

COVENTRY VILLAGE

NEWS

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... from the Editor
Does anybody out there read me? Somebody must have used office furniture they'd love to be rid of, but nobody called with donations. If you have or know where we can obtain (free or cheaply) the following, please call 932-8729: two 2-drawer metal file cabinets, a wood top 26" deep by 50" to 60" long, a sturdy (to hold the mimeograph machine) table or cabinet 12" deep by 15" to 24" wide, chair, desk lamp, and wastebasket. If you hear of a sale or a source of used furniture, perhaps discounts available to non-profit organizations, please let me know.... At the last Steering Committee meeting, the Trustees voted unanimously to extend Honorary Membership to the Unitarian Society and to Mr. Oliver Lee. The Society has provided us with a site for several of our meetings and activities over the past year and has recently granted us the use of their building for all our general meetings and Steering Committee meetings. Mr. Lee, in his capacity as Director of the Community Extension Program at C. S. U., was immensely helpful in co-ordinating the Community Workshop we held in October, and has continued, both privately and through the University, to provide assistance and advice. We are deeply grateful to Mr. Lee and to the Unitarian Society for past services and are hopeful of retaining their friendship, interest, and periodic assistance. A.H.

ORGANIZATIONAL WORKSHOP--May 19, 1973

A workshop session designed to assist Steering Committee members in realizing and more efficiently working toward our goals is planned at the Unitarian Society, May 19, 1:00 to 6:00 PM. Interested members are invited to attend.

MEETINGS I

Next COVENTRY NEIGHBORS General Meeting will be:

Monday, May 14, 1973, at 7:30 P.M.

UNITARIAN SOCIETY BUILDING
2728 Lancashire Road

Save the following future meeting dates: June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, and October 15.

SAME TIME AND PLACE

LIBRARY NEWS

The Coventry Branch Library is presenting a program on: "How to Buy a New or Used Car". It will be a panel discussion with both car dealers and consumer agencies participating. There will be time for questions and answers afterward. The date is Thursday, May 10th at 7:30 P.M.

PROGRAM ASSEMBLY

Regretfully, Al Rapoport has resigned as the Committee Co-ordinator. Dave Burmester will act in that capacity on a pro-tem basis (he is residentially ineligible to serve permanently in the position, much to the regret of the Program Assembly members.) Pat Antonio, chairperson of the Public Relations subcommittee, urges that her committee be kept aware of PR activities of other groups within Coventry Neighbors even if they are not using the services of the PR (continues overleaf)

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

***Communications & Public Relations Committee**
Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month. Chairman is Dave Burwasser (932-7676). For info on time & place of meetings, committee activities, etc., call Dave. Pat Fantone is chairman of the Public Relations subcommittee and should be advised of PR activities of other committees and groups. For info or contributions to the News, call Ann Hunter, Editor (932-8729).

***Membership & Human Resources**

No meeting dates set. For committee info or to receive a copy of the Human Resources questionnaire, call Ellen Gardiner, chairman (932-8729). Questionnaires will also be available at general meetings. If you'd like to help process the data, let Ellen know.

***Social Committee**

Meetings will be called only when a need arises, the main emphasis at this time being to a series of "living room sessions" where members and community residents may share their interests and talents in various crafts. If you'd like to learn or help teach a craft, call Susanna Niermann (321-2403) or Cathy Kirman (932-7359). They would also like to receive recipes and household hints for their newsletter, The Kalaidoskopo.

***Housing**

Code Enforcement sub-committee is increasing its activity. For info on meetings and activities, call Marilyn Waltrin, chairperson (321-4034). For info on other activities, call Dennis Niermann, Housing Committee Chairman (321-2403).

***Planning**

No meetings set at this date. For committee info, call Al Rapoport, chairman (932-1144).

MEMBERSHIP NOTE

Again this month, all members currently appearing on the membership list will find an "M" in the corner of the address section of the newsletter. If you thought you were a member & don't find the "M", contact Lyle Kirman at the meeting & catch up your dues. If you've just recently done that, contact the editor to update the mailing list. I may have goofed!

Program Assembly (continued)

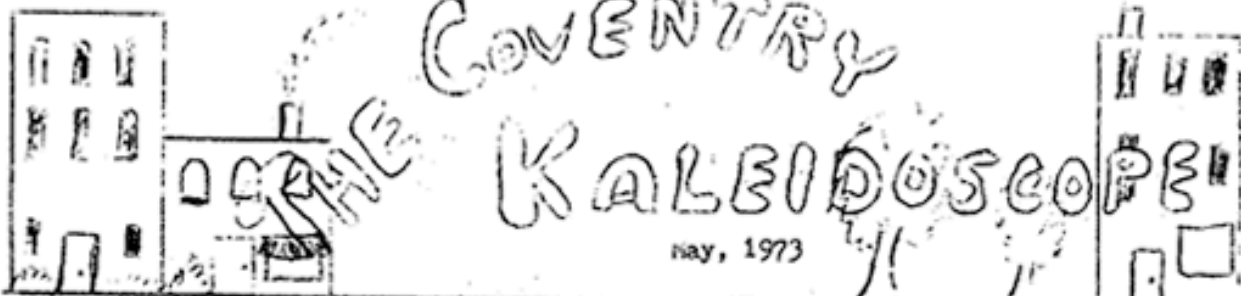
subcommittee. The subcommittee should be informed, in particular, of all external contacts of a PR nature made by other C. N. groups. It was suggested at the April 15 Program Assembly meeting that this particular group is somewhat redundant. After discussion, it was decided to suggest to the Trustees that the Program Assembly and Steering Committee meetings be held simultaneously.

COUNCIL COLUMN

Mike Diamond attended the April 16 City Council meeting and reports the following: A petition was presented to Council to allow overnight parking on Grandview. Mr. Boyle indicated that it would be discussed in committee. Jack Reed, President of P.O.E., the group managing the recycling drive monthly at the C. N. Pavilion, requested more support from the City. Bids were awarded for resurfacing tennis courts, and for tearing down the City-owned building at Lancashire & Euclid Heights (you've probably noticed it's gone!) It was noted that Champer Realty has not been complying with the "voluntary agreement" with the city's real estate board.

BULLETIN BOARD

Don't forget, general meetings are now held at the Unitarian Society Building. See you there on May 14....You may recycle your old phone books at the monthly POE drive at the Pavillion (first Saturday of each month) or at one of several collection centers listed in the daily papers....NVIZ fund-raiser, Auction '73 will be televised on Ch.25 May 13-20. Be sure to watch & support it if you can....Citizens for Effective Heights Gov't are already working hard on plans for the November Council election. Watch the Sun Press for news & meeting announcements, or call Park Geist (932-6040) or George Hardy (462-2475) to get involved in one of the several committees. Your local government is meant to serve YOU! Here is your chance to have a say in who gets elected to serve. ...See you Monday, May 14, at the Unitarian Society at 7:30 P.M. C.V.N.



We appreciate the response and encouragement that the first issue of the Kaleidoscope received. Please feel free to send your comments and suggestions to our Post Office Box:

Editors
The Coventry Kaleidoscope
P.O. Box 18473
Cleveland Hts., Ohio 44118

Next COVENTRY NEIGHBORS GENERAL MEETING will be on MONDAY, MAY 14 at 7:30 at the UNITARIAN SOCIETY on Lancashire Road. There will be coffee and a chance to discuss your feelings about the community.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH:

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO LIVE IN THE COVENTRY AREA?

"Because it is a melting pot of all types and varieties of people"

"The rents are cheaper here than anywhere else"

"No hassles from my neighbors"

"The school was close for my kids, the stores were close for me, and they let me keep my dog"

"It's so much more alive than any other area around Cleveland."

"I've lived here all my life. I've watched the neighborhood changes and I still feel at home here."

"It's one of the few places left where you can actually get to know your neighbors."

"I've got no where else to go."

"I've never felt lonely, there is always someone to talk to"

"I'm a masochist."

The new Coventry Library hours are:

- Monday: 12:30-9 Pm
- Tuesday: 9:30-5:30 Pm
- wednesday: 9AM- 5:30 PM
- Thursday: 12:30-9PM
- Friday: CLOSED
- Saturday : 12:30-5:30PM
- Sunday: CLOSED

The LIBRARY is a vital part of our community, let them know you appreciate them by helping with circulation. There is a lot of truth to the song that says:

Don't it only go to show that we don't know what we've got 'til its gone.

Don't just leave the beautification of Coventry Village to the city Forestry Dept. Why not put a windowbox out on your apartment window sill or ask your custodian if you can indulge your green thumb in the front yard. It can be a creative way of giving a little bit of yourself to your neighbors.



CLASSIFIED:

James and Mark Waltrip are ready, willing and able for babysitting chores. Call: 321-4034.

Would you like to start the Spring with a new kitten? Call:

Laura Herman 932-5232
They are free to a good home.

There are a lot of people who never read the notices on the board at Carroll Drug. So if you have an apartment sale coming up this summer or some used books that you would like to sell or some adorable kittens that you want to be sure have a good home... Drop a note to our P.O.Box by the end of May so we can put it in our June issue.

Part of the spirit of Coventry are the stores. They can't survive if the neighbors don't support them... we've seen many stores that have had to close over the last few years so this summer make a real effort to

- buy your books,
- buy your wine,
- buy your sandals and

even buy your sparkplugs on the Coventry Road strip.

DID YOU KNOW.....

The annual BOOK SALE at the main library on Lee Road is
June 18-22nd.

The Tout le Monde Restaurant now has guitar music to sip your wine by in their downstairs Thursday-Saturday.

Your STATE SENATOR is
Morris Jackson (D)
1717 East 70th Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44103
361-4004

Your STATE REPRESENTATIVE is
John G. Sweeney
2998 Yorkshire Road
Cleveland Hts., Ohio 44118
321-2844

Believe it or not it does matter how you feel on important issues but you have to let your Representatives know that you care. More support from the people of this state on the ERA could have made the difference.

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I would like to receive the newsletter (Coventry Village News) regularly.

I would like to receive:

- information on the organization and history of Coventry Neighbors.
- information on current activities and projects of Coventry Neighbors.
- information on membership in Coventry Neighbors.

I can help as needed in the following areas:

- typing addressing, folding, mailing public speaking
- circulation of flyers, newsletter, etc. publicity work
- public relations work information gathering interviewing
- taking notes or minutes, (shorthand?) writing articles
- proposal writing statistical analysis misc. clerical

Other (specify interests): _____

I own or have access to: a typewriter (manual or electric)
 an adding machine (portable?) a three-hole punch
 a copy machine a paper cutter Other _____

Education, career or avocation activities which might be valuable to a community service organization? _____

Attached below is an outline concerning your interests. Please assist us by completing the form.

Name _____ Telephone No. _____
Address _____ Zip Code _____

I am interested in the following:

PLANNING _____ HUMAN RELATIONS AND RESOURCES _____
Research _____ Newsletter _____
Proposal _____ Membership _____
Writing _____ Communications _____
Community Information _____ & Public Relations _____

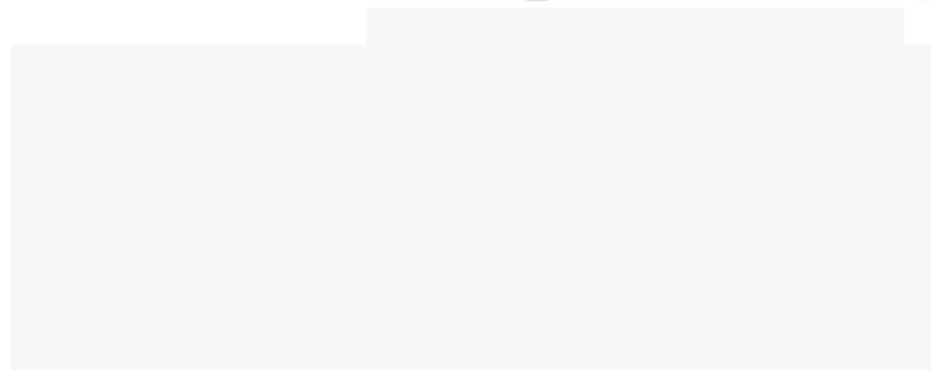
COMMUNITY SERVICES

Housing _____
Commercial _____
Youth _____
Senior _____

ANNUAL DUES FOR PERIOD DEC '72 - DEC '73

Dues: \$2.50 _____

Donation _____
(Tax Deductible)



(Handwritten mark)