



THE PULSE OF THE HILL

May 2012

President's Message

Welcome to our first on-line only edition of the newsletter. We're trying an experiment aimed at reducing costs. Print newsletters will go out quarterly, in January, April, July and October. Other months you'll find it in your email inbox and on our website, www.stanneshill.org.

Every job in St. Anne's Hill is important, but very few have monthly deadlines and involve so much work on a constant basis. There is a learning curve involved in putting together each edition and getting it into mailboxes in a timely manner. It would be best if our editor served for multiple years, but just about the time those skills are mastered, many editors burn out. I urge you to make the editor's job easier by submitting articles. The articles can be about upcoming events in the neighborhood or city, or instructional (as to a hobby you have, for example), historical, informative, humorous, or whatever strikes you to write about that you think others in our community would be interested in. As long as the articles are family-friendly there are no restrictions as to content. Most of all, remember to thank the editor and recognize the monumental job she's doing. Amy: you've done a great job and continue to do so. Thank you!

We welcome comments on this plan and want to hear your input. Email me at srgray65@live.com or come to our monthly meetings, held the first Tuesday of every month, 7:00 pm at the Liederkrantz Turner club haus. Urge your neighbors to come, too, it's a great way to hear about what's going on.

Susan Gray, President
St. Anne's Hill Historic Society

Garden Tour

Please help us get the word out about the 2012 Garden Tour. The date is Saturday, June 30 with a special VIP "Toast the Tour" party on Friday night, June 29. Tell your friends and family. Tickets can be purchased in advance by clicking on a link on our neighborhood website, so ask people to go to www.stanneshill.org for more information. Volunteers are also needed to help make the Garden Tour a success. Please email Susan Jelus if you can help at: susan.jelus@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

General Membership Meetings:

Tuesday, June 5
7:00 p.m. at the
Dayton Liederkrantz-Turner
1400 E. Fifth Street
ALL ARE WELCOME!



ADDITIONAL EVENTS:

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Trash-n-Treasure  
Saturday, June 2

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Garden Tour
Toast the Tour
Friday, June 29

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Garden Tour  
Saturday, June 30



## Neighborhood Meeting Minutes 4.3.12

**Call to Order:** 7:07pm

**Police Report:**

1<sup>st</sup> District: Officer Sanders; no stats; a few felonious assaults; 2<sup>nd</sup> District: Mar 5 – Apr 2 : 5 incidents; answered question about residential burglary yesterday, 4/2, on Henry St, next to Glenna's; Miami Valley Community Problem Orientated Policing Conference: May 19, 8am – 3pm @ Ponitz Center, 741 Washington St. Dayton, OH. Register online at [www.mvccop.com](http://www.mvccop.com)

**Prosecutor's Report (Tony, Erin, Dan):** Brenda Griffin (accused of 'forging' signatures a voter petition): in court 43.

**Guest Speaker:** Amanda Arrington – East End Community Services (64 Xenia Ave) 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; 937-259-1898 ext 21 or [arrington@east-end.org](mailto:arrington@east-end.org)

**President's Report:** Next month, May 2 7pm; St Anne's/South Park/Oregon District – Street Smart Security Presentation; held at Park Manor Community Room (in Oregon District, Jones St).

**Minutes Approval:** Approved.

**Budget Proposal:**

3K increase from Christmas Tour from last one. Income & Expense changes were explained.; Ruth explained vision for 5<sup>th</sup> street beautification; Motion & Seconded - approved unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

**Newsletter:** Changes to newsletter: Moving to e-publisher (email & website) monthly; USPS mailing to each house will be done beginning of each quarter. Quarterly newsletters need to be chock full of good information. Deadline will still be 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Last monthly USPS mailed newsletter will be April's. It will detail the changes.

People voiced their concerns of new format. Concerns about people without computers or email Fred Chatfield confirmed from membership forms that many people request both USPS and email. Suggestions: letting people chose USPS or email, getting advertising in the newsletter (Amy mentioned the USPS checked to make sure there were **not** ads in the newsletter); location(s) to have printed copy; put check boxes in next newsletter to get input from each resident in the neighborhood; Fliers for socials & other events will still be done separately as it has been done in the past.

**Membership:** Board has renewed. 80 members shy of total from last year.

**Social:** Change of plans for this month – looking for host ; Brunch May 20 - 4<sup>th</sup> St @ 11pm, bring a dish; Congrats to Jack Milliff for winning Lasagna cook-off.

**PDI:** Still fighting demolishing Julianne High School; School Board may sue to block prevention of Demo.

**Sunshine:** 6 cards sent.

**Parks & Greenways:** See Garden Tour.

**Neighborhood Watch:** No report. John E - Inquiry into Nation Neighborhood Watch: signs (street & alleys). Set up block captains, patrols to help push our presence beyond border of neighborhood. Fred Bremer gave tips: porch lights on, street number in ally (garage or post); take 'long way' home and tour neighborhood; call 333-COPS if you see anything suspicious.

**5th Improvements Project:** Asked for general help. Ruth explained the committee's vision for 5<sup>th</sup> St and Terry Park.

**Alley Sweep:** Did not win lottery. Can pay for one: about \$600. Dumpsters are also available to be placed in neighborhood.

Bulk pickup once a month (twice a month during the summer) – must schedule. Suggestion of Alley Sweep between Trash & Treasure (June 2) and Garden Tour (June 30).

**Garden Tour:** Cleanup on April 14; meet @10am at Josie & McClure. They have been working on the Traffic Circles. Call for general help. Email Susan Jelus - [susan.jelus@gmail.com](mailto:susan.jelus@gmail.com) or Mary Jo – [mdupree41@gmail.com](mailto:mdupree41@gmail.com); Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. Pre-tour reception on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> – \$25: food & 1 drink, tour of 3 houses only open this night; limited number of tickets.

**Trash & Treasure:** June 2<sup>nd</sup>. \$5 to get on map. New banners this year.

**Leiderkranz-Turner:** 6pm, Friday April 20<sup>th</sup> - Beer tasting (\$17 or \$13 for members)

**Old Business:**

1600 group having fundraiser April 21, 3pm – 7pm. Pizza, beer, wine available. Revealing a rendering of the inside of the bar. \$20/person. See Maureen Barry to donate auction items or help. 5 bands; food & drinks; silent auction; unveiling of artist's rendering for the bar.

**New Business:**

1507 5<sup>th</sup> : Ruth is going to follow up with Columbus. City has sent form in for federal funds to tear it down but may be a number of months before it happens. City has been contacted about tree limb; issue may go to city commission. RTA will not do anything about it. Need to keep pressure on city.

April 13: 5pm – 7pm Happy hour at Franco's – a thank you for supporting Christmas Tour.

Questions on website: offer to update virtual tour. Need web guru to help with updating site in general. Joe Dierkers suggested

## Homes for Sale

| ADDRESS            | PRICE     | SQ. FT. | CONTACT             | ADDITIONAL INFORMATION          |
|--------------------|-----------|---------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| 212 S. Dutoit St.  | \$279,000 | 2,670   | Coldwell Banker     | A "Frame-off" restoration       |
| 6 Josie St.        | \$175,000 | 3,678   | Irongate            | The Steamboat House             |
| 125 High St.       | \$136,900 | 1,884   | Irongate            | The only attached garage in SAH |
| 116 LaBelle St.    | \$120,000 | 1,600   | ReMax Alliance      |                                 |
| 1443 E. 4th St.    | \$119,900 | 2,482   | Coldwell Banker     |                                 |
| 126-130 High St.   | \$89,900  | 2,400   | LeValley Realty     | 2 bldgs. w/4 units total        |
| 148 LaBelle St.    | \$84,900  | 1,216   | LeValley Realty     | 1 bldg. w/4 units total         |
| 148 High St.       | \$79,900  | 4,622   | Kamala & Company    | 3 townhouse units               |
| 1600-04 E. 5th St. | \$75,000  | 2,500   | Joe Dierkers Realty | 2 Bldgs—"The Tavern"            |
| 214 Henry St.      | \$59,900  | 1,472   | Coldwell Banker     |                                 |
| 136-138 High St.   | \$59,900  | 1,932   | LeValley Realty     | 2 houses                        |
| 28 Potomac St.     | \$29,000  | 572     | Big Hill—GMAC       | Smallest house in SAH?          |
| 1521 E. 5th St.    | \$28,000  | 3,096   | Client's Choice     | Double                          |
| 1623 E. 5th St.    | \$15,900  | 960     | Joe Dierkers Realty | Foreclosure—Bank Owned          |
| 147 Henry St.      | \$15,000  | 1,159   |                     | Sheriff Sale June 8th           |

## Steamboat Gothic



One of the Gems of the Gem City is up for sale...our very own "Steamboat House". I write this article not as a realtor trying to sell a piece of property, but as an admirer of this home and it's potential. The house is listed at just \$175,000, features a double parlor, 2-story wrap around porch, 26 foot long dining room with impressive chandelier, 5 bedrooms and sits on 1/2 an acre in the city! Not to mention it is 10 feet above street level with its impressive limestone wall!

This home has captured my eye and imagination for some time now. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places because of it's unusual architecture and because of it's original owner...Dayton inventor, Jacob Joyce. Mr. Joyce invented the Hydraulic Pump, as well as many other things and is said to have had as many patents as Thomas Edison at one time.

Built in 1852, the house was embellished into it's current state later in the 19th Century. I recently have become quite enamored with the home--but struggle to keep up with my little cottage! My obsession with the Steamboat House has led me discover that it is a represented of a style of architecture I did not know existed until now--Steamboat Gothic. I learned that this is a style of American architecture popular it the Mississippi and Ohio River Valleys where the homes were built to resemble steamboats rolling down the river. This style and Carpenter Gothic architecture seemed to spring up from the invention of the scroll saw--which made such embellishment of homes much easier. I even learned of a book by Frances Parkinson Keyes called Steamboat Gothic...I am adding that to my reading list for sure!

While I could go on and on, I write this article as a challenge to all of us in St. Anne's Hill. While we continue to look after and beautify our own homes, we need to take extra care of the other jewels in our midst, ensuring they fall into good hands. The Steamboat House needs an owner to appreciate its past...and help bring it forward into the 21st Century. It needs a little love, but is completely livable. Nowhere in the Dayton area are you going to find such a large, spacious home with a huge lot and 3 car garage for such a price. Please help the Steamboat House find a good caretaker!



John Edinger

St. Anne's Hill Historic Society  
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**IMPORTANT PHONE #S:**

|                                                          |                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Abandoned Vehicles                                       | 333-1058             |
| Animal Control                                           | 898-4457             |
| Bulk Waste Pickup                                        | 333-4833             |
| City of Dayton Planning Department,<br>Brian Inderrieden | 333-3679             |
| Housing Inspection<br>Supervisor,<br>Jim Tredinnick      | 333-3921<br>333-3918 |
| Landmarks Committee                                      | 333-3683             |
| Park Maintenance                                         | 333-5300             |
| Police                                                   | 333-COPS             |
| District 1                                               | 333-1290             |
| District 2                                               | 333-7440             |
| Drug Hotline                                             | 333-7440             |
| Truancy Hotline                                          | 542-3228             |
| Rodent Control                                           | 333-3915             |
| S.E. Priority Board                                      | 333-7373             |
| S.E. Zoning                                              | 333-3887             |
| Sewer Maintenance                                        | 333-4915             |
| Sidewalk/Curb Repair                                     | 333-3858             |
| Street Cleaning                                          | 333-4808             |
| Street Lights                                            | 333-3850             |
| Traffic Signs                                            | 333-4075             |
| Vacant Lot/Weeds                                         | 333-4843             |
| Water Billing                                            | 333-3550             |
| Water Distribution                                       | 333-4900             |

**ST. ANNE'S HILL  
HISTORIC SOCIETY**

**OFFICERS:**

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| <b>Susan Gray, President</b><br>srgay65@live.com | 222-4381 |
| <b>Ruth Slone, Vice President</b>                | 222-9687 |
| <b>Walt Colvin, Treasurer</b>                    | 222-7928 |
| <b>Mark Shimko, Secretary</b>                    | 361-3463 |

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

|                          |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Steve Kardeen</b>     | 277-2784     |
| <b>Keith Klein</b>       | 223-5818     |
| <b>Gearld Strickland</b> | 751-0169     |
| <b>Jim Venys</b>         | 223-9013     |
| <b>Eric Aielli</b>       | 513-443-0499 |

Newsletter:

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Newsletter Deadline:

20th of each month

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

|                                                                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Alley Cleanup:</b><br>Fred Bremer                                              | 586-0268 |
| <b>Archives Committee:</b><br>Susan Gray                                          | 222-4381 |
| <b>Christmas Tour:</b><br>Susan Gray                                              | 222-4381 |
| <b>Fifth Street Improvements:</b><br>Ruth Slone                                   | 222-9687 |
| <b>Garden Tour:</b><br>Mary Jo Dupree                                             | 830-2475 |
| <b>Grants Committee:</b><br>Leah Turnbull                                         | 252-5061 |
| <b>Housing Inspection/Liaison:</b><br>Craig Matthews                              | 228-8217 |
| <b>Marketing:</b><br>Keith Klein                                                  | 223-5818 |
| <b>Membership:</b><br>Fred Chatfield                                              | 478-9208 |
| <b>Neighborhood Watch:</b><br>Steve Kardeen                                       | 277-2784 |
| <b>Parks &amp; Greenway:</b><br>Joe Dierkers (Greenway)<br>Allison Shimko (Parks) |          |
| <b>PDI (Preservation Dayton Inc.) Represent.:</b><br>Joe Dierkers                 | 414-0313 |
| <b>SEPB (South East Priority Board):</b><br>Barry Fought                          | 586-0916 |
| <b>Social:</b><br>Mary Jo Dupree                                                  | 830-2475 |
| <b>Sunshine:</b><br>Heather Kardeen                                               | 277-2784 |