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Three ways to keep kids healthy in school

By Juliet Martinez

If you have school-age kids, especially if they are too young to be vaccinated against COVID19, you're probably worried about keeping them safe when school resumes. Armed with information based on solid science, you can be ready.

Mask, mask, mask.

The most important thing you can do is make sure your kids have masks that fit them, that are comfortable, and that they will keep on whenever they are indoors at school. Show them that you wear a mask

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E-Scooters are not for kids; helmets are recommended



Abandoned e-scooters on a sidewalk on Flowers avenue near Second avenue in Hazelwood. Photo by Juliet Martinez

By Juliet Martinez

After two accidents with injuries in early and mid August, the Pittsburgh police will be keeping tabs on all incidents and citations relating to the orange and black rentable e-scooters known as Spin Scooters.

In early August a car hit Devante Blair while he was riding an e-scooter to work down Irvine Avenue in Hazelwood, according to WPXI

Mayoral candidates hold parallel views on affordable housing and controversial Mon-Oakland Connector

By Juliet Martinez, with additional reporting by Gerri Tipton

The mayoral election in November offers Hazelwood residents an opportunity to be part of choosing a new mayor since Mayor Bill Peduto lost the Democratic primary in May. His eight years in office will end in January. The Homepage contacted the Democratic and Republican mayoral candidates for their thoughts on two issues that affect our readers: affordable housing and the Mon-Oakland Connector.

State Rep. Ed Gainey is the frontrunner in Pittsburgh's mayoral race, having unseated Mayor Peduto in the Democratic primary.

"Pittsburgh is facing an affordable



Mayoral candidate Ed Gainey chats with Hazelwood residents at the Autism Urban Connections Autism Fun Day on August 15. Photo by Tiffany Taulton

housing crisis and we need a comprehensive, multi-pronged approach to ensuring that Pittsburgh is affordable for everyone," Mr. Gainey

emailed The Homepage, explaining that he envisions a diverse approach that creates new affordable housing

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Library branch is open with a new head librarian

By Juliet Martinez

The Hazelwood branch of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh is now open Monday through Saturday at and has a new library services manager, Eric Stroshane, who started in May.

Mr. Stroshane moved to Pittsburgh in 2020, leaving the North Dakota State Library, where he worked in different capacities since 2004, including training and supporting the staff at small regional libraries.

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It's not too late to apply for rent relief

By Juliet Martinez

Even though the Supreme Court overturned the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC] eviction freeze, Allegheny County renters who apply for rental assistance are still protected by a court order that guarantees extra time to receive the money if their landlord files for eviction. But that guarantee expires October 31.

If you are late on your rent - or

your tenants are - you still have time to apply for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program [ERAP]. See page 3 for more information.

In August, Allegheny County President Judge Amy Berkeley Clark mandated that the hearing for an eviction filing has to take place on the last possible day allowed, 15 days later. Tenants who have applied for rental assistance can notify the court during that hearing and get

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New Staff Profiles

Name: Juliet Martinez

Title: Managing Editor of The Homepage

Start date: August, 2021

Where are you from?

I live on the North Side with my husband, our two kids (17 and 11), and two dogs. We moved from Chicago, where I've spent most of my adult life, in 2016. I spent my childhood in Western Colorado and my teen years in Guatemala and Mexico.

What brought you to this line of work?

I was a freelance writer and editor for about 15 years before starting at The Homepage. Most of my freelance career has revolved around different kinds of service-oriented work because being of service is my highest aspiration in life.

That's my motivation for taking this job running The Homepage. People who are informed and engaged can make a big difference in their neighborhoods and I want to help make that happen. Before I went into journalism I got a degree in biology.

What do you look forward to doing after the pandemic is over?

I look forward to in-person events with my faith community - I'm a Baha'i - and getting to know my new co-workers. More than anything I would like to be able to relax and not worry that my loved ones will catch COVID-19.

Name: Khaleelah Ali Muhammd

Title: Administrative Assistant

Start date: August, 2021

What are the primary responsibilities of your role?

Commitment to the mission and vision of Hazelwood Initiative, Inc., first of all.

I have a B.A. in business and over 40 years' experience in administrative, accounting, and customer service. I have excellent communication skills, both verbal and written, excellent computer skills; proficiency in Microsoft and various software. I have demonstrated organizational skills, including strong attention to detail and a proven ability to successfully handle multiple projects simultaneously, prioritize projects, and meet critical deadlines. I have demonstrated a commitment to high professional ethical standards and a diverse workplace and show the highest professional standards of integrity, humility, honesty, and kindness.

Why is this job important to you and how does your educational, professional, or personal background help you to do your job well?

Hazelwood Initiative, Inc plays a vital role in building a healthy community by providing critical services that contribute to economic stability and growth. My steady career as a top-notch office manager and well-rounded administrator gives me the opportunity to make a positive impact by spreading awareness of this organization's cause and helping the organization run as efficiently as possible.

What do you love about this neighborhood?

Hazelwood is an upcoming and growing community with great potential, opportunity and much room for continuous growth.

Become a Hazelwood Initiative member and make your voice heard!

Hazelwood Initiative proudly serves all residents of Hazelwood and Glen Hazel. While anyone can attend HI meetings, only members can elect or serve on the Board of Directors. Members also receive our weekly newsletter, keeping you informed about upcoming meetings, community events and job opportunities. Membership is free; having a voice in your community is priceless.

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/HazelwoodInitiativeMembership> or complete and return the following:

Title (circle one) Mr. Miss Mrs. Ms. Mx. Dr.

Name (first, last) _____

Street number _____

Apartment _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ @ _____

Phone _____

Mobile Landline (circle one)

Age _____

Renter Homeowner (circle one)

Race _____

Racial makeup of household _____

Return to:

Hazelwood Initiative

4901 Second Ave.

Pittsburgh, PA 15207

Community Resources

Food and clothing

Holy Cross Evangelical-Lutheran Chapel of Hazelwood

Food and clothing distribution: Saturday, September 4th, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., and Saturday, September 18th, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Community dinners: Sunday, September 5th, 4:00-6:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 19th 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.)

Phone: (412) 521-0844

Address: Holy Cross Evangelical-Lutheran Chapel, 5319 Second Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA, 15207

Hazelwood YMCA Food Pantry

Food box distribution: First Saturday of every month

Phone: (412) 421-2708

Address: 134 E. Elizabeth St, Pittsburgh, PA, 15207

Fishes and Loaves

Meals on Wheels: Monday through Friday home meal delivery, free to anyone who needs food in Hazelwood, The Run, Greenfield and Glen Hazel Congregate lunch: Eat in or take home lunch, Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Emergency food boxes: Pick up at Spartan Center 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or home delivery within 15 miles of the office.

Call to arrange food box pickup on the weekend.

Grocery buying assistance is available. Address: 131 E. Elizabeth St, Pittsburgh, PA, 15207

Phone number (412) 499-4313

Ask for Dylan Knapp-Scott

Hotlines, alerts, and general information

Allegheny County Health Dept.

24/7 hotline:

888-856-2774

Phone Alerts:

www.allegenycounty.us/alerts

General Information & Assistance:

Call 2-1-1

OR text your zip code to 898-211

OR visit PA211sw.org

Center of Life

Covid-19 Online Resource Guide

centeroflifeonline.net/covid

Hazelwood Initiative Community Updates

facebook.com/hazelwoodinitiative

Praise Temple Community Hotline

*Answering M-F, 10am-2pm

Messages returned next day

412-422-1983

See page 1 for more information on emergency rental assistance

COVID-19 testing and vaccination

COVID-19 vaccinations

Rite-Aid

Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

4934 Second Ave, Pittsburgh, PA, 15207

Phone: (412) 421-6948

Book an appointment if possible at <https://www.riteaid.com/locations/pa/pittsburgh/4934-second-avenue.html>
Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson available

COVID-19 testing and vaccination

Hazelwood Family Health Center

4918 2nd Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15207

Phone: (641) 715-3900 Extension: 301402

Call for appointment

Call now for your booster shot if you have a weakened immune system due to cancer, solid organ transplant, steroid treatment or other cause.

Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson available

Housing and utilities

Action Housing: Emergency Rental Assistance Program

Visit: <https://Covidrentrelief.allegenycounty.us>

Call: (412) 248-0021

Email: rentalassistance@actionhousing.org

PWSA relief application:

Apply at <https://www.pgh2o.com/residential-commercial-customers/customer-assistance-programs>

Call: Dollar Energy Fund at (866) 762-2348

Free housing legal services for renters and homeowners

Tenant Services

- Mediation: Third party trained mediators facilitate a resolution between landlord and tenant issues.

- Limited Legal Consultation: Attorneys provide limited and brief legal advice related to tenant issues and provide information on options, rights and responsibilities.

- Full Legal Representation: Attorneys provide representation through court proceedings to help prevent evictions and stabilize housing.

Homeowner Services

- Tangled Title: Legal assistance to help transfer the home's record title to the current occupant.

- Foreclosure Prevention: Assistance to help prevent foreclosure by helping to explore options such as repayment plans, forbearance and deferrals, mortgage modifications, refinancing and/or bankruptcy.

For a Legal Assistance Program referral call: 412-534-6600

Non-English speakers please call: 412-530-5244

Contact Hazelwood Initiative for help with rental assistance applications

Contact Tiffany Taulton, Director of Community Initiatives, at Hazelwood Initiative for help applying for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program [ERAP].

Mobile phone: 412-392-7427

ttaulton@hazelwoodinitiative.org

Houses of worship

Church of the Good Shepherd

124 Johnston Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-421-8497
hazelwoodgoodshepherd@gmail.com
www.hazelwoodgoodshepherd.org

Holy Angels Parish

408 Baldwin Road
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-461-6906
www.holyangelshays.org

Keystone Church of Hazelwood

161 Hazelwood Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-521-3468

Morningstar Baptist Church

5524 Second Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-421-6269
Praise Temple Deliverance Church
5400 Glenwood Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-277-0113

Mary S. Brown-Ames United Methodist Church

*During construction of new building -

Temporarily meeting at:
515 West 8th Avenue
Homestead, PA 15120, 412-421-4431

info@brightredfence.org
www.brightredfence.org

Squirrel Hill Christian Church

290 Bigelow Street
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-521-2447
www.squirrelhillcc.wixsite.com

St. John the Evangelist Baptist

4537 Chatsworth Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-521-0994
info@stjohnpgh.org
www.stjohnpgh.org

Fountain of Life Church

247 Johnston Ave Pittsburgh, 15207
412-422-8794
www.fountainoflifepgh.com

First Hungarian Reformed Church of Pittsburgh

221 Johnston Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-421-0279
St. Rosalia's Catholic Church
411 Greenfield Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-421-5766
strosaliaparish@gmail.com
www.strosaliaparish.org

St. Stephen Catholic Church

5115 Second Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-421-9210
saintstephen@verizon.net
www.ststephen-hazelwood.org

Steel City Church

290 Bigelow Street
Pittsburgh, 15207, 803-422-5855
info@thesteelcitychurch.com
www.thesteelcitychurch.com

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Chapel

5319 Second Avenue
Pittsburgh, 15207, 412-521-0844
www.holycrosspgh.info

Warriors of Holiness in Power (W.H.I.P. Ministries)

1174 Mifflin Road
Pittsburgh, 15207
412-461-5572
whipwarriors@gmail.com
www.whipministries.org

Emergency broadband assistance

The Emergency Broadband Benefit will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

Apply online: <https://getemergencybroadband.org/>
For help applying or more information, call (833) 511-0311 between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

"Just For Today" Nar-Anon Family Group Meeting



Wednesdays at 6:30 PM
First Hungarian Reformed Church – Calvin Hall
221 Johnston Avenue
Contact Cindy at 412 421 7076

If you have a loved one, family member or friend that suffers from the disease of addiction, these meetings are for you.

Mayoral

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while protecting what already exists. One example, inclusionary zoning, would require developers of new housing to include affordable units in every project.

Because there is no one-size-fits-all solution that will work in every neighborhood, Mr. Gainey wrote, depending on the neighborhood, successful approaches may include increased investment in community land trusts and programs to purchase and rehab vacant homes that can then become available to low-income residents.

Affordable housing tailored to the needs of the community is central to the mission of Hazelwood Initiative, Inc., which is active in the affordable housing space restoring housing stock and helping low-income buyers become homeowners, improving rental properties dedicated to low-income renters, and helping tenants stay in their homes. (If you are behind on your rent and need help, see the resources on page 3.)

"Every Pittsburgh resident... needs to have access to safe and affordable housing."

Tony Moreno, Republican mayoral candidate

Hazelwood Initiative Executive Director Sonya Tilghman told The Homepage, "In addition to renovating vacant homes, we also need to ensure that existing low income residents can afford to stay in their current homes whether they own or rent, and that those homes are safe, healthy and sound."

Retired Pittsburgh police officer Tony Moreno, who ran as a Democrat in and came in third in the primary, announced in June he will run as a Republican, having received enough write-in votes to appear on the ballot in the general election.

When asked for his positions on these issues, Mr. Moreno emailed The Homepage that he plans to create an environment in which the needs of all residents are taken into account. He criticized what he called a "culture of gentrification" driven by out-of-state developers buying property.

"Every Pittsburgh resident, regardless of which of the 90 neighborhoods they live in or their background or income level, needs to have access to safe and affordable housing," Mr. Moreno emailed.

He also commented that the controversial Mon-Oakland Connector [MOC] will worsen class divides and

drive gentrification in Hazelwood and Greenfield.

The MOC envisions a transit corridor between Hazelwood Green, Oakland campuses and points in between. The plan, which has drawn widespread criticism, includes building new roads where bikes, e-bikes, and scooters could ride, as well as a shuttle connecting Hazelwood to Oakland.

This is one area in which the mayoral candidates agree.

Mr. Gainey said he also opposes the MOC, stating he is uncomfortable with the precedent it would set for privatized mass transit. However he sees that some of the problems the MOC is supposed to solve need attention.



Republican mayoral candidate Tony Moreno. Photo courtesy of Tony Moreno. Used with permission.

"I understand the importance of the Hazelwood Green site to the future of Hazelwood and the City as a whole, and I'm committed to seeing the project is successful," he wrote. "But I can't support the proposed Connector over the objections of the residents in The Run."

Junction Coalition, a community group based in The Run, has vehemently opposed the MOC because it was developed without community involvement and does not reflect community input or priorities, according to Junction Coalition member Ziggy Edwards.

"We need a multi-pronged approach to ensure that Pittsburgh is affordable for everyone,"
Ed Gainey, Democratic mayoral candidate

- Ms. Edwards told The Homepage, "Junction Coalition maintains that the MOC is not required for Hazelwood Green's success. We have no problem with development in Hazelwood if it is truly equitable and avoids harming the existing community." Junction Coalition particularly agreed with Mr. Gainey's point about privatized mass transit. Ms. Edwards said Junction Coalition believes development is possible that avoids harming two historic neighborhoods and a beloved public park.

Library

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are required for all staff and patrons in the library - with curbside service for those who cannot wear a mask - and some library services continue to be suspended due to the pandemic. Meeting rooms cannot be reserved, and indoor programming for children, teens and adults is on hold.

Teen library assistant Avery Lesesne, who grew up coming to the Hazelwood library branch, recently explained that grab-and-go kits are available for children and teens until in-person programming resumes. Recent kits have included instructions and materials for crafts like friendship bracelets and origami frogs.

"We are a lot more than just books," Ms. Lesesne told The Homepage, who said she regularly helps patrons with basic computer literacy like setting up email accounts and learning to use a computer mouse.

Even with the pandemic restrictions, Mr. Shoshane said he is excited to

Scooters

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ing around the city easier and more equitable, the e-scooters cost \$1 to rent plus 39 cents per minute. Renting one involves downloading the Transit app and connecting a payment option.

Individuals with low income can apply for cheaper rides through a program called Spin Access.

Spin, the company that operates the

e-scooter rentals, recommends that riders wear a helmet, stay under 25 miles per hour and ride only on streets and in protected bike lanes. Renters should be over 18, but there is nothing to keep younger riders who have a smartphone and debit card from renting. Parents may wish to discuss e-scooter safety with minor children and model bike and scooter safety by wearing a helmet.



Eric Stroshane, the new library services manager at Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Hazelwood branch. Photo by Juliet Martinez

BLUEBERRY BUSH GIVEAWAY

The Izaak Walton League of America has recognized Hazelwood as an environmental justice community and made us a priority community to receive free blueberry bushes as part of its new initiative, The Pittsburgh Blueberry Project.

Blueberries are:

- Nutrient rich and good for your brain, heart, skin, and muscle
- Fresh produce you can grow in your yard
- Good for native moths, butterflies ad birds

Plus, blueberry bushes can help absorb stormwater. They are low-maintenance, don't grow very tall and need little pruning. To receive blueberry bushes next spring, sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/HZbluetrees> (this web address is case sensitive). Email Matt Peters, Urban Garden Manager at gardens@hazelwoodinitiative.org for additional information.

School

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when you're in public too. New studies are showing kids are safe even without physical distancing if they are wearing masks indoors. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends all kids wear masks in school even if it's not mandatory.

Keep kids home when they are sick.

Parents can also help schools stay open by keeping kids home when they are even a little bit sick and getting them a rapid COVID19 test. A study in the journal Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report said rapid tests are close to 100% accurate if the person getting the test has symptoms like a cough, runny nose or fever.

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Even though keeping kids home is inconvenient, you can find out if your child's sniffle is cause for concern by taking them to the doctor for a rapid COVID19 antigen test, similar to rapid strep or flu tests you may be familiar with. Rapid tests are also available for sale in pharmacies or online for about \$25 for two.

Surround your child with vaccinated people.

Getting vaccinated yourself, and making sure every teen and adult in your home is also vaccinated, is another important way you can protect your kids, according to CDC Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky. Even though children are at lower risk of serious illness when they get COVID19, no parent wants to be the one who gave their child an infection that could range from mild to severe or even lethal. Some children infected with the highly contagious Delta variant are having problems lasting weeks or months after first getting sick. The CDC reported that in the United States in August an average of 276 children were hospitalized per day with COVID-19.

If you have questions about COVID19 or vaccination, please ask your primary doctor or pediatrician. Stay well and have a great school year!

Visit <https://www.pghschools.org/coronavirus> for more information.

Relief

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more time to wait for the money to come in to cover their back rent.

Kyle Webster, Action Housing General Counsel, explained the first extension is guaranteed if the renter has applied for ERAP.

"As long as the tenant is actively participating in the program there shouldn't be an issue," Mr. Webster said, adding that there is still \$50 million left to be spent on rental assistance.

Abby Rae LaCombe of Rent Help PGH told The Penn-Capital Star that 98% of people who apply receive assistance to pay their rent.

How do you know if you qualify for rent relief? In Allegheny County, renters are eligible to apply for relief if they:

Have at least one person in their home who qualifies for unemployment, has lost income or had an increase in expenses because of the pandemic.

Have at least one person who may become homeless if they are evicted.

Receive a total household income below 80% of the median income for the county.

If you are struggling financially because you had increased medical or childcare expenses, or because you had to have groceries delivered and they were more expensive, or utility costs went up because your whole family was at home, you can apply for up to 12 months of back rent and bills. You may even apply for assistance paying rent arrears and utilities for a home you no longer occupy.

Those who have already received assistance can apply for more, and may receive assistance for a maximum of 15 months. You must recertify every three months.

Apply for rental assistance now if you are behind on rent or utilities so you can stay in your home.

Household Size	Gross Income
1	\$47,500
2	\$54,300
3	\$61,100
4	\$67,850
5	\$73,300
6	\$78,750
7	\$84,150
8	\$89,600

Income limits to qualify for emergency rental assistance. See page 3 for more information.

How the pandemic has impacted Pittsburghers' approach to food security

By: Xiaohan Liu for Public Source



Dianne Shenk, owner of Dylamato's Market in Hazelwood.

Photo by Ryan Loew/PublicSource

This is an excerpt of a longer article published on PublicSource.org.

Before the pandemic, more than one in five Pittsburgh residents were food insecure. That means social and economic conditions limit their consistent access to food. After the pandemic hit, residents lost jobs and distribution methods like school lunches were disrupted. While residents from all communities seek aid from food banks and pantries, food insecurity disproportionately impacts low-income communities of color.

Dianne Shenk was driving through Hazelwood when she noticed a grocery store closing down. When Shenk became a food studies master's student at Chatham University, she decided to investigate the situation there for an assignment on food availability in food deserts.

In 2011, the community development corporation was trying to create a food-buying club. "So I started sitting in those meetings and talking to people. I just became a volunteer," she said.

While a food-buying club brought fresh produce to the community, Shenk believed it to be an inconvenient model. "People want to walk up to produce and look at it. That's part of buying the produce."

In 2013, she began selling fresh fruits and vegetables by the side of the street. A year later, she converted an old hay wagon into a farmstand. In February 2016, Shenk opened Dylamato's Market, a full-service grocery store that's fewer than 1,000 square feet and one of the only stores

to carry fresh fruits and vegetables in Hazelwood.

Shenk's mission is to provide access to fresh, healthy food, create a positive social space and provide income for herself and local producers. More than half of what she buys is created, grown or processed in the region, she said. "We think about a grocery store like is it gonna hire people? Well, more than that, is it gonna buy local and keep local producers in business?"

All the foods are eligible for food stamps, and sales increased during the pandemic. "Suddenly we were just extremely busy," she said. People didn't necessarily want to go into the crowds at big grocery stores so they were seeking out Dylamato's Market. Their deli sandwich station saw a surge in demand when many restaurants closed.

"We provide that opportunity to say, well here's reasonably priced healthy food in your neighborhood."

However, the pandemic brought an unexpected change to the food system and it is one of the reasons Shenk has decided to close Dylamato's Market for at least two months starting July 31. Sourcing is a huge challenge for small grocery stores. Some of the store's highest profit margins are shelf-stable items which she purchases from other vendors using coupons and sells at a markup. Since the pandemic accelerated the shift to digital coupons, Shenk said the ways she collected coupons to source those items before are "just not possible anymore."

In five years, Shenk has seen an increase in the number of people who come and buy fresh foods. "We provide that opportunity to say, well here's reasonably priced healthy food in your neighborhood," she said. "People really appreciate that and they really take advantage of it, and they're really gonna miss us" during the temporary closure.

Xiaohan Liu is a PublicSource data and reporting intern.

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This story was fact-checked by Chris Hippensteel.

See the full story online at www.publicsource.org.

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Our 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, and senior citizens of the 31st Ward and surrounding areas.

31st Ward Churches



Holy Angels Parish
408 Baldwin Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-461-6906
www.holyangelshays.org

Lincoln Place Church of the Nazarene
5604 Interboro Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-462-2524
www.ipnaz.org

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

Mt. Rise Baptist Church
80 Ingot Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15120
412-462-8333

Maoz Tzur - Rock of Ages Messianic Jewish Congregation at Lincoln Place Church of the Nazarene
5604 Interboro Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-609-1117

St. John the Baptist Byzantine Cathedral
210 Greentree Road
Munhall, PA 15120
412-461-0944

Warriors of Holiness in Power (W.H.I.P. Ministries)
1174 Mifflin Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
412-461-5571

31st Ward CAG Corner

Join the 31st Ward Community Action Group for community planning and events, discussion of current concerns and goals, as well as updates from Zone 4 police, the Office of Councilman O'Connor, and the mayor's office.

Meeting location: Lincoln Presbyterian Church,
1202 Muldowney Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15207

*Monthly meetings every 2nd Tuesday at 7 PM
Social Hall of LP Presbyterian Church.
Enter on Cooley Way

Contact us:

Email: executiveboard@31WardCag.org Website: 31stwardcag.org

Find us on Facebook!

31st Ward Flag Fund

Your donation will help our volunteers to install and maintain American flags that line the streets of the 31st Ward. Please make checks payable to the **31st Ward Community Action Group** and mail to 944 Sunglow St, Munhall, PA 15120. Include a return mailing address if you would like a receipt of your donation. Send a donation via Venmo to @Pgh31stWardCAG, www.venmo.com/Pgh31stWardCAG



Send your stories to The Homepage

The Homepage wants to print more stories about the 31st Ward. We are looking for written articles and pictures in the following categories:

Neighborhood News • Opinions • Local History • Community Events • Health & Wellness •

Environment • Youth • Education • Life events (births, graduations, weddings and obituaries)

For life event announcements: <https://tinyurl.com/TheHomepageLifeEvents>

For community event reports or announcements: <https://tinyurl.com/TheHomepageEvents>

To submit announcements by mail, please send the name, date, event, photo and your contact information to:

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Written articles should be 250-500 words and emailed as .docx files with a working title, a research list and contact information for sources, and a byline including your name, title and organizational affiliation (if any).

Photos should be clear, well-lit, high-resolution (500kb or larger) and in jpg or png format. They should also have a caption that includes the name of the photographer, date taken, and brief description of who is in the photo and what they are doing.

Send articles and pitch story ideas to editor@hazelwoodinitiative.org

Please submit all stories by the 15th of the month.

The Homepage reserves the right to decline pitches, op-eds and other submitted content.

Church schedules and information

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Food Bank Vaccination Event

By Gerri Tipton

On August 7 Hazelwood residents received food, COVID-19 vaccinations and health screening information at the Spartan Center. The food pantry distribution serves around 100 families each month, according to Lisa Riehl, food bank coordinator. It has taken place on the first Saturday of the month for 18 years with few interruptions.

"When the lockdown initially started, we pre-packed the bags and did a drive up. We brought everything out and loaded their cars. We had to quickly adapt to meet the needs in the community while keeping people safe," said Ms. Riehl.

In addition to volunteers from Center of Life, who offered health screenings and referrals, medical personnel from the Allegheny County Health Department were on hand to give free COVID-19 vaccine shots.

COVID-19 cases rose dramatically in Allegheny County in August, particularly among unvaccinated people.

Dr. Debra Bogen, Allegheny County Health Department director, told the August press briefing, "Most people who get seriously sick or die are the unvaccinated. Get vaccinated for yourself, for the peace of mind it brings knowing that you are protecting others by protecting yourself."

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Dr. Debra Bogen

Regardless of how they feel about vaccination, everyone needs food. Ms. Riehl said in her years doing food distribution, she has learned a lot about those she serves. People talk to her about their families, how they are feeling, and what is good and bad in their lives, she said.

"It's about meeting the needs of the people in the community, as well as building relationships," she said. "For me this is home."

For more information on COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccination, speak with your doctor or call 211.

Community Kitchen's new head chef: "Learning never stops."

By Juliet Martinez

Chef James Hughes, the new head chef at Community Kitchen has traveled the world and explored all kinds of cuisines, but came back to Pittsburgh, where he went to culinary school in the early 2000s, to make a difference.

He started as a volunteer at Community Kitchen earlier this summer and was then hired in July. He said he gravitated toward the culinary workforce development organization because he saw what they do for the community, and he saw the need for both food and employment.

"I was amazed by the amount of child hunger in Pittsburgh," Chef Hughes told The Homepage. "I wanted to help make a difference and that's how I ended up here."

Community Kitchen offers culinary training to adults who have been out of the workforce or find it hard to re-enter because of a criminal record or other challenges. The school provides case management, life skills classes, referrals for services and job placement.

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Chef Hughes said he teaches not only culinary skills, but what the expectations are in the workplace. Credits earned at Community Kitchen can transfer to another institution, Chef Hughes said. Classes are free and through a new program students may qualify for a stipend while they study. Students leave educated and with no debt, Chef Hughes said.

A native of the Dominican Republic and ex-marine who has traveled to a dozen European countries, Chef Hughes has worked in senior living communities, cooked in restaurants and hotels, and even ran a food truck out of an Airstream trailer.

He said his culinary foundation is the Spanish Caribbean food he grew up on, but he loves all kinds of food, especially learning about new cuisines on his travels.

While he hasn't formally taught before, Chef Hughes said being a



Community Kitchen's new Head Chef James Hughes. Photo by Juliet Martinez

chef means teaching all the time because everyone is at different skill levels in a kitchen.

COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

Reserve a garden bed and plant crops

By: Matt Peters, Community Garden Manager

The hot summer days of August and September show the first fruits of spring plantings like peas, okra and radishes beginning to bear. If you didn't get to taste the plums that ripened in August at the Allotment Garden at the former YMCA on Monongahela Street between Minden and Berwick, I predict that late-season peaches will ripen mid-month at Everybuddy's Garden at the corner of Elizabeth and Lytle. Don't miss them!

This time of year is also "last call" for planting fall-crop seeds like beets, rutabagas, turnips, okra, kale and collards, lettuce and many of the same seeds that started off the spring.

If you haven't already started a garden this year, you can still plant these crops in one of the gardening beds available at the popular Allotment Garden. There is no cost or fee to reserve a bed! We ask for a ten dollar deposit, which is returned to you when you relinquish your claim to your bed.

Additional growing space is available at several locations around the neighborhood. Larger spaces can accommodate more ambitious projects, and we always welcome groups who would like to spend a day volunteering without the commitment of a full season.

Next year we look forward to working with the Three Rivers Village School, which plans to move

into the former YMCA building when renovations are complete. This partnership will mean that we will be able to offer a more structured calendar of skills sharing and workshop events in an outdoor setting that presents a lower risk of catching COVID-19.

Some of our garden sites have gotten weedy because the pandemic interfered with our ability to hold workshops and group gardening activities these past two years. Fortunately, a "fallow" or resting period is good practice for soil health, and the Urban Agriculture Team mowed the worst of the weeds before they went to seed. Next year we aim to be in a better position to produce a greater quantity of food and reach a greater number of people. We look forward to new partnerships to help develop more of our green infrastructure, which makes our neighborhood more food secure, cooler and less prone to flooding.

Read the complete Growers Agreement at <https://tinyurl.com/GrowersAgreement>. Contact Matt Peters, Community Garden Manager, at gardens@hazelwoodinitiative.org to find out more and get signed up.

Find us on Facebook, where we post news about upcoming meetings, events, and volunteer opportunities. Click the FB icon on our web page, <https://www.hazelwoodinitiative.org/urban-ag-team>.

Join our email list: <https://groups.io/g/hazelwoodurbanag>



Hazelwood residents tending to their garden plots at the Y Garden. To reserve a garden bed contact Matt Peters at gardens@hazelwoodinitiative.org.
Photo by Matt Peters

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Hazelwood's own heirloom tomato variety is endangered due to a bad harvest, but if you got a tomato plant from Hazelwood Initiative Community Garden Manager Matt Peters this year, the seeds from your plant could save the Strati.

Developed over 70 years by Saverio "Sam" Strati, who lived in Hazelwood from 1950 until his passing in 2017, this unique tomato variety is a living local treasure. Mr. Strati tended the roadside lots along Langhorn street, near Tecumseh street. He generously gifted many of the tomato plants he cultivated from seeds he brought with him when he came to Pittsburgh from Calabria, Italy, to work in the steel mills.

Heirloom seeds are those saved after a harvest and passed down through generations, often by gardeners who value them for producing a good yield in a household garden and a distinctive, colorful or particularly flavorful crop.

Several years ago, Mr. Strati gave a couple of his tomato plants to Mr. Peters, an avid gardener and ama-

teur seed-saver. When Mr. Strati left for the great garden plot in the sky, his legacy of careful selection and plant variety improvement was not lost. The Hazelwood Urban Agriculture Team has carefully stewarded this variety for six years now, but this season the garden manager is having a disappointing tomato harvest and fears he will see a total crop failure.

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This fragile link to a unique tomato variety and the legacy of Mr. Strati could be lost. However, this year the Urban Agriculture Team gave away hundreds of tomato plants to neighborhood residents. If you received one, please save seeds from your crop and share some with Hazelwood Initiative. Don't let the Strati heirloom tomato variety die out!

Learn more about saving seeds at <https://www.seedsavers.org/>

Annual Fun Day celebrates families of kids with autism and related disabilities

How do you feel about kids going back to school?

By Tiffany Taulton

On August 15, Tiffany Taulton, Hazelwood Initiative Director of Community Initiatives, asked parents at Burgwin Field for Autism Urban Connections Autism Fun Day how they feel about kids going back to school.



Keyvion Cuff (9th grade student)
If it's not virtual, I'm fine. [Online school was] HORRIBLE! First, my internet was slow around COVID, so it would crash or for some reason the sound wouldn't work. And not only that but, like sometimes, the teachers' speakers would sound muffled up and their computer screens would lag.



Coach Blue (parent, kindergarten and high school)
I got mixed opinions. To make them start to go to school and to anticipate them reverting right back to the computer is going to be a struggle because they've already been out for so long. I know, by not going to school, it hurts socially. They're not really getting taught [online] the same way as being in school.



Grace Taylor (grandparent, all grades)
I'm praying that they go back, but I'm praying, too, that things will be much safer than what they are now. I'm praying that the parents will go along with them wearing a mask for right now until things do get better or cease for this virus that's going around.



Avis Branch (grandparent)
I feel like they need to go back to school just to interact with other kids, but you also have to be safe. I'm really excited for my kids to go back -- so they can get out the house and they won't get on their parents' and grandparents' nerves!



David Greenlee (parent, elementary)
I'm OK with it just as long as they practice the COVID protocol. But then again, with the numbers going up, I don't really know. But I don't want to be back to where we were either, you know. I'm fully vaccinated myself. I'm really waiting for my kids to get vaccinated as well. I got faith in [the school] that they'll do a OK job.



Michelle Walker
I'd like to have them have more socialization, but I'm also concerned because I have a child who has a disability and I'm concerned about the transportation issues. And, of course, the concern with one of my children contracting COVID. I have a younger child at home who's under the age of two, so I'm concerned that he could catch it as well.



Dawn (parent, elementary and middle school)
I feel that they should go back to school because I really don't understand them staying home all day. I'm a little bit excited and a little worried.



Prestine Bush (parent, middle school)
I'm not comfortable with it at all. It's not really safe yet. My daughter would rather catch COVID than stay home with me. She's ready to take her chance.

Event promotes fun and support for autistic kids

By Juliet Martinez

The fifth annual Autism Fun Day brought two to three hundred people together to find support, fun and resources on Sunday, August 15, at Burgwin Field. Autism Urban Connections of Pittsburgh [AUC] hosted the event, which included distributions of backpacks and school supplies, face painting, a DJ, a bouncy house and American Sign Language [ASL] sessions.

Jamie Upshaw, the founder and executive director of AUC, said the yearly event has grown from just a handful of participants at the first Autism Fun Day in 2016. She said the event is important because it brings together things that not all autistic kids get to have.

"A lot of kids on the spectrum aren't able to get out, to have fun and to receive resources and supports at the same time," Ms. Upshaw said. "So we've made it our business to make this happen every year."

The ASL sessions by Michelle Walker of Lend an Ear Consulting introduced families to signs that can help them improve communication with autistic family members with limited verbal or auditory processing skills.

"American Sign Language can be vital and helpful... to communicate with someone who has autism," Ms. Walker told The Homepage. "It is a way of communication that can help to ease frustration."

Formed in 2015, AUC is a primarily African-American, family focused 501(c)3 nonprofit offering trainings, resources and support groups to families with autistic children and those with related disorders. The organization works to help all families receive appropriate diagnosis and services, and to address fundamental barriers to diagnosis and support for African-American autistic children.

Ms. Upshaw said since the pandemic began the organization has delivered food, diapers, wipes and other essentials to families who need them. As the school year begins, she wants parents to know she is in their corner.

"If you're looking for an advocate for the school year, I do that, I

Nature and community: Hazelwood in August



Volunteers removed 29 bags of trash, two tires, two televisions, an ancient ice box and a quarter acre of invasive vines from the Hazelwood Greenway on August 7. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



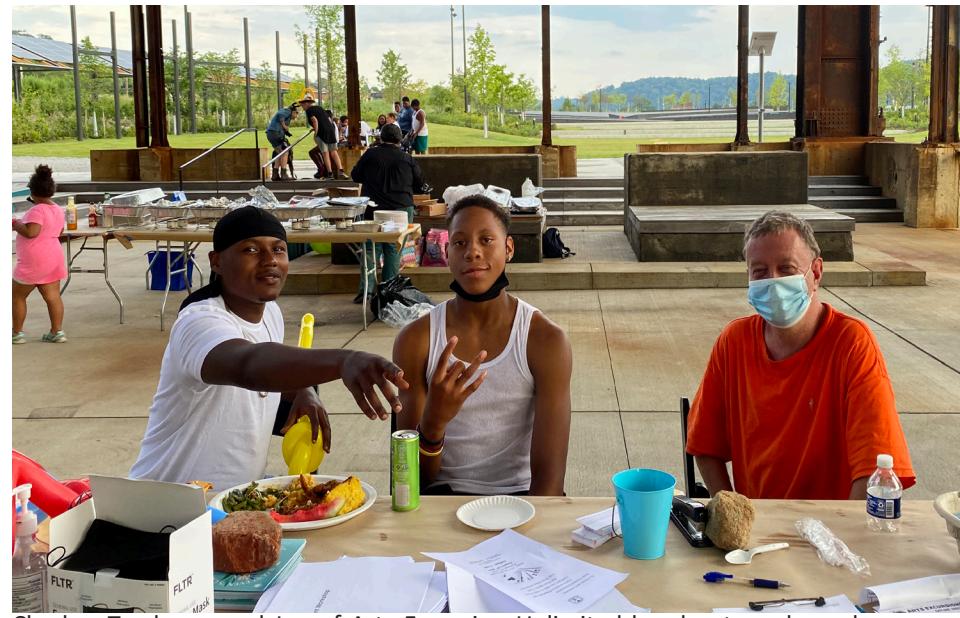
Colonel Eagleburgher's Highstepping Goodtime Band participated in the Arts Excursions Unlimited at Walk Hazelwood, organized by Hazelwood Local, on July 31. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Saundra Cole, Founding Executive Director of POORLAW, with youth from POORLAW and Hazelwood Cobras who visited the goats that cleared knotweed from Hazelwood Greenway in July. The goats returned to the Greenway in late August. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Mark and Rena Halsel, owners of Elevationz on Second avenue, hosted Micah's Dream, an anti-gun-violence basketball clinic, on August 7 at Lewis Parklet in honor of the one-year anniversary of the murder of their grandson, Micah. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Charles, Tayshaun, and Joe of Arts Excursion Unlimited hand out masks and programs. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Matt Erb from Tree Pittsburgh (right) leads a tree identification walk in the Hazelwood Greenway on July 24. Photo by Tiffany Taulton

Nature and community: Hazelwood in August



Hazelwood residents prepare to vote on an artist for the public art installment at Hazelwood Green. The event was sponsored by Arts Excursions Unlimited, Hazelwood Public Art Selection Committee, Ten x Ten Studio and RIDC. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Greater Hazelwood Historical Society of Pittsburgh founder JaQuay Carter leads a walking history tour at Hazelwood Green on July 31. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Hazelwood residents enjoy dinner before voting on the artist who will create a public art installation for Hazelwood Green. Participants selected Homewood artist Vanessa German. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Multi-disciplinary artist Marcè Nixon-Washington discusses the mural she created with muralist Sandy Kessler Kaminski to amplify the search for Hazelwood artist Tonee Turner, who disappeared in December, 2019. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Hazelwood child with Hobo, the donkey that guards the goats that cleared knotweed from Hazelwood Greenway in July. The goats returned to the Greenway in late August. Photo by Tiffany Taulton



Ursula Craig, Homer Craig, Harriet Stein and Gavin White prepare to vote on the public artist for the Hazelwood Green Plaza public art display on August 4. The event was sponsored by Hazelwood Public Art Selection Committee, Ten x Ten Studio, Art Excursions Unlimited and Regional Industrial Development Corporation [RIDC]. Photo by Tiffany Taulton

COMMUNITY VOICES

We're all part of the web of life

The Universe is much more flexible, complex, and alive than we realize. Both ancient philosophy and modern, quantum physics concur that life is full of paradoxes. The great physicist Albert Einstein said, "A human being is part of a whole, called by us the 'Universe,' a part limited in time and space. He experiences himself, his thoughts and feelings, as something separated from the rest — a kind of optical delusion of his consciousness. This delusion is a kind of prison for us, restricting us to our personal desires and to affection for a few persons nearest us." In the last years of his life, ignored by many of the more "down-to-earth" physicists, he said, "Reality is merely an illusion, albeit a very persistent one."

It is a hallucination to think that we are separate from the rest of the world. We are family.

Asking the question, "How much time do we have (before all these environmental changes and wars and diseases kill us off)?" shows that the asker of the question does not recognize either that they are a part of the cause of this mess we're in or that they can play a part in dealing with it. I had this question asked of me thirty some years ago, and it stunned me. You are NOT helpless! To the extent that each of us is out of gear by the belief that we can't do anything, we are losing our ability to make things better. Don't be automatically pessimistic. As the young environmentalist Greta Thunberg has said, "The solutions are here; we need to act on them."

We need transformation, revolution, by whatever means necessary short of violence. The days ahead will be interesting, to say the least. The bad effects of our out-of-control emission of carbon dioxide, methane (natural gas), nitrous oxide, and other greenhouse gases and upper atmosphere destruction chemicals are spiraling upward. But the good effects possible with green technology and worldwide cooperation are also becoming available with incredible speed. We CAN solve these problems, but we must accept that the old world is dying. And we must also wake up to the fact that the only thing that's going to save us as a whole is that we find ourselves able to see that we're all part of the web of life. Coming back to Einstein, he

made this point, saying, "Our task must be to free ourselves from this prison by widening our circles of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature in its beauty."

There are no enemies. We're all one. A world renaissance is possible. It's not money that makes the world go 'round, it's love. Love conquers all.

Life is but a dream. Wake up if you want to.

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Autism

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go into the schools and I help fight for these [individualized education plans]. I'll even go to doctor's appointments with you," said Ms. Upshaw, whose 10-year-old son is autistic and was diagnosed at age three and a half.

"It took us a long time to get a diagnosis and that's another reason I fight the way that I do because I don't want parents to go out and be misled and get misinformation like I did in the beginning, and get a misdiagnosis and have your child getting wrong services."

For more information see the AUC website at www.aucofpgh.org

Neighborhood chef holds back-to-school picnic

By Robert McCune

Chef Robert McCune of Tecumseh Street delighted neighborhood families with a back-to-school splash party and picnic at Burgwin Splash Pad on August 2. This is the third surprise fun day offered free of

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charge by Chef McCune, a retired army veteran who moved to Hazelwood from Highland Park two years ago. This event featured grilled gourmet burgers, hot dogs, chicken nuggets, french fries, chips and snacks. The children played two-on-two basketball, water relay races and water balloon games. Chef McCune recalled one resident saying, "It is sheer delight witnessing such happiness and togetherness in these trying times."



Chef Robert McCune and friends. Photo by Robert McCune

Four reasons to love Hazelwood

(and there's never been a better time to Live Here)

By Julie and Ted Block

In late 2015, Ted and I were planning our move back to Pittsburgh after two years in New Jersey, and discussing our next career move. Every conversation seemed to lead us back to the energy we felt from the people we knew from Hazelwood and our excitement to see the emerging growth there. Today we celebrate the resilience and hope of this vibrant community. Here are our favorite things about Hazelwood:

1. Hazelwood is packed with resources to help families thrive.

Hazelwood is a community that cares, and you can see that in the resources the community provides. The Hazelwood Family Health Center (4918 2nd Avenue), for example, is a federally-funded health center where treatment is low-cost or free, depending on income. The Center of Life (161 Hazelwood Avenue) offers youth-oriented programs and after school activities. Fishes and Loaves Cooperative Ministries (5115 Second Avenue) addresses food insecurity so people can get the nutrition they deserve.

Of course, there's also the Hazelwood Initiative [HI]. In addition to running The Homepage, HI offers housing services, employment assistance and help starting a garden!

2. Hazelwood has a strong foundation for growth.

As opportunities have arrived in Hazelwood from projects like Hazelwood Green, the collaboration between the community and development partners has impressed us, making sure that "the rising tide lifts all boats."

We're excited to see Mill 19, which houses a variety of businesses, and Catalyst Connection, which focuses on developing small manufacturers, establishing roots in Hazelwood.

3. Hazelwood still has that small town feel.

One thing that hasn't changed in recent years is the community. You'll still find friendly faces on the sidewalks, especially on Second Avenue. Small businesses still matter here, and we love the restaurants and mom and pop stores!

Elizabeth Pharmacy, C&D's Kitchen, Abriola's Auto Parts, Floriated Interpretations and many more,

not only serve the neighborhood, they are truly a part of it. Especially during the pandemic, we're grateful for their dedication to the community.

4. Hazelwood is in a great location.

Hazelwood really is in a great spot. Seconds from 376, a flat and easy bike ride to Downtown, and an easy jaunt to the Waterfront by cutting through Glen Hazel and cross-

ing the Homestead Grays Bridge. If you love the water, Sandcastle Water Park is just on the other side of the Monongahela River!

Even so, Hazelwood is quiet. Off of Second Avenue you'll find tree-lined streets, especially the areas tucked against the Hazelwood Greenway, where leaves rustle and birds warble happily.

Hazelwood continues to be a terrific place to live, work and play.

We're hoping for great things in Hazelwood over the next few years, and we can't wait to see how the neighborhood develops!

What do you love about Hazelwood? We'd love to hear! Send us an email at: theblocks@blocksintheburgh.com.
Cheers,
Julie and Ted
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COMMUNITY VOICES

RCO Ordinance Caters to Developers While Stifling Grassroots Voices

By Junction Coalition

In late 2018, Pittsburgh City Council passed an ordinance that is birthing a system of Registered Community Organizations (RCOs). According to the City of Pittsburgh's website, this new system gives RCOs "a formal role in the current development projects [taking place in a neighborhood] as well as neighborhood planning processes."

Community organizations that want to become RCOs must meet criteria that include:

- Being a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit.
- Maintaining a website and posting public meeting agendas, minutes, and decisions.
- Holding two public meetings each year in an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible space.
- Submitting a signed letter from their City Councilperson.

"An infringement on free speech"

Critics point to the financial and political resources needed to satisfy these requirements. Obtaining 501 (c)(3) nonprofit status can take months or years. Although recent updates to the process allow some organizations to file a shorter form, the IRS will reject forms with any mistakes. Filing the form requires an online payment. Organizations may lack the funds to maintain a website or secure an ADA-accessible meeting space. And, critically, organizations at odds with their City Councilperson may find themselves shut out of RCO status.

According to a Dec. 3, 2018, Public Source article, president and CEO of the Hill Community Development Corporation Marimba Millions described the required letter from a city council member as "an

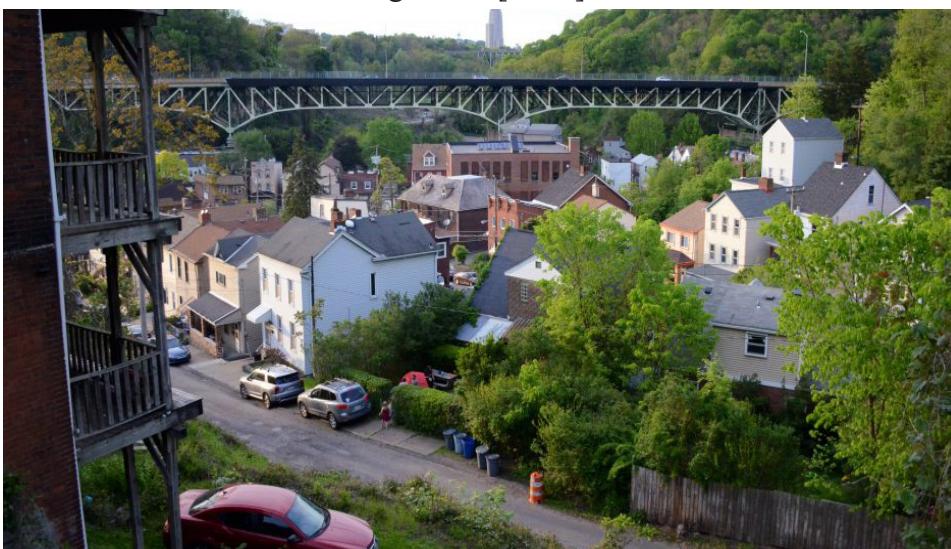
infringement of free speech."

"Anyone who's done any level of community organizing knows that a core part of community organizing is being able to go and articulate your issues to whomever, however... without retribution," Ms. Millions said at a community meeting. "And to give any elected official or any person the power to essentially endorse you as the voice for your community is unacceptable."

The City speaks from both sides of its mouth on the issue, insisting

could prove dire in neighborhoods slated for big development projects by powerful interests. The proposed Mon-Oakland Connector (MOC) shuttle road through The Run is a prime example.

The Run, technically part of the Greenfield neighborhood, is geographically isolated from the rest of that community. Neither the MOC nor severe flooding in The Run affect upper Greenfield. One Greenfield Community Association [GCA] board member told GCA



The Run is a tight-knit community nestled between Schenley Park and Greenfield. Photo by Ray Gerard

that it "values the contributions that community organizations bring to our city and holds each in equal regard" while also saying "RCOs will receive certain benefits, not favoritism" compared to non-RCO groups. These benefits, obtainable only by jumping through the above-referenced hoops, elevate well-connected professional community organizers above grassroots organizations with fewer resources or whose interests don't align with developers'.

Mon-Oakland Connector and the tenuous position of The Run

The consequences of placing additional hurdles between average Pittsburghers and civic participation

meeting attendees that the organization "does not represent the people of Greenfield." Yet the GCA is currently in the process of acquiring RCO status and will become the de facto representative of the entire neighborhood—including The Run—in matters of community development.

This leaves Run residents in a tenuous position. The GCA, which includes a tiny minority of Run residents, can easily ignore or compromise on issues concerning the MOC and combined sewer overflows to avoid ruffling feathers in city government. Run residents cannot afford to do so. A 2017 City-mandated sur-

vey of Run residents showed overwhelming opposition to the MOC roadway and unanimous demand for effective flood relief. Furthermore, part of the MOC plan calls for seizing several Acorn St. properties through eminent domain to widen Swinburne Bridge and make a dedicated lane for MOC shuttles.

Communities uniting to address their own needs

Residents of The Run and surrounding communities created the Our Money Our Solutions (OMOS) infrastructure/transportation plan to address the needs of existing residents. The OMOS plan is an example of how communities can unite to address their own needs—as opposed to the top-down, chainsaw development approach Pittsburgh has historically favored.

Requiring developers to address the community with their plans makes sense; however, the devil is in the details. There are fairer ways to ensure that developers pass through a community approval process.

If you are concerned about the role of RCOs, start by finding out if your community has one. If your research or participation shows that the local RCO does not serve the interests of your community, you have a lot to consider. You may wish to form your own RCO—or work toward replacing the RCO framework in Pittsburgh.

You can read this article with links to source material at <https://www.junctioncoalition.org/2021/08/18/pittsburghs-rco-ordinance-caters-to-developers-while-stifling-grassroots-voices/>.

Junction Coalition is a community group based in The Run

Will PA's Leaders Prevent the Collapse of the Intellectual Disability System?

By Gary Blumenthal

Once again, the coronavirus has reared its ugly head, mutating, and beginning a deep dive into the willingly unvaccinated and those too young to obtain the vaccine.

And again, we find ourselves depending on frontline workers to keep the rest of us safe by showing up for work, protecting our food and supply chains, and caring for those with disabilities, the elderly, and

other vulnerable among us. Those heroes rise to the occasion – day in and day out – despite subsisting on wages that qualify them for food stamps, Section 8 Housing assistance, or Medicaid substituting for unaffordable health insurance.

Nowhere is this crisis more apparent than in the Intellectual Disability/Autism (ID/A) community where, long before the pandemic, Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) endured decades of grossly inade-

quate wages and staffing shortages while handling essential, life-sustaining responsibilities.

At the height of the pandemic, our state and national leaders lauded the dedication of these workers, lamented their poor pay status, and acknowledged that the foundation of many of these programs have been weak for years. With the advent of the pandemic, lingering problems in maintaining the stability of disability programs deteriorated into a fight

to keep the system from imploding from the effect of years of neglect.

Leaders – from Trump to Biden to Wolf to nearly every PA elected official – have acknowledged the sacrifices of poorly paid frontline workers and have pledged to address the legitimate and crying needs in the intellectual disability community and its workforce.

Leaders – from PA Speaker Cutler to House and Senate Appropriations

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leaders Saylor and Browne to PA party leaders from Republican AND Democratic caucuses have spoken with passion about the need to address the legitimate, crying need in this community.

While there have been some temporary recovery efforts, including funds from the Trump-era CARES act that provided temporary relief to some programs, permanent relief to address the deep wounds and dysfunction laid bare by the pandemic have been lacking.

Before the pandemic, InVision Human Services and hundreds of other organizations warned the state about a human service workforce crisis that left that system teetering on the edge of collapse, with DSPs quitting their jobs at alarming rates.

In fact, these shortages are at a crisis point -- the worst in nearly 60 years of community disability programs. The problem is so bad that families who have waited (in some cases for more than a decade) on the state's ID/A waiting list are being told that although they are eligible, services cannot begin because there is no staff to perform them.

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Five years ago, Gov. Wolf implemented a regulation requiring the state to review, update, and refresh disability program costs every three years. Three years have come and gone, with no review or refresh. In the meantime, rates remain grossly inadequate, DSPs continue leaving, and the system is on the verge of collapse. But there is still time to save this critical sector, and Gov. Wolf – and legislators on both sides of the aisle – have the power and authority to do it.

The state has received millions to billions of extra dollars to fix this crisis. In fact, the Biden Administration has spelled out specific funding to fix and strengthen ID/A programs. Months into the pandemic, however, the state has offered only a band-aid of temporary support. The state

needs to tap into this funding now, to permanently address the rate and staffing crises that threaten to upend the disability system and the thousands of people who depend on it. To prevent a collapse of the system, the state needs to do the following immediately:

1. Pay DSPs -- the workforce that keeps people safe and alive in their homes -- a fair, adequate, living wage. The PA Department of Human Services takes funds from Medicaid, provided by the federal government, and pays its own state center DSPs 30% to 40% more than it pays its community-based DSPs. Why the disparity? Good question for the governor's team to explain.
2. Stabilize community programs to ensure they are sufficiently staffed to provide needed assistance, nutrition, employment supports, mental health, and behavioral supports and knowledge about the people being supported. This can't happen when turnover is so high; in community programs, turnover averages 40% to 80%, while only 14% at state-operated centers.

And what can advocates for people with intellectual disabilities and their families do? Simply hope, pray, and advocate for those who cannot do so themselves that our leaders act before the community disability system collapses.

This fall, Governor Wolf and his administration have promised to adjust rates based on new data, costs, and needs. They have the money to work with provided by the federal government. They have an economy on the rebound at a growth rate exceeding five percent. And they have legislators who have acknowledged the need is there.

Will this be the year our elected officials do their best to preserve a critical human service need? The lives of our most vulnerable – and those who care for them – are counting on it.

Mr. Blumenthal is the brother of an adult with autism. He has worked for 40+ years in the disability community as a federal disability official in the Clinton and Obama Administrations, a state legislator (KS), and now as Vice President of Governmental Relations and Advocacy for InVision Human Services here in PA.



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Hazelwood Local plans, executes events on Hazelwood Green

By Dana Wall of Hazelwood Local

Hazelwood Green Plaza, a new public space located at the corner of Eliza and Lytle streets, has been the site of several free in-person and virtual events hosted by Hazelwood Local, an event planning initiative connected to Almono Limited Partnership, which owns Hazelwood Green.

To develop programming ideas, the Hazelwood Local team sought the feedback of the neighborhood during multiple outreach meetings in 2020, forming partnerships with community organizations.

Since January, Hazelwood Local has put on 14 events in the neighborhood and at the Plaza, including the virtual workshop “*Master Your Business Marketing*” with Hazelwood’s own Digital Bridges. The first in-person event, a community clean-up with Grounded Strategies, began at Morning Star Baptist Church.

In March, Wilkinsburg artist Tina Dillman became community events manager, bringing 20 years of experience consulting for nonprofits and artists to this role.

In-person events at Hazelwood Green Plaza, like the “*Love Your Neighbor*” literature event with Andrea Betts of Garden of Different Abilities, which featured a poetry workshop, open mic readings and a book giveaway by partner City Books, started in May. Walking tours on art, history, and sustainability led by Edith Abeyta, JaQuay Ed-

ward Carter, and the Green Building Alliance took place on July 31. And a free movie night in the Plaza on August 20 featured the film “42,” starring the late Chadwick Boseman.

All events put on by Hazelwood Local are free, and can be found on the Eventbrite page: [hazelwoodlocal.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/o/hazelwoodlocal). A shuttle to the Plaza stops at the Morning Star Baptist Church, the Glen Hazel High Rise Gazebo, and at the northbound bus stop at Second avenue and Tecumseh street.

Community organizations can use the Plaza for events at no charge. To request use of the space, go to the Hazelwood Local website at www.hazelwoodlocal.com, scroll to the bottom and click “Events at Hazelwood Green Plaza”. This form leads directly to the plaza management team.

Hazelwood Local also offers neighborhood event and organization listings on its website to highlight the vibrancy of Hazelwood. To add items to the directory and calendar, email the team at hazelwoodlocal@gmail.com.

For more information, follow Hazelwood Local on Facebook and Instagram (@hazelwoodlocal), visit their website to subscribe to their monthly newsletter or find out how to attend monthly virtual community meetings.

For more on Hazelwood Green, visit www.hazelwoodgreen.com.



Movie Night at Hazelwood Green on July 9th. See p. 11 for more photos from Hazelwood Local Plaza. Follow Hazelwood Local on Facebook and Instagram (@hazelwoodlocal), visit www.hazelwoodlocal.com to subscribe to their monthly newsletter or find out how to attend monthly virtual community meetings. Photo by Sarah Bader

We do it because He first loved us

By Vicar Benjamin Janssen of Holy Cross Evangelical-Lutheran Chapel in Hazelwood



Holy Cross Evangelical-Lutheran Chapel, 5319 Second Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15207
Photo by Benjamin Janssen.

The apostle John wrote, “We love because He [Jesus Christ] first loved us” (1 John 4:19). These words explain Holy Cross Evangelical-Lutheran Chapel in a nutshell. Our members volunteer their time throughout the week to make sure that the Greater Hazelwood community knows the love of Christ and that no one ever goes hungry or unclothed in the process. We pray that you, your family and your neighbors have experienced the love of Jesus Christ through this work. Even though my family and I have only been here a short time, this embracing Christian community has already made Hazelwood and Holy Cross feel like our forever spiritual home.

All of us at Holy Cross pray that you have felt the love of Jesus Christ this past month through our food and clothing distribution, our parish festival, our bi-weekly community dinners, weekly services, devotions, and Bible studies. The members of our congregation extend the warm welcome to you that Jesus first gave them.

For the Christian, love is powerful because in the Bible it is sacrificial. Here at Holy Cross, we give our time and resources so that you too can experience this great sacrificial love we have in Jesus Christ. He made the ultimate sacrifice when He died on the cross for your sins. He knows your struggles. He knows life is hard, and He is here at Holy Cross for you. Here in our daily and Sunday worship, He

wants to remind you of His loving care. No matter what you’ve done or your current place in life, He tenderly offers you the promise of eternal life and escape from the hardships you face today.

At Holy Cross, you will find a loving Christian community whose doors and arms are open and inviting. All that we do is an extension of the love that Jesus first gave to you and me on the cross. We don’t do this for fame, wealth, or personal gain. We do it because we want you to know Jesus Christ’s love and find a home and loving community here at Holy Cross. We are here every day for you. Our doors are open.

In under a month, Holy Cross has made Hazelwood my home. If this can happen in a month, how much more can our church provide you with a forever spiritual home? We are here to love you with His divine love. We pray that you will all come and join our Christian community here at Holy Cross.

Sunday worship starts at 9:30 a.m. Weekly devotions take place on Wednesdays and Fridays at noon. Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month we host a community dinner and short vespers service. Come join our loving Christian Community and give your spirituality a home. Jesus loves you, Holy Cross loves you, and we hope to see all of you soon!

See page 3 for resources available from Holy Cross Evangelical-Lutheran Chapel of Hazelwood

Eat, learn, connect and dance during Hispanic Heritage Month

By: Juliet Martinez

Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month events between September 15 and October 15 give Pittsburghers a chance to experience some of the vibrant cultures from the many countries of Latin America, each with its own culture, history, traditions, cuisine and language.

Although Spanish is the most widely spoken language in Latin America, most of the people of Latin American ancestry in the United States speak English. But your Latin American neighbors may also speak one or more of hundreds of indigenous languages, Portuguese, French, Creole, Papiamento or Garifuna.

What can you do to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month?

Try a new food

Pittsburgh has several Latin American and Caribbean eateries from around Latin America. Here are three distinct cuisines you can find on the nearby South Side. Give them a try!

Mexican: La Palapa, 2224 E Carson St, (412) 586-7015, www.lapalapa-pgh.com

Try the September special, chiles nogadas. Mild green peppers are stuffed with a sweet-savory ground beef, topped with a creamy sauce with a hint of nutmeg and sprinkled with pomegranate seeds.

Venezuelan: Cilantro & Ajo, 901 E Carson Street, (412) 432-5708, www.cilantroajo.com/

The week of September 14 to 19, in celebration of their three-year anniversary, receive a free brown sugar lemonade, a popular Venezuelan refreshment, with your order. Try their handmade arepas, a cornmeal cake split and stuffed with savory fillings. Arepas are eaten as widely in Colombia and Venezuela as corn tortillas are in Mexico and Central America.

Learn something new

Learning a little bit about another community or culture makes you more connected and more at home wherever you are. Check out these fun and easy ways to learn about your neighbors with ancestry in Latin America!

National Hispanic Heritage Month online: The Library of Congress site is rich with videos, links to exhibits, audio of interviews and music,

all focusing on “paying tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society.” www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov

Hispanic Heritage Month on History.com:

Learn about the origin of the celebration and a wide range of notable Americans of Latin American descent and their contributions to this country.

<https://www.history.com/topics/hispanic-history/hispanic-heritage-month>

Connect with people

The Latino Americans Pittsburgh Screening Celebration: A screening, with reception, food and music, of a groundbreaking documentary series that aims to represent the Latino community in the Pittsburgh region with video portraits featuring Latin Americans living in Pittsburgh and sharing their immigrant experiences in their own voices.

September 15, 6:00-9:00 p.m. at Latin American Cultural Center, 4338 Bigelow Blvd.

For more information: pittsburghlatino@gmail.com To RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/LatinoAmericansPittsburgh>

Hispanic Heritage Month: Salsa Night!

Free online event! Learn from American-based Damaris Morales as she shares the steps and rhythms of salsa, as well as the story of why these types of dances are significant to Hispanic societies around the world.

Friday, September 17, 2021 AT 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at <https://tinyurl.com/VirtualSalsaLesson>



A Mexican indigenous woman wearing regalia carries an American flag. Approximately 60.6 million people of Latin American descent live in the United States. Photo by Juliet Martinez



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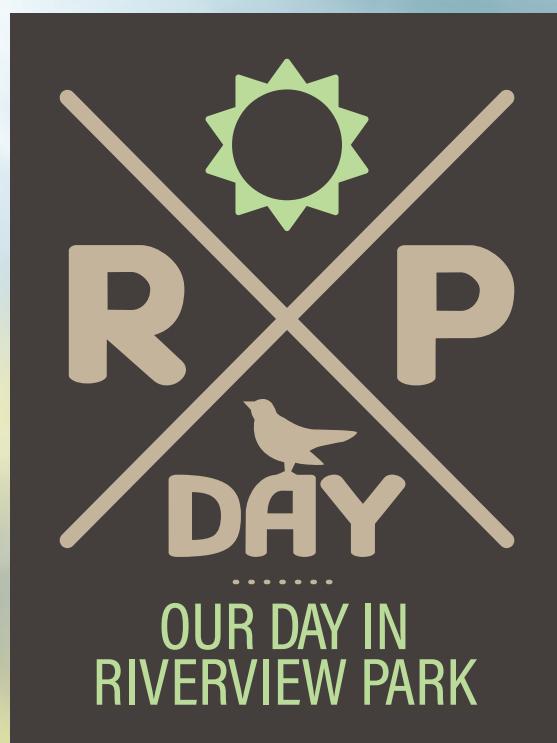
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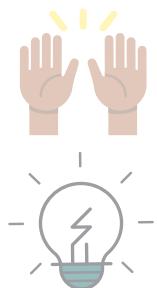
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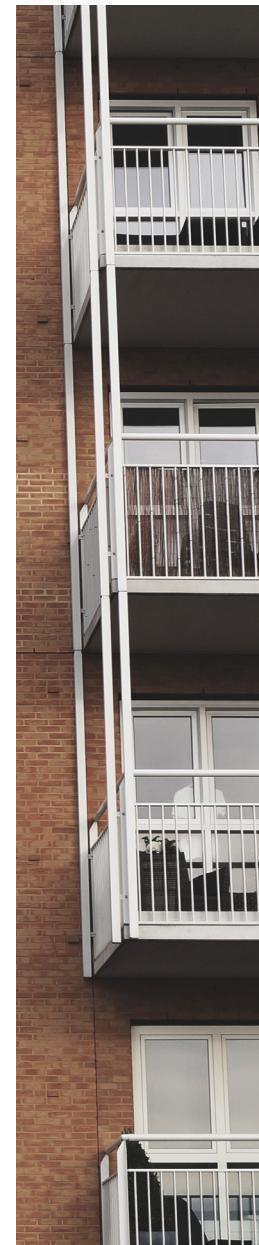
REP needs community members to shape and inform the project by joining a **Community Advisory Board (CAB)**.

The CAB will meet for about 1 hour, 1-2 times a month throughout the project, and CAB members will receive \$20 per meeting.

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If you don't have a computer or mobile device, you can go to a drop-in center or make an appointment for a phone intake (slightly slower) by calling Action Housing at (412) 248-0021.

You do not need to be a citizen. Interpretation services available. A social security number is not required.

Documents needed:

- W-2 or 1040 or 1099 tax forms, paystubs
- SSI or Unemployment determination letter
- Lease agreement signed by landlord and tenant
- Utility bills and statement of back-owed rent

For more neighborhood housing and event info visit
<https://hazelwoodinitiative.org> or follow us on Facebook.
Phone: (412) 421-7234.

COTRAIC powwow returns on Sept. 25 in Dorseyville

By Juliet Martinez

The Council of Three Rivers American Indian Center [COTRAIC] powwow will be September 25 and 26. At noon on both days, a grand entry of dancers in colorful regalia will open the powwow at 120 Charles Street, Dorseyville, PA 15238-1027. COVID-19 precautions recommended by the CDC will be in place.

COTRAIC operates the Head Start preschool and the Greater Hazelwood Family Center, both on Second avenue. Powwow organizer Michael Simms (Cherokee/Seminole) recently explained to The Homepage that a powwow is a Native American festival offering traditional dancing, drumming and singing, and vendors of authentic crafts, jewelry and food. It is a drug- and alcohol-free event.

The regalia, or traditional clothing, dancers wear at a powwow is unique to each dancer and incorporates special elements depending on the dancer's background and the dance event. Mr. Simms said anyone may photograph the dancers while they dance, but if a powwow guest wishes to take a picture of



Dom Watson, grass dancer, at the 2019 COTRAIC powwow. Photo courtesy of Council of Three Rivers American Indian Center. Used with permission.

someone who is not dancing, it is courteous to ask first.

Mr. Simms has organized the powwow for the past 11 years. He also travels to powwows around

the country and dances competitively throughout the year. For powwow information, please contact Michael Simms at 412-292-7683, or msimms606@aol.com.

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Taste of Greater Hazelwood recipes perfect for Labor Day

By Juliet Martinez

Aunt Mary Cunningham's Best Recipe for Barbecues Ever

When you get out the grill for Labor Day, slather a little local history on your food. This recipe comes from the "A Taste of Greater Hazelwood" cookbook published 20 years ago by Hazelwood Initiative, Inc.

Carol Vavro contributed this recipe for a zesty homemade barbecue sauce that she said serves eight to ten pounds of chipped ham. Try it on ribs or chicken as well!

Ingredients:

- 1 small clove garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 quart crushed tomatoes
- 2 medium onions, minced
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup tomato ketchup
- 1 cup Worcestershire sauce
- 1 cup prepared mustard
- 1 cup vinegar
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt
- Black pepper to taste
- Red pepper flakes to taste

Directions:

In a three-quart pot with a heavy bottom over medium-low heat, melt the butter. Add onions and garlic and brown slowly, stirring frequently. Add the other ingredients and stir well. Simmer for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Hungarian Potato Salad

If you're looking for a delicious side dish to bring to a neighborhood Labor Day cookout, wow your friends with a taste of Hazelwood history with this delicious Hungarian potato salad or *magyar salata* contributed to the "A Taste of Greater Hazelwood" cookbook by Alexander Bodnar, the chef of Jozsa's Corner on Second avenue. This recipe makes 12 servings.

Ingredients:

- 2 pounds of potatoes, boiled to semi-soft
- 2 pounds of tomatoes, sliced into wedges
- 2 pounds of green peppers, cut into rings
- ½ cup white vinegar
- ¾ cup vegetable oil
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt
- 2 teaspoons black pepper
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- 1-2 tablespoons finely chopped dill

Directions:

Peel and cube the boiled potatoes. In a large bowl, combine the potatoes with the tomatoes and green peppers; set aside. In a small bowl or jar, combine the vinegar, oil, salt, pepper and paprika and mix well. Pour the dressing over the vegetables and toss lightly. Sprinkle with chopped dill to taste.

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