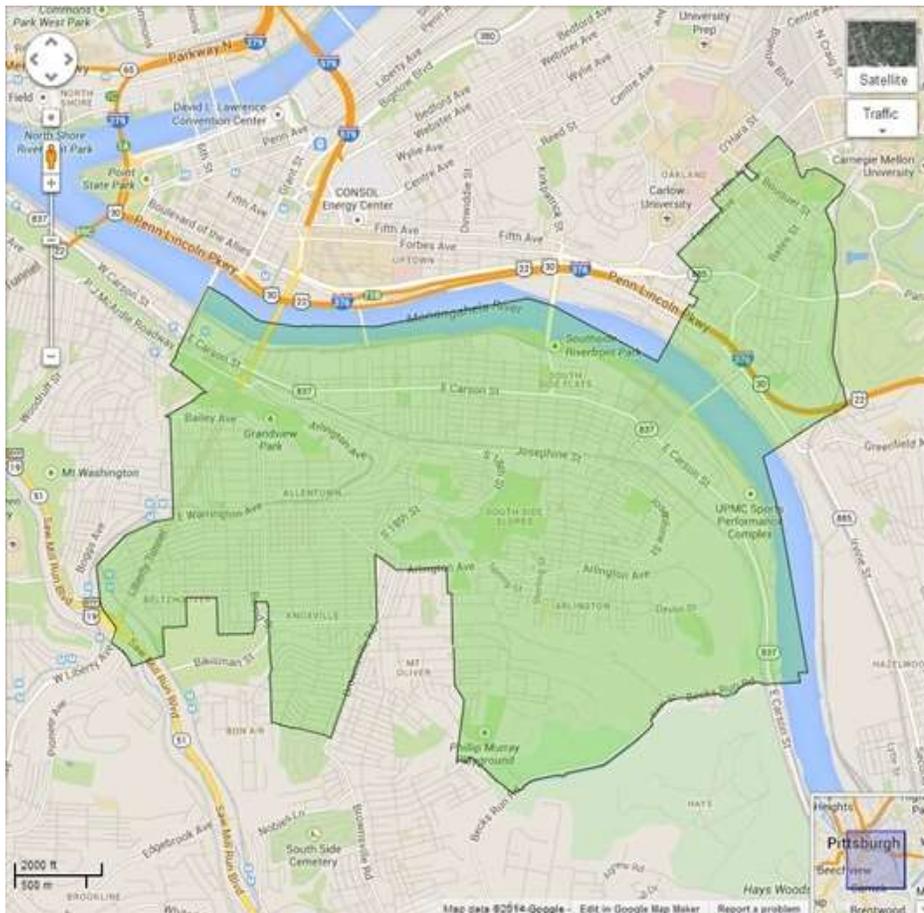


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Welcome Back!

By Hannibal Hopson / Community Relations Assistant

— Here in the District 3 Council Office we feel it is important to recognize and spotlight outstanding news in our energetic, diverse community. The purpose of this newsletter is to highlight members/organizations and their efforts to improve the community. In the event that you have a story you feel is worth sharing, please contact our office at 412-255-2130.

Lunch Eats for Cheap: Oakland



THIS WEEK!

January 26-31, 2015

For the final week of January, Oakland celebrates Restaurant Week as many restaurants in the heart of Oakland offer \$6 lunch specials! Additionally, when you order a \$6 lunch from any participating Oakland Restaurant Week Restaurant, you will receive an entry card for the chance to win free lunch for a month in Oakland! Among others, **Hello Bistro**, **Pamela's Diner**, **Red Oak Café**, and **Sorrento's Pizza Roma** will be featured.

[Click here for the complete list!](#)

servePGH Block Program revitalized for Spring '15

The Love Your Block program grants qualified nonprofit or nonprofit supported organizations up to \$1,000 in funds and donated supplies for a neighborhood block improvement project that mobilizes community volunteers within city limits.



To date, grantees have impacted approximately 389 blocks by collecting 34,527 pounds of litter, creating 255 green spaces, leveraging almost \$473,000 in donations and recruiting around 4,571 volunteers through the program.

Applications must be received no later than 5 p.m. on February 13. Projects will be implemented from April 25 to June 30, 2015.

Applications are available online at:
<http://www.pittsburghpa.gov/servepgh/loveyourblock>.



Silver Eye Center for Photography Fellowship '15

East Carson St has remained one of the most notable business districts since it's founding in South Pittsburgh. The two bridges that serve as the unofficial boundaries, Hot Metal Bridge and the 10th St Bridge, hold within their corridor the variety of businesses that call East Carson St home. Just a block from the 10th St Bridge lies an open space devoted to displaying creative expression in the form of photography. The Silver Eye Center for Photography, located at 1015 East Carson St., strives to continue to share the art of photography with all those who enter, as well as remain involved internationally, bringing the world of photography to South Pittsburgh.

Silver Eye was created in 1985 with the merging of Blatent Image Gallery, a cooperative gallery designed to provide exhibition space to local fine art photographers, and The Silver Eye Photographic Workshop, which brought nationally known photographers to Pittsburgh to exhibit their work and to conduct workshops. The company officially became Silver Eye Center for Photography in 1992.

To date, the Silver Eye Center for Photography is the only organization in Western

Pennsylvania dedicated solely 'to the understanding, appreciation, education and promotion of photography as an art form and as an expressive form of visual communication.' Offering up to five exhibitions per year, each show is designed to be an adventure for attendees. Exhibitions are enriched with lectures, panel discussions, workshops, book fairs, interactive gallery video screenings and more.

Each year since 1999, Silver Eye sponsors *Fellowship*, an international photography competition recognizing photographers from Pennsylvania and the rest of the world. Now in its 15th year, this year's Fellowship juror Allison Grant, Assistant Curator at Museum of Contemporary Photograph in Chicago IL, selected the award winners from a pool of 252 applications representing 20 countries. Both winners displayed outstanding avant garde work challenging modern photography.

The International award-winning portfolio chosen for Fellowship 15 is that of Christopher Meerdo for his projects in Iceland with cataphote coated materials. Meerdo brings a riveting perspective to creative expression through

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photography, also showing a 10 year collection of protest videos compiled by the flash scenes, and an anthology of work started in 2007 that highlights the extraction of photo memory cards found on EBay. When asked about challenges he encountered with the latter project, Meerdo mentioned the time and expense toll it takes to find the memory cards on EBay; he refuses to pay more than \$5 on each memory card. Meerdo currently lives in Chicago and teaches photography at the Art Institute of Chicago.

Matthew Conboy's series *Objects In The Mirror Are Closer Than They Appear* was chosen as the Keystone award-winning portfolio for Fellowship 15. Conboy's project and creative excursion brings his audience to Skatopia, a world famous 88-acre skate park utopia near Rutland, Ohio that houses musical festivals and uses Pabst Blue Ribbon beers and bottle rockets as transferrable liquid currency. Conboy however, decided against photographing action shots. Instead, his portfolio displays a visual submersion into the geographical and sensual elements of the gatherings, rather than the chaotic anarchist atmosphere or 360 kick flips and nose grinds. Conboy currently lives in Pittsburgh and is a photography instructor at Robert Morris University.

A multi-faceted three-person team currently runs Silver Eye, with Executive Director David Oresick and Membership/Marketing Manager Juliana Zipay at the helm of full-time operation of the photography center. Silver Eye is a member-driven organization that often collaborates with the Southside Chamber of Commerce as well as WYEP radio. Both David and Juliana speak very highly of the South Side business district on East Carson and are adamant about finding ways to increase foot traffic to the gallery. When asked about the location of the gallery, Juliana pointed to the tough atmosphere that is difficult to attract passerbies, with the closest restaurant being more than two blocks away.

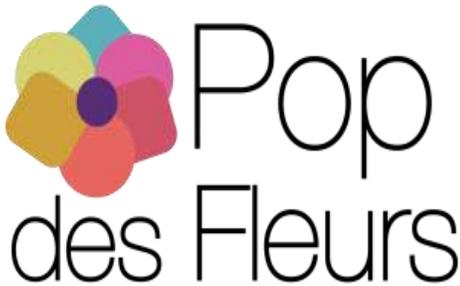
Whether you are on lunch break on East Carson or looking for a fun family event on a Saturday afternoon, the Silver Eye Photography Center is a great place to get a bit of culture and a bouquet of great vibes.

Silver Eye Gallery Hours:

Tuesday – Saturday Fellowship 15 ends March 21, 2015
12-6pm

Events**Give A Thread****Who?****University of Pittsburgh****What?****Clothing donations both youth and adult in any condition****When?****Until March 2nd
(recently extended)****Drop Off Location****Box in the lobby of City
County Building****Why?****For the year of
sustainability, Pitt will be
working to begin a thrift
shop on campus. All other
clothes will be donated!****When leaving donations,
PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME
AND EMAIL ADDRESS!**

South Side Community Council Committee + the Fiber Arts Guild



An outdoor instillation planned for the winter of 2016, Pop des Fleurs is designed to brighten the dark season with handmade, sustainable, pop-up flower gardens. The flowers will be constructed by the community and made primarily out of repurposed materials.

Learn how to create recycled flowers at the next Public Workshop!

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh – Southside

2205 East Carson St. 15208

Monday, January 26 2015 | 6-8pm

To donate materials, contact Jenn Holliman at

Jennifer.holliman@gmail.com

Tips for the Winter

As the days become shorter and temperatures continue to drop, making sure that you're prepared for winter and that your home is "winter ready" is important. Pennsylvania American Water has released an "It's All About the Preparation" infographic highlighting the essential, proactive steps homeowners can take to maintain their pipes.

Protect your pipes by:

- Reducing sources of cold air within the house (plugging drafts, sealing windows, etc.)
- Insulating pipes and knowing how to properly shut off the water.
- Maintaining a constant drip of running water.

If your pipes do freeze:

- Immediately shut off the water source and attempt to thaw the frozen pipes with warm air.
- Cautiously turn back on the water source, as to not further damage the pipes.

To report problems with frozen or leaking pipes, or simply for more information, you can reach Pennsylvania American Water 24 x 7 at 1-800-565-7292. More cold weather tips can be found at www.pennsylvaniaamwater.com, or by visiting the company's YouTube channel (youtube.com/paamwater) or its Facebook page (facebook.com/pennsylvaniaamwater).

District 3 Internal Office News

Satellite Offices:

412-689-1130

Southside (monthly):

1st and 3rd Thursday

10am – 2pm

UPMC Mercy Southside Outpatient Center

2000 Mary St, Pittsburgh, PA 15203

Oakland (monthly):

Appointment Only

People's Oakland

3433 Bates St, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Arlington (weekly):

Tuesday

10am – 2pm

Allegheny County Adult Probation Day Reporting Center

2322 Arlington Ave, Pittsburgh PA 15210



My parents would always say, 'It doesn't matter if it's a guy picking up the garbage or the President of the United States, treat everybody as you would want to be treated.'

-Dan Marino, Pro Football Hall of Famer; raised in South Oakland

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