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WSWCA Meeting Highlights December 9, 2003

Present: J. Applebaum, M.J. Barrett, S. Batcheler, J. Brazino, M. Davidson, A. Earling, I. Gold, J. Jordan, D. Pesek

Absent: J. Arneith, K. Cushing, J. Menegakis, A. Rice

I. GREETINGS

President Judy Applebaum called tonight's meeting to order.

II. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes from WSWCA's November Board meeting were unanimously adopted.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

John Jordan delivered highlights of the Treasurer's report which was unanimously adopted.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thomas University Choir and Orchestra will perform a holiday concert of Vivaldi's "Gloria" on Friday, December 12th at 8pm at the First Baptist Church on the corner of 17th and Sansom Streets. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call 215-790-5194 or 790-5195.
- The Center for Literacy seeks volunteers to tutor students.
- Six new police officers have been assigned to vacant positions in Wash West's Sixth District including the South Street mini-station where police are also being trained to use noise meters for enforcing penalties on noise polluters.
- Councilman DiCicco and PECO are addressing the wiring problems on the 200 block of Jessup Street.
- South Street Alliance's member businesses will no longer support Mardi Gras. All related promotion will cease and business will be conducted as usual on that day.
- A Mummer's Parade on South Street is in the planning stages. Date and time tbd.

V. WSWCA VOLUNTEERS

- Alex Rice, a valued member of WSWCA's Board for several years, submitted his resignation tonight. As Chairperson of the Government Affairs Committee until recently, he worked with residents and businesses seeking the Board's input on zoning and related property issues. The Board thanks Alex for his time, effort and contributions to our community. We will miss him.
- WSWCA is delighted to announce that Molly Sullivan has agreed to become the new editor of our newsletter, "The Post." Molly, who works in the literary world, moved to Wash West a few months ago. She will team with Annette Earling, resident graphic artist behind The Post and WSWCA's website. Molly is seeking articles and commentary from our members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Awareness

In addition to The Post's new editor, Annette Earling reported that WSWCA is in the process of obtaining a first class mailing permit and will be out sourcing distribution of The Post for a nominal monthly fee.

D. Safety & Security

To date, 33 Wash West residents have signed up to attend an organizational meeting to form a Wash West Town Watch. The meeting will be held Tuesday, January 13th at 6pm in Jefferson Hall which is an hour before the Civic's regular monthly meeting.

E. Government Affairs

1034 Spruce Street

Owners NWJ Realty's original request was for non-opposition to variances allowing for construction of a five-story, apartment building with ground floor commercial space. Since then NWJ has made several presentations to the Board and separately

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to the Government Affairs Committee. WSWCA repeatedly expressed concerns about the vagueness of the plans, inconsistencies between presentations, the proposed building's design and RWJ's poor management of their Wash West properties. Following the Civic's annual membership meeting in September, Councilman Frank DiCicco and Senator Vince Fumo hired attorney Stanley Krakow to represent Wash West's interests in this project.

Most recently, NWJ returned to the November 25th Government Affairs meeting with revised plans as requested. The changes were favorably received; however, some took exception to the building height which remained unchanged at 70'. The committee told NWJ they would recommend non-opposition if the building height were reduced to 65'. NWJ felt such a change was unworkable. Government Affairs decided to bring the final decision to the Board and community, asking NWJ to present their revised plans at tonight's meeting.

The new plan calls for demolition of the current structure to be replaced by a 7-story, 70' high multi-family condominium dwelling with commercial use on the first floor. NWJ's newly hired architect presented the revised design, incorporating a

changed building façade with bay windows and brick front, and a reduction in the number of units per floor from 4 to 3, thus enlarging the apartments. WSWCA's concerns regarding trash disposal and parking were also addressed, and the realtor hired by NWJ to manage the sale of the units presented their marketing objectives/strategy. A dialogue ensued among concerned residents, the Board and NWJ. A Board vote was taken on a motion with provisos to ensure RWJ executes the plans as presented tonight.

Motion: The Board voted, nine in favor, one opposed and one abstention, not to oppose the project as presented with the following provisos:

1. Trash stored within the premises.
2. Commercial trash pick-up.
3. No liquor license granted to commercial tenants.
4. Exterior building materials and design consistent with plans presented.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Iris J. Gold
Secretary

The Washington West Civic Association Calendar of Events

Neighborhood Events:

Arts/Culture

The Philadelphia Orchestra:

Sawallisch Returns
Where: The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts
When: 1/8-1/10

The Philadelphia Library:

18 S. 7th St.
Hours: Monday, Wednesday 12-8pm, Thursday, 1-5pm, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday 10am-5pm

Friends Book Sale -
Wed, December 31 at 12:00 pm

Fiction Book Group -
Mon, January 05 at 6:30 pm

Discusses *The Poisonwood Bible*, by Barbara Kingsolver.

Toddler Story Hour -
Tue, January 06 at 10:30 am
For children from 18 months to 3 years old.

Gay Men's Book Group -
Wed, January 07 at 6:30 pm
Discusses *Memoirs of Hadrian*, by Marguerite Yourcenar

Celebrate Chinese New Year with the Lion Dance and Umbrella Dancers - Tue, January 13 at 12:30 pm
Presented by Holy Redeemer Elementary School.

Feng Shui -
Tue, January 13 at 12:30 pm
Part II of the Brown Bag Lunch Program.
Presented by Janet Girgenti.

MEETING DATES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 2004

**Meetings are held
on the second
Tuesday of every
month at 7:30 pm
at the Jefferson
Alumni Hall, 1020
Locust Street,
Room 139. All
Board meetings
are open to the
public.**

January 13

February 10

March 9

April 13

May 11

June 8

July 13

**August 10
(Tentative)**

September 14

**October 12
(GENERAL
MEETING.
Election of 5
Directors for
3-year terms.)**

**November 9
(Election of
Officers for
1-year terms.)**

December 14

Toddler Story Hour -
Tue, January 13 at 10:30 am
For children from 18 months to 3 years old.

Getting the Clutter Out of Your Life -
Fri, January 16 at 12:00 pm
Part I of the Brown Bag Lunch Program.
Presented by Janet Taylor.

Toddler Story Hour -
Tue, January 20 at 10:30 am
For children from 18 months to 3 years old.

Genetic Aspects of Infectious Diseases -
Wed, January 21 at 6:30 pm
Presented by Mary Beth Davis of the Wagner Institute.

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Spirituality Book Group -
Mon, January 26 at 6:30 pm
Call the library for January's selection.

Toddler Story Hour -
Tue, January 27 at 10:30 am
For children from 18 months to 3 years old.

Genetic Aspects of Infectious Diseases -
Wed, January 28 at 6:30 pm
Presented by Mary Beth Davis of the Wagner Institute.

Bilingual Story Time -
Sat, January 31 at 2:00 pm
For toddlers and preschoolers.

Physical Fitness

Classes being held at Thomas Jefferson University:

Adult Swim Lessons
1/6, Commons Pool in Jefferson

Alumni Hall
Beginners: 4:15-5:15pm
Intermediate: 5:15-6:15pm
Call 1-215-503-7949

Pilates Mat
1/12, 6:30-7:30 pm
Jefferson Alumni Hall
Call 1-215-955-6000

Adult CPR
1/20, 5-8pm,
Jefferson Alumni Hall
Call 1-215-955-6000



Events through out Center City:

Arts/ Culture

The Fairy Tale World of Henry McCook:
Illustrations of Anthropomorphic Arthropods in the 19th Century
Where: Academy of Natural Sciences
When: through 2/26

Artists' Books from Germany: Photographs by Paul Carey Goldberg, Rockport Ma/
Wanderlust: Photographs by Bremneri Benedict, Newton, MA
Where: Print Center
When: through 1/24

Honky Tonk: Photographs by Henry Horenstein
Where: Print Center

When: through 1/24

Sideways Stories from Wayside School
Where: Arden Theatre
When: 1/18

Masterpieces in Context: Art of the Extraordinary and the Prosaic, Art History Course; Thursday Session
Where: Philadelphia Museum of Art
When: 1/8-1/22

Manet: A Modern "Old Master", Art History Course; Thursday Session
Philadelphia Museum of Art
When: 1/8-1/22

Environment

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor Auditorium

Evening lecture: Clematis for Today's Garden
1/6, 6pm-8pm

Book Club 'Stories from the Garden'
1/8, 12pm - 7:45pm
Participants will need to obtain their books and read each month's selection prior to the discussion

City Gardening Series: Seed Starting Basics- Easy as 1, 2, 3
1/17, 1pm-2pm

Walk: Winter Interest in the Landscape
1/21, 10am-Noon

City Gardening Series: cactus and Succulent Care
1/24, 10am-11am

New Hort Exhibitor's Workshop
Noon-2pm

Three Part Garden Tenders Basic Training
1/27, 2/1, and 2/4: 5:30pm-8:30pm

2004 Membership Form

Washington Square West Civic Association
1209 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107
215-545-3260, Fax 215-545-9150, email info@washwestcivic.org

Name _____	Seniors and Disabled	\$7.00
Business Name _____	Individual	\$20.00
Address _____	Household	\$30.00
_____	Individual Patron	\$100.00
Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____	Small Business (1-15 emp.)	\$30.00
Email _____ Fax _____	Medium Business (16-35 emp.)	\$60.00
	Large Business (36+ emp.)	\$100.00
	Other Contribution	\$ _____

What number do I call to report graffiti? Where can I find the web site of the Philadelphia Parking Authority? How do I get involved in one of the Civic's committees?

www.washwestcivic.org

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1108 Spruce St. Condo Assn.
1130 Spruce St. Condo Assn.
12th Air Command
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Berkshire Properties, Inc.
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Center City One
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Christopher Markus — The Lion's Mane Salon
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Geekgirl Graphics
Giovanni's Room
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Philadelphia Design Associates
Philadelphia International Records
Philadelphia Mental Health Center
Photography by Patrick Mattera
Pine Street Pizza
Planned Parenthood of S.E. PA
Portico Row Unit Owners Assn.
Quince-Lombard Parking Corp.
Rodman Street Condo Assoc.
Russakoff Book Store
S&S Properties Cherry Hill
Show of Hands Gallery
Seraphin Gallery
Signatures Gentlemen's Club
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The Inn Philadelphia
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Uncles Upstairs Inn
Uniquely Philadelphia, Inc.
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Urban Decor
Urban Genesis Institute
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Venture Inn
V.I.P. Market
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Washington Square Paint and Hardware
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