



MORNINGSIDE NEWS – March 2007

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FROM THE M.A.C.C.

In January, the M.A.C.C. hosted a planning retreat for area residents to obtain their input and ideas about what goals the organization should focus on in 2007 and beyond. Based on that feedback received, the M.A.C.C. Executive Committee prioritized those goals and restructured some committees. Below is a list of committees and the initiatives we hope to address in 2007. **If you have interest in participating on any of the committees, please contact one of our elected officers.** All residents are welcome to attend our meetings and participate in our committees.

Community Planning & Development

Chair: Matt Arena, President; Vice-Chair: Vacant

This committee will be the top priority for the M.A.C.C. leadership in 2007 mostly because it will be responsible for improving both relationships and coordination with Morningside Businesses as well as working with local officials and agencies in finding an alternative use for the elementary school. 2007 Agenda:

- Morningside School
- Business Relations
- Business District Recruitment / Improvement
- Heth's Run Project

Fund-raising, Chair: JoAnn Kline

This committee will focus on putting together a model for an annual fundraising campaign that can be replicated in future years. The fundraising goals will reflect the M.A.C.C.'s annual budget estimate. 2007 Agenda:

- Grant Requests
- Coordination w/ Elected Officials
- Foundation & Corporation Partnerships
- Newsletter Advertising

Communications

Newsletter: *Mary Ann Merranko*

Website: *John Santore, Brian Janaszek, & Anne McCafferty*

This committee will be primarily focused on supervising the overhauling and maintenance of the M.A.C.C.'s website and continuing circulation of the newsletter. 2007 Agenda:

- Website
- Newsletter
- Block Captain Coordination

Athletics, Chair: Vacant

Due to the significant impact the athletic organizations have on the community, this committee will be formed to ensure a healthy dialogue is maintained between the associations. The M.A.C.C. would like to assist the associations in their fund-raising efforts and lobbying city officials to ensure our facilities at Natoli Field meet our community's demand. Agenda:

- Natoli Field / Heth's Run Improvements
- Fund-raising assistance

Additionally, other committees will continue to operate in their current form. Those include: Membership, Public Safety, Youth/Special Events, Beautification, Housing, Education, Auditing, and Nomination. For contact information for those committees, please see the last page of the newsletter.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- Wed. March 7—M.A.C.C. Meeting—7:00 p.m.
- Sun. March 11—NEW DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS!
- Sun. March 25—St. Raphael's Annual Spring Bingo—Doors open 11:45 a.m.
- Wed. March 28—Meet the Easter Bunny-6:30

MEET THE EASTER BUNNY!

When: Wed. March 28, 2007; 6:30 —8:00 p.m.

Location: Morningside V.F.W. Banquet Hall

Ages: **ALL CHILDREN—13 and under.**

Register: You must register no later than March 23rd by calling 412-441-8475.

Photos: By Lisa Vento for a nominal fee.

ST. RAPHAEL'S 4th ANNUAL SPRING BINGO!

Sunday, March 25, 2007 at St. Raphael School, doors open 11:45 a.m. Tickets, \$25 in advance (\$30 at the door) 15 card package includes 20 regular games + 4 specials. For tickets or more information contact the Rectory at 412-661-3100 or Shani Love at 412-661-7569.

TAX SEASON!

Low income seniors can again get help filing their taxes for 2006:

Allegheny County ACORN

5907 Penn Avenue, Suite 300

Pittsburgh, PA 15206

paacornpiho@acorn.org

Phone: 412-441-6551

Fax: 412-441-6317

IRS—VITA Centers for 2007

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

4400 Forbes Ave.

Pittsburgh, PA 15213-4007

Monday, Thursday & Saturday

By Appointment only: 412-622-3113

Carnegie Library of Squirrel Hill

5810 Forbes Ave.

Pittsburgh, PA 15217-1601

By Appointment only: 412-422-9844

IT'S SO EASY!

**Tuesdays 6:00 PM
STARTS FEBRUARY 27**



**WINTER
WALKING PROGRAM**
WALK 1 to 5 miles INDOORS

**Stanton Heights
United Methodist Church**
Weight Watchers meetings on Wednesday
4721 Stanton Avenue – Side Entrance

Contact us: 412-654-5476
Lifecycles Unlimited

The Holidays and Football are Over. Let's get ready for summer!

**M.A.C.C. Meets at the Morningside V.F.W. Hall 1st Wednesday of Month @ 7:00 P.M.
2007 Dates: Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6**

Cris Tadesse
General Manager



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A member of Eat'n Park Hospitality Group

MASTROMATTEO MEMORIAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

A very successful spaghetti dinner was held on Sun Feb. 18 to raise funds for the family of our past president, **Sam Mastromatteo**. Our most sincere **thanks** goes out to all of you who so generously volunteered and contributed to the Mastromatteo Family Fund.



Raffle tickets to raise additional funds are still available for \$20.00. Only 1000 tickets will be sold and the winner will receive 50% from the total sales. The winning ticket will be based on the PA daily number drawn in the evening of April 30th, 2007. If all tickets are sold, \$10,000 will be raised for the *Mastromatteo Family Fund* and \$10,000 for the winner.



Thank you Eat'n Park!

M.A.C.C. thanks Cris Tadesse for her generous support of our community. One lucky resident wins a gift card by attending our monthly meetings. Please join us!

Morningside Dental **412-362-5677**
Wayne J. Decroo, DDS
1809 Jancey Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

- ▶ Emergency patients welcome
- ▶ Sedation available
- ▶ Free consultation for all dental needs
- ▶ Call today, prevention works!



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CONTACT INFORMATION

<p><u>M.A.C.C.</u> <i>President</i>, Matt Arena: 412-414-6006 or e-mail to matt.arena@verizon.net <i>Vice-President</i>, Joe Kramer: 412-363-5845 or e-mail to josephrkramer@yahoo.com <i>Secretary & Public Safety</i>, Corinne Antoszewski: 412-441-8475 or e-mail to corinatoz1234@aol.com <i>Treasurer/Newsletter Editor</i>, Mary Ann Merranko: 412-362-7407 (after 7:00 p.m.) or e-mail to maryamerran@aol.com</p> <p><i>Membership</i>: Leslie Kass: 412-441-7978 (see below) <i>Business Relations / Fundraising</i>, JoAnn Kline: 412-654-5476 or e-mail to: lifecycles_unlimted@verizon.net <i>Housing</i>, Grant Ervin: 412-362-0132 <i>Beautification</i>, Amy Ervin: 412-362-0132 <i>Nomination & Website</i>, John Santore: 412-361-7874 <i>Youth & Special Events</i>: Jo Ficorilli: 412-441-2979 & Kathleen Corcoran 412-362-2529</p>	<p><u>Elected Officials</u> Mayor Luke Ravenstahl: 412-255-2626 7th District City Councilman Len Bodack: 412-255-2140 <u>13th District Allegheny County Council</u> Brenda Frazier: 412-350-6585 At-Large, John De Fazio: 412-350-6516 At-Large, David Fawcett: 412-350-6520 21st District State Rep. Lisa Bennington: 412-361-2040 38th District State Senator Jim Ferlo: 412-621-3006 14th District U.S. Congressman Mike Doyle: 412-241-6055 U.S. Senator Arlen Specter: 202-224-4254 U.S. Senator Bob Casey, Jr: 202-224-6324</p>
<p><u>Municipal Services</u> Any City Services: 3-1-1 Building Inspections: 412-255-2175 Citiparks: 412-255-2539 Department of Public Works: 412-255-2790 Environmental Services: 412-255-2774 Forestry: 412-665-3625 Public Works: 412-255-LITE (5483) - 24 hr hotline to report a burnt out street/alley light</p>	
<p><u>Public Safety / Police</u> Police, Fire & Medical Emergencies: 9-1-1 Commander, Rashall Brackney: 412-665-3607</p>	
<p>Zone 5 Crime Prevention: Officer, Michael Gay: 412-665-3770</p>	

M.A.C.C. Membership Application

Please make checks payable to **M.A.C.C.** \$10.00 per family ___ \$5.00 singles ___

Mail check and form to: Name: _____
 Leslie Kass Address: _____
 1706 Jancey Street City, St, Zip: _____
 Pittsburgh, PA 15206 Phone: _____
 e-mail: _____