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I love Summer!
My thanks to everyone who participated in the House Tour, Yard Sale and Bryant Street Festival this year. We had beautiful weather for the House Tour which helped to make it a huge success with over 600 people in attendance! The weather for the Yard Sale and Bryant Street Festival was a bit off in the morning, but by afternoon it turned into a beautiful day allowing people to enjoy the sale and festival.

I am delighted to announce that the Off-Leash Exercise Area (OLEA) for dogs is officially open! For those of you who have not been following this long 2-and-a-half-year journey, the OLEA is located in our park, across the road from the sand volleyball courts beside the swimming pool. It is a large, flat fenced in area where dog owners can let their pets run off-leash under their supervision. There is a double gate entrance to help ensure no dogs get loose and a water fountain if your pet gets thirsty.

I appreciate everyone’s patience during the past few years. Now, I only ask that everyone follows the rules that are posted, and listed here for your convenience.

Todd Shirley, dog owner, neighbor and HPCC Board Member is heading up the HPCC OLEA Committee. If you have any questions, concerns, hopes or dreams about the OLEA, please feel free to touch base with him at todd@shirbert.com.

Todd is planning a special HPCC OLEA event in September and will send more information out as details are finalized.

The next HPCC Monthly Meeting is Thursday, June 16th at 7:00p.m. at St. Andrew’s Church. In honor of the opening of our new off-lease exercise area, our guest speaker will be Mary Kennedy Withrow, Shelter Director & Director of Government and Community Relations for the Western PA Humane Society. Ms. Withrow will share information on recent PA pet legislation and what you can do when you see an animal in trouble. She will also discuss how we can make the Highland Park off-lease exercise area the best one in the city!

The July 4th HPCC Bike Parade is scheduled for July 4th at 10 a.m. at the Fountain in Highland Park.

Monica Watt
HPCC President

HIGHLAND PARK OFF-LEASH EXERCISE AREA RULES & REGULATIONS

- Dogs must be properly licensed and vaccinated.
- Tags must be visible at all times.
- Dogs must be leashed entering and leaving off-lease area.
- Owners must be in verbal control at all times and prevent aggressive behavior - biting, fighting, or excessive barking.
- Aggressive dogs are not permitted on premises.
- Owners are liable for damages or injury inflicted by their dogs.
- Owners must have a visible leash at all times.
- Owners must accompany their dogs at all times.
- Owners must clean up after their dogs.
- Small children and babies must be under close supervision.
- No dogs in heat are permitted in the area.
- Pet owners must refill the holes dug by their dogs.
- No dogs larger than 25 lbs. permitted in the Small Dog Area.

Dog owners who fail to comply with the above rules and whose dogs are found outside of this area off-lease may be cited by police and animal control officers.
The Heth’s Run Project is looking for residents to take a survey to give input on what should be happening in the area between Hampton St and the river.

Scott Dietrich introduced Carl G Cooper, a diversity consultant. Mr. Cooper spoke about the three main areas that we need to be aware of diversity: education, affordable housing and employment. He reminded us that diversity is always moving or changing and that we need to be constantly aware how to improve it.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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A new and exciting stage of this ongoing work is underway. A multi-disciplinary team led by the engineering firm D’Appolonia, with landscape architects Wallace, Roberts, and Todd (WRT), Biohabitats, and Nelson Nygard Transportation Planners will reimagine and reclaim Heth’s Run for a wide array of environmental and recreational services. The team works under joint direction of the City’s Department of Public Works and the Parks Conservancy, in partnership with PWSA and the zoo, and with extensive participation by neighborhood representatives and stakeholders.

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Your input is vital to creating this concept design.

As a community member, a park user, a zoo visitor, or an interested stakeholder, your experiences, input, and opinions are vital to the process of creating a successful plan for this important work.

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About Heth’s Run

The Heth’s Run valley encompasses more than 60 acres of Highland Park. One of two major stream valleys within the park (the other being Negley Run), Heth’s Run was initially undeveloped.

In the early 20th century, sewer lines were placed in the valley to service surrounding neighborhoods. The valley was also used for the disposal of incinerator ash and other materials before being partially filled with a layer of slag and cinders, partially filling the valley to form a relatively flat area.

The zoo’s growth eventually necessitated using this flat area for its entrance and parking facility, leased from the City of Pittsburgh. The northern portion of the lot (closest to the Allegheny River) is paved with asphalt, and the southern end of the valley has been used by the City for construction material storage.

Reclaiming the Heth’s Run valley will require carefully managing these ecological challenges and could include reuse of the City’s salvaged construction materials.

About Heth’s Run Bridge

The new Heth’s Run Bridge, on Butler Street at the intersection of One Wild Place, is the product of a successful collaboration between the City, PennDOT, the Pittsburgh Zoo, and the Parks Conservancy, as well as leaders in the Highland Park and Morningside communities. Recalling the look of its 1914 predecessor, the bridge was completed in fall 2014 as the first step toward fulfilling the vision of a reclaimed Heth’s Run.
Introducing the Alley Bicycle Coop, your neighborhood stop for free bicycle repairs and education. Formerly known as the Beatty Bicycle Coop, the program was started by CMU graduate student Abe Stucky, who founded it in 2014 with the generous help of Pittsburgh Urban Leadership Service Experience and the Sprout Fund.

The Alley Bicycle Coop is a “community-based project” and “do-it-yourself educational facility” with free access to bike tools and maintenance advice. It gives residents a space to learn about bicycle repair and fix their own bicycles. The coop encourages biking as an affordable, healthy, and environmentally-friendly mode of transportation”, according to its Facebook page.

Bikes, bike lanes, bike trails, bike shares - it is all about biking these days in Pittsburgh and around the country. Here in Highland Park, we are fortunate to have a unique bike support resource that can help us join the madness and stay on our wheels with reduced frustration and cost.
Neighbors can visit the coop to receive instruction and assistance with bicycle repairs such as flat tires, brake repair and adjustment, gear work, and much more. Tools, parts, and instruction are available and free. The operation is funded entirely on donations.

Highland Park is the “accidental” location of the coop because Stucky happened to be renting an apartment here. Stucky and fellow graduate student Michael Miller operated the coop last year out of a garage at Stucky’s Highland Park house. The planned sale of the house forced the relocation of the coop to a new site in the neighborhood.

This year the coop is operating without Stucky, who is out of town for an internship. Miller is running the coop with the help of volunteers. In addition to volunteers, he relies on donations of parts, bicycles, and cash to provide this unique service to the neighborhood. Miller is seeking additional volunteers. “No knowledge or skills are needed to volunteer. Shifts are flexible, and the volunteers can attain a great deal of education,” he offers.

Miller is a dedicated bike enthusiast who loves bike tours and has ridden extensively in North and South America. A bike commuter from his home in Garfield to CMU, he clearly enjoys promoting bike culture.

Stucky and Miller hope residents can learn about bicycle repair and share what they learn with others. Cycling is an affordable means of transportation, but many residents may not have the financial means to pay for repairs at local bike shop or the funds to purchase a bike. The co-op addresses these issues by offering free maintenance advice, enabling individuals to do their own repairs. Additionally, individuals will be able to volunteer and build sweat equity, which in turn can be used to “purchase” a donated bicycle.

The Alley Bicycle Coop is open on Sundays only through Thanksgiving from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in a garage in the alley (Livery Way) behind 5708 Stanton Avenue.
This year, our independent restaurant review panel recommends 33 establishments to be honored on Pittsburgh Magazine’s Best Restaurants list.

The biggest point of discussion and contention for our Independent Restaurant Review panel during many meetings and deliberations over the past year involved trying to answer a seemingly simple question: “How do we in Pittsburgh define a best restaurant?”

Should an establishment where diners must order at a hectic counter and then pick up food in response to a page on their mobile phones be placed on the same list as a five-star, five-diamond, white-tablecloth fine-dining experience? Does outstanding cuisine trump casual service and mediocre decor? In the end members of the panel decided, for the most part, the answer is yes — as long as you know what you’re getting into. Just because an experience is different than a throwback-standard definition for fine eatery doesn’t mean it’s less valuable. In fact, it often is more valuable. Here’s how you know that Pittsburgh’s restaurant scene is ascendant: The number of restaurants for this year remains unchanged from a year ago, but readers will find a lot of new names and places: 14 of the 33 restaurants for 2016 did not appear on the list last year.
This unprecedented changeover reflects the increasingly diverse and ever-improving landscape of Pittsburgh dining. We still love our plates of meat and potatoes (and Meat & Potatoes), but we also are seeing chef-driven restaurants thrive with concepts that push beyond the traditional. Most of the additions to this year’s list are newcomers to our city’s booming community of restaurants. They range from a white-tablecloth Italian eatery run with old-world charm (Senti) to Sichuan cuisine cooked by a master chef (Chengdu Gourmet) to a hip enclave serving simple-yet-crafted plates (The Vandal). Some restaurants dropped from the list in previous years return this year because the panel believes the quality of ingredients and the skill of the kitchens merited newfound recognition; Dinette, one of my personal favorites, is a restaurant that meets that standard. Lautrec, at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort in Fayette County, also returns to the list because there is simply nothing else like it in western Pennsylvania. It’s a bit farther afield than we generally would include on our Pittsburgh-centric list, but we’re confident that this dining destination is too important to our gastronomic community to omit.

For the full list go to http://www.pittsburghmagazine.com/Pittsburgh-Magazine/June-2016/Best-Restaurants-2016/#sthash.PGdg0kmi.dpuf
Allegheny County announced a new app for mobile devices that will help visitors identify and navigate trails in the nine county parks.

The free app can be found by searching “Allegheny County Parks Trails” in the Apple App Store and Android Play Store.

Maps in the app show all blazed, unmarked and paved trails in each of the county’s parks, including length and difficulty for blazed trails. Using the GPS device in your mobile device, hikers will find live elevation information for blazed trails and have access to weather conditions, alerts and forecasts from the National Weather Service.
This summer, give your child a true farm-to-table learning experience! Union Project will be partnering with Grow Pittsburgh to offer an exciting two-week “Harvest and Create” camp that takes kids ages 8-12 through the entire process of creating a meal, from working in the garden to building ceramic table settings. Kids will learn about the practices and processes of sustainable farming as well as creating with clay through hands-on learning. Two sessions of Harvest and Create will be offered, one in July and one in August.

Many mornings will be spent in the garden learning about growing seasons, how to use garden tools, simple sustainable farming techniques, horticulture, and the science of plants. In Union Project’s ceramic studio, campers will engage in the process of creating with clay, including hand-building techniques, wheel throwing, firing, and glazing. Campers will create their very own functional, ceramic place settings (plate, bowl, and cup) to take home.

This unique camp concludes with a family dinner, prepared by campers (with the help of a Pittsburgh chef) using vegetables they harvested from the farm, and served on the very same place settings they created in the studio. Parents and family members will be invited to share in the local feast.

Visit our website to sign your child up for the most unique, dirty experience of the summer!

**JULY SESSION:**
Monday, July 11 - Friday, July 22
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**AUGUST SESSION:**
Monday, August 1 - Friday, August 12
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Union Project is committed to being accessible to all. Please let us know what accommodations can be made to ensure your experience is positive. Contact Milo Berezin at 412-363-4550 or milo@unionproject.org if you or your child have any specific needs.
Looking ahead, St. Andrew’s with our Choir, Choristers, and Troubadours offering opportunities for learning and expression in sacred music for children, youth, and adults, and our highly regarded Children’s “Godly Play” and “Tween” and Youth Group programs, our midweek services and adult Bible Studies, etc., will all resume our regular fall schedule on our “Round Up Sunday,” September 11th—a day celebrated with a Parish Picnic in the Hampton Street Churchyard. All are invited!

St. Andrew’s has been on the corner of Hampton Street and North Euclid Avenue, at the heart of the Highland Park neighborhood, for more than a century. If there is a pastoral need that we can help with—a baby to be baptized, a wedding to celebrate, a sick or shut-in friend or neighbor to be visited, a family to support at the time of a death—please feel free to be in touch. Or if you need to find some space for a meeting or family gathering, or to borrow a few chairs: we’ll be glad to help if we can. Call us at 412-661-1245, check us out on the web: www.standrewspgh.org, and “Like” us on Facebook (search for “St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Highland Park.”)

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Summertime in Highland Park! Afternoons at the pool, Jazz on Sunday afternoons . . . what could be better?

Sunday services at St. Andrew’s during June, July and August follow a summer schedule, with one service at 10 a.m. Cool refreshments and conversation follow each service—and don’t forget to check out the treasures available at our annual Summer Used Book Sale, downstairs in Barley Hall.

While our full Choir is taking a bit of a summer break, the services each Sunday will include the singing of service music and hymns and musical offerings by a variety of vocal soloists, choral ensembles, and instrumentalists. During the summer as well our children’s programs are also “on vacation,” but on most Sundays we schedule a Children’s Chapel during a portion of the service hour. Nursery Care is always available for infants and younger children.
Citipark’s Cinema in the Park features family friendly movies on chosen Mondays of each month this summer. Shows start at dusk on the hill behind the reservoir and include:

**July 18**
*Inside Out (PG)*

After young Riley is uprooted from her Midwest life and moved to San Francisco, her emotions - Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness - conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house, and school.

**August 8**
*Cinderella (PG)*

When her father unexpectedly passes away, young Ella finds herself at the mercy of her cruel stepmother and her scheming stepsisters. Never one to give up hope, Ella’s fortunes begin to change after meeting a dashing stranger.

For more information go to [http://pittsburghpa.gov/citiparks/cinema-highlandpk](http://pittsburghpa.gov/citiparks/cinema-highlandpk).
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