

Morningside Messenger

Spring 2016



Renew Your Membership for 2016

Year round, Morningside residents show their neighborliness by shoveling their walks or planting flowers to beautify their yards. We are fortunate to have so many residents who know how to be good neighbors and take pride in the community. That same community spirit mobilizes the Morningside Area Community Council (MACC) to action: to keep our streets clean and safe, our business district thriving, and our social calendars full. Won't you join us?

Every year, MACC coordinates a variety of neighborhood events including Trash Pick-up and Beautification days, an Easter egg hunt, the Morningside Mile race, Falloween, and Merry Morningside. Behind the scenes, MACC works to keep the lines of communication open with our city, state, and federal officials and advocates for business and community

development. Imagine what we might do if all residents were MACC members!

Please help us continue our work for the neighborhood in 2016 by joining MACC at any of the three levels of memberships:

Basic Membership: Still only \$5 per person. All monthly meetings and committee activities are open to the general public and membership is not a requirement for participation; however, only MACC members are entitled to vote in our annual elections and run for an elected office. MACC membership dues are applied to our annual operating budget. Your \$5 contribution is tax-deductible.

Plus Membership: \$25 per person. Membership at this level includes 10% off your order for one month plus a free coffee drink upsize all year long at the **Bookshelf Cafe** (1806 Chislett Street

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Phone: 412.363.2665) when you show your MACC Membership card and photo ID. Plus Members may deduct the entire \$25 donation.

Premiere Membership: \$50 per person. Membership at this level includes 10% off your order for one month plus a free coffee drink upsize all year long at the Bookshelf Cafe (1806 Chislett Street Phone: 412.363.2665) when you show your MACC card and photo ID, a Morningside t-shirt, free admission to the MACC Easter Egg Hunt and Falloween, and a \$5 discount when you register for the Morningside Yard Sale. With t-shirt, tax-deductible amount is \$35; without it, the entire \$50 is tax-deductible.

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To become a member, return this form to: Allison McLaren • 1222 Morningside Avenue • Pittsburgh, PA 15206
[OR renew and pay via Paypal at <http://morningside-pa.org/about-macc/membership>. We'll contact you for your shirt size.]

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ (Make checks payable to MACC)

for _____ Basic (\$5/person) _____ Plus (\$25/person) _____ Premiere Memberships (\$50/person)

For Premiere Memberships, indicate t-shirt size (supplies are limited): S M L XL XXL No shirt

Please allow 1-2 weeks to receive your membership card.



MORNINGSIDE ★ MILE



The 2016 Morningside Mile may be the last mile!

Over the past five years, the Morningside Mile has raised nearly \$30,000 and donated to charities such as Wounded Warrior Project, Gold Star Mothers, and Fisher House. A portion of the raised amount also benefits the Morningside Area Community Council to serve our community. We are proud to hold the sixth annual Morningside Mile this September – but, the race WILL NOT continue without your help!

Please VOLUNTEER!

Positions available include:

1. Sponsorship Coordinator
2. Social Media Coordinator
3. Race Assistant
4. Volunteer/Police Coordinator

(average time: 1 hour per week and attend monthly meetings)

HOW DO I VOLUNTEER?

To learn more about volunteering, email run.volunteers@morningside-pa.org or call 412.874.7440. Volunteer position descriptions can be found at

www.facebook.com/MorningsideMilePgh.

Don't wait, we are organizing now!



MACC 'n Cheese Bake-off

April 30th, 7:00 pm

Enjoy a great evening of music, drinks, and food as Morningside residents battle it out for the neighborhood's best mac and cheese!

Tickets are \$20 and include mac and cheese tastings, wings, beer, and music. Additional beverages available for purchase.

Held at the *Morningside VFW (1820 Morningside Avenue)*. Must be 21+ to attend. Proceeds benefit the Morningside Mile Honoring Those Who Serve.

To purchase tickets or for general information please contact: run@morningside-pa.org or (412) 874-7440.

M'side Meetups!

Come out and meet your neighbors in a casual, convenient setting. The first event was held at the Bulldog Pub on February 25th. Remaining 2016 dates include:

Saturday, April 9th 10am-12pm, Bookshelf Cafe

Thursday, July 28th 6:30-8:30pm, Bulldog Pub

Saturday, Nov. 5th 10am-12pm, Bookshelf Cafe

M'side Clean-up

April 23rd, 9:30am-12:30pm

The first of two annual Community Clean-up Events will be held Saturday, April 23. Individuals, families and community groups are encouraged to participate. Please contact the MACC Beautification and Greening Chair for more information.

Lisa Petrilli: (412) 450-8062 or lpetrilli911@gmail.com

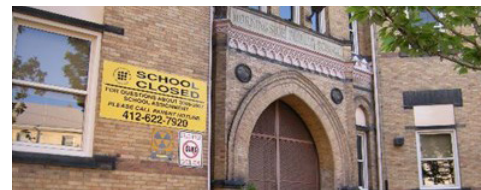
Calling All Tree Lovers!

Morningside will be submitting an application to TreeVitalize for the fall 2016 planting season. To request a tree for your yard or sidewalk, contact Lisa Petrilli or visit www.treevitalize.net.

In addition, we are always looking to add certified Tree Tenders to our community. Becoming a Tree Tender is easy and fun! Contact Lisa Petrilli or visit the Tree Pittsburgh website at www.treepittsburgh.org.

Lisa Petrilli: (412) 450-8062 or lpetrilli911@gmail.com

Morningside School Redevelopment Moves Forward



The a.m. Rodriguez Company, a development company based on the North Side, is applying to the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) for low-income housing tax credits to redevelop the Morningside School as senior apartments. If this is approved, the apartments will be available to those age 55 and older that meet defined income requirements (typically household incomes that are no more than 60% of the area median). As part of their application, a.m. Rodriguez is proposing to build a new space to relocate Morningside's Healthy Active Center from the Natoli fieldhouse. The proposed design also features a public plaza adjacent to the new Center at the corner of Jancey and Greenwood Streets.

The tax credit application to PHFA is due in early March and a determination will be made in June. The MACC will stay in contact with the developers and, should the tax credit be awarded and the redevelopment move forward, will inform the community about how to get on a preferred waiting list for Morningside residents in the fall newsletter and at MACC meetings later this year.

Shredding Event

May 21st, 9:00am - 12:00pm

Rep. Dom Costa will be having another Shredding Event at the *St. Raphael School Parking lot (1154 Chislett Street)*. This is a great opportunity to safely dispose of those important papers you no longer need. All documents are shredded on site.

For a list of acceptable items or further information, contact: Rep. Dom Costa's office at (412) 361-2040

Spring Happenings at the Senior Center

Visit the Morningside Healthy Active Living Center Monday-Friday 8-6pm! We provide lunch at noon with a suggested \$0.50 donation. Our center provides many activities and programs for all ages! Call **Jaime** or **Martha** at 412-665-4342 for more information.

Gentle Yoga (open to all ages!) Thursdays, 6:30-7:45 (starting March 3, 2016)
Morningside Healthy Active Living Ctr.
Call: (412) 665-4342 for details

Morningside Travel Upcoming Trips

May 2-4 Philadelphia & QVC \$385

July 8 Green Gables & Jennerstown Summer Theater for "Social Security" \$93

All trips are subject to change. Contact Venie Hans with questions 412-361-0285.

Spring Activities At St. Raphael's

Lenten Fish Fry: Fridays, Feb. 12-Mar. 18 (no Fish Fry on Good Friday, March 25)
4:30-7:00PM Eat in or take out. Baked or fried, sandwich or meal, choice of sides.
8th grade bake sale to help finance spring graduation trip.

Shamrock Shake: Saturday, March 5
5:30PM Gallagher Hall
Irish dinner, music, dancing, door prizes, instant bingo & more.
Adults \$15, Children \$8

Spring Bingo: Sunday, April 3
More details soon.

Save the Date for the annual **St. Raphael Bazaar: August 11-14**

More MACC Events

Mark your calendars for all the great events scheduled during the second half of 2016.

National Night Out: Aug 2nd

Morningside Mile: Sep 10th

Community Day: Sep 10th

MACC Bingo Night: Oct 1st

M'side Clean-up: Oct 15th

Falloween: Oct 22nd

Merry Morningside: Dec 11st

Meet the MACC

MACC meetings are held the *first Wednesday of every month at 7 pm at the Morningside VFW Hall*. Both members and non-members are encouraged and welcomed to attend.

MACC needs your help! Please share your time and talents with the neighborhood - even a few hours a year can make a big difference. Contact the MACC if you would like to learn about volunteer opportunities. All ages welcomed, community service hours available.

Morningside Sports

Interested in signing up for sports this spring? Want to know when you can support your favorite local team? Visit these websites for more information:

Morningside Baseball Association:
www.facebook.com/MSideBaseball

Morningside Vikings (football):
www.facebook.com/morningside.vikings

Morningside Cheerleading:
www.facebook.com/mside.cheerleading

Morningside Girls Softball:
<http://www.facebook.com/Morningside-Lady-Bulldogs-960561040648411/>



morningside area community council

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2016 COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Sat. June 25th and Sun., June 26th 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Finish your spring cleaning off right by selling your once-loved treasures at the Morningside Community Yard Sale. If you'd like to participate, please submit the form below **along with \$10 (payable to MACC) by June 10th.**

\$10 covers costs for advertising in the Trib Total Media (PennySaver & Tribune Review), Green Sheet and Craig's List; neighborhood posters for event, yard sale signs for participants, and neighborhood maps of participating homes (included when registration form is received by the June 10th deadline.)

For more information, contact Mike: (412) 760-0560, mr.mike.hellman@gmail.com

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2016 YARD SALE REGISTRATION FORM

Due by June 10th to: 1604 Jancey St. #1 • Include \$10 cash or check payable to MACC

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(contact info will not be shared outside of MACC)

Participating Saturday Sunday Both days