Peabody Event Builds Community, Addresses Gang Violence

By Paula Martinac
The Bulletin

On Saturday, May 12, more than 800 East End community members convened at Peabody High School in East Liberty to take part in “Excellence for All,” a free, all-day community-building event addressing issues such as health, safety, jobs, housing, and gang violence.

“This is a new day for Peabody, and a new day for our community,” announced Peabody Principal John Vater, as he greeted an auditorium packed with parents, students, community activists, political leaders, and concerned citizens.

Following a complimentary breakfast, the program kicked off with remarks by Principal Vater and Pa. State Reps. Joseph Preston and Jake Wheatley. To the students in attendance, Preston, a graduate of Wheatley, said, “You can do anything you want to do, if you believe you can. I’m a living example of it.” Wheatley impressed upon the parents in the audience that “the future of our children depends upon the actions of adults today.”

The representatives shared the dais with Mayor Luke Ravenstahl and School Superintendent Mark Roosevelt. The mayor emphasized Pittsburgh’s new school safety zone program (see page 2) and stressed that “the success of a community depends on a good public school system.” To hearty applause, Roosevelt pledged that, beginning with the class of 2008, any student who graduates from a city high school will not be held back from attending college for lack of funds.

Roosevelt introduced the keynote speaker – and the man many had come to hear – Cle “Bone” Sloan, an inactive member of the L.A. Bloods gang and author and star of the award-winning HBO documentary Bastards of the Party. Although technical difficulties prevented the audience from viewing a clip from the film, Sloan proved a powerful, yet unpretentious speaker who told his own story and proved a powerful, yet unpretentious speaker who told his own story.

Garfield Gators Hope Barlow Will Impact Young Athletes

By Michelle Burton-Brown
For The Bulletin

While the coaches and players in Garfield prepare for another intense season, the talk around the neighborhood is about former Garfield resident Kevan Barlow signing with the Pittsburgh Steelers. The Peabody High School and University of Pittsburgh star will compete with Najeh Davenport for the role of back-up to Pro Bowl running back Willie Parker.

The Gators’ program director, Bob Jones, who helped start the league when he was only 24, expressed frustration with his efforts to introduce his young athletes to professional players. “More often than not, the professional athlete is far removed from the inner city, the very place from which many of them come. Despite the fact that a lot of talent has come out of Western Pennsylvania, since our league’s inception 15 years ago, we have not been able to get a professional athlete to agree to speak at our annual awards banquet. With the exception of Charlie Batch, there has not been a great deal of giving back to the community.”

Jones is quick to give credit to the other men who worked to start the league. “We worked as a team to get the League started and to get it to where it is today. We all share in the success that we’ve had.” The other founders of the league are Frank Chatman, who died two years ago, Tony Walls, Chris Woodward, Harold Hamlin, and Garth Taylor.

The Garfield Gators belong to an organization that represents youth from the neighborhoods of Lincoln, Homewood, North Side, East Liberty and the Hill District, plus clubs from suburban Clairton and Wilkinsburg.
Public Safety Task Force Report

The following is a summary of some of the recent work of the city’s Impact and Vice Squads in dealing with street-level crimes occurring in the Garfield and adjacent areas.

- On the night of April 12, Impact detectives arrested a 17-year-old male for possession of a controlled substance (Ecstasy) in the 5200 block of Hillcrest St. after detectives made a routine traffic stop. Shuman Juvenile Detention Center declined to admit the arrestee, and he was released to his parents following processing.

- On the afternoon of April 13, Vice detectives placed a 32-year-old male under arrest for possession with intent to deliver crack cocaine in the 6200 block of Broad St. The arrest was made following a search of his vehicle. Detectives identified the suspect as a recent parolee from state prison.

- On the afternoon of April 20, Impact detectives arrested a 19-year-old male for providing false identification to officers in the 5100 block of Columbo St. The detectives had observed the individual engaged in gambling activities, and upon making the arrest, learned of other outstanding warrants against him. The suspect was then taken into custody.

- On the evening of April 20, Impact detectives arrested a 28-year-old male for possession with intent to deliver crack cocaine in the 5300 block of Cornwall St.

- On the evening of April 23, Vice detectives arrested a 43-year-old female for prostitution and loitering for the purpose of prostitution at the corner of Penn and N. Atlantic Avenues.

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- On the night of April 26, Vice detectives arrested a 20-year-old male for possession of a controlled substance (heroin) in the 1100 block of N. Negley Ave. in the Highland Park neighborhood. The suspect had earlier been observed in the Garfield neighborhood attempting to purchase a controlled substance.

City Crew “Redds Up” Around Fort Pitt ALA

On Friday, May 4, a “Redd Up” crew came to Ft. Pitt Accelerated Learning Academy in Garfield as part of the Pittsburgh Safety Zone Partnership (SZP). On hand was Mayor Luke Ravenstahl, who, along with Superintendent Mark Roosevelt, had announced the creation of the SZP in March. The SZP will maintain a 1000-foot “safety zone” radius around all city school buildings, looking in particular at problems such as abandoned houses and cars, overgrown lots, cracked steps and sidewalks, hypodermic needles, and crime.

A key component of the SZP is to improve each school community’s physical safety by cleaning up vacant lots, removing debris, and demolishing vacant buildings. Ft. Pitt ALA was one of the first schools on the list to get the “Redd Up” treatment. The public works crew cleaned up considerable debris from Brown Way, an alley within the school’s safety zone. Unfortunately, within just two weeks, landscaping debris had once again been illegally dumped in the alley.

The public works crew also “redd up” N. Winebiddle and were back two weeks later demolishing a flight of hazardous steps leading up the street to the school. The second flight of concrete steps will be repaired and put in good working order.

Thanks to the “Redd Up” crew for a job well done — and to the city and school system for this important initiative to make our schools safer!

Reverse Phone Book Warning

Did you know? There’s a feature on the Web that enables you to type a telephone number into a search engine and find out not only the person’s name and address, but get a map to his or her house - a nationwide reverse telephone book!

The safety issues are obvious. In particular, if a child gives out his or her phone number, and the number is a listed one, the accompanying house address can easily be found and mapped.

You can look up your number and block it from being listed. First, go to http://www.whitepages.com/10583/search/ReversePhone, type in your 10-digit number (area code + number), and hit enter. To block your information, go to the lower right-hand corner and click on “Is this you? Remove your list- ing.” Then follow the instructions for removal, which takes takes approximately 3-5 days.

Zone Meetings

If you would like to stay up-to-date with police efforts in your area, then please attend one of the monthly zone meetings, held by each zone’s police dept.

The Zone 5 Meeting is held the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. on the 3rd floor of the Zone 5 Police Station in East Liberty. For more information, call Zone 5 at 412-665-3605.

The Zone 2 Public Safety Council Meeting is held the last Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Hill House. For more information, call Zone 2 at 412-255-2827.

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Bloomfield-Garfield Neighborhoods Make Electoral History on Primary Day

By P.J. Maloney
For The Bulletin

In District Nine, which includes Garfield, Ricky Burgess out-pollled incumbent Tawanda Carlisle by a wide margin. Burgess got 50 percent of the votes; Carlisle came in second with 16 percent. There were six other candidates on the Democratic ballot. (Since there were no Republicans running in either District Seven or District Nine, and no opposition is expected in November, it’s assumed that the primary winners in these districts will be automatic winners in the general election.)

“I’m grateful for all the support I received in Garfield,” Burgess told The Bulletin. “I think we can do much better in this Council district if we all work together.”

Burgess acknowledges that public safety is a primary concern among the residents of Garfield and says he hopes “to be a part of the solution through a district-wide strategy.” He calls it a “Boston strategy” composed of four principles: prevention, inter-\enion, prosecution and re-integra-\tion. “We need to take steps to pre-\ent crime, intervene in areas where crime is taking place, prosecute the criminals, and return former criminals to our neighborhoods as productive members of society through support services, education and jobs.”

Burgess says he will also concen-\trate efforts on economic development. “We need to work as a commu-\nity to make economic development and jobs the cornerstone of a revital-\ized neighborhood.”

Dowd says he is “humbled and hon-
This month, we congratulate Nadine and Leon Smith, owners of 111 N. Aiken Avenue in Garfield, who were nominated as the Good Neighbors of the month. Mrs. Smith said her husband has resided at this location for the past 35 years.

When the staff of the BGC visited the site, they knew that this nomination was well-deserved. The property is a picture out of a storybook. Mrs. Smith told us that when folks pass by they say, “Surely not hard on your eyes.”

Not only are the Smiths good neighbors for the way in which they are investing and maintaining their property, but they encourage other folks to be more inclined to take care of their property. Mrs. Smith also tells passersby to “make sure you throw your things in the garbage” and not on the street (a message we could all heed).

The house is combination of red brick and siding, trimmed in white, and has lots of windows with great window dressings and a magnificent front door decorated with a beautiful flower wreath.

The home is accented with potted flowers and a small garden, and the grass is manicured and surrounded with a white picket fence that adds a cozy charm to the look of the house.

We are appreciative of the time, energy and effort Mr. and Mrs. Smith invest to keep there property in such great condition. Thank you, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, for being good neighbors and continuing to live and invest in Garfield.
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asserted that Pittsburgh could “turn around” the violence plaguing the city.

“Kids don’t join gangs,” Sloan stated. “Gangs join kids.” The murder of a good friend or relative, he said, often pulls kids into violence; if they see that the perpetrator isn’t being prosecuted, they want to avenge the loss of their loved one themselves. “The higher the death toll,” Sloan added, “the harder it is to bring kids back” from gang life. He encouraged adults to address young people’s grief early on, letting them express their emotions and voice their frustration. “Go to the funerals, see the kids who are hurting, talk to them then,” before their emotions set them on a path of violence.

To the young people in attendance, Sloan said, “Homies, you got to stay in school.” He also urged them to find activities that would keep them off the streets. “The arts turned my life around,” he said. He took a low-paying job as a production assistant on a movie crew and found he loved it, and has been working in film ever since. “Write your stories,” he told the students, “even the negative stuff you saw.”

When asked why he stopped being active in the Bloods, Sloan replied simply, “I had enough of it. I was tired of burying my homeboys.” When one gang member decides to leave, he noted, “then the next man can say, ‘I’m done, too.’”

Following the speakers, 80 community-based organizations offered workshops on a wide range of topics. For students, there were hands-on workshops such as “Graffiti No, Public Art Yes,” in which young people helped create a mural for the International Children’s Festival; and “My Money, My Life,” in which they learned the basics of financial management, like balancing a checkbook and filling out deposit slips.


Principal Vater said he has gotten a lot of positive response about the event, suggesting that “the community wants to be involved and to turn around the situation.” He is considering making it an annual happening or hosting smaller events throughout the year. The first follow-up event will be a community clean-up of a 1,000-foot “safety zone” around Peabody, tentatively scheduled for June.

But manyBulletinreaders will remember most his devotion to finding homes for shelter dogs. Bernard’s “Good Dog” column became a regular - and popular - feature of this paper in July 2003. Featuring a photo and description of an adoptable dog each month, the column also originally offered tips for dog owners on topics such as crate training and communicating with pets. The Bulletin’s advertising representative, Martin Pochapin, summed up how many people in this area felt about Bernard: “He was just the finest man you would ever want to meet.”

GATORS, From Page 1

Kim Long, Garfield resident and longtime fundraiser and supporter, whose nephew, Melvin Gay, coaches the Gators, said she remembers that when Barlow was drafted into the NFL in 2001, “Gator Country” turned from orange and blue to a sea of gold-and-red San Francisco 49ers Barlow jerseys. “You couldn’t buy a Barlow jersey for months. Kevan, returning to Pittsburgh as a Steeler, is an opportunity for him to give back to the community that rallied behind him.”

Garfield Gator registration will be held every Saturday during June, and the first week of July from 2-4 p.m., at the Community Activity Center on N. Pacific Avenue. The first practice is July 9. The organization is seeking sponsors to provide scholarships for the children whose parents may be unable to manage the $35 registration fee. The Gators are also planning a fundraiser to raise money for uniforms, equipment and transportation for away games.
“Equal justice for all” - that’s the motto of the Legal Services Corporation, a nationwide organization that promotes equal access to justice and provides high quality civil legal assistance to low-income Americans. The local office providing “equal access to justice is the Neighborhood Legal Services Association (NLSA).

NLSA is a private, non-profit Pennsylvania corporation established in 1966 to “meet the civil legal needs of the poor and vulnerable in our community through effective legal representation and education.” The program serves residents of Allegheny, Beaver, Butler and Lawrence counties with a staff of 55 attorneys, paralegals and support personnel. In Allegheny County, residents of the Greater Pittsburgh area are served from one central location - 928 Penn Avenue. In Beaver, the office is in Aliquippa; in Lawrence County, the office is in New Castle; and in Butler County, the office is in the city of Butler.

Free translation services are available for clients with limited English abilities or who are hearing impaired.

NLSA services are free. To be eligible, most clients must have incomes at or below 125 percent of poverty, but in some instances, services are provided to those at or below 200 percent of poverty. Services are provided to individuals regardless of income in Protection from Abuse matters and for clients over the age of 60 in some elder law matters, i.e., Powers of Attorney and Living Wills.

Approximately 43 percent of NLSA’s cases involve family issues, including assistance in securing Protection from Abuse Orders, help in maintaining physical custody or visitation, or help with divorce. Twenty-five percent involve housing problems, including fighting wrongfully threatened lock-outs or evictions, improper application denials for subsidized or public housing, and mortgage foreclosure. Fifteen percent concern consumer issues, such as bankruptcies to prevent the loss of a home/personal property/termination of utilities, predatory lending, debt collection, and tax sales. Eleven percent involve employment law issues, such as expungements, wage claims, unemployment and Social Security denials or terminations, and health and welfare problems resulting from the reduction, denial or termination of state subsidies including cash assistance, food stamps, Medicaid or childcare, while six percent relate to issues particularly affecting the elderly. The low-income elderly age 60 and older can get help if they are the victims of physical, emotional or financial abuse and the subject of guardianship or protective services proceedings.

Help from NLSA comes in a variety of ways. Program services include advice, counseling, referral, community education, representation before administrative bodies, and representation in court, as well as legal advice and assistance provided through NLSA’s Helpline. Assistance from the private bar enables the program to stretch its own limited resources.

NLSA has a toll free number for its Pittsburgh office, which can be accessed from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (1-866-761-6572). For more information on NLSA, please visit us at www.nlsa.us. At our website, you will also find a link to www.PaLAWHelp.org, which provides valuable information on a multitude of legal topics.

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Family Fun Night
For children ages 5-12 and their families. Wednesday, June 27. Kick off the summer reading program with activities about codes, ciphers and puzzles.

Preschool Storytime
For ages 3-5. Thursdays, 10:30 a.m., June 7, 14, 21, and 28.

East Liberty PC Center

Introduction to Computers
Do you know how to use a mouse? Do you know where the Enter key is? What about the different parts of the computer? If you are unsure about any of these questions, this class is for you! Learn the basics of a computer, mouse and keyboard as a prerequisite for all our other computer classes. NOTE: This class is designed for those who have little or no computer experience.

Saturday, June 2, from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or Wednesday, June 13, from 4:30-6:40 p.m. or Tuesday, June 19, from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Publisher
Do you want to make your own flyers, business cards, banners, or greeting cards? This class will show you how to use the basic features of this easy to use, multi-dimensional program.

Prerequisite: Intermediate Word or solid Word experience. Thursday, June 14 from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

To register for these classes or for more information about our free computer classes, call the PC Center-East Liberty at 412-363-6105. This service has been funded with federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds administered by the Office of the Commonwealth Libraries.

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Adult Book Discussion Group
Monday, June 11 at 5 p.m. This month’s title is The Keep, by Jennifer Egan.

Family Program Celebrating Dads
Thursday, June 14, from 5-6 p.m. Bring Dad or Grandpa to the library for a special storytime, play games and take home prizes.

Summer Reading Kick-off Party
For all ages. Saturday, June 2, from 1-3 p.m.

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Professional Organizer Carol Briney offers suggestions and answers your questions about overcoming the clutter in your life.

Take Action Today!

Are you a procrastinator? Do you put things off until the timing is perfect? Are you spending your life getting ready to get ready? Today’s question is if you don’t take action now, what will it cost you later?

I have found that most people are not successful because they choose procrastination over action and perfection over progress. Can you see these traits in yourself? Have you ever noticed that when you put something off until tomorrow it becomes easier to put it off to tomorrow, too?

Most people who are procrastinators live in fear of what they have to do. People are afraid to fail, or afraid to succeed. What I have found is that you can’t become something by studying it. You can only become that thing by actually doing it.

The universe rewards our actions. Sometimes we get rewarded with a job done well. Sometimes we get rewarded with falling on our face. Most of the time we get rewarded with information that helps us get better and better. However, we can’t get this information unless we do something first. If you wait for the conditions to be perfect, you will never get anything done.

I remember the first time I spoke to a roomful of people. I thought I was going to die. I truly did not know that a piece of paper could make so much noise as I held the notes from my speech in my hand. However, I had to give the talk. The person who was supposed to do it could not, and I was the only one left to fill in. Did I do a spectacular job? No, I didn’t; however, I didn’t die either. When I was finished, I spent time going over what happened, and I made notes on what I did well and what I did not do so well. Now today, because I had the guts to get up on stage once, I get paid really well by many companies and organizations to share what I know.

As you are reading this article, please ask yourself what else could you be doing in your life that you are not because you are procrastinating. What could you be doing right now instead of feeling fear and worry? I urge you to approach every day with a ferocious desire to end it a better person than you were when you woke up.

Go out and accomplish your dreams. Live your life without limits. I double-dog dare you! Until next time, I wish you the true riches of life, love, peace, happiness, and the time to enjoy it all.

Carol Briney is a speaker, trainer, and home-based business coach. She can be reached at universaldorder@comcast.net or 412-781-8773; or visit her website: www.universaldor.com.

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**Pittsburgh Dance Arts Summer Classes**

Don't miss a beat with ongoing classes at Pittsburgh Dance Arts throughout the summer! Great time for Beginners to start, Advanced students to work on technique, and everyone to get in great shape physically and creatively. New classes for Beginner Ballet and Super-Fit (part Pilates, part Calisthenics), as well as Tap, Jazz, Pilates, Belly Dance, and Kids Musical Theatre. Also, free Hip Hop Master class with award-winning national teaching artist, Gino Vaccaro. Mr. Vaccaro, who opened for the Black Eyed Peas in 2006, will be teaching a Hip Hop Class for kids and teens (ages 9-16) from 11-11:45 a.m., and Adults from 12-12:45 p.m., Saturday, June 23, at the Pittsburgh Dance Arts studios. Registration for this Hip Hop class will take place that day. Please go to our website at www.pgh-dance for a complete list of schedules and rates, or call 412-681-7523. Conveniently located at 4059 Penn Ave.

**Peabody High School “ALL CLASSES” Reunion**

Come join your former classmates and friends for a Peabody High Class Reunion for "ALL Classes." on Wednesday, July 4, 2007. The theme will be "Remembering Garfield, The Way It Was." The reunion will take place at the St. Lawrence O’Toole Activity Center, located at 140 N. Atlantic Avenue in Garfield from 6 p.m. til 12 a.m. After you’ve had the picnic with your families, join us for an evening of “Remembrance, Dance and Song.” Hor 9’euve will be served; event is BYOB. Cost is $10 per person, payable at the door. For more information, please contact Michelle Glass-Franklin at 323-496-0412 or by e-mail at LHRFranklin@msn.com; or Roxanne Miles-Thoma at 412-661-2710. We hope to see you all there!!!

**F'Ship House Tour**

Mark your calendars! The 14th Annual Friendship House Tour will be held on Sunday, September 16, 2007 from 11am-5pm. As 2007 is the “Year of Glass” in Pittsburgh, the tour will begin at the Pittsburgh Glass Center, right in the heart of the Penn Avenue Arts District. Many of the homes on tour have interesting glass amenities as well. For more information, please contact Sarah at 412-441-6147 x 7.

**Dreaming Spring at L'ville Garden Tour**

Come join us for the 3rd Annual Lawrenceville Garden Tour, Sunday, June 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to be part of the free tour! The tour starts at the Community Garden at 42nd and Sherrod Streets. If you would like to be one of the gardens on the tour, contact Liz: elizabethpasarella@yahoo.com

**Free Pottery Day for Honor Roll Students**

Did your student make the Honor Roll or High Honor Roll? Kiln-N-Time, located at 3801 Penn Ave., Lawrenceville, is now accepting registrations for your child to enjoy a fun-filled day of painting pottery for FREE. That’s right...FREE! All students need to do is come in and fill out a registration form, and bring along a copy of their report card, showing that they actually did make the Honor Roll or High Honor Roll. The actual date of event will be announced later. Call 412-687-0383 for more information and ask for Sandy or Danielle. This program is sponsored by Lawrenceville United and Lawrenceville Weed & Seed Program.

**Modern Dance Technique Class**

Attack Theatre offers an intermediate/advanced level modern dance class every Wednesday evening from 7:30-8:30 p.m., taught by Michele de la Reza and company members. There is always live accompaniment for the class. Cost is $8 and walk-ins are welcome. Location: Attack Theatre, 4805 Penn Avenue. Call 412.441.8444 for more information and updates.

**F'Ship and L'ville Partner on “Art2”**

Penn Avenue Arts Initiative and Lawrenceville artists are teaming up to host Art2, a weekend of art featuring PAAI’s Unblurred and Lawrenceville Artists’ Studio Tour on July 6-7 and August 3-5. Each weekend kicks off on Friday, when various galleries in the Penn Avenue Arts District (4800-5500 Penn) will open their doors and showcase a variety of artwork and performances. For a complete list of venues, visit www.pennavenuearts.org or visit Glass-Franklin @msn.com; or Roxanne Miles-Thoma at 412-661-2710. We hope to see you all there!!!
GROUP THREE

A larger study on the software. Parents are invited to be present at all times.

This project is part of a doctoral dissertation study by Maria C.R. Harrington, a Ph.D. candidate in the School of Information Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh. To sign up or ask questions, please contact Maria C.R. Harrington, at (412) 606-2170 or send an email to mharrin@pitt.edu.

JOB CORPS SUMMER TRAINING PROGRAM

Pittsburgh Job Corps Center’s free Off-Center Training Program has immediate openings for eligible students for the summer semester at CCAC. Job Corps provides: college tuition, fees, and books; PAT bus weekly transportation; living allowance; and clothing allowance. A childcare center is available on the Job Corps campus. Earn a 2-year associate’s degree or 1-year certificate in: Business Career Programs; Computer and Information Technology; Health-Related Career Programs; Careers in Technologies; or Social Service Career Programs. Eligibility: You must be 17 to 24 years of age, have either a high school diploma or a GED, and meet specific income requirements. Call 412-4418665 for more information, or visit http://pittsburgh.jobcorps.gov.

PAAI’S CELEBRATION OF PENN AVENUE

Rock down to Penn Avenue with the Penn Avenue Arts Initiative, local artists, and neighborhood supporters at our video release party June 14 at the Kelly-Strayhorn Theater, 5941 Penn Avenue. Celebrate the release of our "electric avenue" with the release of Phase II of the Penn Avenue Arts Initiative (PAAI) video. Enjoy art by Penn Avenue artists, who will be donating the proceeds to PAAI’s Artist Loan and Grant Fund, which offers low-interest loans for interior improvements and matching grants for façade improvements to interested Penn Avenue stake holders. The evening will also include puppet shows, popcorn, music and fun for all! For more information, call 412-4416147 x 7.

"Dollars and Sense" Discussion Series

The Union Project reopens its quarterly evening discussion series with a focus on financial health. “Dollars and Sense.” The Monday Evening Conversations will take place over five evenings throughout the summer, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Topics will range from budgeting and home buying to funding college. All discussions will be held at the Union Project at 801 N. Negley Ave., and are open to the community free of charge. For more information, visit www.unionproject.org.

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KIDS CAMP AT PENN AVE. POTTERY STUDIO

Registration for Kids Camp 2007 begins...NOW! Want something fun to do this summer? Want beautiful pieces of artwork and pottery? Want to meet new friends? Sign up now while space is available. Kids Camp (for ages 6 through 12) takes place at Kiln-N-Time pottery studio, 3801 Penn Avenue (38th & Penn), June 19-July 19 (Tuesdays through Thursdays) from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is just $30.00 per day per child (which includes a snack, drinks, and lunch). WHAT A DEAL! Call now for reservations: 412-687-0383. Or go to www.kilnnertime.mysite.com for more details and a schedule of events.

ELPC Launches Speakers Series

The East Liberty Presbyterian Church (ELPC) has inaugurated a new speakers series, “Prophetic Voices Today.” The series begins by addressing the topic of “Uprooting Poverty” on Saturday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m., with a keynote presentation, “Heeding the Call,” by Karen Olson, president of Family Promise. Dr. Ralph Bangs of the Univ. of Pittsburgh and Esther L. Bush of the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, will then discuss the roots of poverty in Pittsburgh. On June 3, a worship service begins at 11 a.m., followed by a forum, “Framing Our Response: Where Do We Go from Here?” The weekend event is free and takes place at the church at 116 S. Highland Ave. For more info, call 412-4413800 x 22 or visit www.cathedralofohpe.org.

UNION PROJECT COMMUNITY DAY

Join Union Project on Sunday, June 3 for a Community Day at 801 N. Negley Ave. Running concurrently with the Highland Park Yard Sale, the Union Project Community Day will feature live music from Joy Ike, Morgan Stewart and Sonji (acoustic), as well as offering food specials, a craft fair and kids activities. Also, Ceramics@UP will be selling its pottery during the event. Come by and see what pottery is coming out of our basement studios. The events begin at 9 a.m. and run throughout the day until 2 p.m. For more information, contact hilyari@unionproject.org or call 412-363-4550 x26.

UNBLURRED: FIRST FRIDAYS ON PENN

Pittsburgh Art Initiative hosts Unblurred: First Fridays on Penn, Friday, June 1. Unblurred is a monthly event that opens the Penne Avenue Arts District (4800-5500 Penn) for exploration by adults and children. For a complete schedule visit www.pennavenuearts.org.

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SCHENLEY REUNION

Schenley High School Class of 1967 is having its 40th year reunion on August 17 at the Comfort Inn, 699 Rodi Road. Terrace Village reunion, August 18. A $45 check or money order can be mailed to P.O. Box 9048, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15224 and should be made out to Elliot Coleman/Schenley Class of 1967. For more information, call 412-782-5291.

SUMMER BALLET ACADEMY

East Side Ballet Academy presents summer ballet classes at the Nuin Center, Wednesdays, June 20-July 26. Ballet Basics (ages 4-6) 3-4 p.m.; Ballet Basics (ages 7-11) 4:15-5:15 p.m. $25 registration, $85 tuition. Classes taught by Andrew Blight, former dancer with the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre. Please call 412-441-0845 for additional information.

ROVING ART CART

Let your creativity run wild when the Citiparks Roving Art Cart visits your neighborhood this summer! Children become instant artists through a variety of hands-on activities. Pick up a paintbrush...sculpt with clay...create 3D objects with paper...and much more, all summer long. The Roving Art Cart visits neighborhood parks, playgrounds, community festivals and citywide special events throughout the City of Pittsburgh, and will be in our communities on these dates: June 20, Osceola Park, Bloomfield; July 19, Friendship Park, Bloomfield; July 24, Arsenal Park, Lawrenceville; and August 1, Dan Cohen Playground, Mellon Park (near Tennis Bubble). For more information, call 412-665-3665.

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Senta M. Robinson, parent of Lila and a former Garfield resident who now resides in Northern California, said that she is pleased that Summerbridge is being recognized for its innovative summer program. “My daughter Lila is stronger, more focused, and independent because of her years at Summerbridge. Enrolling in the program was, by far, the best decision we made during a very critical transitional stage of her life. Summerbridge not only strengthened her academically, but it gave her the confidence to ‘raise the bar’ when it came to her goals. Summerbridge is an invaluable program in a city where many promising teens simply never have a chance.”

The 2007 enrichment program will run for six weeks. All interested students and parents are invited to visit Summerbridge Pittsburgh over the summer break. To schedule a visit, contact Kevin Brezler at 412-741-2230. Check out the Summerbridge website at www.summerbridgepittsburgh.org.