ALLEGHENY WEST GAZETTE

April 2014

A Message From President Bob:

"She turned to the sunlight
And shook her yellow head,
And whispered to her neighbor:
"Winter is dead."

— A.A. Milne, When We Were Very Young

I may have used that quote in last year's Allegheny West Gazette. I'm not sure, since I don't have my bound collection of Gazettes to hand. Even if I did however, I'm happy to use it again, because I've just checked the temperature, and it is 79 degrees in Pittsburgh. Yes, Spring has finally sprung. Although we may have a few weather setbacks between now and June, Winter's back is broken, and stoop-party weather is on the way.

Soon, our neighborhood will be blessed with flowers, and Allegheny West will get its annual Redd - up, courtesy of Mother Nature. You can help, though. The sidewalks and front gardens are a bit worse for wear, thanks to winter and to litterbugs. April 22nd is Earth Day, and April 25th through 27th is Redd Up Weekend in Pittsburgh. Allegheny West will be participating in Redd-Up Weekend with a clean-up scheduled for April 26th. If you're interested in helping out (and I hope you are), please contact Howard Brokenbek for details. Howard can be reached at friends@alleghenywest.org. And now, I must sign off. Happy Spring!

From President, Bob Griewahn



Neighborhood Allies will be awarding scholarships to attend the 4th Annual Community Development Summit in Pittsburgh!

In order to be considered for a scholarship, please complete the online registration form at http://www.pcrg.org/conference/registration/scholarship-application/ by Friday, April 11th, 2014.

Scholarship awardees will be notified via email by **Friday, April 18**th with instructions on how to register. Questions can be directed to Talia Piazza at talia@neighborhoodallies.org.

Pittsburgh Clean-Up Project

From Howard Brokenbeck

Attention - Allegheny West Residents!

There will be a city wide clean-up held on April 26, 2014. Allegheny West is participating in this effort. It has been a long, cold winter and a lot of trash and debris has accumulated during the winter months.

All those interested in helping should meet at 806 Western Avenue at 9:00 AM to get gloves and litter bags, and containers for trash. Bring your gloves, rakes, and shovels, along with your neighborhood spirit!

Let's keep our neighborhood looking nice, by joining in this neighborhood clean-up effort.

Social Calendar Planning

From Fran Barbush

Please join Tim Zinn and all those interested in Membership activities to plan the social calendar for the remainder of the year.

The meeting will be April 22, 7:30 PM at the 806 Western Avenue AWCC office. Please come with your ideas to make this a fun year! The Membership is excited to have so many new residents, and hope that some of the new residents will come to share their ideas and energy with some of the long time committee members. We hope to see you on the 22nd.

A Reminder to all Pet Owners!

As adorable as our furry friends are, the AWCC would like to remind everyone to please be considerate when it comes to cleaning up after your pets, as well as to be mindful of excessive noise that could be disturbing your neighbors. Unfortunately, there have been a few complaints with regard to this topic. If you have a pet, please see the below list of rules pertaining to dogs from Pittsburgh's City Ordinance:

Dogs Information:

- Your dog must have a City license when it reaches 3 months of age. Dog licenses may be obtained on the <u>License page</u> or from the City Treasurer's office. Licensing fees are much cheaper for "fixed" dogs (male or female).
- You must have proof of your dog's current rabies vaccination. Rabies vaccinations are required by PA state law at 3 months of age.
- Dogs are not permitted to run unleashed on public streets, sidewalks, other public places or other people's property.
- If you are walking your dog, it must be on a leash or chain not more than 6 feet in length.
- Any female dog "in heat" (the times during the year when the female is able to breed and have a litter) must be kept inside.
- Refer to "Nuisance Violations" section regarding barking, defecation and digging.

Nuisance Violations

- Frequent and habitual barking, howling, screeching, yelping, or baying by a dog, cat or other animals.
- Allowing an animal to create offensive odors, excessive noise or unsanitary conditions which are considered dangerous to health, comfort or safety of the public.
- Allowing a dog to "go to the bathroom" on school grounds, a City park or other public or private property (It is not considered to be a nuisance violation if you immediately clean up after your dog called "Poop-Scoop" laws in most communities).
- Allowing your pet to scratch, dig or defecate on any lawn, tree, shrub, plant, building or any other public or private property other than that of the owner or person in charge or control of the animal.

AWCC April Calendar

AWCC General Membership Meeting

Calvary United Methodist Church (Beech Avenue Entrance) Tuesday, April 8 @ 7:30pm

Neighborhood Mixer

Friday, April 11 @ 6:00 pm The Modern Cafe

Street Sweeping Begins Monday, April 15

Housing & Planning Committee

Meeting - 845 N. Lincoln Avenue Tuesday, April 15 @ 7:30pm

AWCC Membership Planning Meeting

Tuesday, April 22 @ 7:30pm 806 Western Avenue

Neighborhood Clean Up Saturday, April 26 @ 9:00 am

806 Western Avenue

AWCC Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 29 @ 7:30pm 806 Western Avenue

. Allegheny West Friends and Neighbors!

BOWLING FOR ALLEGHENY WEST NEIGHBORS Wednesdays, Beginning at 7:00 PM!!

Allegheny Elks Lodge, 400, Cedar Avenue, Second Floor.

Cost is \$2.50 per game. Bowling balls and shoes included!

Bowl or just socialize and cheer on your neighbors!



Helpful Phone Numbers

Emergency

911

Mayor's Response Line

311

Allegheny County 412-578-8026 Health Department

Allegheny General 412-359-3131 Hospital-Helicopter412-359-3555

Animal Control 412-255-2036 After 3 p.m. 412-255-2935

Bureau of Building 412-25-2177 Inspection, Code Enforcement

Council Dist. 1 412-255-2135 Councilor Darlene Harris

City Jobline 412-255-2388

Dog Licenses 412-255-2967

Duquesne Light 1-888-393-7100 Power Outages 1-888-393-7000

East Allegheny 412-321-1204 Community Council deutschtown.org

Environmental 412-255-2779 Services (of Public Works)

Narcotics Division 412-323-7761

North Side Chamber 412-231-6500 of Commerce-Robin Miller

Northside 412-322-0290 Community Development Fund

Northside 412-330-2559 Leadership Conference

Parks & Recreation 412-255-2362

Pittsburgh Parking 412-560-2511

Authority

Public Works 412-255-2726 Division 1 412-323-7209

State Representative 412-734-9740 Rep. Adam Ravestahl

Help Wanted!

Do you have 20 minutes once a month to help deliver the Gazette? We're looking for a few people to help cover 1-block delivery areas. If you can help, please contact Fran at gazette@alleghenywest.org.

AWCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

April 8, 2014

- I. Reading of March 2014 Minutes
- II. Reports of Officers
 - A. Treasurer's Report
 - B. Budget Report
- III. Report of Standing Committees
 - A. Housing & Planning / North Ave.
 Committees
 - 1. North Avenue Projects
 - 2. Western Avenue Update
 - 3. Misc.
 - B. Membership
 - 1. Wednesday Night Bowling
 - C. Property
 - 1. Realtor Report
 - D. Ways & Means
 - E. Friends of Allegheny West
- IV. Northside Leadership Conference Report

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Please join
friends and neighbors for our
AWCC monthly mixer on
Friday, April 11,
at the Modern Café
Beginning at 6:00 PM
We hope to see you there!

St. Peter Parish Lenten Fish Fry

April 4 and April 11

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church Hall
Suismon and Middle Streets

Lunch: a la carte, 11:30am to 2pm

Dinners: \$9.00, 4pm to 6:30pm

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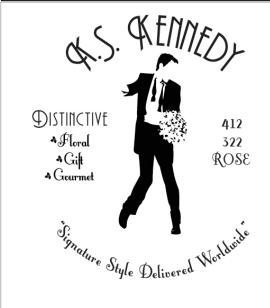
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JOIN THE PARTY!

Check out all that the North Side has to offer during the DICK'S Sporting Goods Pittsburgh Marathon race weekend from May 2 to May 4!

Friday, May 2

Rock the Run: McFadden's

Enjoy live music and specials on food and drinks with DJ Jam, starting at 9 PM

Saturday, May 3

Robotics Competition & Marathon Fun Day

Get inspired by the youth of Pittsburgh at this creative competition at the

Sarah Heinz House from 7 AM to 1 PM

Rock the Run: McFadden's Enjoy live music and specials on food and drinks with DJ Jam, starting at 9 PM

Sunday, May 4

Pancake Breakfast at Allegheny Center Alliance Church Fill up on breakfast for energy to cheer on runners. Doors open at 7 AM

North Side's Official Spectator Zone – Hosted by Urban Impact
Join performing arts students and volunteers from the Pittsburgh area to cheer
on runners as they pass through the North Side from 8 AM to 9 AM!
Full of food, entertainment, vendors and cheer materials for spectators: the spectator
zone, along both sides of East Commons, is a great place to enjoy the race.

For more information, visit PittsburghMarathon.com