

The Troy Hill Chronicle

A Troy Hill Citizens (THC) Newsletter
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Letter from the Chair

By Brian Schimmel

The Pittsburgh Department of Public Works (DPW) will be sending a representative to answer any neighborhood questions pertaining to the monument intersection at our next general meeting held on September 13th at 7pm in the Most Holy Name School basement. Judge David Spurgeon will also be presenting on opioid problems as well as court involvement with youth offenders. We encourage everyone to attend.

With cooler weather setting in we still have lots of great, free events planned in our park: movies, Halloween festivities, and a pig roast are all in the works. These events couldn't happen without community volunteers and support. Thank you for making our community a better place.



Featured Project

Continuing the theme of murals, we hope everyone has had a chance to enjoy the new mural at the top of Troy Hill road, which beautifies the boarded-up windows of the old Koch gas station next to Provident Charter school. This project was made possible thru the volunteer support of community members Brian Reyburn, Mark Rawlings, and Bill Charleton, artist Berry Breene, and materials donated by Troy Hill Citizens. Now from every direction, everyone passing thru will know exactly where they are: our lovely Troy Hill!

“Won’t you be my neighbor?”

A neighbor spotlight

Name: Berry Breene

About: Raised upstream on the Allegheny River in Oil City, PA, Berry has lived in Troy Hill since October 2014. Berry is an artist who paints murals, and a songwriter and singer who plays in a folk band called Her Ladyship (along with her partner Brian and a few other fellas). You can find Berry working at Scratch F&B most weekends, or drinking a fancy coffee drink with a breakfast sandwich (with muenster cheese) at Pear and Pickle Café on Sundays with her BFF Kate. Berry can often be found fiddling with her small but vibrant front yard garden. Brian and Berry have been fixing up their home on Veronica St. while their sassy, fluffy, calico cat keeps tabs on their productivity. You're also likely to see them bicycling up Troy Hill road or walking the streets carrying acoustic guitars. Berry loves the small-town feel of the neighborhood, the spectacular views, and the quiet charm of her old brick street with no outlet. But most of all, she appreciates her friendly, genuine neighbors.





Troy Hill Trivia

Did you know that outside of the Vatican, Troy Hill's Saint Anthony Chapel, located at 1704 Harpster St., has the largest collection (>5000) of Catholic relics in the world? The Chapel is open to the public Sunday thru Thursday, 1-4pm. For more information, please call 412-999-4401 or visit:

<http://www.saintanthonyschapel.org/>

Announcements

THC Membership Ongoing Registration

Members are essential to our ability to provide services and projects that serve the community. Please visit our website or use the contact info above for more info about what you can do for THC and what THC can do for you! New and renewing members will also receive their very own "I Heart Troy Hill" bumper sticker. <http://troyhillpittsubrgh.com/membership/>

Rummage Sale Most Holy Name 1626 Hatteras St. Sept. 9th 8am – 2pm

Come and browse 13 rooms filled with everything from toys and clothing to household goods and antiques. Everything's a bargain! Remaining dates for the Most Holy Name Hidden Treasures Flea Market include: Oct. 14th, Nov. 11th, and Dec. 2nd. The Oct. 14th sale will be held in coordination with MHN Oktoberfest: lunch 11am-2pm, dinner 3-8pm. Live entertainment.

Movie in the Park THC Citizens Park Hatteras & Claim St. Sept. 9th 8pm Showtime

This month's (free) showing will be The Lorax, a Dr. Seuss children's classic. The movie chronicles the plight of the environment and the Lorax, who speaks for the trees against those that would do them harm. Be sure to bring a blanket or chairs. Light refreshments will be provided. To volunteer with setup (6pm) or tear down (~930pm), just show up at the appropriate time.

THC General Meeting MHN School Hall 1515 Tinsbury St. Sept 13th 7pm

Stay informed and involved! Meet your neighbors! Meetings generally consist of a community update and are an open forum for any concerns or ideas to better our community. DPW will be in attendance to answer any questions regarding the recent monument construction at Ley & Lowrie St. The next general meeting and elections will be held on Dec 13th.

Welcome Sign Planting Penn Brewery Sept 16th 930am – 11am

We will be landscaping and planting flowers at the bottom of Troy Hill Road at the base of the "Welcome to Troy Hill" mosaic sign, thanks to a "Love Your Block" grant from the city. This sign is located opposite of the Penn Brewery. Bring your shovels, garden tools, gloves and water. Volunteer photo op after! We hope to see you there.

THC Blockwatch MHN School Hall 1515 Tinsbury St. Sept 20th 7pm

A police representative will be in attendance to give an update on recent criminal activity in the neighborhood as well as to answer any questions or concerns. Outreach programs available in Troy Hill will also be discussed.

Alumni Day Most Holy Name 1700 Harpster St. Sept. 23rd 6pm

As part of MHN 150th anniversary, school alumni are invited to Mass at 6pm in the Church, with light refreshments and a display of memorabilia following in the school hall. St. Anthony's Chapel will be open from 4:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. Please RSVP by Sept 11th by calling 412-231-2994, option # 9. This is an automated response line - it answers 24 hours a day.

Whether you're an individual, organization or business, if you have an event or announcement for the community please let us know and we'll include it in our newsletter. If we've missed your event this month, we sincerely apologize. If you'd like to subscribe to our printed newsletter, please email or call. Dues paying members are automatically subscribed to the electronic newsletter.