

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, August 7, at the Wilkins School
Community Center located at the corner
of Milton and Charleston Avenues.

PLEASE NOTE:
There will NOT be a RSCA Meeting
in July.

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2006 RSCA Yard Sale — In Review

Record Participation, Beautiful Weather

We had 139 officially registered households at the yard sale this year. Amazing! Perhaps even more surprising was the fabulous weather!

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Block Captains and Sign Hangers: The Yard Sale Committee counted on these special volunteers to get the information out ahead of time and post signs to direct shoppers.

Neighborhood Realty: Maureen States and her Neighborhood Realty team provided free coffee and lemonade as well as "facilities" for shoppers. Thank you!

Alina Keebler: Alina's experience in planning past sales proved invaluable. Alina supplied advice and worked very hard on several aspects of the sale. We are very fortunate to have Alina in our community.

Community Partners: The WSCC again held its flea market/book sale on the same day and featured a café for shoppers. Mifflin Avenue Church also held a rummage sale to coincide with the RSCA event.

Bob McLaren: Thanks to Bob we were able to post the Yard Sale information, including the map and Hot Items List, on the RSCA website. According to Bob, traffic on the RSCA website tripled once the map and list were posted!

Melissa McDonough, Joan Reefer, Marylouise Turano, Judy Werner, Lisa Bernard: Planning and executing an event of this size is an enormous undertaking and it couldn't have been done without the effort of these folks. They delivered packets, posted signs, assembled packets, and executed publicity tasks. Joan and Melissa even shared a riotous evening with me making flags.

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Run Around the Square 2006

Race Update... Volunteers Still Welcome and Needed

Run Around the Square race committee members have been busy the past few months. The application is in the final stages of completion. They need volunteers again this year to help with the bulk mailing and distribution of the applications. Anyone interested with these tasks, please call 412-241-0485 or e-mail gconvery@aol.com.

Special thanks go to Joe Cooper-Silvis of *the think tank group* for once again designing a very creative and informative brochure. Thanks also to Krohmaly's Printing for a job well done.

While grateful for all of our faithful sponsors who have once again shown their support of

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Playground Ribbon Cutting

Wilkins School Community Center

The ribbon cutting for the new community installed playground on the ground of the Wilkins School Community Center was held on June 3. This accomplishment was celebrated with a magic show, snacks, and punch. Children had a ball on the new slides and everyone could see what a valuable asset WSCC is to your neighborhood and the good that the Center — with the community — has been able to create. Thank you for generous support of this project and please continue to support the WSCC in all of its endeavors.

To get involved with the WSCC, contact 412-244--8458; e-mail wscppgh@yahoo.com; or visit www.wscppgh.org. There is no doubt the experience will be mutually beneficial! ■

I Hate, You Hate, We All Hate Litter!

A Vision for a Cleaner Regent Square

At the May 1, 2006, RSCA Board meeting, Shadyside resident and litter-hater Boris Weinstein presented his vision and efforts towards a cleaner Pittsburgh area. It is his experience that litter breeds litter. Tired of complaining about litter, Boris decided to do something about it in his own Shadyside neighborhood. He divided the area into small, manageable zones, then gathered a group of volunteers and assigned each to a zone where they make regular rounds picking up litter with their "Nifty Nabbers." The result: a visibly cleaner and more attractive Shadyside! (to read more about Boris' anti-litter campaign, go to www.post-gazette.com/pg/05107/489040.stm)

Boris is now going around the Pittsburgh area encouraging other neighborhoods to get involved in the fight against litter. He will meet with any interested parties to help get an anti-litter program started. While Regent Square does not currently have a major litter problem, the RSCA would like to get an initiative like Boris' going to address those few problem spots and prevent their spread. So, if you too hate litter, prefer to be a doer rather than a complainer, and/or want to hear how Boris got started, please leave your name, phone, and e-mail on the RSCA voice-mail (412-371-2010) or e-mail keepitclean-rs@gmail.com so that you can be contacted. ■

Summer Classes

Wilkins School Community Center

WSCC will be offering Yoga, Aikido Kokikai, Karate, T'ai Chi Ch'uan and Watercolor classes through the summer months. The term will begin the week of June 13, 2006. Consider taking one of these very enjoyable classes. If you are interested in signing up please contact the center at 412-244-8458; e-mail wscppgh@yahoo.com; or visit www.wscppgh.org. If you send an e-mail, please note that your registration is not complete until your check has been received.

The Center is run totally by an all volunteer Board of Directors, which provides many community events and operates solely by class registration fees, donations, and rental space, so please consider supporting us through becoming a member or taking a class. Have a fun and safe summer. ■

Vacation Bible School

June 26-30, Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church

The church, located at 905 Mifflin Avenue, will be sponsoring Vacation Bible School Monday thru Friday from 9AM-12PM. Children ages 3 through completion of 5th grade are invited to participate. Join them for a week of fun and learning. For details and information, please call the church office at 412-731-2511. ■

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

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| • Carrie Webber – Yard Sale Review | • Alina Keebler – Membership Thanks |
| • Chris Convery – Run Around the Square | • Melita Osborne – Newsletter Deliverers |
| • Marylouise Turano – Playground | • Ann Kelton – Tree Committee News |
| • Alina Keebler – Litter | • Heather Scrivner – Change for Change |
| • Marylouise Turano – WSCC | • Alina Keebler – Cigarette Butt Receptacles |
| • Barb Peterson – Litter Clean-Ups | |

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Events for June & July

June 20 | 5:30-6:30 PM

RSCA Business Networking Group

General Mtg; all business owners are invited.
Location to be determined.

Info: membership@regentsquare-RSCA.org
or 412-371-2010

June 26-29 | 9:00AM-12:00PM

Vacation Bible School

For children ages 3 through completion of 5th grade. See info at left.

*Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church
905 Mifflin Ave., corner of Mifflin & Whitney*

Info: Call Church Office at 412-731-2511

July 1 | 9AM-12PM

Food Drive

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

*Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church
905 Mifflin Ave., corner of Mifflin & Whitney*

Info: 412-731-2511 or www.mifflinave.org

July 3

Newsletter Submissions Due

For August RSCA Newsletter.

Info: newsletter@regentsquare-RSCA.org

July 18 | 5:30-6:30PM

RSCA Business Networking Group

Planning Committee.

Location to be determined.

Info: membership@regentsquare-RSCA.org
or 412-371-2010

August 7 | 7PM

RSCA Community Meeting

Regular meeting.

*Wilkins School Community Center, between
South Braddock and Milton at Charleston*

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

August 26

Run Around the Square

See info on p.1 and p.5.

Parkway Interchange Litter Clean-Ups

Sunday July 9 at 8AM

Sundays Sept. 17 and Nov. 19 at 9AM

Meet at Center for Creative Play's lower parking lot. Gloves and reflective vests are provided. To volunteer, contact Barbara Peterson at babs@libcom.com ■

Special Thanks to the 2006 RSCA Members!

The Regent Square Civic Association would like to recognize the following Regent Square residents and establishments who have sent in their 2006 RSCA Membership Dues as of June 5, 2006. Thank you for supporting RSCA efforts for a better Regent Square. If you, or your business, are not a 2006 Member, please join in by filling out the membership form in this newsletter. Thank you!

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For questions on or corrections to the following listings, contact 412-371-2010 or membership@regentsquare-RSCA.org.

2006 RSCA Members: Regent Square Businesses & Non-Profits

Thank You for Making Our Community Your Business Home

The Regent Square Civic Association would like to thank the following Regent Square business owners and non-profit organizations for their financial contribution to the 2006 membership drive and for their support of RSCA initiatives. A special thanks goes out to those who have participated in the Business Networking Group and its Planning Committee.

A Cappella Marketing	Marketing consulting firm	1210 East End Ave.
All About Dance	Dance instruction: ballet, point, tap, jazz, hip hop	1400 S. Braddock Ave.
Ambiance Boutique	Sophisticated resale designer fashions	1039 S. Braddock Ave.
Ann L. Marino, CPA	Audit and tax services	1112 S. Braddock Ave.
Behrend Mediation Services	Divorce, marriage and business mediation	1112 S. Braddock Ave.
Tory Butterworth, PhD., L.P.C.	Eating Awareness, Body-Centered Psychotherapy	7625 W. Hutchinson Ave.
Center for Creative Play	Parent-supervised play space	1400 S. Braddock Ave.
Christine Michaels, M.A.	Psychologist	7421 Hutchinson St.
Common Dreams Architecture	Architectural and energy services: green building design	700 East End Ave.
Concept Art Gallery	Fine art gallery & custom framing	1031 S. Braddock Ave.
Crawford Ellenbogen, LLC	Integrated advisory, accounting and tax services	640 Allenby St.
Dave Gatto Construction	Personalized home renovation	1116 Lancaster Ave.
Drew Designs, Ltd.	Full-scale interior design firm	1039 S. Braddock Ave.
D's Six Pax & Dogz	Specialty beer and hotdog shop	1118 S. Braddock Ave.
Eyes On Regent Square	Optometry, full service family eye care center	1201 S. Braddock Ave.
Gateway to the Arts	Non-profits arts in education organization	1400 S. Braddock Ave.
George J. Petrone, Attorney	General law practice	1112 S. Braddock Ave.
Glenn Green's Stained Glass Studio, Inc.	Creations & restoration of stained glass	635 S. Braddock Ave. (rear)
Hazlett, Gannon & Jacobs	Attorneys-at-law	7405 Trevanion Ave.
HLO/Holistic Living Quest	Non-profit education organization	PO Box 86054
Home Instead Senior Care	At-home care for seniors	1102 S. Braddock Ave.
Hurley-Gold Personal Assistants	An errand service and more	1223 Richmond St.
Inner Peace Greetings	Inspirational greeting cards & stationery	833 Mifflin Ave.
InterLINK Management Consulting	Business and non-profit management consulting	704 Savannah Ave.
Interplay Childcare	Day care center	1400 S. Braddock Ave.
Joe George Cleaning Services	Interior/Exterior cleaning	1200 Trevanion Ave.
Katerbean	Coffee shop, lite fare, Internet cafe	1110 S. Braddock Ave.
Kathleen D. Schneider, Attorney, CPA	Legal & tax services	1227 S. Braddock Ave.
LeMix	Antique & vintage gift store	1115 1/2 S. Braddock Ave.
Litzinger Career Consulting	Career counseling & job search coaching	7625 W. Hutchinson Ave.
Mabro Home Remodeling	Home remodeling	1039 S. Braddock Ave.
McBroom Beer Distributor	Friendly neighborhood beer by the case	1200 S. Braddock Ave.
Meta Fitness Consulting	Metabolism-based fitness service	1036 East End Ave.
Microtime 2, LLC	Bookkeeping services & training	1201 S. Braddock Ave.
Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church	Church	905 Mifflin Ave.
Murphy's Tap Room	Neighborhood pub	1106 S. Braddock Ave.
Neighborhood Realty Services	Real estate	1028 S. Braddock Ave.
Paws-itively Pets	Canine & feline grooming	1124 S. Braddock Ave.
Southern Living at HOME	Home and garden decor products	1305 Lancaster Ave.
Square Wash	Laundromat	1111 S. Braddock Ave.
Stonebraker's Jewelers	Full service jewelry	1112 S. Braddock Ave.
Sweetie Sweetie	Bakery	1103 S. Braddock Ave.
The Map Room	Bistro	1126 S. Braddock Ave.
The Think Tank Group, Inc.	Graphic design & advertising	1108 S. Braddock Ave.
Trophy Town	Plaques, trophies, engraving	1038 S. Braddock Ave.
Typhoon	Lighting repair, lampshades, antiques, giftware	1130 S. Braddock Ave.
Wilkins School Community Center	Non-profit community center	7604 Charleston Ave.

See www.regentsquare-rsca.org/business.htm for more detailed information about the above businesses and organizations.

Many Thanks to Those Who Deliver the Newsletter!

This dedicated, dependable group of individuals — *all volunteers!* — makes 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. Thank you!

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2006 RSCA Yard Sale Review

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Feedback and Ideas for 2007

The Yard Sale Committee appreciates the feedback from the surveys. If you haven't sent yours in yet, download the form on the RSCA website or simply send an email to clwebber8@verizon.net. We tried some new things this year and we want to know what you think. We're already working on ideas for next year, including,

- Electronic Registrations and Participant Packets
- Distributing Helium balloons 1-2 days prior to the sale
- Bigger, bolder, brighter signs for the day of the sale
- Entertainment in the Business District
- A designated selling area for those participants that can't/prefer not to sell at their house
- Earlier posting of the Map and Hot List on the RSCA website
- Return of the banner over South Braddock. It will DEFINITELY be hung next year!

Please send in ideas for next year's sale to clwebber8@verizon.net.

Expenses and a Reminder

All fees gathered are first used to cover Yard Sale expenses. The remainder of the money collected will fund the general initiatives of the RSCA such as the Halloween Party, Easter Egg Hunt, etc. If you have not yet paid the registration fee, please send a check (\$5 for RSCA members and \$7 for non-members) to the RSCA, 7604 Charleston St., Pittsburgh, PA 15218.

If you participated "unofficially" in the Yard Sale, please consider sending a donation to the RSCA in lieu of the registration fee. Publicity, which benefits the entire neighborhood, is a significant portion of the yard sale budget. Acknowledgement of your participation is appreciated.

Planning meetings for the 2007-Yard Sale will start in September. Contact Carrie Webber (412-371-2895 or clwebber8@verizon.net) or watch the RSCA website for more information. ■

RSCA Tree Committee News

Blooming and Beautiful, or Soon to Be

The newly planted trees along Braddock Avenue all survived the winter without incident and appear to be thriving. We hope that everyone saw the "host of golden daffodils" surrounding the Serviceberry trees by the Biddle parking lot. This Fall, we are planning to extend the project along Braddock through the rest of the Square.

Members of the RSCA Tree Committee have recently pruned the trees in the business district. These pear trees had been neglected for quite some time and were fairly bedraggled, especially on the more narrow Swissvale side. Most had dead or badly damaged branches from vehicular traffic or vandalism and were obstructing sidewalk and parking access. A few needed substantial pruning to remove the damage and restore a balanced structure, but now their health and appearance should be improved for years to come. We will be mulching the trees soon, and many of the businesses are putting flowers in the planting pits.

Many thanks to Darrell Rapp, Nancy Hart, and Katherine Lockett for helping out on this project. Please contact Ann Kelton (akelton@verizon.net) if you would like to work on the Fall planting. ■

Run Around the Square 2006

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the Regent Square community, special thanks go out to new sponsors who have joined this year: Frick Park Market in Point Breeze, Keystone Health Club, Green Mango/Noodle Hut, Julie Rost Prudential Preferred Realty, and Coldwell Banker Real Estate Squirrel Hill. Thanks to ALL who have backed the race. Take a moment to view the many sponsors in the race application and support the businesses that support the race.

A note of appreciation and gratitude goes out to the sponsorship committee members: Barb Danko, Babs Peterson, Brendan Laffey, Cari Marty, Donna Bour, Karen Mathias, Kathryn Griffin, Kirk Warner, Laurie Moyer, Liz Caplan, Michele Megarry, Mike Pascal, Pat DiRienzo, Sylvia Madden, and Virginia Linn.

Please note that the location for **Packet Pick-up & Race Day Registration** has **moved** to the Wilkins School Community Center on the corner Milton and Charleston. Pre-registration for the race can be done online at Active.com. You can also pick up an application by visiting one of the race's many sponsors.

Every child and teen participating in the "On Your Mark with Highmark Youth Challenge" is a winner! This popular fitness program encourages children to take part in community foot-races...by either running or walking the 5K distance. And each child age 6 to 12 who completes one community footrace - or each youth age 13 to 18 who completes two community footraces - receives free registration to The Great Race courtesy of Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield. After completing The Great Race (5K or 10K division), each youth receives a personalized certificate recognizing the achievement. Since this is not a competitive activity, everyone is a victor for simply taking on the challenge.

The August issue of the Regent Square Newsletter will have the map, application, and all the details of the race. Volunteers will be calling past volunteers in June/July. Interested in volunteering? E-mail gconvery@aol.com and put "Regent Square Volunteer" in the subject line. ■

There's a Jingle in the Air

Change for Change Fundraising Campaign

Center for Creative Play® (CFCP), in Regent Square, invites the entire community to participate in our *Change for Change* fundraising campaign. Over the past 10 years, the organization has changed the lives of hundreds of thousands of children and families in the Pittsburgh area by providing a fully inclusive, developmentally appropriate indoor playspace and programming. Now they need your help in changing their financial picture.

All donations collected through *Change for Change* go directly to supporting the playspace and to keeping admission prices low. Currently, CFCP charges \$5 for children and \$2.50 for adults, but the actual cost of admission is \$18!! Help make up these dollars by putting your "2-cents" (or more) in. Your generosity and your spare change will help them to start the next fiscal year in the black.

CFCP knows that your contributions will be weighty, so they have developed a plan! The person who brings in the most change (by weight) will win a One-year Family Membership (a \$100 value). If the winner is already a CFCP member, they will receive the entire Time to Sing!™ musical CD collection (a \$55 value). Take this opportunity to have some philanthropic family fun. Dig through the couch cushions, the floor of the car, and the laundry basket in search of stray coins, and plan a visit to CFCP where you can add your findings to the *Change for Change* coin collectors.

Change for Change gives you the opportunity to see your dollars at work ... and at play! ■

Put Your Butt Where It Belongs

New Cigarette Butt Receptacles in Regent Square Business District

Even though under most circumstances they would not consider littering, many cigarette smokers put out their butts on the sidewalk or throw them out their car's window. They don't realize that cigarette butts **are** litter!

While pruning the street trees in the

Regent Square business district, Ann Kelton, chair of the RSCA Tree Committee, noticed the many cigarette butts that litter the tree roots and the surrounding sidewalks and gutters. With funding from the RSCA, the Planning Committee of the RSCA Business Networking Group

consulted with the business community at large, then assembled and placed sand-filled cigarette butt receptacles at key locations in the business district. The adjacent business owners have agreed to regularly scoop out the butts with the scoopers provided along with the receptacles.

Special thanks go out to business owners Dino DeFlavio (of D's Dogz and McBroom's) and Kathy Cauley (of Katerbean and Murphy's) for putting this initiative into effect. It is now up to residents of and visitors to Regent Square to **put their butts in the right places!** ■



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