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The DOWNTOWNER

Randy's
Ramblings

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Hot Off the Presses...

Every once in a while, something too good to be true comes along. We're taught to be skeptical. We remind ourselves "there is no free lunch." However, this time, thanks to the generosity of several community partners, five amazing opportunities for you, our neighbors, will take place in the very near future.

FIRST—**9th Street Park Summer Program**, with Columbus Parks and Rec, is back! Free summer program for kids ages 6-12. Lunch provided, courtesy of BCSC. Will run Monday-Friday, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

SECOND—Thanks to our special friends at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, we will soon be opening our **Cleaning Supplies Showroom!** A wide variety of FREE cleaning supplies will be doled out to neighborhood residents who are interested in keeping their home and personal surroundings spic and span. This is a pilot project and we're very excited!

THIRD—Coming soon!!! Our **backyard garden program!** The LCNFC will work with a variety of community partners to provide free plants and equipment for residents who are interested in learning how to grow and care for gardens in their own backyards. Next year we hope to start this program sooner and expand even further. Those of you who are interested for this year, PLEASE CALL LCNFC (379-1630) TODAY to get on the list!!!

FOURTH—And... if you are looking for help with that backyard garden, Housing Partnerships and the LCNFC are pleased to announce that we will be opening a **Tool Lending Library** later in the summer. The Tool Lending Library is made possible by a grant from The Heritage Fund. More about this terrific program later...

FIFTH—More immediately, we're pleased to announce the formulation of a **neighborhood watch program** in and around 9th Street Park. Many of your fellow neighbors, the City of Columbus, Housing Partnerships, Columbus Parks and Rec and the LCNFC will collaborate to assist residents who want to create a safer neighborhood for all. Give us a call if you would like to be added to the mailing list.

That's it for now! I hope you are as excited about these terrific programs as we are. Give us a call for more info or to participate in any of the above! 379-1630...

~ Randy Allman

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