbor Welcome	Avon Woods Nature Center
Tuesday October 5	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Night Out with District Four	623 Prospect Avenue
Monday October 11	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Traffic Meeting	Avon Woods Nature Center
Monday October 25	6:00 - 7:00 PM 7:00 - 8:00 PM	Trustees Meeting Community Meeting	Avon Woods Nature Center
Friday October 29	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Children's Halloween Party	Avon Woods Nature 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 Anthony Hill Neighborhood Officer
anthony.m.hill@cincinnati-oh.gov
569-8678

Avon Woods Nature Center
861-3435

Paddock Hills Media

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