

# Butchers Hill November 2012 News

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**Heather Gorius, BHA  
President**

Hello Everyone!

We had yet another successful Butchers Hill House Tour this year. It was a perfect day, and thanks to those who helped with the cleanup on Saturday, the neighborhood looked fabulous. As always, our gratitude to the home owners who generously opened their homes. I had the opportunity to talk to many of the

people visiting our neighborhood, and they were impressed both by the houses and by the friendliness of everyone they met. Thank you to all of the volunteers—we couldn't do it without you! A special note of appreciation to Sue and Dee for their tireless efforts to produce a wonderful tour year after year. The beautiful pagoda-inspired afghan, created and donated by Martha Simon, was raffled off. Ej Braida was the lucky winner.

Again this year, the November meeting will be held on the second Wednesday of the month, November 14<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with Art Night. Come celebrate our local artists and artisans, and maybe even start your holiday shopping.

Before the celebrating can begin, however, we will have some Association business to conduct. We will elect the nominating committee, who will select the slate of candidates for the 2013 executive committee election in January. If you are interested in serving on the executive committee, please contact Carolyn Boitnott at 410-522-4991, or by e-mail at [c.boitnott@verizon.net](mailto:c.boitnott@verizon.net).

And finally, the plan to put in more parking spaces in Patterson Park has been put on hold. The mayor has requested that a working group be created to look at the issue. More on this as it develops.

Have a very happy Thanksgiving!

*- Heather Gorius  
President*

## Art Night Festival

**Wed., Nov. 14, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

The Butchers Hill Association will hold the annual Art Night Festival at St. Andrew's Church, 2028 E. Lombard Street, after a brief general meeting. Our intention is to provide a forum for Butchers Hill neighbors to meet



**Maxine Taylor, abstract painting**

artisans who live in our neighborhood, see their crafts and have an opportunity to purchase their wares. BHA is proud of our close-knit community and one of the Association's missions is to acquaint folks with their neighbors and showcase the talents within our neighborhood.

### Participants include:

1. Charles Swain – Photography
2. Halsey Frost - Kotai Grill
3. Richard Anderson – Women's Clothing
4. Kirsten Lapointe - Ceramic Sculpture, pottery
5. Ann Freesia - Crochet
6. Megin Diamond - Jewelry and Tableware
7. Maxine Taylor – Abstract Paintings & Prints
8. Kini Collins – Wall Paintings & T-Shirts
9. Ellen Reich - Personal Accessories
10. Mark Supik - Wood Turning
11. Nancy Newman - Spinning/Knitting
12. Beth Braun – Weaving
13. Kathy Hackett - BHA Pagoda T-Shirts
14. Kenyatta Cooper - Hand-beaded jewelry

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# November 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Avoid the \$50 Fine:</b> This month, there are TWO holidays when there will be no trash pickup. Neighbors have made the mistake of leaving trash out on such days in the past and incurred a \$50 fine. So, don't put the trash out on Tuesday, Nov. 6 (Election Day), or Thursday, Nov. 22 (Thanksgiving Day), no matter how big your party was.				1	2	3
4 Daylight Savings Time (Fall Back)	5	6 <b>ELECTION DAY</b> No trash/recycle pickup (makeup is Sat. Nov. 10)	7 Education Cmty Wed., Nov. 7, 7 p.m.	8 Exec Cmty 7 p.m.	9	10 Recycle/Trash Makeup Day
11 Veterans Day <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	12 Vets Day obsv'd: Gov't offices closed. Land Use, 7 p.m.	13 Bk Club, 7:30 p.m. Streetscape 7 p.m.	14 <b>BHA Monthly Meeting</b> C.O.P., 7:30 p.m.	15	16 BH Card Club 7:00 p.m.	17
18	19	20	21 Crime Prevention 7 p.m.	22 Thanksgiving Day No trash/recycle pickup (makeup is Sat. Nov. 24)	23	24 Recycle/Trash Makeup Day
25	26	27	28 C.O.P., 7:30 p.m.	29	30	

## Calendar Reminders:

- Dec - 12/2 Holiday Potluck ●

### BH Committees and Chairs:

**Book Club** Anne Puckett  
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410-675-8765

**Butchers Hill** Evan Helfrich  
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**Crime Prevention** Carolyn Boitnott  
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**Executive** Heather Gorius; *hgorius@mtb.com*

**Education Committee** YOUR NAME HERE

**Land Use** Virgil Bartram  
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**Streetscape** Amy Finney, *astringer\_6@yahoo.com*  
443-465-5958

### Next Meeting:

Tues. Nov.. 13, 7:30 p.m. we will discuss "The Chaperone," by Laura Moriarty

Meeting 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 7:30 p.m., at the intersection of Patterson Park Ave. and Lombard Street.

Wed. Nov. 21, 7 p.m., 2105 E. Balt. St. . Meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

Thurs. Nov. 8, 7 p.m., at the President's home.

Wed., Nov. 7, 7 p.m., 2105 E. Balt. St. "Education Committee Rekindling Meeting." If you are interested and or have ideas for the committee please come to the meeting or send your thoughts to Carolyn Boitnott 410-522-4991 or *c.boitnott@verizon.net*

Mon. Nov. 12, 7 p.m., at the White House in Patterson Park.

Tues. Nov. 13, 7 p.m., 103 S. Collington Ave. Interested in affecting positive changes in our BH neighborhood? Join us to make it happen!

### 2012 FLEA MARKETS to be THANKFUL FOR:

The weather and the wonderful **posters & ads** brought lots of customers, which with our new **Pay Pal** on the BHA **web site** meant spaces were sold out a week ahead in May and two weeks ahead in September.

**Donations & hard working volunteers** at the BHA **Flea Market Booth** put cash in the **Education Committee's** budget for our two K-8 schools.

**Bondoggies Caterers and volunteers** at the **Food Booth** as well as spaces sold improved BHA general funds. **Early bird volunteers** doing setup made the day go smoothly and **stalwarts at days-end** doing cleanup left the park as we found it.

The Flea Market Committee is **THANKFUL FOR ALL THOSE** who made **all the words in bold** possible. **YOU MADE IT HAPPEN!** It truly takes a wonderful, friendly neighborhood to make these events successful.

**PLEASE JOIN US** in thanking the following who supported the Flea Markets: Santoni's, Baltimore Guide, Friends of Patterson Park, Goodwill of the Chesapeake, the Park Rangers, Banner Neighborhoods, Rec & Parks Department, Paul Snyder Jazz Ensemble, the BHA Black Knights Youth Football team & their coaches.

—Flea Market Committee

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## Beyond the Three "R's"

In October, the two K-8 schools that BHA has supported for many years opened their doors to us for evening meetings. The BHA General Meeting was held in Commodore John Rodgers, 100 N. Chester's, newly renovated cafetorium and a wine & cheese open house was held at the Patterson Park Public Charter School, Lakewood & Baltimore. In addition to good progress in the three R's, other things are going on at the schools to broaden their students' horizons. This is the first of regular updates.

### Commodore John Rodgers K-8 School

October saw the first monthly "Collegiates Breakfast" where a student from each classroom who has exemplified one of the school's Five Promises to: Persevere, Contribute, Commit to Quality, show Honor & Integrity and make No Excuses and their parents are celebrated.

**Volunteers are welcome**, one or more days a week, to help with: Reception, Breakfast, classroom help, recess, creating bulletin boards and tutoring. For more info email Stephanie Region: [region@thecjrschool.org](mailto:region@thecjrschool.org) or call 410-306-9300.

### Patterson Park Public Charter K-8 School

**Kindergarten Visiting Days, Nov.15, 16 & 27th, 9 a.m. for the fall of 2013.** To RSVP, call 410-558-1230 or [Enrollment@pppcs.org](mailto:Enrollment@pppcs.org).

Middle School students are traveling to Spain to connect with their pen pals and use the Spanish they have learned since kindergarten.

To help pay for their trip they will participate in and hold a: "**NO PAIN, NO SPAIN 5K or FUN RUN**" on SAT., DEC. 1ST. YOU CAN help by: running, sponsoring a runner, coming to the POST-RACE PARTY, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to buy some beer or wine or go on a Pub Crawl. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE TRIP.

Details: [www.pppce.org/donate/nopainnospain](http://www.pppce.org/donate/nopainnospain) or contact: [KColeman@pppcs.org](mailto:KColeman@pppcs.org).

### Rekindling the Education Committee: Got Ideas?

The BHA Education Committee has been dormant over the past three years, only gathering to organize the Annual Teachers' Breakfast in August.

There is interest in doing more. So, we will hold a reorganization meeting for the committee Wednesday, Nov 7 at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested and or have ideas for the committee please come or send your thoughts to Carolyn Boitnott 410-522-4991 or [c.boitnott@verizon.net](mailto:c.boitnott@verizon.net). The BHA has supported Commodore John Rodgers School and the Patterson Park Public Charter School financially for many years. Is there something else we might do as an association?

## A Beautiful House Tour

All went so beautifully on October 14<sup>th</sup>. We truly have too many individuals to thank here. So, here's a chronological activity list. Imagine how many names would go on this list.

- Soliciting and selecting houses.
- Poster and booklet image.
- Donation of afghan and image.
- Graphic imaging posters and cards.
- Interviewing & writing house descriptions.
- Distributing posters.
- Photographing each house.
- Soliciting & selling ads.
- Creating our tour booklet.
- Printing booklet, Posters, etc.
- Streetscape neighborhood clean-up & dumpster.
- Housesitting.
- Blowing up & distributing balloons.
- Buying & distributing plants & signs.
- Selling afghan chances.
- Selling House Tour Tickets.
- Counting money & collecting signs.
- Throwing a big "thank you" party.

As you can see, it takes a neighborhood!  
Thank you Everyone!

—The House Tour Committee

## "Halcott Square (Duncan St. Park) Wins Recognition by City Paper

REPRINTED FROM THE SEPT. 19, 2012, CITY PAPER

*City Paper* first recognized this teeny oasis a dozen years ago as a Best of Baltimore, but recent transplants, passersby, and even some from neighboring 'hoods still ask, "When did this happen?" and "Is this new?" It's remained so tidy and well-kept all this time. This is due, no doubt, to the watchful eyes of neighbors in tight-knit Butcher's Hill and the eponymous neighborhood association. Filled with lush but trimmed vegetation, immaculate benches, and a chess table, the park is located on a particularly fetching stretch of Duncan Street—which is really an alley in a neighborhood pretty much defined by its alleys—between Pratt and Lombard. Check it out, but you best leave it just like you found it. Just sayin."

## Community Bulletin Board

**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 planned exterior work including painting, must be submitted to CHAP and Butchers Hill. We are happy to help with questions. Contact Virgil Bartram: 410-327-4964; CHAP's number is 410-396-4866.

**The Butchers Hill Card Club** meets 3rd Friday of the month, 7:00 p.m., at The Life of Reilly, 2031 E Fairmount Ave. Info. at: BH\_CardClub-subscribe@yahoo.com.

**From the BHA Treasurer:** We will begin collecting 2013 dues in December. The dues are \$10 per person (\$6 for seniors). You can pay online through our web site, [www.butchershill.org](http://www.butchershill.org) or follow the instructions on the form in this newsletter. If you haven't yet paid for 2012, I will still happily accept your dues!

**BHA's Annual Holiday Potluck on Sun., Dec. 2, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Everyone in the neighborhood is invited. The executive committee supplies the entrees and beverages, and participants bring a side dish or dessert that serves six, labeled regarding seafood or nuts. We are looking for volunteers to help with: set up, clean up, decorations and support with the children's corner. If you are interested in helping out, please e-mail: [butchers.hill@yahoo.com](mailto:butchers.hill@yahoo.com).

### St. Andrew's Annual Fall Flea Market

**Sat., Nov. 3, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** ,St. Andrew's Orthodox Church, corner of Chester and Lombard, will be having the annual Fall Flea Market for one day only. A bake sale will also be held, and refreshments such as pieroghi, stuffed cabbages, homemade soup and hot dogs will be available for a nominal charge. All of our neighbors are welcome!

### 38th Annual Pow Wow

#### Native American Festival

**Sun., Nov. 18, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Patterson High School, 100 Kane St., Baltimore, MD 21224.** Admission: Adults \$5; Children 3-12 \$3; Children under 3 FREE; Patterson High School staff/students with ID, \$2. This event is being held in Memory of David Blessing, Interlock Steel. All are welcome! Information at 410-675-3535 or [info@baic.org](mailto:info@baic.org).

### Greek Cultural Festival

**Fri. through Sun, Nov. 2-4, Annunciation Cathedral**

**24 W. Preston St.** More information at [www.goannun.org/festival](http://www.goannun.org/festival) or 410-727-1831.

**New Neighbors** - Contact Kathy Hackett at [ktyhack@gmail.com](mailto:ktyhack@gmail.com) to receive the newsletter through email.



### BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ New Neighbor Packet? \_\_\_\_\_

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 South Patterson Park Ave., Baltimore, MD 21231.*

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15. Nelson Adlin – Pen & Ink, Pastels
16. Patti Jefferson - Mixed Media Paintings, Satin Flower Brooches and Headbands
17. Phyllis Franklin - Centerpiece Art
18. Bethann Wilson – Oil Painting
19. Erline Vendredi - Haitian art
20. Anyssah Eveillard - Haitian art



**Kirsten Lapointe, ceramic sculpture**

As a special feature, our artisans are donating items to be raffled off at intervals throughout the evening, to benefit our very own, twice championship, Butchers Hill Black Knights youth football team! Tickets will be \$1 or \$5 for six tickets. You must be there to win – so come one and all!

Wine and Cheese will be served! So come meet your creative neighbors and do a little holiday shopping!

We could use a few volunteers to help set up/take down....any questions/info....contact Ej Braida at [EjBraida@gmail.com](mailto:EjBraida@gmail.com).

### Baltimore City Leaf Collection

Baltimore City is now collecting leaves as part of normal trash collection (not recycle collection) and will continue to do so through January 7, 2013. Up to 5 bags of leaves are permitted from each address, every week, on the regular trash collection day. Leaf bags must be set out in clear or labeled bags; bags may not be set in the public right-of-way.

Citizens may also deposit leaf bags at a City drop-off location: The two centers closest to Butchers Hill are in bold type below.

Mon. – Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.:

1. Quarantine Road Convenience Center, 6100 Quarantine Rd.
2. Western Convenience Center: 701 Reedbird Avenue
- 3. Eastern Convenience Center: 6101 Bowleys Lane**
- 4. Northwest Citizens Convenience Ctr: 2840 Sisson St.**

Mon. – Sat., 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.:

Northwest Transfer Station: 5030 Reisterstown Road  
**Residents need to put leaves out in clear or labeled bags and not in the public right-of-way.**