

Holiday Greetings

By Timothy G. Zinn, AWCC President

Having just completed the 30th Annual Christmas House Tour, I would like to thank the many individuals that contributed to the success of this year's event. These include our volunteers that met months ago to do our initial mailing; those that met last weekend to bunch and hang greens on the street lamps; our clean-up crews that tidied up our neighborhood after last Thursday's game; our tour guides; our house sitters; volunteers that participated in the dinner and tea tours, our home owners, who opened their homes to well over 1,000 people; our volunteers that organized our Saturday night after-tour party; this year's Ways and Means Chair, Gloria Rayman, and everyone else that did the million-and-one things that are necessary for a successful event.

To all of you, and invariably I have unintentionally omitted some, thank you for donating your time and talents—without your help, this, our largest annual fundraiser, could not continue.

As the end of December nears, I would also like to thank all of you, my neighbors and friends, for making this a rewarding year as AWCC president, and to my fellow AWCC officers, as they too have made this a great year for our organization. As I look back, we have had many good times together during the past year and have accomplished much for the betterment of our neighborhood. In this, the final issue of the 2011 *Gazette*, I wish all of you a happy holiday season and a blessed new year.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve the Allegheny West neighborhood. I am always available and look forward to receiving your comments at tzinn106@msn.com.

DECEMBER / JANUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AWCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Calvary United Methodist Church (Beech Ave. entrance)

Tuesday, December 13 @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 10 @ 7:30 p.m.

HOUSING & PLANNING/NORTH AVE. COMMITTEE MTG

Tuesday, December 20 @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 17 @ 7:30 p.m.

AWCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MTG

944 Western Ave.

Tuesday, December 27 @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 31 @ 7:30 p.m.

AWCC MEMBERSHIP MTG. AGENDA TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2011 7:30 P.M.

1. READING OF NOVEMBER 2011 MINUTES

2. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

A. Treasurer's Report

3. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Housing & Planning/North Avenue Committees

1. North Avenue Sub Committee

2. Western Avenue Project: *Project Update*

3. West Ohio Street and Ridge Avenue Bridges

4. Light of Life Relocation/Expansion

B. Membership

C. Property: *Realtor report*

D. Ways & Means: *Christmas House Tour—RECAP*

E. Friends of Allegheny West: *Memorial Tree Program—UPDATE*

F. Communications

4. NORTHSIDE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REPORT

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. NEW BUSINESS

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hallelujah! Messiah Sing-Along This Sunday

December 19, 2011—4 p.m.

Calvary United Methodist Church

Unforgettable music makes you want to sing-along! That's just what the audience is invited to do on Sunday when Handel's master work *Messiah* is sung in the restored Tiffany sanctuary of Calvary United Methodist Church. The setting is majestic but the spirit is informal, as this concert of favorite selections is designed for those who know *Messiah*, and for even the youngest first-time concert-goers. Revel in Louis Comfort Tiffany's most magnificent stained-glassed windows, while experiencing Handel's beloved oratorio. This concert befits a landmark that has experienced a renaissance of restoration and growth. The rare Farrand & Votey organ is featured with a slate of stellar guest musicians, singers, and directors whose extensive credits include leading opera companies, musical theater, and choral engagements.

This family friendly event is ideal for introducing that littlest angel to classical music! The audience is invited to sing on four choruses: *And the Glory of the Lord, For Unto Us a Child is Born, Glory to God, and Hallelujah*. Voice section seating is available.

Brian Burns: *Music Director*

Ray Winter: *Conductor*

**Emily Swora, Mary Beth Sederburg, Christopher Quigley,
& William Mark Snyder:** *Soloists*

Calvary Renewal Choir & Chamber Ensemble

Additional Details

- Reception for all following the concert
- Tour the treasured historical space prior to concert.
- Doors open at 3:30 pm. Concert runtime is approximately 1.5 hours.
- Tickets: \$10 adults; \$5 students & seniors; 12 & under are free.
- Scores: \$10 w/ticket online. Tickets at the door.

Calvary Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

Please join us for a Christmas Eve Service on Saturday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m. Music begins at 7 p.m. and service at 7:30 p.m.

Be Informed, Stay Involved with AWCC Email Alerts

AWCC maintains an email list for neighbors, property and business owners, and friends of Allegheny West. This list is one of the ways we disseminate information throughout the neighborhood regarding upcoming events and important, timely announcements. Your email address is never shared or revealed to recipients, as all emails are sent to "AWCC-ANNOUNCE," with recipient email addresses hidden from view. All email messages sent to this address are monitored prior to releasing, so there is no chance of receiving spam email—just the news about the neighborhood.

If you would like to be added to this list, please email Gene Wilson at etwilson@gmail.com with "ADD ME" as the subject line or in the body of the email. If you are receiving these announcements and no longer wish to, email Gene with "DELETE ME" as the subject line or in the body of the email. We'll handle the rest!

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