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## Greetings, Friends

Marylou Kavaler

Greetings, friends, the time has come  
For a New Year's wish to everyone;  
With a nod to our mentor, the *New Yorker* mag,  
Let's get down to brass tacks with nary a lag.

From Seventh to Front this neighborhood's groovy  
Matter of fact we were filmed for a movie!  
The Expressway got covered, now that was a coup  
We'll have walkways and benches to gaze at the view.  
Champagne to the fans, Bronx cheers to the Eagles,  
Merriest New Year's to the Leonard Segal's.  
Toasts to all Smiths: on Third there's a passel,  
Greetings to Price's ensconsed in a castle.  
Here's to the Blums, both in fabrics and food,  
Joy to the Davies who increased their brood.  
Matt Miller, Bob Smith and friends Presbyterian,  
We thank you so much for the swim club Illyrian.  
And here's to Doc Gansky who loves every kid,  
To Stanhope Browne who worked for that lid,  
To the James McClennens whose house makes us stop  
It brought us from Federal straight into the Pop,

Cheers for those folks who live in the Towers,  
Bob Finkelstein who sells us flowers;  
To Sepes, Tamaccios, Hills and and the Blocks,  
The smiling Hal Jacobs who fixes our locks.  
Heigh ho! To our neighbor Mme. Jeanine  
May she continue to serve us her *belle cuisine*;

And may the New Year bring business and hustle and bustle  
To both of the Noblochs and Gladys Russell.  
A wassail for folks who own birds, cats and snakes,  
For all of our bachelors, those roues and rakes,  
The same for Miss Seamons and her cute little doggie,  
Forget not the Eimans and Xerxes, the Gorgy.

To Kramers, Tancredi's, who fill our prescriptions,  
(Thank God, no one here lost their "Post" subscriptions);  
For Gesensways, Fannins may the season be merry,  
The same for the Latta's, the Wasserman's, Perrys;  
Best luck to the Watson's and Doug Pappajohn,  
And to the Marmels with a shell like a barn!  
For landlords in Bingham and Addison Courts,  
For our numerous lawyers who know about torts  
To those true and loyal who come to The Meetings  
We wish to extend our fond Season's Greetings.

Ave '68 and an end to the war  
We've a new year to try and stop hatred and gore  
End famine and hunger, diseases and riots,  
Resolutely lose weight on one of those diets;  
So here's to our doctors, our dentists, designers,  
To all of our joiners, and even resigners  
To the folks along Spruce, on Lombard and Pine  
Good health, good luck all through '69.

## Confrontation Course Highly Successful

"Highly successful" was the rating given the recent Black-White Confrontation course held at Christ Church Neighborhood House. Both representatives of the Wellsprings Ecumenical Council who conducted the six week series and members of the steering committee from SHCA and nine area churches who sponsored the programs were unanimous in their praise.

Further proof of the success of these stimulating give-and-take sessions is the fact that many of those attending have been motivated to further concern and action in the community.

A random sampling of residents who attended produced these comments, which represent the general feelings of the group:

"All too often we are inclined to form opinions without trying to understand all sides of the situation. Learning about the black side of racial dispute has given me as awareness of my responsibility."

"The meetings, I think, have served the purpose of creating an awareness... fascinated to hear another viewpoint."

"... to know and understand the meaning behind the overtly militant in the black community."

"An education!"

"The knowledge that wide differences of opinion can be discussed, albeit not necessarily with conventional tact, and hopefully constructive action taken."

"The facts and opinions of each race concerning our great expectations were very interesting."

"The exposure to an altogether different view of the facts of life in a bi-racial community."

"Opportunity to obtain a better understanding of the feelings and attitudes of some of the black people about race problems."

"I had a sudden awareness that the tables were turning. The Great White Benefactor is held in contempt... Will we (the whites) ever be able to give without attempting to take over? We'd better learn!"

"Much to the credit of the participants and an indication of their concern, the people who came kept coming back."

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## The President's Message

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As the redevelopment of Society Hill moves closer to completion, the focus of the Civic Association is moving from bricks and mortar to people and their environment. To my way of thinking this is both a bigger challenge and more fun. I can get more excited over the development of Starr Garden Recreation Center than I can over twenty new town houses. I enjoy our evening concerts more than a zoning hearing. I'm more interested in seeing McCall's the best school in the city than I am in finding more parking spaces. I see us spending more time in the future on "what are we doing" than on "what are they doing to us."

Our recent decision to set up a tax deductible fund for educational and charitable purposes should help us do more on our own in the future. The fund will make it easier for the Music Committee to raise money for outdoor concerts; the Recreation Committee to pay for equipment and transportation; the Community Liason Committee to support projects outside Society Hill; or for any other committee to expand their activities. In some cases we may not be able to raise all the money we need for a specific project (like a branch library), but we may be able to raise enough to encourage the appropriate authorities, or some foundation, to come up with the rest.

The Redevelopment Authority over the past ten years has done their thing to make the restoration of this historic community possible. It's up to us to do our thing to provide the human dimensions that make a community live.

DAVE STEVENS

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## Help... Available

If you reasonably priced part-time help and at the same time would like to help a youngster, contact Jerry Ford, Bok Vocational School Counselor. He can suggest boys, skilled and unskilled, who would appreciate afternoon and weekend employment.

C 11 Mr. Ford between 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. at FU 9-3900.

## Shop by Shop

Shops are very often the difference between a "place to live" and a neighborhood. Society Hill itself is sacrosanct, but the fringe is coming alive with a variety of mini-emporia. Beginning in this issue, and from time to time in the future, we'll try to tip you off to the shops that interest us. But no one's perfect. If we've missed your favorite demi-boutique, drop a line to Editor Anne Leitch. We'll try to squeeze it in to the next column.

Adler Iron Works at 905 South St. predicts a white Christmas, offering brass sleigh bells as special holiday items. Assorted odds and ends of furniture are for sale, including some large corner cupboards. Imaginative gifts can be found among the prints, jewelry, frames, hardware, etc.

Exquisite for "elegant junk" collectors, even more terrific is you have a user, is a caned high chair at The Canary, 507 S. Second St. The emphasis here is on caned furniture, but also browse around for clocks, chairs, coat racks, etc.



Candleberry, newly opened at Head House, devotes their entire shop to candles and accessories... decorative candles as well as plain ones, candle and holder arrangements with fruit, etc. for Christmas, pine cones and the like.

Eyes Gallery at 402 South St. houses the Zagar Family's art treasury of painting, graphics, ceramics, drawings, hand printed books and Peruvian folk art. Look at

the jewelry, wood and knit sculpture and, in particular, the carved gourds.



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## Christmas Gifts for Ludlow Needed

Phil and Sarah Price are collecting new or used toys to be distributed through the Ludlow Community Assn. to needy children in that areas of north Philadelphia. Also welcome will be new or used warm clothing and blankets for adults and children.

Everyone having such items is requested to drop them off at the Prices, 321 Spruce St. You also can share your Christmas dinner with a family in the LUdlow area. Sarah Price has all the details about how you can provide a complete dinner for a family on the holiday. Call her (after 6 p.m.) at WA 2-6447. What better way to get the Christmas spirit?



# Shop by Shop

**The Greenery** at 220 Chancellor St. promises its usual fine selection of Christmas trees, flocked and not flocked, poinsettias, and other traditional holiday greenery. You can order custom table decorations of fresh or dried material for yourself or others. And, for gifts, there's always the neighborhoods largest selection house plants. The Greenery also can wire your flower orders world-wide.

**John Esher Ltd.** Head House Square, has exquisite antiques, always tastefully and artistically displayed. Glassware, china, ironstone and brass items are but a few of the unusual gift ideas.

Lower Market Street is the place to find Christmas candies. **Lakoff and Co.** at 332 Market and **Shane's** at 110 Market both have bountiful assortments and special gift wraps . . . good for stocking stuffers.

**The Market Place** at the Towers Shopping Center has lots of tempting gourmet delights and also a number of gift-wrapped food items which they will wrap and send anywhere.

At **The N Gallery**, 509 S. Second St., you will find a selection of prints which they will frame or not as you please . . . modestly priced from \$3.00 up. They also have some pottery, oil paintings and sculpture.

Scandinavian items of all sorts can be found at **Nordansve**, 20 S. Third St. There is an assortment of George Jensen-type Christmas ornaments and Danish Christmas plates with story-telling illustrations . . . token gifts like cards, notepapers, potholders, candies, mobiles and wall hangings . . . and for children, dolls with handsewn costumes and miscellaneous toys . . . all imported. Coffee is served in the canteen in the rear. A host to visiting seamen, the owner also provides Norwegian books, records, tobacco and odds and ends of clothing to make them feel at home.

There's shopping every Sunday at the **Philadelphia Plain and Fancy Antiques Market**, 237 Chestnut Street. Two floors of a warehouse make up the flea market and a number of dealers from all over are represented. Antique jewelry, odd silver pieces and beaded evening bags were just a few of the gift ideas we saw.

Decorations make nice gifts and there are unusual ones at **The Potting Place**, 406 S. Second Street. Besides interesting plant and flower arrangements, they have wreaths, both fresh and dried, Mexican paper mache tree ornaments, Italian and Swedish decorations, small artificial trees, poinsettia, and a selection of choice house plants.

If there are seaworthy types on your list, **Riggs and Brother** at 310 Market St. just makes you crave the open sea. Their authentic selection of ship's instruments, binoculars, charts and books can satisfy boatowners and landlubbers alike. The figurehead over the door is a landmark . . . but it's not for sale!

**Santa's Bag**, open weekday evenings and weekends on Head House Square, has an interesting and relatively inexpensive selection of handcrafted Christmas decorations of felt and foam.

At **Scruffito**, 124 Lombard St., there is a selection of imported handmade toys for young and old alike, interspersed with ceramics designed and executed by the proprietor and other crafts handmade locally. Special Christmas items include handmade tree ornaments and stained glass hanging ornaments . . . at nominal prices.

**The Sea Chest** at 234 S. Eighth St., might well be called a boutique for yachtsmen. Old

salts and outdoor enthusiasts in general will drool over the fishermen's knit sea sweaters, parkas, mens and ladies dress boots, fow weather gear, ship's clocks, ship's models, boating accessories, scrimshaw and other goodies galore.

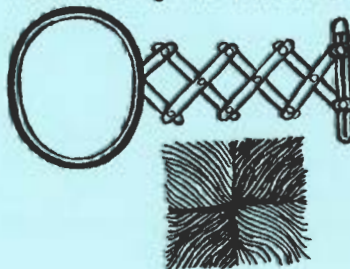
For far out shoppers there is **Second Hand Rose** at 617 South St. Filled with memorabilia out of yesteryear's attic, you can pick up such "in" things as old sheet music, old issues of magazines, clothes from the 20's and second-hand furs. Rose has jewelry, china, cut glass, lamps, clocks and a terrific gold scale, but don't overlook the clock-thermometer-bank gadget for that someone "who-has-everything."

**Seraph--An Emporium**, 208 S. Third St., a newly opened boutique, has assorted feminine clothing for little girls and grown-up ladies and a few bric-a-brac gift items. For the femme fatale on your list, select a nifty scarf or some fun sun glasses. Seraph's soon will be moving to the Towers Shopping Center.

Gourmets delight over the selections of cheeses, candies, cookies and jams at **Stuart Lewis**, 416 S. Second St., which he will wrap and mail anywhere. The marvelous selection of spices, copperware, casseroles and pepper grinders are just a few of the ideas for culinary buffs.

Hard to find, but worth the trip, is **Top of the Broom** 786 S. Second St. (Near Catherine). It really is an old broom factory covered to lambswool duster manufacturing but offered for sale in the top room are

leather pelts which have many uses and fur pillows of all varieties. More exciting is an eclectic selection for walls . . . anything from tapestries to charming Victorian prints, framed in imaginative good taste.



# Memo from McCall

# Election of Officers Coming UP

**URGENT!** An urgent call has gone out from the school district--and from Mr. Tobias, principal of McCall School--for substitute teachers. This is a great way to serve the community--and get paid for it. College graduates are paid \$23 a day. Those certified to teach in Philadelphia will receive \$28. Hours are from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and you may specify which schools you prefer and what days you are available. During the flu season there will be many opportunities to substitute.

For further information call Jerry Smith (MA 7-0769). Jerry registered in December and already is at work. Registration is on the first floor of the school board building, 21st and the Parkway.

**A PLEA!** Please do NOT walk your dogs in the school playground or on the grass plots. This is a playground for children . . . and they do play there.

**LECTURE.** A lecture by a representative of the Pennsylvania Mental Health Department will be held at the school Jan. 22 at 1:30 p.m.

**SOCIAL NOTES.** A special Christmas program will be given by the children in the Department of Recreation program on Dec. 18. Seventh and eighth graders will hold a dance in Dec. 20.

## A Swimming Hole at 4th and Lombard

Plans are well along now for the proposed swim club, tennis court, handball court development at the NW corner of 4th and Lombard. The design has been approved by the Redevelopment Authority Advisory Board of Design, and printed invitations to join have gone out to the neighborhood. Anyone may join. A typical family membership is expected to cost about \$300 a year after the purchase of a \$300 bond. Applications must be accompanied by a \$50 deposit, with checks made out to:

'Old Pine Athletic Association'

and sent to Treasurer Phil Price, 321 Spruce St. For more details, contact Bob Smith, MA 7-0769, or Matt Miller, MA 7-7881.

Name:.....

Children:.....

Ages:.....

Address:.....

Officers and directors of the Society Hill Civic Assn. will be elected at a meeting Jan. 14, 1969 at 8 p.m. at the McCall school auditorium.

Your nominating committee, headed by Phil Price, has proposed this slate:

**President:**

**PAUL W. PUTNEY**, 209 Delancey Street. Mr. Putney is the association's secretary. In addition to coordinating our activities with those of other nearby civic groups, he helped organize the newly-formed South Philadelphia Community Development Corporation.

**Vice-President:**

**WILLIAM D. GLOCKNER**, 220 Delancey Street. A member of the association since its formation in 1965, he has served since 1966 as chairman of the Parking Committee.

**Secretary:**

**MRS. WILLIAM G. MEARS**, 108 Delancey Street. Both Mrs. Mears and her husband have been active in the association since its formation. More recently, in 1967, Mrs. Mears was on the editorial staff and co-editor of the association's Newsletter, The Resident.

**Treasurer:**

**RAYMOND J. ERFLE**, 211 Delancey Street. A director of a number of corporations, he has been Executive Vice President of Lincoln National Bank since it opened a little over four years ago.

**Additional Directors:**

**MRS. WILLIAM C. CULLEN**, 235 Spruce Street. The mother of four school-age children, Mrs. Cullen is currently a member of the executive board of the McCall School Home and School Association.

**MRS. MEYER D. GANSKY**, 511 Pine Street. Mrs. Gansky was born in the neighborhood. She and her husband have always been members of the local community groups.

**CUTHBERT H. LATTA**, 425 Spruce Street. Mr. Latta has actively participated in the development of the area as a residential neighborhood since he and his family moved to their present address in 1963.

**PAUL R. NOYES**, 519 Delancey Street. Employed as a Development Supervisor for E.I. duPont de Nemours, Inc., at the Marshall Laboratory in Philadelphia, Mr. Noyes is re-doing the house in which he, his wife and two daughters live.

**DOUGLAS J. PAPPALOHAN**, 515 Delancey Street. A research bio-chemist at Philadelphia General Hospital. Mr. Pappalohan lives with his wife and three children in a house on which he is currently working.

**WENDELL PRITCHETT**, 510 Pine Street. Mr. Pritchett is a supervisor of music for The School District of Philadelphia, and also is a member of the board of directors of the Settlement School of Music.

**MRS. ROBERT L. SMITH**, 314 South Third Street. Mrs. Smith, who is a board member this year, served as the association's Recreation Committee chairman in 1967, and has been recently involved with the proposed improvements of Starr Garden and Segar playgrounds.

**DAVID A. STEVENS**, 116 Delancey Street. Our able and hard working retiring president, Mr. Stevens has always helped with the association's work.

Additional nominations can be made from the floor the evening of the meeting. If you plan to do so, be certain you have the consent of the person whose name you plan to place in nomination.

Mark Jan. 14 on your calendar. It's your association. It's your neighborhood. **VOTE.**