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of The Society Hill
Civic Association

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Come to Candidates' Forum

The Society Hill Civic Association (SHCA) will host a candidates' forum at the March 18 General Membership Meeting. All those intending to run for Mayor of Philadelphia in the primary election on May 19 are invited to introduce their platforms and field questions from our community.

Invitations to speak have been extended to Democrats Lynn Abraham, Nelson Diaz, James Kenney, Doug Oliver and Anthony Williams. As we go to press, former Republican Sam Katz has changed his party affiliation to Independent, likely presaging a fourth run for mayor, and

T. Milton Street has filed his campaign-finance report with the County Board of Elections.

Everyone is welcome to attend our General Membership Meeting. Just arrive at Pennsylvania Hospital's Zubrow Auditorium, located on the first floor inside the main entrance at 8th Street near Spruce, before 7 p.m. All current members interested in issues pertaining to Society Hill are welcome at our monthly Board Meeting, 5:45 p.m. at the Hospital's Great Court Conference Room. **Note the changes in time from meetings in the past.**

Sunday May 17: Society Hill Open House Tour



2014 Open House and Garden Tour

Mark your calendars, the 2015 Society Hill Open House and Garden Tour will be held Sunday May 17, from 1 to 5 p.m. It's important to note that 100 percent of the funds raised will come directly back to SHCA for neighborhood improvement projects.

On our tour, you'll see some of the loveliest places in Society Hill — eight homes, two private gardens, a museum house and a historic house of worship. Have a memorable day for a good cause, and make it a day with discounts from local restaurants with your ticket!

We are still looking for some interesting houses or condominiums. Please let us know if you're aware of historic or modern homes that might be good candidates for our tour. Also, **we always need volunteers** to be hosts in the houses. If you volunteer for two hours in a house, you will get one free tour ticket. For house and volunteer recommendations, please contact Martha Levine: marthalev6@gmail.com, or 215-629-0727.

For tickets and information, contact Matt DeJulio at 215-629-1288 or mattdejulio@aol.com

WEDNESDAY

March

18

5:45 p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Society Hill Civic Association Meetings
Wednesday, March 18, 2015

**Pennsylvania Hospital
8th and Spruce Streets**

Board of Directors Meeting

Pennsylvania Great Court Conference Room
All SHCA members are welcome.

7:00 p.m.

General Membership Meeting

Pennsylvania Hospital Zubrow Auditorium
All neighborhood residents are invited to attend.

Speaker: 2015 Mayoral Candidates
Topic: Candidates' Forum

WE HAVE A WINNER!



Linda Skale, co-coordinator of the Society Hill Open House and Garden Tour, recently won the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's 2014 City Gardening and Greening Blue Ribbon. She received her award at the Governor's Mansion in Harrisburg.



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SHCA Mission Statement

The aims and purposes of SHCA are to promote the improvement of the Society Hill area of Philadelphia, including its cultural, educational and civic activities, and the preservation and restoration of its historic buildings; to represent the residents of Society Hill in matters affecting the City of Philadelphia generally and Society Hill in particular; and to interpret the value and significance of Society Hill to the public.

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Oops! In our last issue, when discussing Delaware River Development, we neglected to credit PennPraxis and the City Planning Commission for providing funding and expertise to lead the community groups that make up the Central Delaware Advocacy Group. We are sorry for the omission.

Bulletin Board

Snapshots of the people who make SHCA work.



Sissie Lipton has been a SHCA Board member for more than 20 years. She currently helps to oversee the beautification and maintenance of historic Washington Square.

Sissie was the SHCA liaison when the Square was handed to the Federal Government in 2002, and continues to work with the Independence National Historical Park Service (INHP). Together they established flowerbeds and installed the historically significant bronze lily pad in the fountain's center. Sissie was also instrumental in persuading INHP to allow the Association to host the popular tented "Square Affairs" that help fund our work in the Square.

Sissie and her husband, Herb, are both native Philadelphians who moved from nearby Rydal to Independence Place in 1986. They enjoy our neighborhood for its quiet, sunlit

streets and charming homes. The couple also loves the ballet, concert and theater. Sissie has been on the board of the Wilma Theater for over 20 years.

Their family is comprised of three children and six grandchildren. Eldest child Michele passed away two years ago after an eight-year battle with brain cancer. Son Eric lives in D.C. and is an investigative journalist for *The New York Times*; he won the Pulitzer Prize for a 5-part series on the Hubble Space Telescope. Their youngest daughter, Heidi, lives in New York City and currently develops real estate in Harlem. Sissie and Herb try to visit everyone, including the grandchildren, who range in age from 10 months to 22 years, at least once a month.

The tight-knit family has traveled the world together, enjoying both the sites and each other. Skiing in Austria, bar and bat mitzvahs in Israel, the pyramids, London and Paris — they've done it all. Today, the couple is still

traveling. Sissie guesses that there are few places they haven't visited.

This busy woman developed a love for civic engagement in junior high when she organized an after-school club dedicated to visiting and caring for children with physical disabilities at what is now the Inglis House on Belmont Avenue. Her many other volunteer activities included working with the auxiliaries for the Friends of Moss Hospital, the Board of Health of Montgomery County and Saint Christopher Hospital. She and Herb also worked with the American Red Cross Disaster Corporation to organize "Welcome Home" events for returning servicemen and women.

For these, and many other charitable activities, Sissie received, in 2008, the President's Call to Service Award from George W. Bush, honoring her lifetime of volunteering. She insists, however, that her highest rewards come from a loving family and friends.

The Society Hill Civic Association is fortunate to recruit talented, hard-working neighbors who love our community and work hard to make it even better. Consider adding your time and talents to an SHCA committee. You'll meet interesting people and make meaningful contributions to Society Hill, one of America's premier neighborhoods. Find a list of all of SHCA's committees at www.societyhillcivic.org.

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As everyone who listens to public radio knows, now is the time to ask for support. Please use the form on page 29 to renew your SHCA membership today. If you've done so already, thank you. If you've never been a member, consider all that your civic association does for you and our community.

For \$50 annually, SHCA provides weekly sidewalk cleaning, twice-yearly Clean-Up Days and ongoing graffiti removal. In addition, we provide subsidies for tree planting and sidewalk repair, as well as zoning and historic preservation oversight. The Association also provides fundraising and volunteer opportunities. These are a few of the many noteworthy things we do for our residents, actually quite a bargain for the money.

Primary Election

On May 19, Philadelphians will vote in the primary election for the next mayor, city council candidates and common pleas, appellate and Supreme Court judges, as well as other elected positions.

Because the city charter does not provide for a runoff election, it is possible that a candidate receiving 20 or 30 percent of the cast ballots could be our next elected official. Unfortunately, only a small percentage of eligible voters actually vote in the primary elections.

Given the importance of the mayoral race, the Civic Association will host a forum on March 18 at our General Membership meeting. All announced mayoral candidates are invited to speak. This is a critical election for Philadelphia, and I encourage everyone to attend.

The Philadelphia Crosstown Coalition has prepared a list of questions, which will be shared with the candidates. Any neighbor with specific

questions or issues should contact SHCA Administrator Matt DeJulio at 215-629-1288 or mattdejulio@aol.com, before March 18. SHCA and our neighboring civic organizations plan to hold additional forums in the future regarding City Council and judgeship elections. Refer to our weekly email blasts for further information. Queen Village Neighbors Association (QVNA) will host a City Council-at-large forum on Thursday, April 16, at the Settlement Music School, 416 Queen Street, at 7:30 p.m.

Managing and Leasing Parking Spaces

Recently, Board member Kim Williams and I met with Edward Kirlin, Director of the Interstate Land Management Corporation (ILMAC), which is responsible for the properties that run through Society Hill on both sides of the I-95 corridor. ILMAC also maintains the landscaping along Front Street and the memorial sites in Society Hill, such as the Korean War Memorial on Dock Street. In addition, they manage many of the parking lots on the east side of Front Street, including the one between Pine and Lombard Streets — currently being used, rent-free, by the Philadelphia Parking Authority as 64 metered parking spaces.

There may be an opportunity for SHCA to negotiate a lease agreement with ILMAC that would provide neighborhood residents with parking spaces to rent. Currently, QVNA leases several spaces along Front Street and under I-95 and rents them to Queen Village residents, with revenue supporting QVNA community projects.

SHCA needs to decide whether this opportunity should be pursued. If you would consider leasing a parking space from our civic association on an annual basis, contact Matt DeJulio. We need to know if neighborhood residents are interested in such a project.



Bob Curley,
SHCA President

Bob Curley has been a board member for six years, where he co-coordinated Clean-Up Day and participated with Tree Tenders. He is a partner in the law firm of O'Donoghue & O'Donoghue LLP.



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THIS OLD HOUSE

BY CHUCK GROSHONG AND DANIELLE GROSHONG-KEPERLING

A Hearthside History

Fireplaces were essential in Early American homes, providing heat, light and a hearth for cooking, as well as a family gathering place. In Colonial America, they were usually wide, deep “walk-ins” without much of a mantel. Those in the homes of Dutch settlers were often wider than tall, while the English settlers built them to be smaller and less spacious.

By the 1700s, homes commonly featured chimneys, though not everyone was convinced of their virtues. Benjamin Franklin wrote, “The upright heat flies directly up the Chimny. Thus Five Sixths at least of the Heat (and consequently of the Fewel) is wasted, and contributes nothing towards warming the Room.”

Benjamin Franklin thought that chimney back drafts were causing illnesses. He said, “Women particularly from this Cause (as they sit much in the House) get Colds in the Head.” Ben went on to develop alternate fireplace designs, including the Franklin stove. Despite his best efforts, however, the fireplace and its chimney were firmly entrenched in American architecture.

In the mid-Atlantic and northern states, central chimneys served fires in two or more rooms on several floors, to maximize the amount of heat a house retained, while homes in the south used fireplaces at the far ends of houses to reduce heat buildup.

Until the 1800s, fireplaces were purely practical affairs. Heading into the mid-1800s, however, they became the focal points of the main living areas, with carved mantels and other decorative elements.

In English homes, plain or bead-edged paneling usually surrounded fireplaces from the floor to the ceiling. Dutch homes hung curtains above the fireplace. Some homes began using blue and white Delftware tiles or book-matched paneling on either side of the fireplace. The Federal and Greek Revival-style mantels featured swag, star or shell accents. The mantels and hearths of many historic Society Hill homes are made from Pennsylvania bluestone, quarried in nearby King of Prussia.

In the early 1800s, size and shape changed with the emergence of the “Rumford Fireplace.” Sir Benjamin Thompson, also known as Count Rumford, designed a smaller, shallower affair that was taller than it was wide, with sharply angled sides sloping into a narrow chimney. It threw more heat back into the room, exhausted smoke more efficiently and eliminated back drafts.

After the Industrial Revolution, more and more fireplaces featured cast iron, arched surrounds, with decorative embellishments.

The decorative elements of fireplaces became increasingly ornate with the addition of overmantels, as well as columns and glazed tiles. In the early 1900s, design aesthetics reverted to a more rustic and natural style when the “back-to-nature” effort fueled the Arts and Crafts movement. Today, although practically anything goes, fireplaces remain the sentimental hubs of American homes.

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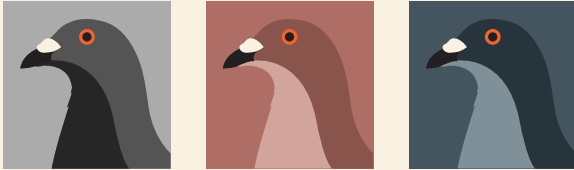
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Issues Affecting Our Neighborhood

508-532 Walnut Street

FRUB Penn LLC successfully gained approval from the Philadelphia Historical Commission (PHC) to cut an access door, in compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, into the stone base of the building, just east of the primary entrance near the corner of 6th and Walnut Streets. They will also replace the existing glass canopy at the main eastern entrance to the building with a new glass, aluminum and steel canopy.

528 and 530 Spruce Street

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) approved the application for adjusting the lot lines between the two properties. 530 Spruce Street will acquire the three-car garage of 528 Spruce Street, as well as additional property, allowing access from the rear yard of 530 into the garage. ZBA also approved re-construction of the garage as a brick building with an enlarged door, a mother-in-law suite at the second floor, and a roof deck at the third floor.

The lot adjustment slightly increases overall open space as it removes a covered breezeway that formerly connected the garage to 528 Spruce, while creating other minor deviations from required zoning code set-backs and an open area. None of the changes will make a serious impact on light and air.

PHC also approved the following design changes: breaking the garage doors down into panels with glass lights in lieu of unarticulated flat panels, removal of both the faux historic mullions from

the windows facing Cypress Street and a pent roof over the garage door.

Historic Streets

SHCA President Bob Curley, ZHP Chair Lorna Katz Lawson and SHCA board members Mary Purcell and Martha Levine met again with Councilman Mark Squilla, Commissioner of Streets David Perri and Engineer Stephen Lorenz to review and discuss the findings of the Historic Streets Assessment Report. The Streets Department commissioned the report by an independent consultant to clarify inventory; set up criteria for repairs, restorations, or replacements; and establish a list of all streets in order of prioritization for repair. Prioritization was based on a street's total rating on the criteria matrixes established by the consultant. Although many streets in Society Hill, including several blocks of 2nd Street, American Street and Thomas Paine Way are high on the list, no date for repair can be scheduled until the city's budget is known in July.

The report is available on the web at phila.gov/streets.



Toll Brothers construction at the New Market site.

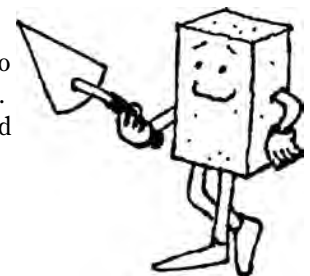
Lorna Katz-Lawson is a practicing architect with John Lawson Architects. She has been a Society Hill resident since 1973 and currently chairs SHCA's Zoning and Historic Preservation Committee.

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BY MARTHA LEVINE

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EXPLORING THE CITY

BY JIM MURPHY

Captain Gustavus Conyngham, USN: King George III's Worst Nightmare

In my youth, when my family drove to upstate Pennsylvania on summer vacations, I remember noticing the name “Conyngham” on road signs along Route 80 near Luzerne County.

I always wondered about the origin of this strange name. Little did I know it belonged to one of the most important — and now least-known — heroes of the Revolutionary War.

Gustavus Conyngham (or Cunningham, as some spell it), started the war as a privateer, bringing needed supplies to the colonies. On March 1, 1777, he received a commission from Benjamin Franklin in Paris signed by John Hancock.

In short order, as commander of the *Surprise*, Conyngham captured two British ships, was reluctantly arrested by French officials at Dunkirk after England demanded that he be held as a pirate, and had his commission papers taken by the French.

Freed with the help of Franklin, Conyngham took command of a new ship, the aptly-named *Revenge*, after it left port, and took the fight to England's front door — the English Channel.

That's when the terrorized British named him “The Dunkirk Pirate.”

Some amazing feats:

- In all, Conyngham and his crew captured or sank 60 vessels, says Tim McGrath, author of *Give Me a Fast Ship*, a history of the American Navy during the Revolutionary War. In one very lucrative day in the West Indies, he seized four ships.
- In part because of Conyngham, Britain's shipping insurance rates jumped an average of 28% during its war with the Colonies, and spiked as much as 40%. This was higher than rate hikes experienced during the global Seven Years' War.
- Twice imprisoned, Conyngham frequently attempted escape. What's more, he and his crew twice fought off British Marines who were taking his captured ship back to port. He also tunneled out of prison one time, escaping a second time by bribing a guard.
- King George III considered Conyngham the most terrifying Continental Navy captain of

them all. He reportedly told his minister that it would give him pleasure to be at the hanging of Conyngham, if he could only catch him.

- To stop Conyngham, British admiralty ordered at least five warships to cruise the English Channel. Yet, many English ship owners, afraid to put to sea, placed their wares in French and Dutch vessels instead.
- When the English caught and threatened to hang Conyngham, General Washington's reply was succinct: if they did, he would hang six British officers then in his custody. Before any hangings took place, the resourceful Conyngham escaped and went back to harassing British shipping.

Did a grateful nation thank Captain Conyngham when he returned to Philadelphia and asked the Continental Congress to pay him for his time served and property seized? Not at all. Because Conyngham could not produce proof of his commission from Franklin, which the French took in 1777, he was treated shabbily by Congress and never paid for his services. The U.S. Navy knew better, though, eventually naming three different destroyers after him.

The rest of the story

On November 8, 1902, the *New York Times* reported on “the accidental discovery of a time-worn document in a small printseller's shop in Paris.” The winning \$2 bidder on a John Hancock signature discovered he had actually bought the missing commission papers issued by Ben Franklin to Gustavus Conyngham. The discovery proved Conyngham's claim, just 119 years too late.

What can you do? Visit Gustavus Conyngham's grave at St. Peter's Churchyard, 313 Pine Street, Philadelphia, and thank him for helping us to win the Revolutionary War.

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Jim Murphy, a freelance direct-response copywriter, has run his own marketing consulting business since 2004. He's also a certified member of the Association of Philadelphia Tour Guides.



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Died:	November 27, 1819 in Philadelphia
Rank:	Captain, U.S. Navy
Date Commissioned:	March 1, 1777
Date Missing Commission Was Found:	About 1902
Ships Captured:	60
Nickname:	“The Dunkirk Pirate”
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Teenagers on the Brain

***The Teenage Brain: A Neuroscientist's Survival Guide to Raising Adolescents and Young Adults* by Dr. Frances Jensen**

Who hasn't looked at a group of raucous, wildly out-of-control teenagers and wondered what could possibly be driving them? Or why they can sometimes be so moody, insecure, self-centered, peer-focused or short-sighted?

The focus, interests, values and priorities of teenagers shift rapidly, profoundly and often without warning. The swings are extreme and the effects reverberating. And although the teenage years pass relatively quickly, constituting a fraction of our expected lifespan, the impact and changes wrought during adolescence are enormous.

Society Hill neighbor Dr. Frances Jensen has written a fascinating book based on her many years as Professor and Chair of the Department of Neurology at the Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. It skillfully addresses and illuminates why teenagers behave the way they do.

The Teenage Brain: A Neuroscientist's Survival Guide to Raising Adolescents and Young Adults is written in a lively and very engaging manner. In large measure, the book's genuine and broad appeal is due to its adroit layering of data drawn from the latest scientific research, expressed through Dr. Jensen's own highly calibrated lens as a mother who raised two teenage boys.

Dr. Jensen demonstrates how far neuroscience has advanced in recent years. Research and imaging techniques clearly document the developmental pace of the brain, which is much slower than previously thought. This means that the nature and capacity of the teenage brain is markedly different from that of an adult. Quite literally, the teenage brain is a work in progress.

So while hormones rage and teenage bodies appear fully formed, the brain is far behind. In fact, the brain is the last organ to fully develop — still developing well into the mid- to late twenties. Additionally, within the brain itself, one of the last regions to fully develop is the prefrontal cortex, located in the very front. This region is essential to reasoned decision-making. The prefrontal cortex is where our capacity for executive functions and abstract thinking resides. It allows us to experience empathy. Think of the prefrontal cortex

as our gatekeeper — it keeps our risk-taking in check and suppresses many of our primal urges.

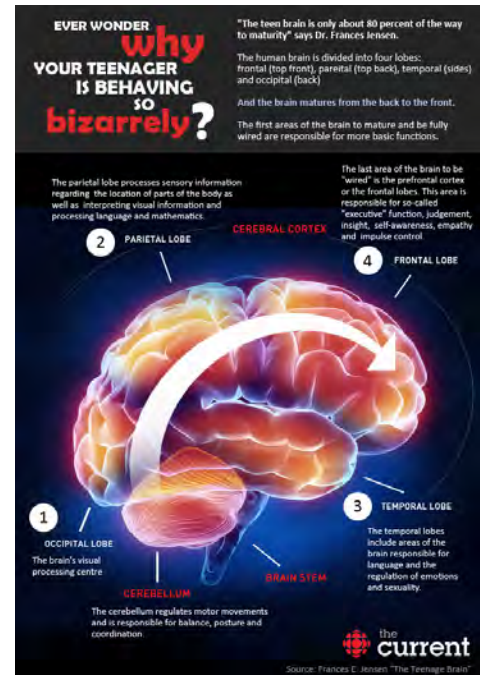
This is important because while the adult brain provides more or less unfettered access to the prefrontal cortex, the teenage brain's circuitry provides poor access. There is no gatekeeper to inform making decisions. The teenage brain's capacity to quickly distinguish right from wrong, good from bad, long-term consequences from short-term pleasure is challenged. This explains why teenagers are more given to risky, impulsive behavior, and do such a poor job of forecasting the delayed consequences of their actions.

While examining teenagers' heightened susceptibility to risky behavior, Dr. Jensen discusses another aspect of the still developing brain: its exceptional plasticity and attendant capacity to quickly and permanently learn new skills. This provides wonderful opportunities for learning and creating memories that will last forever.

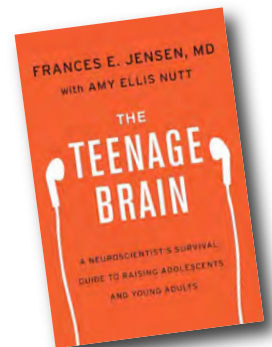
While this plasticity is perfect for learning new skills, it creates problems when there is repeated exposure to negative influences or unhealthy behavior. When we learn new skills during our adolescent years (and earlier), the brain carves deep, enduring pathways to accommodate our new skills. These connections, or synapses, get stronger and stronger the more we are exposed to the rewards of patterned learning. This is why our learned behaviors from this period are recalled with little effort. It is also why early addictions are so difficult to eradicate.

If you'd like to hear Dr. Jensen read from and discuss *The Teenage Brain*, please join us at HeadHouse Books, on Thursday, April 2, at 7 p.m. Twenty percent of the net proceeds from the sale of Dr. Jensen's book will be donated to SHCA. Visit headhousebooks.com for details.

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BY KERI WHITE

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With the addition of the recently opened **Food and Friends Market** at the spots formerly occupied by Salon at 5th and Union Gourmet, 5th and Spruce Streets may be the most convenient stop in the city! Where else can you find a craft beer emporium next to a State Store and across from a SuperFresh market?

Jay and Bibianne Choi opened Food and Friends in December. They offer a wide selection of high-end, gourmet foods and a staggering selection of beers — over 500 different types. Prepared items, dried fruits, nuts, packaged cookies and sweets, gluten-free items, fresh produce, and specialty imported ingredients comprise the large selection. During my visit, I bought a package of dried mangoes — my teen daughter’s favorite — and for a brief moment she was nice to me. Well worth the \$3.29.

The Chois, who emigrated from South Korea in 2005, established the original Food and Friends at 20th and Spruce Streets and were looking for a second location.

When asked why they chose Society Hill, Jay is effusive: “I walk for exercise all over the city. Every time I came through this neighborhood, I noticed how nice it is. It is safe, clean, and all the blocks are well kept. I just really liked it and thought it would be a good place to expand our business.”

Their business model is well-thought out. “We are not here to compete with SuperFresh, which is a great neighborhood market. We offer higher-end items at a good value.” Products like Sigg’s Icelandic yogurt, Tate’s Cookies, Two Leaves Tea and Rao’s pasta sauce are competitively priced. The Chois stock specialty items

that are not available at supermarkets — and if there is overlap, they aim for value pricing. Jay clearly does his homework: “Before we opened, I reached out to the former owners of Zeke’s and Union Gourmet to learn from them.”

As for the beer, Jay conducts significant research, reads voluminous online reviews and has cultivated strong relationships with suppliers to ensure the best selection at the best price.

Food and Friends also has a prepared-foods section, and they plan to set up a deli in the future for made-to-order sandwiches. Their La Colombe coffee-to-go has a strong following, with locals en route to work stopping by to fuel up. Jay and Bibianne are eager to meet their neighbors — they invite *Reporter* readers to come by for a free cup of coffee and a tour of the shop. I’ll see you there!



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Claire Batten and **Keri White** are the dynamic duo behind Philly Food Lovers. They are business partners in KCC, a marketing consultancy and copywriting agency. For more of both of their writings on food, visit phillyfoodlovers.com.

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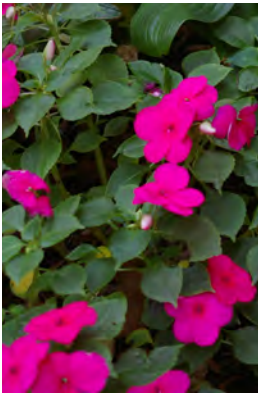
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BY MARILYN APPEL

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Have you had a bike stolen, and never found again? Registering your bike with the police increases the odds of getting it returned. Go to www.phillypolicebikeregistry.com, upload a photo of your bike and you’re all set. You will also get interesting and valuable bike-related info. Here are just a couple of tips: don’t leave your bike out overnight (even behind locked gates); tether it with two U-locks or a U-lock and a cable; use an approved rack. This registry is a pilot program in the Philadelphia Sixth Police District, sponsored by the Center City District.

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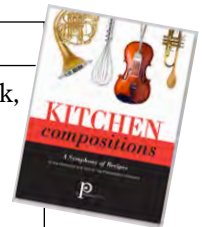
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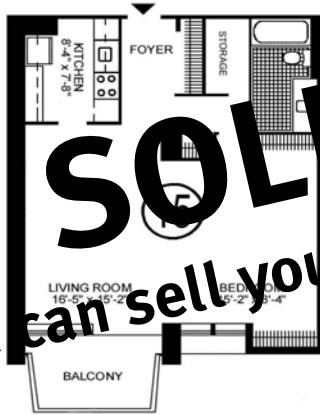
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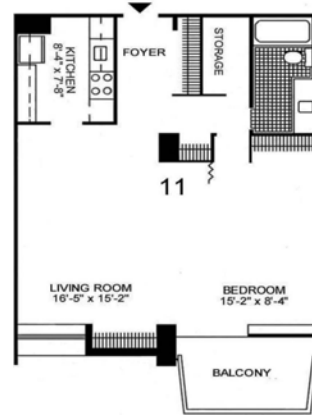
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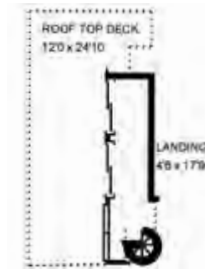
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BY CLAIRE BATTEN

Tuk Tuk Real

South Street is famous for its diversity. You can find upscale menswear boutiques rubbing shoulders with an Adidas outlet store, or Steven Starr’s much-vaunted **Serpico** restaurant on the same stretch as pizzerias and casual American diners. New eatery **Tuk Tuk Real** takes this a step further, fusing the diverse flavors of two distinctive cuisines: Mexican and Asian. Needless to say, the results are surprising.

Tuk Tuk Real, which bills itself as a Thai Taqueria, is located at 429 South Street. The unusual name is a combination of the motorized rickshaw called a *tuk tuk* and the soccer team Real Madrid. It is a fast food joint with attitude. Perhaps this is because the restaurant is the brainchild of respected chef Alex Boonphaya, best known for Circles, another Thai restaurant. The décor is casual but cutesy, characterized by bright colors and fun flags. The food is just as cheery, combining Thai ingredients with Mexican stalwarts such as tacos and mole.

The menu makes for interesting reading, with items like: Pork Belly and Kimchi Plato, Lemongrass Mole Buffalo Wings Plato and Chipotle Curry Shrimp.

Hmm. So, where should we start?

We canvassed a couple of friends who had already visited Tuk Tuk to discover their favorite dishes. The item that kept on coming up was the taco in various guises, but most especially, the Lamb Nachos. I tried these on my visit, and they were striking. The lamb, slow cooked in Asian spices, was extremely tasty and worked well with the more conventional Mexican black beans and cheese topping.

We really wanted to try some of the wilder sounding concoctions, like the Moo Ping Tacos. Curious? According to the menu, these tacos comprise confit pork belly with kimchi, cilantro, and salsa verde. Best of all, two tacos cost a scant \$8, and better still, visit the restaurant on any “Taco Tuesday” and enjoy a taco special for just \$4!

Aside from its extremely adventurous — and sometimes entertaining-sounding — menu, Tuk Tuk Real is singular because of its emphasis on value for money. It is more than a standard fast-food outlet. The menu has been constructed with care using Asian/Mexican fusion ingredients, while retaining a keen eye on the price of all the platos.

If you are looking for a quick, interesting, tasty meal, Tuk Tuk Real should be on your go-to list of eateries. As our Indian friend Farah attests, “The restaurant is like a Bollywood set brought to life. It really gives you the feel of an Asian street restaurant. If you want a nice relaxed meal with the family and are looking for value for money, then you certainly won’t go hungry here.”

Too busy to visit? No worries, you can order Tuk Tuk Real’s menu online via www.grubhub.com/Tuk-Tuk-Real. If you want to experience this Asian/Mexican fusion menu first-hand, Tuk Tuk is open on Mondays for dinner only; on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for lunch from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., then again for dinner from 5 p.m. onwards; and on the weekends from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Try it and see what you think.



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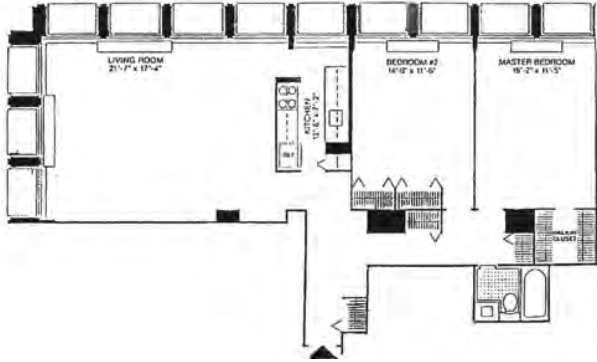
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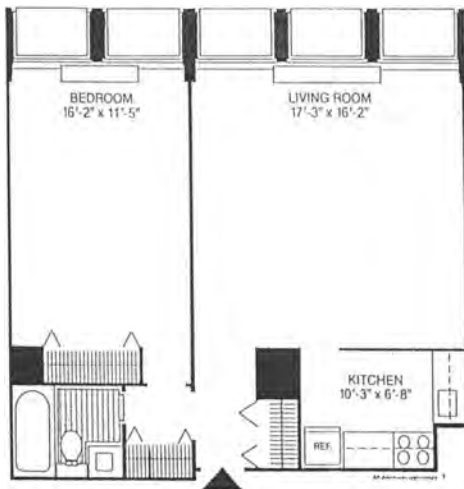


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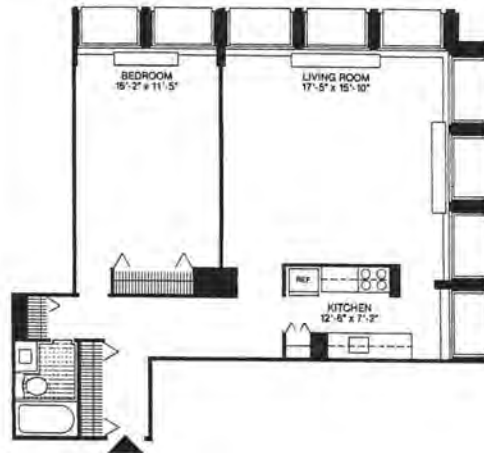


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SOCIETY HILL CRIME UPDATE

BY JANE BIBERMAN

Darren Rogers Revisited

Most Society Hill residents probably don't remember the brutal attack on a young African-American man that took place November 11, 2011, at 11:30 p.m., across from Old Pine Street Church. But the victim, Darren Rogers, and his family will never forget the night that forever changed their lives.

Today, Darren, who turned 50 in January, lives at a nursing facility in Plymouth Meeting, confined to a wheelchair and barely able to talk. His mother, Callie, who lives and works in Indianapolis, attends Sunday mass to pray for her son. "I go to church because in this world, you need to have faith," she says. "Darren was such a happy fellow. He loved his job at the Chocolate Works in Old City, where he worked as a concierge for 26 years. He particularly enjoyed his nightly walks to work from 30th Street Station, strolling through the quiet streets of Society Hill, listening to music on his headphones. He loved going to Atlantic City or New York on his weekends off."

Darren's life as he knew it ended on that night when two white men approached him on Pine Street, viciously beat him, and then shot him in the chest. They ran off with his backpack but left his wallet in his jacket. "I think this was a random act, not racially motivated," says Callie. "They were later identified from a homeowner's security camera and had been seen earlier drinking at a bar, angry that the Eagles lost a game." While Darren couldn't identify them at the time — he was left for dead — he says he would know them anywhere and wants to face them in a courtroom.

In January 2012, when SHCA requested donations for a reward fund, 84 neighbors responded, raising \$17,500. Two anonymous donors gave \$5,000 apiece toward this amount; other contributions ran from \$25 to \$500. The Association passed this money

to the Citizens Crime Commission as a reward for anyone coming forward with information leading to the arrest and conviction of the offenders.

Several years ago, the two suspects were arrested for a similar felony. One has since died and the other is in prison for life. Darren's case has never been brought to trial because, according to Captain Brian Korn, there is not sufficient evidence to prosecute.

After the attack, Darren spent almost seven weeks at Jefferson University Hospital, where he underwent many operations to save his life. The bullet went through his lungs and hit his spinal column. At one point, the surgeons had to remove his heart and massage it because of a blood clot. That surgery damaged his vocal chords; he had an operation last November to repair the damage. Another is pending.

After Jefferson, Darren was transferred to Magee Rehab for six weeks. He now goes there twice a week as an outpatient on a scholarship the facility provides. "I paid the rent on his apartment for two years because Darren so wanted to go home and resume his life," says Callie. "The truth is he may never be able to walk or live independently again." She believes that if her son were in a better facility, one where he received daily physical therapy, he would make progress. But she can't afford it and still struggles to pay his medical bills.

Citizens Crime Commission returned the reward money to SHCA and Administrator Matt DeJulio recently informed 82 of the donors, not having contact information for the two anonymous contributors. Many of these kind people decided to give their donations to the Darren Rogers Fund, established at PNC Bank. Anyone is welcome to add to this fund, contributions are received at any branch.



Darren Rogers and his mother Callie before the tragedy that changed his life.

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Friday, March 20

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Dr. Andrew Newberg



Dr. Andrew Newberg is the director of research at the Jefferson Myrna Brind Center of Integrative Medicine. He is board-certified in internal medicine and nuclear medicine. His research projects have included the study of dementia, epilepsy, other neurological and psychiatric disorders, meditation, alternative therapies, and mystical and religious experiences. Dr. Newberg is the author of several books and has been featured on television, as well as in a number of media articles.

Wednesday, May 6

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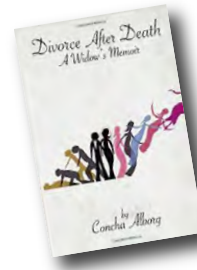
Dr. Peter Vitanzo



Dr. Peter Vitanzo is a board-certified, non-surgical sports medicine specialist at the Rothman Institute. He serves as Head Team Medical Physician for the Philadelphia Phillies and the Philadelphia 76ers. He is the author of several articles and book chapters. He has lectured locally and nationally on orthopedic conditions, particularly sports-related conditions. Dr. Vitanzo is actively involved in research. He is recognized as a “Top Sports Physician” both locally and nationally.

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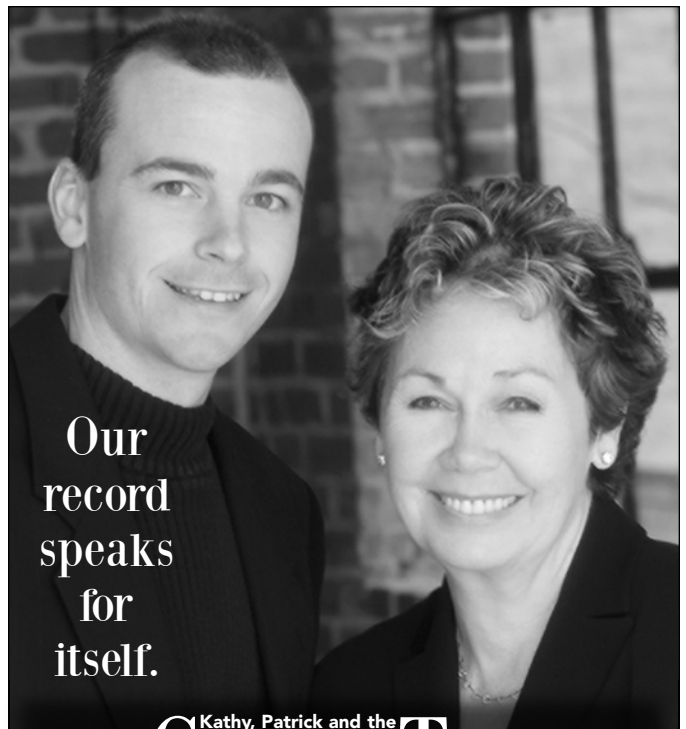
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IN MEMORIAM

We are saddened to report that long-time SHCA member Alvin “Bud” Plumer passed away on December 9 at the age of 89 of congestive heart failure.

Born in Philadelphia, Bud graduated from Central High School and earned a bachelor’s degree in business at Temple University. He then joined Plumer Realty — now Plumer & Associates, Inc. — founded by his parents in the neighborhood where the firm still resides, 226 South Street. He never retired. His wife, Pearl, says, “I would drive him to the office, and he would work for a few hours and then come home. He liked to do that a few days a week until recently.”

Bud was involved in the development of Queen Village in the 1960s and served as co-chairman of the South Street Headhouse District in the 1990s.

Plumer mentored hundreds of Realtors who went on to become successful. A former vice president and member of the board of directors of the Greater Philadelphia Association of Realtors, he is a member of its Hall of Fame. In addition to his wife, Bud leaves behind his daughter Mona, a sister, and a grandson.



Alvin “Bud” Plumer

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March 14-15 and March 21-22

Association of Philadelphia Tour Guides Lecture Series

Association of Philadelphia Tour Guides will present, over two weekends, its highly acclaimed lecture series about Philadelphia. Presenters are the region’s top experts in history, culture, politics and architecture. Two walking tours of the historic district and a bus tour of the city are included. Visit www.phillyguides.org/2015lecture-series.aspx for more information.

March 25 - May 20

Botanical Art Classes

Sarah Maxwell, a certified botanical artist and a member of the Philadelphia Society of Botanical Illustrators, will lead small classes for the third year at the Powell House, 244 South 3rd Street. Classes are set in the inspirational, award-winning garden from March 25 to May 20 (except for April 29), on Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For further information and to reserve space, email smaxwell@fordham.edu.

Sunday, May 10

5th Annual Komen

Philadelphia Race for the Cure

For 25 years, the Komen Race for the Cure has run through Society Hill on Mother’s Day, raising money to fight breast cancer. Consider joining the race this year on May 10 or cheering on the runners when they pass near the Shambles, 2nd and Lombard Streets. Visit www.komenphiladelphia.org/race/ for more information about the race or how to register to compete.

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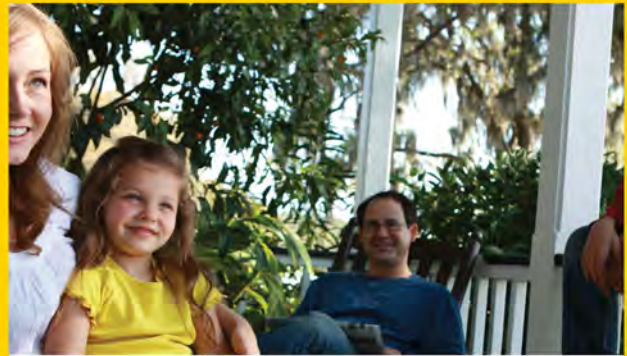


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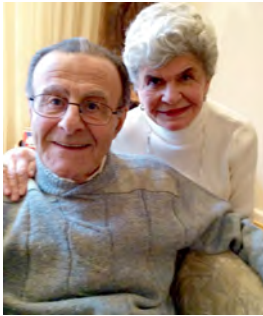
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2015 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

BY MATT DEJULIO

2015 Membership Drive On A Par With Last Year

Congratulations to Shawn and Stanton Myerson, as well as Fred and Judith Zernik, winners of \$100 restaurant certificates for renewing their SHCA memberships before December 31!



Alfred and Judith Zernik have lived in Society Hill and have been SHCA members since 1967. Alfred, who was born in Berlin, Germany, also lived in the neighborhood throughout the 1940s. They have two daughters, three

granddaughters and one male granddog! The couple have a place in Manhattan, where they originally went for the culture. Now with so much choice in Philadelphia, it's a tough decision each weekend. They love our parks and quaint streets, but wish the brick sidewalk were more level and less dangerous.

By early February, association membership was on par with the same time last year. But 267 residents have not yet responded to two mailings. If you have delayed in sending in your renewal or wish to join, please do so today. Remember that this year a number of restaurants and other businesses are offering discounts to SHCA members who show their card(s). If you have joined or renewed, by the time you read this, you should have already received your membership card in the mail. If you have delayed, why wait any longer and miss out on savings?

We welcome each of the over 3,600 households to join SHCA. Your civic association helps protect your real estate investment by funding many improvement projects and provides subsidies to neighbors who plant trees and fix their sidewalks. We help enhance your quality of life when we advocate on your behalf regarding zoning changes, real estate taxes, crime problems and traffic issues. All of this is accomplished through the hard work of our dedicated board of directors, committee members, block coordinators, and most importantly, your membership dues. Without member dues, SHCA would cease to function. Protect your neighborhood and your real estate investment. Sign up today!

Matt De Julio is a retired publishing executive. He has served SHCA as its administrator since 2001.



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NIFTY NEIGHBORS IN MY OWN BACKYARD

BY JANE BIBERMAN

For Man About Town David Schwartz, Fashion Is a Serious Business



David Schwartz

I'm famous for *not* meeting the famous," says David Schwartz, referring to the celebrities who have shopped at Sophy Curson, the store he runs with his mother, Susan, on 19th Street. "I've missed Oprah, Robert Downey, Jr., and Martina Navratilova. But I did meet Frankie Avalon and Sigourney Weaver when she made the TV mini-series, 'Political Animals,' in 2012. She was very

kind and later invited me backstage when she starred in 'Vanya and Sonya and Masha and Spike' at Lincoln Center."

Founded by his great-aunt Sophy Curson and his grandmother Pearl Goldner in 1929, the shop on 19th Street has been a destination for generations of well-heeled women. Speaking of heels, it made an appearance as a shopping bag in the movie, "In Her Shoes." When Toni Collette gets married on South Street, she wears a pair of Delman shoes. "The box belonged to my grandmother," notes David.

Until the 1970s, the store displayed a sign on its outside wall facing the street that read: "Junior Is a Size, Not an Age." David explains that his great-aunt Sophy was barely 5 feet tall and wore a size 4. Furious when told by designers that she was underdeveloped and should shop in the children's department, Miss Curson took matters into her own hands. She asked dress-makers in New York to make the jackets shorter and to raise the waistlines. Some members of the DuPont family were among her first clients; soon word spread. The rest is history, a history of which David is proud. "Today, of course, we have sizes up to 22 as well as many hats and accessories. Although we are known for our mother-of-the-bride dresses and high-end gowns, we carry everything from jeans to casual jackets. For many years we had a wonderful line of canine clothes [My former dog Fleur modeled a red rain cape that appeared in several ads.],

but the internet and the proliferation of pet stores made us discontinue."

David has spent all of his working life at the shop off Rittenhouse Square. He lived in the area for many years but moved back to Society Hill, which he considers home. "I was born in 1966 when we lived in Addison Court," he says. "Then in 1972, we moved to a house on 3rd Street. I went to St. Peter's School and then to Penn Charter and Kenyon College, where I was an English major. I had thought of going to Hollywood, but the great writers' strike of '88 put an end to that career choice." Nevertheless, he loves what he does. "I get to go to Paris, Milan, and New York for the fashion shows," he says. "I take after my mother, Susan. My brother Charlie became a doctor like my father, Bill."

Today, David "commutes" from his apartment on Washington Square. "I either drive, walk, or take the bus to work," he says. "I also work out at the Philadelphia Sports Club." In his spare time, which isn't prodigious, he serves on the Costumes and Textiles Collections committee at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. After the bustle and commercialism of the Rittenhouse Square area, David enjoys the relative quiet and neighborhood feeling of Society Hill. "I love going to the Ritz movies, which I missed when I didn't live nearby. And I love the restaurants. I frequently go to Pizzeria Stella, Jones, and my new favorite, Rosa Blanca. I'm looking forward to Jose Garces' updated Bookbinder's." In the 80s, he used to go to TLA and now looks forward to the Arden productions. A theater aficionado, he was on the board of the Philadelphia Theater Company for seven years and still frequents the Suzanne Roberts Theater. "I also look forward to First Fridays at the Locks Gallery because it always has such interesting exhibits."

A music-lover, David frequently goes to concerts at the Kimmel Center with his family. "Speaking of the Philadelphia Orchestra," he says, "Yannick Nézet-Seguin's mother came in the other day and bought a dress. So I guess I did meet another celebrity. Well, someone almost famous!"

Jane Biberman, former editor of *Inside Magazine*, is a freelance writer who has contributed to a variety of publications.

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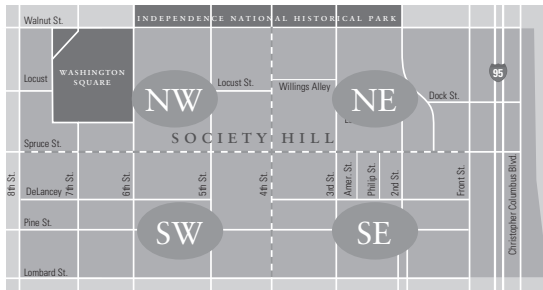
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SHCA's Nominating and Election Committee proposes individuals for these positions. Additionally, others may be nominated by petition. To nominate yourself or a neighbor, submit a petition signed by 10 SHCA members. Nomination for Quadrant Director requires the signatures of 10 residents of that quadrant. Although not required, the Committee appreciates information about the nominee.



Quadrant Confusion? SHCA divides Society Hill into quadrants for the purpose of electing its Board of Directors. They are labeled Northeast, Southeast, Northwest, and Southwest. Fourth Street serves as the dividing line between the east and west quadrants. Spruce Street is the dividing line between the north and south quadrants.

This year's elections will take place at our May 20 General Membership Meeting. Members will elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Directors-at-Large — all for one-year terms. Also, four of the 12 Quadrant Directors will finish their three-year terms and will need to be replaced.

Those being recommended for a position must live within the boundaries of Society Hill, be at least 21 years of age, and be a member of SHCA.

Visit societyhillcivic.org for more information about our civic association, its board, and nominating process. Submissions must be received by April 1 in order to be considered. All nominations will be listed in the next issue of the *Reporter*.

Send nominations to SHCA Administrator Matt DeJulio, c/o Society Hill Civic Association, P.O. Box 63503, Philadelphia, PA 19147 or to mattdejulio@aol.com.

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