



# Spring Grove Village NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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## Yard Waste Collection is now NO MORE

**Submitted by Invest In Neighborhoods**

Now that the nice weather is here again and most folks are mowing and working in their yards, they're finding that the City no longer does curbside yard waste collection. This service was eliminated in the new city budget passed late in December to save nearly \$900,000 per year and to avoid layoffs from safety services. Yard waste will no longer be picked up even if it is mixed with regular garbage.

The closest free site for disposal of yard waste is the West Fork Solid Waste Facility located at 3320 Mill Creek Road, South Cumminsville. For Cincinnati residents only. Accessible off Spring Grove Avenue and off Beekman Street. Open year-round Monday through Saturday, from 10:00a.m. to 6:00p.m. (excluding holidays)

## Youth Center Brunch

**Submitted by the Winton Place Youth Center**

The Winton Place Youth Center's annual brunch and silent auction was held on Sunday, April 17, 2011, from noon to 3pm at Harmony Lodge and was a huge success. There were numerous raffle prize winners and plenty of silent auction items to be won.

This fundraiser contributes substantially to sustaining the youth center. The neighborhood's support has always been and continues to be generous and very much appreciated.

Thanks for helping to make this event another success.

If anyone would like to make a donation to the youth center, please call the youth center (681-8004). We can pick things up or you can drop them off at the youth center at 4609 North Edgewood Avenue.

## Ron Perry Wins Award

**Submitted by Winton Place Youth Center**

At the Winton Place Youth Center's annual brunch and silent auction was held on Sunday, April 17, 2011, our friend and neighbor Ron Perry became the 2011 Hagedorn Service Award.

## SGV Community Pool

**Submitted by the Spring Grove Village Community Council**

Curious about the fate of our pool this year?

Last month, we notified you that The Cincinnati Recreation Commission (CRC) planned the closure of nineteen public pools and two recreation centers based on a series of budget reductions, including this years which totaled \$2.2 million.

Since then, efforts within the community to save our pools were underway especially our youth, you who went out and collected over 350+ signatures. Additionally, an enormous round of thanks goes to Serenity Zaebst and all of the young people who made the video showcasing the need to save our pools. You can view the video at: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=flbsJZ70bJI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=flbsJZ70bJI)

On April 12, 2011, Kristen barker attended the Community Council meeting, made a presentation and then asked for support. In attendance were Councilman Wayne Lipert and a representative for Councilwoman Amy Murray.

On April 13, 2011, at the City of Cincinnati Council Meeting, Amy Murray presented a proposal which passed 7-2 (Bortz and Ghiz voted against it) to restore funding to open all of the rest of the pools.

So, as it stands, the pools will be open this summer. We will let you know more information about dates and times as this information becomes available.

## Kids Safety Fair

**Submitted by Chief Richard A Braun, Cincinnati Fire Department**

On Tuesday, May 10, 2011, from 9:00 am to 2:00pm, the Cincinnati Fire Department will host its Kids Safety Fair at Yeatman's Cove. We are requesting that you partner up with us and promote the Kids Safety Fair at your upcoming community council meetings and by means of your websites, also emails and newsletters that you send to those you represent.

The Kids Safety Fair is an opportunity for all children in the Greater Cincinnati Area to educated in all aspects of safety. At the event, the firefighters and police officers and other safety officials in the Greater Cincinnati Area will use fire safe houses, puppet shows and mock demonstrations to educate children on fire safety issues at Yeatman's Cove. Please see the attached flyer.

Partnering up with you will enable the event to be a success. If you have questions concerning the event, feel free to call District Chief Fredrick Prather at 357-7595.

The general public is encouraged to contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 357-7585.

## Salvation Army Update

**Submitted by Spring Grove Village Community Council**

Based on an exceptional presentation by Suzanne Sale, and other residents, the Cincinnati Planning Commission unanimously rejected a zoning change proposal by the Salvation Army to covert land in College Hill that borders Spring Grove Village into low income senior housing. Congrats on the fine proposal.

It has also been indicated that the Salvation Army intends to appeal that decision. More information to follow.

# Elmwood Place Library May Programs

Submitted by Debby Carrico, Branch Manager and Teen Librarian, Elmwood Place Branch Library

The following programs are held at the Elmwood Place Branch Library. For more information, please call (513) 369-4452.

## CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION

Thursday, May 05, 2011  
Time: 4:00 PM

### CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

Age Group: CHILDREN

Come celebrate Cinco de Mayo by making a candy filled pinata and enjoy music and snacks.

Registration Required: NO

## PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Monday, May 09, 2011  
Time: 2:20 PM

### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Age Group: AGES 3 - 6, CHILDREN  
Enjoy books, songs, activities and more, while building early literacy skills. For preschoolers and their caregivers.

Registration Required: NO

## ADULT BEADING

Monday, May 09, 2011  
Time: 6:00 PM

### ARTS & CRAFTS

Age Group: ADULTS, 55+  
Time to work on personal projects.  
Registration Required: NO

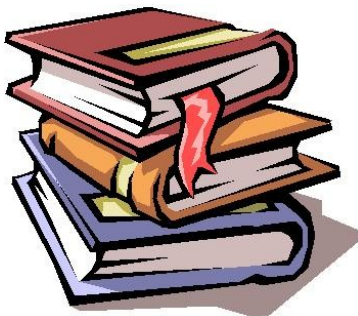
## FUN WITH CANDY

Tuesday, May 17, 2011  
Time: 1:30 PM

### CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

Age Group: CHILDREN

Due to early dismissal, we will hold an after school activity for the school children. We will learn how to make your own candy sushi.



# Calendar of Events

Submitted by Spring Grove Village Community Council

## Tuesday, May 3

Community Council Board Meeting  
6:30pm @ Schomaker Commons  
638 E. Epworth Avenue

## Thursday, May 5

CINCO DE MAYO

## Sunday, May 8

MOTHERS DAY

## Tuesday, May 10

Community Council General Meeting  
7:00pm @ St. Bernards Annex  
740 Derby Avenue

## Wednesday, April 11

Village Works  
5:30pm @ Schomaker Commons  
638 E. Epworth Avenue

## Thursday, April 19

Village Development Corporation  
7:00pm @ Schomaker Commons  
638 E. Epworth Avenue

## Friday, May 20

June Newsletter Deadline  
(Hand-Delivered Version)  
*Note: Due to space limitations, some submitted information will be included to the online version only.*

## Friday, April 27

Adopt-A-Block  
5:00pm @ Schomaker Commons  
638 E. Epworth Avenue

June Newsletter Deadline  
(Online Version)

# Commentary

Submitted by James Beauchamp, Spring Grove Village Community Council President

Been enjoying the rainy weather lately? Me either. But let's look forward to the lovely flowers that will be blooming this month and the beginning of the gardening season. Let's enjoy the beauty.

Also coming up in May is Mother's Day, which provides another excellent opportunity to let your mother know exactly how much you care.

Celebrated in the United States on the second Sunday in May, Mothers Day remains one of the biggest days for sales of flowers, greetings cards, and the like and is also the biggest holiday for long distance phone calls.

Created by Anna Jarvis in Grafton, West Virginia in 1908 as a day to honor her mother, by accomplishing her mothers dream of making a celebration for all mothers. In order to make the idea work, she enlisted the services of wealthy Philadelphia merchant John Wanamaker, and eventually after much persistence, president Woodrow Wilson made it an official national holiday in 1914.

Despite the commercialization of the holiday, I encourage you to go out and find subtle ways to let your mothers know that she is appreciated. Making her a card, cooking her a meal, cleaning her house, or just behaving are great ways to let her know that she is loved. Additionally, the ever powerful words of "Thank You" and "I Love You" spoken with sincerity are sure to be a hit as well. So to all the mothers out there — HAPPY MOTHERS DAY.



**\$.99 Cheese Conies**  
**Saturdays & Sundays Only**  
**No Purchase Limit**

Please present coupon when ordering. Offer valid from 5/1/11 - 5/31/11 at Spring Grove Village location only. (Mitchell Ave. next to Krogers) Not valid with any other offers. Limit one per customer.



# Village Development Corporations News

Submitted by James Beauchamp,  
President of the Village Development Corporation

The Village Development Corporation (VDC) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization made up of community volunteers that redevelops housing in Spring Grove Village.

## GENERAL NEWS

The rehabilitation of 4614 W. Mitchell is now complete and 4731 N. Edgewood is currently being listed by the seller, prior to completion of a full rehab.

If you, or someone you may know, are interested in purchasing this property, please contact the board at 542-1750.

We now have launched our new website: [www.villagedevcorp.org](http://www.villagedevcorp.org). It is still a work in progress and will be continually updated so check back from time to time.

## \$500 REFERRAL FEE PROGRAM

Could you use an extra \$500? If so, than we have a job for you. If you refer someone to purchase a house from the Village Development Corporation, then we will

pay you \$500 as a finder fee upon successful closing of the property. There is no limit to the number of referrals that you can make. Have them contact a member of the Board today.

If you are interested in making a tax-deductible donation to help us with our cause, or if you have any questions about what we do or might be interested in joining our volunteer board, please give us a call and leave a message at 542-1750.

## SGV Newsletter Online

Submitted by the Spring Grove Village Newsletter Editorial Team

If you are interested in the full version of the newsletter, including the full-page calendar, a games page, commentary by the President, and/or other relevant community information, please go to [www.springgrovevillage.org](http://www.springgrovevillage.org). We will try to have it online by the first of each month.

Would you like to subscribe to the soon to be email version of the newsletter? If so, you can subscribe at:

<http://eepurl.com/cTFso>



1814 Dremen Avenue  
Cincinnati, OH 45223  
TEL: 513-853-3947  
[www.cufacincy.org](http://www.cufacincy.org)

## Rental Hall Discounts

for SGV Residents!!

Harmony Lodge  
646 E. Epworth Avenue  
Cincinnati, OH 45232  
Voicemail: (513) 541-1155

or  
Submit the Request-a-Date form at  
[www.harmonylodge.com](http://www.harmonylodge.com)

*Mention the Ad.*



3639 Central Parkway  
Cincinnati, OH 45223  
TEL: 513-281-3677

## CAR WASH INN

5559 VINE STREET  
CINCINNATI, OH 45216  
(Located in Elmwood Place)

SELF SERVE BAYS &  
AUTOMATIC TOUCHLESS CAR WASH



SELF SERVE CAR WASH  
\$1.50 - 3 MINUTES

AUTOMATIC TOUCHLESS CAR WASH  
\$4 - \$7

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## AH Heating and Cooling

(513) 680-6320

Call for free estimates.

\$40.00 1/2 hour diagnostic on service calls.  
Receive 20% off service or install in SGV.

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[www.ahheatingandcooling.com](http://www.ahheatingandcooling.com)  
[www.ahhomeservices.acnrep.com](http://www.ahhomeservices.acnrep.com)

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# Join Your Spring Grove Village Community Council

## From Spring Grove Village Community Council

Active community participation is the best way to improve our neighborhood. Your membership allows you to vote at the SGV annual elections, as well as on any other community issues. It also helps you to stay connected via our email network with our neighborhood. Questions? Contact us at 542-1750. Join Today!!!

## Spring Grove Village Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Skills I'd like to share with SGV \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions \_\_\_\_\_

Regular memberships (voting) are open to all adult residents, property owners, and business owners in Spring Grove Village. Associate memberships (non-voting) are open to all others. Memberships are on a per person basis.

I am a (check all that apply):

Resident  Business Owner  Property Owner

Membership Fees (Per Person)

Regular  \$5 for 1 yr

Mail completed form and your check to Spring Grove Village Community Council at 638 E. Epworth, Cincinnati OH 45232, or bring it to our next meeting. You can also pay online via our paypal link at [www.springgrovevillage.org/ccouncil.html](http://www.springgrovevillage.org/ccouncil.html)

## SGV Community Office—638 E. Epworth Avenue 542-1750

### 2011 SGV Community Council Officers

President	James Beauchamp
Vice-President	Jerry Carrico
Secretary	Brook Westheimer
Treasurer	David Wesenberg
Trustee	Annie Hilson
Trustee	Mary Howard
Trustee	(Vacant)
Trustee	(Vacant)
Trustee	(Vacant)
Trustee	(Vacant)
Trustee	(Vacant)

### Citizens on Patrol

Betty Ann McNulty 681-0093

### Village Works

Gary Robbins Cell 542-1750 (Office)

702-7029

### Beautification Committee

James Beauchamp 252-6464

[beauchjm@fuse.net](mailto:beauchjm@fuse.net)

### Community Garden

"Nanny" Oliver 542-8440 (Home)

### Village Development Corp.

James Beauchamp, President 542-1750 (Office)

252-6464

### Winton Place Youth Center

681-8004 (Office)

Terry Davis, Executive Director

### Newsletter Editorial Team

Copy/Layout Editor 542-1750

[newsletter@springgrovevillage.org](mailto:newsletter@springgrovevillage.org)

### Community Police Officers—

Melissa Cummins 569-8595

[melissa.cummins@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:melissa.cummins@cincinnati-oh.gov)

### Cincinnati Police—

Street Corner Drug Enforcement 352-3715

District 5 569-8500

Non-Emergency number 765-1212

### Additional Police Numbers

Crime Reporting 352-2960

SGV Detective Robert Harold 352-6326

SGV Violent Crimes Officer 352-6326

Graffiti Removal Unit 591-6000

Citizens on Patrol Coordinator 542-1750

**For emergencies, call 911**

### City Customer Service

591-6000

Garbage Collection, removal of appliances, tires furniture, etc.

### Hamilton County Air Quality Hotline

946-7777



# Spring Grove Village Calendar of Events

# May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Community Council Board Meeting 6:30pm @ Schomaker Commons 638 E. Epworth	4	5 <b>CINCO DE MAYO</b>	6	7
8 <b>MOTHERS DAY</b>	9	10 Community Council General Meeting 7pm @ St. Bernards Church Annex 740 Derby Avenue	11 Village Works Meeting 5:30pm @ Schomaker Commons 638 E. Epworth	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Village Development Corporation 7pm @ Schomaker Commons 638 E. Epworth	20 June Newsletter Submission Deadline	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 Adopt-A-Block Committee 5:00pm @ Schomaker Commons 638 E. Epworth	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

If there is an event that you would like listed on an upcoming Calendar, please send an email to [newsletter@springgrovevillage.org](mailto:newsletter@springgrovevillage.org), call the office at 542-1750, or by sending a letter to 638 E. Epworth, Cincinnati, OH 45232. Please send it in prior to the Newsletter Submission Deadline. Once approved by Community Council, it will be added to the Calendar of Events.

## Fun & Games—Riddles Answers

Submitted by Spring Grove Village Community Council

Listed below are the answers to the Riddles from the March issue.

- I am taken from a mine, and shut up in a wooden case, from which I am never released, and yet I am used by almost everybody? What am I? Answer: Pencil Lead
- What goes around the house and in the house, but never touches the house? Answer: The Sun
- What is it that you can keep after giving it to someone else? Answer: Your Word
- What gets wet when drying? Answer: A Towel
- What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years? Answer: The Letter ‘M’
- There were five men going to church and it started to rain. The four that ran got wet and the one that stood still stayed dry. Who are they? Answer: A Body in Coffin & Bearers
- The more you take, the more you leave behind. What are they? Answer: Footsteps
- Brother and sisters have I none. But this man’s father is my father’s son. Answer: My Son
- What belongs to you but others use it more than you do? Answer: Your Name

## Community Garden Update

Submitted by SGV Beautification Committee

Do you have some gardening supplies that you do not know what to do with? If so, the SGV Community Garden would like to take them off your hands. Please contact “Nanny” Oliver at 542-8440 to arrange dropping them off.

Additionally, the Community Garden is looking for donation of wood, mulch, topsoil for the reconstruction/construction of plant beds, and the fence repair.

The community garden is looking to open its doors this April and rent out plots for \$25/apiece. Please contact “Nanny” for more information.

## Farmers Market

Submitted by SGV Beautification Committee

Are you interested in collaborating with other residents and maintaining a space or two at the Northside Farmers Market, held throughout the summers, Wednesdays from 3-7pm. If so, let us know and we will help coordinate it all. Whether it be your home grown vegetables, harvested honey, or any other crafts that you make, it will all work towards advertising not only your talent, or business, but this community as well. Contact James Beauchamp, at [beauchjm@fuse.net](mailto:beauchjm@fuse.net), or by other means as indicated on Page for more information.

## Fun & Games—Sudoku Answers

Submitted by Spring Grove Village Community Council

Listed below are the answers to the Sudoku from the March issue.

9	4	2	6	8	7	3	1	5
7	5	8	9	3	1	6	2	4
3	6	1	2	4	5	7	8	9
1	8	9	7	5	6	4	3	2
2	3	6	1	9	4	5	7	8
5	7	4	8	2	3	9	6	1
8	2	3	4	7	9	1	5	6
4	1	5	3	6	2	8	9	7
6	9	7	5	1	8	2	4	3

5	2	6	7	9	8	3	4	1
4	9	8	1	5	3	2	7	6
3	7	1	2	6	4	8	9	5
7	5	9	8	4	2	6	1	3
1	6	4	5	3	7	9	8	2
8	3	2	6	1	9	7	5	4
2	4	3	9	8	5	1	6	7
6	8	7	4	2	1	5	3	9
9	1	5	3	7	6	4	2	8

## Thoughts

Submitted by Spring Grove Village Community Council

Have any thoughts or suggestions, on events, activities, or programs that you would be interested in participating in, or would like to share with your neighbors? If so, let us know.

## Reds Green Team

**Submitted by Sean Brown, Director of Ballpark Operations**

The Reds Green Team is back for the 2011 season! Last season was an overwhelming success and that is due to all of your help.

If you don't remember, the Green Team is made up of community volunteers that want to help the Reds and Rumpke recycle at Great American Ball Park.

Volunteers are granted access to each game and get a free Green Team T-Shirt. Volunteers should enter at Gapper's Alley to pick up a credential and are free to find a place to stand and watch the game. In the middle of the 6th inning, volunteers should return to Gapper's Alley to pick up their instructions, gloves, green bags (which are also biodegradable), and their t-shirts (made from recycled plastic bottles). The instructions will direct them to particular sections where they will walk up and down the aisles and collect plastic bottles and cans from fans. All full bags should be placed next to recycling bins on the concourse. Once the volunteer finishes their assigned sections or runs out of bags, they are free to enjoy the rest of the game.

Below are dates and games times that the Green Team will be active in April, &

April 2—7:10	June 18—7:10
April 3—1:10	June 19—7:10
April 15—7:10	July 1—7:10
April 16—1:10	July 2—7:10
April 17—1:10	July 3—1:10
April 29—7:10	July 15—7:10
April 30—7:10	July 16—7:10
May 1—\$:10	July 17—1:10
May 13—7:10	July 22—7:10
May 14—7:10	July 23—7:10
May 15—1:10	July 24—1:10
June 3—7:10	July 29—7:10
June 4—4:10	July 30—7:10
June 5—1:10	July 31—1:10
June 17—7:10	

## Commentary

**Submitted by James Beauchamp, Spring Grove Village Community Council President**

Spring is in the air. Can you feel it? Flowers are starting to bloom in lawns throughout our neighborhood, birds are singing, kids are playing in their yards, riding bikes through the streets, and the gardeners are well under way with creating their treasure troves of produce. It is also a great time for Spring Cleaning and New Beginnings.

This is a great time to clean out the house from top to bottom, or to make some changes for things not quite working out.

For the home, some spring cleaning basics include:

Clean Windows

Dust Lightbulbs

Wash Your Blinds

Stock Your Stain-Fighting Kit

Update Bed Linens

Change Direction of Your Ceiling Fans  
(Run Counter Clockwise)

Protect Wooden Floors

Clean Out the Refrigerator

Restock Homekeeping Supplies

Deep-Clean Carpets & Rugs

Clean Your Curtains

Replace Batteries  
(In Smoke Detectors & Clocks)

Get Rid of Clutter

Need help in this endeavor? Create a Checklist, and then set-up a Chore Chart, creating tentative deadlines to make the tasks more manageable. Would you or someone else you know consider you a hoarder, then you definitely get some help.

Cleaning is also a great way to rediscover treasures that you lost, or forgot about, pass some stuff on to your friends or family.

It is a fantastic way to reconnect with friends and family that you may have lost touch with in an effort to create a new beginning. It is also a great time to meet or reconnect with your neighbors, to get involved with your communities, to restart that new years resolution or to start that thing that you have been putting off.

Spring is a great time for new beginnings. Please enjoy yours today.



