

# REGENT SQUARE

CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
NEWSLETTER

The voice of the Regent Square Civic Association (RSCA),  
serving Regent Square's diverse residential and business community.

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Join us in August at  
the RSCA Board Meeting,  
7:00PM Monday, 1-August-2005 at the  
Wilkins School Community Center  
located at the corner of Milton and  
Charleston Avenues.

Please Note:  
There will not be a July RSCA Meeting.

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## S. Braddock Safety Update

### *Pedestrian Safety Signs Replaced*

Certainly by now most Regent Square residents have noticed that the pedestrian safety signs on S. Braddock Avenue did not meet the challenge of a rough Pittsburgh winter. The signs appeared to be the victims of snow plows and other vehicles driving through the snow and slush; they took quite a banging and scraping and became difficult for drivers to see when tilted over. When they were upright, residents of the area viewed the signs as beneficial, enabling pedestrians to more safely cross the busy and dangerous Braddock Avenue. The community was anxious for sturdy new signs to return this spring. Word came from Doug Shields' office that the signs were to be replaced before the end of May, and they were!

Equally good news is that the City of Pittsburgh Department of Public Works ordered additional signs in case some signs are knocked down or become unreadable. We appreciate the strong working partnership with local officials and agencies.

If you would like to get involved with the RSCA's Braddock Ave. Corridor Improvements Committee, which focuses on neighborhood safety, contact John Broyles, committee chair, at broyles@verizon.net. ■

## First Business Gathering

### *Local Business Owners and Non-Profit Organizations Face Similar Challenges*

Thirteen local non-profit organizations and business owners found they had lots in common with similar challenges when they introduced themselves and shared stories at a get-together organized by Regent Square Civic Association (RSCA) Board members Alina Keebler and Julie Crawford.

As chair of the meeting, Keebler set the stage by telling everyone that the RSCA wanted to help its local businesses and non-profit organizations, and this was the reason they had planned the brief get-together. The agenda for the session was brief and to the point, one hour, 5:30 to 6:30 pm, Tuesday, 17-May followed by some light refreshments.

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## 2005 RSCA Yard Sale — In Review

### *Success Even With Rain*

The blue balloons and signs did not help brighten the Saturday sky, but the window of no rain held off for this year's Yard Sale. There were more than 107 officially registered households selling everything from an actual kitchen sink to two cars. RSCA members comprised 36 percent of participants, and 25 percent of sellers volunteered to help in some way, including the invaluable role of block captain.

### *Good Things and Thanks*

*Block Captains and Sign Hangers* — Once again the Yard Sale Committee could count on these special volunteers to get the information out ahead of time and go that extra mile by adding volunteering to their selling schedules.

*The Team at Pittsburgh Filmmakers* — The Regent Square Theatre again offered its sheltered marquee for information and map distribution. Although not advertised, they did

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# WSCC Supporters Can Do It Together

## **Fundraisers Successful; Playground Project On Its Way**

The Wilkins School Community Center wishes to thank everyone who made the Dixieland Party, the Used Books Sale and the Plant Sale successful by donating items and/or attending these events. Approximately \$6,900 was raised at the Dixieland Party (special thanks to the Run Around the Square for its large donation), and \$1,500 was raised at the Used Books Sale and Plant Sale playground fundraisers.

It appears that we may be able to move forward this summer with the Playground Project. However, the project needs continued community support and volunteerism to accomplish the goal of a new playground. If you can assist with the removal of the old playground and/or the installation of the new equipment, or wish to fill one of our board member positions, contact the Center at: 412-244-8458; www.wscppgh.org; or e-mail wscppgh@yahoo.com

We also would like to announce that the WSCC will be offering a limited summer program (yoga, Aikido Kokikai, water color and art for children 8 yrs. and older) and our full schedule will resume the week of 12-Sept-2005. Contact the Center for additional information at: 412-244-8458; www.wscppgh.org; or by e-mailing: wscppgh@yahoo.com. ■

## Summer Studies

### **July Vacation Bible School at Mifflin**

Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church invites the public to participate in Vacation Bible School 11-July through 15-July, from 9AM to noon. Children ages 3 through completed 5th grade may participate. Join in for a week of fun and learning. The church is located at 905 Mifflin Avenue. Registration fee is \$5. Call the church office at 412-731-2511 for information and to register. ■

## Home-Delivered Meals

### **Drivers and Runners Needed; Meals Available for Those in Need**

Edgewood Home Delivered Meals is a cooperative project of the Edgewood Civic Association and the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood.

Any Edgewood or Swissvale resident who is unable to shop for or prepare meals during a period of recuperation or for a longer term is eligible to receive this service. Volunteers pick up the meals at the Swissvale Senior Center Monday through Fridays and deliver them to shut-ins. If you or a member of your family needs this service, call 412-731-6125 and register with the director, Jodi Trovato.

At this time, drivers and runners are needed to deliver the meals — especially on Fridays; please call Joy Goethert at 412-731-1640 or Jodi at the Center if you can spare two hours once or twice a month. ■

**Contributions:** This edition was edited by Ann Gaul with help from Alina Keebler. Thanks goes to contributing writers from the community or those who provided information for the newsletter, including

- John Broyles – Safety Update
  - Warrick Powell – Businesses Gather
  - Julie Crawford – Yard Sale Review
  - Mary Louise Travers – WSCC items
  - Mary Kilgour – Vacation Bible School
  - Joy Goethert – Home-Delivered Meals
  - Michele Megarry – Run Around the Square
  - Pam Lieberman – Ukiah Restaurant
  - Pam Lieberman – Anna's Fun Group
  - Alina Keebler — Membership Thanks
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## Events for June & July

4-June-2005 | 5:30-7PM

### **Strawberry Festival**

Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church  
905 Mifflin Ave., corner of Mifflin & Whitney  
Info: 412-731-2511 or www.mifflinave.org

4-June-2005 | 9AM-12PM

2-July-2005 | 9AM-12PM

### **Food Drive**

Non-perishable food donations collected for the Wilkinsburg Food Pantry. Drop off items at church. Food collection every first Saturday of the month.

Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church  
905 Mifflin Ave., corner of Mifflin & Whitney  
Info: 412-731-2511 or  
www.mifflinave.org

6-June-2005 | 7PM

### **RSCA Community Meeting**

Regular monthly meeting.  
Wilkins School Community Center, between  
South Braddock and Milton at Charleston.

Info: To request an agenda item. Call 412-371-2010 or president@regent-square.org

11-15-July-2005 | 9AM-12PM

### **Vacation Bible School**

For children ages 3 through completing 5th grade. Registration fee is \$5. See info at left.

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1-August-2005 7PM

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27-August-2005

### **Run Around the Square**

See info on p.5.

## August Newsletter Submissions Due

**Friday, 8-July-2005**

If you have news or an article for the August Regent Square Newsletter, deadline for submission is Friday, 8-July. We look forward to hearing from members of the community on issues or activities that may be of interest to the rest of the neighborhood! *The Newsletter reserves the right to edit or reject any submissions.* ■

# Recognizing RSCA Members for 2005!

The Regent Square Civic Association would like to recognize and thank the nearly 250 Regent Square residents who have sent in their 2005 RSCA membership dues (as of 1-June-2005). It is with our members help — both financial and volunteer — that the RSCA is able to continue its many activities and initiatives on behalf of our great neighborhood.

Andrea Abbatico	Barbara W. Fredette	Daniel Keebler	Rick Myer	Monica Segal
John Abbatico	Jennifer Friedman	Pat Kelly	Rosemarie Nellis	Sandra Seip
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Barbara Blazick	Glennen Greer	Helen Ladeda	Dave O'Leary	Ruth Staudacher
Robert Bremer	Harold Grinberg	Brendan Laffey	Caroline O'Nan	John Staudacher
Carin Bremer	Alex Gruskos	Jackie Laffey	David Orenstein	Fred Steinberg
Aaron Brenner	Dorothy Gumpher	William Lenaghan	Chris Palmer	Janet Stewart
John Broyles	John Hadley	Paul Levin	James Palmiero	Helen Stock
Lauren Broyles	Sharon Hadley	Pete Lewis	Wilma Palombo	Norman Stock
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The RSCA Membership Goal for 2005 is 500 individual members, so join or renew today!  
We apologize for any inaccuracies; please call 412-731-5117 regarding corrections or additions to this list.

## "Thank You" to These Regent Square Businesses

The Regent Square Civic Association would also like to extend its sincere gratitude to the following Regent Square businesses for becoming 2005 Members or renewing their memberships for 2005. Be sure to support these businesses to show your appreciation for their involvement in our community!

- AMBIANCE BOUTIQUE** | sophisticated resale designer fashions (daily 11-5:30; thurs 11-8) | 1039 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-243-5523 | BethlehemHaven.org | kelr409@yahoo.com
- ANN L. MARINO, CPA** | audit and tax services | 1112 S. Braddock Ave., Ste. 301A | 412-244-9162
- BEHREND MEDIATION SERVICES** | divorce, marriage and business mediation. "There is a better way." | 1112 S. Braddock Ave., Ste. 301B | 412-241-7888; 412-521-3317 | bbehrend@aol.com, mediation1st.net
- CHRISTINE MICHAELS, M.A.** | psychologist | 7421 Hutchinson St. | 412-731-8450
- DAVE GERENYI'S SUNOCO** | auto service | 1043 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-241-9507; 412-731-0860 | kgereny@verizon.net
- DAVID J. SULTANOV, DMD** | dentistry (mon/tues 12-8; wed/thurs 7:30-2) | 1112 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-242-5800 | www.exquisite-smiles.net | savtth@earthlink.net
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- EYES ON REGENT SQUARE** | optometry | 1201 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-731-2020 | www.eyesonregentsquare.com | mkamons@earthlink.net
- INTERLINK MANAGEMENT CONSULTING** | 704 Savannah Ave. | www.interlinkbusiness.com | wpowell@interlinkbusiness.com
- KATERBEAN** | coffee shop, lite fare, internet café | 1110 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-244-8942 | kc4kbmtr@libcom.com
- KATHLEEN D. SCHNEIDER, JD, CPA** | legal & tax services | 1227 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-371-8831 | kds.law@verizon.net
- THE MAP ROOM** | bistro | 1126 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-371-1955
- MCBROOM BEER DISTRIBUTOR** | specialty and imported beers | 1200 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-241-2500 | bigbeerman@adelphia.net
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- RALPH GREER EXTERIOR HOME IMPROVEMENTS** | windows, doors, roofs, soffit, fascia, etc. | 1002 Milton St. | 412-243-5734 | www.RalphGreer.com | magreer@verizon.net
- REGENTSQUARE.NET** | reg. sq. business & shopping website | 1112 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-343-3838 | www.regentsquare.net | savtth@msn.com
- STATE FARM INSURANCE CO.** | insurance | 1042 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-241-3835
- STONEBRAKER'S JEWELERS** | full service jewelry | 1112 S. Braddock Ave. | 412-243-0884 | jewelman2@juno.com

## Many Thanks to Those Who Deliver the Newsletter

This dedicated, dependable group of individuals — *volunteers!* — make sure that every Regent Square residence and business gets its monthly RSCA newsletter. From the General Distributor who divvies up and delivers approximately 2,000 newsletters to 10 Zone Distributors, who then further divide and deliver the newsletters to their Block Captains, who then drop a newsletter off at each and every door in their assigned blocks, it's a system that works due to these 81 volunteers! The RSCA, residents, and businesses of Regent Square thank each of them!

<b>GENERAL</b>	Charles Belk	Patricia Just	Ellen Rubin	Thanks also to the following individuals who, while they no longer deliver the newsletter, took the time to help.
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# Run Around the Square 2005

## ***Race On Track ... Volunteers Still Welcome and Needed***

Run Around the Square race committee members have been busier than usual these past few months. They have volunteered many hours to help wrap up the sponsorship drive to be ready for the application form. The application is designed, printed and just has to be delivered. We need volunteers to distribute and help with a bulk-mailing of applications. Anyone interested in helping with these tasks, please call or e-mail to get more details of the Monday, 13-June-2005 distribution meeting. Call 412-422-6562 or e-mail mmegarry@verizon.net. Many hands make light work! Your time is needed and appreciated.

A special thanks goes to Joe Cooper-Silvis of *the think tank group* for once again designing a very creative and informative brochure. We also are appreciative of the fine job Krohmaly's Printing did in getting the 13,000 applications completed in such a timely fashion. While we are grateful for all of our faithful sponsors who have once again shown their support of our Regent Square community, we want to thank our new sponsors who have joined us this year. You may have noticed a few changes at the corner of Braddock and Sanders. This will be the site of our newest Ironman sponsor, Typhoon. Typhoon is an antique and lighting business that will be a great addition to our business community. Also, new to Braddock Avenue and the Race is the Square's newest restaurant, The Map Room. From Edgewood, on Swissvale Avenue, we have the Green Mango, a Thai take-out restaurant joining us. Wonday, of Wilkinsburg will also be a sponsor and will donate a portrait session for the post-race raffle. A Capella Marketing is the newest business that is supporting the race and the neighborhood. We thank ALL of those who have backed the race. Please take a moment to view the many sponsors on the application and support these businesses that support the race. We are a fortunate community indeed.

Young runners who intend to race need to check out the Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield "On Your Mark with Highmark Youth Challenge." All under the age of 16 who participate in at least two of the Citiparks' community 5K races will receive free entry into the Great Race. The Citiparks' races are the Greenfield Glide on 6/6, the Brookline Breeze on 8/14 and, of course, the Run Around the Square on 8/27.

Another challenge to our Regent Square youth (13 and under) will be the incentive of U.S. Savings Bonds to the first, second, and third place male and female runners in the 1.5 Fun Run. So, all of you young runners, get out there and train through the streets of the Square!

So much goes on behind the scenes the months before the race. A note of appreciation and gratitude goes out to the sponsorship committee members: Kirk Warner, Mike Pascal, Barb Danko, Cari Marty, Donna Bour, Laurie Moyer, Brendan Laffey, Babs Peterson, and Michele Megarry. THANK YOU!!

The August issue of the Regent Square Newsletter will have the map, application, and all the details of the race. In the meantime, get involved and devote a little of your time to some of the volunteer responsibilities that happen long before the day of the race. Volunteers will be calling our past volunteers in June/July. Interested in volunteering and we haven't called? E-mail us at mmegarry@verizon.net or kmathias@adelphia.net. ■

## Traveling the Area

### ***Fun Things to Do This Summer and Fall***

Swissvale resident Anna Clark organizes affordable bus trips to various points both near and far from Edgewood Towne Center.

Anna served for 23 years as the trip coordinator at the Swissvale Senior Center, and she still serves our community. She independently creates, plans, and organizes trips throughout the year at reasonable prices. The best part is that Anna's trips are for everyone! You don't have to be a senior citizen to enjoy a fun-filled outing with your neighbors.

Three trips are in the planning phase. This summer, Anna is organizing a three-stop day trip to Conneaut Cellars Winery for a tour and tasting, Cambridge Springs for a dinner and theater show, and shopping at Grove City Outlets. In September there will be an overnight trip to Atlantic City. In late fall the group will travel to New York's Seneca Allegheny reservation for a day filled with chances to win.

For information on upcoming Anna's Fun Group outings, contact Anna at 412-242-6436. ■

## Everything Homemade

### ***Ukiah Restaurant and Lounge***

Looking for something new? Ukiah Restaurant and Lounge is now open at 1814 S. Braddock Avenue in Swissvale. Chef and owner Tom Doyle has created an eclectic restaurant featuring homemade appetizers, soups, salads, pasta, pizza, and sandwiches.

Tom, who grew up in Shadyside and is currently from Chalfont, opened Ukiah to create a restaurant that served large fresh portions in a friendly atmosphere. The result is an atmosphere that is both casual and upscale. There's even a sign before you enter that says "casual food with attitude."

The restaurant's signature dish is the Ukiah Sandwich — 10 ounces of your choice of meat deep-fried Cajun-style and accompanied by a selection of 12 homemade condiments, including mustards, horseradishes, ketchups, mayos. The menu also offers extensive salad choices with many unique dressings.

Twenty beers are featured on tap and 65 beers are featured in bottles, including many Belgian varieties and microbrews. The restaurant also features an extensive wine and martini list.

For information and hours, contact Ukiah Restaurant and Lounge at 412-247-4000. ■

## Walkers Wary

### ***Bushes and Shrubs Get in Path***

Residents enjoy strolling around the Square's lovely streets. And they love the sidewalks, except when trees or bushes extend across their path. Walkers have been scratched by limbs and in some places walkers need to go single file around them. Homeowners, please be aware of your bushes and trees and where they are growing — and trim them if necessary. Be kind to walkers: make sure the path is clear! ■

## 2005 Yard Sale *(continued from p.1)*

find a movie to show along with treats of popcorn and beverages. We are grateful that they are part of our neighborhood! Thanks to Terri Rosen, Joan Reefer and Lisa Price for passing out maps and information to all shoppers.

*Neighborhood Businesses* — We had more business participants this year, which included two stores having grand opening celebrations. Neighborhood Realty provided free coffee and lemonade as well as “facilities” for shoppers. With the restaurants, bakery and retail businesses, shoppers had more reasons to stick around.

*Alina Keebler* — Without the efficient collection of registrations and database maintenance of participants and addresses, the Yard Sale Map would not happen. Alina is our Excel guru and her efforts make the map and hot items list easier to pull together. (We are still hoping to be able to put the map on the Web next year.)

*Community Partners* — The WSCC again held its flea market/book sale the same day and featured a café for the shoppers. This year the Mifflin Avenue Church held its rummage sale to coincide with the RSCA event. Both sites offered a respite from the nagging showers.

### **Feedback**

The Yard Sale Committee would also like to thank everyone who sent in their surveys with comments and ideas on how to improve the sale. Some ideas include:

- **Brighter Balloons and Signs**

In order to keep costs low and avoid the logistics required to pass them out to everyone, we no longer provide helium balloons. With the poor weather, our do-it-yourself balloons did not always mark the path. We opted for blue as the color this year, but, with your suggestions, we may return to those great neon colors that stand out even on a gray day.

- **Rain Date**

What can we do about the weather? We are contemplating having the event in June, but we can't promise a sunny sky. Due to limited volunteers, we can't schedule the Yard Sale as a two-day event with maps and information booth, though everyone can sell on Sunday if the skies are just too darn wet.

Please send in any other ideas for next year's sale to [yardsale@regent-square.org](mailto:yardsale@regent-square.org).

### **Where Does the Money Go? (and a Gentle Reminder)**

All fees gathered are first used to cover Yard Sale expenses — and at \$5 or \$7 per residence, it's a deal! This year the remainder of the collected money will go to fund the general initiatives of the RSCA. We received almost all the payments ahead of the event this year. We want to remind anyone who has not yet paid his/her registration to please send your check (\$5 for RSCA members and \$7 for non-members) to the RSCA, 7604 Charleston St., Pittsburgh, PA 15218. As noted by a number of official participants, we had a few neighbors take advantage of the crowds and sell unofficially. We ask these “unofficial” participants to make a contribution to the RSCA — many volunteers put in a lot of hard work to make this day a success and your acknowledgement and participation by paying the small registration fee is greatly appreciated.

Thank you one and all. Look for a new committee chair for next year's event and watch the Newsletter early in 2006 for details! ■



### **To contact the RSCA Newsletter:**

Newsletter Committee  
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## Businesses Gather

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The intended outcome of this first business/non-profit gathering was to:

- Meet fellow merchants, business-owners and non-profit organizations,
- Introduce RSCA and find out how it could help,
- Work out how to support each other,
- Share ideas about what is important and what the challenges are,
- Encourage cooperation across the four municipalities
- Get the latest about what is happening among Regent Square businesses, and
- Get a special peek at Drew Designs' recently remodeled offices!

A peek at their very attractive offices is what everyone had, thanks to Drew Design offering their front office for this first meeting.

Animated discussion highlighted some possible initiatives to promote the business and non-profit community, including improved communications amongst each other and the RSCA, business development opportunities, ways to support one another, a holiday event (e.g., light-up night), improvements to the S. Braddock Avenue business corridor, and an ongoing Calendar of Business Events.

Subsequently, Keebler and Crawford distributed, via e-mail, minutes of the meeting and an Action Plan that will provide a basis for discussion at the next meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday, 21-June-2005, 5:30-6:30 pm at Neighborhood Realty, 1028 S. Braddock Ave. ■

## First Fridays at the Frick

### **In Its 11th Season**

June 3 — Aditya Verma. A Sarod player based in Canada and India who is a disciple of Ravi Shankar.

July 1 — Brazilian Guitar Quartet. In Brazil they are called “The Dream Team.”  
August 5 — Steep Canyon Rangers. A hot-picking band poised to become a mainstay of the blue-grass scene.

September 2 — Christy Baron and Friends. A soulful interpreter of jazz and pop, Baron was born in Pittsburgh and performed at the Balcony in Shadyside. ■