We're excited to announce that the Polish Hill Pivotal Streets Residential Façade Grant Program will be offered again in 2014. The program was created to assist homeowners interested in renovating their street-facing facades. Homeowners can apply for a matching grant of up to $5,000. It is a competitive application process with limited funds. The grant funds will match the homeowner’s contribution dollar for dollar up to $5,000. For example, if the total façade project is $10,000, the grant would be $5,000 and the homeowner’s responsibility would be $5,000.

Interested homeowners should contact the PHCA for an application and detailed guidelines for the program. The application and guidelines are also available on our website, at phcapgh.org/projects/current. There will be an information session at Lili Café on Saturday, March 1 from noon—2 pm.

The grant application deadline is March 14, 2014. Once applications are received, an independent review committee, made up of architecture, design and construction professionals (who do not live in the neighborhood and are not on the PHCA board), will review applications and announce the winners of these competitive awards by April 5, 2014.

The grant functions like a rebate: awardees must pay the full cost of their project up front. Once the project is completed, the property owner will be reimbursed for the amount of the grant. All project sizes are encouraged, and any project with a minimum cost of $500 will be eligible to apply for a grant.

Homeowners may hire a contractor or do the work themselves. If the homeowner is performing the work, only the material costs are eligible for a matching grant.

Renovations should follow the guidelines and suggestions in the Pivotal Streets Design Book. Created by Loysen + Krehutmeier Architects, the design book is specifically for Polish Hill, highlighting the neighborhood’s varied architecture and suggesting design concepts for projects ranging from micro renovations to extra-large renovations. Façade renovations can include a variety of updates, which could include replacing windows and doors, painting trim or a front porch, repointing brick, adding planters, or many other such exterior improvements on the front of your house.

Homeowners looking for more guidance can sign up for an on-site consultation with an architect. The consultations are sponsored by the Design Center of Pittsburgh and are done on a pay-as-you-can basis, with fees ranging from $25 to $250. For more information, call 412.391.4144 or email rdyck@designcenterpgh.org.

The Polish Hill Pivotal Streets Residential Façade Grant Program was piloted in 2013, thanks to funding from the Pittsburgh Partnership for Neighborhood Development and the PNC Foundation. The overwhelming response to the program and the seven successful renovation projects last year helped the PHCA to secure funding to offer the grant again this year. Many thanks to UPMC Health Plan and the PNC Foundation for this year’s funding.

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The PHCA welcomes three new board members

The Polish Hill Civic Association board of directors is excited to have three new directors. After the nominations process failed to produce three eligible candidates, the board followed the guidelines in the Bylaws and drafted three residents, based on their experience, skills, and community participation. We welcome Ruth Rizner, Kalie Pierce, and John Rhoades and thank them for the commitment they have made on behalf of the neighborhood. We’d like to tell you a bit more about these volunteers who will be giving their time and efforts on behalf of the neighborhood.

Ruth Rizner is a lifelong Polish Hill resident and has long been actively involved with the community. She is a highly respected member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church parish, serving as the president of the Rosary Society and the treasurer of the Pastoral Council. Ruth is also the chairmanperson of the 6th Ward Democratic Committee. She previously served on the board of the Polish Hill Civic Association as vice-president and president, and headed the monument committee for many years.

Kalie Pierce lives on Melwood Avenue with her husband Doug Weaver, a City of Pittsburgh firefighter, and their two children. Kalie is a Licensed Professional Counselor at Western Psychiatric Hospital. She specializes in anxiety disorders and obsessive compulsive disorder. Kalie’s interests include gardening, jogging, biking, and hiking. She is also an activist, concerned with economic disparity, health and wellness for disadvantaged people, as well as political and environmental issues.

John Rhoades is a new arrival to Polish Hill, but old hat to Pittsburgh. He was raised in the East End, and lived in the Northside since he returned to the city after graduating from college in Ohio. He moved into his house on Wiggins Street just a few months ago, after spending two years renovating it. John has been volunteering his time in Polish Hill since he bought his house here, helping out at cleanups and community events and sharing his professional experience while serving on the Bylaws Committee in 2012. John recently completed a stint as the Public Policy Initiatives Manager at the United Way. He also serves on the board for a small community foundation called the Sprout Fund.

Many thanks to departing board member Catherine McConnell

Catherine McConnell is a true community hero. She has committed herself to transforming Polish Hill through her expertise in real estate, her dedication to her neighborhood, and most notably, her generous spirit. All too often, neighborhoods can find themselves at odds with developers who might not have the long-term interests and character of the community in mind when making business decisions. Catherine, on the other hand, is an indelible part of Polish Hill and through her many years as a realtor, community developer, and volunteer through the PHCA board, she has improved the quality of life and fabric of our community, as well as many properties in the neighborhood.

How appropriate that she used to work on the television show Mr. Roger’s Neighborhood and now makes such an impact on our neighborhood! The centerpiece of all projects she has accomplished is without doubt Polish Hill’s “Vertical Business District” – home to Lili Café, Mindcure Records and Copacetic Comics at the corner of Dobson Street and Hancock Street. Many years ago, this once-thriving historical corner store became a vacant rental property in need of care. Catherine and her husband Mark Knobil bought the building in 2008, and lovingly restored it to become a center of activity in the neighborhood as the home of three thriving local businesses - two of which are owned by neighborhood residents.

On top of taking this risk to bring commercial life back to the neighborhood during challenging economic times, Catherine has also bought and renovated more than a dozen apartment units in Polish Hill – bringing new life and new tenants to formerly blighted properties.

As a board member of the PHCA, she freely and thoughtfully offers her vast real estate knowledge to the organization. She has donated generously to the PHCA, including the Polish Hill Community Plan, and has helped raise money for the Polish Hill Arts Festival. She also volunteers her time to manage the three apartment units owned by the PHCA.

Catherine shares this same generosity with the neighborhood at large, counseling residents about real estate issues or other community questions and occasionally serving as a “matchmaker” between prospective buyers and current homeowners. We are grateful to her for the many wonderful, active volunteers and vibrant residents she has introduced to Polish Hill.

I can honestly say that Catherine is not only a community hero, she is one of the most generous and thoughtful people I know, and the PHCA and I are forever grateful for her undying and selfless support.

First meeting of the Traffic Calming Committee

The new PHCA traffic calming committee will hold its first idea gathering meeting in the back room of Lili Café on Monday, March 3 at 6:00 p.m. The traffic calming committee is dedicated to focusing on finding solutions to traffic issues in our neighborhood. Any interested Polish Hill residents are welcome to stop by and help build a brainstorm! For more information, email kaliedpierce@gmail.com.
New Committees, Volunteer Opportunities

From the all-volunteer board of directors to the residents who come out to help maintain green spaces or shovel snow, the work PHCA does relies heavily on the caring people who give their time to help make the neighborhood a better place to live. As we move forward on implementing the recommendations in the community plan, even more help is needed.

Recently, a few new PHCA committees have been formed to work on other projects. We’re looking for people to help with these new projects/committees or to join existing committees. Please contact the PHCA or the committee chair to get involved and find out when the next committee meetings and events are scheduled.

**Housing & Development**

The housing and development committee will look at neighborhood development beyond the Fire Site, including a purchase rehab project and other potential development possibilities. Committee chair: Alexis Miller

**Bylaws**

The bylaws committee will review and update the organization’s bylaws and policies and procedures on an annual basis. Committee chair: John Rhoades

**Traffic Calming**

The traffic calming committee will look at options to help with traffic issues in the neighborhood and stay in touch with City departments to monitor and assist in solving traffic problems. The first meeting of the traffic calming committee will take place on Monday, March 3 at Lili Café. Committee chair: Katie Pierce

**Operations**

The first project of this committee will be to build a database for the PHCA. Committee chair: Josiah Parkinson

**Fundraising**

This committee will be responsible for an annual campaign and other fundraising opportunities for the PHCA, including identifying businesses, organizations, and individuals for donations and creating fundraising materials. Committee chair: Seeking an interested volunteer.

**Green Team**

The green team committee volunteers help to maintain approximately a dozen green spaces around the neighborhood. Green team projects include caring for neighborhood parklets, the Edible Garden and flower gardens at West Penn Park, tending neighborhood trees, overseeing the community vegetable gardens, and the Knotweed Knockout project (under the Bloomfield Bridge on Melwood).

Committee co-chairs: Janice Heagy and Deb Jozwiak

**Monument**

These volunteers tend the monument and the plantings at the small triangle of City-owned property at Brereton and Dobson Streets, and decorate the large fir tree during the holidays. Committee co-chairs: Janice Heagy and Deb Jozwiak

**Nomination**

This committee manages the PHCA board nominations and elections every year in the fall, including mailing materials, counting ballots and verifying eligibility. Committee chair: Tom Ogden

See anything that interests you? Serving on a committee is a responsibility and requires a commitment of time and effort. But if there’s an issue or project you’re passionate about, this is a way to get involved and make a difference. If you’re interested in getting involved in any of these opportunities, contact the PHCA office or the committee chairs directly.

**Green and Open Space Committee Members Needed!**

Our neighborhood green space is one of our greatest assets. In order to care for and maintain this valuable resource, we are currently seeking folks to participate in a Green and Open Space Committee. The importance of our natural landscape is evident from the feedback we received while creating the Polish Hill Community Plan in 2011. In the Open Space and Art section of the plan, the values and vision as indicated by residents are to:

- Preserve and strengthen natural green spaces surrounding Polish Hill
- Respect and enhance the green infrastructure to create a more sustainable, livable community
- Foster the connection between residents and the natural environment
- Create public spaces that are welcoming and inspiring
- Actively integrate artistic and creative solutions into new and ongoing projects

We have an opportunity to flex our green thumbs with ongoing maintenance of community parklets and gardens, as well as help to tend an urban restoration site on lower Melwood. These areas are a great way for us to relax and enjoy the greenery in our neighborhood, and gives us opportunities to connect with our neighbors. The care given to them by our neighborhood’s amazing volunteers are what make their existence possible.

If you would like to be more involved, we would love to hear from you. You can email us (phca@phcapgh.org), or attend our first Green and Open Space meeting, to be held on Wednesday, Feb 19th at 6 p.m. at the PHCA office.

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**Event Calendar**

**March 4 | Community Meeting**

6:30 p.m. | West Penn Recreation Center (lower level)

**March 11 | Fire Site Public Meeting #3**

Time and location TBA

**April 1 | Community Meeting**

6:30 p.m. | West Penn Recreation Center (lower level)

**April | Fire Site Public Meeting #4**

Date and location TBA

**May 6 | Community Meeting**

6:30 p.m. | West Penn Recreation Center (lower level)

**May 6 | Pittsburgh Day of Giving**

On this day, donations made through Pittsburgh Gives can be designated for the PHCA — and your donation will be increased with a percentage of matching funds from the Pittsburgh Foundation.

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**The most up-to-date news and information for Polish Hill is online at:**

phcapgh.org/blogski
limited street parking), and how that affects what might be built there.

During this meeting, many residents expressed the wish that the development would bring new retail businesses to the heart of the neighborhood. We learned that for retail commercial space (restaurant, convenience store, etc.) to be part of this project, an existing business owner or one with a business plan and the financial means to commit upfront to the development must step forward in the next few months. The developer won’t build retail space without a committed tenant lined up before they get financing for the project. New construction is expensive, particularly for retail commercial spaces such as stores or restaurants, which would be purpose-built and subject to specific code requirements. And in the current lending landscape, banks have a lot of influence on these kinds of development decisions.

Over thirty people came to Pittsburgh Filmmakers on an extremely cold January 27 evening for the second public meeting. This was the key meeting for residents to provide input on the design and uses for the site. To allow for more intensive discussion, attendees were divided into three small groups, rotating (round robin style) to each of the three interactive workshops.

The first workshop was Site Design. In this section, the architects built a cardboard scale model of the Fire Site and the surrounding area, showing existing buildings and the topography of the hill. Foam shapes representing possible unit sizes (i.e. 2-3 stories) and pieces (roofs, parking, etc.) could be combined in various ways to see what different configurations would look like. This exercise helped people visualize the difference between three to ten units and everything from detached homes to townhouses, to duplexes, to multi-story flats and the parking required for each.

The Economics workshop delved into the financial costs of building something new. The developer and a real estate consultant outlined the costs associated with new construction. For example, the rental cost of a brand new 20’ x 100’ retail unit would be around $3,000 per month. Attendees asked questions about specific types of development and learned how much things cost and how the developer pays for it.

The final workshop, Users and Uses, focused on potential residents of the site. Attendees were also asked for feedback about what kinds of features or amenities they’d like to see as part of the development. Every suggestion was noted.

Workshop attendees once again mentioned their wish for new businesses. The developer and architect are still open to including businesses on the site, if a business owner can make the financial commitment within the next month. There may be opportunities for live/work units as well, where someone could have an in-home office with a storefront appearance.

The range of discussion was everything from single-family homes (that would have to sell for around $400,000) to live/work spaces to smaller apartment units (the most affordable option) or duplexes (providing rent to offset a mortgage). There was discussion about whether the units would be rental or owner-occupied and how you ensure the long-term stability of the occupants in both situations.

Ultimately, some of the “big wish list” items that were expressed by the community were: affordable, owner-occupied, green space, commercial retail, innovation, and amenities for neighbors. There were many other discussions and considerations as well, from hillside views to parking to solar orientation to the previous and current density on and around the site.

The architects will take the various suggestions that were gathered through these three workshops, the earlier Polish Hill Identity Workshop, recent community meetings, as well as those suggestions submitted online, and create basic drawings of one or more site plans and features. These concepts will be presented at the next public Fire Site meeting to be held on March 11.

A Letter from Lili Café

Dear Polish Hill residents,

Lili Café is a locally owned establishment located at the corner of Dobson and Hancock in the heart of Polish Hill. We are in our fourth year of business, along with Mind Cure Records and Copacetic Comics that reside above us. While we have come to know, love, and serve a good portion of the neighborhood, it has come to our attention that there are some things that residents may not know about our cafe.

We are at your service from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Sundays for brunch. We are an all-inclusive, family-friendly, safe environment for the entire community.

We serve coffee from local roaster Commonplace Coffee, fresh loose teas from Prestogorge in the Strip, as well as delicious pastries, bagels and breads from local bakeries Allegro Heath Bakery and Mediterra Bakehouse. We make soups, salads, and sandwiches with quality ingredients in-house daily. We strive to provide fare for all tastes and dietary restrictions, including meat, vegetarian, vegan and gluten free foods. Every Sunday from 10 a.m. until we sell out, we serve brunch. We also have been doing Wednesday night dinner parties twice a month. We post these special menus on our Facebook page.

We really appreciate the patronage of Polish Hill, and encourage people that have never come in to please stop by and introduce yourself, have a cup of coffee or a bite to eat and meet your neighbors. We are excited to be a place where longtime and newer residents can come together and get to know each other. This is a strong and lovely community, rich in history and the promises of the future. We are very proud to be a part of it.

You can contact us at: facebook.com/lilicoffeeshop, lilicoffeeshop@gmail.com, or call (412)-682-3600.

Thank you! Sincerely,
The staff of Lili Café!
Polish Hill Identity Meeting

Gaining insights about what residents value most

By Hannah du Plessis

We all care about our neighborhood and want what is best for it. The Fire Site development is one of the current projects that many people care about. The PHCA does not have the funds to develop the site on its own. Does that mean that residents have no say in what gets built? No, it does not. We believe that by expressing who Polish Hill is and what we value, the voices of residents can influence the development team as they design the new structure for the Fire Site.

On January 11, Marc Rettig and I facilitated a work session with other Polish Hill residents of many ages and backgrounds. Our goal was to get a representation of the community into one room and reconnect to the values we all hold dear, regardless of our diverse backgrounds. During the workshop, we told stories, built models, sorted images and found words to express the “essence” of Polish Hill. We then shared what we learned with the architects to help inform their design process.

Here are a few things we learned:

As Polish Hill, we value:
-- Our diversity of people, and respect that which is “not like me”
-- Our sense of community and belonging
-- Our green spaces and the natural environment
-- The sense of safety and groundedness our neighborhood provides
-- Our gritty, hard working, no-nonsense character and ethic

We like things that help us foster our sense of community:
-- Gardens and green spaces where we can hang out together, work alongside each other and get to know each other
-- Communal meeting places where we can eat, talk, sing and listen to music together

Marc Rettig and Hannah du Plessis are Polish Hill residents and the principals at Fit Associates, which has its office on Bethoven Street. Fit is a design firm which uses research and facilitation to help companies connect design and strategy to the realities of their customers’ lives. Mark and Hannah volunteered their services to help identify what matters to residents. By sharing insights about what our community values the most, they can help the architect/developer team design something that fits in the neighborhood.

-- Community festivals: events where we can celebrate life together, events that keep the broad community involved
-- The walkability of our neighborhood

Two themes stand out as guidelines for new development:
1 Care for our neighborhood
-- Cater to a mix of income levels, keeping things affordable so our current residents can stay here
-- Strengthen Polish Hill by increasing the population and number of local businesses
-- We have a great talent pool here; support our local crafts people and use local construction where possible

2 Fit well into our neighborhood
-- New buildings should be welcoming places that are in contact with their surroundings
-- Polish Hill has a “vibe.” Allow its personality to shine through in the structure (this includes urban art, recycled and reused materials, rich textures)
-- Polish Hill values working class, durable structures that will last a long time
-- Not all modern, not all old: we prefer buildings that embrace both tradition and innovation.

Building a new structure that both fits our community and is good business for the developer is no small task. It was wonderful to have both the Design Center and Pfaffmann + Associates represented at the meeting. We have faith that they will find a creative solution that is not only financially viable, but an asset to the neighborhood of Polish Hill.

Agreement at the workshop: we are changing
During the workshop, people both young and well-seasoned talked about “two streams” that are present in our community. Someone called it the “old soul” and the “new soul” of Polish Hill. Our neighborhood is home to both: residents who have been here all their lives, and young people who have arrived more recently. Change is part of this time, and we can be mindful of how we change. The highlight of the workshop was to see residents from very different backgrounds find common interests and values, and talk together passionately about our neighborhood. How we choose to move with these changing tides – caring for both the old soul and the new soul– is our community’s challenge.

Learn more about the Fire Site Development

Online:
Regularly updated information about the fire site development is posted at: phcapgh.org/planning/housing-buildings/.

Images relating to the fire site design are posted at: tumblr.com/blog/polishhillfiresite

In the PHCA newsletter:
The fire site project has been an ongoing topic in the Polish Hill Voice. Back issues are available at the PHCA office, or at: phcapgh.org/newsletter/newsletter-archive/. Here are the issues in which fire site articles appeared:
Fall - Winter 2013 issue (front page)
Summer-Fall 2013 (front page)
Spring-Summer 2013 (page 8)
Winter-Spring 2013 (page 5)
November 2012 (front page).

Or just ask us:
Call 412.681.1950 or email phca@phcapgh.org with questions.
Spring Cleaning

By Jane Bartoszewicz Pelczarski

In Poland, when the family had only two or maybe three rooms in their cottage, one was kept closed. This would be the room for entertaining guests. It was the white room, so to speak. No dirt from the fire burning stove would dirty the whitewashed walls. The room used mainly by the family was the kitchen. The walls in this room would be black from the wood or coal that was used to heat this room. Possibly this idea came to the States with the families from their past experiences. Here, living room doors were kept closed to keep the room clean for company.

Back in the ’40s, most people had individual stoves in each room and burnt coal and wood to keep their rooms warm. Very few homes had furnaces. As a result of using coal and wood all winter, the walls and most everything nearby would get a coating of dust on it. This was also before pollution control, so Crucible Steel, J&L, and the Homestead Works all poured soot on everything. After the long cold winter, every mother was ready to bring out the buckets, dust cloths, and cleaning solutions. Before Easter Sunday most of the rooms would be in shipshape.

Sometimes the ladies had the rooms wallpapered or painted. It was almost impossible to clean the wallpaper that we had back then. There was a gummy cleaner, similar to Silly Putty that children play with these days, to use on the paper. However, it was not that efficient. So we had to paper rooms again and again. Sometimes mom would just settle for painted rooms, which could be washed if the right paint was used.

If she were to paper again we would visit the paper store that was located on Dobson Street. It was part of the hardware store that was situated on Brereton Avenue. Both establishments were owned by one family. I loved looking through the many sample books in the store. Mom would pore over the books as well. In the early days Mom did her own papering, but as she grew older she would get someone to do it. If Mom had Dad paint a room, he usually chose the shade to be used. What fuss there would be until the task was completed, for remember, we did not have as much space as people do today. The smaller your living quarters, the harder the work at hand. We kids knew that it was best to disappear for several hours while Dad or Mom was at work. When the job was completed everyone had to admire the results. The room would be clean and pretty at least until the following cold season.

It is something how the ladies kept their homes so clean, whether they were living in apartments or their own homes. They felt there was no excuse for being untidy. If you lived in a place you kept it clean. It might not be the prettiest place but you sure made it livable. Next door to our home there was an apartment building. In the basement of this building there was a butcher shop. Directly above the shop there was a nice large apartment. Above this there were two more floors. On each of these two floors there were two tinier apartments. The moms in each of these places kept their places immaculate. How they managed to do so with such a small amount of space is quite an accomplishment.

In time the smaller places were made into larger apartments. As people began to prosper they could afford to pay more rent and would get larger places. I recall at one point my brother John moved into his own little two room apartment. He proceeded to paint and make cupboards. He even bought new drapes and blinds. He fixed it up to look like something in a magazine. It was a basement apartment on Brereton Avenue but it was very cozy when he finished.

In the early fall, families would order coal by the ton for use during the long cold season. Every morning the fires had to be lit with paper kindling, wood and coal. Of course the ashes had to be removed from the catch boxes. Nobody wanted to get out from under that wonder featherbed (made of duck’s feathers) in order to start the morning fires. This chore usually went to mom or my brothers. Whoever got up first started the fires. When we went to bed for the night the fires would have to be banked in order for the stoves not to get too hot and possibly cause a fire. Funny to look back on it now, but we did not see this as a big inconvenience. It was part of life and you just did your chores and that was that.

When my family moved to Lawrenceville we purchased a larger home that had a coal furnace. No more did mom have to deal with individual stoves in each room. Then miracle of miracles we had our coal furnace converted to gas. What a blessing that was. Never again did we have to help dad put the coal into a bin after the truck dumped it on our sidewalk. Mom loved being able to just touch a switch to regulate the heat. Only if you had the old fashioned type of heating could you really appreciate what people today take for granted.
From our readers

To Whom It May Concern,

This week I received a copy of the Polish Hill Voice from my cousin, Dolores Scanlon. I had visited her and her sister Esther Avon for the first time in over 70 years last October. I spent several days visiting them and Klavon’s Ice Cream Parlor on 28th Street. (Klavon’s has just been sold after many years. However, the name has been retained.) I also attended my 60th class reunion at Edinboro University on the same trip.

I was touched deeply by the article written by Frank Harnett about life at Polish Hill during the 1930s and 40s. (Editor’s note: the article was in the Summer to Fall 2013 issue.) Frank and Joey Wysocki were childhood chums from Bethoven Street. My family moved to Shaler Township in the 1940s and I lost track of them.

After college, the U.S. Army and 38 years of teaching and coaching my wife and I retired from the North Pennsylvania School District in Lansdale. I recall many events at Immaculate Heart of Mary Elementary school during grades 1 to 4. I remember Harmar Street, Fleetwood Street, (now Melwood Street), Bigelow Boulevard, West Penn swimming pool, my Uncle James’ drug store (and ice cream parlor). I would love to contact Fran, (I called him Fran) Harnett. I am eager to write an article for the Polish Hill Voice, if you are interested.

Some of my Polish background has stuck with me. I can read, write and understand a little bit.

Still a loyal Steeler, Pirate, and a recent Pens fan! Sincerely,

Edziu
(Edward Klavon)

Edward Klavon recognized himself (on the left) in a photo accompanying an article by Frank Harnett in the Summer/Fall issue of the Voice.

Marian Sarnowsksi sent this photo for the Polish Hill archive, along with a touching note.

The wedding of Harriet Sarnowski (of Sarney’s Bar) and Harry Zalewski, early 1940s.

Two people are looking at the camera. They lived in the Kauffmann building on Brereton back then. The fourth person in the bridal group (Florence Sarnowski) is a nun of 65 years -- now living in Bellevue.

I am surrendering a lifetime found in this photo.

Marian Sarnowski
Los Angeles

Don’t forget to renew your membership for 2014 — use the form on the back of this issue!

Polish Hill t-shirts

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The United Way of Allegheny County has a payroll deduction campaign for donations to your favorite local organizations. Please consider supporting the Polish Hill Civic Association. Our organization number is 258.
The PHCA’s mission is to respect and preserve the sense of community in Polish Hill while promoting economic and housing development opportunities, and improving the quality of life for our community.

Polish Hill Civic Association Membership Application
All memberships expire at the end of each year. Have you renewed your membership for 2014? It’s still just $5!

NAME: ____________________________________________

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☐ I’m not currently subscribed to the PHCA e-blast which comes out every other week — sign me up!

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Make checks payable to the Polish Hill Civic Association and mail with this application to:
Polish Hill Civic Association, Membership Chair, 3060 Brereton Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Benefits of membership

• Free courtesy admission to the Heinz History Center for yourself and up to three others
  (Show your PHCA membership card at the front desk)

• Members who are also Polish Hill residents
  Can vote to elect PHCA board members

Knowing that you’re supporting an organization that is working to make Polish Hill a better place to live!