

**Date: September 11, 2018 @ 6:00pm**

**Place: Public Library, 800 Vine Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**



### **Welcome**

President Sue Byrom called the meeting to order, asking for a minute of silence for those who died in the Fountain Square shooting last week, as well as in remembrance of the 9/11/01 terrorist attacks.

She then welcomed new members Sam Taylor, Victoria Montavon, James Myers, Audrey Blair-Gentry, Wayne Gentry, Andy and Judy Marx and Daniel Fabinski

### **Monthly Reports**

#### **Cincinnati Police Department**

Captain Mike Neville addressed the group briefly giving an overview of the events at Fountain Square, stating that it is still an ongoing investigation. Praises for the quick response of law enforcement and other first responders was heartily endorsed, acknowledging the many lives saved.

#### **Social Outreach**

**Chico Lockhart**, Outreach coordinator, reported that housing has been found for several more homeless people. The work van, which offers some 10 homeless people daily work has, to date, had 188 non-duplicated participants who are being paid, and getting better access to social services. There will be a homeless count, September 25, which will enable the workers to better focus on the needs of the people still living on the street.

#### **Speakers**

**Derek Scacchetti**, founder of Urban Rangers, talked about the hiking and exploring opportunities this group provides. It's free, no registration is required, and offers anyone who joins in the chance to hike in Cincinnati neighborhoods and gain a new perspective on the urban living environment. The next hike is Sept. 29, and details are available online.

**Emily Imhoff**, from the Cincinnati Museum Center, in collaboration with the Cincinnati Zoo, gave a presentation about the Lights Out Program which serves to reduce the deaths of migrating birds that are attracted to city lights and fly into glass windows as a result. Volunteers walk Downtown streets looking for injured (and dead) birds, which are then taken to rehabilitators. This is a nationwide effort to make the environment safer for birds and updated DRC members on local efforts.

#### **Old Business**

August meeting minutes were approved. Moved by Gary Bryson, seconded by Mike Glotfelter.

#### **New Business**

A constitutional change regarding the length of officer and trustee terms, was recommended by the Board, and unanimously approved after a motion by Craig Hudson, and seconded by Rick Dieringer.

#### **Reports**

**Events Committee, Mary Heimert** announced the after-meeting social, Harvest Pizza, as well as some of the upcoming socials.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m. in the Library Tower Room**