



The Source

Hawthorne Empowerment Coalition

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March, 2004

State Representative Babbette Josephs' Budget Message

I'm delighted that Governor Ed Rendell is in Harrisburg. He has a vision of Pennsylvania that is very much like my own. He and I both understand that we must prepare our state for global economic environment of the 21st Century. Although I am disappointed in the 'budget's failure to fully fund libraries, the governor and I agree that the state must commit to a three fold investment strategy: education for our children, especially those in early grades; economic initiatives to encourage to business, and reduction of the

wage tax in Philadelphia, in order to bring more jobs to our state's largest commercial center.

As you know, Pennsylvania was the last state to pass an annual budget in this cycle almost seven months after the June deadline. As a result, we are forced to begin budget work again after a unusually short interval. One of my objectives during this coming cycle is to work on restoring coherence to the economic planning of our state. I will be attending your next monthly meeting on March 16th at the Arts Bank. At that

time, I would like to discuss the budget and hear your opinions and concerns on that topic. In addition to this large forums, I would be also delighted to meet with smaller groups of friends who would weigh in on this subject or any other of your choice. I work best when you participate.

As always, my office is available if you have questions, concerns or suggestions about state government. We want to hear from you, so please email Tara Hannah at thaliaf@pahouse.net or call us at 215.893.1515.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Seeks Scholarship Applicants

The Philadelphia Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, one of the nine predominately African-American national Greek letter organizations, is once again seeking applicants for its annual Hilary H. Holloway, Esquire Scholarship Award program. The chapter's scholarship program, named after the late Hilary H. Holloway, Esquire, a past Grand Polemarch and Laurel Wreath recipient of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, as well as a longtime member of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter, is designed to aid promising minority male students in the public high schools of Philadelphia who are planning to matriculate in college following their graduation from high school. Applications and further information can be obtained from the student's Principal and/or guidance counselor. All applications must be postmarked by April 3, 2004 to be considered.

The amount of the scholarship

award is \$2,000.00. A total of four \$2,000.00 scholarships will be awarded in 2004. The fraternity uses the scholarship grants to enhance the opportunities for minority males to acquire a college education. The organization seeks to reach and assist those young men who have demonstrated academic promise but have not necessarily accumulated the highest averages. Additionally, the need for financial assistance is fundamental.

Students who meet these criteria should contact their Principal or guidance counselor about this scholarship opportunity immediately. Again, all applications must be postmarked by April 3, 2004 to be considered. For further info on this and other programs, events and activities offered by the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter, call (215) 848-4227, or contact any member of the chapter.

Street Trees

The mission of the Beautification Committee is to help Hawthorne become Green and Clean. This spring and fall we will plant street trees in the neighborhood. If you would like a street tree or have questions contact Sandra at 215468-5576 or sonssouthphilly@att.net.

3 Big Myths About Trees

1. Myth tree roots damage plumbing. Truth Trees roots do not break pipes. if roots clog your water or sewer lines that means there were cracks already in the line. Thin hair like roots

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Next HEC Meeting

Tuesday,
March 16, 2004 – 7:30 P.M.
at the
Arts Bank,
Broad and South Streets

Busy Board

Hi everyone the board of HEC is busy we are preparing a budget for the up coming year. Plans are in the works by the beautification committee to make Hawthorne look better.

Yvonne Hicks is looking into having a health fair. The zoning committee is busy with new zoning issues (we have a developer that wants to convert the building at 11th and Washington Ave into condominiums) we have been attending meetings with public officials and anyone that has a interest in Hawthorne, to acquire any information that will be of benefit to our community. We still need more of you to come to the general meetings to find out what is going on and to express your interest or lend a hand. Hope to see more of you soon.

Patricia Bullard Acting President



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Money to help you Beautify Your Block

The Beautification Committee is giving money to Hawthorne residents to help them spruce up their blocks. Examples of beautification projects are window boxes, sidewalk planters, painting for curbs, lights on trees, etc. Reimbursements are up to \$50. You get reimbursed after the project is completed. If you have questions please contact Sandra at 215-468-5576 or sonssouthphilly@att.net.

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will clog cracked pipes in search of water.

2. Myth Trees crack concrete sidewalks. Truth Some trees have shallow roots. Some trees have deep roots. Trees with shallow roots grow close to the surface and can badly damage sidewalks. Now, there are trees selected especially for city sidewalks. They have deep roots, small trunks, and short height. These trees do not damage sidewalks.

3. Myth Trees draw mosquitoes. Truth Mosquitoes are drawn to pools of water, people, and animals. Pregnant Females suck the blood of animals and people to nourish their young, then deposit their eggs in pools of water. If there's standing water, people, or animals near trees mosquitoes will follow. The bottom line—mosquitoes are attracted to you—not the tree.

3 Big Facts About Trees

1. Fact Trees increase the resale value of your property by 3 -15%
2. Fact Patients with views of trees from their windows recover faster and need fewer painkillers.
3. Fact Shade trees reduce energy bills in the summer up to 40%.

University of the Arts Invites Hawthorne Residents to Sit In on Park Design Class

Curious about the Our Park design process, attend a class at University of the Arts Industrial Design Department. Hawthorne residents are invited to sit in on a design class at UARTS to see how the students create features of the new park. Classes are Thursdays 9:00 to Noon at 320 S. Broad Street. If you would like to sit in on a class call Jamer Hunt at 215-925-6253.

To Submit Copy To "The Source"

Our goal is to print news of interest to Hawthorne Residents and events or news in and around our area.

All Submissions to the Source should be received by the 20th of the month 5:00 p.m., for placement in the next issue.

Call 215-468-6270 or Patricia Bullard at 215-735-8319, E-mail tiyb@aol or mail to HEC 1200 Carpenter St. 19147. Include name and phone number of contact person



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