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- to encourage communication and collaboration among organizations,
- to foster leadership,
- to empower residents.
- to inspire community involvement, and
- to promote economic development and the general health, safety and welfare of all our residents and visitors.

BEECHVIEW GETTING CHILDREN'S LUNCH PROGRAM THIS SUMMER!

After a few years not having a location to host the free summer lunch program, the Beechview Area Concerned Citizens are happy to announce that they have worked with the Beechview Center's Director, Donna Rengers to provide a venue so that area youth can have a lunch meal on weekdays during the summer months. Thank you to the seniors for their partnership and sharing their facilities for this worth—while cause. Perhaps some caregivers or grandparents who are at least 60 years of age can enjoy lunch with the seniors while the children get a little social interaction and make new friends over the summer. Below are the details available at press time for the Summer Food Service Program and new to the Summit, the Senior Center May Lunch Menu (see inside) for your information.

WHERE: Beechview Senior Community Center at 1555 Broadway Avenue

WHEN: 11:30 to 12:30 Weekdays, dates to be announced Citiparks Summer Food Service Program provides healthy and delicious breakfasts, lunches and snacks to all children up to 18 years old as well as mentally disabled individuals up to 21 years old. No registration is necessary. For more Information call 412-244-3911.

This service is made possible by funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

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The Parade Is Coming...

By Lawrence Jones

The 78th South Hills Memorial Day Parade through the communities of Brookline. Dormont and Mt. Lebanon will be held on Monday, May 30, 2011. It starts at the canon in Brookline at 10:00 am and concludes at a service at noon at the cemetery in Mt. Lebanon. Pictures of the prior three parades can be viewed under the Photo Gallery tab at the parade's website at: http://

shmdp123.webs.com/.

Each year the parade is dedicated to a fallen hero who has died serving our country. This year, the parade is dedicated to Marine Sgt. Ryan H. Lane.

Ryan H. Lane was born in Pittsburgh on January 12th, 1984 to Kathy Hanley and



Harold Lane. Ryan was raised in Castle Shannon by his parents along with his three brothers.

Ryan enlisted in the Marine Corps on July 22, 2002 after graduating from Carrick High School. After basic training at Par-

ris Island, South Carolina, he received further training at Camp Geiger, North Carolina; Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii; Bali; the Philippines; and. Australia. Ryan then left for Afghanistan for a seven month deployment in the Khost province and meritoriously received the rank of Corporal. After reenlisting, Ryan returned to Parris Island to teach recruits on the rifle range as a Primary Marksmanship Instructor.

In August, 2004, Ryan marries his wife Valerie. Now "Sgt Lane", he reenlisted for a second time to defend our nation before being deployed to Afghanistan again with the 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion.

SPRING FLEA MARKET
SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2011
9 A.M.—3 P.M.
BEECHVIEW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1621 BROADWAY AVENUE
(LOWER LEVEL—USE SIDE DOOR)
Coffee & Donuts,
Kitchen open for lunch—haluski, pasta e fagioli soup,
Hot dogs.
CHINESE AUCTION

John Weinhold ~ In Memoriam 1929 - 2011

John D. Weinhold was a man of uncommon character. John had a voracious appetite for knowledge and his interests were many, but focused mainly on topics concerning industrial and transportation history. He was also a musician, circus performer, model railroad collector, and amateur astronomer. And he was a friend of Beechview.

A native of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, John was a retired highway designer for Penn-DOT. He graduated in 1955 from the Penn State Technical Institute in Allentown with an Associate's Degree in Electrical Engineering. John eventually settled in Pittsburgh and with his wife Betty lived in Beechview for many years.

John was a strong supporter for projects in which he truly believed. In 1956, he founded the group that ultimately established the Lake Shore Railway Historical Society Museum in Erie, PA. Here in Pittsburgh, he served at the Buhl Planetarium as an Astronomical Observatory volunteer and was a member of the organization known as the Friends of the Zeiss. This group advocated to preserve historic scientific instruments long associated with the Buhl, including the Zeiss II Planetarium Projector.



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He also was a member of the Allegheny County Transit Council (ACTC), a citizen's group advising the Port Authority of Allegheny County. He served as this group's Treasurer from 1984-1990.

Mostly, we will remember John as a powerful advocate for Beechview. He was a member of the Beechview Senior Community Center and represented that group at CLUB (Community Leaders United for Beechview) meetings. A member of the Friends of the Beechview Library, he attended RAD and Pittsburgh City Council meetings to speak on behalf of the Library when it was threatened with closure. His was a strong rational voice for the neighborhood on transportation issues at PAT and ACTC meetings.

Using his knowledge of city and county records, John contributed valuable information to the *Beechview* book (Arcadia Publishing) published in 2005. Also, unknown to many, John donated toward the flowers planted annually in the Monument Park at the corner of Shiras and Broadway.

John had a passion for doing it right. His passion and his voice are now silenced, but his deeds will not be forgotten.

Audrey lacone

John will be remembered at the Annual Memorial Service to be held at the Monument Parklet (Shiras and Broadway) on May 28, 2011 at 10:00.

Business

Looking for a good way to make a difference?

Support the community's newest initiative: The 3/50 Project

Several of your local community groups in Brookline and Beechview have decided to launch The 3/50 Project to encourage residents to think locally when making purchasing decisions. The concept is easy –

- **3** What three independently owned businesses would you miss if they disappeared? Stop in. Say hello. Pick up something at the business. Your purchases are what keeps those businesses around.
- 50 If half the employed population spent \$50 a month in locally owned independent businesses, it would generate more than \$42.6 billion in revenues nationally. Now, imagine if ¾ of the population did that.
- For every \$100 spent in locally owned businesses, \$68 returns to the community through taxes, payroll, and other expenditures. If youspend that in a national chain, only \$43 stays here. Spend it online and nothing comes home.
- 1 The number of people it takes to start the trend... you. Or a bunch of you.

Create challenges with your neighbors, encourage local spending habits, and look for future program incentives to get involved.

This project is a nationally respected program and is supporting local business districts all over the country! Let's see if the South Pittsburgh communities are up to the challenge to find ways to spend \$50 a month in either Brookline or Beechview - or both.

It's easier than you think! After all, stronger business districts often have a more positive impact on property values and growth for the neighborhood.

This initiative is supported by the following organizations:

Beechview Merchants Association, Brookline Area Concerned Citizens, Brookline Chamber of Commerce, Community Leaders United for Beechview.

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May Lunch Menus



Menus are subject to change

Served at all full-service Senior Interests Healthy Active Living Centers

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Cod w/ Honey Mustard Seasoning Scalloped Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes & Zucchini Multi-Grain Bread Oatmeal Raisin Cookies	3. Teriyaki Meatballs w/ Thin Gravy Broccoli Florets Rye Bread Wide Noodles Pineapple Cuts	4. Boneless Pork Loin w/ Peach Ginger Glaze Gourmet Potatoes French Cut Green Beans & Almonds Whole Wheat Bread Angel Food Cake Mixed Berries	Tuna & Noodle Casserole Tossed Salad w/ Light Italian Dressing Italian Green Beans French Bread Apple	6. Open Face Hot Turkey Sandwich Whipped Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Honey Wheat Bread Jelly Roll
Roast Beef w/Thin Gravy Whipped Horseradish Potatoes Vegetable Medley Grain Bread Apricots	10. Tuna Baby Pea Salad Italian Tomatoes Dinner Roll Cherry Gelatin & Fruit Cocktail Oatmeal-Raisin Cookie	Day Box Lunch B Hoagie Sandwich Sweet and Sour Cole Slaw Baby Carrots Orange	Chicken Leg & Thigh Broccoli Au Gratin Potatoes Honey Wheat Bread Sugar Cookies	13. Spaghetti & Meat Sauce Tossed Salad w/ Oil & Vinegar Dressing Italian Bread Banana
Roast Turkey Breast w/ Thin Gravy Baby Brussels Sprouts Dried Cranberries Grain Bread Rice Pilaf Sliced Pears	Pasta & Cheese Tossed Salad w/ Light Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing Italian Bread Apricots & Mandarin Oranges	18. Classic Meat Loaf w/ Thin Gravy Garlic Whipped Potatoes Carrot Coins Honey Wheat Bread Lime Gelatin	Roast Beef au Jus Scalloped Potatoes Broccoli Florets Dinner Rolls Peach Slices	20. Birthday Menu Honey Chicken Salad Overnight Slaw Basil Cherry Tomatoes Whole Wheat Bread Banana Crumb Cake w/ Whipped Cream
Boneless Pork Loin w/ Thin Gravy Vegetable Medley Dinner Roll Bowties & Basil Plums	24. Stuffed Pepper w/ Ground Beef Whipped Potatoes Italian Green Beans Grain Bread Pineapple Cuts	25. Cheese Tortellini In Pasta Sauce Spinach Salad w/ Light Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing Stewed Tomatoes & Green Beans Italian Bread Apricots	Salisbury Steak w/ Thin Gravy Herbed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Honey Wheat Bread White Cake w/ White Frosting & Mini-Chocolate Chips	Chef's Salad w/ Light Poppysed Dressing Mixed Greens Whole Wheat Bread Orange
30. MEMORIAL DAY CENTERS CLOSED Memorial Day	31. Lemon Pepper Cod Scalloped Potatoes Peas & Carrots Whole Wheat Bread Brownie			

Meals Funded by Allegheny County Department of Human Services/Area Agency on Aging *New Item

Seniors

The Senior Side

... by Reno

Dear Friends,

Due to the passing of Jay Dee the senior column will undergo some changes. The name will be the Senior Side and its writer will be Reno.

Last month the seniors enjoyed a trip to Heinz Hall and heard the Pittsburgh Symphony play Brahms. The experience was quite enjoyable. They also went to the Banjo Club to hear a completely different type of music. Between listening to the music and snacking on food, fun was not in short supply.

For those who like to try their luck at the casinos, the seniors go to the Rivers Casino once a month. The trip is usually on the third Wednesday of each month and it originates from the Beechview Senior Community Center at 1555 Broadway Avenue. We would love for you to join us for lunch at the center between 11:30 and noon and leave for the Rivers around 12:30pm. Transportation is furnished by OPT and requires 3 tickets each way. A book of 20 OPT Tickets costs \$5.45 if purchased by mail. The OPT Van leaves the Rivers Casino at 7:00 pm and takes you to your home or apartment. In the past, when we have had 15 or more people on the trip, the Rivers gave us \$10 on our card to gamble with and a \$5 coupon toward food, but know that this is subject to change. It's a great day trip out. Give it some thought!

Benefit Walk

A Walk on a Trail (benefits Childrens Hospital of Pittsburgh Foundation) ... by Pat Faloon

Sunday, May 22, 2011 Fee; \$15.00 Kids: \$10.00 Schenley Park, Oakland Pass Phipps to Circuit

Drive at Westinghouse Pond FREE street parking

- * A lovely, healthy walk through a pure nature setting. Not quite two miles. One hill going out and one coming back.
- *Treats from BURTON'S TOTAL PET plus free nail cilpping and ear cleaning from JOYCE/Kennel Room
- *Rainbow the Clown birthday party is one of the great raffle prizes
- *Participants receive "A Tale of a Trail," a book on Steve Faloon's remarkable life.
- *Plus a \$10.00 dollar gift card from SUBWAY and a mini logo towel.
- *Checks payable to : Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Foundation(Towards the Steve Faloon Fund for Bone Marrow Transplantion)

For entry form: www.GiveToChildrens.org/give

Steve Faloon was a remarkable and gifted young man who died at age 23 of aplastic anemia. This endowment supports the ongoing needs of the Bone Marrow Transplant Program. This walk has been organized since it's inception by Steve's mother, Pat Faloon.

For more information about Steve, visit http://www.post-gazette.com/pg/07116/781038-155.stm.

Library

Programs for May 2011

Coffee and Computers

If you need extra computer help, call and make an appointment:

412-563-2900

Tuesdays

10:00 - 11:00 AM

After School Art Club

For Pre-K – Teen Tuesdays, May 3 and 17 3:30 – 5:00 PM

Cinco de Mayo Fiesta

Come celebrate this Mexican holiday with food, crafts, and fun!
School age children
Thursday, May 5
5:30-6:30 PM

Arbor Day Celebration: Gardening for Kids!

School age children Registration limited, so sign up soon! Saturday, May 7th 1 PM

Gaming at the Library

Come enjoy Wii gaming at the Library K-Teen Saturday, May 14th 12 PM

Quilters on Broadway

For all experience levels Mondays, May 2 and 16 10:30 AM – 12:00

Make Your Own Recycled Paper

Come and participate in our greenfriendly craft Registration limited, so sign up soon! Thursday, May 19th 5:30-6:45 PM

Annual Friends' Book and Flower Sale

Books, Flowers, and Raffles Flowers were pre-ordered, but there will be a nice selection of extras from which to chose Saturday, May 21 10:00 – 4:00

Senior Adult PALS Book Club

Shanghai Girls by Lisa See Register and copies of the book will be provided Thursday, May 26 12:00 – 1:30 PM

Intergenerational PALS Book Club

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman Register and copies of the book will be provided Pizza and beverages will be served 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Beechview Writers' Workshop

Saturday, May 28 2:00 – 4:00 PM



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Beechview IGA

Thank you to the over 150 people who joined me and the folks from IGA on Wednesday, April 6th to hear about the progress of the IGA Market on Broadway. As you likely heard, the targeted opening date is this fall. For those of you who made it to the meeting, you were able see that the entire building has been gutted and that work on the plumbing and electrical systems is going on now.

During the meeting, the IGA folks distributed a questionnaire to find out what drives residents choices in purchasing groceries now and to ask what items that residents would want to see stocked by the IGA. If you did not have the opportunity to complete one, or were unable to attend, you can still complete and submit the questionnaire. There is an online version of it available on my website at

www.senatorfontana.com. When you click submit, it is automatically sent to IGA.

There are lots of good things happening with the store and it is my hope that those things lead to more good things for the Beechview business district. The IGA Market on Broadway has its own Facebook page where pictures and further updates will be posted. As has been my practice, I will continue to keep you updated on the progress of the store through my e-newsletter, News & Views, as well as through articles in the Summit. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with your thoughts, questions and concerns. I look forward to hearing from you.

Senator Wayne D. Fontana 42nd Senatorial District www.senatorfontana.com

Proposed PA Budget

Governor Corbett's proposed budget has been much talked about since it was unveiled in March, but community members may still be wondering how it could affect them.

First, it is important to understand that the budget as proposed is likely to see many changes before it is enacted. The Governor's proposal is essentially a starting point for negotiations with the House and Senate. However, with both houses of the legislature and the governorship under control of the same party, the proposed budget could be closer to what is enacted than we have seen in a number of years.

The governor has sought to portray his proposal as a "no tax increase" budget. This would be true in the sense that no taxes levied by the state would rise. However, given the significant funding cuts proposed to public education, school districts could be left with little choice but to raise taxes.

Under the governor's proposal, funding for the Pittsburgh Public Schools is slated to be cut by 19.5 percent. That amounts to more than \$1,200 less per student than last year. Funding streams from which PPS has greatly benefitted would be eliminated: The Accountability Block Grant, which supports early childhood education (\$5.4 million last year), the Education Assistance Program, which provides tutoring for struggling students (\$2.5 million last year), and School Improvement Grants (\$1.3 million last year).

Reimbursements for a portion of costs of students attending charter schools would also be eliminat-

ed, which would amount to a cut of more than \$9 million for the district. The proposal also would reduce the amount of district employees' Social Security paid by the state, adding costs for the district.

The inequity between districts with significant poverty and affluent districts in this proposal is shocking. With much of the federal stimulus funding of last year directed to districts with high poverty, state funds were actually shifted away from these districts to hold the line for everyone. As the stimulus ends, state funding levels would return to normal under the funding formula used for the past several years. But the governor's budget abandons this formula and uses last year's state spending as a baseline. Consequently, PPS and other districts that received significant federal funds essentially are cut twice in this proposal.

I commend the PPS administration and board for being proactive in seeking cost-saving measures. While we have managed to give modest increases to schools despite the difficult budgetary climate of the past few years, it is clear that the governor and the new legislative majority will insist on cuts. But there is no question that cuts at the level proposed would be devastating for the district, causing property tax increases, a decline in the quality of education, or both. Either way, our district could find it much more difficult to retain and attract students and residents.

The governor's proposal jeopardizes our district while ignoring common sense revenue options like a reasonable tax on gas drilling, taxes on smokeless tobacco, or closing corporate tax loopholes. I will be working over the coming weeks to promote an equitable budget that restores funding and protects our students and homeowners.

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Spring Cleanup is upon us: Keep your Neighborhood Clean By City Councilmember Natalia Rudiak

The temperatures are slowly rising, and the snow is slowly melting, and as our community shakes off the bitter cold winter we need to prepare for a beautiful and sunny spring and summer. Frequently, my staff and I go out across the district with our notepads and phones at the ready, reporting potholes, litter, buckled sidewalks, and abandoned cars to try to keep our neighborhood clean. What we see are great communities that need to be picked up after a long winter!

We need your help, too. When you are out in the neighborhood, please take notice of fallen tree limbs, downed power lines, potholes, buckled sidewalks, trash, and any other eye sore and call it in to our office or 311 so we can help keep our neighborhood clean! To call 311, just pick up any landline in the City and dial 3-1-1.

But, as we all know, there are some properties that continue to be problems time and time again. The City of Pittsburgh has a disruptive properties ordinance that allows these properties to be charged increased fees every time a public safety or code enforcement official is called out to their property. In order for a property to be considered "disruptive" it must have had either the police, animal control, BBI or environmental services write a citation to the property owner or occupant three times in a 180 day period. If that occurs, the Public Safety Director may designate the property as disruptive at his discretion.

If you are having issues with a disruptive property, please call my office first, as we keep track of these properties and monitor them across the District. But you should also call 311 to report any non-emergency code violations from the property, or 911 for any problem that requires the police, fire, or the paramedics. And remember, a clean and vibrant neighborhood requires committed and diligent neighbors that work together to solve problems.

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to call my office at (412) 255-2131.

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