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****MEDIA ALERT****

Trenton house and garden tour to benefit 3 youth organizations

TRENTON, N.J.: The Cadwalader Heights Civic Association announced today that it will donate a portion of the proceeds from this year's September 14 historic neighborhood and garden tour to three of the city's most prominent nonprofit youth organizations: the Trenton Circus Squad; the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity's robotics program, and the YMCA of Trenton.

"Trenton is chock full of talented and spirited young people," said Kelly Ingram, house tour co-chair.

"These organizations are three of the many that revel in giving our youth as much opportunity to grow their talents and shine bright. We are steeped in history here in Trenton and these kids, some of the many great young Trentonians, are beacons for an even better Trenton. They are proud Trentonians and we are thrilled for you to meet them as you tour our homes on the 14th."

Teen-agers from all three groups will be present at the tour, showcasing their respective achievements.

The "Cadwalader Heights: 112 Years Young" celebration will showcase 14 beautiful homes and their unique stories, from construction to present day. The historic Trenton neighborhood was conceived and designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, architect of New York City's Central Park.

Members of all three youth organizations will be present at the tour, showcasing their talents.

The Kappa Robotics program, for example, was organized "to provide inner-city youth with an opportunity to interact with positive role models in the development of life skills while exposing them to science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM)," explained Darrell Washington, a fraternity brother and native Trentonian who is uniquely qualified to lead this effort. Washington is a 2013 graduate of Lafayette College with a degree in engineering and is employed as a radiation physicist with the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection.

The robotics program culminates every year with "The Kappa Derby Car Race" competition.

"Seeing the youth in the program fully engaging in STEM is important. Having the brothers mentor the teens with non-STEM topics is equally important. Our inner-city youth must acquire all the fundamental

skills necessary to compete in the 21st century,” Washington says.

Again, a portion of the day’s proceeds will be divided equally among all three youth organizations.

Tour details include

Where: The Trenton, N.J., neighborhood of Cadwalader Heights (bounded by Parkside, Stuyvesant and Bellevue avenues, and Belmont Circle).

When: Saturday, September 14, from noon to 5 p.m.

For the Media: Numerous advance and same-day photo/interview opportunities are available.

For the Public: Tickets are \$20/person in advance on the Cadwalader Heights Neighborhood Association website www.cadwaladerheights.com or can be purchased on the day of the tour for \$25/person at the registration center at the Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie, located in adjacent Cadwalader Park, where there is free parking within easy walking distance of the neighborhood.

Background: The self-guided walking tour will include 14 beautiful homes in the historic Frederick Law Olmsted neighborhood and the Trenton City Museum housed in Ellarslie Mansion in the heart of Cadwalader Park. The theme of “Cadwalader Heights: 112 Years Young” was chosen to reflect a neighborhood of rich diversity and forward vision as it launches into its second century of existence. As part of that theme, this year’s tour is dedicated in part to the youth of Trenton, the city’s future. The neighborhood of Cadwalader Heights is represented by people of wide-ranging interests and accomplishments, living in distinctive homes with an array of architectural styles. These are artists, writers, builders, ministers, designers, information technology professionals, accountants, teachers, realtors, curators, veterans, community activists, and more – all devoted to furthering the greatness of Trenton and the ensuring its future is bright.

Go to www.cadwaladerheights.com for more information.