PARKING COMMITTEE REPORT

Resident Permit Spaces Being Increased

The SHA Parking Committee is pleased to report we have made progress in the number of areas that will be of great interest to you. Much of the activity now being taken place is with the Parking Authority, which during mid-July, took on the responsibility for all off-street parking from various city agencies. It is now the responsibility of the Authority to enforce all meter parking, permitted street parking and resident permit parking throughout the city. In order to accomplish this task, the Authority has hired additional executive staff to both oversee and analyze the parking requirements of all neighborhoods of the City, both on-street and off-street, and has taken over the responsibility for the parking enforcement office and has added to the enforcement staff. In addition they have been given the added weapon of the “book” which will be used for scofflaw offenders. They are also developing their own fleet of tow trucks for enforcement, leaving the police department tow trucks with the primary responsibility of moving cars that are obstructing traffic or otherwise endangering life or property.

The SHA Parking Committee has been meeting continuously during the summer with members of the Parking Authority and is participating in various committees which the Authority has set up including the city wide Parking Policy Committee. We have been discussing various issues including the possibility of a validated meaningful implementation of resident permit parking in our community and the Parking Authority’s interest in adding parking meters to various blocks within our community. A not insignificant issue is the question of hours of enforcement for our parking regulations.

The most important development for our neighborhood is the implementation of the new resident parking program. Existing resident permit parking streets have been agreed upon with the Parking Authority, and we are pleased that this implementation of the zones will begin during September. This will entail changing the regulations on many streets from a tow permit limited parking to “Two Hour Limits,” with special exceptions for residents who have purchased permits to park in the Society Hill Resident Permit Parking District. The implementation of resident permit parking was begun over a year ago, but only a small number of the originally proposed streets have been posted. The upcoming implementation should increase the inventory of permit parking spaces by well in excess of 500. This will not guarantee residents a space; rather it will create a system whereby residents are given first priority to long-term parking on streets within our community in residential areas. In order to obtain this preference, however, you must obtain a permit parking sticker. The stickers can be obtained from the Department of Licenses & Inspections in the Municipal Services Building, basement level, or by attending our next general membership meeting, where we have arranged to have members of the Parking Authority Staff available both to explain the implementation procedures, rules and regulations related to the program as well as issue stickers. Stickers will be available for $15, if you are a first-time purchaser, renewals will be available for $10 and the future renewals can be handled by mail. (Continued on Page 6)

Neighbors Protest McdOgall’s Expansion

On December of 1982, after almost a decade in search of a tenant, the historic Ross House and several adjacent New Market properties at the corner of Second and Pine opened for business as H.T. McDougall’s. The operation represented a too-welting by Camden-headquartered Campbell Soup Company into upscale fast food, drinks, and entertainment. The prototype facility was originally billed as a restaurant but turned out to be a restaurant with discotheque, the first to open in Society Hill. The developers consulted initial nego-


tiations with the neighbors of the project in 1978. They had proposed not only restoring the facade of the deceptively Ross House, but having the building sell 100 new and improved additions. The neighbors who lived in the 200 and 300 blocks of Pine Street announced that they would not oppose the addition if the tenant did not try to use Pine Street for commercial purposes. They also promised that there would be no noise pollution from the operation and that no outside bar would be constructed. The developers agreed and signed a covenant guaranteeing these and other neighborhood safeguards. After the restaurant-discotheque opened, the McDougall’s people addressed themselves to attempting to correct a number of complaints from the neighbors. They installed additional soundproofing, and eventually eliminated the wheeling of garbage up and down Pine Street at 3 a.m.

The neighbors weren’t saying “Mmm, mmmm, good,” but they weren’t dissatisfied with the arrangement. That is, until this April when McDougall’s began to play what was almost a planked section behind the disco and replacing it with a bar area. Upon protesting to McDougall’s, the (Continued on Page 8)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The next general membership meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21st at 8:15 p.m., Old Pine Community Center, 4th and Lombard. Representatives of the Philadelphia Parking Authority will be present to sell parking permits and explain new parking regulations in Society Hill. See further details in Parking Report.) Prior to the meeting (at 7 p.m.) there will be a get acquainted function and briefing for new block captains.
Washington Sq. Park May Become Part Of INHP

On April 27, 1983 Congressman Foglietta introduced the following Bill into the House of Representatives:

98th CONGRESS 1st Session

H.R. 2768

A BILL

To provide for the inclusion of the Washington Square area within Independence National Historical Park, and for other purposes.

1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of ... Representatives:

2. That the United States of America in Congress assembled:

3. Approved the Act of June 30, 1946 (82 Stat. 106); 16 U.S.C.

4. AS IT APPEARS TO BE AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTIONS:

5. SEC. 8. (a) The area known as "Washington Squad"

6. (b) Bounded generally by Walnut Street on the northeast, Sixth

7. Street on the eastside, and the intersecting streets named

Washington Sq. on the west side and south-

8. side is hereby included within the Independence National Historical


10. (b) The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to enter

11. into a cooperative agreement with the city of Philadelphia

12. acting through its designated agency, the Fairmount Park

13. Commission under which—

14. (1) the Secretary may occupy the Washing-

15. ton Square area included in the park under subsection (a)

16. for the purpose of preserving, exhibiting, and interpret-

17. ing the Square's historical significance to the American

18. people.

19. (2) the Secretary shall have responsibility for the

20. care and maintenance of such area including the

21. monument, or display placed in such area for

22. educational purposes.

23. (3) the Secretary shall be prohibited from

24. tipping or assigning to another person or organi-

25. zation any

26. part of the Washington Square area without

27. prior approval in writing by the city of Philadelphia.

28. (4) The Secretary shall operate and maintain

29. Washington Square area (including all monu-

30. ments and exhibits in the area) and make all repairs

31. therein, including repairs necessary by reason of ordi-

32. nary wear and tear, and undertake such work and restoration or

33. alteration or repairs to any part of the grounds or monuments.

34. (5) The Secretary shall file with the city of

35. Philadelphia a report annually of his functions and

36. expenditures.

37. major alteration as may be agreed to with the city of

38. Philadelphia.

39. (6) The Secretary shall apply such reasonable

40. rules and regulations as are necessary to perform his

41. functions properly, and shall assure reasonable

42. access to, or the destruction of any part of

43. the grounds or the monuments, or exhibits,

44. located in the Washington Square area, and provide

45. public access to the grounds and monuments, memor-

46. ies, and exhibits at all reasonable times; and

47. (7) neither party to such cooperative agreement

48. will erect or place, or permit the erection or

49. emplacement of any monument, marker, tablet, or other

50. feature on the grounds without the written

51. approval of the other party.

52. (8) notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the

53. Secretary shall be fully vested with all powers, duties

54. and responsibilities provided for in this Act, and all

55. powers, duties, and responsibilities provided herein shall

56. be in lieu of all powers, duties, and responsibilities

57. provided for in any other Act of Congress.

58. (9) Effective October 1, 1983, there is autho-

59. rized to be appropriated to the Secretary of the Interior not

60. more than

61. $1,000,000 to be used for brickwork and paving in the

62. Washington Square area, and such additional sums as may be

63. necessary to operate and maintain the Washington

64. Square area.

65. (10) The Secretary shall appoint a three

66. member commission to recommend to the Congress an appropriate monu-

67. ment or memorial to honor the unknown dead of the Amer-

68. ican Revolution. Membership on such commis-

69. sion shall con-

70. sist of (1) a representative of the National Park Service, (2) a

71. representative of the city of Philadelphia, and (3) a

72. representative of the public, agreed to by the city of Philadelphia.

73. Members shall serve on the Commission without compensation.

74. Upon the death of the Secretary, the Commission shall continue

75. its work until three months after the appointment of an

76. successor by the President of the United States, and the National Park Service is authorized to

77. provide reasonable and necessary administrative and clerical sup-

78. port for the Commission.

On July 23, 1983, SHCA President Steve Miller and representatives of the business and cultural community interested in Washington Square Park, testified in support of H.R. 2768 at a hearing held at the Second National Bank. The legislative process is continuing with H.R. 2768 still being considered by the subcommittee. Then it must move through the full Interior Committee and be passed by the full House. Congressman Foglietta's office says that it would be helpful if the Bill would be introduced in the Senate and suggested that those interested in seeing the Bill come to pass, CONTACT THEIR SENATORS.
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President:
Stephen W. Miller is a partner in the law firm of Clark, Ladner, Fortenbaugh & Young. He is serving his second year as president of SHCA, having served as director of the NE. He was the president of the Society Hill Towers Owners' Association from April 1980 to April 1982.

Vice-President:
Ronald B. Abrams is a lawyer specializing in litigation. He has served on the past two SHCA Boards as Corresponding Secretary and SW quadrants' representative. He has been active in Townwatch since its inception. Ron and his wife, Eva, a psychologist, and their two daughters have resided in Society Hill for six years.

Treasurer:
Rosalie Thompson resides at 210 Locust Street. She is a corporate planner for Blue Cross of Greater Philadelphia, and holds a MBA degree in Organizational Management from Temple. In 1982-83 Rosalie served as NE quadrants' leader.

Recording Secretary:
Karen Kress Westwood is an attorney and partner in the firm of Weissbrod & Westwood with her husband, Richard. Karen has worked as in-house counsel for a major corporation and has held positions on the legal staff of local and federal government courts and departments. She is beginning her second year as SHCA's recording secretary.

Corresponding Secretary:
Donald W. Morrow, Jr. at 335 S. 2nd Street with her husband and children, Michael. She chairs the SHCA New Neighbors Fair Committee in 1981-82, and has been active in the Parents' Associations of St. Peter's School and Old Pine Community Center. She is marketing manager for VCI, an information system affiliated with the Philadelphia Inquirer and Daily News.

QUADRANT DIRECTORS:

Northwest:
Karen Edelstein is a fourteen-year resident of Society Hill, headed SHCA's New Member Committee and served on the Board of Directors. She was a member of the St. Peter's School Parents' Association. Karen is committed to the concept of Society Hill as a residential neighborhood and is willing to work toward preserving and enhancing our quality of life.

Beth Smelikowski is a neighborhood resident for 13 years. She is a Special Assistant in the City Representative's office, a former board member of Society Hill Town Watch, serves on the Philadelphia Advisory Committee and with the Center City Solaris Gala Committee. This is her second term as quadrant director.

Diane Shecter works and lives at 226 S. 4th Street. She is a psychotherapist in private practice; her husband Howard is a lawyer. Diane served as a SHCA director during 1982-83.

Northeast:
David James Root is manager of a computer software development group (SEED Software) and lives at 234 Philip Place with his wife and two sons. He has been a Society Hill resident for six years and a member of the Executive Council for the Washington Square Townhouse Association.

Constantine Stephanos has resided at 233 S. 3rd Street since 1970. He holds an MBA from Villanova University and is married with one son. He has previously served on SHCA's Zoning Committee and sees a critical need to reinvigorate volunteerism within the membership in areas vital to the organization's service to the community.

Rebecca Stolloff has been a Center City resident for 20 years, has lived in Society Hill for the past ten, presently at 234 Spruce Street. She is employed as Director, Administration for Taylor Lock Company (Philadelphia hardware manufac-
turer). In addition to serving on the 1982-83 SHCA Board, she has served on the Brandies University Philadelphia Alumni Board and its admissions council.

Southwest:
Robert Breading is a partner in the firm of HJ22 Architects/Planners. He has been a member of Society Hill since 1962, a homeowner at 714 Pine Street. In the late 70's Bob served three terms as a director from the southwest quadrant.

Elizabeth H. Ostapian lives at 408 S. 5th Street. She is a free-lance grants consultant. She is a member of the Old Pine Presbyterian Church, Treasurer of the Philadelphia Committee for the Homeless; on the Board of the Phila. Center for Older People; the Hall-Mercer MIR-MIR Community Mental Health Center; and the Delaware Valley Wheelchair Athletics Assn. She is also Chairman of Saturday for Seniors and a member of the Tockelshire Sailing Association. She has lived in Society Hill for 12 years and served on the SHCA Board from 1979-82.

Arthur K. Smith practices family medicine from his home at 535 Pine Street, a graduate of Jefferson Medical College and on the staff of Pennsylvania Hospital. An area resident for the past eight years, Arthur is serving his third term on the SHCA Board and was his coordinator for Society Hill's 4th annual spring clean-up.

Southeast:
Joy C. Lindy is director of public relations at Dayton, Kahn, Heppe, Hencock & Co. She has lived at 124 Delancey Street since 1975. She claims "enlightened self interest" for the degree of her involvement in Society Hill. She wishes more residents would get involved.

Rodney E. Montgomery lives at 4 Blackwell Place. He is Resident Manager of IBM Corporation, 1500 Market Street. He is a veteran of the Marine Corps and a graduate of Creighton University and Wharton Graduate School. He is married to Helen Montgomery and has three children.

F. Bartlett Moore was raised in the midwest, is now rooted in Philadelphia where he is a Managing Director of the historic Bank of Philadelphia. He has committed his time to the promotion of tourism, the construction of a new convention center, and to a cleaner, more beautiful city.

Annual Membership Drive Underway

SHCA has begun its annual membership drive through a mailing to existing and prospective members. It is important that our members respond to this initial solicitation to minimize the cost of a follow-up mailing. If you have misplaced your renewal form, simply send it in the form in this issue of the Resident Newsletter.
BLOCK CAPTAINS
—A FAIT ACCOMPLI

The Society Hill Civic Association has now instituted a block captain system. If you need assistance from the SHCA, request it through your block captain. Should your captain ask for cooperation from you, please comply; your cooperation is necessary for the system to work. The next issue of the Resident Newsletter will contain a list of block captains and their locations.

The functions of block captains are varied. They will serve as a communications link between neighbors and the Board of Directors of the SHCA. The objective is to keep Society Hill an attractive, enjoyable, and charming place to live.

The captain would serve as the eyes and ears of the neighbors, conveying their issues and concerns to the Civic Association. There are issues which affect the entire community and many others, such as zoning, when only immediate neighbors have a strong interest. Captains would also be instrumental in disseminating information to residents.

LETTERS . . .

Dear Editor,

The Whorl tells us that City Council has dumped the responsibility for maintenance of back streets like Stampers, and I suppose clean-up of the horse manure. A year ago or so, they set it up so that street vendors and other outdoor food service can profit; I don’t know why, but the walking eater seem to feel they can drop their litter anywhere or, if conscience-stricken, they leave it on a doorstep or such into our plantings. Do we need to put up with illegal parking, the carriage traffic that not only takes our neighborhood but contributes to the horrendous traffic problems on holidays, and the entertainers and ice cream trucks (cheek the grassy sidewalks) that make it difficult to come home or worse impede access by emergency vehicles to places like Stampers Street? I could go on and extrapolate the implications of the longer term effects on Society Hill.

We residents of Blackwell Court are realistic about the need for healthy commercial development in the area but, being at the interface we are generally the first to recognize the deteriorating conditions that impact on the quality of the ambiance of our Society Hill residential area.

In cooperation with the SHCA, we are exploring what can be done to curb unfortunate developments in the bust. We have opened constructive discussions with the new management at footwear, with the police, and with appropriate civic authorities.

One of the great assets of Society Hill is the non-apathetic, active population. If there is a hole in the armor, it’s the lack of awareness of developing problems by the population until it’s too late in the selection and implementation of solutions that do not take into account the impact on the area as a whole. The SHCA does a remarkable job, but it can be “remarkable” if we let them hear from us. Monty Montgomery (95 quadrant representative) has been appointed SHCA coordinator for acting on commercial activities encroaching on our residential ambiance.

H.R. Moody
DEMOLITION OF McCREA HOUSES IS DELAYED

The 1974 James McCrea houses at 106-110 Sansom Street were given a 6-month demolition delay by vote of the Phila-
delphia Historical Commission on August 4. During this reprieve period, it is hoped that all interested parties will be able to agree on a solution to the unfortunate circum-
stances involving the buildings.

Built by a family which achieved some prominence in the city's history, the twin dwellings survive in remarkably complete condition, both inside and out. Their most unique architectural features are the ad-
jacent twin Georgian doorways. These and many other original details, along with the structures as a whole, are restorable. The houses would be excellent candidates for Philadelphia's new "Restore" program, in which building contractors are instructed in historic rehabilitation techniques. The spacious layouts of the structures would permit a variety of re-uses, both residential and commercial, and Federal tax incen-
tives would make their restoration excep-
tionally worthwhile. The McCrea houses are strategically located, and are an irreplaceable architectural asset to their surroundings.

Old Original Bookbinder's restaurant, which owns the buildings, claims it needs the 5 or 6 self-park spaces which would be freed by demolition to make up for the ones it is losing across Walnut Street as a result of hotel development. The Philadel-
phia Authority for Industrial Development thus removed the demolition restriction from its installment sale agreement with Bookbinder's. In so doing, it took action contrary to the aims of the Historical Commission's development of the Old City District, and set what may be a dangerous precedent for the future of restoration in this city.

John Taxin, the restaurant's proprietor, has offered to donate the houses to the city for transfer to another site. This solution would save him the cost of demolition and eliminate the last obstruction on his already vast parking lot. The expense to the city, however, might well be prohibitive, and there is some question whether a move is structurally feasible. The impact of any sort of removal upon that block of Sansom Street (now a landscaped walkway) would be to turn the south side of it into a wasteland.

How can one resolve this predicament? A cleared rectangular lot is not absolutely necessary for future development. It is certainly possible, from an engineering standpoint, to build around the McCrea houses. Indeed, their presence might be considered a design asset to a creative architectural plan. Bookbinder's consider-
able parking problems might be solved by substituting a suitable empty lot, or by leasing or guaranteeing space to them in the huge parking garage at 2nd and Sansom. Changing to two-way traffic on Walnut Street in front of the restaurant would improve access to available parking. Then, if it is hoped, the McCrea houses could be offered for sale at a sensible price, to be lovingly restored as these 18th century treasures deserve.

Parking
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This meeting will be held on September 21 1983 at Old Pine Community Center, 4th & Lombard. You will receive a list of the rules of eligibility for resident permits soon.

It should be noted that some of the areas now unsigned will be changed from "Un-
limited Parking," which permits both resi-
dents and transients to park, to "Two-Hour Limits with Resident Permit Parking."

The SHCA Parking Committee is working with business interests in the community in an effort to meet their requests regarding on-street park-
ing and attempt to satisfy the interests of both residents and businesses.

On other developments the Parking Committee has been working with the city regarding alternate parking options to residents in areas where construction has taken place and has approved a change in direction of the 100 block of Walnut Street from its present "One Way" flow to "Two Way" flow. We are monitoring the city's proposals for new developments which would affect traffic and parking in our community, we are following the city's proposals for parking between Penn's Landing and Delaware Avenue and are making every effort to eliminate or reduce traffic passing through our community which is not designation oriented, i.e., I-95 traffic, which is making continued increas-
ing use of Pine and Spruce Streets.

All residents who are interested in participating in the activities of the Parking Committee should contact Tony Schrei-
der, 561-4730.

"The greatest problem in communication is the illusion that it has been accom-
plished."
—George Bernard Shaw
SHTW Plans Awards Night
Society Hill Town Watch invites all neighbors to an evening of awards and entertainment on September 26th at the Pavilion at NewMarket. The program starts at 6 p.m. and includes speakers from the criminal justice department, crime prevention education, presentation of awards to participants and introduction of new officers. There will be wine and cheese and an opportunity to meet and share with your neighbors.
SHTW, at its August Board meeting, voted unanimously to honor one of its own for his outstanding volunteer service and commitment to the community. From the steps of his house on Pine Street, Mr. Richard P. Thomas, Treasurer of the corporation of Town Watch, has been an inspiration to his neighbors, friends and passersby to the value of patrolling the streets as Town Watch volunteers.
SHTW salutes this unifying volunteer and his supportive wife, Faith. He will be presented with SHTW Distinguished Service Award on SHTW’s Awards Night on September 26, 1983.

Redevelopment, Zoning Update
240 South 3rd Street (the old American Legion building) is proposed to make the building a six apartment complex was turned down by the Zoning Board in May. A new proposal reducing the number of apartments to four is scheduled to be heard on October 12th at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall Annex. A petition is being circulated in the immediate neighborhood.

Commodore Barry (736-738 Pine Street)—The Sage Group, which had won the approval of RDA, the City Planning Commission and City Council for their plans to develop the Commodore Barry into nine apartments, has withdrawn and lost the deposit on the buildings. They have once again been put out for bids.

Society Hill Sheraton—The UDAG (Urban Development Action Grant) of $5 million has been awarded to Rouse Sheraton for the long awaited hotel at Dock, Walnut and Front Streets. Building is not expected to begin until after the first of next year.

Pepes’ Landing—The residential development proposed by the Reliance Insurance Group and its architects, Kohn, Pedersen, Fox, was to have undergone significant changes before being presented at a meeting of the selection committee on August 30th. Plans will be presented to Society Hill and Queen Village residents before a decision is made.
The Athenaeum was founded in 1814 by members of The American Philosophical Society. Named for the classical Greek goddess of wisdom, the purpose of this new society was to collect materials "con- nected with the history and antiquities of America, and the useful arts, and generally disseminate useful knowledge." As its collections expanded and other learned societies were founded to assure parts of this omnibus burden, The Athenaeum refined its objectives. The modern Athenaeum maintains a "reference library for members and the public, a depository of rare books and periodicals of interest to scholars," and joins actively in a wide range of historical and educational activities.

Dominating the News Room is the fourteen foot tall clock acquired by The Athenaeum for $23 in 1859. Originally in the banking room of the Philadelphia Bank, the clock struck loudly once each hour. When Mayor and Mrs. Dillworth built their new Museum next door to The Athenaeum in the late 1950s, they didn't realize how loudly this clock struck. After spending a sleepless night in their new home, the Dillworths asked if The Athenaeum's clock could be silenced. In a spirit of good neighborhood, the striker was disconnected until the Dillworth house was no longer a private residence. Once again it breaks the silence and startles readers as it ticks for over a century.

In addition to its research library specializing in nineteenth-century social and cultural history that is open freely to any serious investigator, the society operates a circulating library of current literature for members, and it sponsors a regular program of lectures, chamber music concerts, and art exhibits, it is involved in several aspects on aspects of Victorian culture each year. The Athenaeum is housed in a National Historic Landmark building, designed for it by John Notman in 1845. Called "the handsomest building in Philadelphia" when it opened, the building was the first major structure in America in the Italianate Revival style that swept the country in the mid-nineteenth century. During 1975 The Athenaeum was painstakingly restored to recapture its restrained Victorian grandeur: marble columns soar to lofty ceilings, gas light fixtures cast a soft glow over richly grained woodwork, antique furniture, fine paintings, and polished brass. For all its historic character, the building contains fireproof underground vaults that provide the most modern facilities for the protection of an extensive collection of rare books, architectural drawings, and manuscript brought together over the past 186 years.

To research scholars the architectural collections of The Athenaeum are the most important part of its holdings. These consist of over 20,000 drawings, 10,000 historic photographs, and 1,000,000 manuscript items relating to American architecture to 1930. A brief narrative cannot begin to summarize the depth or breadth of these collections. The holdings begin appropriately with Robert Mills' elevation of the Presbyterian House at Independence Hall executed in 1812, through Thomas Ustick Walter's original drawings for the dome and wings of the United States Capitol, to Rossetti's and Shaw's Market Street National Bank building of 1869.

Another area of interest to scholars is the excellent and diverse collection on Victorian interior design, trade catalogues, manuscript accounts, doctored manuals, periodicals, and period boxes—covering drapery patterns, paint colors, lighting fixtures, furniture design and arrangement, as well as such prosaic subjects as kitch- ens, heating apparatus, and bathtubsm.

Since its founding during the Napoleonic Wars, The Athenaeum has acquired Franco-American materials, particularly accounts of French travelers in America and publications of the Philadelphia emi- grée community. The foundations for retrospective collecting in this area were laid when The Athenaeum acquired a large bequest of books from founder Samuel Breck (1771-1862). It also collects books and periodicals on Napoleonic France and takes a particular interest in the Bonaparte Family in America. The decorative arts collection contains several notable examples from Joseph Bonaparte's home at Thames Street in Philadelphia. This is also an interesting collection relating to the Marquis de Lafayette who was the first honorary member of The Athenaeum.

The three types of Athenaeum membership; details of each are available upon request by calling 262-2086. Since 1816, visiting members of the corporation have been called "Stockholders," a term combining the corporation of shareholders when The Athenaeum was a proprietary library operated exclusively for the members' enjoyment. The oldest form of membership, dating from 1814, is the subscription. Sub- scribers normally live within walking dis- tance of the Rushy, and pay an annual fee of $20, for use of the modern circulating library which acquires the best of current fiction, biography, history, and books on travel, architecture, and fine arts. Associates are friends of the library, a category of membership designed for those persons wherever they may live who desire to support the research program, exhibitions, and publications of the insti-

The Athenaeum is open for research and touring Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and is closed on bank holidays.
COMMITTEE FOR HOMELESS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Philadelphia Committee for the Homeless, a non-profit agency founded in 1982, draws upon religious and community resources to help meet the needs of Philadelphia’s homeless—people living on the streets of the City.

PCH channels donations of food and clothing to the homeless, and can provide qualified speakers on homelessness in Philadelphia to all types of groups and organizations.

Last November, PCH began its Mobile Outreach Project which sends trained volunteers out on the streets of Center City. Over one hundred and fifty people have been trained to make soup and sandwiches to people living on the streets, to collect data, and to try to bring the homeless to available shelter.

At present, volunteers are going out from Mother Bethel AME Church, at Sixth and Lombard Streets, three evenings a week. PCH plans to expand to five evenings weekly by the end of October and to seven evenings by January. More volunteers are needed to meet those goals. If you can give one or two nights a month to help make sandwiches and/or to work directly with the homeless, call Jane Malone, Director, Philadelphia Committee for the Homeless at WA 5-0189.

McDoogal’s

(Continued from Page 1) neighbors were told that drinks would be served in the area and there would be bar stools and a bar to rest drinks. But since these drinks were to be mixed inside the operators did not consider they were violating the covenant. McDoogal’s then posted a notice announcing that they were appealing to the Liquor Control Board for an extension of their liquor license to open the area behind the restaurant.

The neighbors hired an attorney, Richard Bazeion, to represent them in opposition to the liquor extension before the LCB. A hearing was held before an examiner on July 29th. Councilman Jim Tayoun made an impressive plea on behalf of the neighbors. Also introduced was a resolution from the Board of the Society Hill Civic Association opposing the extension of the license.

One of the neighbors pointed out that NewMarket has used the device of extending liquor licenses to replace unprofitable or marginal retail operations with bars and restaurants almost from its inception. The Society Hill Tavern, for example, was given an extension to add a bar next door which displaced a paint and antiques store. And Laurec was given a license for Borgia, displacing a gourmet supply shop. Churchill’s, within NewMarket, was replaced with Lily’s which also displaced about six retail operations including a kite store, a toy store, a photo shop and an electronic games shop. The McDoogal’s operation replaces only open space, but by increasing the liquor service area, neighboring points out, it adds further to the number of revelers who are inundating the area and disturbing the peace and moral fiber of the neighborhood.

A continuance of the LCB hearing is scheduled for September 9th. If you wish to attend or testify at the session, contact Richard Bazeion at 875-7126 or Elliot Frinds at 922-2297.

OLD PINE FUND RAISER

Old Pine Presbyterian Church will hold a fund raiser on Saturday, October 8, at the Old Pine Community Center, 4th and Lombard Streets. Bob Cressy, director of the Food Hall at Strawbridge and Clothier is chairing the committee preparing a gala gourmet feast. All proceeds will be added to the building fund at the church.

Those wishing to be on the invitation list can call the church office at WA 5-8051.

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DARTS AND LAURELS

Laurel—to Etta Sheppard of 309 S. American Street for taking care of the flowers at Dock and Spruce Streets. (Because of the Penns Landing folks, she does not have too far to walk for water.)

Dart—to the person who pulled up some of Etta's flowers.

Laurel—to NewMarket for their "Summer in the City" promotion and to NewMarket for FINALLY installing more lighting in the parking garage on Front Street.

Dart—to the City for not repairing the street light at Super Fresh at Fifth and Cypress Streets.

Laurel—to City's Streets Department for resurfacing portions of Spruce, Pine and Third Streets.

Dart—to the cad who allows his large dog to use Sixth Street as a latrine.

Laurel—to a lovely blond teenager who, upon noticing strange activity at a neighbor's property, acted promptly, and saved some of the personal belongings from being stolen.

Dart—to the City for not replacing the traffic lights at Second and Pine and Second and Lombard Streets. Re-installation would alleviate some of the congestion.

Laurel—from the garbage pickers and eye rats to those residents who put their improperly bagged garbage out well in advance of the scheduled pickup. OBSERVE THE RULE: Trash should not be put out any earlier than 7 p.m., on the day before the scheduled pickup.

Dart—to Ellen Miller for her heroic efforts to SAVE the McCree houses.

Laurel—to all those neighbors who have volunteered to improve our neighborhood by acting as Block Captains.

Laurel—Cobblestones 71, for getting rid of the bilious green of the Dubliner, and for getting rid of the two illegal signs between the entrance and curb on S. Fifth Street.

Dart—to NewMarket for sneaking those ugly monstrous signs back.

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