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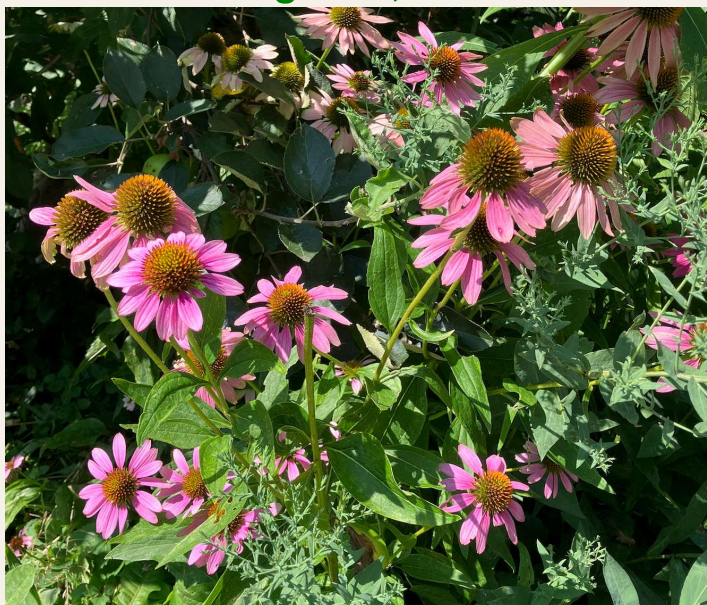
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WCGN NEWSLETTER **August 1, 2025**



Coneflowers at Tulpehocken Station Garden courtesy of Marjorie Russell

West Central Germantown Neighbors (WCGN) is an all volunteer community organization dedicated to improving and maintaining the quality of life in our neighborhood, bordered by the north side of Cheltenham Avenue, the west side of Germantown Avenue, the south side of Washington Lane, and in the east by the Chestnut Hill West SEPTA rail line.

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INVITE YOU TO A

BACK TO SCHOOL

ALL YOUTH ARE ALL STARS CELEBRATION

SATURDAY • AUGUST 2, 2025 • 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
LONNIE YOUNG REC CENTER • 1100 E. CHELTEN AVENUE • PHILADELPHIA

FREE

- Lunch
- Community Resources
- Face Painting

- Bookbag, Supplies & Book Giveaway (While Supplies Last)
- State Police Helicopter
- Music by DJ Gaudin

- Local Performances
- Video Game Truck
- Live Cooking Demonstrations

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14th Police District

PHILADELPHIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

in partnership with 8th District Councilmember Cindy Bass

PRESENTS

STEPPING @ NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

2025

NATIONAL NIGHT Out

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LOCATION: Pleasant Recreation Center
6757 Chew Avenue, Phila., Pa. 19138

08.05.25 | 6 PM - 8 PM
FREE FOOD - LINE DANCING
WURD - FACE PAINTING - SWAT -
RESOURCES & MORE

Thank you to our partners

IT'S ABOUT WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

BYOC - Bring your own chair
For more information call 215-685-2147

TEMPLE HEALTH

PATRIOT CITIZENS 7 ELEVEN DOLLAR TREE

Storage Space Urgently Needed

WCGN is looking for a cool dry space to store these boxes and plastic tubs with event supplies for our community picnics, etc. Please [email](#) if you have some space we could use.



Price Knox Flea Market August 23 9-12

Price Knox Neighbors Association Yard Sale

What: an opportunity to sell your gently used items and find new treasures. Participation is free!

When: Saturday, August 23, 9 AM to 12 PM

Where: Mastery Pickett (corner of Wayne and Rittenhouse)

Contact priceknoxrco@gmail.com to reserve a table. Additional space for those who wish to sell will be on a first come, first serve basis if not registered in advance.



Price Knox
Neighbors
Association



5900 Pulaski St. ZBA Hearing Continued Again...

ZBA Chairman William Bergman once again continued the hearing at the request of the property owner's attorney for 5900 Pulaski - this time until January 14, 2025 at 9:30AM. As they continue to operate illegally, you may file an online 311 report [here](#).

28-30 W. Haines Street RCO Meeting

Because only one near neighbor attended the RCO meeting on July 9, 2025 to address a variance request to allow the entire property - the 3-story main twin house as well as the

freestanding 1-story house as Visitor Accomodations. We will alert you as soon as this meeting is rescheduled.

Wyck House & Garden News [Calendar](#)

Home Farm Club in June, July, & August

Tuesdays 5-7 PM & Fridays 10AM-Noon

Young Friends of Wyck

Aug. 8 5-8PM

Farm to Table Recipes with Chef Erwin

Aug. 9 11-12:30

Jabalai Jungle

Aug. 23

Maxwell Mansion 50th Anniversary **August 9 9:30-11:30**

Have coffee with neighbors and learn about how the Maxwell Mansion was saved from becoming a gas station by many of the same founders of WCGN. Our Histories are very much intertwined. The Mansion incorporated in 1975. Register for this and their other events [here](#).

Report those Pirate Signs to Us

Are you tired of seeing those signs - You know the ones I'm talking about - We'll Buy Your House! and We'll Buy Your Diabetic Testing Strips! and all the others ? [Report](#) ones you see in Germantown and [Join us](#) in pulling them down!

Open Zoning & Land Use Meeting

Please join us Tuesday August 26 on Zoom at 7pm. Brainstorm with us on ways we can be proactive in attracting the kind of development and developers we want in our neighborhood and learn about upcoming zoning issues. Use this [link](#) to attend.

WCGN Parents WhatsApp Group

Click here: [West Central Germantown Neighbors Parents](#) to join the conversation with other young families about meet-ups, summer camps, scout troops, schools, etc. Call or write to Sean Morris at 610-368-8711 or seanraymondmorris@gmail.com.

Welcome our neighbors and families

Molly Becker, Micah Bedrosian on Haines, the Ieris Family on Harvey, Brendan McBride on

Price, Denise Young on Rittenhouse, Rena Staughter on Wayne, Emily Whitted, Brian Whetstone, and Philip Stevens on McCallum, Mariah Seawright on Pulaski, Carmen Piner, Alexa Kourafas on Walnut, and Thomas Hucks & Patrick Jones have all joined our mailing list.

Please invite neighbors to receive WCGN newsletters so they too can stay informed of items related to our neighborhood. They can sign up on our [website](#).

Your Donations Matter. To support our mission of service to our community, please consider making an automatic monthly donation of any amount, such as \$5, or one annual donation.

Pay Online: Go to our [website](#) and click on “Donate”, and pay via PayPal or debit/credit card. There is a box to check for monthly donations.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Bob Lane either via [email](#) or by phone: 215-840-0801.

WCGN's treasury is used for annual Directors and Officers Insurance, purchase of supplies for social gatherings as well as for the train station garden, zoom hosting for RCO and other meetings, printing notices for other neighborhood initiatives, and, on occasion, lawyers' fees.

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