

DARBY-COBBS WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP

Friday, December 17, 2010 | 3:30 – 5:00pm | AchieveAbility Library Room (59 N. 60th Str.)

Notes

3:25 – 3:30	<p>Greetings and Sign-In</p>
3:30 – 3:45	<p>Project Updates</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jenny’s Heroes Grant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCWP will submit after hearing ideas from the PPR community mtg end of January 2011. 2. Cobbs Creek Bird Walk – Saturday, Nov. 20th <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organized by Cobbs Creek West Community Association, Cobbs Creek Environmental Education Center, and the Audubon Society. Very successful. Next one will be Saturday, Dec. 18th, 2010. 3. Achievability’s Spring Break April 25-29th for students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ages 6-14 max 30 kids ○ Group Recommendations for Spring Break Activities include “Philly Things”, Presidents house, GPS hunt in park 4. Laura Sims Skatehouse – In Spring 2011, renovation & construction will begin to enhance the existing building into a year round ice skating facility
3:45 – 3:50	<p>Cobbs Creek Safety Mtg</p> <p>Jean Hunt, <i>Philadelphia Parks & Recreation</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PPR is committed to increasing activity in Cobbs Creek Park. More activity means more people. More people make the park safer. 2. DCWP members will gather information from anyone who cares about Cobbs Creek Park regarding specific details of crime incidents: time, location, frequency, players, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kesho mentioned the cross-jurisdictional policing challenge of people who commit crimes and then run through the park into the adjacent municipality. • We decided to organize a separate safety mtg to hear concerns about stray dogs. 3. Discussion about promoting more teen interactions? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Sports, competition, fashion, things important to that gender B. Grow stewards out of teenagers
3:50-4:00	<p>Cobbs Creek Community Meeting</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PPR has a two tier strategy to increase activity in Cobbs Creek Park: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Program more Park Events (e.g., Movies, Concerts, Bike Club, Nature Walks & Clubs.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starting in April 2011 there will be monthly activities to help promote community involvement in the park and bring more visitors. (PPR can partner with Upper Darby Twp. Recreation Dept. but not take the lead on programming.) b. Infrastructure Changes (e.g., Improving trails, Lights at entrance, Banners, Dog leashing signs, etc.) 2. Discussion about how to create more networking amongst Cobbs Creek groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPR will investigate possibility of public mtg(s) next year to discuss Cobbs Creek Park resources and calendar of events. • Nijah added that focusing outreach within certain interest groups has proven effective.

4:00 – 4:45	<p>Cobbs Creek 5k</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We need to organize a separate Cobbs Creek 5k Planning meeting after New Year 2. If we are not organized by early February, we should consider rescheduling the event 3. Achievability cannot take on fiscal administration of event and therefore Joe Caesar will look into Fairmount Park Conservancy to conduct financial administration.
4:45 – 4:50	<p>Summarize & Review Next Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing reminder to email Khiet your organizational logos and upcoming events
4:50 – 4:55	<p>Announcements & Calendar Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership Calendar: www.phillywatersheds.org/whats_in_it_for_you/events_and_programs • Achievability is now offering Recycling Bins to those interested. Contact Nijah Famous (Nijah.Famous@achieve-ability.org) at Achievability to pick up the bins. • Darby-Cobbs Watershed Partnership website: www.phillywatersheds.org/darbycobbs • Partnership Calendar: www.phillywatersheds.org/whats_in_it_for_you/events_and_programs • Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/ and search for <i>Green City, Clean Waters</i>
4:55 – 5:00	<p>Closing and Schedule next meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tentative Mtg on either Wednesday, January 11th or Thursday, January 12th, from 3-5pm • Community Leaders Meeting will occur in late January 2011 • Jan 22nd meeting for Youth about Skate park • Meeting concerning “Dog” issues in Cobbs to be determined • Holiday Skating at Laura Sims Skate House (63rd and Walnut Sts. in Philadelphia) - Friday, Dec. 24th and Friday, Dec. 31st. - 12 noon - 2 p.m. Free Admission - Gift/Snack Bags to first 100 children. For information: 215-685-1995.

Announcements

Annual Events in the Cobbs Creek

January	February	March	April	May	June
MLK Day (Papa)			23 rd – Love Your park (Fairmount Park) 23 rd – Cobbs Creek 5k		
July	August	September	October	November	December
2 nd Annual Golf Clinic (Friends of Cobbs Creek)	Darby Creek Clean up	Fall into your park (Fairmount Park) Governor Prince Canoe/Kayak Challenge (DCVA) DelCo River Ramble Coast Day	Octrolley Festival (Darby Creek Valley Association) October Fest (60 th Str. West Market Str. Business Association)	Fall for your Park	

Events that need dates

Mitzvah Madness (Friends Central)
Lower Merion Earth Day
Does Upper Darby HS have events??

Who has fundraisers for us to advertise?

1. 60th Street/West Market Street Business Association
2. Cobbs Creek Community Env. Ed. Center
3. Cobbs Creek West Community Association
4. Cobbs Creek Recreation Center
5. Men of Cobbs Creek
6. Morris Park Restoration Association
7. Friends of Cobbs Creek at Callowhill
8. Friends of Mount Moriah
9. Laura Sims SkateHouse Community Foundation
10. Papa Playground
11. Royal Gardens Association