

## Community Renewal Depends on You

**Have you noticed all the changes in our neighborhoods?** New homes, new businesses, new rental developments, a new public computer center... Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation members helped make them possible!

It's a fact – membership in the BGC helps to achieve growth and renewal in Bloomfield, Garfield and Friendship, bringing about meaningful change in the lives of our residents. Since June 2011, for example, membership donations helped accomplish the following:

- Construction of 5 new single-family, for-sale homes in Garfield, bringing to 44 the number completed with our partner, Garfield Jubilee Association, since 2002;
- Start of construction of Garfield Glen, 45 single-family houses for rent to working-class households, beginning this summer;
- Operation of MainStreets Program for Penn Avenue that produced public artwork and beautification projects, and filled 4 vacant storefronts with new entrepreneurs;
- Hosting of planning sessions with community residents, city officials and their engineering consultants to move forward a \$5 million reconstruction of the public infra-structure along Penn Avenue, between N. Mathilda and N. Evaline Streets., beginning in 2013;
- Opening of Pittsburgh CONNECTS, a free community technology center on Penn Avenue;
- Placement of 45 teens and young adults in part-time jobs with area employers;
- Continuous interaction with law enforcement authorities through monthly meetings of the Public Safety Task Force;
- Redesign of our free monthly community newspaper, *The Bulletin*, to generate a larger readership and make it a more in-depth, vibrant forum for the exchange of information.

Please consider investing in your community by becoming a member of the BGC, at whatever level you can afford. Thank you in advance for your support of our work.



**YES! I want to support community renewal through membership in the Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation:**

\$10  \$20  \$30  \$50  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

You can direct your donation to a particular program, or allow us to use it in the area of greatest need by leaving the following program areas unchecked:

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## Rustbelt Rivalry Spreads to the Arts

By Carolyn Ristau *The Bulletin*

*Garfield/Cleveland* – At the end of a blistering June, five artists and one band from Garfield's Most Wanted Fine Art gallery traveled to Cleveland to participate in the Waterloo Arts Fest, which ran from noon to 7 p.m. on June 30. Side-by-side with Cleveland artists, they displayed their work in Zaller Gallery, painted live, showed independent film projects and performed music.

"We hope to have it turn into a cultural exchange," said Sarah Gyorki, owner of Zaller Gallery in Cleveland and founder of the Waterloo Arts Fest. "Our artists hope to come to Pittsburgh in the future."

Gyorki said she "kept in touch with Jason Sauer" after visiting his Penn Avenue art gallery, Most Wanted Fine Art, a few years ago. She invited the Pittsburgh artists to come show in her gallery during the Waterloo Arts Fest and hosted them while they stayed. Jason Sauer, Nina Sauer, Lauren Toohey, Sam Throp and John Lysak showed their work in the gallery. Although Mark Zingarelli, Mia Donna, Anne Michelle Lyons and Frank Knezevich were not present, their work was also on display.

Pittsburgh artists Lauren Toohey and Sam Throp participated in the Pittsburgh

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ABOVE: The artists from Garfield's Most Wanted Fine Art Gallery at the Waterloo Arts Fest. Photo by Carolyn Ristau

# Volunteer Opportunities & Services

August 29

## EAST LIBERTY

### Artist Talk at KST

In this artist talk at 7 p.m. at the Kelly-Strayhorn Theater, 5941 Penn Ave., renowned choreographer and dancer Nora Chipaumire discusses the creative process undertaken to develop her new work, MIRIAM. This deeply personal dance theater performance looks closely at the tensions women face between public expectations and private desires. Tickets are \$10 each. For tickets and information, visit [www.kelly-strayhorn.org](http://www.kelly-strayhorn.org) or call 800-838-3006.

August

## EAST END

### Parenting Warmline

Family Resources offers a confidential parenting warmline at 412-641-4546. The warmline provides information, referrals and support for any non-medical parenting concern and answers questions from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

## GARFIELD

### Experi-Mondays

On Mondays from 4 to 6 p.m., The LAB, 5125 Penn Ave., will host assorted writing workshops and activities that involve art, technology and communication for ages 6 to 18. Experi-Mondays are free and snacks are provided. Call 773-425-1531, visit [www.literaryartsboom.org/calendar](http://www.literaryartsboom.org/calendar) or email [literaryartsboom@gmail.com](mailto:literaryartsboom@gmail.com) for more details. If you plan to bring a group of students, please let The LAB know.

## LAWRENCEVILLE

### Church Services

Come visit the Door of Hope Community Church, 5225 Holmes St., every Sunday at 11 a.m. for a church service. Sunday School for all age groups and Christians in Recovery are at 10 a.m. There also is an Excellence in Relationships Study on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. For any additional information, please call 412-781-6440, email [dohcc@dohcc.net](mailto:dohcc@dohcc.net) or visit the church's Facebook page for a calendar and updates on activities.

### Flea Market

Every Saturday, the Zone Café holds a flea market at 5217 Butler St. from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sellers and shoppers are welcome. To sell your own items, sign up with the Zone by calling 412-784-1895, emailing

[thezone5217@gmail.com](mailto:thezone5217@gmail.com), or stopping by. A \$10 non-refundable fee is required of all sellers.

## SHADYSIDE

### Meeting for Worship

Anyone interested in Quakerism is welcome to attend Meeting for Worship with The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), 4836 Ellsworth Ave., at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. Newcomers are encouraged to arrive 10 minutes early. We worship in silent, spiritual receptivity, sharing messages of ministry and inspiration when moved to do so. Fellowship and a light lunch follow the service. For more information, call 412-683-2669 or visit [www.quaker.org/pgpamm](http://www.quaker.org/pgpamm).

## Further Out

## GARFIELD

### Vehicular Abstraction

Most Wanted Fine Art, 5015 Penn Ave., will be hosting Vehicular Abstraction: An Art Car Event from 1 to 5 p.m. on Oct. 6. This includes several events all of which require registration. The events are already decorated cars, live car painting and children's activities. Vendors are welcome. For more information or to register for these events, register as a vendor, sponsor the event or donate a car visit [www.most-wantedfineart.com](http://www.most-wantedfineart.com) or email [mostwantedfineart@yahoo.com](mailto:mostwantedfineart@yahoo.com).

## LAWRENCEVILLE

### Call for Houses

Homeowners in Lawrenceville's 6th, 9th and 10th wards are encouraged to submit their "labors of love" for consideration in the tour scheduled for the Hospitality House Tour on Sunday, Oct. 7. Homes that have been thoughtfully or creatively restored or reconstructed and currently occupied by the owners are welcome. For more information or to submit a home for consideration, contact Kate Bayer at 412-600-2068 or [kateb1950@gmail.com](mailto:kateb1950@gmail.com). Additional details, including advance ticket sales locations and volunteer needs, can be found at [www.LHA15201.org](http://www.LHA15201.org).

## PITTSBURGH

### Call for Artists

Tree Pittsburgh seeks artists to show work in their fifth annual fundraiser, Arbor Aid, to be held Saturday, Nov. 10. Arbor Aid is a one-night special event featuring art created from salvaged wood. Interested artists can call 412-362-6360 or see more information at [www.treepittsburgh.org/arbor-aid](http://www.treepittsburgh.org/arbor-aid).

The Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation mourns the recent passing of Kathleen Sweeney and Marjorie Kirby, who were involved in the very early days of the BGC. Kathy passed away on June 10 at age 62, and Marjorie on June 29 at age 86. We remember Kathy and Margie for their tireless efforts as volunteers and their dedication to the betterment of the community. They will be greatly missed.

*The Staff and Board of the Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation*

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versus Cleveland paint-off. Dan Tranberg, Cleveland art critic and journalist, judged this live painting competition between the Pittsburgh and Cleveland artists. Toohey won.

None of the other events were officially judged, though they bore names suggesting competition. The Battle of the Filmmakers showcased independent films made in Cleveland and films from Pittsburgh's annual 48-Hour Film Project; Nina Sauer presented the Pittsburgh films. She described the 48-Hour Film Project as an event in which professionals and amateurs come together to script, film and edit films in 48 hours. "It's rad," she said.

From 5 to 7 p.m. was a Battle of the Bands between Pittsburgh's Grand Snafu and Cleveland's Night Sweats. Grand Snafu plays every first Friday during Unblurred at Most Wanted Fine Art.

This was the 10th year of the Waterloo Arts Fest, which averages about 10,000 visitors each year. Nina Sauer said she thought all 10,000 must have visited the gallery. "There was a great turnout. We were packed

all day. We had the only air-conditioning."

Though many of the events were advertised as "battles," Jason Sauer said, "It's not a battle. It was a competition of sorts, but friendly, between the Pittsburgh and Cleveland arts districts." Instead of a battle, he called it "Rustbelt Rivalry." ♦



ABOVE: The stage being set up for the Battle of the Bands between Pittsburgh's Grand Snafu and Cleveland's Night Sweats at the Waterloo Arts Fest. Photo by Carolyn Ristau

## Classifieds

For classified rates, please call 412-441-6915 or email [bulletin@bloomfield-garfield.org](mailto:bulletin@bloomfield-garfield.org).

### For Rent

**2 bedroom apartment**, 409 S. Pacific Ave., Pittsburgh 15224. \$990 monthly rent includes garage, gas heat, small computer room/office, gas range, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, a/c, small patio. Basement coin laundry. Call 717-514-0359 (Tracie) or 412-683-4890 (Ms. Murphy) to see apartment.

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