

MPNA News

The Melrose Park Neighbors Association

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From MPNA President – Andy Rudin

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Help with our email list

A virus hit my computer and zapped the MPNA mailing list. I have been able to restore it somewhat. I never sent out the list of people who receive this email newsletter. The newsletter is sent blind to the recipients, so I too have no record of the recipients in the sent mail file. You can be of great help in reconstructing our network, even making it better, if you could tell your neighbors that they are welcome on this list. Just have them email me.

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From Bill Mettler, about Community and Gardening

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

Cheltenham Township, through the Environmental Advisory Committee is preparing to become a Transition Town--A town that is resilient with low-energy demand and prepared to respond to the large changes brought about by economic instability, Peak Oil and Climate Change.

Creating Family & Community Gardens is a Transition event for presenting the opportunity to our friends and neighbors to grow their own vegetables and fruit organically in their yards, vacant lots or approved community-held land.

You're Invited: citizens of Cheltenham Township and citizen-leaders from our adjacent Philadelphia neighborhoods: West Oak Lane, East Oak Lane, Cedarbrook, Lawncrest and Ryers. Also representatives from Abington and Springfield Townships.

Where: LaMott Community Center, 7420 Sycamore Avenue LaMott, PA 19027

When: Thursday, April 30, 7-9 PM The last evening in April--seed planting time.

What's Happening:

The Power of Community a riveting film about how Cuba saved itself with family and community gardens after losing their oil supply when the Soviet Union crumbled.

Gardeners from: LaMott, Wyncote, PA Horticultural Society will tell us their stories about gardening how to prepare the soil and plant.

There will be resources and support for beginning gardeners.

Come join us--we'll grow our own delicious healthy food!

Information: call Bill Mettler 215 885 8825 or email wmmettler3@aol.com

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Noisy motorcycles

Now that spring has sprung, motorcycles have hatched again, and they are noisier than ever. The worst seem to be Harley Davidson cycles, with the higher-pitched crotch-rockets not far behind. (My nephew is an emergency room trauma surgeon and calls them “donor-cycles.” I hear them mostly on Cheltenham Avenue. Do any of you have similar dislike for this needless noise? Philadelphia’s noise ordinance is described at

[http://wiki.answers.com/Q/What is the noise ordinance for the city of Philadelphia PA](http://wiki.answers.com/Q/What_is_the_noise_ordinance_for_the_city_of_Philadelphia_PA) MPNA

Donations Needed for Used Book Sales at the EP Library

Pickup Available – Just call 215-635-5000.

WANTED - CD's Video Tapes, Audio Tapes, Vintage Magazines, Comic Books, Software, LP Phonograph Records & ALL KINDS OF BOOKS.

NOT WANTED - Reader's Digest Condensed Books, Old Textbooks & Law Books, Scratched Phonograph Records, Older Encyclopedias, Underlined or Highlighted Books, Partial Sets of Reference Books, Moldy, Water-damaged Books.

All donations of books, videos & CDs are tax-deductible. The dates for the coming book sales are:
May 16-17, with very low price bag sales June 5 – 17, 2009

- Fri 7-9pm, Sat 10-3:30, Sun 1-3:30, Mon, Wed 4-8, Tue 4-6
- 15,000 books; 99% donated; 50% hardcover; sorted; records, audio tapes, videos, CDs DVDs, software, puzzles, games, postcards, maps, other ephemera & magazines
- Week 1: Half price; week 2: Bag Sale (Bring your own grocery store bags - \$5/bag) MPNA

This Newsletter

If you have any suggestions for items for this newsletter, feel free to email them to me at

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MPNA memberships

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

MPNA Board

Members of the MPNA Board are Andrew Rudin, Phil Kates, 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 on our website –

www.melroseparkneighbors.org MPNA

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