

Avondale Community News

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Avondale Legal Clinic Returns

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During the month of June, the Avondale Legal Clinic will hold three sessions, June 5, 12, and 19. The clinic will operate from 9-1 on Saturday mornings at the Avondale Pride Center. The goal of the clinic is to serve every client who walks through the door regardless of income or legal problem. No appointment is necessary and attorneys will address clients on a first come, first served basis.

Upon entering the clinic, clients will need to sign a Client Disclaimer form and fill out a questionnaire. Once this short process is completed, the client will be matched with an attorney and or law student best suited to address their legal issue.

Last year, attorneys and law students met with an estimated total of fifty clients. A broad spectrum of legal issues were addressed during each session, including but not limited to:

Child custody, Employment/Unemployment, Family/Divorce, Landlord/Tenant, Wills/Trusts, Discrimination, Bankruptcy, Expungement, and Foreclosure.

Volunteer attorneys and law students assisted clients in a myriad of ways:

- Spoke on behalf of citizens and made phone calls to various government and legal organizations,
- Drafted letters, memoranda, and other pertinent legal documents
- Offered counsel and advice pertaining to trial and plea agreements
- Coordinated the return of a child to his/her birth mother (custody)

- Explained legal terminology and legalese.

The mission of the Avondale Legal Clinic is:

Providing accessible attorneys to the financially constrained individuals of the Avondale community.

Providing high quality legal services and assistance to such clients

Empowering Avondale residents with the legal tools necessary to protect their personal and professional assets and,

Promoting community participation and control.



Avondale Legal Clinic

June 5, 12, 19, 2010

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Avondale Pride Center

3520 Burnet Avenue

Cincinnati, OH 45229

513.281.5999

Avondale Youth Council

By Joseph Malek and DeNesha Bell

Avondale Ambassadors Hit the Avenue

By Ozie Davis, III

“This is what I’m talking about” said Pastor Enis Tait of the Church of the Living God when he saw the Avondale Youth Council in action at their newest activity on Burnet Avenue. The Uptown Ambassadors are on the street cleaning and being hospitable to residents and visitors alike. When you see the bright green shirts walking from Forest to MLK on Burnet Ave. give them a honk, wave, or just a smile. This cleanliness and friendliness opportunity is being funded by the Uptown Consortium (the Youth Council’s founding funder) and is a pseudo copy of the Downtown Ambassador program which does cleanliness activity in the downtown area. This effort is not quite funded like the Downtown program but it is a good start. “We’re doing what we can with what we have.” said Fulton Jefferson, Founder of the Youth Council. “Our youth are excited to be a part of the neighborhood revitalization, and look forward to doing our part to keep the Avenue clean. We hope that residents, businesses, and visitors alike take witness to our efforts and do their part not to litter as well.”



Tracey Mahoney, Director of Community Affairs Children’s Hospital with Uptown Ambassadors



This is a recap of what the Avondale Youth Council has accomplished this spring:

March:

- The AYC took the first steps in preparing a new community garden on Ridgeway Avenue. Trash and litter was removed and then a cookout took place for the workers and residents.
- Two teams worked with the Citizen Complaint Authority. One team created videos demonstrating situations that take place between citizens and police officers and how each situation should be handled. The second team verified complaint surveys and created videos containing facts about police behavior towards citizens. These videos will be used to inform others from a youth perspective about the job of the Citizen Complaint Authority.

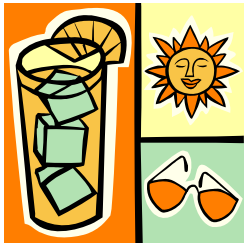
April:

- Members of the AYC volunteered in various booths, passed out information about the community gardens and the DoRight! Campaign.
- Great American Cleanup Day generated over fifty bags of trash collected by the AYC throughout the neighborhood.

May:

- The beginning of spring brought the Flying Pig Marathon. The AYC manned a water station along with the Avondale Running Club.
- Work in the community gardens is progressing. The soil has been prepared and plants are in the ground.
- The Poetry class is preparing for competition in a poetry slam and the Professional Development class is working on a group project to raise money to pay off library fees.
- The Homework studies program has helped members achieve higher grades and better test scores in the last quarter of the school year.

Last but not least the AYC participated in “Without Sanctuary” a program which helped them learn about the Holocaust and Civil Rights.



SUMMER FREEBIES

Cincinnati Museum Center 1301 Western Avenue 513-287-7043

The Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal is setting aside one Friday afternoon each month for free admission. Thanks to generous donations the "Free Fridays" program will waive admission to all three museums from 4 to 8 p.m. on the following dates: June 25, July 30, August 27 and

September 17. This admission is for the museums only and does not include special exhibits of the Omnimax Theater. For more information call 513.287.7000 or visit www.cincymuseum.org

Cincinnati Art Museum 953 Eden Park Drive 513-639-2995 Cincinnatiartmuseum.org

The Cincinnati Art Museum no longer charges for exhibitions or general admission and has instead started a \$4 per vehicle parking charge. Hours of operation are:

- Tuesday—Sunday 11-5
- Wed 11-9, Closed Mondays and major holidays

Contemporary Arts Center 44 East Sixth Street 345-8400

Free on Monday evenings 5-9

Summer on Fountain Square *Music*

- **FSQ Lounge Mondays**—Jazz combos 7-9 p.m.
- **Southern Sounds Tuesdays**—Blues & Country 7-9 p.m.
- **Reggae Wednesdays**—Happy hour prices 5-7 p.m. with a DJ; laid back reggae until 9 p.m.
- **Acoustic Thursdays**—Local musicians performing Celtic, blues, American, etc. Noon –1

- **Salsa on the Square Thursday**—Salsa bands, dance demonstrations 7-10 p.m.
- **Indie Summer Fridays**—Local bands play alternative and indie rock 7-10 p.m.
- **Smooth Sundays** - R & B, Soul and Gospel 5-9 p.m.

Movies

Saturday Night at the Movies presents two feature films each week on Fountain Square. Adult beverages, soft drinks and movie snacks are available for purchase. Movies are always PG or PG-13. Previews begin at 7:00 p.m. the first movie shortly afterwards. There is brief intermission and the second movie ends at 11:00 p.m.

June 12	9	I Am Legend
June 19	Astro Boy	Steamboy
June 26	Open Season	Sherlock Holmes
July 3	Fly Me to the Moon	Apollo 13
July 10	Fantastic Mr. Fox Bend it like Beckham	
July 17	Monsters vs. Aliens	Star Trek
July 24	Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs Where the Wild Things Are	
July 31	Over the Hedge	King Kong
August 7	Charlotte's Web Much Ado About Nothing	
August 14	Shrek the Third	Terminator Salvation
August 21	Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs The Blind Side	
August 28	Happy Feet	Footloose

(Summer Freebies continued page 6)

Everybody's Backyard Picnic

Thursday July 22, 2010
6:00—8:30 p.m.

Fleischmann Gardens

(Forest & Washington)



- Free hot dogs—while they last!
- Music by Soul Power (R& B Sounds)
- Bucket Boyz
- Party Animals Petting Zoo
- Faris the Magician
- Cincinnati Parks Nature Education
- Funny Companie Clowns (face painting & balloons)



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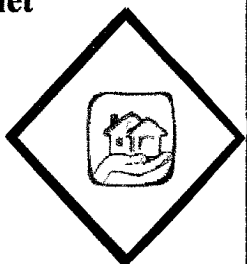
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Summer Freebies (Continued from page 4)

Book Worm Wednesdays



Every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. beginning July 7th through August 11th, a fun and rewarding summer reading program to encourage young children to read during the summer. **BOOKWORM WEDNESDAYS** entitles kids to free admission to a select children's film when they present a book report at Showcase Cinema (12064 Springdale Pike, Springdale, OH 45246, (800) 315-4000. Book report forms are available at the Pride Center

Be the Change!

Gospel Concert

Calling all church Choirs, Mimes, Praise Dancers,
Poets, Singers, Speakers, Etc...

Sunday, June 13, 2010 4:00—7:00pm
South Avondale School Park
(Corner of Reading, Forest & Rockdale Avenue)

Hosted by: Cincinnati Initiative to Reduce Violence (CIRV)
Cincinnati Human Relations Commission (CHRC),
Avondale Community & Youth Councils and
Project Nehemiah (CeaseFire)

For more information or to
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\$84,900—3450 Wilson Ave., Avondale, 4+br, 2ba, brick home, spacious rms, near school, hospitals, move-in cond., add off st pkg Seller Financing OK

\$25,000—842 Rockdale Ave., Avondale 2-family, brick, 1-br, 1-2br/2ba, needs roof, SHORT SALE purchase, must sell!

\$119,000—1761 Dale Ave., Bond Hill, 4 plex, 2br, 1ba each, new windows, brick, 4-car garage, 2 units rented Seller Financing OK

\$6,000—1720 Freeman Ave., West End, 2-Family, brick, major fixer, needs everything! Near 1-75, dwntwn, Best Offer taken!

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Dates To Remember

ACC Board meeting June 1, 2010 July 6, 2010 6:30 p.m. General Body June 15, 2010 No General Body in July or August 6:30 p.m. Pride Center ♦	AYC Avondale Youth Council June 1 & 15, 2010 July 6 & 20, 2010 4:30 p.m. Pride Center District 4 Community Meeting June 24, 2010 6:30 District 4 ♦	Ceasefire Steering Committee June 10., 2010 Church of the Living God 430 Forest Avenue Every Child Succeeds Steering Committee June 17, 2010 10:00 Carmel Presbyterian
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Cincinnati Recreation Commission

Hirsch Community Center 3620 Reading Rd. Cincinnati, Oh 45229 (513)751-3393

Annual Memberships

Juniors and Seniors \$10 Includes All CRC Centers & Pools, except Dunham Pool
 Adults (Ages 18-49) \$25 Includes All CRC Centers & Pool, except Dunham Pool

Optional for Adults only: \$20 Includes All CRC Centers Membership
 \$10 Includes All CRC Pools Membership, except Dunham Pool

Please Note Membership does **NOT** include individual Center Weight/Fitness Room fees.

Youth 8-12 Do you want to come and join the afternoon activities such as gym games, game room, arts & crafts, theater class, and need assistance with paying for your membership this year? Stop by with a parent and see if assistance is available.

Core Hours: Monday – Thursday Noon – 8 PM
 Friday 11 AM-7 PM

Spring:	Tai Chi	Free	M & W	9 AM – Noon
	Computer Basics	Free	M – F	Noon – 2 PM
	Exercise	Free	M W F	Noon – 2 PM
	Walking	Free	T & Th	Noon – 2 PM
	Open Gym	Free	M – F	Noon – 2 PM
	Open Gym	Free	M & W	6 PM – 8 PM
	Black History	Free	M & W	6 PM – 8 PM
	Teen Dodge Ball	Free	T	6 PM – 8 PM
	Music			
	After School Day Camp	\$30 /week		2:30 PM – 6 PM
	NAM Pick up	\$10 / week		2:30 – 4:30 PM
	Drop In	Free		3 PM – 5 PM
	Arts and Crafts	Free	M & W	3 PM – 5 PM
	Gym Games	Free	M-F	3 PM – 5 PM
	Homework Help	Free	M – Th	3 PM
	Theater	Free	T & Th	3 PM – 5 PM
	Game Room	Free	M- F	4PM - 5 PM

Summer: Summer Registration has begun!

Summer Day Camp Mon. June 7 – Fri. Aug. 13 7AM – 6 PM \$500
 Price includes Swim Lessons and Membership
 Price of transportation and field trip admission is **NOT** included!

Theater Experience (ages 11-17) Mon. June 7 – Fri. Aug. 6 Noon – 6 PM \$250

Learn & Earn Experience More info TBA

Reds Rookie Success League FREE T & Th June 8 – July 1 9AM - Noon
 Kids will be bused to Schmidt Ball Fields **BUS TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED**

Free Lunch Program Dates & Time TBA

Room Rentals are available even outside of our normal operating hours!

Top 7 Summer Safety Hazards for Children



Playgrounds

Injury Facts: Kids who fall off climbing equipment, slides, and swings usually injure their face, head, or arms, says *Parents* advisor Dennis Durbin, MD, director of research in emergency medicine at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Safety Check: A preschool-age child shouldn't be more than four feet off the ground, says Dr. Durbin. Make sure surfaces are cushioned, equipment is maintained, and there are no exposed bolts or open "S" hooks.

Heat Exposure



Illness Facts: Your child can develop heat exhaustion and become seriously dehydrated when she's in the hot sun for too long. Symptoms include pale skin, dizziness, headache, fatigue, nausea, and vomiting. Kids under 4 are especially vulnerable to high temperatures.

Safety Check: Keep your child indoors during heat waves. Make sure she stays hydrated by giving her plenty to drink even if she says she isn't thirsty. Never leave your child in a car, which can heat up rapidly.

Food Poisoning

Illness Facts: Bacteria grow quickly in perishable food that's left out at picnics and barbecues. Symptoms resemble stomach flu: nausea, cramps, vomiting, diarrhea, and in severe cases, fever and bloody stool.

Safety Check: Make sure food is cooked thoroughly. Wash your hands often and prevent cross-contamination by using separate plates for raw and cooked foods. Never leave food out for more than an hour when it's hot outside; store it in a well-insulated cooler packed with plenty of ice.



Fireworks

Injury Facts: "Bottle rockets can cause serious eye injuries that lead to partial or complete blindness," says pediatrician Gary Smith, MD, director of the Center for Injury Research and Policy at Nationwide Children's Hospital, in Columbus, Ohio. Sparklers can burn the skin and ignite clothing.

Safety Check: Don't use or let your child use or be around any fireworks, including sparklers. Instead, visit a public display run by professionals.



Bicycles

Injury Facts: Kids often crash into obstacles or lose control, but the most serious injuries occur when children are struck by cars, says Dr. Smith.

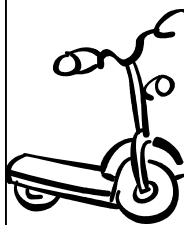
Safety Check: Have your child wear a helmet every time she rides. It should be snug and level with her forehead. Don't let her ride in the street until she's 10. Teach her to look both ways before crossing driveways.



Skateboards and Scooters

Injury Facts: Head injuries and wrist fractures are particularly common. Kids are most likely to get hurt when they're first learning to ride, or when they ride too fast or attempt tricks, says H. Garry Gardner, MD, chair of the AAP's National Committee on Injury, Violence, and Poison Prevention.

Safety Check: Your child needs a helmet, wrist guards, slip-resistant shoes, elbow pads, and knee pads. Kids under 5 shouldn't use skateboards or two-wheeled scooters, recommends the AAP.



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Crimestoppers	352-3040
Liter Control	564-1750
Poison Information	558-5111
Senior Program	352-4026
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Weed Property	564-1750
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