

MPNA News

The Melrose Park Neighbors Association

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From MPNA President – Andy Rudin
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The Impact of Cheltenham & La Mott PA on American History

A Conference of Historic Importance

Save the Dates: February 10 – 12, 2006
Mark the Location: Tyler School of Art Elkins Park, PA

- **Hear** educators, writers and historians discuss the area
- **Discover** facts about what may be America's most historic area
- **Learn** how this area shaped America
- **Understand** the far reaching impact of the Camp William Penn Regiments
- **Meet** other educators, writers, historians and residents of the area

Conference Details:

Registration fees, Conference-at-a glance, Presenters, Travel
Directions will be released in subsequent Advance Program releases.

Who Should Plan to Attend

Educators of all levels; Students of History; Government officials, TV,
radio and cable broadcasters; Media reporters; History buffs of all ages;
Anyone involved in genealogic research.

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A letter from Albert Fried-Cassorla

Dear Andy,

This article (see link) might interest our neighbors. I don't think kids will ever play baseball, football, stickball and basketball in the streets the way we did as kids. But its something we might encourage. So I wrote the following mini-article. Let me know what you think, when you get a chance. Thanks.

Elkins Park Neighbors Association

**The next zoning hearing will be held on
Thursday, February 2, 7:30
in Curtis Hall**

Testimony

A representative from the church will be testifying.

Perhaps he will be able to answer questions which the experts could not, such as:

1. Why were the number of classrooms was changed from 22 to 11?
2. Why were many of the room names changed?
3. Does their membership consist of 900 individuals, couples, or households?

Do your children play outdoors in our neighborhood?

Most kids today play indoors in organized sports, as opposed to playing in the streets or nearby ball courts and fields. Yet playing outdoors correlates positively with childhood health. See the link below to a relevant article.

<http://www.personalmd.com/news.jsp?nid=529954>

Your MPNA Board would like to know:

- Do your children play outdoors?
- If so, where, when, and what types of sports?
- Is the safety of our neighborhood one of the things that makes you feel good about allowing them to play outdoors?

What changes might make you more willing to encourage your kids to play outdoors?

Please send your thoughts and comments, and we will make them a part of our newsletter. Thank you!

Hi Andy

Please put this in the next Melrose Neighbors newsletter.

I am proud and happy to report that we have secured the funds to build the new CURTIS DOG PARK at the lower meadow of Curtis Arboretum!! We hope to begin construction in the spring - but we NEED YOUR HELP!! Hands are needed to plant, dig, build with other volunteers and professional fencing contractors. Please come to our next meeting at ELKINS PARK LIBRARY, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH 7PM to see how you can help. What a wonderful place this will be in our township!

Curtis Dog Park Committee presents...

THE 1ST ANNUAL CHELTENHAM DOG WALK! SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH 10 am to NOON

along Tookany Parkway, from Central Ave to the Pond and back. Everyone is welcome. Cost is \$10 for each dog/walker before April 1st. \$15 day of the walk. Fill out the PREGRISTRATION FORM and sent it in with your contribution before April 1st and save \$5. Form will be available on our web site www.curtisdogpark.org or in any township library after March 1st.

Thanks!

Diane Kolb

World Fair Day

Andy:

I just got Vol. 2 No 17 of MPNA News.

Please make a note that in the next news letter [No 18, I imagine] you should indicate that World Fair Day has been indefinitely postponed.

The best explanation, as far as I can determine, is that it became a victim of school district budget constraints, for this school year.

I will keep you posted with any updates.

Gene Silver

This Newsletter

If you have any suggestions for items for this newsletter, feel free to email them to me at andrewrudin@earthlink.net.

MPNA memberships

Membership in MPNA helps pay for plantings, signage, and many other things. Annual dues are \$10 per individual, \$20 per family. Send your contribution to MPNA Board member Jim Muldoon, 106 Parkview Road, Cheltenham, PA 19012.

MPNA Board

Members of the MPNA Board are Andrew Rudin, Phil Kates, Gene Silver, Michael Shectman, Jim Muldoon and Albert Fried-Cassorla. If you are interested in helping out with MPNA, please email me at andrewrudin@earthlink.net. This newsletter is available or will be soon, maybe with photos, on our website – www.melroseparkneighbors.org