

ACDC NEWS

JUNE 2007

MAINSTREETS

This month's **ACDC meeting** will be about the **Mainstreets Pittsburgh program**. The Allentown CDC is in the process of applying to get into a Planning Year and so we are meeting to let the everyone know about the program and what we are doing as well as to field any questions and comments you might have about it. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Guest speaker will be Alecia Sirk, Mainstreets Coordinator for Mainstreets Pittsburgh at the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA).

The Mainstreet program's purpose is to achieve the long-term revitalization of the commercial district. It is designed to provide Pittsburgh's neighborhood business organizations a range of technical assistance and financial incentives in a coordinated, comprehensive manner. The program provides financial incentives for storefront improvements, business expansions/start-ups and direct services for planning and organizational development.

The Mainstreets program will help the Allentown community improve the business district along Warrington Ave which in turn will impact and benefit the surrounding community. The program is a five-year strategy to improve the business district, develop and implement a long-term plan, and create sustainable revitalization. It has a well defined structure that helps neighborhoods approach key problems and goals.

SPROUT FUND

After gathering nearly 300 votes from the community the Sprout Mural Design was chosen. The design labeled 'Design 2' received the majority of the votes. 'Design 2' was created by Lucas Stock and was the picture of the incline with the historical panels along both the left and right sides (see picture below). Lucas Stock is now Allentown's Sprout muralist and he will be receiving input from the community about how to modify and adjust his current design to fit what the community would like to have. Site preparation and the start of painting is slated to begin in early July.



The preliminary mural design by muralist Lucas Stock.

ACDC June Meeting

Mainstreets Public Meeting

When: Thursday, June 28 at 7pm

**Where: St. John Vianney - Dining Room
(823 Climax St; down the ramp)**

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Allentown's 3rd Annual National Night Out, sponsored by UPMC South Side, will be on **Tuesday, August 7, 2007** from **6:00pm-8:30pm** at the Allentown Senior Center/Hilltop United Methodist Church (631 E Warrington Ave). This is a free event.

National Night Out (NNO) is a nationwide event that takes place every August 7. It is a police-community partnership that promotes public safety and community connectedness. We will be having tables providing information about available community services; members of the Pittsburgh Police and Bureau of Fire will be attending. Fun family activities are also in store with a moon bounce, balloon twister and DJ. There will be a Chinese auction, raffle, and flea market. In addition, there will be free food and beverages.

We encourage residents to sit on their porches and turn the porch light on. If you can't sit out at least participate in the **Light Up Night** and turn your porch light on from **9:00pm-12:00am**.

Please spread the word to your family, friends, and neighbors to bring out as many Allentown residents to this community event as possible.

About our sponsor UPMC South Side:

Just as our neighborhood has kept pace with the changes of the last hundred years, UPMC South Side has flourished too –with expanded services, improved facilities, and a continued commitment to the community.

As a community hospital of the UPMC health system, UPMC South Side gives patients access to the latest in medical treatments and technology. At the same time, the hospital provides unique, personalized care that patients have come to trust. With services and facilities that include state-of-the-art operating rooms, advanced laboratory and imaging services, and the hub of UPMC's inpatient rehabilitation, UPMC South Side provides cutting-edge health care technologies in a convenient community location.

And just as the hospital has remained committed to providing top-quality health care, its commitment remains strong to its neighbors. By sponsoring events such as the Allentown's National Night Out, UPMC South Side is proud to support a family-oriented, crime-free community and promote neighborhood spirit.



UPMC South Side

The Allentown CDC's mission is to improve Pittsburgh's Allentown neighborhood with better housing, public safety, community awareness and community connectedness in order to make the neighborhood a more vibrant place for people to live, work, and play.

The Allentown CDC is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization.

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The **Mt. Washington House Tour** is coming up on **Saturday, June 23**. Look for the Allentown CDC in the **Grandview Park Market Place** between **2:00pm-6:00pm** for your chance to purchase raffle tickets to enter win one of three raffle prizes.

The raffle prizes will be:

1. Handmade Grandmothers Garden Full Size Quilt
2. Handmade Memory Quilt - Personalized
3. Handmade Log Cabin Quilt Block Wall Hanging

Each ticket costs only \$1.00 and the winning three tickets will be drawn on August 7 during National Night Out.

Benefits the Allentown CDC. Winner need not be present.

GRANDVIEW PARK

Comcast Cinema in the Park presented by **CitiParks** is back for the **2007 Summer Series**. The movies are on Saturdays starting at dusk. All movies are **free** so grab a blanket and get to the park!

June 16 - RV
June 23 - Akeelah and The Bee
June 30 - Open Season
July 7 - The Lake House
July 14 - Zoom
July 21 - Barnyard
July 28* - Material Girls
August 4 - Charlotte's Web
August 11 - The Ant Bully
August 18 - Unaccompanied Minors
August 25 - Happy Feet

* Comcast popcorn night - Free popcorn and prizes!



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