

MPNA News

The Melrose Park Neighbors Association

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From MPNA President – Andy Rudin
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Melrose Park EARTH DAY Set for Saturday (Tomorrow)

Participating in Earth Day in Melrose Park is a great way to meet your neighbors! We are on for cleaning the flower beds at the Melrose Park SEPTA station, at Valley Road near Mountain Avenue, on Saturday, April 30th from 10 am to noon. The rain date is the same time on the following day, Sunday. Please bring some tools -- rakes, pruning tools, gloves, kneeling pads etc.

The perennials we already have are plentiful. This would be a cleanup and evaluation day. So you can also bring annuals, trash bags, mulch and fertilizer. I am happy to be coordinating the event this year. If you think you will probably be coming, please shoot me an email, so I can do an advance head-count. Maybe we'll have an army of planter-cleaners, in which case we can beautify some other spots.

So send your "I'll be there" emails to me, Albert Fried-Cassorla, at albfcc@verizon.net. MPNA

AMERICAN FLAG EXHIBIT AT THE RICHARD WALL HOUSE MUSEUM

Thirty American flags from the nation's history form the core of a new exhibit, "The American Flag: A Work in Progress" at the Richard Wall House Museum, located at 1 Wall Park Drive in Elkins Park.

On June 14, 1777, Congress adopted a new United State Flag resolving that "the Flag of thirteen united States be 13 stripes, alternating red and white, the union by thirteen stars, white in a blue field representing the new constellation." As the country grew, the flag did, too, with a star added to represent each new state admitted into the union, per an 1818 law. The exhibit also features information on differences in flags depending upon use, construction, materials and more.

The museum, which is operated by the Cheltenham Township Historical Commission, is open on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and by special appointment for group tours. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated. For more information, call 215-887-9159. MPNA

Sundays in the Park May 15 - June 12

Cheltenham Township will close Tookany Creek Parkway to motor vehicles on five afternoons this spring for Sundays in the Park recreational activities. Bicyclers, skaters, joggers, walkers

and other outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy the use of the traffic-free roadway. Beginning Sunday, May 15 and ending Sunday, June 12, motor vehicles will be prohibited from Tookany Creek Parkway between Central Avenue and Jenkintown Road from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Additionally, through traffic will not be permitted on Beryl Road. Sundays in the Park runs in good weather only. For more information, call the Cheltenham Parks and Recreation Department at 215-887-6200, ext. 227. MPNA

This Newsletter

If you have any suggestions for items for this newsletter, feel free to email them to me at andrewrudin@earthlink.net MPNA

MPNA memberships

Membership in MPNA helps pay for plantings, signage, and many other things. Annual dues are \$10 per individual, \$20 per household. Send your contribution to MPNA Board member Jim Muldoon, 106 Parkview Road, Cheltenham, PA 19012. The membership cycle is the calendar year. MPNA

MPNA Board

Members of the MPNA Board are Andrew Rudin, Phil Kates, Michael Shectman, Jim Muldoon, Debbie Posmontier and Albert Fried-Cassorla. If you are interested in helping out with MPNA, please email me atandrewrudin@earthlink.net. This newsletter is available or will be soon on our website – www.melroseparkneighbors.org MPNA

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