

# BUTCHERS HILL

APRIL 2015



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BHA PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors,

Recently, I had the joyful experience of celebrating my mother-in-law's 100th birthday with her, along with many family members and friends. It was wonderful to hear her stories and to look through photographs and mementos from her life. When we were saying goodbye, she told me the story of something that happened when my husband was six months old that she doesn't think she has ever shared with anyone before.

The reason I bring this up here is that we are so lucky to live in a neighborhood that is still diverse in terms of age and length of time living here. It is important to relate the stories of the past and to learn our shared history from those that witnessed it firsthand.

When I moved to Butchers Hill, Abe had lived on our street for over seventy years and Jean around the corner had been here even longer. They could tell us stories of how the neighborhood and city had changed in their lifetime. All we had to do was ask.

I encourage each of you to reach out to your neighbors and trade life stories. We will be having a stoop meeting in May. I hope everyone comes out with a story to share. (And if you would like to be a host, see the article later in the newsletter.)

I want to offer a huge thank you to Teresa Anders who has been doing the layout for our newsletter for the last year—even after she moved away from Butchers Hill! Her life has become increasingly busy, so she is going to pass on the layout duties to others. Thank you Teresa, for all your time, hard work and creativity!



Take care of yourselves  
and each other,  
-Beth Braun  
President



## SPRING CLEANUP & DUMPSTER

*Rain or Shine - to Make Butchers Hill Shine!*

**Sat., April 25, 9am-noon: Spring Cleanup & First Dumpster** - Stormwater credits available to all participants. Start right outside your front door or join neighbors at Fairmount & Chester, where the dumpster will be placed. Please bring your own gloves, as well as brooms and trash bags. Tools will be borrowed from the Friends of Patterson Park (thanks Friends!) and a limited number of large paper bags will be available from the city. If you need debris picked up during the cleanup time (please keep it light) call 410-371-8346 with your location and be ready to help get it into the truck.

### Volunteers Needed For:

- Taking pictures
- Providing/driving truck or van
- Helping with the cookout

To volunteer, call the number above or email:

[Andrewcrummey@gmail.com](mailto:Andrewcrummey@gmail.com).

BHA will host a volunteer-appreciation cookout at noon in Castle Street Park, next to Reilly's Pub on Fairmount Ave., for all who come out to improve our neighborhood.

### Butchers Hill Flea Market

needs someone to learn the food booth operation—ideally someone with food service experience. We will train during the May 9 event for the fall flea market. The food booth is a big part of the fund raising effort.

We also need help distributing posters to local businesses mid-April. Contact Ray Hofmann at [rayhofmann@aol.com](mailto:rayhofmann@aol.com) or 410-960-1809.

**REMINDER:** Spaces (15'x15' space for \$30) go on sale on April 1. See [ButchersHill.org](http://ButchersHill.org) or call 410-558-0149. Don't delay--spaces sell out quickly!

# APRIL 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> BHA Meeting Flea Market spaces on sale	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Good Friday No Trash / Recycling Pickup	<b>4</b> Passover at sundown Make up day Trash / Recycling
<b>5</b> Easter Farmers Market opens	<b>6</b> Flea Market	<b>7</b> Streetscape	<b>8</b> COP	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Eastern Orthodox Easter (bell ringing at midnight )	<b>13</b> Land Use	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Crime Prevention	<b>16</b> House Tour	<b>17</b> NL Deadline	<b>18</b> Spring into Art (PPPCS) Privateer Festival
<b>19</b> Pagoda Opens Privateer Festival	<b>20</b> Flea Market	<b>21</b> Executive Committee	<b>22</b> Earth Day COP PP Baseball Opening Day	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Community Cleanup & Dumpster
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Baltimore Farmers Market &amp; Bazaar</b> opens Sunday, April 5, 7am, under I83 at Fayette St. & Fallsway.	

## 2015 SAVE THE DATES:

<b>April 25</b> – Spring Cleanup & Dumpster	<b>July 10</b> - Potluck Picnic	<b>Oct. 11</b> – BHA House Tour
<b>May 9</b> – Spring BHA Flea Market	<b>Aug.</b> – Teachers Breakfast	<b>Nov.</b> – Art Night: Shop & Schmooze
<b>June 7</b> – Garden Tour & Art Along the Way	<b>Sept. 12</b> – Fall BHA Flea Market	<b>Dec. 6</b> – Holiday Potluck
	<b>Oct. 3</b> – Fall Cleanup & Dumpster	

### BH COMMITTEES & CHAIRS:

	NEXT MEETING:
BH CITIZENS ON PATROL (COP)     Evan Helfrich <i>ubik14@netscape.net</i> 410-342-2148	Meeting 2nd & 4th Wed. of the month, 7:30pm, at the intersection of Patterson Park Ave. and Lombard St.
CRIME PREVENTION     Carolyn Boitnott <i>c.boitnott@verizon.net</i> 410-522-4991	Wed., April 15, 7pm - 2105 E. Baltimore St. Meets on the third Wed. of the month
EXECUTIVE     Beth Braun <i>butchershillpresident@gmail.com</i>	Tues., April 21, 7pm - TBD 240-353-6333
FLEA MARKET     Ray Hofmann <i>rayhofmann@aol.com</i>	Mon., April 6 and April 20, 7pm - 232 S. Patterson Park Ave.
LAND USE     Virgil Bartram <i>Virgil@ArchUV.com</i> 410-327-4964	Mon., April 13, 7pm - Meeting at the White House in Patterson Park
STREETSCAPE     Andrew Crummey <i>andrewcrummey@gmail.com</i>	Tues., April 7, 7pm - 120 S. Chester St. Interested in affecting positive changes in our BH neighborhood? Join us!
HOUSE TOUR     Sue Noonan <i>suenon@cavetel.net</i> Dee Lundelis <i>deelundilus@gmail.com</i>	Tues., April 16, 7pm - 2029 E. Pratt St.

### \*HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF

Now through October, on the first Friday and Saturday of each month, bring household hazardous waste to the Northwest Convenience Center at 2480 Sisson St., 9am to 5pm. For a complete list of items that can be disposed go to <http://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/Recycling/HouseholdHazardousWaste.aspx>.

### CHAP BLOCKS IN BUTCHERS HILL

The Land Use Committee reminds homeowners in the 2100 and 2200 blocks of E. Baltimore St. and the 2200 block of E. Pratt St. that you live in a City Historic District. All plans for exterior work, including painting and new window installations, must be submitted to CHAP and the Butchers Hill Land Use Committee. Contact Virgil Bartram at 410-327-4964 or CHAP at 410-396-4866 if you have questions.

**For a new neighbor packet or more information about Baltimore's Friendliest Neighborhood, visit [www.ButchersHill.org](http://www.ButchersHill.org)**

**APRIL BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING:** Wed., April 1 at St. Andrew Church hall, Lombard & Chester Sts., enter on Lombard St. Hear from our two city councilmen: Jim Kraft and Warren Branch. Next election for city council is November, 2016.

## **WE NEED STOOPS**

The BHA general meeting on May 6 will be a stoop meeting (yippee)! We need volunteers to host. If you would like to participate in this casual meeting by opening your front stoop for conversation and refreshments, please contact Emily Augustine at *emily.augustine@gmail.com*, or by phone at 516-662-2586. The BHA will provide the beverages.

## **AND WE NEED GARDENS**

### ***GARDEN TOUR WITH ART ALONG THE WAY***

One of our most enjoyable fundraisers for everyone involved—gardeners, artists, and visitors alike—is coming soon. We still need a couple of garden spaces (small is wonderful, container gardening is great!) to make this event a success. Please consider volunteering your garden or suggesting a garden location that you know is great. We welcome all volunteers! Contact Joe Rehak at 410-967-9578 or *jrehak@lightspeedsystems*.

## **AND WE NEED HELP**

We are looking for a new database-based program to keep track of memberships, email newsletters, and store contact information for other people/groups with whom the association has a relationship. The system must be able to be accessed by multiple people. If you have suggestions, please email *butchershillpresident@gmail.com*.

if anyone is interested in providing material for the newsletter—historical pieces, human interest, whatever would be of interest—please contact us at *bhanewsletter@gmail.com*.

## **AUDUBON ADVENTURES**

### ***Patterson Park Audubon Center***

Is your garden bird-friendly? Let Audubon help you with wildlife gardening tips and apply for a colorful Audubon recognition sign for your garden.

Consider volunteering to assist in our outdoor classroom, the native habitat gardens and indoors behind-the-scenes preparations. Adults and students welcome. For more information, call 410-558-2473 or email *PPAudubon@gmail.com*.

## **PATTERSON PARK EVENTS**

**Sun., April 19, noon, Pagoda opening.** The Pagoda is free and open to the public Sundays 12-6pm, Apr 19 - Oct 11, weather permitting.

**Sat., April 25, 11am-2pm, Dia del Niño (Kid's Day)** This free, family-friendly event is hosted by the El Cosejo Hispano (Friends of Patterson Park's Hispanic Council) for all to enjoy. There will be crafts, entertainment, piñatas and more. We need donated books for the kids. Drop off children's books at 27 S. Patterson Park Ave by April 20 to be distributed at Dia del Niño. (rain date April 26)

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

**Sat, April 4, 8am** - Boat lake clean up

**Sat April 18, 9:30am** - Playground clean up and social. (kid-friendly)

**Sat April 18, 9am** - Help the Tree Team mulch and weed trees.

**Sat April 19, 9:30am** - Join the Pagoda Team in maintaining the gardens and the area around the Pagoda.

For more information or to volunteer, call 410-276-3676 or email *volunteer@pattersonpark.com*.

## **FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS: PATTERSON PARK MASTER PLAN**

There will be two more public meetings with regard to the Patterson Park master plan. The first will be Wed., June 24, 7-9pm at the Patterson Park Public Charter School cafeteria to gather feedback on the draft recommendations. And the final public meeting will be Tue., Oct. 20, 7-9pm at the same location to view the final plan. To view proposals in English, go to *www.pattersonparkmasterplan.weebly.com*, or *www.pattersonparkplanmaestro.weebly.com* to view the information in Spanish. Also, the seasonal survey will continue during the spring and summer months. Volunteers are needed to help conduct the surveys. Please consider volunteering. It's fun! Contact Yijing at *guiliahe@umd.edu* or Kate at *kate.brower@baltimorecity.gov*.

## NEWS FROM THE TWO K-8 SCHOOLS BHA SUPPORTS

### Commodore John Rodgers –

The CJR National Academic League team is the citywide Intermediate Champion! It was a close game but they came from behind to beat the worthy competitor Hamilton, 51-47. The team was guided to victory by coaches Ariosa and Wexler. There were many standout performances at the championship, including: Nicholas Kophengnavong (7th grade) and three-year players Kathryn Jagelka, Joshua Brown and Mikea Brown (8th graders).

Like baseball? Come cheer on CJR's two teams, playing every Tues., Wed. and Thur., 4-5pm starting April 21 on the Patterson Park ball fields. Spectators make all the difference to our young players!



### Patterson Park Public Charter School –

**Sat. April 18, 6pm.** Annual **Spring Into Art** fundraiser. This is a great way to get great art for your home or as gifts. A \$50 ticket gets you into the gallery for the silent auction, where you also will enjoy live music, open bar and heavy hor d'oeuvres. Visit [www.pppcs.org/spring-into-art](http://www.pppcs.org/spring-into-art) to buy tickets and to find volunteer and donation information.

Using funds donated by BHA, the 8th grade robotics team won the Maryland State Championship in Feb. and will go on to compete in the World Competition in Louisville, KY, April 15-19.

Younger students won 3rd place in the JH Black History Month Competition, and Mr. Glotfelty's science class' frog dissection was recorded by NPR.

## BELLS & PROCESSION AT MIDNIGHT

St. Andrew Orthodox Church, where the Butchers Hill Association holds our monthly meetings and holiday potluck dinner, will be celebrating Easter by ringing the church bells for fifteen minutes while they conduct a procession around the church. They also have two fundraisers coming up: a flea market (May 30) and golf tournament (June 5). Please consider supporting their events.

### PRIVATEER FESTIVAL

**April 18 & 19, 10am-6pm**, 800 S. Broadway. Crafts, food, market, live music and children's activities – including a free inflatable pirate ship slide.

More information available at their website, [www.fellspointmainstreet.org/privateer](http://www.fellspointmainstreet.org/privateer).

### SPRING BREAK MAKE & TAKE WORKSHOPS

**April 7-10, 2-4pm** at the American Visionary Arts Museum, for ages 7 & up, \$5 fee, call 410-244-1900 for more information.

### HUNT VALLEY SPRING FESTIVAL

**April 12, 11am-4pm**, Features Ravens players, music, beer/wine garden, home garden & kid activities--and you can get there by light rail.

### SPRING WILDFLOWER WALK

**April 26, 10am-noon**, at Robert E. Lee Park, 1000 Lakeside Dr. Start at the ranger station to see many native species. For more information, go to [www.roborteleepark.org](http://www.roborteleepark.org).

### THE AFRICAN COLLECTION AT THE BMA OPENS

**April 26, 11am-5pm**, Artist demos for all ages, festive music. 10 Art Museum Dr., [www.artbma.org](http://www.artbma.org).



To receive monthly newsletters via email contact: [ktyhack@gmail.com](mailto:ktyhack@gmail.com)

### BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to serve on a committee? \_\_\_\_\_ Which: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you interested in volunteering at BHA events? \_\_\_\_\_

Annual dues (Jan. thru Dec.) are \$10 per person, \$6 for seniors and low-income. Now we can pay our Butchers Hill Association dues via PayPal online! Log on to [www.butchershill.org](http://www.butchershill.org) and click on "Join BHA," then "Renew" or "Application." If you want to pay by cash or check, make checks payable to the Butchers Hill Association and send/deliver to BHA, 27 S Patterson Park Ave., Baltimore, MD 21231.