

The California Village News

Summer 2017

Next Meeting of the
California Community Council
7:30 P.M.
September 12th, 2017
Ebersole Community Center
5701 Kellogg Avenue

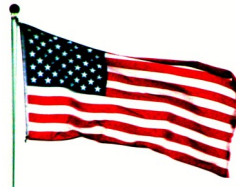


As most of you know, we are in our eighth year now on our lease with the City of Cincinnati for the Old California School (Ebersole Community Center). We rely on tax deductible membership contributions and donations to pay utilities, insurance and any supplies, furnishings, etc. We would like to thank 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.

2017 NSP Projects Update

1. Newsletter—Quarterly printed, emailed and posted to website.
2. Beautification—Provided some funding for the community cleanup, mostly around the park. Kellogg Avenue planters looking good thanks to Wimborg.
3. Park / Entry Sign Mowing (California Grounds Care, also looking good!)
4. Website (Keeping updated.)

MEMORIAL DAY 2017



After a little mix-up on the VFW not showing for the service, we made out fine. You can do anything if you just go on with it. As it was I call

upon a few to give a brief speech,, attendance wasn't too bad and the Memorial looked great. Thanks for Diane Havey decorating it in time. Thanks for those who attended and I keep saying we will have a service each year, in some form or other. We must not and should not forget our veterans and only hope that most consider it part of their annual Memorial Day program. I still have not heard what happened with the V.F.W., maybe another group would come to our aid next year. We opened the Heritage Bldg. for a cold drink and cookie and ended up having enough time to spend at Coney Pool when it was over, for opening days. PLEASE KEEP THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR NEXT YEAR. JACKIE.

(See pics pages 2,3)

CAMP PROCTOR

On April 6, 1917, Congress formally declared war on Germany bringing the U.S. into the European war. More than 2 million American soldiers served on the battlefields during World War 1. Some Ohio soldiers started their training here in Anderson at Camp Proctor, once known as "the most beautiful private regimental parade grounds in America. William C Proctor, commanding officer of the local Ohio National

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Birthday Greetings to our Community Members and Friends



July Birthdays

1st	Courtney Shepherd
7th	Bob Hehn
7th	Joshua Hartmen
9th	Rhonda Reese
11th	Dave Hehn
14th	Mathew Bohart
15th	Ron Simpson
18th	Robert Carter
18th	Steven Ross
18th	Kim Leist
30th	Mason James Smith

August Birthdays

10th	Karolyn Wardlow
11th	George Wardlow
13th	Bess Carnes
13th	Melissa Shepherd
18th	Mildred Wiwi
20th	Tara Finn
21th	Sue Coultier
22th	Richard Wardlow
22th	Bridgett Woods
23th	Jack Carnes, Sr.
29th	Krissy Hehn

September Birthdays

2nd	John Forthuber
8th	Debbie Glutz
9th	Samantha Betscher
19th	Jack Carnes, Jr.
24th	Elaine Keys

Have a great summer!



Remember, there will be no CCC meetings for the months of July and August.

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Camp Proctor

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Guard and president of Procter & Gamble Co., set up a training grounds for the troops on 60 acres in Anderson on a plateau overlooking the Ohio River. Formal dedication ceremonies were hosted on Aug. 25, 1915, after the captain of the regiments machine gun company spent months directing extensive improvements of the area. Camp Procter, we it was called, was reached by a steep road up from Kellogg Ave, west of 4 mile Rd and across from River Downs.

In the first years of the camp, men of the National Guard spent their weekends at target practice and drilling. They rec'd a small stipend, most of which was spent on improving their camp meals. Many recruited by the National Guard were outstanding high school and college athletes.

In 1917 anticipating a war on the horizon, men hastened to enlist in the local guard. By May 1917 there were about 350 men in intensive training at Camp Procter. Many became Company K of the First Ohio Infantry, while some remained part of the specialized machine gun company. Most became federalized and went to France as part of the American Expeditionary Force. After the war, W.C. Procter gave the Miami Valley Council of Girl Scouts use of the site and helped raise funds for the group in purchasing the property.

After the scouts sold the property in the late 1920s, the area was used for agriculture until the mid-1950s when it was developed as the subdivision Riverview Heights.

(Note: Many older Californians told me about this as some of them would go up there as young men and play army)

Jackie Kuzniczci Frazier, California Historian

REUNION 2017

Don't forget Sept. 16th at the California Heritage Bldg. (Old California School) our annual reunion. Plenty of friendship, meeting old friends, maybe you haven't seen for awhile. Come and see what history we have on our great little town. Probably more than you can imagine.

Food, if you want to add to the table would be fine. Plenty of stories, plenty of pictures and just plain good old time. We never have money makers and this is the only thing we have to try to build up funds for expenses.

Several city employees have seen our treasure and are amazed and Mayor Cranley remarked that he was impressed and said he knew of no other community did have that much history collected. So please proud of our community and our rich history and that we have the wonderful place to keep it. Our school building in itself is such a treasure and in such beautiful condition.

SO HOW ABOUT TRYING TO LOCATE A FEW CALFORNIANS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN HERE OR WOULD BE NICE TO SEE AGAIN.

Sat. Sept. 16th - 1-6 P.M.

RECENT OBITUARIES

LINDA BACKULACH passed away on 2/19/17. Good friend of Porky Schaefer's on Bryson St. Linda lived here for about 30 yrs.

EDITH MINK (SAGER) Born and raised in California, attended St. Jerome School. Moved away after marrying. Mother, wife, grandmother and husband deceased just a few months earlier.

SHARON HUFF (WORKMAN) Sharon lived here since a child, residing on Croslin St. Mother, grandmother and gr. grandmother, Passed away quite suddenly at home. Husband, Larry, deceased.

SELINDA J. JORDAN (Wardlow) Resident of Panama St. all her life. Wife, mother, grandmother, aunt. A sudden shock to all of us. Born 1952. Mother to Karolyn, Richard, and Sarah. Richard, husband.

DARREL CLARK, beloved son of Karl and Marian Clark of Eldorado Ave. Darrell left his wife, Stephanie, two daughters and grandsons.

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.

Thanks to Nancy Ron-Gee for the use of her Memorial Day photographs!





California Columbia United Methodist Church

Paster Denny Mullen

5751 Kellogg Avenue
California, Ohio
513-232-5077

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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