

FROM THE UCAN PRESIDENT

Happy 2015! The new year has already brought us some great things in the neighborhood: new stop signs at Calumet and Crestview, potholes filled on many streets, and changes to some of our neighborhood businesses. We are already thinking about spring, Earth Day, seeds, Portal Park clean-ups, and of course our favorite neighborhood festivals. **But we need your help. UCAN is your Civic Association, and it works best with a lot of people helping out.** We have some open positions on the board and could always use more input in our community meetings. Please like us on Facebook, which will have our posts on upcoming events. I hope to see you there!— Beth

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Neighborhood notes

From David Voterro, District 1 Clintonville Area Commission (CAC) representative

New all-way stop in place

Many residents have already noticed the newest addition to our streetscape: the all-way stop at the corner of Crestview and Calumet. Signs have been installed and pavement markings will be added when weather permits. The signage was in response to long-held concerns of nearby residents who had requested the change after repeated accidents and close calls at the intersection.

In response to community requests, the CAC passed a resolution asking the City of Columbus to consider changing the intersection to an all-way stop as part of a Complete Street Study aimed at understanding street safety along Calumet for all users, including motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. The City concurred with the need for an all-way stop and has begun the survey and data collection portions of the study. There will be opportunities for community engagement as the study develops.

Bridge renovation planned

In December, the CAC received word of a renovation project being planned by the Ohio



Save the date

Mark your calendar for 2015 events in the UCAN (dates subject to change)

Earth Week, Sa, April 18–25: check earthdaycolumbus.org for events sponsored by Clintonville Community Market and Lower Olentangy Urban Arboretum

LOUA Bioblitz: Sa, May 23

National Night Out: Tu, Aug. 4

Clintonville Pawpaw Fest: Sa, Sept. 19

UCAN Halloween Parade: Th, Oct. 29

Department of Transportation anticipated to take place in 2016. The project includes a significant rebuilding of the roadbed of the bridge over Glen Echo Ravine on Indianola Avenue. ODOT has shared the project plans for the second stage of the design. I have offered comments on the

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project and voiced concerns touching upon four main themes:

- preservation treatment of the historic bridge (including the bird mural)
- the impact upon and the access to Glen Echo Park
- the possibility of restoring the civic design features lost in 1965
- the proposed detour traffic and neighborhood impact

ODOT's traffic count indicates that the bridge accommodates 13,000 vehicle crossing each day. The project foresees closing the bridge for six months. During this time, the plans indicate that traffic will be directed from Indianola to High Street via Arcadia Avenue and Weber Road. The community should be aware of the plans and prepared for the impact. We have asked ODOT to consider possible modifications to lessen the impact of cut-through traffic.

I'll work to keep the community informed on the development of these issues as they develop.

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