

PITTSBURGH SCRABBLE® TOURNAMENT

- Director** Tom Chang, 412.580.1357; assisted by Diane Schavone and Pat Conley
- When** **Sat., June 9, 2018**
Registration starts at 9:30. Games start at 10:00. Lunch provided after game 3.
Also check out the very popular **Three Rivers Arts Festival**, 10 days of great **FREE** entertainment for the whole family (<https://traf.trustarts.org/>), on Friday or Sunday.
- Where** Imperial House, **5600 Munhall Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15217** [Map it](#)
Limited parking in front of the building. If you park in front, be sure to sign in to avoid getting towed.
Alternate parking on the right side of Imperial Dr. as you head down the hill.
In the foyer, call 066 on the wall phone to get buzzed in and take the right hallway to the very end.
- Format** **7 games, fully-rated, 2-4 divisions, limited to 40 total players**
Pairings at director's discretion, probably RR or modified RR + KOH. Gibson rule in effect.
Collins division with 5-point challenge penalty, if at least 4 players register.
See <http://www.cross-tables.com/> for list of registrants. Play-up may be requested.
- Fee** **\$35 if payment received by May 27, \$45 if received by June 6, \$50 cash at door**
Must be a current NASPA member (join/renew at <http://scrabbleplayers.org/w/Membership>).
Cancellations: Full refund until June 6.
- Prizes** All entry fees, less expenses, will be awarded as prizes (top 25-30% plus bonus prizes).
We anticipate that 80-85% of fees will go toward prizes and lunch.
- Food** **Lunch and snacks will be provided** (pasta and salad).
- "Swing"** Among registered players, the first to volunteer to be the swing player will play only to even the field. If the swing person plays, \$20 of the entry fee will be refunded. If s/he does not play, the full fee will be refunded plus an additional \$5. (If there is no swing player and the director plays to even the field, the director will not pay a registration fee, nor accept any prizes.)
- Lodging** Reasonable local hotels: Hampton Inn-Waterfront 412.462.4226, Holiday Inn Express-Munhall 412.205.3904, Holiday Inn Express-South Side 412.488.1130. Since this is during the busy **Three Rivers Arts Festival**, we suggest reserving early.
The director and his wife are happy to host a few players at their home, first-come, first-served; preference given to those who haven't stayed with them before (to spread the joy).

Registration Options:

- Email the info below to tscjiv@gmail.com. Then pay registration fee with cash (at our weekly club meetings or at the door) or with Zelle (most major banks offer this payment service) to 412.580.1357 or tscjiv@gmail.com **OR**
- Mail this form and a check payable to Thomas Chang to: 4 Old Timber Trail, Pittsburgh, PA 15238

Name _____ Email _____

Cell phone _____

- \$45 if received by 6/6 deduct \$10 if received by 5/27 = **TOTAL \$ _____**
Lexicon: TWL only Collins only Either, but prefer TWL Either, but prefer Collins
 I am interested in being the "swing" player (see above)

DIRECTIONS

From the West (Wheeling, Columbus, Indianapolis)

Take I-70 East to Washington, PA. Take Exit 18 (Pittsburgh) to I-79 North. Take Exit 59A (Pittsburgh) to I-376 East. Pass downtown Pittsburgh and take Exit 74 (Squirrel Hill, Homestead). Follow Last Mile Directions below.

From the Northwest (Cleveland, Michigan)

Travel east on the Ohio Turnpike, which becomes the PA Turnpike. Take Exit 28 (Pittsburgh) to I-79 South. Take Exit 72 (Pittsburgh) to I-279 South. Take Exit 8A (Veterans Bridge) to I-579 South. Pass downtown Pittsburgh and take Exit on right (Oakland, Monroeville) "to I-376 East" via Blvd of the Allies. Take Exit for I-376 East on right. Take Exit 74 (Squirrel Hill, Homestead). Follow Last Mile Directions below.

From the North (Erie, Buffalo)

Take I-90 West to Erie, PA, then I-79 South. Take Exit 72 (Pittsburgh) to I-279 South. Take Exit 8A (Veterans Bridge) to I-579 South. Pass downtown Pittsburgh and take Exit on right (Oakland, Monroeville) "to I-376 East" via Blvd. of the Allies. Take Exit for I-376 East on right. Take Exit 74 (Squirrel Hill, Homestead). Follow Last Mile Directions below.

From the East and Southeast (DC, Baltimore, Philadelphia)

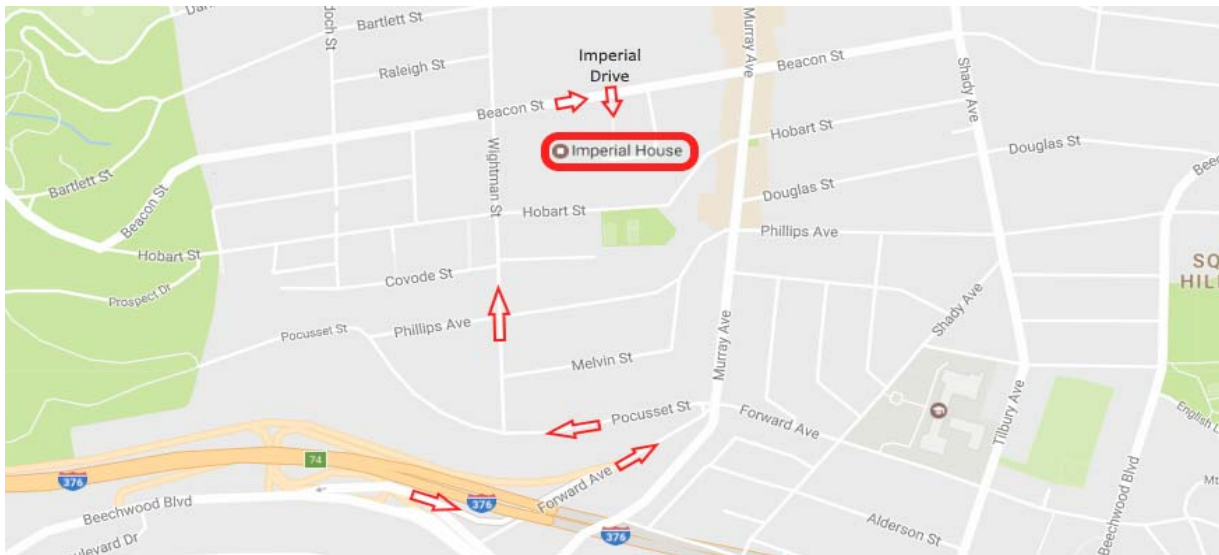
Make your way to the PA Turnpike at Breezewood, PA. Take the PA Turnpike to Exit 57 (Pittsburgh) to I-376 West. Take Exit 74 (Squirrel Hill, Homestead), which curves left over I-376 and then back toward the east. Follow Last Mile Directions below.

From the South (Morgantown, Charleston)

Take I-79 North. Take Exit 59A (Pittsburgh) to I-376 East. Pass downtown Pittsburgh and take Exit 74 (Squirrel Hill, Homestead). Follow Last Mile Directions below.

"Last Mile" Directions

Take 1st left onto Forward Ave. At 1st light, take very sharp left onto Pocusset St. Take first right onto Wightman St., 5th right onto Beacon St., and 1st right onto Imperial Dr. Turn right at the top of the hill to Imperial House.



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