



NEWS FROM

Commerce Square

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Commerce Square Community

Join us in welcoming our newest tenants!

- The Burns Group
- Make Offices
- Kelly Services
- Siegfried Group

Extending their stay...

- FedEx Office

Holidays / Events

- **President's Day**
Monday, February 15th
- **St. Patrick's Day**
Thursday, March 17th
- **NCAA Tournament / March Madness**
Thursday, March 15th –
Monday, April 4th
*Check out the games on the Media Wall in the courtyard or at Pagano's Market and Bar in Two Commerce Square!



The Most Wonderful Time of the Year at Commerce Square

This past holiday season, Holiday Image, an award-winning visual merchandising company, partnered with building management for the second year in a row to illuminate the Commerce Square lobbies and courtyard. Along with the festive décor, we hope you enjoyed the sounds of the holiday provided by harpist Gloria Galante and Touch of Classics Victorian Carolers.



Touch of Classics Victorian Carolers

The holidays are the time for giving, and it is a tradition at Commerce Square to host various donation drives throughout the season. Participating organizations reported a successful year for donations: a coat drive organized by Commerce Square tenant Gensler collected 92 coats, which all went directly to local Philadelphia shelters; the U.S. Marines received hundreds of care packages



Mike (Security) supporting BOMA's Penny Drive

and toys for Operation Gratitude and Toys for Tots; and proceeds from BOMA's Penny Drive went to the local Red Cross and the Bethesda Project.

We look forward to supporting these organizations again next year. A big thank you to our tenants who went out of their way to donate to these great causes.

Earth Week at Commerce Square – April 18th-22nd

Earth Week is coming in April, and you can help make a difference! According to the Consumer Electronic Association, there are approximately 24 electronic products in every American household. Just think of the number that each business owns... and many upgrade and replace their machines every few years! With technology evolving so quickly, tons (literally!) of outdated e-waste is left lying around our homes and offices. Recycling e-waste conserves natural resources, supports the community, creates employment locally, and helps protect public health and the environment.

During the week of April 18th – April 22nd, large donation bins will be located in each of the building lobbies, where you can drop off any type of e-waste to be recycled. Please contact Candace Ryan (candace.ryan@bdnreit.com) in the Property Management office with any questions. Thank you to all who will participate in our Earth Week e-waste recycling event!



Upcoming Arts & Events in the City

- **Philadelphia Auto Show** – Come visit one of the largest auto shows in the nation—January 30th through February 7th, 2016. This nine day event, held at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, hosts a 700,000 square-foot display floor containing 700 concept, classic, luxury and exotic rides. Visitors can navigate with ease, and get up-close and personal with the latest creations in the automotive industry.
- **Philadelphia International Festival of the Arts 2016** – PIFA is back! The Philadelphia International Festival of the Arts will be showcasing a 15-day celebration of art and community from April 8th - 23rd, 2016 at The Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. Through a variety of compelling performing and visual arts, the Festival will explore how our humanity is developed and challenged by the world we create. Purchase your tickets online to secure a spot at one of these fascinating events today!
- **The Science Behind Pixar** – Interested to find out how a Pixar movie is made? The Science Behind Pixar is an interactive exhibition showcasing the science, technology, engineering, and math concepts used to bring Pixar films to life. A great experience for kids, this exhibition is showcased from March 12th through September 5th, 2016 and has tons of fun, exciting interactive elements.
- **2016 PHS Philadelphia Flower Show** – Come visit the world's largest and oldest indoor flower show from March 4th - 13th at the Philadelphia Convention Center. The Philadelphia Flower Show (PHS) features large-scale gardens, elaborate landscapes, and over-the-top floral creations for any and all to view in awe. A special celebration is planned for this year, with the theme "Explore America", honoring 100 years of the National Park Service. Join more than 260,000 people at the Convention Center in March for some amazing sights and smells.

Local Restaurant Openings

- **Ruth's Chris Steak House**, 1800 Market Street – Relocating to the Sonesta Philadelphia Hotel from its South Broad Street location, this upscale steakhouse is due to open late spring 2016.
- **Naf Naf Grill**, 1919 Market Street – the Middle Eastern quick-serve restaurant will occupy space in the ground floor of the newly-constructed 1919 Market Street building.
- **A Mano**, 2244 Fairmount Avenue – established Philadelphia chef-owner Townsend Wentz opens his second restaurant, a casual Italian BYOB, in the Fairmount neighborhood.
- **Revolution Taco**, 2015 Walnut Street – three locals known for their food trucks team up for this brick-and-mortar restaurant (now open!) serving tacos, burritos and more.

Safety Tip

Winter weather requires preparation for safely navigating your commute and walking through the city sidewalks. Be prepared by reviewing [safety tips](#) on how to manage avoiding slips and falls in the winter.



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