

BUTCHERS HILL



ANDREW CRUMMEY
BHA PRESIDENT

Neighbors-

Summer is in full swing; I hope everyone is getting outdoors and engaging with all that our neighborhood and city have to offer.

I want to thank our hosts and all those that attended our June Stoop Sitting event. It was great to see such a diverse group of neighbors including all of the kids enjoying the event. I encourage everyone to take time to be out in front of your home and engage with your neighbors

for our scheduled events or on a random nice summer evening. Neighbor engagement and eyes on the street are what will strengthen our neighborhood and reduce crime. Our Eyes on the Street committee took that concept one step further and hosted a movie night on June 30 in Castle Street Park. If we want safe and positive parks, then we need to use the park in safe and positive ways.

One of our goals for the stoop sitting is to move neighbors through different parts of our neighborhood; one of the goals of the summer potluck picnic is to bring everyone together in one location. July 14 we will be hosting our summer potluck picnic in Halcott Square on Duncan Street. This is another great opportunity to eat, drink, and get to know our neighbors.

Our fundraising committee has compiled the top vote recipients for the neighborhood projects to be funded directly by you. Please take the time and consider donating to the Butchers Hill Association directly. We live in a beautiful neighborhood that countless volunteer hours and engaged neighbors have helped build. As we look to the future, projects like lighting, crime reduction and

greening can truly enhance the feel and character of where we live.

Stay cool and enjoy your summer.

Andrew



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JULY 2017

ANNUAL BHA POTLUCK PICNIC

Halcott Square Park (100 S. Duncan)

Friday, July 14, 6:30-8:30pm

Everyone is welcome! Please bring a side dish or dessert to serve at least eight people, and join in on the fun! Meet new neighbors and catch up with old friends. BHA will provide hot dogs, burgers (including veggie), and beverages. We need six volunteers for setup from 4:30-6:30pm & clean up after, as well as use of a truck to get the tables and canopies from the Friends of Patterson Park white house and then back after the picnic. Please contact Brenna Swider at bmswider@yahoo.com or 571-926-1700 if you can help.

YOUR VOTES ARE IN! AND THE WINNERS ARE...

Thank you to everyone who voted for the initiatives that our neighborhood will focus on this year. As you know, in addition to our regular neighborhood fundraising activities like the flea market, house tour, etc., we are raising funds to support new programs that you selected like an "Eyes On The Street" safety initiative, outdoor movie nights, and more.

If you would like to support these new programs, you can sign up to donate at www.butchershill.org/giving. We've revived an awesome old neighborhood map/sketch as the artwork for a limited edition t-shirt for anyone who signs up at the \$10/month level or above (or a one-time donation of \$120).

The winning initiatives are:

- Eyes on the Street Safety Initiatives
- String Lighting Projects
- Castle St Park Movie Nights (the first was June 30)
- Alley Greening

Please don't hesitate to reach out to Emily at emily.l.thompson15@gmail.com with any questions, and thank you for being a part of making our neighborhood an even better place to live!

Baltimore's Friendliest Neighborhood!

July 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
No Trash or Recycling Pickup on Tues., July 4					June 30 Movie Night - Castle St Park	1
2 Special Concert in Patterson Park	3	4 Independence Day Gov't. holiday	5	6	7 Household Hazardous Waste	8 Trash/Recycling Makeup Day HHW
9	10 Land Use Committee Meeting	11 Streetscape Committee Meeting	12 Audubon films at Creative Alliance	13 Executive Committee Meeting	14 BHA Potluck Picnic newsletter deadline	15
16	17	18 Concert in Patterson Park	19 Crime Prevention Meeting	20	21 Artscape	22 Artscape
23 Artscape	24 Flea Market Committee Meeting	25	26	27	28	29 Birdwatching
30 Concert in Patterson Park	31					

2017 Save the Dates
July 14 - Summer Potluck
 (wrong date listed previously)
August - Teachers' Breakfast
September 16 - Fall Flea Market
October 8 - House Tour
November - Shop & Schmooze
December - Holiday Potluck

BUTCHERS HILL COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

CRIME PREVENTION	Carolyn Boitnott <i>c.boitnott@verizon.net</i> 410-522-4991	Wed., July 19, 7:00pm 2105 E. Baltimore St. Meets on the third Wed.
EXECUTIVE	Andrew Crummey <i>butchershillpresident@gmail.com</i>	Thur., July 13, 7:00pm 113 S. Chester St. Meets on the second Thurs.
FLEA MARKET	Emily Augustine Adam Bradbury <i>emily.augustine@gmail.com</i>	Mon., July 24, 8:00pm 2124 E. Lombard St. Meets on the fourth Mon.
HOUSE TOUR	Sue Noonan <i>suenoon@cavtel.net</i> Pat Phoebus <i>phoebu1115@aol.com</i> 410-327-1610	No July Meeting 2029 E. Pratt St. (usually meets on the second Wed.)
LAND USE	Virgil Bartram <i>Virgil@ArchUV.com</i> 410-327-4964	Mon., July 10, 7:00pm Meets on the second Mon. in the white house in Patterson Park.
STREETSCAPE	Betsy Wadsworth <i>bwads2211@verizon.net</i> Andrew Crummey <i>andrew.crummey@gmail.com</i>	Tue., July 11, 7:00pm 2211 E. Lombard St. Meets on the first Tue.

We still
 need a volunteer to
 deliver newspapers on the unit
 block of N Duncan & 2100 block Moyer.
 Please email Sandy at
sjs2201@verizon.net
 if you can help!

2017 Dumpster Dates
August 12
October 7
December 2

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 new neighbor information or to learn more about Baltimore's Friendliest Neighborhood, visit www.ButchersHill.org.

JULY BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING:

No business meeting in July. Instead join us for the annual BHA Potluck Picnic!

Friday, July 14 at 6:30pm

Halcott Square (Duncan St. Park)

Everyone is welcome!



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Butchers Hill Blocks



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@Butchers_Hill

HALCOTT SQUARE TURNS 40!

Charles M. Halcott Square, in the 100 block S. Duncan St., has just marked its 40th anniversary. "A Dream Park Rises From Rubble," published in the June 29, 1977 issue of *The News American*, recounts its beginnings:

"East Baltimore's newest park has risen from the rubble of six rowhouses to become a focal point for children and senior citizens.

At a dedication ceremony Tuesday [June 28, 1977] the Charles M. Halcott Square was called a memorial to the neighborhood activist who led a fight to improve community conditions.

Halcott, who died in May 1974 led a one-man campaign to have unsightly and arson-prone buildings torn down. After his death, his wife Mary kept up the battle until the government heard and responded to the Halcott family pleas.

His grandson, Charles M. Halcott 3rd, cut a ribbon to open the brick-paved and landscape-filled plaza in the 100 block S. Duncan St. The square, designed for children's and senior-citizen use as a "passive park," is not intended for sports playing or rough use.

The Citizens for Human Rights, a Southeast Community Organization member group that Halcott founded, was on hand for the dedication. East Baltimore children's groups sang patriotic songs and staged Polish, gypsy, and Indian dancing and prayers.

The city's Dept. of Housing and Community Development used federal block grant funds to build the square. The Dept. of Recreation and Parks is in charge of its maintenance.

While the square has been fitted with benches, planters and a game table, 14 shade trees remain to be planted this fall."

Title for Halcott Square was transferred four years ago from the Department of Housing and Community Development to Baltimore Green Space, a local land trust.

Steven Young

DONATIONS FOR ST. ANDREW

St. Andrew Orthodox Church accepts donations of household items and clothing in clean and good condition every Sun., 11:30am-1pm, at the church hall entrance on Lombard St., in preparation for their fall flea market.

Or, if you don't mind holding on to your items a little longer, the Butchers Hill Association will be accepting donations for our table at the flea market in Patterson Park on Sat., Sept. 16. All proceeds benefit our local elementary/middle schools.

HOORAY!

TEN HOUSES ON THE TOUR THIS YEAR

On Oct. 8, from noon-5pm, we will have ten great houses on the tour. We are fortunate to have houses that show the diversity of our neighborhood in both style and size. The house tour is one of the major fundraising events of the Butchers Hill Association. We need house sitters for the day of the tour. There are two shifts: noon-2:30pm and 2:30-5pm. If you volunteer, you get to go on the house tour for free, you meet new and old neighbors, and experience the variety of interiors of the houses in our neighborhood. After the tour, there will be a volunteer thank-you party sponsored by the BHA executive committee at St. Andrews Church. All you have to do is contact Pat Phoebus at phoebu1115@aol.com or 410-327-1610. Tell her what shift you would like to work and provide your contact information. If two individuals wish to work together, no problem, just let her know. Come join us and have a wonderful experience. No July committee meeting; the next one is Aug. 9.

NEWS FROM OUR TWO K-8 SCHOOLS

If you have children under the age of eighteen, check with the Family League of Baltimore for information about getting meals now that school is out. Phone 410-662-5500 or go online at www.familyleague.org.

Commodore John Rodgers Elementary and Middle School (100 N. Chester St.)

Commodore will be hosting multiple camps this summer, including a Young Audiences-supported program in our library for elementary school students and Higher Achievement's Summer Academy for our older students.

Among the 2017 graduating class, thirty students will be attending City, Poly, or Western. Additional graduates will be attending private schools nearby and boarding schools far away, both with full scholarships. We are very proud of our 8th graders and wish them tons of luck as they pursue college and career dreams.

Our annual summer barbecue will take place on Tuesday, July 18, at 5pm. The ice cream social/uniform-sizing event will take place on August 15 at 5pm.

Patterson Park Public Charter School (27 N. Lakewood Ave.)

Congratulations to Mecca Lewis, our 2017 Alumni Scholarship Winner!

RSVP to Cleaning Across the Lines by emailing amoultrie@pppcs.org or calling 410-558-1230, ext. 327. (See page 4 for details.)

To receive this newsline via email or for newsletter questions, comments, and submissions,
email the editor - bhanewsletter@gmail.com.

AUDUBON ACTIVITIES

Films at the Creative Alliance, Wed. July 12, 7pm, \$7 in advance, \$9 at door. "An Urban Oasis for Migratory Birds" & the award-winning "City of Trees". Followed by discussion on urban parks, green jobs, and environmental justice.

To participate in Patterson Park Audubon Center events, RSVP at 410-558-2473, or email baltimore@audubon.org.

Habitat Team - Sat. July 1, 9-10:30am, meet at the wetland garden NW of the Boat Lake. Help keep the bird habitat healthy and earn community service hours.

Tiny Tots - Quack Like a Duck - Fri. July 7, 10:30-11:30am, ages 2-5, \$5 donation per child with an adult. Meet at the Boat Lake.

Urban Bird-Watching Walk - Sat. July 29, 8-9:30am, in Patterson Park at the fountain, near the Lombard St. entrance. All ages welcome. Email if you need to borrow binoculars.

PATTERSON PARK ACTIVITIES

Summer Concert Series:

Sun., July 2 - Serenade! See article in June's newsletter at www.butchershill.org, click on Newsletter, click on Newsletter Archives.

Tue., July 18 - Sean K. Preston & Loaded Pistols

Sun., July 30 - Joe Keyes and the Late Bloomer Band

Patterson Park Pool is Open:

In general, it is open weekdays: lap swim 6-10am, rec summer camp swim 10-12, open swim 12:30-3:30pm and 4-7pm. Saturday: Learn-to-Swim 12-2pm, open swim 2:30-4:30 & 5-7pm. Sundays: Baby Country Club 10-noon, Aqua Zumba 12-1pm, open swim 1-3pm & 3:30-6pm. Ages 17 and under must be with an adult (21+) with ID. Cost: \$2 per two-hour session, early lap swim \$4, season pass \$30 for lap & open swim. Membership: \$50 season pass. Admission to splash pad, 3 and under, is free. Schedules and info can be found on Facebook @PattersonParkPool or check out bcrp.baltimorecity.gov/aquatics for more details.

CLEANING ACROSS THE LINES

13th & 1st District Community Cleanup - Sun., July 9, 9am-2pm, join Councilwoman Shannon Sneed, Councilman Zeke Cohen, the McElderry, Ellwood, Patterson Park Community Associations, SCDC, Patterson Park Public Charter School, and many more community stakeholders in a joint effort to spruce up neighborhoods that border the 13th & 1st Districts. After the cleanup, we gather back at Library Square to celebrate in the community with music, fun, and fellowship! Please register for free at onebaltimore.eventbrite.com/?s=76719091. (See PPPCS, page 3.)

To receive the monthly newsletter via email, contact bhamember@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. You can pay your Butchers Hill Association dues via PayPal or credit card online! Go 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 to BHA, 27 S Patterson Park Ave., Baltimore, MD 21231.

OTHER JULY EVENTS

Artscape - July 21-23, Fri. & Sat. 11am-9pm, Sun. 11am-8pm. It is time for Artscape again! This year Sheila E., Gogol Bordello, and Robert Randolph & The Family Band are the music headliners. There are also many local performers and artists to discover as well, plus Kidscape, Art Cars, Camp Loading Dock, In the Neighborhood activities, and more. Go to www.artscape.org for all the details and download the app to make sure you don't miss any of the fun.

Firefly Walk - Thu., July 6, 7:30pm, Cylburn Arboretum. Dr. Abner Lall is leading an educational talk and walk through Cylburn's grounds to explore the magic of fireflies. Learn how fireflies use their bioluminescence to communicate with each other and observe them at twilight in Cylburn's gardens. Meet at the Greenhouse classroom for a brief lecture before the walk. Free with suggested donation of \$5. Please RSVP. Families welcome. Details at cylburn.org/events.

WTMD First Thursday Concert - Thurs. July 6, Canton Waterfront Park opens at 5pm, and music runs from 5:30pm to 10pm. Featuring Robyn Hitchcock, The Weeks, Ron Gallo, Waxahatchee, Hollis Brown, Outcalls. More details at wtmd.org/radio/first-thursday-concerts-in-the-park.

Free Films at the Parkway Theater - Each Thursday in July at 7:30, the newly remodeled Parkway Theatre in Station North is presenting a landmark world-cinema film, with free admission to all! The theater concessions stand offers soda, beer and wine, popcorn and classic movie theater fare as well as a permanent bar. Visit mdfilmfest.com/parkway-calendar.

July 6 - *Daughters of the Dust*

July 13 - *Black Girl*

July 20 - *Fantastic Planet*

July 27 - *The Color of Pomegranates*

Baltimore Caribbean Carnival - July 15 & 16, noon-5pm, parade starts at 900 E. 33rd St. ends in Clifton Park at St. Lo Drive. Both days have many scheduled musical acts, and Sunday is family day. More information at baltimorecarnival.com.

Baltimore Restaurant Week - July 28-Aug. 4, two-course brunch and lunch menus: \$12-20. Three-course dinner menus: \$20-35. Reservations are recommended. Go to baltimorerestaurantweek.com to find a participating restaurant, then share your experience at #BaltRW!

African American Festival (AFRAM) - Sat., Aug. 12, revamped and moved to August instead of July and relocated to Druid Hill Park in its forty-third year. More details can be found at baltimorebrew.com/2017/05/31/slimmed-down-african-american-festival-planned-at-druid-hill-park.