

MPNA News

The Melrose Park Neighbors Association

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From MPNA President – Andy Rudin

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Melrose Park Neighbors Meeting

There will be a public meeting of the Melrose Park Neighbors Association on Monday evening, October 22, 2007 at 7pm at the Elkins Park Library in the Community Room. We have invited the two candidates for Ward 5 commissioner – Tom Carboni and Mike Swavola. I will moderate the discussion. We ask that you email (andrewrudin@earthlink.net), fax (215-635-1903) or mail me (7217 Oak Avenue, 19027) questions for the candidates. You don't have to be an MPNA member to attend. Some good questions have already come in.

Tookany Tacony Frankford Watershed Partnership

The TTF Watershed Partnership is back in business. See their website www.ttfwatershed.org/ for a list of activities planned for the fall. For example:

September 15: Stream Clean-Up in Montgomery County

On Saturday, September 15th volunteers of all ages from every continent will form the largest one-day volunteer event on behalf of clean oceans and waterways — **Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup**. In partnership with PA Cleanways, TTF and the Montgomery County Conservation District (MCCD) will host a stream cleanup day in Montgomery County.

Contact TTF: Sarah RobbGrieco at 215-208.1613, or visit 2Hwww.ttfwatershed.org

Contact MCCD: Susan Harris at 610-489-4506 (x19), or visit 3Hwww.montgomeryconservation.org

September 29: Concert for Clean Energy

The Quiet Riot will use physical comedy, storytelling, sound effects, music and audience interaction in a performance to launch the Cheltenham Environmental Advisory Council initiative: "**Cheltenham: A Green All-Solar Township within 10 Years**" **When:** Saturday evening, September 29th, 7 PM - 9 PM

Where: Cheltenham High School theater

Fee: donation for on-going All-Solar Township campaign (performance donated to Township)

Contact: Bill Mettler 215 885 8936 or wmmettler3@aol.com

Quiet Riot: www.quietriot.org 4H<http://www.quietriot.org>

October 6: Tree Planting in Cheltenham Township

Fifty volunteers are needed to plant native trees and shrubs within the newly created riparian buffer. Food and drink for the volunteers will be provided.

When: Saturday, October 6th between 9AM and 3PM

Where: Richard Wall Park in Elkins Park

Contact: 5Hwww.cheltenhamtownship.org/living/volunteering.htm

October 27: Another Tree Planting in Cheltenham Township

When: Saturday, October 27th between 9AM and 3PM

Where: Ralph Morgan Park in Wyncote

Contact: 7Hwww.cheltenhamtownship.org/living/volunteering.htm

Fall Activities by the Township

Cheltenham Concerts in the Park

AUGUST 5 (Tomorrow evening)

Time for Three - *Bluegrass, Jazz/Swing*

AUGUST 19

Zydeco-A-Go-Go - *Mardi Gras dance music*

The Cheltenham Concerts in the Park are held on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. at the beautiful, 45-acre Curtis Arboretum, located at Church Rd. & Greenwood Ave. in Wyncote. More [directions](#) are available. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs and picnic supper to enjoy this family entertainment. (Sorry, no alcohol is permitted.) In case of rain, the concerts will be held inside Curtis Hall. For more information, contact the [Cheltenham Township Parks and Recreation Dept.](#) at 215-887-1000, ext. 227.

Community Market Day – September 8

Potential treasures await at the 24th Annual Market Day on Saturday, September 8, on the grounds of the Richard Wall House Museum, located off Church Road, 1/10 mile west of Old York Road in Elkins Park. The event, which will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., will feature collectibles, antiques, jewelry, toys, crafts and other items for sale. Admission and parking are free; food, ice cream and beverages will be available.

Glenside Street Fair – September 15 (rain date 16)

More than 60 talented artists and crafters will offer jewelry, paintings, woodworking, apparel, candles, garden ornaments and other wares at the Sixth Annual Glenside Street Fair slated for Saturday, September 15, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, September 16.

Community Harvest Festival – October 13

The 17th Annual Cheltenham Community Harvest Festival promises fun for all ages with a lineup of exciting events on Saturday, October 13 (rain date Sunday, October 14). As always, the setting for the festival is beautiful Curtis Arboretum, located on Church Road and Greenwood Avenue in Wyncote ([directions](#)). The fun starts at noon and wraps up after dark with a *grand fireworks finale!* As usual, entertainment takes center stage throughout the day with several live performers and other festival highlights include:

- haunted hayrides through the arboretum with spooky surprises ([Create a "scene" for the hayrides and win prizes!](#))
- a craft fair featuring great buys for holiday shopping ([Crafters Wanted](#))
- over a dozen gigantic inflatable amusements
- wacky arcade-style games where youngsters win fun prizes
- a delicious food court offering tempting treats, such as barbecued ribs, funnel cakes, ice cream and candy apples
- face painting, pumpkin decorating and other delights.

Admission to the Community Harvest Festival is free, and plenty of on-site parking is available. The rain date is Sunday, October 14.

Candlelight Tour of the Richard Wall House Museum

On Sunday, October 21, daring visitors can meet the “spirits” of notables from local history, such as Jay Cooke, Mrs. Langsdorf, and William Welsh Harrison, during a candlelight tour of the historic Richard Wall House Museum, which is dated at 1682 and listed on the National Registers of Historic Places. The Cheltenham Township Historical Commission will sponsor this free event from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the museum, located at 1 Wall Park Drive off Church Road just 1/10 mile west of Old York Road (Rte. 611) in Elkins Park. For more information, call 215-887-9159.

A play by Albert Fried-Cassorla

“Info-Boy!” play at Cheltenham Art Center August 17, 18, 24 and 25. Melrose Park Neighbors Association board member Albert Fried-Cassorla invites you to attend his comedy-drama, info-Boy! It is about a man who invents depression-curing glasses and who promotes them through infomercials. Meanwhile, his daughter and girlfriend need attention and investors want profits. Do BluesBusters work? You decide and even get to keep your very own pair! This play will be directed by the talented Josh L. Hitchens. It will be presented at Cheltenham Art Center 439 Ashbourne Road, Cheltenham, PA 19012 on August 17, 18, 24 and 25. For more information, visit <http://www.fried-cas.com/creative> and click on Plays. To reserve, call 215-635-5189 or e-mail: info@fried-cas.com

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:

September 28-30, 2007

October 26-28, 2007

November 30 - December 2, 2007

January 18-20, 2008

February 22-24, 2008

March 28-30, 2008

April 25-27, 2008

May 30-31, 2008

June 13-26, 2008 (liquidation sales)

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 household. Send your contribution to MPNA Board member Jim Muldoon, 106 Parkview Road, Cheltenham, PA 19012. The membership cycle is the calendar year.

MPNA Board

Members of the MPNA Board are Andrew Rudin, Phil Kates, Gene Silver, Michael Sheckman, 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

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