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Penn Avenue Revitalization Project Moves Closer to Launch

After almost seven years of meetings and more meetings between community leaders and public officials, plans to revitalize a 2-mile stretch of Penn Avenue from Friendship to Lawrenceville are finally close to implementation. On August 9, the Central Office of PennDOT sent the City a letter of approval for a "revised scope of services" for what is officially known as the Penn Avenue Corridor Phasing Plan.

Déjà vu? As reported in *The Bulletin* 15 months ago, PennDOT did approve an earlier plan that came out of community meetings held from late 2000 to 2006. That plan addressed problems along the avenue from Penn Circle West in East Liberty to Main Street in Lawrenceville, including crumbling sidewalks, aging sewer and water lines, and decrepit lampposts.

PennDOT issued the original letter of approval in April 2006, agreeing to

By Paula Martinac
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finance 80 percent of the project (the City would bankroll the other 20 percent) and authorizing the City to enter into a contract with L. Robert Kimball & Associates, an engineering and architectural firm.

Business leaders along the avenue backed the plan, and it looked like the project might finally get underway in June 2006. But that summer, Pittsburgh underwent enormous changes when then-Mayor Bob O'Connor became gravely ill and eventually died on Sept. 1, 2006.

What followed was a change of administrations and political faces. And after more meetings between community groups and city officials, the Penn Avenue project also changed, particularly the length of the corridor

to be included in the plan. With the consensus and support of the community groups involved, the City drew up a "revised scope of services" to submit to PennDOT, extending the area to be covered from Negley Avenue down to 34th Street in Lawrenceville.

Now, PennDOT has issued a new letter of approval, and the project can finally begin winding its way through the signature process – several city offices and the mayor all have to sign off on it. Kimball should be able to get underway in the early fall of this year, beginning with an extensive data-collection process.

"This is a huge victory for the neighborhood," said Aggie Brose, deputy director of the Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation (BGC) and chair of the Penn Avenue Corridor Phasing Plan Committee. "We have a great committee, and we're all so appreciative of the support the project has gotten from



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A STRETCH OF PENN AVENUE IN GARFIELD, INCLUDED IN THE CORRIDOR PHASING PLAN.

this administration – especially Pat Hassett [Assistant Director, Bureau of Engineering and Construction, Dept. of Public Works]."

The revised plan takes into consideration four major components, according to project manager Brian Krul of Kimball & Associates – physical condition, transportation demand and use, public safety, and quality of life. In particular, improvements will include traffic and pedestrian signals;

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SOME OF THE MEDALS WON BY MARY SZULBORSKI AND SHIRLEY STEELE AT THE 2007 KEYSTONE SENIOR GAMES.

Lawrenceville Seniors Go for the Gold...and the Silver... and the Bronze at Keystone Senior Games

By Paula Martinac
The Bulletin

They may be grandmothers in their early 80s, but Mary Szulborski of Lawrenceville and Shirley Steele of Aspinwall understand that the secret of staying young is staying active.

Regulars at the Lawrenceville Senior Center on Butler Street, both women were members of the neighborhood team at the Keystone Senior Games in York, Pa., at the end of July. But more than just participating, the women took home 23 medals between them, with Szulborski winning 12, the most of any female competitor – 5

each gold and silver, and 2 bronze.

The Senior Games is a multi-sport competition, modeled on the Olympics and held every summer as part of the Keystone State Games. The purpose of the event is to promote physical fitness and health awareness among state residents ages 50 to 94, through competitions in sporting activities such as archery, basketball,

bocce, darts, horseshoes, shuffleboard, softball, and tennis. This year, the Games welcomed more than 500 participants.

Lawrenceville Senior Center has been sending a team to the Senior Games for about 20 years, and this year, 20 seniors boarded the bus for the York Expo Center, accompanied by chaperone Kerm McIntosh, administrator of the Lawrenceville center. Team Lawrenceville - which included

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**OCTOBER
DEADLINE!**



The **FINAL DEADLINE** for the **October 2007** issue of *The Bulletin* is **Friday, September 14, 2007**. This includes ALL classified ads, Bulletin Board announcements, story submissions, and ad space reservations. Information is accepted on a space-available basis.

For more information, call 412-441-6915.

PUBLIC SAFETY TASK FORCE REPORT

National Night Out: Not Just a One-Night Stand

On the evening of Tuesday, August 7, thousands of people across the nation attended National Night Out (NNO) festivities in their neighborhoods. Locally, Friendship, Lawrenceville, and East Liberty all hosted National Night Out activities, ensuring the areas were well lit and lively with cookouts, local police and fire departments visits, giveaways, and porch gatherings.

NNO is a unique event designed to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in an effort to create safer communities. Although NNO is only one night a year, residents are encouraged to incorporate NNO ideas into their daily lives in order to help ensure that local communities stay as safe as possible. The following are ways to actively promote neighborhood safety year round:

- Become involved in a local anti-crime program or organization that addresses local safety issues. We have a number to choose from in the area, including - but not limited to - Weed & Seed, Lawrenceville United, Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation, and Friendship Preservation Group's Public Safety Committee.

By Deadra Keener
Public Safety Coordinator

- Make sure that your property is well-lit, installing more lights if necessary. Darkness provides a great cover for illegal activities, but is easily addressed. Outside security lights (motion-detector lights) are recommended, particularly on the alleyway side of properties.

- Be aware of your environment. As you go about your daily life, whether walking your dog, working in your yard, driving down the street, or sitting on your porch, if you notice illegal activity or something suspicious that needs to be addressed (like a broken street light), please report it immediately to either 911 (emergencies) or 311 (non-emergencies).

- Get to know your neighbors! This is an easy and enjoyable way to create a community in which neighbors know each other well enough to look out for one another and be able to notice and warn others when something is amiss.

With a little collaboration, we can have a big impact on creating safer, friendlier communities...and possibly even enjoy ourselves along the way!

Lawrenceville



(FROM LEFT) TWO GENERATIONS OF LAWRENCEVILLE RESIDENTS CELEBRATED NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: JIM AND BILL FRANCISCUS; LAWRENCEVILLE UNITED'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TONY CEOFFE, AND COMMANDER GEORGE TROSKY OF ZONE 2.



Friendship



PORCH PARTY HOST JAMI RUTHERFORD (LEFT) AND FRIENDSHIP PRESERVATION GROUP'S VICE PRESIDENT, ANGELE ELLIS, PASSED OUT ENERGY-EFFICIENT LIGHT BULBS AND WHISTLE KEY CHAINS.

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For more information, call Zone 5 at 412-665-3605.

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If you're interested in finding out more about the duties and responsibilities of being a BGC Board Member, then join us on **Monday, September 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Activity Center, 113 N. Pacific Avenue**, for a special "Get Acquainted" session. Light refreshments will be served.

Young people, ages 21-35, are especially encouraged to attend!

Please **RSVP to 412-441-6950** by noon on Friday, September 14, if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there!

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SENIOR GAMES, From Page 1

Lawrenceville residents and seniors from other Pittsburgh neighborhoods - brought home 129 medals.

Szulborski and Steele have been taking part in the state Senior Games for seven and five years, respectively. This year, "Mary signed me up for things I never did before," Steele laughed about her good friend and horseshoes- and shuffleboard-doubles partner. When Steele garnered 11 medals in all (4 gold, 6 silver, and 1 bronze), "she surprised herself," said Szulborski. "She was real quiet about it."

The two women were both physically active from a young age. Szulborski played girls' baseball at Holy Family High School. A lifetime resident of Lawrenceville, her daily routine includes exercising and walking to the senior center; she also keeps busy as a volunteer at St. Patrick/St. Stanislaus Kostka, making and selling pierogi.

Steele originally hailed from a farm in North Dakota, where she had her own horse. She wound her way to Pittsburgh, raising two children on her own as a waitress, and at age 84, continues to work as a house- and pet-sitter and to travel as much as she can.

Asked about her favorite moment or event at the Senior Games, Szulborski couldn't choose just one. "I liked them all," she said enthusiastically. She gave one of each of her gold medals to her three grandchildren, while Steele keeps hers in a "special box" and has "put one aside for Emily Joy," her toddler granddaughter.

The Games are "just a lot of fun," Steele summed up. "It's fun to be with people from all the other [city senior] centers." And the two are active in all seasons - look for them both at the Citiparks Winter Games next January in Pittsburgh.



Photo courtesy Mary Szulborski

TEAM LAWRENCEVILLE MEMBERS: (FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT) MARY SZULBORSKI, SHIRLEY STEELE, ROSEMARIE WILCZYNSKI, ANNA DIXON, ROSALIE NESBITT, AND ANNE HORTON; (SECOND ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT) BARBARA AVOLIO, ELIZABETH CALLIO, RITA ERNHARTH, ANNA LAMBERT, ELSIE LOWEN, JANET SETTNEK, KERM MCINTOSH (LAWRENCEVILLE SENIOR CENTER ADMINISTRATOR); AND (THIRD ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT) BERNICE DALTON, WILLIAM ERNHARTH, DONNA RENGERS (BEECHVIEW SENIOR CENTER ADMINISTRATOR), CLAUDIA LAWRENCE, JIM CICHRA, ROBERT HORTON, AND RICHARD BARTON.

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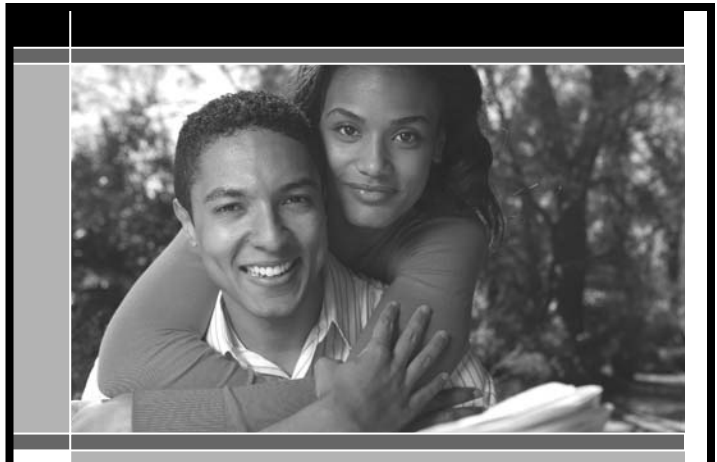
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THE BLOOMFIELD-GARFIELD CORP'S SHOWCASE PROPERTY OF THE MONTH

Each month we highlight either property owners
whose neglect hurts the neighborhood or those
who have admirably maintained or renovated
their properties. Properties are nominated by
community members. To nominate a property
for either Eyesore or Showcase Property of the
Month, call Aggie Brose at 412-441-6950.

Bloomfield Home Looks Picture Perfect

This month, we congratulate
Paul and Doris Donatelli, owners
of 325 Gross Street in Bloomfield,
who were nominated as "Good
Neighbors of the Month." The
Donatellis have resided at this
location since 1992, having previ-
ously owned a home across the
street.

When the BGC staff visited the
site, we immediately knew that
this nomination was well-
deserved. Set on a meticulously
manicured lawn, the two-story red-
brick house with blue shutters is
like a page out of *House and
Garden* magazine. Lush trees and
shrubs, colorful flowers, and
whimsical garden ornaments rim
the property, enhancing its appeal.

Mr. Donatelli was in the yard
when the BGC staff arrived, and
was very pleased to hear that his
home had been nominated. He
explained that when he sold his
property across Gross Street 15
years ago, he could have moved
anywhere, but there was no ques-
tion in his mind that he wanted to
remain in Bloomfield. He noted
that he particularly loves seeing
folks walking around the commu-
nity.

Before he retired 10 years ago,
Mr. Donatelli operated another
asset to the community —



Donatelli's Italian
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Liberty Avenue,
which is now run by
his sons.

The value of the
Donatellis' home to
the neighborhood lies
not only in its great
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the Donatellis have in
being Bloomfield
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appreciative of the commitment
they have shown to the commu-
nity. Thank you, Mr. and Mrs.
Donatelli, for being such good
neighbors and continuing to live
and invest in Bloomfield!



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(TOP) THE FRONT OF THE DONATEL-
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Neighborhoods Gear Up for Annual House Tours

By Paula Martinac
The Bulletin

It's almost time to put on your walking shoes and head over to Friendship and Lawrenceville for their annual house tours.

Organized by Friendship Preservation Group, the 2007 Friendship House Tour takes place on Sunday, September 16. Coinciding with the city's yearlong celebration of "Pittsburgh Celebrates Glass," this year's tour showcases eight homes with stunning glass windows and features.

Included is the beautiful 1905 home of Gregg and Kathy Connolly on South Atlantic Avenue, where they have lived for 20 years. Both of them have roots in the neighborhood; Gregg's go back to his grandmother, who taught at Friendship School.



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THE FRIENDSHIP TOUR INCLUDES THIS 1905 BEAUTY.

Their home features pristine leaded glass windows in the living room and a stunning stained glass window on the staircase landing. "We've done so much to the house, it would be hard to

list," Kathy said when asked about improvements they'd made since taking ownership.

By chance, relatives of previous owners have knocked on the Connollys' door over the years. "A woman stopped by a few years back and said her grandfather had built it for his new bride," Kathy related. Kathy has a connection to the house herself: she remembers her father wanting to buy it back in the 1960s.

Lynn Lewandowski of Lawrenceville also had past encounters with the house she now owns with her husband, Larry Rautio – she grew up on Fisk Street, and her mother still lives there. "I remember this house growing up - we used to rollerskate down the street," she recalled.

Their residence is on the 2007 Lawrenceville Hospitality House




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THIS CHARMING 1950 RESIDENCE IS ON THE LAWRENCEVILLE TOUR.

Tour, to be held on Sunday, October 7, and presented by the Lawrenceville Stakeholders and the Lawrenceville Historical Society.

Built in 1950, Lynn and Larry's two-story brick house still has some

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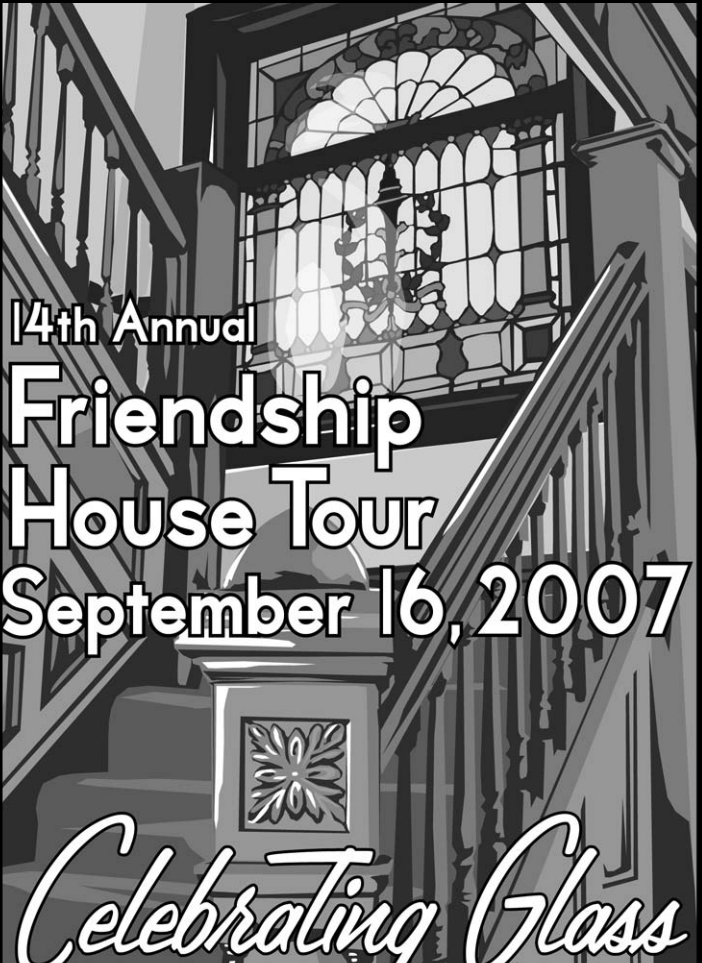
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Will Power: Passing on Your Property After You're Gone

By Frank Pistella
Neighborhood Legal
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A will is the key document in making sure that your wishes are followed after your death. If you die without a will and leave property titled in only your name, the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania determine who receives it. To make sure valuable property and sentimental family heirlooms are distributed and that minor children are cared for according to your wishes, it is wise to plan ahead by drafting a will.

What are the important or necessary parts of a will? First, the person making the will (called the "testator") must be at least 18 years of age. Second, the testator must also be of sound mind, which means that they must fully understand what they are doing by creating the will. This is known as testamentary capacity. Third, the will must be in writing, because an oral statement regarding the testator's intentions will not be valid. Lastly, the will must be signed by the testator at the end of the document. While witnesses are not required for a valid will in Pennsylvania, the better practice is to have at least two adult individuals witness the executor signing the will. If special affidavits are signed by the witnesses when the will is signed by the executor (the person you designate as your personal representative), that can make probating the will a little easier in most cases.

A key consideration prior to drafting your will is determining who will be

your executor – in other words, the person who will carry out the will when you're gone. The executor does not need to be a relative to hold this position as long as it is someone you trust. A factor to consider when deciding who will be executor is where they live in relation to you. Since this is a position with many responsibilities, some of which may require the executor to be physically present, it may help if the executor lives close to the county where the will is being submitted for probate. It is also good to have an alternate executor in the event that your first choice cannot serve in that capacity.

The executor is charged with managing the assets of your estate. This includes collecting any debts owed to you, paying any bills, and paying any taxes or expenses. The executor must also file any necessary court documents as part of the probate process. It is always best to first ask if someone is willing to serve as an executor before you name them in your will. Make sure that you inform the prospective executor what is expected of them should they agree to take on the job.

If you have minor children, it is important to include directions within the will for their future care if there is no surviving parent to care for them.

This would include appointing a testamentary guardian. While the appointment of a testamentary guardian is not absolutely binding on a court, the choice of the executor is given great deference. If you do not include the naming of a guardian in the will, the court may appoint someone you would not have chosen. You also can provide financial assistance from the estate to the guardian for the care of the children. Make sure you select someone to serve as the guardian who is willing to take on the responsibility, and let them know of any specific wishes you have for your children.

There are limitations on what you can transfer by will. For example, any property that you own jointly, with a right of survivorship, cannot be transferred by will. (Owning property in this manner is called joint tenancy with right of survivorship.) This rule also applies to property owned jointly by you and your spouse. Property owned like this cannot be transferred by will, since the law says that it automatically passes to the survivor, whether the survivor is your spouse or a third party with whom you own the property. This property can be things such as a home, land, vehicles, bank accounts, stocks, certificates of deposits, or money market funds.

Another limit upon your ability to transfer property are "payment on death" benefits. These are usually con-



tract arrangements where a person has either a pension or insurance policy that is payable to a designated beneficiary upon the death of the pensioner or insured. Since these are contracts, the will cannot be used to change the beneficiary.

What happens if you do not have a valid will upon your death? This is called dying "intestate." While an estate will still need to be opened to distribute your property and to pay your bills, the Pennsylvania law will determine which outstanding debts get paid, how your assets will be divided up among any survivors, and who will raise your minor children. Often this distribution may not be in accord with your wishes. The best thing you can do for your family and friends is prepare a will.

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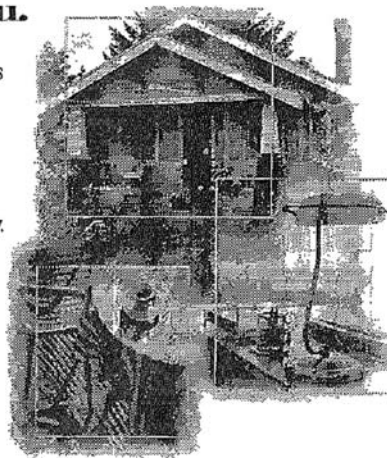
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By Bill Stanhope and Kate Bayer
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Longtime Garfield Bar Owners Are Neighborhood Treasures

By Martha Vasser

The winds of change along the Penn Avenue corridor are bringing great progress while also unveiling hidden treasures. One is Toro's Bar and Grill at 5128 Penn Avenue, which has weathered various changes over time and yet still prepares to ride the wave of the future.

Toro's is owned by two grand treasures of this community. For 19 years, husband and wife Don and Jackie Smith have proudly owned this neighborhood establishment, which bears Don's boxing name, "Toro," given to him by sports editor Al Abrams.

When Toro's first opened, patrons came from all walks of life, and the place was always packed. Now the Smiths find it heartwarming to see the children of their former customers patronize them now.

Back then, they employed neighborhood residents when business was at its peak. Currently, since the Smiths' children and grandchildren are of age, they work in the family business. Chef Del, with her special country cooking and 20 years of food-service experience, is the newest addition.

The Smiths are more than just business owners; they're lifelong neigh-

borhood residents and community advocates. They both welcome the change that is taking place in the Penn Avenue corridor and are committed to staying a vital part of the neighborhood.

Don's experiences in Garfield began more than 38 years ago, when he purchased a home on Hillcrest Street, which his daughter currently owns. He has been investing in real estate in the community since then. His career moves have ranged from boxing, to selling women's wigs, to working with adjudicated youth as a Corrections Officer for the State Penitentiary. He proudly claims to have reinvented his life exactly six times.

Don's fondest memory is of being a positive influence to the many youths he has mentored, instructed, and nurtured. He expresses appreciation to community and clergy members such as the late Bishop Leonard, who supported him in maintaining his passion during the lean years, and also Aggie Brose (of Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation), Father Leo Henry, and Father James Graham, with whom he shared a vision and commitment to the youth and the neighborhood.

Don did not limit his involvement to Garfield. He was instrumental in sav-



Martha Vasser

DON SMITH OWNS TORO'S ON PENN AVENUE WITH HIS WIFE, JACKIE.

ing the Kay Boys Club in the Hill District. He has fond memories of Father O'Malley and Father Pat Jones of St Joseph's in Manchester, where he gave boxing lessons and garnered a wide range of support to help youth.

At 70 years of age, Don believes that, were it not for his mentors, he would not have been able to overcome his challenges. He says his biggest blessing is sharing his experiences with young people and helping them get on the right path to independence and self-sufficiency. He urges others to "see the potential in our youth, not their mistakes. Give them the opportunity and the resources to overcome their challenges. Business owners can support positive change in individu-

als. Give your time."

Even though they appreciate the investment of big institutions in the neighborhood, the Smiths believe resident involvement and meaningful intergenerational dialogue will provide the opportunity for our youths to flourish. As former board members of the Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation, they applaud all the progress that has taken place, but stress that the work is not complete. Jackie expressed the need to bring more minority- and women-owned businesses to the neighborhood.

Both believe that their business is a definite asset to the neighborhood and a legacy they will leave behind to their children. Jackie credits their success to her husband's family-oriented approach to business. "He has given his blood, sweat and tears to the business," she notes. Of Jackie, Don says, "She is a great trooper...She can sing, you know. She sang for the pope and my family. I am crazy about them all."

"There have been great times," Jackie adds. "It was a great place for networking and we made some good friends along the way."

When you have time, stop by and visit the Smiths at Toro's. You just might be surprised by the life lessons you will take with you.



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East Liberty Section (3) Job Training and Referral Initiative Seeks Job Applicants

Current and former residents of East Liberty should be taking advantage of new economic opportunities generated through the revitalization of East Liberty. The Coalition of Organized Residents of East Liberty (CORE) and East Liberty Development Inc (ELDI) are accepting applications for current and future employment openings in a number of industries and businesses in the East Liberty area.

CORE has hired me this year as the Section (3) Coordinator to facilitate the connection between local residents and local employment opportunities. I will assist with negotiating with employers to get the best terms of employment, as well as to obtain information from potential employers concerning future hiring needs and position qualifications.

By Kevin Mickens
*Coalition of Organized Residents
of East Liberty*

Additionally, I will develop and manage an East Liberty resident job-skills database, including information on employment interests, career goals, education, experience, and training needs. To better manage this task, COR will be moving into new office space at 100 Sheridan Square.

Congress established Section (3) of the Housing Urban Development Act of 1968 to foster local economic development, neighborhood economic improvement, and individual self-sufficiency. The policy aims to guarantee that the employment and other economic opportunities created by federal financial assistance for hous-

ing and community development programs should, if possible, be directed towards low-and very low-income persons (HUD.gov). Opportunities under this policy include employment, job training, and contracts.

For more information, contact me at (412) 361-8061, ext 27. Applications can be obtained at the following neighborhood locations:

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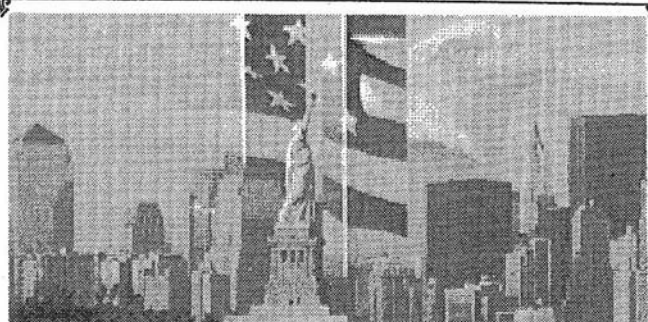
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KEVIN MICKENS, THE NEW SECTION (3) COORDINATOR OF THE COALITION OF ORGANIZED RESIDENTS OF EAST LIBERTY (CORE).

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ATTACK THEATRE'S NEW SEASON

Attack Theatre presents "Someplace, not here," September 28, 29, October 1, 2, 4 & 5. All shows at 8 p.m. at 4801 Penn Avenue. Features the full-throttle energy of Attack Theatre dancers and the heart-rending sounds of Pittsburgh's own Local Honey. For more information: www.attacktheatre.com or 412-441-8444.

BOOK 'EM!

"Book 'Em," a program of the Thomas Merton Center, is seeking volunteers who love books. We are a volunteer group that mails educational books to people who are in prison all across the country (free of cost to prisoners). We have fun volunteer sessions every Sunday from 3 to 8 p.m. - feel free to stay for as long or short a time as you wish. Volunteer alone, or bring friends! We meet in the basement of the Merton Center, 5125 Penn Avenue in Garfield (on the 86B bus line). Other work session times can be arranged by appointment. Please see our website for other ways you can help! We really need your support so we can keep putting quality reading material into the hands of prisoners of all reading levels. For more info, contact bookem@keromail.com or leave a message for "Book 'Em" at 412-361-3022. Visit us on the Web at www.thomasmertoncenter.org/bookem/index.htm. Students: Internships are available!

CRISIS SPECIALISTS TRAINING PROGRAM

Someone needs to talk - will you listen? CONTACT Pittsburgh, a crisis and suicide hotline, is looking for nonjudgmental listeners to provide immediate emotional support to adults and teens. Volunteer Crisis Line Specialists are needed to work at the center's crisis hotline, which is staffed 365 days a year. Last year, trained volunteers handled more than 20,000 calls from adults and teens with problems ranging from family conflict and physical

abuse to addiction and suicide. If you're looking for a place to serve, and if you're willing to listen, CONTACT may be the opportunity to put your compassion to work. Each and every one of our volunteers undergoes a rigorous, comprehensive training program, receiving education in topics as diverse as suicide, elderly and teen issues and the concerns of returning veterans. Applications are due September 7. Upon completion of the training, volunteers are asked to work 8 to 12 service hours per month. For additional information, contact Christy Stuber at 412-820-0100 or cstuber@contactpgh.org. For more information about CONTACT Pittsburgh, go to www.contactpgh.org.

GOURMET SPAGHETTI RETURNS

Save the date! The Boys of Lawrenceville's Gourmet Spaghetti Dinner is back! This year's dinner is in honor and memory of founder Jay Bernard. Please join us for fabulous pasta, entertainment, and more on Friday, October 5, from 6 to 10 p.m., at St. Matthew Parish, St. Kieran Church Hall, 5322 Carnegie St., Lawrenceville. For more information call 412.683.1184 or e-mail spaghetti@usa.net. Tickets are \$8.00 in advance, available at Jay Design, Perk Me Up Coffee, or Who New?, all on Butler St. in Lawrenceville; or \$10.00 at the door. Proceeds benefit Our Lady of Angels' Food Pantry & St Vincent DePaul at St. Matthew's.

THE MARRIAGE WORKS RECRUITS COUPLES

The Marriage Works is recruiting couples to participate in a family-strengthening program in Pittsburgh's East End. Classes are offered in our neighborhoods at the Parental Street Center in East Liberty and the East Liberty Family Support Center. All classes are FREE and voluntary, and meals and childcare are provided while in class. Sessions last 10 consecutive weeks, meeting once per week. Certificates of appreciation, couples celebration events, and gift cards incentives given to successful couples. To register, call 412-325-0602 or e-mail themarriage-works@cubm.org.

"SETTING A PLACE FOR MY SISTER" BREAKFAST

Kick off the season for giving at the eleventh annual "Setting a Place for My Sister" breakfast, Friday, October 5, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Pittsburgh Marriott City Center. WTAE-TV news anchor Sally Wiggin will emcee the breakfast, which features a raffle, Chinese auction and a very special performance by the children of Sisters Place. At this year's breakfast, the Homeless Children's Education Fund (HCEF) will receive the

It Takes Teamwork!



THE 9TH WARD GIRLS 15-AND-UNDER SOFTBALL TEAM WON THE GREATER PITTSBURGH GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP IN JULY. THIS IS THE THIRD TIME IN SIX YEARS THAT THIS GROUP OF GIRLS HAS WON THE TITLE, COACHED BY (TOP ROW, FROM LEFT) BILL VALLECOSA AND ED O'HARA.

THE WINNING TEAM INCLUDES (MIDDLE ROW, FROM LEFT): ASHLEY KRAFCZYNSKI, CAITLIN REICHLE, MELISSA KUMPER, KRISTEN O'HARA, AND NICOLE FOUST; AND (FRONT ROW, FROM LEFT): CARLEE ROTONDO, HEATHER O'HARA, ANNAMARIE STEVWING, LAUREN SAVULCHAK, NATALIE VALLECOSA, AND DANA BURKOVICH. CONGRATULATIONS, TEAM!

Community Partner Award, given by Sisters Place to honor those who have made a difference in the lives of homeless families. Tickets are \$75, and can be purchased by calling 412-233-3903 or e-mailing info@sistersplace.org. Proceeds from the "Setting a Place for My Sister" breakfast will benefit the families of Sisters Place, Inc., a nonprofit organization offering transitional and permanent housing and supportive services for homeless single parent families in Southwestern Pennsylvania. For more information, visit www.sistersplace.org.

L'VILLE PARISH SERVES UP PANCAKES

The Holy Name Society of Our Lady of the Angels Parish will sponsor a pancake breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 16, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish social hall, 256 44th Street, Lawrenceville. Donation: \$5 for adults, and \$3 for children 12 and under. Tickets are available at the door on the day of the event.

RETIRED TEACHER'S ART AT L'VILLE GALLERY

Trinity Gallery, located at 4747 Hatfield Street in Lawrenceville, will showcase the work of local artist Ron Sobolewski from Sept. 22 to Nov. 3, in an exhibition entitled "Work from the Hall Closet." The opening reception will take place on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. and is free to the public. Sobolewski is an artist and educator whose work encom-

passes a variety of media and experiences; he taught art for 32 seasons in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. For more information about the show, contact Dan Gaser at 412-687-2458 or e-mail him at imdan@verizon.net.

ANNUAL H.H. GARNET DAY CELEBRATION

On September 30 at 3 p.m., the annual Henry Highland Garnet Day celebration will be held at Valley View Church in Garfield (corner of Aiken and Black). Henry Highland Garnet, an escaped slave turned radical preacher and abolitionist, was the founding pastor of Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church on the Hill. Please come and celebrate with us as we honor Garnet's legacy by recognizing 6 modern day Pittsburgh Champions for Justice.

FREE POTTERY CLASSES

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12-1 p.m.; after school begins, 4-6 p.m. (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays). Snacks and refreshments will be provided. This program is sponsored and funded in part by Lawrenceville Weed & Seed and Lawrenceville United. For more information call Sandy Simon at 412-687-0383 or check out our website at www.KilnNTime.mysite.com for more information.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS

Family Hospice and Palliative Care is recruiting volunteers to provide companionship to patients (training provided), person-power at our resale shop, assistance with special events, and sharing of office/clerical tasks. Call Nick Petti, Volunteer Manager, at 412-572-8806 to inquire.

Also, Trinity Hospice is a community-based organization that affirms the belief that it is important to make every life as meaningful as possible, from the first days of a life-limiting illness to the last. Become a Parent/Family Care Volunteer and offer support and encouragement within your community. Hospice volunteers can also assist with special events, make crafts or cards for the patients, or sew, knit, or crochet. Training is provided. Please contact Deborah Scott at 412-351-4494 or deborah.scott@trinityhospice.com.

BENEFIT AUCTION

Our Lady of the Angels Parish is having its third annual benefit auction at a new location: St. Mary Upper Lyceum, 340 46th Street, in Lawrenceville, Saturday, Sept. 22, starting at 9 a.m. (with an 8 a.m. preview). There is something for everyone: furniture, antiques, collectibles, dishes, china, sterling, glassware, crocks, linens, holiday decorations, area rugs, church pews, religious items, dolls and toys, exercise equipment, and many items for the house and garden. Donations are being accepted through Sept. 15. Call 412-682-0929 for more information. Breakfast sweets, homemade lunch, snacks, and beverages will be for sale during the auction. Don't miss it!

ART & HERITAGE FALL FESTIVAL

Our Lady of the Angels introduces its first annual Art & Heritage Fall Festival, Oct. 5-7. The festival will take place at St. Mary Lyceum and former St. Mary property located between 45th and 46th streets in Lawrenceville. This festival will appeal to children and adults alike: for the young ones, there will be a hayride, a climbing wall, storytelling, face painting, games, and hands-on activities

like pumpkin painting and scarecrow building. For adults, there will be ethnic meals/beverages each night (Friday, German; Saturday, folk; Sunday, Irish), wine tasting, table gaming, a farmer's market, artists' booths, and two stages of continuous entertainment. Also, the first annual 5K Spirit Run will take place through the beautiful Allegheny and St. Mary cemeteries, on Saturday, Oct. 6, beginning at 9 a.m. Don't miss the excitement! For more information, contact the Parish Office at 412-682-0929.

NEW SHOW AT EVERYONE AN ARTIST GALLERY

"Saturday Morning Cereal," artwork by Malcolm Gittins, will be shown at Everyone an Artist Gallery, 4128 Butler Street in Lawrenceville. This is Pittsburgh's only gallery devoted to artists with disabilities. The opening reception is Friday, September 7, from 6 to 9 p.m. It's free and all are welcome! The exhibit runs from September 7 to November 2. Gallery hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.; or by appointment. For more information about the show or gallery, call 412-681-2404 or e-mail nsiri@aemhmr.org.

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Join Mayor Luke Ravenstahl for a Neighborhood Forum on Wednesday, Sept. 5, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Lawrence O'Toole Gymnasium, 5323 Penn Ave., Garfield. The mayor will report back to Bloomfield, Friendship, Garfield, Highland Park, Lawrenceville, Morningside, Polish Hill, and Stanton Heights on initiatives such as the "Neighborhoods First Agenda" and solicit input on the state and future of the community. For more information, contact Jennifer Watson at 412-255-4765 or Jennifer.Watson@city.pittsburgh.pa.us.

CANCER CARING CENTER PROGRAMS

The Cancer Caring Center, 4117 Liberty Ave., Bloomfield, offers private couples therapy on the first and third Monday of each month, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Registration is required. Other programs at the Center: Gentle Yoga, Thursday, September 6 and 20, 7 to 8 p.m., led by Lilt Bailey-Kroll; Stress Management, led by Fabi Cheistwer, MS, Wellness Consultant, second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 7 to 8 p.m., beginning Tuesday, September 11; "Family Fun Day" featuring storytelling and pet therapy on Saturday, September 22, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.; Dr. David Clippinger of Still Mountain T'ai Chi presents Soaring Crane Chi Kung, Wednesday, September 26, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Call 412-622-1212 for more information.

MARTIAL ARTS BEGINNER CLASS

The Traditional Martial Arts Society (TMAS) will be offering a 6-week program to ease people into martial arts training. TMAS will focus on concerns of adults starting for the first time. The cost of the program is \$80 and includes a uniform. Classes are 6 to 7 p.m., Thursdays, September 13 to October 18, and will be at TMAS, 5738 Baum Blvd, in East Liberty. To register or receive more information, call 412-361-1080.

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PENN AVENUE, From Page 1

crosswalks; sidewalk ramps at intersections; street furniture (benches, bike racks) and landscaping; lighting; and repaving.

In addition, "our hope is that the elements of the plan bear an artist's brushstroke," said Matthew Galluzzo, Penn Avenue Arts District manager and also a member of the phasing plan committee. "We want to ensure it's

not just a generic business district, but a place where you don't need a banner to tell you you're entering an arts district."

"This kind of opportunity won't come along again for 50 years," noted BGC executive director Rick Swartz. "This is a historic opportunity to redo a major urban corridor."

HOUSE TOURS, From Page 5

vintage touches, like a wrought-iron banister on the stairway. When they bought it in 1998, the couple refinished the hardwood floors and added a sliding glass door and deck off the dining room. The result is a charming cottage that feels very light and spacious.

Tickets for the Lawrenceville tour are \$10 in advance, \$12 the day of the event. They are available at the following Lawrenceville establishments: Jay Design; Gallery on 43rd; Coca Café; Perk Me Up; and Dandelions. Molly's Trolleys will be operating

from the Butler Street entrance to Allegheny Cemetery beginning at 12 noon.

Tickets for the Friendship tour are \$15 and can be purchased from the Friendship Development Associates Office, 5530 Penn Avenue, or online at www.friendshiphousetour.org. Tickets are also available the day of the event at the tour registration site - Pittsburgh Glass Center, 5472 Penn Avenue. The self-guided tour takes two to three hours to complete on foot, and trolleys will depart from the Pittsburgh Glass Center.

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