



"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." -Margaret Mead

Reminders

- * Bark in the Park, October 24th 2:00pm-4:00pm
- * Trunk or Treat, October 25th 2:00pm-4:00pm
- * Beggar's Night, October 29th 6:00pm-8:00pm
- * Yard Waste Pick-up on October 20th and November 3rd

Ganthers Place Block Watch and Civic Association

We put the *neighbor* in neighborhood.

October 2015

Autumn is here! With cooler days comes falling leaves.

If you, or a neighbor that you know, need help with lawn clean-up, please contact us at ganthersplace@gmail.com and we'll be happy to secure volunteers for you.

Councilmember Klein will be at this month's block watch and civic association meeting to get to know Ganthers Place a little better.

Angela Mingo from Nationwide Children's Hospital will also be in attendance to update us on all the great work they are doing in our community. Especially if you have a question or concern, please attend and be sure your voice is heard. Or, stop by just to thank them for coming!

This month's special meeting will be held Tuesday, October 27th, 6:00pm at Community Development for All People, 946 Parsons Avenue. Mark your calendars and we hope to see you there!

Thank you City of Columbus for beginning to mark recycling containers with the address to which they belong. This will definitely go a long way in ensuring they stay put! If you're currently without a recycling container, contact (614) 645-3111 to request a new one.

We are Ganthers Place.

Ganthers Place Bark in the Park

Saturday, October 24th @ 2:00pm

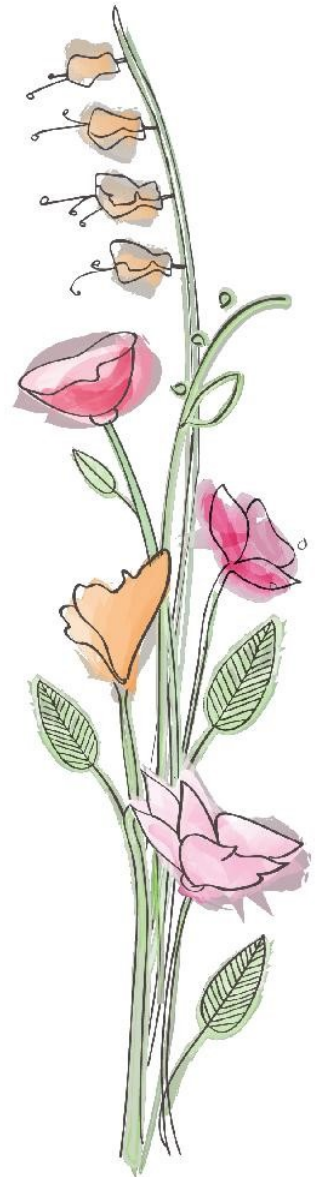
Ganthers Park for All People

566 Reinhard Avenue



As we celebrate our four-legged family members, please keep in mind-

- * If your pup will out of your arms, it should be on a leash.
- * Please come prepared to clean up after your pet.
- * Optional costume contest with a prizes!





GANTHERS PLACE TRUNK OR TREAT

**October 25th at 2:00pm
Ganthers Park for All People
566 Reinhard Avenue**

**Please join us for some ghoulish games,
frightening fun, and freaky food!**

Bring a bag to collect your goodies!

**Candy donations needed! Please contact us at
ganthersplace@gmail.com if you or your
business are able to contribute.**



PERSONAL SAFETY

Safety is everyone's business!

TOP 10

1. **Know your surroundings-360 degrees**
2. **Lock your doors and windows**
3. **Don't leave your valuables in your car (If you must, use the trunk)**
4. **Know your neighbors and be sure they know you**
5. **Don't talk to strangers**
6. **Walk with confidence and be ready (see #1)**
7. **Don't flash cash**
8. **Take a friend**
9. **Walk in the light**
10. **Practice Random Irregularity**

Understandably, no one wishes to believe they might become a victim of a crime; however, denial of the problem solves nothing and may actually place you at greater risk of becoming a victim.

You must be prepared to be safe. Prevention is always better than reaction.

Learn to practice safety every single day! While things like personal alarms, tear gas, a weapon or even self defense tactics may help in a bad situation, it is important to understand they are all **reactive**, designed to be utilized when the problem is actually occurring. It is significantly more effective to prevent the problem from occurring in the first place.

The FBI publishes an annual "Crime in the United States" report. There were 16,137 murders in the United States in 2004, 350 fewer than in 2003: The FBI report also includes a "Crime Clock" that shows how frequently crimes were committed in 2004: there was one property crime in the U.S. every 3.1 seconds and one violent crime every 23.1 seconds. Here's the breakdown:

- There was one larceny / theft every 4.5 seconds
- There was one burglary every 14.7 seconds
- There was one motor vehicle theft every 25.5 seconds
- There was one aggravated assault every 36.9 seconds
- There was one robbery ever 1.3 minutes
- There was one forcible rape every 5.6 minutes
- There was one murder every 32.6 minutes

Crime pervades our lives! But there are some things you can do to lessen your risk of becoming a victim. This information, while not all-inclusive, will provide valuable suggestions in regard to making yourself and your family safer. Nothing is 100% effective. However, well learned and utilized safety tips will certainly improve your opportunity to ***Live Safely!***

Columbus, Ohio Division of Police
Strategic Response Bureau
Community Liaison Section
645-4610
www.columbuspolice.org





**HAPPY RETIREMENT TO
GANTHERS PLACE RESIDENT, BETTY!**

Ganthers Place

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Under Ohio law and Columbus City Code, bicycles belong on the roadway. So, motorists and bicyclists must share the road safely. Bicyclists, like motorists, must obey all relevant traffic laws.

Share the Road

Contact Information
City of Columbus, Division of Mobility Options
109 N Front St., Columbus, OH 43215
phone: 645-3111 or 311
email: 311@columbus.gov
web: sharetheroad.columbus.gov

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Tips for Bicyclists

- Obey all traffic laws, including stopping for red lights and stop signs.
- Ride **with** traffic.
- Try to make **eye contact** with motorists in your path.
- Keep **your eyes and mind on the road**.
- Wear a **properly fitting helmet**, even on the shortest of rides.
- Ride **in the street**. Under City of Columbus Code, only young children are permitted to ride on sidewalks.
- Keep **your bike in working order**, especially your brakes and chain.
- Ride **predictably**. Use proper hand signals for turning and stopping.
- Ride **respectfully**, single file or no more than two abreast.
- Ride **outside the "door zone."** When pedaling past parked cars, look at the driver's-side mirrors. If you see someone, assume the door is about to open, and slow down.
- Be **visible**, wear bright clothing.
- Use a **bicycle headlight and taillight at night**, required under Columbus City Code, as well as in rainy or other inclement weather.

Tips for Motorists

- By law, bicyclists belong on the road and have the right to a full lane, just like motorists.
- Pay **attention**. Expect bikes and motorcycles on the road, and pedestrians in crosswalks.
- Pass **with care**, allow at least three feet between you and bicyclists.
- Wait until it's safe to **pass** bicyclists.
- Try to **make eye contact** with bicyclists in your path.
- When making left turns, **yield to oncoming bikes**.
- Before making right turns, **check for approaching bicycles** on your right.
- Use **your mirrors!** Look for approaching bicyclists before opening your car doors.
- Watch for and **yield to bicyclists** when pulling out of a driveway.

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