

# SPRING HILL \* CITYVIEW TIMES

## COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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**STRIVE NOT TO BE A SUCCESS, BUT RATHER TO BE OF VALUE. ALBERT EINSTEIN**

### 2011 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Next General Meeting  
**Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00 PM**

Spring Hill Elementary School  
auditorium

General Meetings are scheduled at the Spring Hill Elementary School auditorium at 7:00 PM on the following dates:

Monday, Sept. 12, 2011

Monday, Oct. 3, 2011

Monday, Nov. 7, 2011

Community Events for the coming year include but are not limited to the following:

May – Memorial Day Celebration

Aug. – National Night Out

Sept./Oct. – Fall Clean-up

Oct. – Halloween Parade

Dec. – Christmas Tree Lighting

Fall Flea Market – Date to be determined.

Classic Movie Nights – Schedule to be determined.

### PREVIOUS NEWSLETTER CANCELLED

Due to unforeseen events we were unable to publish the March/April/May 2011 edition of the newsletter. Articles submitted for that edition will be published in this edition if possible. Newsletter subscribers will be given credit for an extra edition.

### MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION

**Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM**  
**Brady Memorial Home**  
**1151 Southside Avenue**



Memorial Day is a patriotic celebration of remembrance for the brave service of men and women who gave their lives for their country. At Brady Memorial Home we take the time to remember our fallen heroes.

Join us at Brady Memorial Home, 1151 South Side Avenue, for the annual **Spring Hill Memorial Day Event!** The ceremony is free for the community and will include a 21-gun salute, food and refreshments, and guest speakers City Council President Darlene Harris and Commander Bob Lynch of the Color Guard and Firing Squad from the American Legion Post 565 and VFW Post 7090. We hope you can join us for this day of appreciation!

### THANKS TO THE STUDENTS OF OUR SPRING HILL K-5 SCHOOL

The students of our neighborhood school did a wonderful job this past year making ornaments for the Christmas trees. Thank you so much!

### SHCL CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The Spring Hill Civic League now has a post office box address. Previously we have been using board members addresses as appropriate. This change allows us to have a consistent mailing address.

Our new address is:

**Spring Hill Civic League**  
**P.O. Box 100167**  
**Pittsburgh, PA 15233**

Please note the zip code is 15233 (not 15212). Thanks!

### HELP US SPREAD YOUR NEWS!

#### To the neighbors of the community...

We are interested in announcing the names of new neighbors who have moved into the community in the past year, as well as weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, special achievements, recipes, garden hints, household hints, church announcements, birth announcements, obituaries, etc. We are also interested in the history of Spring Hill

See page 2 for how to submit your newsletter information.



**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Emergency	911
Mayor's Response Line	311
Allegheny County Health Department	412-687-2243
Allegheny General Hospital	412-359-3131
Animal Control	412-255-2036
City Council Dist. 1 Council President Darlene Harris	412-255-2135
City Jobline	412-255-2388
Dog Licenses	412-255-2575
Duquesne Light Power Outages	1-888-393-7100 1-888-393-7000
Narcotics Division	412-323-7761
North Side Chamber of Commerce	412-231-6500
Northside Community Development Fund	412-322-0290
Northside Leadership Conference	412-330-2559
Parks & Recreation	412-255-2539
Pittsburgh Parking Authority	412-560-2511
Public Works Division 1	412-255-2790 412-323-7209
State Representative Rep. Adam Ravenstahl's Office	412-321-5523
State Senator Senator Jim Ferlo	412-621-3006

**NEWSLETTER ARTICLE SUBMISSION**

Please submit articles for the fall edition (September, October, November) by August 15<sup>th</sup> to:  
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**NEWSLETTER DELIVERY**

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*Spring Hill/Cityview Times*  
P.O. Box 100167  
Pittsburgh, PA 15233

**SPRING HILL/CITYVIEW YAHOO CHAT GROUP**

If you're not already a member, you might like to join the Spring Hill/CityView Yahoo chat group. This is a place for neighbors to share information about and of interest to Spring Hill and CityView residents. This includes names and contact information for contractors and other service providers you've had good experiences with, job postings, local community event announcements, lost pets, items for sale, local clubs, or any items of interest to residents.

To join go to:  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/spring-hill/>.

*If you have any trouble signing up call Pete McQuillin at 412-977-2207 while at your computer and he'll walk you through the sign up.*

**UNITED WAY GIVING**

The Spring Hill Civic League has been a United Way's Contributor's Choice for the past several years. Your generosity has helped to fund community activities and defrays routine overhead expenses. A grateful Thank You to all who support the community through the United Way. The civic league's Contributor's Choice code number is 207.

**SPRING HILL CIVIC LEAGUE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**CIVIC LEAGUE WEB SITE**

[www.shcl.org](http://www.shcl.org)

Past editions of the newsletter are available online.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



Happy birthday to Mark Thompson on March 11<sup>th</sup> ... to Hannah Rosenberger on March 16<sup>th</sup> ... to Leanne Rosenberger on May 1<sup>st</sup> ... to Daniel Rosenberger on May 30<sup>th</sup> to board member Karen McLellan is July ... and to Kelly Herman on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY...**

To the family and friends of Donald A. Rolewski of Spring Hill, husband of the late Patricia (Murowski) Rolewski. He passed away on January 6<sup>th</sup> ... to the family and friends of Michele Lee (Stark) Knickerbocker of Spring Hill, wife of Ted Knickerbocker. She passed away on January 28<sup>th</sup> ... to the family and friends of John A. Brady of the North Side, husband of the late Veronica L. (Kaclik) Brady and the late Mary (Ackerman) Brady, father of SHCL board member Stephen Brady. He passed away on February 2<sup>nd</sup> ... to the family and friends of Louis Snyder formerly of Pittsburgh, husband of Audrey (Corcoran) Synder, father of Council President Darlene Harris. He passed away on February 12<sup>th</sup> ... to the family and friends of Larry E. Daugherty of Spring Hill, husband of Marge (Rimkus) Daugherty. He passed away on February 16<sup>th</sup> ... to the family and friends of Elizabeth J. "Betty" (Baumgartner) Steinmetz of Spring Hill, wife of the late Edward L. Steinmetz. She

passed away on April 5<sup>th</sup> ... to the family and friends of Agnes G. Dunne of Spring Hill, wife of the late Michael J. Dunne. She passed away on April 23<sup>rd</sup> ... to the family and friends of Charles L. Strahler of Spring Hill, husband of the Bernice (Boskovic) Strahler. He passed away on May 2<sup>nd</sup> ... to the family and friends of Theodore "Ted" Haramé of Spring Hill, husband of Helen Neubauer Deutsch Haramé. He passed away on May 7<sup>th</sup> ... and to the family and friends of Joseph H. Ehrenberger formerly of Spring Hill, husband of Joanne Ehrenberger. He passed away on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**Regarding the 1935 Spring Hill Football Team Photograph**

My name is Ginny Mall Demko. I was born on 10 Iona Street on the 3rd floor when children were delivered at home. It has since burned down. My husband got hold of a Newsletter of Spring Hill recently. The picture of the football team includes my Dad, Ray Mall ---Uncle Eddie, Ed Moyer from Diana Street and my Uncle Chuck from Diana Street. Upon seeing the picture I got to remember some things told to me. They played in West Park by Elizabeth Lake against pick up teams. When I was a kid they told me one of the members of the other team was Old Man Art Rooney. He was a very good football player and later bought the Steelers. North Side boys did OK. I will send the pictures to family members as well to see if they remember anything. I am the oldest so, we'll see.

**WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS**

To Nathan and Elsie Hile of 1002 Yetta Avenue... and to Dustin and Melissa Combs from Cleveland, daughter Kayla, and dog Max at 917 Haslage Avenue.

*New neighbors, if you would like to be informed of meetings and other community information via e-mail, please contact Jill Shaheen at [jill.springhill@jillshaheen.com](mailto:jill.springhill@jillshaheen.com)*

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Happy 14<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary to Jim and Leanne Rosenberger on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Kailey Herman. She was awarded the Sarah Heinz House 2010/2011 Performer of the Year for Level 2 Dance. Way to go!

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT NEIGHBORHOOD FESTIVAL!!**

**Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>  
5:30 – 8:30 PM  
Rockledge  
Street Lot**



National Night Out is a unique crime and drug prevention event. Along with the traditional display of outdoor lights and front porch vigils, cities and neighborhoods celebrate with a variety of events. The celebration will take place on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 5:30 – 8:30 PM at the Rockledge Street lot. The cost is **FREE**. See you there!!

## Spring Hill and Troy Hill Ghost Stories

By Jim Hurray



I have been in many houses on Spring Hill and Troy Hill at yard and house sales. Often when I spoke to the owners they told me about ghosts that live in their homes. I find them very interesting and would like to share your stories with the Spring Hill Newsletter. If you have stories to tell please email me your story at:

[jhurray@verizon.net](mailto:jhurray@verizon.net)

I'm sure most folks would be as interested in hearing them as I am. Also, if you like Oldies 45RPM records please visit my web page at <http://mysite.verizon.net/jhurray/>

## GO NATIVE!

By Joan Kimmel  
The Urban Gardener

Many people are pondering just what sorts of plants to add to their gardens this coming season. One recommendation we often make to customers who are trying to decide, is to 'go native!'

A native plant is one that grew within the state before settlement by Europeans. At the beginning of this century only about 63% of Pennsylvania's total floral count were still native plants. There are many good reasons to plant native species, not the least of which is their better adaptability to local conditions and greater resistance to local pests and diseases. In addition, many resident and migrating birds and animals have built up symbiotic

relationships with native plants and trees, receiving food and shelter and providing seed distribution in return.

Because natives are accommodated to local conditions they usually require less maintenance than most exotic, introduced species. This, in turn, means they need less watering, chemical pesticides and fertilizers, or frequent pruning.

Traditional landscaping approaches, especially those that include large, chemically maintained lawns, often create a landscape that looks pretty much the same, regardless of location. Naturescapes, on the other hand, especially those using primarily native plants, 'look' like the natural world around them.



The list of Pennsylvania native plants is quite extensive and can be found at <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/wildplant/native.aspx>. Some of our favorites, and our customers' as well, include:

**Butterfly-weed** (*Asclepias tuberosa*), brilliant yellow, orange and red flowers that are drought tolerant, deer resistant, and primary migration food for Monarch butterflies.

**Wild columbine** (*Aquilegia Canadensis*), much more delicate than other cultivars with drooping red and yellow blooms that draw hummingbirds.

**Oxeye sunflower** (*Heliopsis helianthoides*), a large, showy display of golden yellow flowers that are very long blooming.

**Cardinal flower** (*Lobelia cardinalis*), tall spikes of scarlet

red flowers that are butterfly and hummingbird magnets.

**Foamflower** (*Tiarella cordifolia*), when massed together the spring-blooming pinky white flowers look like a field of foam.

Native Pennsylvania trees that fit wonderfully in our usually partially-shady urban yards include the **Serviceberry** (*Amelanchier arborea*), **Redbud** (*Cercis Canadensis*), and **Flowering dogwood** (*Cornus florida*).

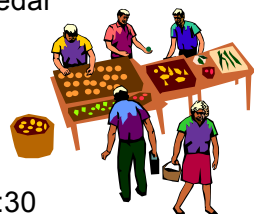
And native shrubs such as **Black Chokeberry** (*Aronia melanocarpa*), **Highbush blueberry** (*Vaccinium corymbosum*) and **Maple-leaved viburnum** (*Viburnum acerifolium*) all add gorgeous fall color to their other great landscaping qualities.

So, when choosing between an exotic, high-maintenance import and a good ol' Pennsylvania native, remember: you'll always be ahead of the game if you 'Go Native.'

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## NORTHSIDE (CITIPARKS) FARMER'S MARKET

The North Side farmers market is located on Cedar Avenue across from Allegheny General Hospital. The hours are Fridays, from 3:30 until 7:30 PM, May 13<sup>th</sup> to November 18<sup>th</sup>.





### WALK NOW FOR AUTISM SPEAKS

Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>  
Heinz Field

Autism Speaks is dedicated to increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders, to funding research into the causes, prevention and treatments for autism, and to advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families. Walk for Autism Speaks is their signature fundraising event which brings together hundreds of thousands of participants annually across the United States and Canada with a common goal of supporting Autism Speaks. Registration opens at 8:00 AM. The walk kicks off at 10:00 AM.

Leanne Rosenberger is doing the walk. If you would like to sponsor her please contact her at pgh\_irish\_girl@yahoo.com.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**St. Michael & All Angels  
Lutheran Church  
1308 Spring Garden Ave.  
412-231-2183**

#### Worship Services

Saturday 6:00 PM  
Church, Spring Garden  
Sunday 9:00 AM  
Chapel, Spring Hill

#### Secretary Position

Non-members only.  
Part-time position (10 hrs/week)  
flexible schedule  
\$8.00 per hour  
Responsibilities: answer phones, greet visitors, make calls, letters, mail, bulletins, newsletter, and filing.  
Requirements: MS Word, typing, verbal & written communication skills, able to multitask and work independently.  
Mail resume to above address.

#### Community Picnic

Join us for a free community picnic on Sunday, June 5th from 12 Noon – 2:00 PM.  
Hot dogs, refreshments, and dessert.

#### Vacation Bible School @ St. Michael's

Summer Vacation Bible School will be July 25<sup>th</sup> - July 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM.  
Call 412-231-2183 to register or help.

**Grace Lutheran Church  
Troy Hill, 1701 Hatteras  
Street, 412- 231-0506**

#### Vacation Bible School @ Grace Lutheran Church

Summer Vacation School  
July 11th - July 15th from 6 pm - 8 pm. Call 412-231-0506 to register or help.

### MEALS ON WHEELS

**Help Serve a Smile and  
Deliver some Love!**

Did you know that there is a Meals On Wheels kitchen that serves your neighborhood? Tri-Hill Valley Meals On Wheels serves the central North Side, Spring Hill, Spring Garden, Troy Hill, and other neighborhoods in this vicinity. Our volunteers help to prepare and/or deliver meals to home-bound seniors and disabled persons.

Many people know how important Meals On Wheels is because we provide a nutritious meal to someone who needs it. But did you know that the visit is just as important as the meal? We train our volunteers to observe participants when delivering meals, to ensure that they are safe and healthy within their homes. Our volunteers not only offer a nutritious meal, but a connection to the outside world, and an assurance to family members that their loved ones are cared for.

Lutheran Service Society is the largest provider of Meals On Wheels in the region. Our location on the North Side can always use help and this is a great way to give back to your community! If you would like to join our amazing group of volunteers, please call us at 412-366-9490. You can also check out our website at [www.LSSWPA.org](http://www.LSSWPA.org).

Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday and you can sign up for a weekly or monthly commitment. Kitchen volunteers are needed from approximately 8am-10am and delivery volunteers (drivers and hoppers) are needed from approximately 10am-12noon.



Northside Site  
1300 Brighton Road, 2nd Floor  
Pittsburgh, PA 15233  
412-246-1691 (office) 412-246-0864 (f)  
Email: miranda.potts@verizon.net

*Community Human Ser*

Family Foundations is located on the North Side at 1300 Brighton Road. It is a program serving parents with children from birth to age three. We offer supportive services to pregnant mothers and their children. We provide fun, developmentally age-appropriate activities in the home. Please contact 412-233-9430 for further details.

**THE HAZLETT HOT LIST**



The New Hazlett Theater supports and nurtures the creative performing arts, and serves as a community resource for arts access and arts education. Show your support of your independent, neighborhood theater by joining us for one of our upcoming performances!

**More info on any of these events:**  
[www.NewHazlettTheater.org](http://www.NewHazlettTheater.org)

**Songwriters Spotlight**

*Presented by The New Hazlett Theater*

**June 4, 2011 – 8 pm**

Join us for this ongoing series of intimate evenings of music, songs and stories hosted by two local legends - Joe Grushecky and Rick Witkowski. This quarterly event features three guest songwriters in addition to the hosts. Each songwriter performs some of their original music as well as a song that they wish they had penned. They will also share the story of how their songs were born.

**Guest songwriters for the evening:**

**Emay** - Erika May is a singer/songwriter and recording artist who has appeared on over a dozen recordings over many genres. She is currently the lead vocalist and rhythm guitarist for The Sectionals, the house band for Studio Raj in Homestead. Her solo album, *Incantations* will be released in July, 2011.

**Greg Dutton of the local band**

**Lohio** - Dutton, who poses as an architect by day, morphs into the very popular Pittsburgh

band's songwriter by night. Lohio's indie folk-pop sound, merges Brooklyn indie rock with Midwest Americana, and draws from influences like Neil Young, Sufjan Stevens, and The National.

**Melinda** - Blending blues and rock while remaining beautiful and raw at the same time is Melinda's trademark. In her music you can hear elements of the great artists that inspired her along the way such as The Rolling Stones, Heart, Sheryl Crow, and Aerosmith.

**Into the Woods**

*Presented by Carrnivale Theatrics*

**June 24, 2011–July 3, 2011**

A musical by Stephen Sondheim. This charming musical tale touches on themes of growing up, accepting responsibility and the consequences of having your wishes come true. When Cinderella, Jack, Little Red Riding Hood and friends get what they wish for, "Happily Ever After" isn't exactly what they expected it to be.

**Summer Arts Intensive Music, Dance and Theater Camp for ages 8 - 12 years**

*Presented by the New Hazlett Theater*

**June 27, 2011–July 1, 2011**

The New Hazlett Theater strives to engage artists, youth, adults and the community, as we incubate talent, cultivate the arts and provide a venue for world-class cultural events. The Summer Arts Intensive offers class instruction and workshops led by Pittsburgh's finest teaching artists.

**Theater Arts** - Acting and movement students will focus on a variety of theater arts, acting styles, audition skills, and movement to develop

professional skills and produce a sophisticated piece culminating in a final performance.

**Dance & Creative Movement** -

This curriculum offers students a variety of classes, workshops, and demonstrations in dance genres from contemporary to traditional. The final dance show gives students an opportunity to experience a large stage with all the lights and sounds of a professional show.

**Songwriter Workshop** -

Come and join us for a one-of-a-kind songwriting workshop. As students work on their instrumental and storytelling skills, they will create a portfolio of ideas and lyrics for new songs.

**Texture Contemporary Ballet July 8, 2011–July 9, 2011**

Pushing the definition of classical ballet, Alan Obuzor, former Pittsburgh Ballet Theater dancer and a popular figure in the Pittsburgh dance community, unveils his new company, Texture Contemporary Ballet.

Obuzor's own choreography, along with that of Kelsey Bartman, Erin Halloran and Gabriel Smith will be performed by dancers from such companies as Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, BalletMet, Ballet Austin, Richmond Ballet, Nashville Ballet, Milwaukee Ballet, and Charlottesville Ballet.

**August 2011** – The New Hazlett Theater is excited to announce that we are planning a North Side community celebration featuring live dance and music, film and activities all free for our North Side neighbors. More information coming soon – see our website at [www.NewHazlettTheater.org](http://www.NewHazlettTheater.org).

**EILEEN BACK WINS NSLC COMMUNITY AWARD**

Eileen Back has won the North Side Leadership Conference Spring Hill Civic League's Community Award. Eileen is a 50 year resident of Spring Hill where she lives with her husband Ambrose. A very active member of the community she volunteers at Perry Reserve Meals on Wheels. She was a lector at Holy Wisdom Parish/St. Ambrose Church for many years and has volunteered for many of their events. She was a member of the "Deers" and was secretary for several years of the Allegheny Elks club.

Eileen has volunteered for service at many Spring Hill community events over the years, always with a smile on her face and warmth in her heart. She joined the board of the Spring Hill Civic League in 2007 through 2010. She has served on the membership committee and assisted in financial matters. She has participated in virtually all community events and fundraisers, a tireless presence and gracious example of community spirit.

The Spring Hill Civic League would like to recognize Eileen's commitment and dedication to the Spring Hill and North Side community.

**COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP  
April 16, 2011**

On April 16<sup>th</sup> volunteers gathered at the Homer Street firehouse to clean up the community. Thank you to Ben Soltesz, Jill Shaheen, Werner Krupp, and Bob Sobocinski, Mike Morgan, and other members of Steel City Boxing who supported this event.



**COMMUNITY GARDEN CLEANUP  
May 7, 2011**

A wonderful group of volunteers from Steel City Boxing gathered in early May to pull weeds and plant flowers at the entrance to the community near the Homer Street firehouse. We would like to thank the Steel City Boxing Association members whose many helpful hands greatly benefit our community.



**HOLY WISDOM FOOD BANK**

This vital ministry serves many in our community who are having hard times. Non-perishable food items can be dropped off at ESB Bank during normal business hours. Checks or gift cards can be sent to Holy Wisdom Food Pantry, 1025 Haslage Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212.

The food bank at Holy Wisdom (St. Ambrose School) is held every third Tuesday of the month, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. To register for the food bank or to volunteer call 412-231-1116.

## THE AMERICAN FLAG



### Its History

The first official national flag was approved by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777.

It is widely believed, but not confirmed, that Betsy Ross sewed the first American Flag.

The flag had 13 stars and 13 stripes to represent the 13 original colonies.

The flag is nicknamed "Old Glory".

On August 3, 1949 President Truman officially declared June 14th Flag Day.

After many design changes the flag currently has 50 stars. The last star was added when Hawaii became a state on July 4, 1960.

### Its Symbols

The stripes represent the 13 original colonies.

The 50 stars represent the number of states.

The colors of the flag have meaning as well:

- Red symbolizes Hardiness and Valor.
- White symbolizes Purity and Innocence.
- Blue represents Vigilance, Perseverance and Justice.

### Proper Display

Never allow the flag to touch the ground or the floor.

When displayed on a wall or window the blue field should be in the upper left corner.

The flag is often flown at half-staff to show respect for someone who has died. When flown at half-staff, the flag should be raised to the top for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should also be raised to the top before it is lowered at the end of the day.



## INDEPENDENCE DAY HISTORY & TRIVIA

The major objections to being ruled by Britain was taxation without representation.

The word 'patriotism' comes from the Latin patria, which means 'homeland' or 'fatherland'.

The Liberty Bell sounded from the tower of Independence Hall on July 8, 1776, summoning citizens to gather for the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence by Colonel John Nixon.

The first Independence Day celebration west of the Mississippi occurred at Independence Creek and was celebrated by Lewis and Clark in 1805.

The origin of Uncle Sam probably began in 1812, when Samuel Wilson was a meat packer who provided meat to the US Army. The meat shipments were stamped with the initials, U.S. Someone joked that the initials stood for "Uncle Sam". This joke eventually led

to the idea of Uncle Sam symbolizing the United States government



Both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died on Independence Day, July 4, 1826.

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## A NATION'S STRENGTH

by Ralph Waldo Emerson  
(1904)

What makes a nation's pillars high  
And its foundations strong?  
What makes it mighty to defy  
The foes that round it throng?

It is not gold. Its kingdoms grand  
Go down in battle shock;  
Its shafts are laid on sinking sand,  
Not on abiding rock.

Is it the sword? Ask the red dust  
Of empires passed away;  
The blood has turned their  
stones to rust,  
Their glory to decay.

And is it pride? Ah, that bright crown  
Has seemed to nations sweet;  
But God has struck its luster down  
In ashes at his feet.

Not gold but only men can make  
A people great and strong;  
Men who for truth and honor's sake  
Stand fast and suffer long.

Brave men who work while others sleep,  
Who dare while others fly...  
They build a nation's pillars deep  
And lift them to the sky.



**Damas Street, 1912**



The above picture shows the conditions of how Damas Street looked on April 12, 1912. Notice how narrow the street was at the time. (Pittsburgh City Photographer, 1901-2000, AIS.1971.05, Archives Service Center, University of Pittsburgh)

**Procession, 1941**



This picture shows the procession that started at 1205 Haslage Avenue, the family home of Father DeSales Zang, and ended at St. Ambrose Church. On this occasion the people of the parish were celebrating the first mass for the newly ordained priest at his home parish. Father DeSales was ordained at St. Vincent's Seminary on June 15, 1941. Accompanying him is Father Merz, the pastor of St. Ambrose at that time. They are followed by some of the ushers. This picture is from the personal collection of Lois Schlieper.

*Jim and Ed Yanosko have recently completed a book titled "Around Troy Hill, Spring Hill and Reserve Township" for Arcadia Publishing. It will be a part of their Images of America Series. It is expected to be released in the fall.*



## CHILDREN'S MUSEUM SUMMER EVENTS INFORMATION

### Exhibits

#### **Dora the Explorer: Dora's Pirate Adventure Exhibit & Live Show**

Opens Saturday, June 11

Join Dora and her friends - Boots the Monkey, Diego, the Map and more - on an exciting adventure this summer!

#### **Interactive Pirate Adventure**

Monday - Thursday, 10 am - 5 pm; Friday, 10 am - 1:30 pm;

Saturday, 10 am - 1:30 pm & Sunday, Noon - 1:30 pm

Dress up like a Pirate and set sail on a Pirate ship! Visit Treasure Island and climb the Purple Mountain, climb through a giant treasure chest, create a Pirate memento and much more!

#### **Dora's Pirate Adventure, the Theatrical Show**

Shows on Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 2:30 & 4:30 pm

See this hour-long live performance featuring all of the favorite characters from the Nickelodeon hit show including Dora, Diego, Boots, Swiper and more! You help Dora navigate a high seas adventure - read the map, sing, learn words and count - to navigate over Purple Mountain and Silly Singing Bridge, confront the Pirate Piggies and reach the treasure!

*Tickets for the theatrical show are \$12 for Museum members and \$20 for non-members, not including Museum admission. Purchase tickets at [www.pittsburghkids.org/tickets](http://www.pittsburghkids.org/tickets)*

### Special Programs and Events

#### **MakeShop**

We're transforming our Workshop into a space for hands-on building and tinkering with old and new technologies, exciting projects and cutting-edge media. Do-it-yourself with electronics, sewing machines, animation stations or woodworking PLUS make alongside some of the coolest indie crafters, hackers and inventors in the city!

#### **MakeShop: ElectricShop**

June 18 - 10:00 am - Noon & 1:30 - 5:00 pm

Take apart small appliances and reassemble the parts, connect circuit blocks and build electric speakers and pickups in the Workshop.

#### **MakeShop: SewShop**

June 2, 3, 9, 10; 3:00 - 5:00 pm

June 4, 11 - 10:00 am - Noon & 1:30 - 5:00 pm

Learn to use a sewing machine to upcycle clothing, weave on the weaving wall, make your own cape and more

#### **MakeShop: AnimateShop**

June 12; 2:00 - 3:00 pm.

ANIMATE! Join The Schmutz Co. (artists Dave English and Don Orkoskey) to create your own animated short film using stop-motion animation techniques.

#### **MakeShop: WoodShop**

June 23, 24, 30 & July 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, & 29; 3:00 - 5:00 pm

June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; 10:00 am - Noon & 1:30 - 5:00 pm

Use real woodworking tools to shape wood and build your own projects like birdhouses and more.



## **DANCING HER WAY FROM PITTSBURGH TO SLIPPERY ROCK**

Lindsay Marshall is a Pittsburgh native from Spring Hill who is now a student at Slippery Rock University studying both Dance and Exercise Science. She has a course load that most students would not even attempt, a total of twenty-two credits. She has been named to the dean's list every semester in her college career. Additionally, she was accepted to be a member of the Golden Key International Honor Society.

She has recently performed in two student-choreographed pieces in the Slippery Rock University Dance Theatre Adjudication Concert. The dance faculty selected one of those pieces to be performed on the fall concert in early December.

Not only is Lindsay an avid member of the Dance Department, but she also enjoys participating in the Theatre Department. This

semester she was named as one of the Miller Auditorium staff.

For about two weeks last spring, Lindsay undertook the job of being stage manager for the Kaleidoscope Arts Festival that was held on campus presenting numerous performers. The job took great patience but in the end was a rewarding experience. It gave Lindsay insight into the management side of dance.

Lindsay is diligently working on her BA in Dance and her BS in Exercise Science. After graduation she plans to become a performer for a cruise line or with a prominent amusement park such as Disney World. She also plans to become certified as a professional personal trainer to help people become and stay fit. She never wants to stop dancing and plans to incorporate personal training and dancing into her career.

*Contact: Lindsay Marshall, Student, Slippery Rock University, 412- 512-3781*

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## **CHILDREN'S MUSEUM SUMMER EVENTS INFORMATION (Continued from page 10)**

### **Endangered Species Silkscreens**

July 5 - 7

Learn about endangered species while creating colorful silkscreens of them just like Pittsburgh's own Andy Warhol. Special screens will be available daily July 5-7 from 10:00 - 4:30 with added programming provided by the Andy Warhol Museum from Noon - 2:00 each day.

### **Solar Concert Series**

Wednesdays, July 6 - August 25, 12:15 - 1:00 pm

The hit concert series is back! The summer sun will power Pittsburgh's first green concert series every Wednesday June-August in front of the Children's Museum of Pittsburgh in historical Allegheny Square! Using a solar-powered sound system, the Solar Concert Series features 9 live acoustic performances by local musicians in the fun, free, picnic atmosphere of Allegheny Square. This year's concert lineup includes ageless folk, blues, bluegrass and more. Check the web calendar for full series dates and times.

*Presented by PPG Foundation. A project of the New Hazlett Theater, The Saturday Light Brigade and the Children's Museum of Pittsburgh.*

### **Kindergarten ... Here I Come!**

Saturday, August 13, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

The Children's Museum's 7<sup>th</sup> annual summer event celebrating the milestone and transition into kindergarten. Kids can meet community helpers such as a crossing guard, receive free vision screenings, climb aboard a real school bus and much more! Parents and caregivers receive valuable information on preparing children for kindergarten and can consult with experts in nutrition, after-school programs, bullying, immunization and more. No registration required. Admission is free for every child entering kindergarten and one parent or caregiver.

*The Children's Museum of Pittsburgh is located at 10 Children's Way, Allegheny Square, North Side – Visit [www.pittsburghkids.org](http://www.pittsburghkids.org) for more information on upcoming events and ticket information or call 412-322-5058.*



### 2011 SPRING HILL CIVIC LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP

Throughout the years, one thing that has remained constant is the care and concern that the Spring Hill Civic League gives the community. Some of the same issues that the current board addresses are the same issues that people cared about 35 years ago. The preservation of the community's integrity, the improvement of the community, providing annual events for neighbors to attend, all of these are goals to which the League aspires. As set forth in its Charter, "the Spring Hill Civic League exists to serve the people and businesses of the Spring Hill community". May we be blessed with the perseverance and insight to continue the important work of being a community of neighbors caring for neighbors.

#### WHAT DO WE DO?

The Spring Hill Civic League interacts with city government to maintain the community and organizes year-round activities for the families of the community. We

- coordinate with the Northside Leadership Conference and liaison with City Council on community issues such as public safety;
- organize events such as community clean-ups, the Memorial Day celebration, community flea markets, National Night Out, the Halloween parade, and Christmas tree lighting;
- maintain the Rockledge Street lot and Homer Street firehouse;
- communicate with the neighborhood through regular meetings, email, and the community newsletter;
- address community issues of interest;
- and plan for the future of the Spring Hill neighborhood.

#### PLEASE JOIN IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO

Thank You to those of you who have become 2011 members! If you have not yet joined for 2011 please consider doing so. The annual dues are only two dollars (\$2.00) per adult in the household. Residents of Spring Hill/Cityview who are 18 years or older are eligible for membership. Checks should be made payable to the Spring Hill Civic League. Fill out the application below and turn in your form with your dues to any SHCL Board member, or mail your form and dues to either of the following members of the membership committee:

Mary O'Toole  
1949 Rockledge Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15212

Eileen Back  
1243 Haslage Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15212

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#### SPRING HILL CIVIC LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME(s) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
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PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE NOTE IF UNLISTED)