

The California Village News

Winter 2018

Next Meeting of the
California Community Council
January 9th, 2018, 7:30 P.M.
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.

Pancakes In The Woods

California Woods, March 18, 2018
9:00 am—1:00 pm.

Celebrate the maple season! Enjoy pancakes and sausage grilled by celebrity chefs. Learn about the process and story of maple sugaring. All proceeds benefit California Woods and Magrish Riverlands Preserves. Suggested donation: \$7.00 per person. No reservations required. Call 513-231-8678 or email gja.giammarinaro@cincinnati-oh.gov

with questions.

California Woods Nature Preserve

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 Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by the California Community Council
no cost for residents
10 years or younger



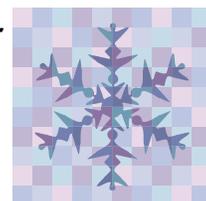
Saturday
March 24th, 2018
2:00 pm



Ebersole Community Center
Everyone Welcome!
Treats and Prizes
Bring your Easter Basket or Bag!
No early-birds please.

Thanks to Jo Shepherd for organizing the children's holiday parties and generally taking care of the Ebersole Center and Dave Thiem for putting up and down American and Christmas flags. Want to add this year big thanks to Debbie Glutz and Kim Leist for doing the awesome Christmas decorations in the planters on Kellogg. Awesome job, looks great!

Birthday Greetings to our Community Members and Friends



January Birthdays

7th Aliah Marie Smith
30th Mariam Clark

February Birthdays

4th Carmen Chandler
6th Peggy Nave
7th Shelby Gambrel
10th Rusty Woods
11th Jo Shepherd
14th Greg Williams
15th Brittany Erin Havey
15th Selinda Jordon
16th Jodie Christ
18th Destany Roberts
19th Chad Beier
25th Ray Roberts, Jr.
28th Suzie Crenshaw

March Birthdays

3rd Alexis Beier
7th Roy Alosep
9th Bob Finn
12th Ron Woods
17th Jenna Simpson
31st Diana Weir
31st Sally Hartman

2018 NSP Projects



The city has reduced our NSP funds slightly to \$6,800 this year. December's CCC meeting the following projects were voted on and will be included in 2017 NSP: newsletter, beautification (predominately Kellogg Avenue streetscape but also some entry signs and park), park mowing, website, and insurance. For the sixth year, the city will be administering the programs. Invest in Neighborhoods remains as a neighborhood advocacy group.

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RECENT OBITUARIES

KIM FRAZIER UBEL - Kim was born in California, youngest daughter of Betty (Bass) and Ralph Frazier. Kim battled cancer for several years and finally took her life. She was born while living on Croslin St., moved away until her death. Married to Larry Ubel, mother of two.

GENE BARTON - Gene lived many years here growing up with his family. Joined the Navy, retired from Navy after many years, just reconnected with us the last two years. Mother and Father deceased with brothers and sister. Father, grandfather.

DAVID DEAN - Moved to California as a young boy, spent years here growing up. Brother to Debbie Glutz and Kim Leist. Resided in state of California when he passed away.

JANE WILLIAMS WEBB - daughter of Helen (Parker) and Les Williams. The Williams lived here many years and probably all were born while living here. Jane and her family were avid members of the California Methodist Church. A mother and grandmother...

DUKE PARSLEY (WILLIAM) moved here many years ago, and in later years moved away. Brother to Magdalene Parsley. Just recently Mag and Duke have been contacting us through Facebook.

FLOYD ZORENS - Floyd went to California School with me and his brother Robert also. I remember him living on Penn Ave., moved away and never heard from him until just recently. Was living in Idaho or Montana for many years. Floyd was a cousin to Robbi and Cindy Naegel and part of the big Zorens family that lived here for years.

MARGARET ROBERTS (PILKERTON) - Margaret moved here as a child, has lived on Croslin St. most of the time. Daughter to Pearl Pilkerton Sellars. The only siblings left is Linda Pruhs. Married to Kenny Roberts (deceased). Mother to many, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

GLORIA JONES (BUTTS) Gloria moved here as a child, attended California School with me, married Eudell Jones from California. Gloria and I attended Calif. school together. high school together, worked at Coney Island together and both married W.W. 2 vets from California. Mother and grandmother.

LOIS WEEKS (NIEDERHOFER) Many will not remember her, she did attend California School along with sister Betty, lived on Kellogg where Orsanco is now. Second marriage she married Dr. Niederhofer (local dentist) and he passed away just this week at the age of 98. Lois passed away in Feb. of 2017.

Jackie Kuzniczci Frazier, Historian

One of our other changes is the retirement of our beloved Pastor Denny Mullen at the California Methodist Church. This Sunday we will be honored with Pastor Marvin Jones to serve us, come out and join us wish him luck and to serve our community.



LOOKING AT 2018

Here we are now looking at another new year. The years go by so fast and before we know it, we are older than the hills (like me). Looking back at '17, things for me were not too bad, no major flood which is a plus for us down here along the river. Much progress taking place. Many remarks on the progress of the town, it is what it is and we cannot stand still while the rest of the world goes by. I, to sometimes do not like the changes, but we do have to move ahead. Never did we think that we would be looking at the building of condos right on our river bank, but it is happening and I am sure we will live with it like all the changes we had to endure many years back. Called Sanctuary. Wow, that is what I used to call the wooded area across from our home on Panama St., where we played as children, which I always called it my sanctuary. I used to lose myself down there, as my secret hideout, swing from some of the trees like Tarzan. Now I ride down on the bicycle (PINK PANTHER), when weather permits, and talk to TINKERBELL, BLUE, ASHLEY, AND CODY, our small donkey and horses corralled at the Panama Farm. As I sit there I cannot believe the change of the area since my childhood. Our homes there seem to stand majestically now. If you have not seen the changes here you have missed something. The old Schilling home on the corner is such a thing to see. Many did like the color at first, maybe they like it now, I really love it. I had the honor of going thru the home when they were tearing out the inside and I could not believe the structure of it, all brick walls inside. Seeing it before and now, that is change!!! It is a SHOWCase. Visiting on my bike this past summer, when the home was going down hill so fast and talking to some interested was so elated when I found out it had been sold.

The old BECKER HOME, too, now has new owners and has the whole inside looking beautiful. Thanks, Jeneda Wiwi, for renovating this home. Being born on Panama St. and growing up there and remembering all the folks who lived in these homes and now see them being loved again makes me so happy with my little town. Times when I venture down on Panama passed the old BATEMAN house and admire the Satisfaction Boat Club brings back more memories. Sometime a barge will be coming down or up the river and they are so close to the shore, must be the main channel, looks as though you could reach out and touch them. I only wish I could see the OLD ISLAND QUEEN chugging up the river with the calliope playing, that would be living. Thinking also as a child the boys in our area would march on Panama St. when they were listening to what was going on at the Fort.

Yes, gone are the memories of the past and of 2017 and we must think of 2018. The Bike Trail is still on the agenda, but not yet, and the condos are here to stay. The old Daniels Bldg. next to Lebo's looks as though they are renovating it into something with the adjoining lot on Kellogg which may develop something, don't know anything yet.

Our Heritage Foundation is growing, more and more interesting memorabilia and more and more former Californians coming to visit. Remember Sept. is reunion time and we need you to come and take interest and we do encourage those who went to school there to come and join in an annual picture of former students.

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California Community Council Meeting Minutes

California Community Council meeting of December 12, 2017

The meeting opened at 7:30pm with President David Ross, leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The role call of officers indicated that David Thiem, Kathleen Chandler, Mike Christ, and Hilda Davenport were not present for the meeting. There were 4 members/residents and 6 guests present.

Treasure's Report was given by Dave Ross:

Jo Shepherd made a motion to accept minutes from last months meeting,
Jackie Frazier second the motion.

The police report was presented by officer Kevin Butler, 1 theft at the Ball Park Academy believed to be by a disgruntled employee.

Fire report given by Ed Wallace Yearly totals for the whole area not just California.

Also gave percentage of fires: Home Cooking 19%, Heating Fires 49% (56% of heating fires causing death are due to space heater – objects beings to close to them, use surge protectors.

Use CO detectors (last 5-7 years) in your homes along with smoke detectors. Do not burn wrapping papers in fire places.

Avoid lighting candles, check batteries in smoke detectors.

IMPORTANT-Have an escape plan for everyone in the household and where to meet once outside.

Guest:

Chris Burton from the Water Works was present – Monthly billing- Catch up bill will go out in January and then monthly billing will begin February.

Mandy Bello with CRC was at the meeting tonight to let everyone know she is back.

OLD BUSINESS

Decorations in cement planters donated and arranged by Kim Leist and Debbie Leist.

David Ross donated money for the Christmas party.

David Thiem put the Christmas flags up along Kellogg Ave.

NEW BUSINESS

Daniels Roofing on Kellogg has been sold.

Dennis Mullen, pastor of the California Community Church is retiring on December 31st.

Ohio River Trail- they have about ½ of what they need. City Council has directed Michael Moore to look into where they can get the money. (Subsequent to this meeting, the city along with other interested agencies have come up with \$ to continue planning and construction).

We would like to welcome Polly Whittaker as a new Board of Governor.

Motion was made by David Ross, seconded by Jo Shepherd to approve the following projects for 2018 NSP:

1) Newsletter, 2) Beautification, 3) Park Mowing, 4) Website and 5) Insurance. Motion passed.

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

Respectfully submitted, Deborah Glutz, Secretary

The summer for me was great, many many days spent at Coney Pool with all my Beachcomber friends. We are one big family of friends and keep track of all during the winter months. I spent some wonderful times at Lebo's this summer when family visited and also for my birthday and family Xmas party. I have been enjoying this place since it was Linneman's, Hilge's, Fred's. and now Lebo's. We love our little river town, once you live here you understand. Yes, changes are coming but I am sure we will be able to enjoy it nevertheless. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL AND HOPE THE NEW YEAR IS A GOOD YEAR FOR ALL OF YOU.

Jackie Kuzniczci Frazier, California Historian

**California Columbia
United Methodist Church**

Pastor Marvin Jones
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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California Community Council

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Secretary	Debbie Glutz
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Jackie Frazier
Kim Leist

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California Deli

Wow, what a great job these ladies are doing to continue the tradition of one of our best local establishments. In addition to some handy grocery items and drinks, they have really upped their game when it come to food options, service and just a friendly "homey" feel with tables for eating in, dart board, games, etc. They make great sandwiches to order, soups / chili, breakfast, great sides, pizzas and hoagies and some amazing hot daily specials. I hear the chicken and dumplings are to die for! Visit them at:

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