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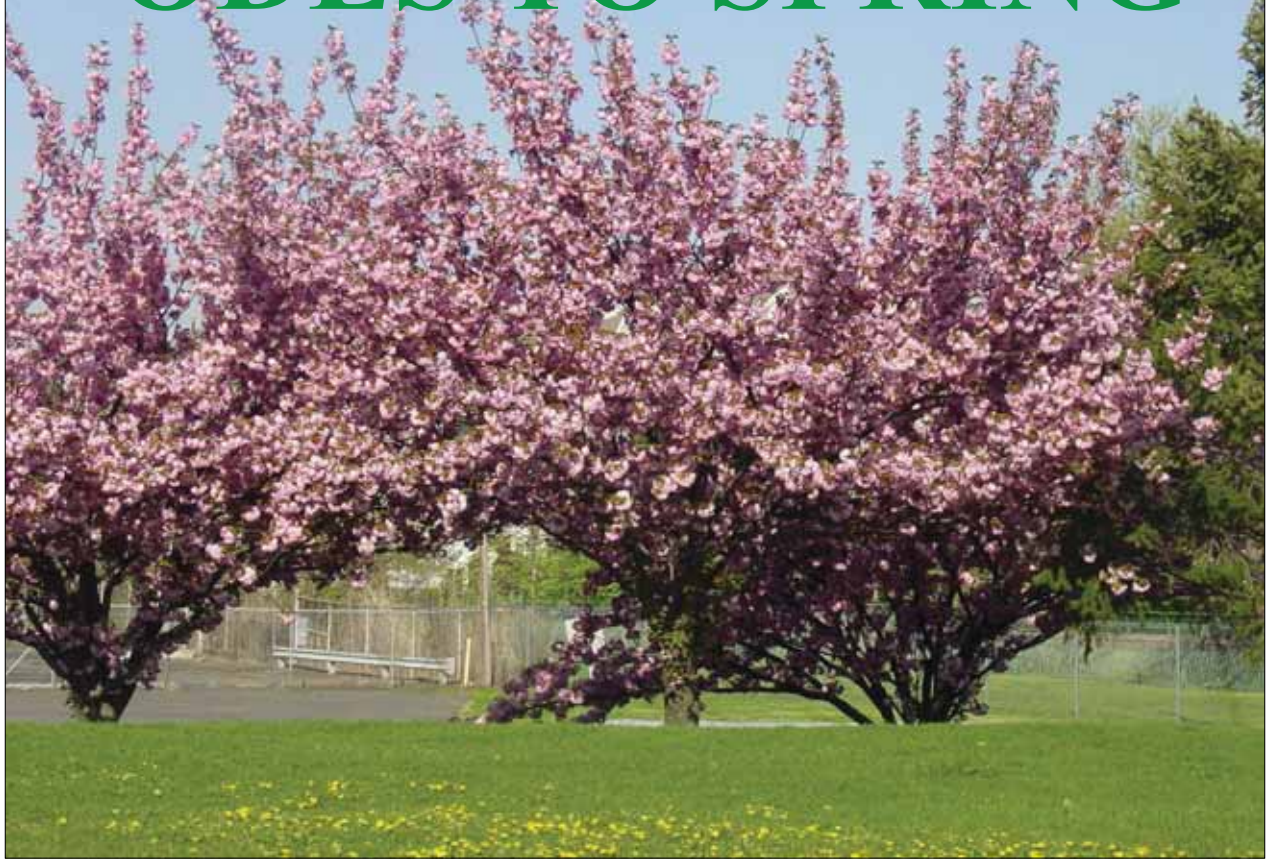
The Society Hill II at Jersey City Community Newsletter
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SPRING 2010:

**GLORIOUS
SPRING
ADORNS
SHII!**



ODES TO SPRING



**AWAKE
WINTRY EARTH.
FLING OFF THY
SADNESS!**

**FAIR VERNAL
FLOWERS,
LAUGH FORTH
YOUR ANCIENT
GLADNESS!**

—Thomas Blackburn,
“An Easter Hymn”



**THE YEAR’S
AT THE SPRING
AND DAY’S
AT THE MORN;**

**MORNINING’S
AT SEVEN;
THE LARK’S
ON THE WING;**

**THE SNAIL’S
ON THE THORN
GOD’S IN HIS
HEAVEN—**

**ALL’S RIGHT WITH
THE WORLD!**

—Robert Browning

ODES TO SPRING



**AND SPRING
ROSE ON THE
GARDEN FAIR,**

**LIKE THE SPIRIT
OF LOVE FELT
EVERYWHERE;**

**AND EACH FLOWER
AND HERB ON
EARTH'S DARK
BREAST**

**ROSE FROM THE
DREAMS OF ITS
WINTRY REST**

—Percy Bysshe Shelley



**I THINK NO MATTER
HOW OLD OR INFIRM
I MAY BECOME,
I WILL ALWAYS
PLANT A LARGE
GARDEN IN
THE SPRING.**

**WHO CAN RESIST
THE FEELINGS OF
HOPE AND JOY THAT
ONE GETS FROM
PARTICIPATING
IN NATURE'S
REBIRTH?**

—Edward Giobbi

A SEWERLINE BREAK HAPPENED! AGAIN!

In the early hours of March 18, 2010, two homeowners suffered considerable damage to their homes due to a sewer line break. The foul backup was caused by hygiene items having been improperly flushed down the building's waste line, which resulted in the entire wasteline contents of Willow Street backing up into these two units.

COSTLY CORRECTIVE MEASURES TAKEN

The association dispatched emergency plumbing and environmental clean up crews to the affected properties. That coupled with insurance liability awards totaled nearly \$5,000.

HELP AVOID SEWAGE BREAKS

Homeowners need to be aware that these costly breaks are a direct result of throwing such items as Infant and Adult Diapers, Baby Wipes, Cooking Oil, Kitty Litter, Oily Solvents, Paint & Paint Thinners, Paper Towels, Plastic Toys, Sanitary Napkins and other bulky items down sinks, toilets and street drains.

DRAIN DISPOSAL DON'T'S

- INFANT OR ADULT DIAPERS
 - BABY WIPES
 - COOKING OILS
 - OILY SOLVENTS
- PAINT AND PAINT THINNERS
 - KITTY LITTER
 - PAPER TOWELS
- BULK PLASTIC ITEMS, LIKE TOYS
 - SANITARY NAPKINS

OTHER TRASH-RELATED NO-NOS

—DO NOT LEAVE BAGS OF GARBAGE AND BULK TRASH ITEMS SITTING ON THE GROUND AT THE RECYCLING CENTER.

DOING SO REDUCES THE TIME OUR MAINTENANCE MANAGER HAS TO MAKE NECESSARY HOMEOWNER-REQUESTED REPAIRS.

—NOT PICKING UP PET WASTE IS UNSANITARY, INCONSIDERATE AND UNLAWFUL.

—INCINERATOR WORKERS NEED TO SEE THAT RECYCLABLES ARE RECYCLABLES AND NOT TRASH. PUTTING RECYCLING ITEMS IN PLASTIC BAGS THEY CANNOT SEE THROUGH COULD RESULT IN CITY-IMPOSED FINES.

TRASH-RELATED DO'S

- **Do** DISPOSE OF TRASH DOWN THE PROPER BINS AND INSIDE THE BULK DUMPSTER ON THE RECYCLING CENTER RAMP
- **Do** PICK UP PET WASTE
- **Do** MAKE SURE THE PLASTIC BAGS YOU USE TO DISPOSE OF RECYCLABLES ARE CLEAR, SEE-THROUGH— NOT OPAQUE SUPERMARKET BAGS

HERE COMES THE SUN...NOT!!

Actually a pale yellow sun did come a few days in December 2009—after a widespread storm dumped record totals of snow in some areas up and down the east coast. Jersey City received almost a foot— becoming a white winter wonderland.

As the city stood at a virtual standstill, neighbors Patricia and Chris Greene, Naviah and N’dea, their two adorable daughters, and Hugh Michael Brown had great fun welcoming a temporary guest to Society Hill II.

The snow visitor had a lumpy body, huge red potato eyes, a classic carrot nose and a crooked smile made out of tree burrs. Fallen barren tree branches served as his arms. He was garbed in a borrowed cap and scarf. His stay was so brief, however, no one caught his name.

Like many boys and girls around the city, sisters Naviah and N’dea are hoping he’ll come back again next year. ❄



A. Recent snow visitor, B. Naviah Greene smiles her delight C. N’dea Greene says a warm hello D. Neighbors Chris Greene and Hugh Michael Brown wave to the camera as Chris’ wife, Patricia, snaps the shot.

**VETERAN BOARD MEMBER
CHARLES GORNICZ RESIGNS**

The SHII board has the bittersweet duty to announce that veteran board member Charles Gornicz and his wife, Linda, have moved to the Tom's River, NJ area. At the February 25, 2010 open board meeting, President Tani Mills reluctantly accepted his formal resignation from the board.



Charles Gornicz,

and agreements—often alerting the board to many cost-saving inaccuracies. What's more, he negotiated with various companies to reduce the price of must have necessities. He was also instrumental in negotiating with city officials to gain extra revenue regarding snow removal.

Charlie has even regularly performed basic repairs to community property at no charge in order to keep costs down.

Says Charlie, "My years at SHII were some of the best. I will miss the many people I have met over the years. My last wish for the community is that they not take for granted how good a place it is. I hope they realize how important and necessary it is for each of them to take part in its affairs."

SHII owes a huge debt of thanks to our friends the Gorniczs. We wish them much happiness in their new home. ✠

A 15-year resident and dedicated board member for 4½ years, Charlie has played a major part in ensuring that our community ran smoothly. During his tenure as a board member, he (as well as Linda) have been right-hand aides to Community Manager Gabriel Valdes.

They regularly performed tedious but necessary office filing and mass mailings related to community business. In addition, on numerous occasions, Charlie pored over proposed vendor contract s

Society Hill II resident Connie Lee is a huge advocate of attending clubs and participating in activities. They're a great way that neighbors can get out, meet and interact with each other. If you'd like to help her begin any of the clubs/activities listed below, please call Connie directly at **201-332-6927**.

CLUBS

- Biking Club
- Bowling Club
- Chess Club
- Computer Club
- E-Bay Club
- Exercise Club
- Metaphysics/ESP Club

- Music Lovers Club
- Nature/Garden Club
- Pet Club
- Travel Club

ACTIVITIES

- Aerobics
- Bridge
- Cooking
- Line Dancing
- Mah-Jongg
- Mat Pilates
- Meditation

- Painting
- Photography
- Scrap Booking
- Tai Chi
- Texas Hold'em
- Walking

SENIORS CLUB LONG ON LONGEVITY

by Joan Dillman



Just some of the many members of the Society Hill II Senior Club took a moment to pose in the kitchen of the clubhouse before their April 2010 meeting.

As SHII's longest running club, the Society Hill II Seniors have been meeting at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse the first Monday each month for almost 13 years!

Just some of the diverse activities that keep them stimulated and involved are:
—Monthly lunches at local restaurants
—Numerous day trips to such destinations as Atlantic City, Jersey Gardens and the Amish County, Oktoberfest at the Hoff Brau House in Pomona, NY, The Culinary Institute/Roosevelt Mansion in Hyde Park, boat rides on the Hudson River and tours of the Bronx Zoo.
—Longer trips have included Florida, Lake George, Newport, RI, Cape Cod and Wildwood, NJ

—Theater aficionados, the group has seen such hit shows as Les Miz, CATS, Chicago and The King and I at NJPAC.

Says Joan Dillman, the group's Secretary:

“ Every Wednesday, our bowling team bowls three games at the cityline alley for the great price of \$3.00. We've had yoga classes, flea markets and programs sponsored by such organizations as the Jersey City Police Department.

This is just a little of what we do. If you'd like to become a member, come join us!” ”

THERE ARE TWO OPEN BOARD POSITIONS.

THE CANDIDATES ARE:

**DENISE BAILEY... HUGH MICHAEL BROWN ... CAROLYN SCOTT NELSON.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE FOR TWO CANDIDATES OF YOUR CHOICE.**

MAY HOROSCOPES by Connie Lee

AQUARIUS—JAN. 20-FEB. 18

This month you need to focus on home, community, property or estate matters, parents and elders. Be practical and think about improving your environment for yourself and others. WATCH out for business tensions at work or choosing the wrong time for a showdown.

PISCES—FEB. 19 to MARCH 20

This is the month for you to communicate your interests, ideas, writing, meetings and visits with friends and relatives. Add to your knowledge and help others. DON'T handle finances extravagantly or impose on neighbors and kin.

ARIES—MARCH 21 to APRIL 19

Watch your back when dealing with others this month. There is focus on material and monetary assets with the ability to add to your income for economic advancement. If you were looking for a part time job or starting your own business, now is the time for action. WATCH your spending and avoid making rash money decisions.

TAURUS—APRIL 20 to MAY 20

Use your personal appeal to influence others this month. Watch the impression you make on others. May is a good time for newly initialed projects. Be sure to follow through on plans and projects to improve your budget and show initiative. WATCH out for your temper, having showdowns with others and disrupting the office. Control letting selfish motivations rule.

GEMINI—MAY 21 to JUNE 20

This month you may have contact with hospitals and invalids. Don't let personal problems and limitations stop you from going forward. Patch up any misunderstandings, clear the debris out of your life. Get plenty of rest and sleep. CAREFUL of romantic entanglements and of being unsympathetic.

CANCER—JUNE 21 to JULY 22

This is a good month to join organizations or being a part of groups. Social contacts can bring opportunities. Your occupation will bring financial returns. WATCH out for getting involved in half-baked schemes, mingling with the wrong companions and ignoring good friends. Do not waste business funds.

LEO—JULY 23 to AUGUST 22

This is the month to look out for job and responsibilities involving officials, a parent, government or contacts with superiors. Develop new business tactics, mingle with important people. Do not make decisions without looking at all the facts. AVOID overreaching to gain credit and prestige by trying to do more than you comfortably can.

VIRGO—AUGUST 23 to SEPT. 22

This month is a good time for traveling to distant places, getting involved with neighborhood activities and taking time for religious and spiritual affairs. Time to get plans approved, attend to correspondence, heeding views of others. DO NOT argue over beliefs, politics or communications will get mixed up.

LIBRA—SEPT. 23 to OCT. 22

This month you should go over jointly held money and property, legacies, savings, taxes and personal resources. Clear away debt and balance accounts. Don't forget to find time for yourself and hobbies. DO NOT be possessive or jealous.

SCORPIO—OCT. 23 to NOV. 22

Moving is all around you!! You may want to move to another house, town or job. You have expanded interests this month. Be sure to think it through before you jump somewhere else. Don't mix into office arguments or neglect your share of duties. AVOID being contrary or uncooperative.

SAGITTARIUS—NOV. 23 to DEC. 21

There are many who depend on you. Pets, parents or relatives. You enjoy your responsibilities. Watch out for your health, diet and your physical condition. AVOID being too demanding with co-workers and neglecting your health.

CAPRICORN—DEC. 22 to JAN 19

Life is fun for you this month. You have recreation, hobbies, talents, favorite activities, romance and children to enjoy. You are also a good leader and friend. AVOID spending money carelessly.

Editor's Note: This article is intended for entertainment only.

RECAP OF THE DPWA OPEN MEETING

Here is a recap of the Droyers Point Walkway Association (DPWA) open meeting, held April 14, 2010:

—The Friends of the Walkway gave a presentation detailing how rubber or small, individual concrete pavers could be used on the walkway, instead of cutting down the mature trees which now line it. After hearing the proposal, The DWPA board gave the Friends one month to obtain hard figures as to what their alternative proposal would cost.

—Residents expressed concern that the key fob controlled electronic gates were not programmed to allow residents of all three communities access on and off the walkway.

SHI Manager Alexis Buhl, who is overseeing the project, promised that all gates would be programmed to allow all residents access on and off the walkway by the end of April 2010.

—Two Jersey City “Urban Renewal” officials presented the city’s future plans for creating additional communities, commercial spaces and more pedestrian-friendly access along Routes 440 and 1&9T.

NEW GATE SECURITY COMPANY CHOSEN

Citing resident dissatisfaction with the performance of the current gate attendants, the DPWA board announced that beginning May 1, 2010, the Bowles Security Company would be assuming those duties at both gates. ☒



SPRING CLEANING TIPS by Connie Lee

Here are some great tips to help you clean and freshen up your home.

WINDOWS

Start on the outside. Then move to the inside. As the weather warms up and the sun pours in, clean windows brighten your outlook on the world.

BATHROOM

Bathrooms have lots of corners and crevices that attract dust bunnies and dirt. Vacuum first. Then do the tub, sink and shower. Don't forget to wipe dust off light bulbs. Last, mop the floor.

KITCHEN

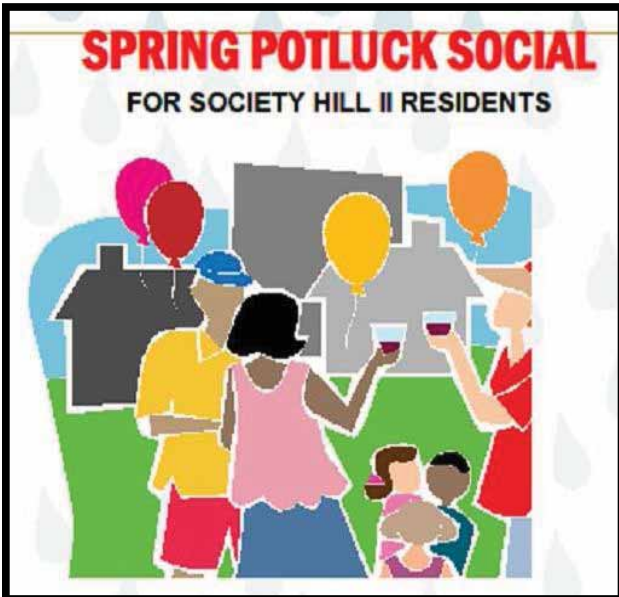
Make a checklist and clean the areas you rarely touch: under the fridge, top of the oven hood, baseboard and window moldings, light fixtures and under countertop appliances.

LIVING & DINING ROOMS

Clear the clutter! Toss magazines older than three months. High traffic rooms invite germs. Disinfect telephones, door-knobs and electronic remotes. Remove and or wash the contents of chine cabinets.

BEDROOMS & CLOSETS

Polish dull wooden furniture to bring back the shine. Usable but unworn clothing items create clutter. Donate them!



**THE SPRING
POTLUCK SOCIAL
FOR SHII RESIDENTS
IS FAST APPROACHING.**

The committee is asking each resident who attends to bring one of their favorite dishes. Come meet and greet your neighbors at this fun event. There are just a few days to RSVP. If you'd like to attend, please contact: hubrown@comcast.net ASAP!

**THE SPRING POTLUCK SOCIAL FOR SHII RESIDENTS—
SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2010 AT THE CLUBHOUSE,
FROM 1 TO 4 P.M. PLEASE RSVP TODAY!**

**RESIDENTS: PLEASE NOTE THIS NEW ADDITION
TO OUR MAINTENANCE INVOICES.**
Each month, look for important announcements from the SHII board, located just above the tear-off remittance coupon. See circled area below.

Please make sure to curb your dog within the community.
Our annual election is on April 15, do not forget to vote!
Make sure to keep your thermostat at 55 degrees during the winter months to prevent freezing pipes
Keep on the lookout for our spring newsletter coming in April!
If you notice any suspicious persons around the community, contact the Jersey City Police or 911.
Payments are due on the first of each month. Payments received after the 7th will incur a late fee of \$25. An additional late fee of \$25 if received after the 30th.

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Account Number	Date Due	Amount
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	If RECEIVED After	Pay This Amount
	APR 7, 2010	\$255.00

Make check payable to: **Society Hill II at Jersey City**

For Account Information - Call (973) 267-9000

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RE: STREET ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP

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Gabriel A. Valdez,
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Manager,
Taylor
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Company

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SOCIETY HILL II BOARD**



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President

VACANT
BOARD
SEAT



Rubina Vorha,
Treasurer



Eugene Cala,
Trustee



Hugh M. Brown,
Trustee

**THERE ARE TWO OPEN BOARD POSITIONS—
 1) VACATED BY CHARLES GORNICZ
 2) INCUMBENT HUGH MICHAEL BROWN
 IS UP FOR RE-ELECTION.**

**THE CANDIDATES ARE:
 DENISE BAILEY
 HUGH MICHAEL BROWN
 CAROLYN SCOTT NELSON.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE FOR
TWO CANDIDATES OF YOUR CHOICE.**

THE EDITORIAL DEADLINE FOR
 SUMMER *SOCIETY HILL II NEWS* IS FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2010.
 SEND ARTICLES, SUGGESTIONS AND SUBMISSIONS TO:
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Maria's Home News

News From Your Society Hill Real Estate Expert

Spring 2010



Sales in the community increased during the months of February, March and April as buyers decided to take advantage of the \$8,000 tax credit.

The spring market is here. If you're thinking of selling your home, give me a call. I can provide you with the latest information. 201-369-0099 Office or 201-240-7117 Cell

DID YOU KNOW?

- We Offer Property Management to Society Hill Residents:

THINKING OF RENTING BUT DON'T WANT THE HASSLE OF BEING A LANDLORD?

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Let's Recycle Large Appliances

Did you know that about 95 percent of a refrigerator can be salvaged or recycled? Here's a list of materials that can be saved in a typical large appliance:

Steel; glass shelves; liners (plastic); copper and aluminum components; polyurethane foam insulation; compressor oil; and CFC refrigerants. Help the environment-Recycle.

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MARIA'S HOME NEWS

Free Information Request Form

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Maria Batista, Integrated Real Estate Resources, 122 Mallory Ave., Jersey City, NJ 07304
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_____.
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REACHING THE MULTI-ETHNIC,
AFFLUENT FAMILIES WHO LIVE
IN SOCIETY HILL II.**

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VIEW

FROM THE HILL

WELCOME SPRING BY JOINING US
AT THE POTLUCK SOCIAL



Hugh Brown,
Editor,
Society Hill II
News

After a long and snowy winter, Spring has arrived in Society Hill II once more. The Potluck Social committee and I want to thank all who have RSVPed. The Spring Potluck Social will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2010 at the clubhouse and we are putting the final touches in place for a fun event.

If you've promised to come but haven't let the committee know what dish you're bringing, we need to hear from you now!

If you are someone who has just become aware of the Social, we also need to hear that you'd like to attend and what dish you plan to bring. Whichever category you fall into, please contact me by May 7, 2010 at hubrown@comcast.net

Help us make this party a rousing success. RSVP today! ☒

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