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Parks (not Houses) in the Plans for Hays Woods

By Matt Peters
HI, Urban Ag Team Chair

Holy Angels church was packed on the night that Corey O'Connor held a public meeting to discuss plans for Hays Woods, the forested mountain across the river from our neighborhood. He opened the meeting with the announcement that all were hoping to hear, "There will be no housing development in Hays Woods."

The parcel of land encompassing some 660 acres was bought by the URA from the private developer Chuck Betters, on the 250th anniversary of the city's charter, and was hyped as the largest new park in the city—a land acquisition unparalleled since Sarah Frick bequeathed her family's land to become Frick Park in 1919. A proposal to carve out some 90 acres from the deepest part of the forest to develop high-end luxury homes, an idea apparently favoured by then-chair of the URA Kevin Acklin and Mayor Bill Peduto, was met with immediate and vociferous opposition, and spurred the formation of a citizens' group, Friends of Hays Woods. To his credit, Mayor Peduto handled the controversy in a most democratic way, appointing City Councilman Corey O'Connor and former mayor Tom Murphy to create a multi-neighborhood committee that included neighboring townships Baldwin and West Homestead, which border the forested area, to examine the proposals and come up with some recommendations. Hazelwood was represented by Sonya Tilghman, executive director of Hazelwood Initiative. This committee determined that the land should remain undeveloped in its entirety, which means the forest habitat will remain protected in perpetuity.

View of Hazelwood Green from Hays Woods. (Photo from friendsofhayswoods.org)

There are several stages to the land becoming an official part of the city's park system, the next one being the completion of transferring ownership from the URA to the city. From there, it will probably first become part of the Greenways system, which is a more "passive" management approach than that used for actual parks like Frick or Schenley. The vision for Hays is to maintain it as basically a wild area, with minimal development of trails and facilities in the most non-invasive way possible. A master plan will be developed, encompassing management issues such as removing non-native invasive species, cleaning up past illegal dumping, and striving to minimize impacts from enthusiastic mountain-bikers who tend to develop extensive trails that can have devastating impacts on soils and sensitive forest habitat.

The forest is famous for a nesting pair of Bald Eagles that took up residence near the Glenwood Bridge in 2014. The forest is also

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Hazelwood Green Opening Allows for Additional Commuting Options

Ribbon cutting. (Photographed by Annie O'Neill, courtesy Almono LLC, 2019)

By Remake Group

On Monday, April 1st 2019 Blair Street and the Hazelwood Trail were opened up to the public, creating accessibility to the Hazelwood Green site and the Eliza Furnace Trail for the first time in over a century. Blair Street, which enters the site from Second Avenue, runs north/south, and connects to Hazelwood Avenue. Jake Wheatley and Corey O'Connor attended the opening, as well as and Sonya Tilghman of Hazelwood Initiative and many other participating parties. Tilghman stated, "The opening of Blair Street and the Hazelwood Trail mark the first time that the community has had access to this area of Hazelwood since before the days of the steel mills. The community is watching the development of Hazelwood Green closely to see how the site's growth will impact the neighborhood. This addition is safe, welcoming, and connected transportation pathways not only reknits the neighborhood to the site and to downtown Pittsburgh, but it provides access to recreation and the opportunity for the public to get close to and enjoy beautiful views of the city and river once blocked by industry." The Hazelwood Green is still under construction, so there are important safety protocols that users of the road and trail should be made aware of, which are listed later on.

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Our Mission Statement

The mission of the Hazelwood Initiative, as a community based development corporation, is to build a stronger Hazelwood through inclusive community development.

Preserving 63 Affordable Units Purchase: Specifics on Schedule and Funding

By David Brewton
HI, Director of Real Estate

Last month, Hazelwood Initiative (HI) announced that an agreement was reached with property owner David Cunningham to purchase 63 rental housing units in order to make those units permanently affordable to low- and moderate-income households.

In order to make it possible for Hazelwood Initiative to undertake a deal of this size (63 units), Dave Cunningham is giving us two-and-a-half years to complete the purchase of the units in three phases. HI will purchase 22 units this Fall, 22 units next Fall, and the rest in the Fall of 2021. This timing gives HI the time we need to raise the funds and to hire the necessary staff to undertake this important deal - a key piece of the community's goal of "development without displacement."

During the 30 months we have to complete the purchase, Mr. Cunningham will be making a short-term interest-only loan to Hazelwood Initiative, and HI will request funding (grants and/ordeferred-payment loans) from the URA, foundations, and other funding agencies that support affordable housing. Once the final phase of the purchase is complete, HI will repay all of the "pre-acquisition" loans, as required, by taking out a mortgage from either a local bank or non-profit lender to support on-going management and maintenance of the properties. Once we enter into this operations phase, our goal is that no more than 60% of the money will be a loan and the remaining 40% will come in the form of grants or deferred-payment loan.

We cannot reveal the purchase price of the units at this point because we do not want to contribute to speculation over property values in Hazelwood. *Once we complete the purchase of Phase 1, the price we pay will become public information*. We will also be able to be more transparent about the sources of funding, to the extent allowed by funders (some foundations prefer to give anonymously or to not disclose the amount of their grant).

We will continue to provide periodic updates as the acquisitions progress. Please feel free to call our office, check our social media or web-site, and/or attend our monthly meetings for additional information.

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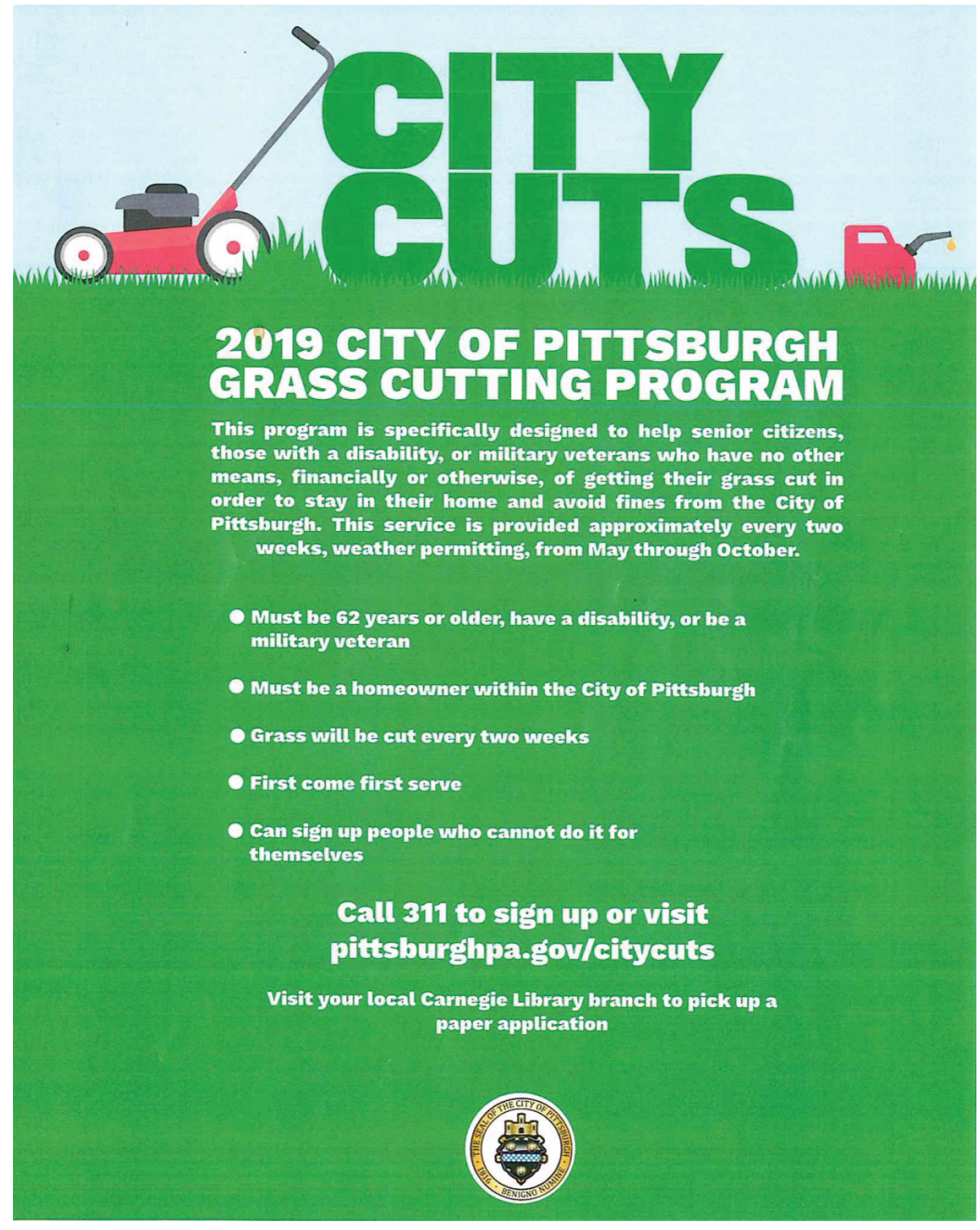

Community Houses of Worship

St. Stephen Parish
5115 Second Avenue
412-421-9210

Church of the Good Shepherd Episcopal
2nd & Johnston Avenues
Rev. Huett Fleming 412-421-8497

Keystone Church of Hazelwood
161 Hazelwood Avenue
Rev. Tim Smith 412-521-3468

First Hungarian Reformed Church of Pittsburgh
221 Johnston Avenue
Rev. Ilona Komjathy 412-421-0279

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
5319 Second Avenue
Rev. Susan Schwartz 412-521-0844

Hazelwood Christian Church
118 Glen Caladh St. 412-421-9908

Morningstar Baptist Church
5524 Second Avenue
Rev. Malachi Smith 412-421-6269

St. John The Evangelist Baptist
4537 Chatsworth Avenue
412-521-0994

Greater Pittsburgh Fountain of Life
247 Johnston Avenue
Bishop Gerald Loyd 412-422-8794

St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Rite Church
506 Saline Street 412-421-0243

St. Rosalia's Catholic Church
411 Greenfield Avenue
Rev. Joseph Reschick 412-421-5766

Squirrel Hill Christian Church
290 Bigelow Street 412-521-2447

Holy Angels Parish
408 Baldwin Road
Rev. Robert J. Ahlin 412-461-6906

Warriors of Holiness in Power (W.H.I.P. Ministries)
1174 Mifflin Road
412-461-5572
Pastor James and
Apostle Denise Samuel
www.whipministries.com

Praise Temple Deliverance Church
5400 Glenwood Avenue
Pastor Dennis Curri 412-422-1637

Mary S. Brown – Ames United Methodist Church
3424 Beechwood Blvd.
412-421-4331

What's Up?

Community Notices for Greenfield, Hays, Hazelwood, New Homestead and Lincoln Place

Greenfield Presbyterian Church

Is on the move!
Call 412-223-7863 or email greenfieldpc@gmail.com for our schedule.

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Hazelwood Christian Church

Committed to God's Word in Christ, and God's Word in Scripture

118 Glen Caladh Street
412-421-9908

Service Schedule
Sunday School - 9:00 AM
Worship - 10:00 AM
Wednesday Night Bible Study - 7:00 PM
Visit our Website:
www.hccpittsburgh.com

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St. John the Evangelist Baptist Church

4537 Chatsworth Avenue

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"Just For Today" Nar-Anon Meeting

For family and friends whose loved ones suffer from Drug Addiction. Wednesdays at 6:30 PM, First Hungarian Reformed Church, Calvin Hall. Contact Cindy 412-421-7076.

New Life Church of God

Bringing new life to all walks of life

1120 Greenfield Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15217
(412) 421-7101 Office

Pastor Mark K. Richardson
E-mail: newlifechurchofgod@verizon.net
Web: www.nlcogpgh.com

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

EPICS Classes ..... Sunday, 9:00 AM-10:00 AM
Sunday Service ..... Sunday, 10:30 AM
Noonday
Prayer Meeting ..... Wednesday, 12:00-1:00 PM
Celebrate Recovery..... Friday, 7:00 PM

For New Believers and those who want a tune-up:

Next Step Discipleship
"Giving Direction To New Believers"
www.nextstepdiscipleship.org

Text: NEXT **To:** 96362

Mary S. Brown–Ames United Methodist Church

3424 Beechwood Boulevard
Jeffrey Lukacs, Pastor
"The church with the bright red fence"
Sunday Service 10:30 AM
Bible Study every Thursday: 7:30 PM
www.brightredfence.org

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New Light Congregation

A Conservative Jewish Congregation

5915 Beacon St,
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-421-1017
Friday Evening - 7:30 PM
Followed by Oneg Shabbat
Saturday Morning - 9:45 AM
Followed by Kiddish
Sunday Minyan - 9:15 AM - Held after Sukkot through the Sunday of April

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Hazelwood YMCA Food Pantry

Located at St. Stephen's School
134 E. Elizabeth St. • 412-421-5648
You must bring a Photo ID every pick up!

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Mansmann Foundation and Hazelwood Initiative's

Peer-To-Peer Mentoring Pod for Small Business Owners

3rd Monday of every month at 5:30-7:30 PM at the PAYCE office (located beneath the Hazelwood Carnegie Library - please use the Library entrance)

Please contact us for details at:
smallbusiness@mansmannfoundation.org
Call 412-733-6192 or visit our website:
www.mansmannfoundation.org

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Interest-Free Loans for Large Expenses

Hebrew Free Loan, a nonprofit based in Greenfield that offers 0% interest loans up to $10,000 on a nonsectarian basis.

Loans are for large expenses including home repair, car purchase or repair, tuition, small business, medical or dental expenses, credit card consolidation, and fertility/adoption. Find more information at *hflapgh.org* or by calling 412-422-8868.

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St. Stephen Parish

5115 Second Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-421-9210

email: saintstephen@verizon.net
http://www.ststephen-hazelwood.org/
Fr. Daniel L. Walsh, C.S.Sp
Deacon Thomas Berna

Parish Office Hours
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Monday thru Thursday
Phone: (412) 421-9210

Religious Education Office
Phone: (412) 421-4748
Sunday ONLY - preK-8)
St. Stephen Pastoral Center/Spartan Center
134 E. Elizabeth Street
rose.velgich@ststephen-hazelwood.org

Weekend Mass Times
Sunday 9:30 AM
Confessions: Sunday 8:45 AM
or by appointment

Daily Mass Times
Monday and Wednesday 10:00 AM

Pastoral Staff

Administrator:
Rev. Kris D. Stubna, S.T.L.

Parochial Vicar:
Rev. Adam Potter, S.T.L.

Parochial Vicar:
Rev. Daniel Walsh, C.S.Sp.

Deacon:
Deacon Thomas J. Berna, Ph.D.

Rose Velgich, **Religious Education Coordinator**

Advocates for Persons with Disabilities
John Tague and Carla Menosky

Denise Motta, **Parish Secretary**

The Church of the Good Shepherd

Second & Johnston Avenues

Principal Service
Sundays 10:00 AM

Children's Sunday School
10:00 AM
Healing Service-Monthly
Bible Study-Weekly

A church of the Anglican Communion

31st Ward Wire

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31st Ward Churches

Holy Angels Catholic Church
408 Baldwin Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-461-6906
www.holyangelshays.org
Rev. Robert Ahlin, Pastor

Lincoln Place Church of the Nazarene & Manifest Ministries
5604 Interboro Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-462-2524
www.lpnaz.org
Rev. W. Joseph Stump, Senior Pastor

Lincoln Place Presbyterian Church
1202 Muldowney Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-461-3377

Mt. Rise Baptist Church
80 Ingot Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15120
(New Homestead)
Pastor Stephen Doniel

Maoz Tzur - Rock of Ages Messianic Jewish Congregation At Lincoln Place Church of the Nazarene
5604 Interboro Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-694-5144
Abraham Sandler

St. John The Baptist Cathedral
210 Greentree Road
Munhall, PA 15120
412-461-0944
Rev. Dennis Bogda, Rector

Warriors of Holiness in Power (W.H.I.P. Ministries)
1174 Mifflin Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-461-5572
Pastor James and Apostle Denise Samuel
www.whipministries.com

Western Pennsylvania International Community Church At Lincoln Place Church of the Nazarene
5604 Interboro Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-482-7111
Joel Chrispo Dumba

Lincoln Place Church of the Nazarene & Manifest Ministries

SUNDAYS
Sunday School ..... 9:30 AM (all ages)
Children's Church ..... 10:30 AM
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 AM
Evening Service ..... 6:30 PM

MONDAYS
Prayer Walk in Homestead ... 12:30 PM
Prayer Walk Downtown ..... 6:30 PM

TUESDAYS
Bible Study ..... 10:30 AM
English as Second Language Classes ..... 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAYS
Intercessory Prayer ..... 10:30 AM
Discipleship Bible Studies ..... 6:00 PM
Naz Kidz Quizzing ..... 7:00 PM
Fire Night of Intercessory Prayer ..... 7:00 PM

THURSDAYS
Syrian Women's Arabic Bible Studies ..... 9:30 AM
English as Second Language Classes ..... 6:00 PM
Women's Ministries (1st Thursday) ..... 6:30 PM

FRIDAYS
Prayer Walk at Magee Women's Hospital ..... 7:30 AM
Men's Ministries (4th Friday) .. 7:00 PM
Community Prayer Walk ..... 6:00 PM
Prayer Walk at Mifflin School . 6:30 PM
Fire Night of Intercessory Prayer ..... 7:00 PM

SATURDAYS
Feeding the Homeless Ministry (3rd Saturday) ..... 7:00 AM
Prayer Walk at Planned Parenthood ..... 8:30 AM

Monthly Food Pantry: 3rd Saturday at 8:30 AM. Distribution is at Lincoln Place Presbyterian Church. Call LPNaz at 412-462-2524 for eligibility guidelines and to sign up.

Need a ride to church? Call Darrel at 412-461-6742.

31st Ward Flag Fund

Your donation will help our volunteers to install and maintain the American Flags that line the streets of the 31st Ward.

Please makes checks payable to **The 31st Ward Community Action Group** and mail to 944 Sunglow Street, Munhall, PA 15120. Include a return mailing address if you would like a receipt for your donation.

Send a donation via Venmo to
@Pgh31stWardCAG, www.venmo.com/Pgh31stWardCAG

COUNCILMAN
Corey O'Connor
Invites you to share your concerns about your neighborhood.
Call 412-255-8965
Visit the website: http://www.pittsburghpa.gov/district5

Mission

The 31st Ward Community Action Group was established to bring the residents of our community together, advocate for the neighborhoods' needs, and to support the youth, veterans, businesses and senior citizens of the 31st Ward and surrounding areas.

Elected Officials
City Council - Corey O'Connor
County Council - Paul Klein
District Magistrate - James Hanley
State Representative - Paul Costa
State Senator - Jay Costa
US Congressman - Mike Doyle

Meet Us

Executive Board
President - Ryan Herbinko
Vice President - Patrick Stack
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Carol Sigafoos - Farmer's Market Chair and Board Member
Kathy Cunningham - Board Member
Jackie Pribila - Resident Baked Goods Expert and Board Member
Mark Schneider - Board Member
Rita Schneider - Santa Trolley Chair
Nancy DeGregorio - Community Events Liaison
Judy Stump - Public Safety Council

31st Ward

Neighborhood Information
The 31st Ward is located in the southeastern corner of the City of Pittsburgh. It is comprised of four neighborhoods: Lincoln Place, Hays, New Homestead and Gates Manor. Against the backdrop of Pittsburgh's Historic Steel Valley, the 31st Ward's unique characteristics give a distinct suburban feel to urban living. The area is home to a multitude of greenspaces and parks as well as a growing business district.

Holy Angels Parish

REGULAR WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE
Monday – Saturday: 9:00 AM
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM & 6:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM
11:00 AM, 5:30 PM

Holy Day *(Weekday)* Mass Schedule:
Vigil Mass: 4:30 PM, 6:00 PM
Holy Day: 6:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
12:00 Noon, 7:00 PM

Holy Angels Parish is a Roman Catholic church that began in 1903 in the town of Hays, PA and is a family community among the many parishes that make up the Church of Pittsburgh. Our purpose is to assist each member in spiritual growth, to enable all members to support the parish family and to reach out to the larger community of the Church and the World.

Lincoln Place Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY
Services begin at 9:30 AM
Sunday School for all ages at 9:00 AM

WEEKLY EVENTS INCLUDE:
MONDAYS:
NA'S 6:30 PM

TUESDAYS:
Senior Lunch is served from 12:00-1:00 PM followed by games, Wii, and fellowship until 2:00 PM. Often speakers present helpful info for senior citizens.

Free Lending Library is open for book borrowing. Donation of used books are welcome.

WEDNESDAYS:
Girl Scout Troop #52358 meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month. For more info call: 412-877-7734.

THURSDAYS:
Choir Practice 7:00-8:00 PM

FRIDAYS:
Family Movie Night first Fridays of each month. Please call of time and more info. 412-461-3377

All are always welcome.

The Green Way

By Jim McCue

Can Nuclear Power Be Green?

Albert Einstein called nuclear power "a hell of a way to boil water". The U.S. military said nuclear power electricity would be "too cheap to meter", when, in fact, it's quite expensive (paid for by the taxpayer). It has environmental effects: radiation leaked into air, water and soil; waste heat; mutations in humans and other animals and plants. Nuclear power was actually a way to manufacture nuclear weapons under the guise of providing electricity. It has never made money except for those on corporate welfare.

"Awakening" could have been the title for this article. I am including the Rolling Stone article about climate change to emphasize both the dangers and the opportunities. Computing power, increased human intelligence, Earthwide instant communication - all these make great strides forward possible.

But, due to the human tendency to only want to see the positive, I want to inform of a few of the many terrible things going RIGHT NOW that mainstream media hasn't allowed through it's filters: ongoing drought in e.g. India which, knowing they can't save millions of poor citizens from the heat, has been bulldozing trenches to bury 100 people at a time in mass graves of those millions they can't prevent from dying; Australian heat so bad people in large areas can't farm or even live in any more: earthquakes caused by weight changes of melted ice moving away from the poles; fires speeding up the already rapid loss of species; and much more. As the article says, we are going into a "perfect storm". Even with the cooling of the polar vortex in the United States, itself a climate change effect, average national temps are up. And, Earthwide, average temps are WAY up. We need to wake up not only to smell the coffee, but also the roses.

"Here's to all the idealists who could make of this world a heaven on Earth, and here's to all the 'realists' who are making it the hell that it is."

~Anonymous

"Put on your thinking cap and get dreaming."

~Margaret Baco

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Salsa Workshop Part 2:
Planting the Salsa Garden

May 18th
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Glen Hazel Garden
(Johnston Ave at Roselle Dr)

Salsa workshop 3 part event:

1. Planted seeds in trays in March.
2. **Move seedlings to the ground on May 18!**
3. Help make and can salsa and enjoy the harvest in early fall.

For more information, email
gardens@hazelwoodinitiative.org or call (412) 421-7234

There is no lock on the gate, this Garden is welcome to all residents of the Glen Hazel community.

Arts and Culture

Jerk chicken and cabbage - a traditional Jamaican dish.

Jamaican Cuisine back for Summer

By HI Staff

Stanfield and Damera Allen are going to be back on the Summer Marketplace in Hazelwood. The couple cooks authentic Jamaican food at their vendor stand, Negril's, and they've made quite a name for themselves in such a short period of time. Negril's only began in the summer of 2018, but it became very popular and many people have been missing it through the off-season. Opening up this year in late spring, Stanfield and Damera are anticipating being at the Summer Marketplace 6 days a week, from 10 AM to 5 PM most days. The location on the heavily trafficked road attracts many Pittsburghers, and word of the food stand has been spreading.

Negril's has gained such a faithful following in such little time because of its incomparable authenticity. Stanfield said, "I've been cooking since I was a little kid in Jamaica. I'm one of 19 kids, so basically everyone could cook, clean, you know..." Cooking his entire life, Stanfield began his professional career in the food industry working at his brother's restaurant when he was about 20 years old. "I learned a lot from him and from my mom," he said. It didn't take long, only 2 more years, before Stanfield started his own cooking and baking business in Jamaica. When he moved to the United States, Stanfield began working in demolition—he's even the owner of a demolition company—but his love of cooking has not wavered.

To those inexperienced with Jamaican cuisine, Stanfield describes it as "excellent." The food is spicy, both in flavor and heat. Damera says, "It's authentic, original, soul food but Jamaican. It's pretty healthy." The main dishes are often meat-based, but the sides usually consist of fresh produce, like yams and cabbage. Known for its ox tail and jerk chicken, Negril's sells a variety of other foods, such as fish dishes and traditional American dishes for those not as adventurous. Stanfield and Damera have made an effort to have something for everyone.

Negril's is Stanfield's first food business in the United States, and he is very satisfied with its success thus far. Stanfield claims his food is so good because of the family recipes, and not everyone could duplicate that. To start a business, Damera says you do it "by the seat of your pants" and to "Make plans. Get organized." Be sure to stop by, say hi, and try something new when you're driving down Second Avenue this summer. Hazelwood Initiative is excited and lucky to have them back on the Summer Marketplace.

Nugget of Encouragement

Have you ever really sat down and assessed your heart ? …

Which is really just another way of assessing what's going on subconsciously with your feelings, emotions, and reactions to your life.

Self reflection and understanding who you truly are is one of the most powerful things that you can do in your life.

As you gain more control over your reactions and how you walk out this life, you gain more control over your peace.

Create a mood tracker or joy it in a journal or even keep a voice memo recording in your phone and allow this mood tracker to shed some light on some areas of yourself.

Be Blessed | Be Encouraged | Beata Beatus

Erika Johnson

BEATA BEATUS HICAP Summer Program

If interested in volunteering or if you have a child who you'd like to participate, contact Erika Johnson by phone at 412-326- 5323 or email at Ebeatus7@gmail.com.

Hays Woods

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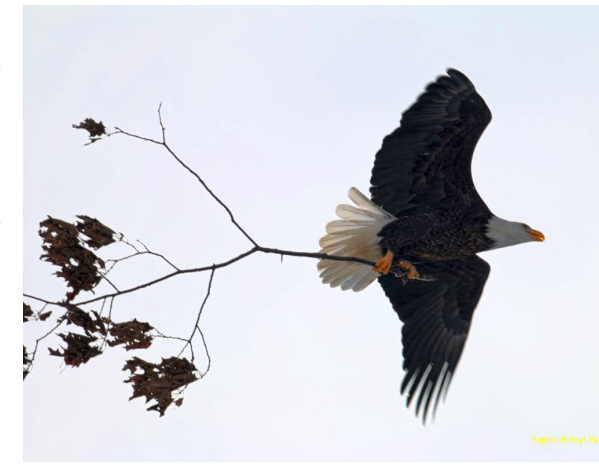
host to a globally rare species of hawthorn, Crataegus pennsylvanicus or Red-fruited Hawthorn. The deep forest provides a nesting habitat for a class of birds called Neotropical Migratory Songbirds, a broad category of birds that includes warblers, vireos, and other songbirds that fly south to Central and South America for the winter, then return every spring to build nests and raise their young. Forest fragmentation from trails and roads, powerline corridors, and other forest disturbances allow predators like crows, bluejays, and raccoons to get at the eggs and vulnerable nestlings. Many species in this group are in catastrophic decline, notably Cerulean Warbler, Wood Thrush, and Ovenbird, which have been observed at Hays.

Hays Woods is barely a third of what constitutes an extensive forest complex that includes the slopes of West Homestead and Baldwin, as well as the Hazelwood Greenways on our side of the Monongahela River. Much of this forest is in private hands, vulnerable to logging or development, such as the construction project on Streets Run that is contributing to erosion, stream sedimentation, and storm water flooding. Our forests are our best defense against the impacts of climate change, helping cool hot summer temperatures and storing atmospheric carbon in the soil in ways still being discovered by scientists. The City recognizes this in their Climate Action Plan, adopted just last year after extensive public input and involvement, which states that we must "halt conversion of forest canopy for development" and re-establish forest habitat to the greatest extent possible. The Hazelwood neighborhood is uniquely suited to benefit the most from this policy of preservation, as our forest-green landscape becomes as much of a selling point as our revitalization and renaissance.



Bald eagle carrying nesting material at Hays Woods (photo by Dana Nesiti)

My Welcome MAT

ACB

Welcome to my House
Look at my Welcome MAT
That sits outside of my door

Come to my House...
Come to my well...
Where I will offer you water/drink
to lubricate your life
And once you've met me
You will never forget me...

Then comes the Prayer Porch
in the Back or the Front
to the rear march...
and now we congregate to do what?

Muffin Monday
Tuesday Tea
Wednesday drink from the Well
(Wacky Wednesday)
Throwback Thursday
Freedom Friday

Submit your art!
Submit your art!
Submit your art!

Paintings, illustrations, drawings, graphic designs, poems, short stories, jewelry, etc...

We would like to feature local creatives regularly. Submit your work to adirosa@hazelwoodinitiative.org.

Greenfield Softball

Bring your friend, your team, or yourself.

18+ mens softball league

May 28 - Mid August

Tues, Wed, Thurs

8:30-11 PM

@ Magee Field

- $55/player
- Includes shirts, softballs, score books
- 1 paid umpire per game

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Contact Phil Mason at (412)503-3061 or email greenfieldsoftball@comcast.net

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Health and Lifestyle

10 Quick Tips For Menopause

Dear Friends,

Are YOU prepared for Menopause?! It doesn't have to be a scary or traumatic experience with these helpful suggestions. You will need to be aware of your symptoms, educated on hormones and their effects on your body, and a PRO-ACTIVE participant in your health. Good luck in your journey and remember we are here for you at Murray Avenue Apothecary to help you!

1. Don't dread menopause. For many women, it's no big deal. Their periods stop overnight, and they have few symptoms. Even if your menopause is uncomfortable, severe problems are often temporary. For some, it may be like going through heavy surf, but eventually you will land on the beach. (However, call for help if you are about to drown!)

2. Read all you can about the subject of menopause so that you can make an educated decision about whether you're likely to need hormone replacement therapy or can manage your symptoms in other ways. Ask yourself if the particular author you are reading seems to have any prejudices. Is their information current?

3. Remember that the body is like a machine. It has necessary parts, and it needs the correct fuel. These are two different issues. Your particular hormone problem mayrespond to giving the body better fuel, because the body makes some of your hormone supply from nutrients. Lack of sunshine, too much stress, being overweight, poor nutrition, lack of exercise, too much exercise, the use of stimulants—all these are factors over which you have some degree of control. You can sometimes make significant changes in the function of hormones by changing your habits. Hormone replacement could also be considered a natural fuel.

On the other hand, some body parts just don't work properly. Some women have parts missing. Others have parts that break down. The hormone system can break down for many reasons—heredity, the changes of pregnancy, the use of synthetichormones (the pill, Provera, Clomid, Lupron—though for many women these are not a problem), or surgery (tubal sterilization, hysterectomy, loss of an ovary or part of one). Problems such as endometriosis, pituitary tumors, polycystic ovaries, ovarian cysts, and fibroids can also interfere with the mechanism and predispose women to having problems at menopause. Also, the immune system can affect the menstrual cycle via stress, toxins such as pesticides, bacterial infections, and viruses.

4. Take care of your general health. Those habits will help your hormones. Eat whole, largely vegetarian foods that have not been over processed. These include lots of vegetables and fruits, whole rather than processed grains, and lots of legumes and beans. Limit your intake of sugar, fat, and caffeine. Try herbs and supplements known to be helpful for hormone disorders.

5. Live a balanced life—get moderate, regular exercise and adequate sleep. Go outdoors, allow adequate daylight to enter your eyes (you don't have to be in bright sunshine, but glass windows and eyeglasses shut out some beneficial rays). Don't let your life become too stressful. Give up smoking and avoid alcohol and street drugs, all of which deplete adrenal function and prematurely age your glands.

6. Find a support system. For instance, talk with other women going through the same problems that you are having. See if there is a local menopause support group in your area.

7. Find a well-informed, thorough, sympathetic physician who believes in hormone-related symptoms—one who will monitor your physical and emotional progress through the years, and who believes you when you describe your problems and successes. Do not tolerate callous, chauvinistic, uninformed care. Medicine is business. Ask yourself whose body it is and who is paying the bills. On the other hand, remember that a doctor carries heavy responsibilities and liabilities, and may be unfamiliar or uncomfortable with certain treatments. It is the

doctor's right to refuse to dispense certain medications to you.

8. Weigh the information on estrogen and breast cancer. Almost uniformly, the best researchers believe that estrogen does not cause endometrial or breast cancer when balanced with adequate progesterone. In fact, because the hormones strengthen the cells, the present swing is to believe that a combination of estrogen and progesterone generally prevents cancer.

9. Remember that normal blood test results and the absence of symptoms do not guarantee that you are free of hormone imbalance. Insist on saliva testing, which is more accurate for detecting true hormone levels. And realize that not everyone who has a hormone deficiency knows about it. You could have heart disease and osteoporosis and yet have no overt menopausal symptoms. This is one reason why women need to contemplate their family and personal history and weigh their health risks. Is osteoporosis common in female family members? Does heart disease commonly occur before the age of 65 in female family members? Have your total cholesterol, HDL, and cholesterol ratio recently become elevated with no other apparent cause than menopause? Are you losing physical strength and sex drive? You may need some help with your hormones.

10. If you do need hormones, ask your doctor to prescribe Human Identical Bioidentical hormones that best match your body chemistry. If the first type you try doesn't work or causes side effects, don't be afraid to ask to experiment with other brands and forms of the hormones. Sometimes, just switching to estradiol (Estrace or the Estraderm or Climara patches), with natural progesterone, will bring great improvement. Natural Testosterone (RX) and DHEA suppositories (OTC) are often helpful when a woman has low sex drive, muscle weakness, and loss of well-being, especially in women who have lost their ovaries.

Discuss any symptoms you are having with your healthcare provider (check all that apply):

- Irregular menstrual cycles
- Hot flashes
- Sleep disturbances or insomnia
- Night sweats
- Elevated heart rate
- Mood changes, such as irritability, anxiety, or depression
- Vaginal dryness or discomfort during intercourse
- Urinary problems
- Memory or concentration problems
- Weight gain
- Hair changes
- Skin changes
- Other symptoms

Before making an appointment with your PCP or Gynecologist or healthcare provider ask and discuss the following questions. If you get stuck, we have a list of practitioners with whom we work at the Apothecary.

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- How long should I keep using birth control?
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Development

Rendering of the proposed Gladstone Annex provided by WTW Architects.

Gladstone Middle School: Beacon of Community-Based Sustainable Development

By Katie Steines

The Center of Life and Hazelwood Initiative are in the process of buying and developing the Gladstone Middle School that closed its doors in 2001. The annex building, which was built in the 1920s and runs parallel to Hazelwood Avenue, is going to be a multi-function facility mostly focused on Center of Life's music and dance programs.

Along with an auditorium, recording space, and dance rooms, the Gladstone annex will have rentable office space, a gym, communal workspace, and more. The main building of the Gladstone School, which is to be bought by Hazelwood Initiative, is going to be developed into low-income rental housing.

Meetings

Center of Life will be hosting quarterly meetings, each about a different pressing topic. The most recent meeting on Monday, March 18th was to address previously expressed concerns about the new development plans of the Gladstone School. WTW Architects and Rothschild-Doyno Collaborative, the architects working on both the annex and the main building, came to the meeting to answer residents' questions. Maria Kyriacopoulos of WTW Architects spoke to the design decision to modernize the historical and identifiable main entrance of the annex and the reason to build so extremely "green."

Entrance

The design for the main entrance of the annex building is in the same place as the original, but instead of replacing it, it encases it. The concept is a sort of "jewel box" around the decorative brick and concrete front, using glass to encompass the old entrance, which will remain intact as part of the interior of the building. The main circulative staircase, a necessary addition in order to meet current code requirements, would exist within the glass structure as well. This way any user of the building has visibility of the old entrance. The entrance area juts out far on the first level because it will become a large communal gathering space that will include a cafeteria and multi-purpose area that could not fit in the original structure. Hopefully, this new contrasting design will highlight the old entrance, but many residents seem unsure. Kyriacopoulos said, "We chose to do it in the front because we feel like we are history in the making. While the building has a really rich flavor architecturally and culturally, we are part of that too." The campus is going to be used to demonstrate pedestrian-friendly design as well. The Gladstone School sits on a 12% grade—an extreme challenge for pedestrian, bike, and handicap accessibility. Achieving a pedestrian-friendly design on such a steep slope will set a useful example for future growth in Hazelwood. In addition to just meeting ADA requirements, the architects are making an effort to create an equally accessible main

Current conditions of the entrance to the Gladstone Annex.

entrance for all abilities. The entire entry way will be flat all the way to the sidewalk, making the handicap entrance the same as the main entrance as part of the inclusive community design.

Green Building

The Gladstone School is going to be a demonstration of sustainable and efficient design, going above and beyond current code requirements. It has the potential to be a beacon of change and possibility for community-centered development in Hazelwood and the broader city. Because the old structure is not being torn down, a unique challenge and learning opportunity is created. "Most of the money being spent is between the floors and between the walls," Ken Doyno said. The façade will mostly remain, so the challenge is to create an up-to-date energy efficient building without replacing the old one. People won't see where most of the money is going, but it will be reflected in the low energy bills.

Currently, the majority of the Gladstone School campus is concrete, with a parking lot and basketball courts. The new design for the land is to get rid of as much concrete as possible, including the courts. So much concrete without green space makes retaining rainwater difficult. In the coming years, worsening rain storms will require a better water-catching system, especially for a 6.8 acre piece of land on top of a hill. The proposed green space is going to require little to no maintenance and be a more natural ecosystem. "Our proposition is to not have grass. Grass eliminates the possibility of biodiversity," said Kyriacopoulos.

Questions and Concerns

What's going on in the mean time? People are still breaking in and vandalizing the Gladstone School.

A lawsuit made it difficult to implement security measures, but once ground is broken, more security will be used. Until then, Tim Smith is working to create more eyes on the site with a regular police drive-by.

Why are the basketball courts being removed and where will kids play?

The basketball courts are being removed as part of the larger plan to incorporate as many natural ecosystems onto the site as possible. The updated courts at the Lewis Playground, off of Chatsworth Avenue, are equally accessible to the few people who use the Gladstone courts. They are also more commonly used by the community. The plan for the Gladstone building includes a gymnasium, and the building will be open to the public during most desired hours.

Isn't Hazelwood already a walking community?

Hazelwoodians do walk and bike, but the sidewalks and nonexistent bike lanes do not technically make for a "Walking Community." The hope is that the pro-walking/biking/handicap accessible design for the exterior of the Gladstone School encourages such design for future development around Hazelwood.

HAZELWOOD GREEN

STREET OPENING – HAZELWOOD AVENUE & BLAIR STREET

Fact Sheet on Blair Street & Hazelwood Avenue through Hazelwood Green.

PLEASE GO TO THE PROJECT WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:
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OVERVIEW.

After a nearly a century of gated industrial use and two decades of site improvement work, public access will now be provided through the Hazelwood Green site on newly constructed extensions of Blair Street and Hazelwood Avenue. These new streets have been designed and built as part of a sustainable mobility network that will equally accommodate pedestrians, cyclists, transit and vehicles with an emphasis on adaptability to future changes in transportation methods. While these streets are now public, the site will remain closed in areas where there is active construction as the full build out of the site takes shape in the coming years. A portion of the west protective canopy under the rail overpass will be completed later this spring once the steel for the structure arrives. In the interim, a detour with appropriate signage has been provided to ensure a safe alternative route at that location.

PARTNERS & FUNDING.

The extension of Hazelwood Avenue and Blair Street through Hazelwood Green has been made possible by partnerships with state and local governments, and collaboration with stakeholder organizations. Through 2018, infrastructure project costs totaled $21 million excluding site preparation and remediation work. Funding sources for the project included loans from the Power of 32 Site Development Fund and the PA DCED Business in Our Sites (BIOS) program, a grant from the PA DCED and PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund, and private investment by Almono LP, the property owner.

TIMELINE OF STREET DEVELOPMENT

- Design began on these streets as early as 2010 during the early visioning for the 2013 Preliminary Land Development Plan (PLDP). Prior to settling on "Blair Street," the street was previously referred to as "Blair River Road" and "Signature Boulevard."
- The project began engineering and design in 2013 with construction beginning in 2015.
- These two streets were part of a larger project that also included infrastructure and stormwater management investment.
- The majority of the road was built from 2015 to 2017 while Almono LLC continued negotiations with CSX that began in 2012 regarding the conditions of public access under the S-curve railroad bridge in the center of the site.
- From mid-2017 to mid-2018, construction on the streets was on hold until negotiations and the agreement with CSX was completed.
- On July 31, 2018 Almono LP and CSX signed an Agreement on the design and conditions for public access under the railroad bridge.
- The focus of this Agreement was the design and construction of two protective canopies, one over the eastern sidewalk and a second over the western sidewalk and trail.
- With the Agreement signed, Almono LLC was able to proceed with the construction of the two canopies and completion of Blair Street under the railroad bridge Construction began on the east canopy, and street and utility connections in September 2018.
- The Blair Street extension through Hazelwood Green is 1.25-miles, with a permeable asphalt cycle track for 90% of its length.
- The Hazelwood Avenue extension through Hazelwood Green is 75(feet with on-street bicycle lanes on either side.

Photography by Annie O'Neill, courtesy Almono LLC, 2019.

HIGHLIGHTS.

- RECONNECTING A COMMUNITY. The site has not been publicly accessible since before the days of the steel mills. The opening of these streets marks the first time in over a century that the public has access to this area of Hazelwood again. These streets are the beginning of re-weaving the historic Hazelwood street grid, and providing improved connectivity to neighboring Pittsburgh communities. The names Blair and Hazelwood were chosen to reflect a continuation of existing neighborhood streets.
- PREPARING FOR VERTICAL DEVELOPMENT. Public access to these streets is the precursor to the opening of the first phase of the Mill 19 building, whose tenants include Carnegie Mellon University's Manufacturing Futures Initiative, the Advanced Robotics for Manufacturing Institute, and Catalyst Connection. With the completion of these streets and the opening of three more streets (including Lytle Street) later this year, over two-thirds of the site's Development Blocks will have direct access to new public streets with new utilities, with a significant portion of the site's rainwater managed through bioretention areas on site. This project and this year's ongoing infrastructure projects set the table for vertical development.
- A PITTSBURGH FIRST, SETTING THE TONE WITH TRANSIT SERVICE ON DAY 1. Port Authority has proactively partnered with Almono LLC to route the 57 onto Blair Street and Hazelwood Avenue. As part of this effort, curb extensions were added this year at new intersections to support both front and back door loading. As the site and street grid continue to be built out over the upcoming years, additional curb extensions and bus stops are expected to be coordinated and added, as appropriate. Further, Hazelwood Green is undertaking a long-range transportation plan in coordination with transportation and community partners to plan for the implementation of efficient, healthy, and equitable mobility options over the course of the site's development.
- FACILITATING ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES. The opening of these streets includes a 1.9-mile trail connection – the Hazelwood Trail – from Hazelwood to the Eliza Furnace, Three Rivers Heritage, and Great Allegheny Passage trails. This connection marks not only a major expansion of Pittsburgh's trail network, but also a new opportunity for Greater Hazelwood residents, and future tenants and residents on Hazelwood Green to move freely and easily via non-motorized transportation. The little over a mile-long segment along Blair Street is the first of its kind in Pittsburgh, a continuous, protected multi-modal path built in tandem with a roadway.
- ACCESSING THE HAZELWOOD TRAIL. The Hazelwood Trail can be accessed from the north via the southwest corner of the intersection at Hot Metal Bridge and Second Avenue, and at Blair Street and Second Avenue. A bicycle ramp was added also in 2019 to the northern end of the cycle track segment along Blair Street. This is intended to facilitate bicyclist movement onto the trail when entering Blair Street from Second Avenue. On the southern end, the Hazelwood Trail can be accessed from Gloster Street at Tecumseh Street or Hazelwood Avenue. Another 2019 enhancement to the original street design was the addition of a protective island was added at the intersection of Blair Street and Hazelwood Avenue to shorten the crossing of Blair Street for pedestrians and prevent the bicyclists "right hook." Find out more about the right hook at *Vox* and *City Lab*.
- INVESTING IN GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE FOR RAINWATER MANAGEMENT. Hazelwood Green is taking a comprehensive approach to managing rainwater on site. As part of the Blair Street and Hazelwood Avenue project, green infrastructure was installed in the tree pits, medians, and bump-outs to capture additional volume and improve the overall water quality of run-off. This green infrastructure investment creates redundancy with the conventional grey system comprising stormwater pipes. In addition, several bioinfiltration cells, bioswales, and other Best Management Practices are proposed across the site to provide storage volume capacity to capture the 95th percentile storm and/or two-year runoff.

LOOKING FORWARD IN 2019

- Canopy and trail completion
- First building opening
- Upcoming street openings
- Plaza opening

PUBLIC SAFETY

- WEST CANOPY PEDESTRIAN & CYCLIST DETOUR. The opening of the streets and trail is contingent on the public abiding the bicycle and pedestrian detour to pass under the completed east canopy until the west canopy is complete. The protective canopies are being installed to protect pedestrians, cyclists, and others that are not sheltered by a vehicle from any material that might fall from the overhead railroad line. As this railroad bridge was designed and built when the entire site was a steel mill, there was less concern for public and pedestrian safety. The railroad bridge's decking was left open (i.e. permeable), unlike others in the city (for example, the railroad bridge at Greenfield & Second Avenues) that have a solid decking. PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL OF THIS SAFETY ISSUE AND FOLLOW THE DETOUR UNTIL THE WEST CANOPY IS COMPLETE.
- PRIVATE PROPERTY. With the public dedication of Blair Street and Hazelwood Avenue, the streets are open to the public and managed by the City. However, the land surrounding the streets remains private property and remains closed to the public. The site is a former steel mill site and while a substantial amount of demolition, earthmoving, and cleanup has taken place, unless otherwise noted, the land, structures, and riverfront infrastructure are closed to keep public safety first and foremost. Please heed the "Warning" and "No Trespassing" signs.
- CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY. Almono LLC and RIDC have major construction projects underway, including the Mill 19 building, streets, the west protective canopy, site grading, and temporary parking lots – these are active construction zones where proper safety protocol must be adhered to and visitors are required to report to the site supervisor associated with each project for permission to enter.

Senator Jay Costa, Jr.

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Inspirational Wear.....(412)218-4782
Italian Village Pizza.....(412)521-1900
Jimmy Cohen Plumbing, Heating, and Mechanical.....(412)421-2208
John D. O'Connor & Son Funeral Home.....(412)521-8116
Jozsa Corner Hungarian Restaurant.....(412)422-1886
Key Bank.....(412)422-7420
Kruszka's Auto.....(412)521-8911
Lytle Café.....(412)421-4881
Mo'Naes Hair Studio.....(412)421-6662
Odell Minniefield Construction and Services.....(412)421-2185
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Webster Electric.....(412)290-1112

Grants Available!

Hazelwood Initiative's Neighborhood Investment Fund (NIF) gives grants to projects and businesses that will benefit the Greater Hazelwood Community

MICRO

- Community Events
- Giveaways
- Cleanups/ Buildouts
- Workshops

$200

MACRO

- Established Small Businesses
- Larger Neighborhood Projects/Events

$1,000 - $2,000

For an application, visit hazelwoodinitiative.org/grants.html or call our office at (412) 421-7234.

Learn and grow through play at the Hazelwood Library's

Family PlayShop

Laugh, discover and explore with your child during this special playtime that supports healthy development. Babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers will make friends and use toys to learn about their world.

For children from birth to 5 years and their caregivers

April 27 - May 25

Saturdays

1230 PM - 130 PM

5006 Second Ave.

Adults will have a chance to chat with child development specialists and ask questions about caring for their little one.

Contact Sierra Baril at barils@carnegielibrary.org or (412)421-2517

PA Women Work: Offering Free New Choices Program in Hazelwood!

A one-stop shop career program where you'll:

- Learn job search, interview, and goal-setting skills
- Create an updated resume that will stand out
- Refresh your office software and computer skills
- Find out more about conflict resolution and time/money management

In addition to group classes, participants receive individual counseling, career coaching and job search assistance tailored to each person's particular need.

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1 person.....$26,600
2 person.....$30,400

- Rent Based on Percentage of Adjusted Gross Income
- Rent Includes Utilities (Except Phone and Cable)
- Individual Thermostats - Heat and A/C
- Professional On-Site Management
- TV-Monitored Intercom Access System
- 24-Hour Maintenance
- Convenient On-Site Laundry Facilities
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- Active Residents Association
- Public Transportation
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Meals, Snacks & Field Trips Provided at No Charge

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SPECIAL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

For more information please call 412-488-2750.

Enrollment is open to all families and children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.

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For A Brighter Future

Affordable Housing in Hazelwood

Contact Dave Brewton at Hazelwood Initiative through phone at (412)421-7234 or email at dbrewton@hazelwoodinitiative.org.

Section-8 Apartment

We have a two-bedroom apartment on the third floor of 5017 Second Avenue above the 61z Cafe. It's newly renovated with lots of windows, new appliances, and in-unit laundry included. Tenant must have a Section 8 voucher. Rent will be around $800/month.

Homeownership Incubator

HI's Homeownership Incubator at 5243 Gertrude Street allows for residents to rent a 3 bedroom apartment for up to 18 months. While a portion of their rent gets put aside into a down-payment fund, residents will also work with a credit counselor to increase their chances of successfully buying a home once the term is over. We'll assist in the home buying process afterwards, and monthly payments will be less than the apartment's rent.

Low-Income Homeownership

Qualifying

Households earning 80% or less of the area's median income are eligible to apply. Must be able to afford mortgage payments, have good (or repairable) credit, and have enough savings for down payment and closing costs.

Assistance

1. Free (required) credit counseling
2. Referrals to supportive local banks who can provide fair mortgage rates and closing cost assistance programs
3. Referrals to 0% interest second mortgages that can reduce your monthly payments up to $300 a month