

# BUTCHERS HILL

JUNE 2017



ANDREW CRUMMEY  
BHA PRESIDENT

Neighbors,

Summer is finally here and one of my favorite neighborhood events is coming up, the neighborhood stoop sit. On June 7 we will be forgoing our regular general meeting and meeting up at three stoops to eat, drink, and socialize. Take advantage of the great opportunity to meet your neighbors, walk the neighborhood, and enjoy city living at its best.

We held the May General Meeting at our local Commodore Johns Rodgers Elementary and Middle School. Those who were able to make it were able to hear our elected representatives give their post-Annapolis session report, as well as got to see the great school we have in our neighborhood. We are grateful to the staff for hosting us and fortunate to have such a great community school in our neighborhood.

I was hoping to be writing a big thank you and congrats on another successful spring flea market; alas, the weather conspired against us. I want to applaud the flea market committee in all their effort organizing and dealing with the adversity, and hopefully we can put together a great fall flea market.

Hope to see you at any of the great events coming up this summer!

Thank you, Andrew Crummey



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## 2017 BHA HOUSE TOUR

Nine neighbors have promised they will open their homes on October 8 for our annual house tour. These homes are nicely scattered near the four corners of Butchers Hill, which we love. Now we need house sitter volunteers to show these houses and let people know how great the neighborhood is. This is one of the major annual events that raise funds for projects in Butchers Hill and supports the two schools and other nonprofit groups in our area. This is a great opportunity for you to better know "Butchers Hill" people and the wonders inside these old and new homes.

As a house sitter you will spend 2½ hours in one of the homes on the tour, greeting visitors and talking about life here. Your volunteer time assures an invitation to annual volunteer party after the tour. You will also have a free tour booklet, which is your ticket to all of the other eight stops on the tour. Sign up now, put it on your calendar: Sunday, Oct. 8. And don't worry we will be giving you instructions and reminders. Contact Sue Noonan or Pat Phoebus (contact information on page 2). Our next committee meeting will be held Wed., June 14, at 7pm. Everyone who is interested is welcome.

## BUTCHERS HILL FLEA MARKET THANK YOU

Thank you to those who worked to plan and planned to work the Butchers Hill Flea Market! The day was a washout, but we appreciate those who had set aside their time to help with all the tasks that occur before, during, and after the event. For those who had purchased a vendor space, your reservation fee can be used at the next flea market in September or donated to the Butchers Hill Association (as a tax-deductible contribution) to help fund projects in our neighborhood. The weather in September will be perfect... we promise!

## MOVIE NIGHT IN CASTLE STREET PARK

On Friday, June 30, we will transform Castle Street Park into an outdoor movie theater and screen a family-friendly movie starting at 7:30pm. Please bring refreshments and blankets to help enjoy the experience.

*Baltimore's Friendliest Neighborhood!*

# June 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Household Hazardous Waste	3 <b>Dumpster - Unit N Collington</b> HHW
4	5	6 <b>Streetscape Committee Meeting</b>	7 <b>BHA Stoop Sitting</b>	8 <b>Executive Committee Meeting</b>	9	10
11 Concert in Patterson Park	12 <b>Land Use Committee Meeting</b>	13 Last Day of School!	14 <b>House Tour Com. Meeting</b> Flag Day	15	16 July newsletter deadline	17
18 Father's Day Concert in Patterson Park	19	20	21 <b>Crime Prevention Meeting</b>	22	23	24 Birdwatching
25	26 <b>Flea Market Committee Meeting</b>	27 Concert in Patterson Park	28	29	30 <b>Movie Night - Castle St Park</b>	

## BUTCHERS HILL COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

CRIME PREVENTION	Carolyn Boitnott <i>c.boitnott@verizon.net</i> 410-522-4991	Wed., June 21, 7:00pm 2105 E. Baltimore St. Meets on the third Wed.
EXECUTIVE	Andrew Crummey <i>butchershillpresident@gmail.com</i>	Thur., June 8, 7:00pm 113 S. Chester St. Meets on the second Thurs.
FLEA MARKET	Emily Augustine Adam Bradbury <i>emily.augustine@gmail.com</i>	Mon., June 26, 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	Mon., June 14, 7:00pm 2029 E. Pratt St. Meets on the second Wed.
LAND USE	Virgil Bartram <i>Virgil@ArchUV.com</i> 410-327-4964	Mon., June 12, 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., June 6, 7:00pm 2211 E. Lombard St. Meets on the first Tue.

## Stoop Sitting Wednesday, June 7 - 6:30 p.m.

140 N. Collington Ave.  
2128 E. Baltimore St.  
24 S. Madeira St.

Everyone is welcome!  
Come join your neighbors for a relaxing  
evening of reconnecting with old friends  
and meeting one ones.

## 2017 Save the Dates

July 12 - Summer Potluck  
August - Teachers' Breakfast  
September 16 - Fall Flea Market  
October 8 - House Tour  
November - Shop & Schmooze  
December - Holiday Potluck

**2017 Dumpster  
Dates**  
June 3 ~ Aug 12  
Oct 7 ~ Dec 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.

## **MAY BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING: Wed., June 7, 6:30pm**

**No business meeting in June. Instead join us for a Stoop Sitting Event at these neighbors' stoops:**

**140 N. Collington Ave. - Chris & Kristen Venuti**

**2128 E. Baltimore St. - Carol Richman & Butch Mount**

**24 S. Madeira St. - the Madeira Street neighbors**

### **CHEERS TO**

### **BARRY GLASSMAN & DEE LUNDELIUS**

### **GREETINGS FROM PORTUGAL!**

There are many of us who remember when Barry Glassman purchased the corner house on Washington and Pratt Streets so many years ago...a house that needed a complete renovation and a wall that needed a magnificent mural. Shortly after buying his home, he immediately became active in the community.

Barry also took on the leadership of a community development project in order to save blighted homes, clean them up, and sell them to first-time buyers for renovation. Because of Barry's leadership and direction, and with the aid of Andy Gray, Butch and I, along with others, became of part of this initiative, and we helped make headway in transforming some of the worst properties in Butchers Hill.

Several years later, Dee Lundelius joined him. Friendships blossomed, and neighborhood activities and volunteerism became a way of life for them. Barry dedicated four years as president of the Association. He fought for things that he and the rest of the neighborhood thought were important: clean and safe streets, researching and presenting ideas for permit parking with diplomacy, and actively helping to make our neighborhood the friendliest one in Baltimore. He was in regular contact with City Hall in order to make things happen.

Dee also was very active, volunteering for many activities, but most importantly the House Tour Committee, which she co-chaired with Sue Noonan. Dee worked tirelessly to persuade people to open their homes for the house tour and to work on all the details that helped make this event a huge success every year.

Barry and Dee arrived in Portugal on May 2. They've been busy getting things sorted: lots of paperwork to complete, unpacking for their two-month stay in an efficiency apartment which is close to the villa they'll move to at the end of June. They sent some of us a wonderful note recently; here is a paraphrased excerpt:

"We've spent the first few days getting organized. Cascais is a wonderful town and we've been able to walk most places. We used Uber once to go to a mall to buy appliances. The weather is delightful - 70's during the day and high 50's at night...and, the food...well, let's just say: fresh ingredients, inexpensive, and the wine is amazing!"

We want to publicly thank Barry and Dee for all that they did for our neighborhood and community. Well done!

Carol Richman

### **DELIVERY HELP NEEDED**

Get the BHA newsletter first and help keep your neighbors informed. Once a month the newsletters will be delivered to you early so you will have time to get them to each household in the 100 blocks of North Collington Ave. and North Duncan St., and south side 2200 block Fayette St. Keeping our neighbors informed makes us all safer and in touch with each other—a real community. If you could see yourself taking on this responsibility, please email Sandy at [sjs2201@verizon.net](mailto:sjs2201@verizon.net).

And a special thanks and good wishes to Carter Glass, who has served these blocks and delivered the BHA newsletter faithfully for thirty-plus years. As he moves on in his life, we will remember his shortbread-making and dog-walking skills as well as his wise guidance on community issues. We already miss you and hope you will come back for some of our events.

### **OUR THIRSTY, YOUNG STREET TREES**

Our city trees are "natives", meaning they are suited to our environment, but they still need TLC. How can you help maintain a healthy tree canopy—one that saves you money on your air conditioning, cleans the air, gives us oxygen and makes your block more comfortable and inviting? WATER!

For the first, second, and third years after a tree is planted, people must water it during the summer heat so it is able to survive and establish a root system. Here are some guidelines when rainfall is light or nonexistent for at least five days:

Newly planted trees need three gallons twice each week over the root ball (not trunk or whole pit). Six months after planting, reduce watering to three gallons twice each month over root ball. Second-year trees need four gallons twice each month over root ball.

Slow watering is best, so use a gator bag, soaker hose, five-gallon bucket with holes in the bottom, or extend a downspout towards the tree pit.

When it's dry or windy, trees need more water because 95% of the water available to a tree evaporates through its leaves and the remaining 5% is used to produce the tree's food. A three-inch layer of wood-chip mulch on the tree pit, but NOT touching the trunk, really helps maintain moisture.

Want to add a tree pit edging? Please, no solid barriers that would stop the flow of rain runoff from the sidewalk. Any other plants in the tree pit compete with the tree for water, space, and nutrients, so if you must, plant native perennials that require little water.

Information source: L. Peter MacDonagh, Kestrel Design Group.

## AUDUBON ACTIVITIES

To participate in Patterson Park Audubon Center events, RSVP at 410-558-2473, or email [baltimore@audubon.org](mailto:baltimore@audubon.org).

**Habitat Team** - Sat., June 3, 9-10:30am, meet at the wetland garden, just uphill from the Boat Lake.

**Tiny Tots - Terrific Trees!** - Fri., June 9, 10:30-11:30am, meet at the northeast shore of the Boat Lake.

**Guided Bird-Watching Walks** - Sat., June 24, 8-9:30am, meet at fountain near Lombard St.

## FRIENDS OF PATTERSON PARK

### Summer Concert Series:

**June 11** - Sarah Sullivan & the New Old Fashioneds, jazz/swing dance music (rain date June 14)

**June 18** - Juanita Ca\$h boisterous, psychedelic cumbia, versions of Johnny Cash's classics (rain date June 21)

**June 27** - Charm City Junction combine old-timey bluegrass & celtic on fiddle, banjo, accordion & bass (rain date June 28)

**July 2** - Serenade! Festival Concert: Washington D.C. Choral Festival honoring President John F. Kennedy's 100th birthday. Details to the right.

**Family Fishing Festival** - Sat., June 4, 10am-1pm at the Boat Lake in Patterson Park. Geared toward children 15 and under, but all are welcome. Rods will be available to borrow. Games and crafts included at this family-friendly event.

## NEWS FROM OUR TWO K-8 SCHOOLS LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: JUNE 13

### Commodore John Rodgers (100 N. Chester St.)

Closing exercises for PreK, K, and 8th grade take place on June 8.

We will have a camp for elementary school students in our library and a middle school Summer Academy organized by Higher Achievement.

We will continue to offer \$7 bags of produce through Hungry Harvest's produce in a SNAP program until June 13. We will then pick up again at the beginning of the school year.

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

Summer Program: "Fitness, Fun and Games" Mon.-Fri., 6:30am-6:30pm. Children do not have to attend PPPCS to be a part of this program. Call Darnesha at 410-558-1230, ext. 368 for information or to sign up.

City's YouthWorks will be at PPPCS and those who have already signed up may request our school as their worksite by calling Dr. Obara: 410-558-1230, ext. 374.

## OTHER JUNE EVENTS

**Little Italy Open Air Film Fest 2017** - Saturday evenings, 7pm live music, 9pm movie starts. Bring a chair to the corner of High & Stiles Streets. Free popcorn. More information and the film schedule at [littleitalymd.org](http://littleitalymd.org).

**St. Andrew Orthodox Church Annual Spring Flea Market** - Sat., June 3, 9am-2pm, in the Fellowship Hall.

**Federal Hill Jazz & Blues Festival** - Sun., June 4, E. Cross St., Federal Hill. Details at [www.everfest.com/e/federal-hill-jazz-blues-festival-baltimore-md](http://www.everfest.com/e/federal-hill-jazz-blues-festival-baltimore-md).

**St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival** - June 8-11, noon-10pm, South Ponca St.

**St. Andrew's Annual Golf Tournament** - Fri., June 9. Registration and information at [standrew-baltimore.org/upcoming\\_events.html](http://standrew-baltimore.org/upcoming_events.html).

**Hon Fest** - June 10 & 11, Hampden's very own 36th Street. More information at [HONfest.net](http://HONfest.net).

**St. Anthony Italian Festival** - June 10, St. Leo's, Little Italy. Festival information at [saintleorcc.com/italian-festivals-1](http://saintleorcc.com/italian-festivals-1).

**Tour Dem Parks** - Sun., June 11. Recreational bike ride through Baltimore's parks and neighborhoods. Proceeds support the Conservatory and Baltimore's parks, as well as environmental, "friends of parks", and cycling groups. Registration required, [tourdemparcs.org](http://tourdemparcs.org).

**Baltimore LGBT Pride** - June 17 & 18, Charles North and Station North community. Go to [baltimorepride.org](http://baltimorepride.org) for more information.

**Third Annual Baltimore Wine Fest** - Sat., June 17, noon-7pm, Canton Waterfront Park. Details at [baltimorewinefest.com](http://baltimorewinefest.com).

**LatinoFest** - June 24 & 25, noon-8pm, Patterson Park.

**Special Presentation: Serenade! Festival Concert** - July 2, Patterson Park Pagoda Hill. Washington D.C. Choral Festival honoring President John F. Kennedy's 100th birthday. JFK landed in Patterson Park by helicopter in 1962 promoting a legacy of peace and global understanding. This international concert will feature China's Shanghai No.3 High School Girls Band, Zimbabwe's Insingizi, South Africa's Pihcintu Refugee Children's Chorus: iGugu Le Kapa and Morocco's Siraj Band: Coro Polifonico de Panama. (no rain date)

To receive the monthly newsletter via email, contact [bhamember@gmail.com](mailto: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](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 to BHA, 27 S Patterson Park Ave., Baltimore, MD 21231.