

BUTCHERS HILL

JULY 2015



BETH BRAUN
BHA PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors,

I hope you all have the BHA picnic/potluck on your calendar for Fri., July 10. Information is in the article to the right. This is definitely a family-friendly event for the entire neighborhood. (You don't even have to have paid your dues!)

Looking ahead to the rest of the summer, the August meeting will have a sustainability theme. Details about speakers will be in the next newsletter.

In September, we will have another stoop meeting. If you are interested in volunteering to host on your stoop, please contact Emily at emily.augustine@gmail.com, or by phone at 516-662-2586.

Next time you are strolling through the neighborhood, check out the greening work done on the 100 block of S. Chester. Thanks to Andrew, the streetscape committee, and the other volunteers that helped turn concrete into grass. (Okay, dirt with grass plugs today—but grass soon.)



Also, a huge thank you to the neighbors that captured pictures of the roof-top thief, and everyone that called in to report him, as well as the other man that was recently breaking into houses. While it is certainly horrible that we have thieves preying on us, isn't it wonderful that both were caught directly as a result of our neighbors' actions?

If you have pictures from the neighborhood or any neighborhood events (I'm now referring to pictures of non-criminal activities),

feel free to send them to bhanewsletter@gmail.com so we can use them in a future issue.

Take care of yourselves and each other, Beth



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BUTCHERS HILL'S ANNUAL JULY PICNIC

Fri., July 10, 6:30-8:30pm

Everyone is invited... it's a wonderful opportunity to see old friends and to meet new ones. The Association provides the meat/entrée and drinks, so please plan to bring salads, sides, or dessert for 6-8 people. We are also in need of people to set up at 4:30pm or to tear down after the event. If you'd like to volunteer please contact Tori at torisimms.bha@gmail.com or 410-209-9677. See you in Halcott Square, our lovely Butchers Hill pocket park, located on S. Duncan St. between Lombard and Pratt Sts.

HELP SAVE THE BHA FLEA MARKET & CRAFT FAIR

A job change is taking our beloved flea market committee co-chairs away from Baltimore. They have created a well-oiled team that now needs a new leader, or co-leaders, to set and call meetings, and to supervise the organization of the flea market and the food booth. There are extensive records to detail exactly what is expected. Some of the tasks can be done in front of a computer at times that are convenient for your busy life.

The spring and fall flea markets earn major funds that are used by the Butchers Hill Association to build our neighborhood and to contribute to local non-profits that enhance our quality of life. Without a chairperson, this event will not be able to continue in 2016. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Tori at 410-209-967 or at torisimms.bha@gmail.com, or Ray at 410-960-1809, or come to the July 6 meeting at 232 S. Patterson Park Ave. If you think you know someone who might serve in this capacity, please pass this on to let him or her know.

Baltimore's Friendliest Neighborhood!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 WTMD First Thursdays - free concert	3 * City/State/Federal Holiday	4 Independence Day
5	6 Flea Market Committee	7 Streetscape - Ash Tree Walk	8 COP	9 House Tour Meeting	10 BHA Potluck Picnic	11 *
12 * Concert in Patterson Park	13 Land Use Committee Meeting	14	15 Crime Prevention Com Meeting	16	17 July newsletter deadline ARTSCAPE	18 ARTSCAPE
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*Other events in July: July: No household hazardous waste collection July 3: Trash/Recycling will be collected.		July 11 & 12: Polish Festival (Timonium Fairgrounds) July 12: Concert in Patterson Park - Rumba Club		July 21: Concert in Patterson Park - Victoria Vox and the Unified Jazz Ensemble July 25 & 26: German Festival (Timonium Fairgrounds)		

BUTCHERS HILL COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

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., July 15, 7pm - 2105 E. Baltimore St. Meets on the third Wed. of the month
EXECUTIVE	Beth Braun <i>butchershillpresident@gmail.com</i>	Mon., July 20, 7pm, TBD 240-353-6333
FLEA MARKET	Ray Hofmann <i>rayhofmann@aol.com</i>	Mon., July 6, 7pm 232 S. Patterson Park Ave.
LAND USE	Virgil Bartram <i>Virgil@ArchUV.com</i> 410-327-4964	Mon., July 13, 7pm - Meeting at the White House in Patterson Park
STREETSCAPE	Andrew Crummey <i>andrew.crummey@gmail.com</i>	Tues., July 7, 7pm - 120 S. Chester St. Interested in affecting positive changes in our BH neighborhood? Join us!
HOUSE TOUR	Sue Noonan <i>suenoon@cavtel.net</i> Dee Lundelis <i>deelundelius@gmail.com</i>	Thur., July 9, 7pm - 2029 E. Pratt St.

2015 SAVE THE DATES:

Aug. – Teachers Breakfast
Sept. 12 – Fall BHA Flea Market
Oct. 3 – Fall Cleanup & Dumpster
Oct. 11 – BHA House Tour
Nov 11. – Art Night: Shop & Schmooze
Dec. 6 – Holiday Potluck

DPW REMINDER – No plastic bags | should be included in recycling. | Do not put recyclables in a plastic bag or put plastic bags in recycling. | They cause conveyor problems at the recycling center. Instead, recycle plastic bags at your local grocery store. |

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.

JULY BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING: No business meeting this month.

Everyone is invited to the annual BHA Potluck Picnic on Friday, July 10. See article on Page 1 for details.

GARDEN TOUR THANK YOUS

Please patronize the local businesses and neighbors that supported Butchers Hill by advertising in the Garden Tour guide booklet: Poor Boys Garden & Sports, Dundalk Florist, and Greenfields (all three gave the gardeners discounts); The Life of Reilly, Salt, and Grace's Acre (local eateries); realtors, Craig Thomson and Peter Sowa, and Long & Foster Realtors; lawyers, Jaworski & Gorius and Daniel Sussman; woodworkers, Mark Supik & Co., architect, Virgil Bartram; computer solutions, Joe Rehak (Light Speed Systems); and other neighboring businesses: RoofTop Hot Market, Nicholas' Fleet Street Shell, Langermann's, Meyer Seed Company, Pinehurt Landscape Company, and Lombard Glass.

And a big thank you to our gardeners whose efforts made this BHA fund raiser a success: Liz, Maxine, Jennifer, Roman, Ann, Rox & Joe, Sharon & David, Barry & Dee, Pete & Erin, Sandy, Nancy & Mark, and Ted & Emile. Talk about sweat-equity! We are also grateful to our artists for adding that unique touch: Athba, Monica, Megin, Patti, Roxanne, Cinder, Kini, Laura, Diane, Lily, Kenny, and Mark. Special thanks to Martha, whose art graces the poster and tour booklet; Patty, whose layout made the tour booklet a joy to use and keep; and to those who volunteered their time, energy, and donations to make the Garden Tour and a success.



FRIENDS OF PATTERSON PARK FREE CONCERT SERIES ON PAGODA HILL

Sun., July 12, 6:30pm (rain date Wed., July 15) - Rumba Club

Tues., July 21, 6:30pm (rain date Wed., July 22) - Victoria Vox and the Unified Jazz Ensemble

***WTMD FIRST THURSDAYS
FREE CONCERTS AT CANTON WATERFRONT PARK***
Thurs., July 2, 6:30pm - Houndmouth, Scars on 45, Ryley Walker

FREE MUSIC & FILMS ON THE SQUARE IN FELS POINT

Every Wednesday July 8 through Aug. 26

NEWS FROM OUR TWO K-8 SCHOOLS

Patterson Park Public Charter School -

Free books, breakfast, and lunch are available at Patterson Park Public Charter School this summer. A "Little Free Library" was constructed by the kindergarten and is located in the Lakewood courtyard. A book may be borrowed and donations accepted. Children aged birth through 18 may get breakfast (at 8:30 am) & lunch (at 11:30 am) at the cafeteria. Enter at the Baltimore Street door.

The charter school is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year! Save September 19 from 1-4pm for a community celebration.

Commodore John Rodgers -

Congratulations to the Commodore John Rodgers' boys' lacrosse team for winning the 2015 Baltimore City Middle School Lacrosse Championship, capping off an undefeated season with a 6-3 victory over Roland Park. The girls' team was a close contender as well.



CULTURAL EXCHANGE IN YOUR HOME

The World Trade Center Institute (WTCI) is organizing a rewarding and fun program for thirteen high school students from Mexico (ages 15-18) and is looking for home-stay families from July 20 until August 1. WTCI arranges transportation. Students have breakfast and dinner in the home, and have meetings during the day to learn about youth empowerment and community development practices. All students speak English and are competitively selected by the U.S. State Department. Families of all sizes and ethnic backgrounds are encouraged to apply. A spare bedroom is required and willingness to involve your guest in some of your family activities. This could be an enriching experience for you and your family while making a difference in the life of a Mexican youth. For more information, please contact Natalia Rocha at natalia@wtci.org or 410-576-0022, ex 116, or Nina Bankova at nina@wtci.org or 410-576-0022, ex 103.

INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENTS

July 4 Fireworks & More

Sat., July 4 - Enjoy the fireworks from a deck in Butchers Hill at 9:30pm, play in the Baltimore Beach Volleyball Tournament at noon, enjoy the reopening of the Washington Monument at the Monumental Bicentennial in Mount Vernon from 8:30am-5pm, visit the Inner Harbor Amphitheater for live music from the U.S. Navy Cruisers Band at 7pm, or join the Picnic at the Top of the World Trade Center from 7-10pm (www.viewbaltimore.org). If fireworks are canceled due to weather, they will take place Sun., July 5, at 9:30pm.

Free at Fort McHenry: July 4th Celebration - The Glorious Fourth!

Sat., July 4 - This daylong event includes flag talks, musket firing, and a celebration with toasting and songs. At 3pm, there will be a public reading of the Declaration of Independence.

U.S. Army Tattoo!

Sun., July 5, 2pm - Join the U.S. Army Old Guard, Continental Color-Guard and Fort McHenry Guard for a stirring performance! Precision drill, music, and living history make each program unique and memorable...be part of one of the oldest ceremonies in Baltimore City! Over 100 years ago, Baltimore residents spent Saturday evenings watching the military review of soldiers at Fort McHenry and the tradition lives on today. Every ceremony ends with the folding of the 30' x 42' Star-Spangled Banner flag and the firing of one of the fort's guns. 410-962-4290, www.nps.gov/fomc.

AND OTHER THINGS TO DO IN JULY

Patterson Park Pool

Mon. to Sat. noon-7pm, Sun./Holiday 1-6pm, Code Red Days 7pm-dusk. Pool closes 12-12:30pm and 3:30-4pm for inspection. See the schedule for Early Bird Lap Swim, Lap Swim, Learn-to-Swim, and special events. \$2 per visit or season pass \$30. On Facebook at *Patterson Park Public Pool*, call 443-577-2618, or visit pattersonpark.com/places_in_the_park/swimming-pool/.

34th Annual ARTSCAPE - Still Free!

July 17-19 - Visit www.artscape.org for festival information, including a new app to help make the most of the experience. You can also follow the goings-on with *@ArtscapeBmore* on Twitter and *#artscape2015* on Instagram.

Baltimore Restaurant Week

July 24 - August 2 - Participating restaurants will offer \$15 pre-fixe lunches and \$20 or \$30 pre-fixe dinner options. Browse menus, make reservations and more at BaltimoreRestaurantWeek.com.

Cultural Festivals at Timonium Fairgrounds

July 11 & 12 - Polish Festival, \$8 (\$7 seniors & military w/ ID, 12 and under free).

July 25 & 26 - German Festival, \$8 (\$6 seniors & military w/ ID, under 12 w/ adult free), 11am-10pm Sat., 11am-6pm Sun.



TAKING CARE OF YOUR TREES

Trees cool the air through shade and transpiration while providing oxygen, air cleaning, and noise baffling. Watering once or twice weekly at a slow trickle for about an hour between 9pm and 8am causes deep root production for draught tolerance. Over watering depletes oxygen in the soil roots need. Don't over mulch--not over 4" and not against tree trunk (think donut shape).

Do place 2-4" mulch over whole tree pit to reduce water evaporation, supply nutrients, and keep roots cool in summer and warm in winter. Do not put competing plants around tree base.



To receive monthly newsletters via email contact: 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 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.