

# Steel Valley Trail Council eNewsletter

Providing the latest news on the Steel Valley Section of the Great Allegheny Passage

## The Pittsburgh Foundation's 2012 Holiday Wish Book



The Pittsburgh Foundation recently released their 2012 Holiday Wish Book that provides opportunities for individuals, families and organizations to make a difference by donating funds to allow local non-profits to purchase tangable items to support their efforts. Only 50 to 60 requests are published each year. For more information, please visit <a href="http://pittsburghfoundation.org/Wish\_Book">http://pittsburghfoundation.org/Wish\_Book</a>.

We are grateful for the **Bessie F. Anathan Charitable Trust of The Pittsburgh Foundation** for fulfilling our wish book item of \$600 for the purchase of a string trimmer that will allow us to trim up to and under the metal fencing that borders our trail. Our maintenance task force is very excited to have this piece of equipment for the upcoming season.

### RTC Annual Retreat (January 26, 2012)

The Regional Trail Corporation will be holding their annual retreat on January 26, 2013, at Bishop Connare Center in Greensburg, PA (map link: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/89gpxhp">http://tinyurl.com/89gpxhp</a>). The registration form is at the end of the eNewsletter. The deadline for reservations is January 17<sup>th</sup> by mailing the RTC office. Please pay in advance since no registrations or meal payments will be accepted at the door.

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# KU Resources, Inc.

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<a href="CorporateMembers.html">CorporateMembers.html</a>

Interested in becoming a sponsor, email us info@steelvalleytrail.org

## **Construction Progress in the Waterfront:**

For those traveling between the former Pittsburgh Burger Company and Costco in the Waterfront, you might have noticed some construction the past few months as the sidewalk was redone and widened for trail traffic. The work on this section is mostly completed (with the exception being at the former Pittsburgh Burger Company since the property is up for sale). Check it out the next time you are in the area. While you are at it, check out the new parking totems at the Pump House and Duquesne trail heads.









## Be Part of the SVTC Event Committee!

The Steel Valley Trail Council (SVTC) is looking for volunteers to join our event planning committee.

The section of trail that cyclists in Pittsburgh have all been waiting for, the "gap" in the Great Allegheny Passage (GAP) Trail, is finally about to be completed. After years of waiting, next summer will see the completion of the trail connecting the Waterfront in Homestead with the Baldwin Borough/South Side Trail and downtown Pittsburgh. So now is the time to celebrate! Help us plan a celebration of the trail to be held early next summer.

If you are interested in promoting the riverfront trails, celebrating this trail completion, or just love planning a party, you are welcome to join us. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@steelvalleytrail.org">info@steelvalleytrail.org</a>.

#### **Upcoming Meeting Notice:**

There was no board meeting in December. Our next board meeting will be January 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM (location TBD). We are meeting on the second Monday of the month in January due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday being on the third Monday.

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The Steel Valley Trail Council is proud to be sponsored by KU Resources. Back in April and September, employees from KU Resources helped to clean and trim vegetation along the trail. On behalf of our members, we would like to thank KU Resources for their continuing support in helping to improve our trail.

See you along the trail!
- Steel Valley Trail Council









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Regional Trail Corporation
Retreat Registration Form
January 26, 2013
Bishop Connare Center (Formerly St. Joseph's Center)
Greensburg, PA

Name				
Address				
Phone and email				
	Breakfast 8:30 am	\$12.50	Total	
	Lunch 11:30 am	\$15.00	Total	
		Grand Total		

If you are registering for BOTH MEALS and registration forms are received in this office by January 17, 2013, you may deduct \$5.00 from your payment.

PLEASE PAY IN ADVANCE. NO REGISTRATIONS OR PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR.

Please make checks payable to Regional Trail Corporation Send to: P.O. Box 95, West Newton, PA 15089

Please call if you have any questions 724-872-5586