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Ben Franklin and the Ben Franklin

WFS welcomed the Philly Tri-State Chapter of the Lymphatic Education & Research Network to the property so they could do a photo shoot of the Ben Franklin Bridge. The bridge was lit in teal for World Lymphedema Day and the photo shoot included good old Ben Franklin himself (Brian Patrick Mulligan). The chapter reached out to WFS via our Facebook page because of our unparalleled views of the bridge and we were happy to help out! Thank you to Stephanie Gross for helping to coordinate the shoot. Learn more at <https://lymphaticnetwork.org/chapters/philly-tristate>

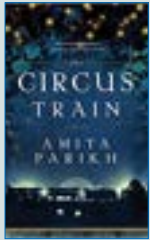
Get Those Burgers Ready!

Dust off those spatulas and basting brushes! It's almost grilling time! A new grill has been purchased and will soon be available to residents Fridays thru Sundays. You'll be able to reserve time slots on BuildingLink. More details coming soon!



Book Club News

The next book club meeting will be Thursday, May 11th at 7PM in the Peninsula Library/Community Room.

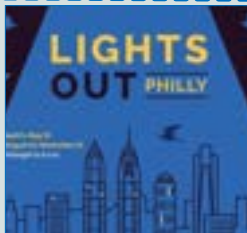


This month's book is ***The Circus Train*** by Amita Parikh. "Lena, crippled by polio as an infant, has traveled around World War II Europe with her father, the headlining illusionist with a dazzling traveling circus. But Lena yearns for the real world magic of science and medicine. When her father and her friend Alexandre are hired to perform in a model town for Jews set up by the Nazis, Lena becomes separated from everything she knows. Forced to make her own way, she must begin to believe in the impossible - herself."

Meetings are open to all residents. All meeting dates and book titles are posted in building elevators and lobbies.

Lights Out Philly

Lights Out Philly and similar programs in other cities are making a difference in bird deaths during the bird migration season. These deaths occur because artificial light causes birds to fly into buildings.



Residents of Waterfront Square can help to protect migratory birds that pass through our community. To do so, kindly ***switch off both interior and exterior lights after 11:00 pm for the next two months (April 1 – May 31)***. If this isn't possible, please minimize the use of interior lighting and close your window treatments.

Learn more at www.birdsafephilly.org

News from the Grounds Committee

Another year, another full grounds committee to-do list! First up - more plantings on the ground floor. The parent board approved plantings on the north and east side of the Regatta which will be installed in the spring.

Turning their attention back to the third floor roof park, the committee recently reviewed two designs created by Apiary Studio for the current putting green area. Although we have the Roof Meadow design for the entire 3rd/4th floor roof park, Apiary Studios was asked to focus on ideas for a firepit seating area and to make recommendations for appropriate hardscaping and plantings. The Committee liked both designs and plans to go back to Apiary Studios to finalize a design based on the top features in each. Some of those features include multiple, intimate seating areas defined by trees and shrubs, native, low maintenance plantings in raised beds, and an overhead shade pergola.



Pergola Option



Stabilized Stone Dust

One of the highlights of the designs was a possible solution to the hardscaping conundrum. Materials such as pavers and decking have been considered in the past, but the cost and the complexity of the installation made those options less than ideal. Apiary Studios suggested a material called stabilized stone dust which is a common material used in many public parks. It is affordable, durable, and meets accessibility guidelines.

Pending final approval by the parent board, the plan is to use a 2-3 year phased approach to the project similar to the ground floor landscaping, with work beginning this year.

I-95 Reconstruction Project

An article in the Spring 2022 newsletter highlighted the next phase of the I-95 reconstruction project (GR5 and GR6) and its impact on our immediate neighborhood. Plans are to replace the I-95 bridges over Spring Garden Street, Fairmount Avenue, Brown Street, and Ellen Street. Penn Dot has scheduled two meetings to review the plans with the community and collect feedback. The same information will be presented at both meetings. For more information, visit 95revive.com.

Meeting #1
April 24, 2023
6-8 p.m.
Cescaphe Ballroom
923 N. 2nd St.

Meeting #2
April 25, 2023
6-8 p.m.
Cherry Street Pier
121 N. Christopher Columbus Blvd.

You're Invited!

The Social Committee has been busy planning the first activity of the year! Come join your neighbors for a wine and cheese night on April 20th. Sign up sheets are available at the front desks of every tower.

The committee also plans to put a survey on BuildingLink in the near future to get a sense of what other types of social activities residents are interested in.

We're looking forward to a full year of events!



News from the Lighthouse Committee

Earlier this year, the Lighthouse committee put a survey on BuildingLink to poll residents on what activities and/or enhancements they'd like to see this year.



By now you've heard the much awaited news - fitness classes will resume this month! In addition to previously offered classes in yoga and body sculpting, water aerobics has been added to the schedule based on the survey results. The schedules will be tweaked based on attendance and private training is available. Schedules and pricing are posted in the elevators and lobbies.

Some other things in the works:

- Paris Fitness, who will be providing the fitness instructors, can also provide massage therapists. Stay tuned for additional information.
- Ten new deck chairs will be purchased to replace damaged ones.
- A Titan Fitness Safety Squat bar was purchased.
- A swim pace clock will be installed.
- Charging stations were placed in the bar area of the fitness center.

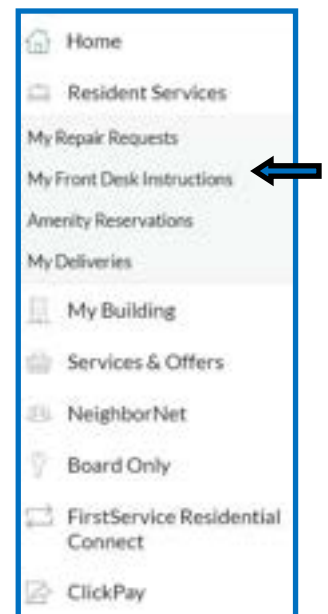
It will be great to enjoy a full, activity-packed season at the Lighthouse and pool deck - two of the most valued amenities at Waterfront Square!

Put BuildingLink to Work!

The new security company hired to staff the guard booth at the front entrance, Allied Universal, has been trained from day one to utilize BuildingLink for your access instructions regarding visitors. The booth attendant will ask your visitor for identification and check it against your instructions.

Using the BuildingLink site to note your access instructions is easy. Log onto BuildingLink and select "My Front Desk Instructions" under "Resident Services". Click "Add New Instruction" to add your visitor's name and specify when that permission expires.

Having these instructions on BuildingLink speeds up your visitor's interaction at the front gate and eliminates the need for the booth attendant to call the front desk for clearance.





**CENTRAL DELAWARE
ADVOCACY GROUP**

The Central Delaware Advocacy Group (CDAG) is an organization composed of a coalition of riverfront civic groups and nonprofits. They are the Delaware River Waterfront Corporation’s (DRWC) primary

civic engagement partner in implementing the Master Plan for the Central Delaware, a framework for establishing a world-class riverfront development along the Delaware. CDAG works with other stakeholders for waterfront development that connects the city to the river and ensures public access. Their board represents both residents and businesses that inhabit the 7-mile Central Delaware riverfront area from Allegheny Avenue to Oregon Avenue. They provide input for residential and commercial development as well as the large, ongoing Penn’s Landing park project that will cap I-95. Speaking of the park project, the DWRC has posted a three-part video series about the history of the Park at Penn’s Landing, the public engagement process, and current renderings of the park. Check it out at www.parkatpennslanding.com/park-design-video-series.

WFS residents, JoAnne Tubman and Earl Weinstein, have volunteered to attend CDAG meetings on behalf of WFS but meetings are open to the general public. They’re held on the second Thursday of the month at Society Hill Towers Community Room (near the mini market) from 6-7:30 pm.

Reef Hallway Renovation



Vestibule Luxury Vinyl Tile.

The Reef Hallway Committee, together with designer Floss Barber, settled on a vision of “fresh neutrals,” for the upcoming hallway renovation project. The color palette includes warm and neutral tones with soft color accents.



Corridor Carpet Pattern.

The main corridors will have soft patterned carpet with two different wallcovering selections for the hallways and elevator lobbies. The existing furnishings at the elevator landings will be replaced with a new console table to anchor the spaces, lamp, and art prints that complement the color palette. All trim will be repainted and unit numbering will be replaced with attractive brass signage.



Unit Numbering

Luxury vinyl plank was selected for the vestibules on floors 2-4 for its ability to withstand heavy foot traffic and carts. Also, the vestibules will have a more colorful wallcovering selection to brighten these spaces. The scope of work includes ceiling tile replacement so the hallway update feels and looks complete.

The project is scheduled to begin in June.