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Another Convention Center Project scandal?

The Convention Center Authority owns the convention center building. Penn Square Partners (via RACL) is the equitable owner of the Marriott Hotel. And there are certain areas which are owned and operated in common. **So in designing the electric and gas systems, the engineers would arrange for separate utility meters for the three different ownerships. Correct?**

It wasn't done! And, according to a construction and properties manager expert, why it wasn't done makes no sense whatsoever from the view-points of construction expense, maintenance, cost accounting, and operations.

Upon hearing about the problem, *NewsLanc* posed the following question to Kevin Molloy, Executive Director of the Authority.

Question: *"Concerning the three electric meters: Is one for the convention center proper, one for the hotel, and one for the common areas? If not, what areas do each electric meter serve?"*

Response: *"The three meters are not for each ownership proper, hence we are analyzing usage*

so that we can establish a allocation formula for the ownerships."

Molloy also states: *"The topic of utility metering has been discussed at length on several occasions by the Authority Board. We are in the process of analyzing usage so that we can establish a allocation formula that is acceptable to all parties. Once our analysis is completed, we will be in a better position to determine how to fairly and accurately allocate utility expenses among the parties."*

NewsLanc is at a loss to comprehend the reason behind such a radical departure from normal design and good sense which creates such obfuscation concerning cost allocation. It is reasonable to believe that the primary developer, S. Dale High, and Penn Square Partners (the High companies and Lancaster Newspapers, Inc.), were the major voices in such a decision. Our readers can draw their own conclusions concerning what motivated this decision.

EDITORIAL: Videoing worshipers and addicts an outrage!

July 28 *Intelligencer New Era* reports that *"The Rev. Edward Bailey, pastor of Bethel AME, said he will ask the community safety coalition to remove a camera on a utility pole outside his church door. 'We have a right to privacy coming into worship.'"*

There is more than that at stake. For a decade Bethel AME has been the sole source of assistance

to heroin addicts, providing services which prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS and other social diseases and encouraging the entry into treatment. The *Lancaster Newspapers* ran an article several years ago lauding Bailey and his church for such activities.

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So not only is a camera a possible violation of Constitutional freedoms of worship, but it is intimidating to those seeking harm reduction

the United States' and Pennsylvania' assistance and would contribute to a further spread of disease and crime throughout our ar

Free week of professional soccer camp for SD of L students!

Thanks to the McCaskey Booster Club, middle and high school students can registered for a week of intensive soccer camp conducted by soccer professionals from **OneOnOne Soccer**.

The camp will be at McCaskey East from 9:00 – 11:00 AM on August 10 thru 14. There is no charge and those completing the five days of training will receive a free ball and T-shirt.

Registration is open to the first sixty applicants. Spaces yet remain.

Interested SD of L students should fill in the **Registration Form** and submit it per the instructions. A copy is available through a link at the www.NewsLanc.com posting. Or arrive early on August 10th accompanied by a parent of guardian to sign a medical release form. There yet may be room.

This is an extraordinary opportunity for both students as participants and coaches as observers to experience the best in instructions and strenuous work outs.

“Super Bread” Colombian Bakery: Another well-kept secret

By Cliff Lewis

At 47 North Queen, the Super Bread Columbian Bakery sits right under the nose of Penn Square, but nevertheless, many art-walking, market-going, city-loving folks may never have realized that it's there.

This shop might fall out of notice for its marginal position, located on the eastern side of this first block of N Queen—the side that dimly boasts a Rite Aid and Rent-a-Center against the coffee shops and niche boutiques of its western counterpart. But Super Bread chalks one up for the east, providing fresh, unique baked items and representing Lancaster's vital Latino/Hispanic culture on the Downtown scene.

During morning hours, the shop is warm with the aroma of baking breads. Along the wall are dozens of clear boxes, showcasing the creations

of the day. There is a certain heartiness that distinguishes many of these Colombian-style baked goods. Items like the Almojabana (baked cheese ball) and the Pandebono (cheese and egg bread) have a floury crunch on the outer crust and a savory braiding within. The robust Pan de Queso (cheese bread) holds a glossy, chewy crust and a baked sprinkling of cheese.

Sweeter items at Super Bread are light and subtle. The Sweet Whole Wheat Bread comes in dark, round rolls, and is lightly sweetened with a mild, licorice-like hint. The donut-shaped rings of Guava Bread are, again, mildly sugared and filled with a guava jam.

The service is fast, friendly, and marked by a family-owned spirit of hospitality.

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