

The California Village News

Autumn 2020

Next Meeting of the
California Community Council
7:30 P.M.

October 13th, 2020

Ebersole Community Center
5701 Kellogg Avenue



As most of you know, we are in our 12th year now on our lease with the City of Cincinnati for the Old California School (Ebersole Community Center). We rely on tax deductible membership contributions and donations to pay utilities, insurance and any supplies, furnishings, etc. We would like to thank all those who have contributed over the years. If anyone would like to join, volunteer or donate, contact David Ross at 513-624-6257 info@californiaohio.org or Jackie Frazier at 513-231-4402 jackiefrazier@aol.com.

RECENT OBITUARIES

THOSE WE LOVE DON'T GO AWAY, THEY WALK BESIDE US EVERY DAY.....UNSEEN, UNHEARD BUT ALWAYS NEAR; STILL LOVED, STILL MISSED AND VERY DEAR.

HILDA DAVENPORT, one of our residents, came here in later years, quite active in our community, board member of CCC. Missed by all.

EDWARD DRAPP, grow up in California. Related to many of the older residents that resided here. Related to: Campbell, Schmidt,, Kaylor, and Drapp families.

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GIVE US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS!

As we continue to improve communications as well as try to save money, we would like to electronically keep everyone "in the loop" and provide periodic instant notifications from the city as well as the newsletter provided to your computer! Simply email us at info@californiaohio.org and we'll put you on our list. There may be a time in the future when we might not have to print the volume of newsletters that we do now which would be a significant savings in printing costs and delivery.



CALIFORNIA REUNION 2020

With all the turmoil since March with the Covid 19, we decided to go ahead and continue on with our annual get-together, trying to space ourselves as they have told us to do. The weather was exceptional, not too hot or cold and very comfortable.

Sad to say not as many as usual but enough that we enjoyed one another. Only 4 that actually went to school there, down from previous years. For those who like to partake of good food, you missed it and plenty of it. Karen Bauer Nelson, brought a huge pot of homemade bean soup, from her dad's old recipe. and was it ever good. Sallie Weaver with 9 lbs. of homemade fudge, it was gone by the time we left. Karen Smith with 100 pc. of fried chicken, now wouldn't this be enough to make it there?

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Birthday Greetings to our Community Members and Friends



October Birthdays

1st Robbi Christ
1st Peggy Keller
12th Brittany Finn
13th Bentley Smith
16th George P. Wardlow
16th Alisha Secen
16th Ashley Secen
24th Kris Weir
26th Diane Havey-Pangallo
29th Jill Hehn
31st Corey Secen

November Birthdays

6th Rhonda Ruprich
15th Harper Shepherd
22nd David Christ
24th Jessica Roberts

December Birthdays

2nd Tabitha Betscher
3rd Jackie Frazier
7th Sara Waldlow
12th Richard Cope
13th Bryson Weir
15th Josie Shepherd
18th Jennifer Woods
18th Dylan Shepherd
20th Jeff Christ
22nd Robert Mraz
28th Genevieve Obermeyer

2020 NSP

All of our projects are now completed for the year, this is the last quarterly newsletter, we have kept park mowed, thanks California Grounds Care, Kellogg planters were planted and watered, thanks Wimberg Landscaping (until our funds ran out!) Would like to thank the following for watering planters starting 1st of September, Christine at Dead Low, Christina from Pig Candy, Dave from Lebos and Mark from California Detail Services. Much appreciated!

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Recent Obituaries

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JAMES MOSS (Molly) born and raised in California, one of our vets from the Korea era. missed by his family members.

MAGALENE PARSLEY, moved here in her teens, later moved to Florida, passed away in Florida.

THELMA HAAS CLARK, grew up in California most around Penn Ave., many family members, passed away in Florida.

CHARLIE GILL, resident for many years, living on Eldorado at time of death.

OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO OUR FORMER CALIFORNIANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Jackie Kuzniczci Frazier, California Historian

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I have to say it is getting harder and harder for me to move on with this, thank heaven Shirley came to my rescue and my good friend from Coney Pool brought her niece and was able to get it all set up. Karen Bauer so much help it getting back afterward. Actually came back on Sunday with her son and grandson and finished up. Special thanks to all of you.

Trying to remember who was there without the sign in book - Must not forget Dennis Geglein and his wife coming from Dayton and also came a week earlier to check and clean up around our W.W.2 Memorial, and needing a new flag replaced it. What a joy to see the Weavers, Sallie, Donny, his wife and Jane coming from Alabama, also Vince and Dwight McMullen. Coming from Hamilton, Krissy Riley, her new little baby and Sharon Wise, her mother. Bless her heart she was the first one to write me to say she was coming and apologized for leaving early as the baby wasn't feeling well. Two of Emmitt Gilbert's daughters, Rusty Woods, Jennifer and Judy, the Ladrigans, Donna Meyers, Pastor Ed, The Sextons - Dan and Nancy Henson, The Gees, Maureen Gallagher my pool friend Kay. Sorry if I missed someone just trying to remember.

If all goes well we should be thinking of next year, some time, I noticed that very few from our town make it there, just wish some would check it out and see how much history is there. I am sure if you ever check it out you may find it interesting and worthy. Let's all hope and pray our country is back to normal and rid of that nasty virus and hope to see you at the next reunion.

Jackie Kuzniczci Frazier, Calif. Historian
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See pics next column.

Thanks to Karen Bauer Nelson for the wonderful photographs. I apologize ahead of time, we may have accidentally included some pics from last year. Oops, oh well, sorry!

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California Community Council Meeting September 8, 2020

The meeting opened at 7:30pm with President David Ross leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call indicated that Kathy Chandler, Mike Christ, and Joey Sheppard were not present at the meeting. There were 10 members/residents, and 0 guest at the meeting.

Meeting minutes: The meeting minutes from our last meeting in March were posted in the Spring, 2020 Newsletter. The minutes were approved by Jackie Frazier and seconded by Bess Carnes.

Treasurer's Report: No formal Treasure report.

Guests: No guest attended this meeting.

Again, if you see something, report it to Non-Emergency Police number is 513-765-1212. Officer Kevin Butler's number is 513-979-4481.

Old Business:

Bike/Walking Trail to be complete this November 2020.

The City of Cincinnati and Anderson Township "Kellogg Gateway Study" is underway. The survey results have been tabulated and preliminary concepts have been presented to committee. David is representing CCC. Business owners are providing input Sept 09, and residents and general public later this month.

The topic of speed humps was discussed again for Eldorado Avenue and possibly other streets coming down into town from Kellogg. This topic revisited after a serious hit and run on Eldorado.

New Business:

David conveyed our sympathy for the loss of board of governor Hilda Davenport who recently passed away. Hilda served the community for many years and will be missed. Polly Whittaker will fill Hilda's roll on the board.

California Reunion set to take place on Saturday September 19, 2020.

NSP Funds have run out this year for watering of planters, so businesses along Kellogg have volunteered to water for the remainder of the season. Kim Leist has offered to clean the planters out when she decorates them for Winter/Christmas.

Gary Osterfeld suggested that David Ross contact the Water Works and request they cut the grass at the Park and the lot below the Park. Dave reminding everyone of the long-standing agreement between the neighborhood and waterworks for use of the land if California maintained. But he said he would contact WW and discuss the possibility to help with our finances.

Gary Osterfeld requested that David Ross contact the City of Cincinnati and enquire about opening up the old boat ramp at the river end of Eldorado Avenue. David said he would contact the city and look into the possibility.

With no further business before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Bess Carnes and seconded by Jackie Frazier, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rhonda Betscher-Ruprich, Secretary*

Make it a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood

**Ed Bridgeman, Pastor
California Community UMC**

Since his passing, we have come to recognize Fred Rogers ("Mr. Rogers") as a prophet to adults, not simply a friend to children. His calm, soft-spoken advice applies just as aptly to the streets as to the playground. In this unfortunate time of turmoil in our neighborhoods, let's look at what we may distill from his wisdom.

To be a Good Neighbor, we all need to:

Be aware of who are neighbors are

With television, internet, the cares of home-making and care for family, we are in danger of looking within our bubble. Get to know your neighbors. You may be surprised how much their similarities and differences enrich your life and home.

Listen with Compassion to them

When God heard the groaning of His People in Egypt, He sent Moses to offer them solace and freedom. We all need to tune our ears to TRULY hear when someone is calling out for companionship or help.

Heal Others with Kindness

You don't need to be a Pastor or a Psychologist to bring healing into a troubled life. A helping hand, a kind word, a comforting silence, a smile or wave in passing all offer the comfort of shared caring. A simple smile and "thank you" to a waitress, check-out person or bagger may be that one thing that unknown to you keeps their day from being a disaster.

Be Willing to Help

Even under tough circumstances, such as we find in the story of the Good Samaritan, we must be "that person" who steps forward to help. Despite the occasional stories of helpers who suffer from their efforts, there are millions of times a day when opportunities to help someone results in untold benefits to both the helper and helped. You need not rush into a burning building to be a neighbor. Simply holding the door for a person burdened with an armload of groceries qualifies in the eyes of the Lord.

Listen to Mr. Rogers and say "won't you be my neighbor?" And, I assure you, no matter the weather, it will be a BEAUTIFUL day in the neighborhood.

California Columbia United Methodist Church

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

9:30 A.M. Sunday Service



St. Jerome Catholic Church

*a mission church of Guardian Angels
Parish*

Father Carl Wollering
131 Rohde St.
California, Ohio
513-231-7042

MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 P.M.	Saturdays
9:30 A.M.	Sundays
7:30 P.M.	Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.	First Friday



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