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The January 12th 2016 & February 8th Meetings, are scheduled for Tuesday evenings, at 7:00PM and we will meet at our Office location at the Corpus Christi Center of Peace 1111 East Stewart Avenue. For those who may be attending their first meeting, our entrance is just east of the Dominican Learning Center, entrance.

SPECIAL GUEST TO JOIN US... Judge Hawkins of the Environmental Court will join us for our January Meeting. Charlie Loutzenhiser and Erin Sycks, our Southside Commission Representatives, have been invited to attend and to discuss vacant and boarded-up homes as well as other environmental issues. If you have concerns please join us!!!! Judge Hawkins will also administer the oath of office to our 2016 Officers.

YOU "CAN" HELP We are still accepting "Aluminum" beverage cans to recycle and use those funds to help us with many of our events. Last year we collected over \$100 in cans. Please save your cans and drop off at 1395 Linwood and we will take them for recycling. **The cans are coming in and we Thank You for your support! Thank you for your help!**

CALENDAR & EVENTS

January 2016

1st FR, New Year's Day, Wishing You a Happy Year!
12th TU, 7 PM General Membership Meeting, at Office
29th SU, 11 AM till 5:30 PM Dining with the 11th Precinct

February 2016

8th TU, 7 PM General Membership Meeting at Office
14th SU, Valentine's Day Celebrate w/ your Loved One
15th MO, President's Day No City Services, Trash etc...

New Liaison Officer for the 11th Precinct

We will welcome Officer Robin Medley, who comes from the 13th Precinct to become our Liaison Officer for the 11th. Please Welcome Officer Medley, as our liaison officer by attending the Block Watch meeting.

BLOCK WATCH NEWS – We have had numerous attempts of Break-ins and actual Break-ins on Wilson Avenue!! It is IMPORTANT to REPORT "Loitering" foot traffic. The Winter weather is not enjoyable for walking and looking at landscaping and homes. Therefore, if someone is observed "Loitering" in front of or trespassing on your neighbors or your property CALL THE POLICE at 645-4545 and Report the activity! Also, get a GOOD description of the individual(s). When you leave for work or errands leave a light(s) on, or place them on timers, and a radio or other device to provide background noise. Also, we still have numerous individuals walking through the neighborhood asking to help with SNOW removal. But, if they don't have tools of the trade and want to use yours, it may be a chance to see what you have in your home or garage for later break-ins!!! It might help detour crime or a later break-in if we would ask them for a form of State ID. This is a way to confirm who is providing a service and to give to the CPD if you have a later theft or home invasion. As always, **Well informed and "Watchful" neighbors with well lighted areas reduce crime.** As always report strange activity to the Police Dept. **PLEASE DO NOT BECOME ANOTHER STATISTIC !!** DO NOT leave items of value (even small coin) in your car. Keep the outside of your home WELL Illuminated and put lights on timers, inside of your home or even music playing. Since the criminal activity on Wilson a number of homes have turned on their outside SECURITY lights. More LIGHT, less Criminal Activity will occur. It is a STATISCAL FACT. **WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO JOIN US DURING THE BLOCK WATCH MEETINGS TO SHARE OBSERVATIONS ON YOUR STREET AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE SOME OF THE ISSUES OF CONCERN! A NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCH IS ONLY AS EFFECTIVE AS THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE AS THE EYES AND EARS OF THE COMMUNITY.** Also, share with the Liaison Office the problems and issues, to help prevent criminal activity.

A BIG Thank You! To Pam Whyte and Cheryl Rakes who will help pass out the News letters on Wilson and Linwood.. Could you help on your street? Contact Ted at 614 946-2247

The CENTER, PARISH and CIVIC NEWS

2015 C.C.C.oP. PROGRAMS The neighborhood and community is welcome and invited to attend these programs and events. Maybe you know someone who could benefit by attending and or passing on the information: **"Woman to Woman"** Listening Circles are meeting **Noon to 1:30 PM** with luncheon served @ 11:30 for participants Centering Prayer Group are hosting "A Day of Contemplative Prayer & Silence" on Sat., Feb. 20, 9am-5pm. See the attached flyer for more information. If you're looking for an opportunity to share silence with a wonderful group of people, here it is! And what a wonderful way to spend a day in Lent!

Register online at cccenterofpeace.org. Please call Anita Davidson 614 512-3731 more information for these & other events.

Community Events:

Dine with the Finest CPD 11th Precinct
Sunday, January 29th, we will host the 11th Precinct and share a meal with them in appreciation of their dedication to serving and protecting our safety in the neighborhood. We will serve the 1st shift from 11 AM till 12:30 PM and the 2nd shift from 4 till 5:30 PM. If you would like to provide a dish and join us please contact Brian at 517-7470.

FALL AND WINTER SAFETY Please be careful as we enter into the cooler and Cold months!!! Make sure your heating appliances have been inspected. Make sure all of your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors have been checked and in good working order!!! Replace them if in doubt!!!! DO NOT use extension cords on heating devices!!!! Always use safe and UL approved appliances! Check your vehicles that you use for Winter travel. Be sure they are in good working condition and safe to be on snow covered or ice covered roads. Check for all Winter Weather Advisories and observe them!

Today's Real Estate Buzz... 2016 is now upon us and as a community we saw 7 of 9 properties listed and in contract within 48 hours and sold during 2015. Home owners have seen the return of multiple offers with homes being sold at full list price or higher. Many neighborhoods are seeing very low market inventories, at this time. For those interested in purchasing or selling their home, now may be the time to make that decision,

before the Spring rush begins. The interest rates are still very low at 3 to 3.5 % fixed rate and buyers are looking for their next wonderful home.

2016 EDGEWOOD OFFICERS ELECTED

President, Ted Welch – Vice President, Cheryl Rakes – Secretary, Brian Walters – Treasurer, Tom Hughes – Assistant Secretary, Mary Sue Baumann to be sworn in at the January 12th meeting.

Benefit Concert 2016 – again what a FANTASTIC concert! A SPECIAL Thank you to Mr. Ty Boyle, The Bethany Baptist Choir, Mr. Ethan Farris, MS Cecile Smith, MS Serrena Smith and Mr's Larry & Jerrod Grant, Pastor Bradford of the Bethany Baptist Church and Anita Davidson of the Center of Peace.



Mr. Ty Boyle, Concert Pianist at the piano. We were graced with his talent and presence. But, we also, need to acknowledge the wonderful talent of the community. Their participation was of the highest caliber and we can be proud of these gifted members of the neighborhood!