

HIGHLAND PARK

Community Club
Newsletter for
May 2000



Edited by Ollie Rieley

HIGHLAND PARK MARATHON PARTY -- *Breakfast on Bryant Street*

Muzz Meyers

Sunday May 7 roll out of bed early and join your friends and neighbors for breakfast on Bryant Street. The Walnut Market parking lot is the place to be for a complimentary buffet of bagels, sweets, juice and coffee as we watch the runners stride by. The coffee will be compliments of Amy Enrico and our so wonderful coffee shop, Enrico's Tazza d'Oro. While you munch and gab you can enjoy the funky jazz of the Hardgroove Quintet. Bring your kids because over on Euclid the folks from Artist and Craftsman Supply, our neighborhood art supply store on the corner of Highland and Penn Circle South, will be supervising all sorts of fun - hands on art activities for the children. It is truly a great day to hang out with your neighbors and to enjoy the spirit of the neighborhood. Be on the lookout for Highland Park runners so you can cheer extra loud when they pass by. See you there!

State budget taking shape

State Representative Joseph Preston Jr., 24th Legislative District

At about this time each year, Pennsylvania's General Assembly undertakes a long and arduous process known as budget season. It is during this time that the House Appropriations Committee (and Senate) holds two weeks of public hearings to get input from all of the state departments and agencies on their budget requests for the next fiscal year. I am proud to serve as a member of this powerful House committee.

Once the budget hearings are finished, lawmakers craft a spending proposal for the state. The tentative 2000-01 General Fund budget is almost \$20 billion.

For eight and one-half hours on April 10, the state House of Representatives debated the state budget bill. We added several amendments to the legislation and it was returned to the Senate where it likely will be rejected and then a compromise plan will be

worked out. We expect to finalize the budget in mid-May and send it to the governor for his signature.

Education continues to be the top funding priority in Pennsylvania -- accounting for 43 percent of the total proposed budget. Although that sounds great, there is still more that could be done to fund education properly in the Commonwealth: First, a more equitable distribution of state dollars could be undertaken so that each of the state's 501 school districts could offer a quality public education to its students. Second, the state could fund full-day kindergarten and smaller class sizes -- two methods that have proven successful in helping our youngest students learn early on.

Again this year, the state will cut taxes. However, exactly which taxes will be cut has yet to be determined. We had an extensive House debate on the tax cut package on April 18 and a compromise now must be worked out with the Senate. It's possible that you will see a small, one-time rebate on your school property taxes. Democrats in the House and Senate have proposed a more extensive property tax cut plan over a longer period of time, but we are facing an uphill battle against the Republican leaders and the governor. There also have been discussions regarding reducing or eliminating the state's inheritance tax. Whether that happens has yet to be determined. I also expect that some business taxes will be cut again this year in an effort to lure new businesses to the state and to keep existing businesses from relocating.

Obviously, there is much more in the nearly \$20 billion spending
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HPCC Events for May

May 7 - Marathon Party - Bryant Street

May 13 - Stanton/Negley Cleanup

May 18 - HPCC Meeting - National Register Historic
District Discussion

THE NEXT HPCC MEETING IS 7:30 P.M., THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2000, AT ST. ANDREWS

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plan, and I hope to discuss it in a future column when the proposal becomes final.

Representative Preston is in his 18th year serving the 24th Legislative District, which comprises portions of Pittsburgh and Wilksburg. His district office is at 6203 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh. The phone number is 361-3692

WHAT IS A NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT?

Margot Cavalier

Elisa Cavalier, General Counsel of the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation, will be the speaker at the May 18, 2000 Community Club meeting. She will tell us what a national historic district is and how a neighborhood can benefit if it is placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Highland Park Community Development Corporation (HPCDC) is currently working on an application to have the Highland Park neighborhood placed on the National Register.

National Register designation is different from historic district designation by the City of Pittsburgh. National designation does not limit in any way what kinds of improvements private property owners can make to their property. National designation does, however, give owners of income-producing property a financial incentive to maintain the historic character of their property by making certain rehabilitation expenses eligible for a federal tax credit (which is 20% of the certified rehabilitation costs). Income producing property includes rental property, office buildings, retail space, etc.

Currently, homes are not eligible for this tax credit; however, the federal government is considering a homeowner tax credit for National Register District homes.

Please come to the Community Club meeting on the 18th and learn more about what we can do to make the restoration of our neighborhood more affordable.



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An Idea for a Highland Park Community Plan

Michael P. Johnson, Highland Park Community Development Corporation

Highland Park, as we know, is a vibrant, diverse community with much to offer new residents, visitors and even long-time residents. However, there are a number of community development issues that I believe Highland Park will have to address in order for the area to continue to be the neighborhood we enjoy and want to live in long-term. Such issues include:

- Crime and blight in Highland Park, especially in the southwest quadrant
- Quality of local public schools
- Access to local commercial services, e.g. grocery shopping, restaurants, day care
- Recreation, especially for youth
- Celebration of and maintenance of the diversity, in all of its facets, of Highland Park's residents
- Marketing Highland Park to current, past and potential residents

I believe that a "Community Plan" may be a means by which these and other issues can be addressed by members of the community representing its many different constituencies. Such a Community Plan might include:

- A "portrait" of Highland Park, including residents, housing, the park, etc., possibly including narratives explaining "what Highland Park means to me"
- Identification of "action items" in a number of broad categories, such as Education, Traffic/Transportation, Recreation, Housing, and so on
- Identification of specific steps to be taken for each action item that address the specific concern, as well as a time line for completion of this task and specific criteria by which success of the task might be measured
- Description of a "vision" for Highland Park that addresses Highland Park's relations with surrounding communities, the effects of local economic/demographic trends on Highland Park, underlying strengths and weaknesses, etc.

This Community Plan could serve as a "blueprint" for a number of action strategies over the short-, medium- and long-terms. For example, one outcome of a Community Plan might be community action to lower the speed limit on a particular stretch of street (short-term), encouraging the formation of block associations for property maintenance and crime watch activities (medium-term) and inaugurating a commercial strategy for Highland Park (long-term).

A number of Pittsburgh communities have developed Community Plans: South Side, Oakland, East Liberty, Friendship, and others. Based on a reading of these plans and discussions with a local non-profit that provides technical support for such efforts, it

appears that these communities have greatly benefitted from identifying, building consensus for, and striving towards, community development goals.

A Community Plan is not easy to implement--it takes time (at least 18 months), volunteer energy, expertise (via external consultants or local university resources) and money. It is not a bad thing if a community decides that a Community Plan is not feasible--at least the issues surrounding a Community Plan may have gotten an airing. But if a community does decide that a Community Plan is in its self-interest, it is worth doing well. I would like Highland Park residents to think about whether a Community Plan is worth doing and if so what it might accomplish. A consensus on these points is necessary for the steps in a Community Plan--building community consensus, lining up resources, writing a proposal for funding--to go forward.

I can be reached at 412-268-4270 (work), 412-262-7017 (home) and johnson2@andrew.cmu.edu (e-mail) if you would like to discuss these ideas further.

New Literacy Program Opens at East Liberty Presbyterian Church

EAST LIBERTY--A new literacy program starting at East Liberty Presbyterian Church helps adults learn to read at their own pace, using videotapes and workbooks.

The program, "TV-411," is a series of videos designed to improve basic reading, math and writing skills. Using real-life situations on themes like parenting, health and finance, the videos and accompanying workbooks allow learners to work independently. Students can schedule their own classes and work as quickly or slowly as needed. A volunteer guide is available to answer questions or assist with selecting materials.

The program is designed for native English speakers who need help with basic skills, but it can also be helpful to those learning English as a foreign language.

Offered through the Church's Family Enrichment Center, TV-411 is free and available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church. Pre-registration is not required; more information is available by calling Family Enrichment Center Director Patrice Searcy, 441-3800x30.

Meet the Breeds

"Friends for Life" is the theme for this year's National Pet Week, May 7-13, 2000. The Greater Pittsburgh Yorkshire Terrier Club is sponsoring "Meet the Breeds" evening at Dilworth Traditional Academy May 9, 2000 at 6 p.m. in the fenced enclosed yard.

Canine Ambassador Groups and Purebred Clubs members will demonstrate agility, obedience and retrieving skills with their dogs. Some exhibitors will present dog safety and responsible

ownership.

The Pittsburgh Toy Lending Library's Spring Fling Auction and Wine and Cheese Party

The Pittsburgh Toy Lending Library will be hosting the third annual Spring Fling Auction and Wine and Cheese Party. This year's auction will take place on May 4th at the Calvary Episcopal Church on Walnut and Shady Avenue from 7-9 P.M. This year's host is Rick Sebak and a jazz trio will be entertaining the guests. The evening will feature a delicious array of hors d'oeuvres and a large number of items to bid on. Items to be auctioned include artwork, gift certificates, jewelry, culinary items; passes to shows and city events, spa treatment, children's toys, and some weekend getaways. Tickets are \$3.00 in advance and \$5.00 at the door. For ticket and sales information, please call 682- 4430.

The Toy Library is a non-profit cooperative which has been serving Pittsburgh's families for 27 years. Located on 5401 Centre Ave., in Shadyside, the library features developmentally appropriate toys for children birth through age 5. It is a place for parents to gather and share information about parenting, as well as providing a safe place for children to play. We feature informal support groups for parents of infants and toddlers, plus parent enrichment programs with speakers covering a range topics from nutrition to stress management.

Proceeds from the auction will go towards updating our toy collection and the continuing renovation of our new play space. The auction has been our most successful fund raiser. It has helped us continue our mission by providing a safe, clean, and inexpensive place for children and parents to learn and explore the world of play. We hope to see you there!

STANTON/NEGLEY CLEANUP

Kelly Meade

On Saturday, May 13 starting at 9:00 AM there will be a volunteer cleanup of the corner of Stanton & Negley. Anyone interested in helping with this, please call Kelly Meade at 362-0331 or e-mail at KellyM420@aol.com. This should only take a portion of the morning and no later than noon depending on the number who

respond. Thanks!!!

Thanks!

Tania Grubbs

On Saturday April 15th the HPCC Easter Egg Hunt was held. Approximately 110 children and their parents attended what would be considered a huge success. At this time I would like to thank the many volunteers that helped stuff, hide and retrieve the eggs as well as act as host to all the wonderful kids that attended. First I would like to thank Mary Lee Snuffer for being such a sport....I'm sure she really felt the heat on Saturday in her special getup. Special Thanks to...

Jan Stayianos
Victoria Jenice and her son
Mary lee Snuffer
Deb Benatare
Lavette Bivins
Christy Lagnese
Denise O'Connor
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Bob Staresinic

and everyone else who helped make the event go smoothly.

And to Lou Iezzi for a \$25.00 donation.

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*Ed. Note: And thanks to **Tania Grubbs** who put it all together!*

May at St. Andrew's

Bruce Robison

The loss or death of a beloved pet can be a devastating experience at any age. For our children this often raises for the first time concern about issues of mortality, for the older among us concern about the loss of a pet is often a complicating factor in decisions about moving to more appropriate care environments, and for all of us there is an often-unspoken depth of feeling, of connection in life, and of grief in times of loss.

St. Andrew's seminarian intern this year, Mrs. Melissa Schnap-Marsh, has been working on an extensive project related to pastoral care in times of grief associated with pet loss, and she will be leading an Adult Forum to address this subject on Friday evening, May 12th, beginning at 8 p.m. All are welcome--and we're invited to bring along an hors d'oeuvre or dessert item for the reception that will follow the forum.

Other highlights of May will include a service of Choral Evensong on the First Thursday of the month, May 4th, with a recital following by tenor Conrad Seamen.

At 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 6th, a special "Eve of St. Marathon's Day" service will be held at St. Andrew's, especially for those participating as runners or volunteers in the Sunday morning Pittsburgh Marathon--and for those of the neighborhood who will find it difficult to negotiate the traffic patterns to attend services at their own churches. Again, all are most welcome.

We here at St. Andrew's, at the corner of Hampton Street and North Euclid Avenue for nearly a century, are always conscious of our role as a neighborhood and community church. If there are any concerns or needs with which we might help you, please feel free to call us at (412) 661-1245.

Peabody Gardening Project

Anne Franks

We are happy to announce that Peabody High School has received a School Garden Grant from the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy. This grant is one of only five school garden grants awarded for the year 2000. The funds will be used to create a new flower garden facing East Liberty Boulevard (original front of the building), and to restore the planting beds facing Highland Avenue. This project is a collaborative effort between the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy, Peabody students, staff and the Parent School Community Council, the HPCC (thank you so much, Dell for all of your help, encouragement and support), and the Garfield Community Intensive Supervision Program. We are pleased to have the opportunity to become part of the revitalization of East Liberty. As part of the beautification project, Peabody has also submitted a request to the City for funding for signage outside of the building. Stay tuned!

Work on the gardening projects began on Friday, April 21, 2000.

Other work days will be scheduled throughout the spring. Please stop by Peabody to lend a hand or to see the results of our labor. If you would like to get involved in this project please call me at Peabody at 665-2072. Anne Franks.

The News from Peabody High School

Kari Ogbara and Imad Brookins

Greetings once again from Peabody High School! We want to keep you informed about some of the new and exciting things going on in our school.

Matthew Gamret, a sophomore at Peabody High School, won an all expenses paid vacation to Disney World in the Millennium 2000 Contest sponsored by McDonalds Corporation. Matt received this award for starting an ice hockey team for people with disabilities. Congratulations Matthew!

Luchin Lee, a senior at Peabody, has received a full academic scholarship to attend college through a partnership between Community College of Allegheny County and Carnegie Mellon University. Luchin is one of four students in the area selected to receive this scholarship. He will be attending CCAC in the fall and will begin taking courses at CMU in his sophomore year. Congratulations Luchin.

The Peabody Boys Basketball team won the City Championship last month under the excellent coaching of Jim Kahn and Mitch Kuntz. This is the team's second year in a row to win the City Championship. This year the team advanced to the third round of the WPIAL Tournament.

Will Summers, a Peabody senior, has been voted the Channel 11 - Born to Run - City League Player of the Year. He has been chosen for the Nauticom Sports Network All Star Team. Senior Scott Burton was recently named to the All-City Basketball Team by the Pittsburgh Post Gazette.

Thirty Peabody High School students attended the citywide writing symposium, Power of the Pen. Congratulations to Jessica Tell, Kellie Ware, Lorraine Smith, and Kari Ogbara, who each earned awards in the poetry slam contest.

Forty-five Peabody students have passed the Microsoft Certification Test this year. These students are enrolled in the professional level classes through the Information Technologies Academy. Internships and summer employment opportunities are now being finalized with a number of local corporations, including Mellon Bank.

Jasper Green, a junior at Peabody, earned a perfect score on the Microsoft Excel certification exam. Jasper is the first student in the city to receive a perfect score on the exam.

Peabody Drama Club *presents*

CINDERELLA

Support the Peabody spring musical production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella. Performances will be May 5 and 6 at 8:00 p.m. in the Peabody auditorium. Ticket prices are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students and seniors. Blocks of ten tickets may be purchased for \$50. Elementary and middle school students in the Peabody feeder pattern will attend a free performance at the school during the week of May 8. Call Anne Franks at 665-2072 or Liza Simmons at 665-2074 to purchase tickets or for more information.

Park Cleanup

On Saturday May 20 the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy and Partners-In-Parks are holding a clean up in Highland Park. This volunteer activity will focus on the area behind Lake Carnegie and the Pool. It will last from 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.. If you want to help out or need further information please call 682-7275 .

The folks at Partners-In-Parks want to send their special thanks to our neighbors Mary and Chuck Barr who live on Stanton Avenue. For several years these dedicated volunteers have been cleaning up the areas in and around Lake Carnegie. The Partners-In-Parks people have even gotten them a boat which they can use to make their work more efficient.

HPCC Meeting April 20, 2000

Dillworth Traditional Academy

Tania Grubbs

The meeting was opened by President Diane DeNardo at 7:35pm

C.O.P Report: Officer Scalise introduced Officer Windgarde, and read crime reports for February and March. It has been reported that a person was arrested for invasion and for the shooting that took place on Mellon St. There is an investigation underway regarding the fire at the Farm House.

Saturday April 23rd the residents of 900 block of Mellon Street will sponsor egg coloring, decorating baskets, face painting and seed planting.

There is an group that is interested in the Callowhill Apartments that had caught on fire and plans are to refurbish the building and set up "Market Rate" Apartments.

Cafe Baci has a potential buyer, the person interested is coming out of the Big Burrito Club...used to work for that company.

A special thank you goes out to Bob Staresinic for putting an inventory together of trash cans throughout Highland Park so that we can receive new ones from the city.

Mary Lee Snuffer is still looking for a few more people for the "By Laws" review committee that she has agreed to head.

Union Baptist Church is up for sale...asking price \$600,000. The Church has been stripped of its pews and a few more elements. Rob Stephanie from the ELDI, CDC and HPCC has arranged to have a viewing of the church Saturday April 23rd at 11:00am. The HPCC has suggested that we should set a date for clean up around the property.

The City of Pittsburgh Art Project is having a delegate from Chicago to come in on May 6th from 9-12am to discuss what projects would work for other city communities. Diane DeNardo needs a volunteer to attend in her place. Please call Diane DeNardo @363-2092 for details.

CDC's and HPCC's web site is coming along and should be completed soon. A volunteer is needed to focus on highlights that focus on Highland Park and the area. The volunteer would be needed to gather information and keep it current. If interested contact Tom Dickson at 661-0879.

Congratulations to Ollie for his outstanding work on putting together this fabulous newsletter. A patron of our famous coffee shop dropped him a post card to compliment him on his successful efforts.

The East End Cooperative Ministries is working on putting together the 2nd annual E-fest. As one may remember, this event is street fair at Highland and Penn Avenues put together by several local high school students under the guidance of Muzz Meyers. The group will be requesting a donation from the HPCC.

Michael Johnson who lives on Heberton spoke regarding a proposal to put together a Highland Park Community Plan. What the HPCC's next step would be to put together an official statement regarding this Plan.

Crime watch: Jan Stayianos reported that only one person has contacted her thus far. Jan expressed how important it is to gather volunteers to be in charge of their blocks. It would not be time consuming and somewhat effortless. Please contact Jan at 363-8208 if interested.

Day Camp: due to the fire at the farm house, Janice Burgette stated

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that she needs to get things in order for this summers camp. A
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solution is soon on its way. Funds need to be gathered to replenish what has been lost, donations are welcomed.

Construction Junction located under the 62nd Street Bridge is having an open house on Saturday 23rd of April...if you have not been there it is a worth seeing.

Still looking for volunteers to participate on the HP "Signage Committee", if interested contact Diane DeNardo at 363-2092.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06pm

HPCC Day Camp Relocated Because of Farmhouse Fire

Janice Burgett

The Farmhouse has been the home to our day camp for over fifty years. Unfortunately, as most of you know, there was a fire at the Farmhouse this spring. We lost most of our supplies in the fire and the Farmhouse will not be available for this year's summer program. Fortunately, St. Andrew's has generously offered the nursery school room to us so we can continue to run our program. St Andrew's is located at 5801 Hampton St, Pgh Pa 15206. The program will operate for six weeks from 6/19-7/24, 9:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. If you have any questions please call Janice Burgett at 361-2195. When you register your child for the program please include a self addressed stamped envelope and a confirmation including all information regarding the camp and any changes will be mailed to you.

Day Camp

Angel Fund

Janice Burgett

If it's good enough for Oprah, it's good enough for me. We experienced severe losses due to the fire and all of our supplies, board games and equipment were lost. Please consider donating any craft supplies, games or sports equipment to our program. If you have a child who ever went to day camp, is going now or will go someday soon, you can also remember us with a donation. Your support will help to keep a wonderful tradition alive. Please make your checks payable to the HPCC or round up your check for your child's registration and mail them to Janice Burgett at 1017 King Ave Pgh PA 15206.

Highland Park Community Development Corporation

Judy Wolfe

In an effort to keep our neighbors up-to-date on our activities, the Board Members of the HPCDC have decided to include a summary of the previous months' minutes in this newsletter. Our meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month, in the St. Andrew's

Church Hall and are open to the public. The following is a summary of the March 23, 2000 meeting.

Meg Cheever, Executive Director of the **Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy (PPC)**, presented slides and plans relating to ongoing and planned activities of her organization. These plans cover Frick, Schenley, Riverview and Highland Parks. Ms. Cheever and PPC are committed to raising the remaining funds necessary to complete the entrance gardens and fountain in Highland Park. The initial grant from the **Pennsylvania Historic and Landmarks Foundation** to the HPCDC was for \$50,000 and represents about 15% of the funds required to complete the work. The City has committed matching funds (\$50,000). The cooperation agreement with the City, which has been repeatedly delayed, seems to be close to completion. With the completion of this agreement we will be able to proceed with the development of a detailed plan for the gardens and fountain and a time table for the work.

The completion of the work on an application to designate **Highland Park** a **National Historic District** proceeds. The requirement for public meetings/education with regard to the impact of the district on residents will be addressed beginning with the May meeting of the HPCC. Elisa Cavalier, Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation, will attend the meeting and make a presentation about the district.

Work has begun on the development of the **Highland Park Internet Website**. This work is supported by both the HPCDC and HPCC. When it is completed the site will provide information to the public regarding Highland Park recreation and civic activities (meetings, etc.), restaurant guide, real estate opportunities, historic data, demographics, etc. We anticipate that it will require about six months to complete this project.

Acquisition of properties on the **800 block of Mellon St** continues. We are in the process of buying properties to rehabilitate and resell to individual who want to live in these homes. We are trying to identify the individual who bought one of the properties we were interested in so that we can coordinate development.

Since our March meeting the burned and abandoned building on **Callowhill** has been bought by Don Carlson, a reputable developer. His plan is begin construction shortly on 16 market rate apartments.

We have committed funds to a consulting firm who will provide us with strategies for the development of the **Bryant St Business District**. This contract is expected to take three months to complete.

The Welcoming Committee--May 2000

Bob Staresinic

It has been just over a year since I took over the Welcoming Committee and during that time I have tried to welcome people shortly after they arrive, in addition to welcoming people who may have been here a while but previously were missed. Here are the results, since April 1999:

- 170 welcome bags delivered to neighbors
- 49 properties that were rentals, businesses or refinanced.
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- 32 yet to be welcomed -- 3 from 2000, 13 from 1999 and 16 from 1998.

I will continue to stop at the addresses where no one has been home to welcome them. I have been trying to avoid just leaving the bags when no one answers the door.

If you get a new neighbor, please let me know so I can drop off a bag to them. I recently received a call from someone who is selling their house - letting me know when the new owners will be moving in. I have the bag ready and the date marked on my calendar!

When you see me wandering around the neighborhood, honk and wave. And leave a porch light on, it really brightens the neighborhood.

National Music Week

Betty Rieley

Students from Rieley Music Studio will present a program at Barnes and Noble booksellers in Waterworks Mall at 7:00 P.M. on May 10. Celebrate National Music Week as the students present a varied program from Baroque to Jazz for your enjoyment.

Letter from the Port Authority

Ed. Note: I received this letter in early March but have not had space to print until this issue. Even with the delay, I think it is worth passing on.

March 7, 2000

Dear Mr Rieley:

As you are aware, new service changes will take effect on March 12th. I wanted to assure you that Port Authority staff will continue to monitor the Highland Park issues and follow-up with operators who may be new to your community routes.

We did receive detailed complaints following our December 19th schedule changes and we were able to immediately address the problems.

Please note that there is a minor schedule change to the 77F HIGHLAND-FRIENDSHIP on weekdays with our March 12th service changes.

I sincerely appreciate and thank the community for their continued support and assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 412237-7225.
Sincerely,

Lynda L. Conway
Director of Operations Analysis
Port Authority

Reminders!!!

Items mentioned in previous Newsletters that are still to come:

- ◆ Happy 112th Birthday Fulton Academy on May 1, help celebrate from 8:30 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the school.
- ◆ The Vintage 5K Masters Race & 2 Mile walk takes place on May 20 starting at 9:00 A.M. Home Depot is conducting a Health & Safety Fair from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. N. Highland Ave. will be closed during the race and walk. See the April Newsletter for ways to get around the closing.
- ◆ The Highland Park Community Club Yard Sale will take place on Sunday, June 4 from 9:00 A.M. to ?. Maps to sale yards will be passed out at the corners of N. Highland & Stanton and N. Negley & Hampton and at the entrance to the park at the end of Highland. Come on out and shop. If you'd rather work, call Judy Wolfe and volunteer. Her number is 441-7830 or e-mail at jleewolfe@aol.com

Seminary Concerts

The continuing Education Calendar for the Seminary lists:

Spring Concert featuring the Seminary Choir under the direction of George Tutweiler on Tuesday May 9, 2000 at 8:00 P.M.

Pittsburgh Seminary Concert Series featuring Amy Phillips Abraham, Soprano; Daniel Phillips Piano; June 3 at 3:00 P.M. Admission charged.



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MAY + EARLY JUNE CALENDAR	
MAY 1	FULTON ACADEMY 112TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION, 8:30 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.
MAY 4	TOY LENDING LIBRARY SPRING FLING, CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH 7:00-9:00 P.M., ADMISSION
MAY 5 & 6	CINDERELLA, PEABODY HIGH SCHOOL, 8:00 P.M., ADMISSION
MAY 9	MEET THE BREEDS, DILWORTH TRAD. ACADEMY YARD, 6:00 P.M.
MAY 9	SPRING CONCERT, PITTSBURGH SEMINARY CHOIR, 8:00 P.M.
MAY 10	NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK - YOUNG MUSICIANS AT BARNES & NOBLE, WATERWORKS, 7:00 P.M.
MAY 13	STANTON - NEGLEY CLEANUP 9:00 A.M.
MAY 18	HPCC MEETING, ELISA CAVALIER ON NATIONAL HISTORIC DISTRICT STATUS, ST. ANDREW'S, 7:30 P.M.
MAY 20	"PARK CLEANUP" - LAKE CARNEGIE, 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
MAY 20	VINTAGE 5K MASTERS RACE & 2 MILE WALK, HOME DEPOT HEALTH & SAFETY FAIR, STARTS 9:00 A.M.
JUNE 3	PITTSBURGH SEMINARY CONCERT, 3:00 P.M., ADMISSION
JUNE 4	HPCC NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALES - AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD - STARTS AT 9:00 A.M.

