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NOTICE OF FORTHCOMING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Two membership meetings have been scheduled for the spring (which seems, at last, to have arrived!) The first, to be held at 8 p.m. on May 14, 1975, will be concerned principally with the pending development plans of Pennsylvania Hospital and with the Bicentennial problem, particularly as it affects Head House. The second, to be held at 8 p.m. on June 12, 1975, will deal with possible changes in the Civic Association by-laws [see the notes below] and any other matters which may then be appropriate. Both meetings will be held at Old Pine Street Church, 412 Pine Street.

SIXTH AND PINE STREET SITE

As you are aware, the Black History Museum has been relocated to 7th and Arch Streets. A number of neighbors are exploring other possibilities for the 6th and Pine site, and the SHCA has reconstituted the erstwhile negotiating committee as a positive alternatives committee. Any suggestions are welcome. Please contact any member of the committee if you have one.

OPEN HOUSES

In a continuing effort to promote full and open discussion of issues prior to membership meetings where action will be taken, two open houses have been scheduled for 8 p.m. on April 22 and May 1, at 313 Pine Street. The subject of the April 22 meeting will be the long range development plans of Pennsylvania Hospital. Hospital representatives will be present to present their plans and to answer questions. No votes will be taken. As noted above, we will formally consider the matter at the May 14 membership meeting.

The May 1 open house will deal with Head House. Representatives of the Craft Fair, Philadelphia '76, Van Arkel and Moss, and the Department of Public Property have been invited to attend and to discuss their plans for summer 1975 and for 1976. Again, this matter will be formally considered at the May 14 membership meeting.

BY-LAW COMMITTEE

A committee of seven persons, to be chaired by Mark Kessler, has been designated to review certain provisions of the SHCA by-laws. The committee has been requested to report their recommendations to the Board by May 19. At that time, the Board will review the recommendations made by the committee and then act to place proposals before the membership. These proposals will be discussed in a subsequent open-house and placed before the membership for action on June 12, as noted. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mark Kessler.