

South Hills Art Center

by Dan Kaczmariski



Owner, Bob Daley, inside South Hills Art Center

Pawsburgh Photography

Ask Bob Daley, owner of South Hills Art Center on Brookline Boulevard, how long he's been interested in art, and his answer comes back in a split second: "All my life," he says. "From the time I can remember being alive, I was drawing."

Although proficient with landscapes and still-lives, he's known primarily for his work as a portrait artist. Among the hundreds of subjects he's captured on canvas are three Pittsburgh Catholic bishops—Donald Cardinal Wuerl, John Cardinal Wright, and John Cardinal Dearden—as well as Senator Howard Baker and actress Lillian Russell for the University of Pittsburgh. Additionally, his paintings of clients' loved ones hang in scores of homes.

He's drawn by the challenge of portraiture. "If you're doing a still-life and the apple doesn't look exactly like the one in front of you, or you're doing a landscape and the house is a little bigger, it doesn't matter that much. But if you're doing a portrait, it has to be exact. More than that, it has to convey an emotional trigger. A lot has to do with the expression."

Not only is he attracted to portraits, but early on he discovered it was one of the surest ways to pursue an artistic career. "With portraits, somebody is commissioning you. If you're good, you're going to get business."

People commission portraits for various reasons, says Bob,

but generally they tend to fall into three categories: those memorializing someone of importance, such as the Catholic Cardinals; those commissioned to honor and remember a lost loved one; and those of living loved ones, such as children or a spouse. Most of the time, Bob works from a photograph he's taken or that's been provided to him.

Bob's parents gave him use of the site where his studio has been since 1979. He was familiar with the building because from 1948 until 1965 it housed his family's Park Side Grill and he was raised upstairs. After opening the studio, Bob continued to study, practice, and improve and began attracting clientele who were a little more well-to-do and started earning more money for his work.

In addition to studio work, Bob is experienced in the classroom. He taught portraiture for the Community College of Allegheny County for about 15 years, has led a class at Baldwin United Presbyterian Church and continues to teach his own classes in oil painting. He's served on the Boards of the Pittsburgh Society of Artists and the South Hills Art League.

Many people talk of having roots in Brookline, but only a few can match those of Bob and his family. Starting in 1906, his mother's parents raised their family in a house on Milan Ave. and were among the original members of Resurrection Church. In one way or another, for the past 64 years, Bob has had a view of the Cannon.

"This has been a good place for me to be in business," he says. "People don't seem to have any trouble finding it. I've always liked Brookline and been proud to be from Brookline. It was fun growing up here."

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Arson	1	0
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Theft	20	7
Theft from Vehicle	4	1
Stolen Vehicle	4	0

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JULY COMMUNITY MEETINGS

July 13 Monday

Brookline Chamber of Commerce Meeting 6 p.m. at Carnegie Library 708 Brookline Blvd.

July 14 Tuesday

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Are you unable to volunteer your time right now? You can still help many of these organizations. Meals on Wheels accepts cash and donations of cookies, desserts and bread. Add a grocery store gift card to your shopping cart and send it to the Brookline Christian Food Pantry, c/o Pat Erny, 2918 Pioneer Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226-2038. Due to cutbacks to the food stamp program, more people are depending on the food pantry. If you are able, please consider helping those who are less fortunate.



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Applications can be picked up at A-Boss Opticians, 938 Brookline Boulevard, or Cannon Coffee, 802 Brookline Boulevard.

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Free Lunch for Kids

At St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 933 Brookline Blvd. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays through August 14. Noon-1 p.m. A program of the PA Department of Education and the USDA. Sponsored by The United Methodist Church Union's Kids Meal Network, www.umchurchunionpgh.com.

Tennis Clinics at Moore Park

Citiparks is sponsoring Intermediate Double Clinics on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for ages 16 and over. \$12 a player/session – payable by check only to "Treasurer, City of Pittsburgh." The clinics will be free the first Mondays of the month, with voluntary donations accepted. For more information email – citiparkstennis@gmail.com

SPDC: Who We Are and What We Do For You

by Ryan Askey
President, SPDC

The South Pittsburgh Development Corporation (SPDC) has been Brookline's nonprofit community development corporation for over 20 years. There are a lot of groups that service a neighborhood, from governments to churches to sports organizations. Community development corporations often fill in gaps between those groups by promoting economic development, advocating for the neighborhood, organizing community events, and working with local officials on a variety of projects. SPDC has no paid staff, but is a volunteer organization with usually around 15 board members and a steady group of volunteers. We work with many of the other Brookline community groups to help our neighborhood together. Our mission statement is "To aid the growth and development of the Brookline area through organization, promotion, design, and economic restructuring."

Community Events: Taste of Brookline, Brookline Unveiled, Brookline Breezefest, BASH ON THE BLVD

SPDC has hosted several community events over the last few years to celebrate and promote our neighborhood. Taste of Brookline is our food showcase fundraiser, Brookline Unveiled was our street fair celebrating the completion of the Brookline Boulevard construction, and this year we're partnering with the people that bring you the Brookline Breeze to enhance the Brookline Breezefest. Also new this year is BASH ON THE BLVD, a free summer concert series held at bars right on Brookline Boulevard.

The Brookline Newsletter

The newsletter you're reading right now is an SPDC effort, with financial backing from the organization and coordination from our board members.

The "Welcome to Brookline" Sign at Jacob & Whited

SPDC was granted a long-term lease on the property at Jacob and Whited to safeguard it from bad development and has been a faithful steward of the property ever since. We created the Brookline gateway sign and are pursuing further low-impact development of the property into a community apiary with Burgh Bees.

Business Development and Outreach

Whether it's a new business looking to get a space on Brookline Boulevard or a long-term business that needs help, SPDC is always a resource for businesses. We have helped many business owners connect with grant money, workshops,

and other entrepreneurs in the area to improve their operations.

Cleanup Days and Boulevard Beautification

No matter if you're a business owner or a resident, keeping Brookline beautiful is a going concern. We host several large-scale cleanup days each year with local volunteer groups, where dozens of people come together to clean up trouble spots in the neighborhood. We also host many cleanup days before major events and parades and at any time of the year to keep the Boulevard clean. SPDC also coordinates with the Brookline Chamber of Commerce on a joint beautification committee that keeps the DogiPot cleanup bags stocked and the planters clean.

Getting Grant Money into Brookline: Acting as a Fiscal Conduit

There are thousands of grant programs available to organizations that need to fund community projects, but most are restricted to only federally recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations. We often act as a fiscal conduit for our partner community organizations in the neighborhood, such as the Brookline Chamber of Commerce and the Brookline Area Community Council, so that we can help many community projects find the funding they need.

Advocating for Brookline: Creating and Implementing a Vision

SPDC is a tireless voice for Brookline. We want to make sure that Brookliners' voices are heard, so all of our board meetings are open to the public and we've hosted several community visioning sessions where people can come out and talk to their neighbors about what they want to see in the neighborhood. We make sure that voice is heard when talking with elected officials or with larger community organizations like Economic Development South, which chose SPDC as a member organization. Big projects that benefit adjacent neighborhoods also benefit Brookline, and Brookline projects also benefit the rest of the South Hills, so we believe in working together to solve common problems.

COME GET INVOLVED

Our monthly board meetings are open to the public and we want you to take part. After our summer break, our next meeting is Monday, September 21 at 7 p.m. at the Brookline United Presbyterian Church, right on Brookline Boulevard. Our meetings are always the third Monday of the month and we'd love to have you come and have your voice heard.

Brookline Memorial Recreational Center

Speed and Agility Training

Improve your speed, agility, and power! Get measurable results with our trained instructor. This is a co-ed hybrid workout for ages 12-18, suitable for every sport. The first session is a 2-week “mini-session” from June 29 through July 11, Mondays & Wednesdays 5-7 p.m. & Saturdays noon – 2 p.m. Cost is \$20. The second full session runs 3 weeks, July 20 through August 8. Days and times will be the same as for the first session. Cost is \$30.

New Restorative Yoga

Learn to use supported relaxation as a stress neutralizer. Experience deep mental and physical relaxation while using props to support the body in yoga postures. New sessions will cost \$50 for 6 weeks or \$10 a class. A great opportunity for those with bad backs, hips and knees to help find stress release.

**Call the Center for more information:
412-571-3222**

Free Summer Events at the Brookline Recreation Center

Free Lunch and Snack Program

A free lunch and snack program runs through August 14. Lunch is served at the Center 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Snack begins at 2:30 p.m. Must be age 18 or younger.

Music in the Park

Nate and the gang from Cannon Coffee, in conjunction with Celebrate Your City Parks, bring live music to the Recreation Center Park. Wednesday evening, July 15, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Roving Art Cart

Make prints like Warhol, paint music like Kandinsky, try pointillism like Seurat, and cut paper like Matisse! The Pittsburgh Citiparks Roving Art Cart—featuring special guest artists, entertainers, and much more—will be rolling into the Brookline Recreation Center and Moore Park this summer.

Brookline Recreation Center: Thursday, July 16. Moore Park: Wednesday, July 29. Each session runs from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Children paint, sculpt, bead, and create a summer of magic and fun. Weather impacts the type of projects chosen for the day.

The activities are best suited for children ages 5 to 12. Though all children should be supervised, children under 5 must have caretaker engagement in the activities.

For more information about the Roving Art Cart, call 412-665-3665

Flea Markets

The Recreation Center will host Flea Market/Craft Shows again this summer. Free spots are available. Bring your own table. Saturdays July 11 and August 1.

Yoga in the Park

Free Yoga in the Park is back! Have fun and relax with instructors from South Hills Power Yoga at Dan McGibbeny Memorial Field, every Saturday in July and August, except August 8.

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.; rain or shine. Please remember your mat.

Dollar Bank Free Cinema in the Park

A great family night out! And don't forget to mark your calendar for July 23, when you can see the classic “Wizard of Oz” on the screen as it was meant to be seen. Movies begin at dusk at the Brookline Recreation Center.

July 2 – The Boxtrolls (PG)

July 9 – Cantinflas (PG)

July 16 – The Lego Movie (PG)

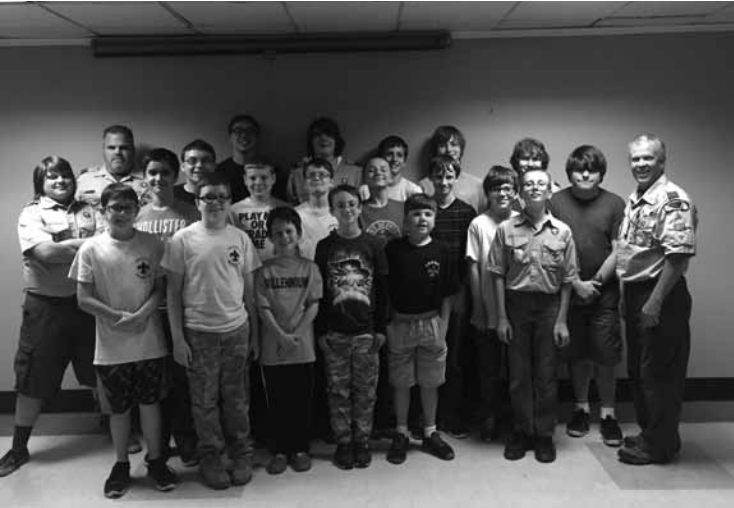
July 23 – The Wizard of Oz (NR)

July 30 – Big Hero 6 (PG)

August 6 – Earth to Echo (PG)

What's Hot in Brookline: Troop 6

by Joseph Samuel Rogers



The scouts in Troop 6

Have you ever wondered who puts up the flags that line Brookline Boulevard on patriotic holidays, or cleans the area around the Cannon every Memorial Day? Since 1927, Boy Scout Troop 6, operating under the auspices of the Church of the Resurrection, has not only helped local boys become men skilled in the outdoors, but also has served the Brookline community through service initiatives and Eagle Scout projects.

Troop 6 maintains an active profile in Brookline by marching in the annual Memorial Day Parade, placing flags on the graves of veterans, participating in the annual Scouting for Food drive, and performing community-improving Eagle Scout projects.

Recent projects have benefitted organizations like Elizabeth Ann Seton Center on Pioneer Avenue, which underwent a kitchen renovation and will eventually receive a new storage

shed and pavilion. The library at Brookline's Catholic School, Saint John Bosco Academy, was repainted and refurbished several years ago and new locks were recently installed on classroom doors as an added safety measure. The chapel at Saint Pius X Catholic Church was repainted and the fire house on Brookline Boulevard received a new storage unit to hold the flags that grace the street posts on holidays. Troop 6 also assists Resurrection Church with their annual Fun Flair carnival, leading cleanup initiatives each day and sponsoring a booth in the evening.

2015 also marks a year of transition within the leadership ranks of Troop 6. At the end of the scouting year in July following summer camp, Scoutmaster Kevin O'Toole intends to step down after 11 years. Mr. O'Toole has given nearly 20 years of service to the scouting program in Brookline by being involved in Troop 6 and Pack 601. He became involved in scouting when his eldest son joined Cub Scout Pack 601, also housed at Resurrection, and was informed that they were in need of adult assistance. He eventually rose through the ranks as Cubmaster and crossed over to Troop 6 with his youngest son.

Mr. O'Toole is most proud of seeing both of his sons earn their Eagle Scout award and is also proud that Troop 6, which his grandfather, Anthony O'Toole, helped found, is the last surviving Boy Scout Troop in Brookline. Since Kevin O'Toole assumed leadership of Troop 6 in 2007, he has witnessed the troop become more boy led and assisted 15 boys in becoming Eagle Scouts.

Brookline resident Fred Metting will be the next Scoutmaster of Troop 6. Since 1927, Troop 6 has been proud to call Brookline home and regularly shows its pride through community service projects and initiatives.

Brookline Breeze



The 34th annual Brookline Breeze 5K Run/Walk and 1-Mile Mini-Breeze will be held Saturday, August 8, 2015. Visit the Breeze website at www.brooklinebreeze.com for more information.

A Thank You to Party Cake

Editor's note: Deacon Rich Longo from the Church of the Resurrection asked if we could include the following thank-you in this month's newsletter.

Recently Resurrection Church held a seven-week course entitled Discovering Christ. There were over 150 participants who attended each week. Nancy Smith, proprietor of Party Cake, graciously donated a multitude of baked goods for each week of the seven weekly sessions. While others were asked, Party Cake responded in more ways than one! Nancy's generosity and commitment, not for one week but for all seven, is indeed worthy of mention. Resurrection and all of the attendees are grateful for Party Cake's commitment to the community.

Council Woman Natalia Rudiak: Stand Up Against Bullies in Your Neighborhood



National Night Out (NNO) started as a porch light vigil, representing each participating community's awareness of crime and their commitment to preventing it. Porch lights were left on as a warning to criminals that crime was not welcome in the community. While the traditional porch light vigil is still common today, many

communities celebrate by hosting picnics, cookouts and block parties. Public safety personnel and local government officials visit neighborhood events to interact with residents. This year's NNO is Tuesday, August 4.

Holding a NNO neighborhood event is a great way to meet new neighbors, celebrate the success of your community watch or block club and strengthen your relationships with city public safety departments. In Pittsburgh, celebrations range from porch parties to ice cream socials, to cookouts and community festivals, and include visits from public safety personnel, elected officials and their staff.

Not sure what to do? Your event can be as simple or as complex as you'd like. Whatever you do will depend on the amount of time, effort, energy and resources you have available. You can access the City of Pittsburgh's National Night Out Planning Guide (http://apps.pittsburghpa.gov/dps/NNO_Planning_Guide_2015.pdf). To register your

own National Night Out event, please navigate to: <http://pittsburghpa.gov/publicsafety/nno/registration2.htm>.

For more information, please direct questions to Department of Public Safety, SaferTogether Pittsburgh Coordinators:

- Liz Style, elizabeth.style@pittsburghpa.gov (412) 255-8977
- John Tokarski, john.tokarski@pittsburghpa.gov (412) 255-2117

Police Zone Commanders and Community Relations Officers (CRO) can be helpful in arranging police equipment to visit your event. Call your police zone and ask for assistance.

- Zone 3 CRO Officers Christine Luffey and Eric Baker (412) 488-8326
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Senator Wayne Fontana



The Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is hoping to locate more than 600 photos of Pennsylvanians who sacrificed their lives in the Vietnam War. As part of DMVA's participation in the 50th anniversary of the United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration,

the DMVA is partnering with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF) to encourage the public to support their "Faces Never Forgotten" campaign.

The VVMF wants to collect photos for each of the 58,307 men and women whose names are inscribed on the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., so that they can keep the legacies of these service members alive for future generations. Since the photo campaign was launched in 2009, the VVMF has located photos for approximately 41,000 of the names inscribed on the Memorial. Of the 3,148 service members from Pennsylvania whose names are on the Vietnam Memorial, 606 photos are still needed.

For a complete listing of Pennsylvania service members whose photos are still needed, please visit "www.dmva.state.pa.us" and click on "Featured Topics." For information on how to submit a photo please visit "<http://www.vvmf.org/faces-never-forgotten>." My email address is www.senatorfontana.com



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Representative Harry Readshaw



A Pittsburgh Post-Gazette 1997 article detailing how Gettysburg National Military Park did not have enough funds to take care of monuments in the park prompted me to organize a new venture, The Pennsylvania Gettysburg Monument Project, to raise private funds to support the preservation of the Pennsylvania 146 unit monuments at

the Gettysburg battlefield.

In an effort to relieve Pennsylvania citizens of the cost associated with caring for Pennsylvania's "Icons of Freedom," the Monument Project holds two annual events – the Civil War Preservation Ball at the Capitol in March and the motorcycle "Ride to Gettysburg" in September.

A 2014 law I championed also established the "Gettysburg 1863 Monument" specialty license plate, which incorporates an image of the beautiful Pennsylvania Memorial Monument on the battlefield.

Details for ordering the plate are available online at "www.dmv.state.pa.us/license_plates/special_fund.shtml" or in my local office, 1917 Brownsville Road, Pittsburgh, 15210.

Please share this information with others. Questions about the events can be addressed to Barb Mowery in my office at 717-783-0411.

Representative Dan Miller



This year's state budget will be especially challenging. Governor Wolf has inherited a structural deficit of between \$1.5 billion to \$2 billion. He has promised to increase the state's share of education expenses amongst other things. He has proposed several big changes in his budget, including eliminating

and reducing property taxes for many, while increasing sales and income taxes, and imposing a severance tax on the gas industry. He has also suggested cutting corporate taxes in half.

However, given the divided nature of our state government, it is very likely that the Governor will have to compromise. This could mean changes in our liquor stores as well as some pension reform. I am always open to a deal that moves our state forward, but only time will tell as to how the final budget looks as our negotiations are likely to go long into the summer.

July 2015

Representative Dan Deasy



The Property Tax/Rent Rebate program deadline for older adults and residents with disabilities to apply for rebates on rent and property taxes paid in 2014 has been extended from June 30 to December 31, 2015.

Each year the Department of Revenue evaluates the program as the statutory June 30 application deadline approaches to determine if funds are available to extend the deadline. To date, funding has been available to allow all who qualify to take advantage of this tax relief.

As of May 22, the Revenue Department had received 449,224 rebate applications. As specified by law, rebate distribution will begin July 1. After June 30, rebates will be distributed as claims are received and processed.

The rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The income limit is \$35,000 a year for homeowners and \$15,000 annually for renters, and half of Social Security income is excluded.

To determine eligibility, for help in completing an application, or for assistance in any other state-related matter, please contact my office at 412-928-9514.

Memorial Day 2015



Joe Nellis (left) and Dan Mckeever place Memorial Day Flags at Brookline's Veterans Memorial Park

Community Events & Announcements

Carnegie Library of Brookline July Events

For All Ages

- *Crochet and Knitting Fun* – Saturday, July 18 @ 1 p.m.

For Kids

- *Tween Workshop Tuesdays* for ages 7-11 – Tuesdays @ 3 p.m.
- *Storytime: Toddler and Preschooler Tales* – Mondays except July 6 @ 6:30 p.m., Thursdays @ 11 a.m.
- *Kids Club: Wacky Wednesdays* – Wednesdays @ 3 p.m.
- *STEM Imagination Builders: Block Party* – Saturday, July 18 @ 10:30 a.m. – Families play with blocks and other toys that promote STEM learning.
- *Kids Create: Crazy Craft Saturdays* – Saturday, July 18 @ 2 p.m.

For Teens

- *Pokémon League* for ages 8-18 – Mondays @ 3 p.m.
- *Teen Time* – Thursdays @ 3:30 p.m.
- *Teen Gaming Club* – Thursdays @ 2 p.m. – registration required.
- *Intro to Guitar* – Thursday, July 2 @ 7 p.m., Saturday, July 18 @ 12 p.m.
- *Electronics Club* – for ages 10-18 – Saturday, July 18 @ 2 p.m. – Hands-on projects taught by engineers – equipment provided.

For Adults

- **Adult Book Discussions**
 - *Mystery & More* – Wednesday, July 8 @ 1 p.m. – *Destiny of the Republic*
 - *Between the Lines* – Monday, July 20 @ 6 p.m. – *The Tower, The Zoo and The Tortoise*
 - *The Buzz at Cannon Coffee* – Thursday, July 23 @ 6 p.m. – *I'm a Stranger Here Myself*
- *Adult Game Night* – Tuesday, July 21 @ 5:45 p.m.
- *Job & Career: Résumé Assistance by Appointment* – Thursdays, July 9 & 23 – Half-hour appointments available between 6-8 p.m. – Call to schedule.
- *Let's Speak English!* – Every Tuesday @ 6:45 p.m. – Non-native English speakers practice their skills by taking part in fun conversations and activities.
- *FREE Power Yoga with Amy* – Every Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m. – Bring your own water, towel and mat.
- *Versus: Monthly Movie Showdown* – Tuesday, July 14 @ 6 p.m. – *Superman versus Man of Steel*.

Visit www.carnegielibrary.org/locations/brookline or call 412-561-1003 for more information.

The Heritage Players Summer Schedule

Enjoy live entertainment at the newly air-conditioned Seton Center Auditorium!

“A Celebration of the Great American Songbook”: Saturday, July 11, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. and Sunday, July 12, 2 p.m. at the Seton Center, 1900 Pioneer Avenue, Brookline. Featured will be classic show tunes over the past decades. \$7 in advance online at www.bphp.org/xu35a or \$10 at the door. For more information about this and all Heritage Player events, visit www.bphp.org

Disney's “Peter Pan, Jr.”: July 31-August 2, and August 7-9 at the Seton Center. Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees are at 2 p.m. \$7 in advance online at www.bphp.org/xu35a or \$10 at the door.

Auditions for the musical, “The Secret Garden”: Sunday August 9, 7 p.m., Seton Center. An additional audition will be held on August 10, 7 p.m., at the Schoolhouse Arts Center, 2600 South Park Road, Bethel Park. Seeking ages 10 to adult. Please prepare a short monologue and song. Performance dates are October 16-18 and 23-25 at the Seton Center.

“Seventh Annual Broadway Revue”: Saturday, August 15, 7 p.m. and Sunday, August 16, 2 p.m. at the Seton Center. Showcasing teen talent with scenes and music from show favorites. \$7 in advance online at www.bphp.org/xu35a or \$10 at the door.

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Old Notes By Old People: Guest Column

by Dan Kaczmariski

First, I'd like to thank Cliff Gorski for lending me his old fogeys spot this month. He'll be back in August and is using his time off to learn how to say "in my generation" in 10 different languages.

Today, I'm going to brighten the day of all Brookline Breeze runners. From here on in you'll have one less competitor to worry about. I'm officially announcing my retirement from competitive running and will be walking instead of running the Breeze.

Now I imagine at least a couple of you are asking yourselves: "So who's he and why should I care?"

Well, I've been running for over 46 years and twice I actually finished first, mainly because the better runners didn't show up. But that's not the point.

The point is I'm hanging up my orthotics because nothing is fair anymore. Everybody and everything is conspiring against us older runners.

For instance, stopwatches. Before I left Brookline 30 years ago, I knew precisely how long it took to run around The Boulevard/Pioneer/McNeilly/Sussex. Timepieces, like all things back then, worked better. Now that I've returned,

every watch I use is faulty and shows more time for the same distance, even though I know from my gasping and aching legs I'm booking it as fast as ever.

Second, these days all other runners are—how can I say this politely—cheating. I used to finish in the top third of every race I entered. Nowadays, the only people behind me are pushing strollers or sucking Newports. It's obvious the competition is juicing some illegal concoction to enhance performance.

Even nature is a culprit. As we know from earthquakes worldwide, the planet is still in flux. Thirty years ago, it was no big deal to lope up West Liberty from Matthew's Bronze to the Boulevard, smiling and humming "My Sharona." Now, it's an ordeal. Clearly, plate tectonics are at work, scrunching Mt. Washington closer to Dormont and flinging West Liberty higher into the air at a steeper angle.

So, my *former* fellow runners, go for it. Enjoy your medallions and trophies. I'll be savoring the Breeze stroll with my grandchildren. And don't get me started about how they've increased the height of every curb and speed bump. But let me show you the scar from the wrist I fractured when I tripped and....

Hey, where's everybody going?

July BASH ON THE BOULEVARD

The BASH ON THE BOULEVARD summer music series continues on Friday, July 31. The bands will be at Gordon's Lounge (Unknown String Band, 9:30 p.m., and The Me Toos, 10:30 p.m.) and the Brookline Pub (Clay McLeod & Pittsburgh Rare EP Release Show, 10 p.m., and Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo, 11 p.m.).

1st Annual Brookline Community Yard Sale

The 1st Annual Brookline Community Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, August 15 from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m., hosted by SPDC. We expect more than 100 houses to participate and sell their wares on their front yards, driveways and in their garages, while residents and visitors stroll and browse for bargains. We anticipate visitors from all over Pittsburgh to attend. For a small fee, sellers register with SPDC in order to be included on the Yard Sale Map and Hot List. In addition to printing the map, registration fees are used for advertising the sale to the Pittsburgh community in newspaper ads, signage, and a banner at the corner of Brookline Blvd and Pioneer Ave.

We have several unique additions to help make your sale a success. First, the Hot List will catalog up to three interesting

items you may have for sale. Second, we will have a donation drop-off area available at the end of the day, so instead of returning your unsold items to storage, sellers can donate them. We will have two information tables set up, one in the Moore Park parking lot and another on Brookline Blvd. where shoppers can pick up maps and hot lists. In addition, we will be hosting two Food Trucks on Brookline Blvd. and the Moore Park parking lot. Please join us to make the 1st Annual Brookline Community Yard Sale a success! Registration form can be found on page 14 or register online at spdc.brookline@gmail.com using a credit card/PayPal.



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It's easy to participate. Register at spdc.brookline@gmail.com using a credit card/PayPal or **return this form and \$15** (checks made out to SPDC) to SPDC, Attention: Community Yard Sale, PO Box 9606, Pittsburgh, PA 15226. Your payment covers advertising and printing costs for maps, signs and address/sale item listings. Form will be accepted through Saturday, August 1st.

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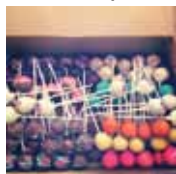
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