

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, May 29 - July 20: **Mayor's Youth Community Organizer Program at Pittman Park Recreation Center:** complete a survey about what YOU want in your recreation center!

Saturday, June 2, 10am-12pm: **PCIA Monthly Meeting,** Pittman Park Recreation Center, 950 Garibaldi St.

Monday, June 11, 7-9pm: **NPU-V Meeting**
Call NPU President Micah Rowland at 404-418-8301 for the location

Tuesday, June 19, 5:30pm: **PCIA Public Safety Meeting,** 942 McDaniel Street

Monday, June 11: **Newsletter Deadline**

May 29th - August 3rd.: Salvation Army Kroc Center **Summer Day Camps,** \$35 -\$80

EVERY Tuesday & Friday, 7pm: **Community Choir Rehearsal,** Ariel Bowen United Methodist Church, 384 Arthur Street.

Watch the **Atlanta Dream Women's Basketball** team at Phillips Arena this season AND support Ariel Bowen Church! Purchase tickets using the PROMO code "ABM" to support the church. Contact Warren Head Jr. or Ms. Janice Keaton at 404-525-6173.

The **Fulton County Taxpayers Foundation** cordially invites you to property tax workshops. Free classes on Saturdays 10:00am - 12pm. **Call 404-869-6066.** Find out if you were overtaxed and how to get your refund!

Pittman Park Recreation Center has a new Facility Manager, Jared McGrady. Call him at 404-215-2824 to reserve the rec center for your next community event!

NUMBERS

The Salvation Army Kroc Center:
967 Dewey Street, 404-638-7195

PCIA: 942 McDaniel Street,
404-522-9331

Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU-V):
President Micah Rowland, 404-418-8301

Atlanta City Councilmember:
Cleta Winslow, 404-330-6047

Pittsburgh Ministerial Alliance:
Executive Secretary Martha Hutchins,
678-760-9325

United Way services: 211

Police Zone 3: 404-624-0674

ACRB (police oversight): 404-865-8622

Sanitation Services: 404-330-6333

Department of Watershed: 404-330-6081

Sewer Operations: 404-604-0750

Smoke Detector Hotline: 404-546-2733

Code Enforcement: Officer Nicholas Shearer, 404-330-6784

Norfolk Southern Railroad: 404-529-1251

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SHARING PITTSBURGH MASTER PLAN INFORMATION



PITTSBURGH Neighborhood Master Plan News

In the Master Plan for the Pittsburgh neighborhood there is a very important feature: a manned police kiosk to be located at a key intersection which is at the corner of Mary and McDaniel Street.

This addition will certainly help to provide a sense of safety and reduce our crime statistics. Presently, police patrols are visible and prompt to calls in the community. But the manned police kiosk will bring comfort and more protection to the residents of the Pittsburgh community.

Making Pittsburgh a place where people will want to live, work, and play. Walkers and runners will definitely benefit from this addition to the community, along with others who might have some fear of doing things in the community.



There will be more features shared in another article as "Better Lighting," which will also be a Master Plan Project.

- James W. Bridges

THE AUTOMOBILE

It is the American Dream for most Americans to own a car or other motor vehicle, not one car but two cars one for the wife. Even some of our children in high school own cars. Technology can add anything extra that is allowed these days.

The three major manufactures in the auto industry are Ford Motor Company, General Motors, and Chrysler Corporation. Henry Ford was the leading manufacturer 1863-1947.

Many of the luxury cars are Rolls Royce, Bentley, Lamborghini, Excalibur, Mercedes Benz, Porche, Cadillac, and Ferrari. Some of the cars that have left the market are: Tucker, Edsel, Hupmobile, Lincoln Zephyr, Franklin, Pierce Arrow, Studebaker, LaSalle, Corvair, Hudson Hornet, Nash, and Packard.

- Wendell C. Pyron

Free meals for those in need

Mon - Fri. 12pm: Salvation Army snack packs, 967 Dewey St.

Tues., Thurs & Sat. 3pm: Pittsburgh Resurrection, 1074 Welch St.

Tues. 7:30-9:00am: PMA breakfast, Pittman Park Rec. Center, 950 Garibaldi St.

Wed. 11:00am: Overcoming Church of God Faith Temple, Smith St. & Gardner St.

Sunday at 8:00am: Community Ministry Christian Church, 1055 Windsor

Do You Remember These Pittsburgh Nicknames?

Solution To Last Month's Word Search

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H A I R C U T A M R + + + + P
D + + + + + A Y + O + + E +
O + + + + + H + + B + W E + +
O + + + + + + + + A W + + N
B P + E + + Y + + + E Y + E +
I E + R L + + T + E R + K + +
E P + E + U + + O E + C + + +
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Over Down Direction

BAYBAY (7, 1, SE)
CHICKEN (9, 11, NE)
CROW (9, 1, SE)
DOOBIE (1, 3, S)
HAIRCUT (1, 2, E)
HAMP (7, 4, NE)
HERCULES (13, 13, W)
LIPS (5, 12, N)
MULE (7, 9, NW)
PEEWEE (15, 2, SW)
PEPPERHEAD (2, 6, S)
RATTLER (4, 13, N)
RED (12, 12, S)
REDJOHNNY (11, 7, SW)
SPANK (11, 12, W)
TANK (5, 14, E)
TWOBOOTY (14, 13, NW)

Friends of Pittman Park

I am pleased to announce that the Friends of Pittman Park, a division of the Park Pride Program was formulated in 2012 to assist in the restoration of Pittman Park. This friends group is an open group of people who meet to share in ideas and plans that will restore the glory and the splendor that the park once had in the Pittsburgh Community.

Last year, with the assistance of Councilwoman Cleta Winslow, the organizers of the Friends of Pittman Park started talking with government officials to include the Mayor's office and the Department of Park services to bring to the attention of these people that both people who live in Pittsburgh, work in Pittsburgh, attend church in Pittsburgh and beyond were concerned about the state of disrepair of the park and started to work to solution generate to get the restoration started of our beloved park.

Last year there was a lot of good and bad attention related to Pittman Park, so the friends of the park meet and resolved to roll our sleeves up and get to work. In addition to several pre-organizational meetings and talking with a host of NFL and NBA officials have worked with the parks system to help develop quality programs for our park. We even wrote for a grant through Park Pride to raise

capital to repair the park with matching funds. We did not receive it unfortunately, but that did not stop us from moving forward...It has made the core team more determined than ever to move forward with repairs and quality programming.

With the support of our local councilwomen, NPU leadership and concerned Pittsburgh residents many repairs have been made with Pittman Park to include, ventilation of the locker-room, repair of the several leaks in the foundation that caused mold to grow and damage the basketball floor. I am pleased to announce that all of these repairs are underway. Additionally, the floor has been replaced, computers have been donated, the building has been wired for internet and security monitoring as well.

Now we will be able to have more effective programs at the park without the thought of health risk for all of our children. The mainstay programs will still be in place, Camp Best Friends, Softball & Football but be on the lookout for additional specialized programs. If you want to learn more about the Friends of Pittman Park or if you want to help, please do not hesitate to call Kim Grigsby, organizer and founder of the Friends of Pittman Park, at 404-468-4806.

- R. Kimberly Grigsby

The Mayor's Youth Community Organizers Program comes to Pittsburgh

The Office of Mayor Kasim Reed is hosting a summer employment program in partnership with the Atlanta Workforce Development Authority to solicit community recommendations for the Pittman Park Recreation Center. Two high school students have been selected to work at the Pittman Park Recreation Center for eight weeks this summer to gather community input on what kinds of programs and improvements should be offered at the community center. These youth will survey the community and conduct video interviews to create a recommendation that will be presented to the City of Atlanta and the Department of Parks and Recreation at the end of the summer.

They will also participate in a HABESHA training program that will help them create a short documentary film about the community's vision for the recreation center. Be on the lookout for these young leaders and please share your thoughts and ideas with them about how you would like to be involved with your recreation center! The program will run between May 29th and July 20th, and there will be an open house in mid-summer.

To get involved contact:

Chief Service Officer Amy Phuong at aphuong@atlantaga.gov or 404-330-6385 or Project Coordinator Glo Ross at 678-643-5637.

- Moki Macias, AECF Atlanta Civic Site

Precious Memories of Pittsburgh

I am a proud, native Atlantan with many memories of growing up in the John Hope Homes Housing Projects and visiting my grandmother Bobbie in the Pittsburgh community.

Living so close to Pittsburgh, we'd take long walks to visit my grandmother's best friend, her name was Georgia. Georgia's husband Harrison was blind but very capable of providing for his family. They were the only people I knew that had a grocery store built on the front of their house.

At that time the neighborhood was a bustling and thriving area. Neighbors would visit to buy groceries because it was so convenient. This was not just your typical in-home store where cookies and candy are sold. He had a real grocery store, complete with ribs, chicken, lamb, etc. My grandmother always ordered meat for barbequing from Harrison and she would state "this is some pretty meat, Harrison". Not once did I even hear of anyone trying to steal

anything from his store. I never saw any violence. Although I didn't live in the neighborhood, I felt like I did. All of the neighbors were so friendly. I remember going to Pittman Park to play on the swings and merry-go-round.

Georgia and Harrison had a piano in their home and I would play it while they chatted. At the age of 5 my grandmother invested in piano lessons and I would put those lessons to good use.

Trains were important to our economy and you could see them passing day and night. Once my brother got in trouble for throwing rocks at the train. I am proud of these memories and they bring my life to a full circle. And did I mention that my grandmother taught me how to pray, she and Miss. Georgia was praying women. All of this makes me a content senior, who can boast that I have never been to jail, in trouble, or dishonest. I was always taught and saw good, bad was not my experience.

- Cynthia Waters

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