

BUTCHERS HILL

APRIL 2017



ANDREW CRUMMEY
BHA PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors,

Spring has arrived (hopefully with no cold weather surprises), and it's time to start planning our spring and summer goals. As residents, we all have our domestic affairs to tend to, whether it's cleaning out the back yard, planting flowers, etc. As an Association we also have our affairs to tend to with community cleanups, tree plantings, spring flea market, etc. As the association president, I ask that everyone pick at least one of the many opportunities to volunteer and make our neighborhood great. However, if you find your schedule, priorities, or interests don't align with the projects that are being spearheaded by your neighbors, then please make your own project. Plant flowers in front of your home, pick up trash on your schedule, etc. A great community needs both organized improvement that an association creates, and unorganized improvement that is realized by individual neighbors taking pride in their home and neighborhood and carrying out small tasks that collectively rival the best organized projects.

Enjoy the warm weather! Hope to see you around the 'hood!

Andrew Crummey



BHA FLEA MARKET & CRAFT FAIR

Sat, May 13, 9am-3pm

On April 3, spaces for Butchers Hill Association members who have paid their 2017 dues go on sale. All others vendors may purchase spaces beginning April 7. All spaces are 15'x15' and cost \$35. To pay by credit card or PayPal, go to our website at butchershill.org. Don't delay—spaces sell out quickly!

Help is needed prior to May 13 to make the flea market a fun success. Could you help distribute posters to local businesses in mid-April, or hang banners, put posters in Patterson Park, shop for food, or store perishable food in the few days prior to the event? On Fri., May 12, the organizers need help marking spaces and setting out cones. On Sat., May 13, from 7-9am, help is needed to transport ice to the park, and to set up tables and canopies; 9am-3pm help with a two- or three-hour shift at the food or BHA flea booth; and from 2-4pm help with breakdown and cleanup. If you have a truck that could gather trash during the 3-4pm cleanup, that would be great. Please contact Emily at emily.augustine@gmail.com or call Adam at 443-326-8621 if you can help out in any way. Thank you!



SPRING CLEANUP, TREE PLANTING & FIRST DUMPSTER

Sat, April 29, 9am-noon

Start right outside your front door or join neighbors at Fairmount and Chester (meet at the dumpster) to help plant trees and clean areas that need special attention. A limited supply of tools (courtesy of Friends of Patterson Park) and large paper bags will be available at the dumpster site.

BHA will host a cleanup for kids at 11am in Castle Street Park (behind the Life of Reilly pub on Fairmount Ave.), and for everyone, a cookout at noon in the park. Your help and support will make it all happen. Follow us on Twitter and Facebook, check out butchershill.nextdoor.com, or contact emwadsworth1@verizon.net.



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Baltimore's Friendliest Neighborhood!

April 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 April Fool's Day
2	3 Flea market spaces on sale to BHA members	4 Streetscape Committee Meeting	5 BHA General Meeting	6	7 Flea market spaces on sale HHW	8 Household Hazardous Waste
9 Palm Sunday Pagoda Opens	10 Land Use & House Tour Com Meetings Passover begins	11	12	13 Executive Committee Meeting	14 May newsletter deadline Good Friday	15
16 Easter	17	18	19 Crime Prevention Meeting	20	21	22 Earth Day
23/30 23 - Opening day of Baltimore Farmers' Market & Bazaar	24 Flea Market Committee Meeting	25	26	27	28	29 Cleanup, Tree Planting, & Dumpster

BUTCHERS HILL COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

CRIME PREVENTION	Carolyn Boitnott <i>c.boitnott@verizon.net</i> 410-522-4991	Wed., April 19, 7:00pm 2105 E. Baltimore St. Meets on the third Wed. of the month
EXECUTIVE	Andrew Crummey <i>butchershillpresident@gmail.com</i>	Thur., April 13, 7:00pm 113 S. Chester St.
FLEA MARKET	Emily Augustine Adam Bradbury <i>emily.augustine@gmail.com</i>	Mon., April 24, 8:00pm 2124 E. Lombard St.
HOUSE TOUR	Sue Noonan <i>suenoon@cavtel.net</i> Pat Phoebus <i>phoebu1115@aol.com</i> 410-327-1610	Mon., April 10, 7:00pm
LAND USE	Virgil Bartram <i>Virgil@ArchUV.com</i> 410-327-4964	Mon., April 10, 7:00pm Meet in the white house in Patterson Park.
STREETSCAPE	Betsy Wadsworth <i>bwads2211@verizon.net</i> Andrew Crummey <i>andrew.crummey@gmail.com</i>	Tue., April 4, 7:00pm 2211 E. Lombard St. Join us!

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF

Begins April 7 & 8, 9am-5pm, 2840 Sisson St.
Drop-off days give city residents the opportunity to dispose of materials such as:

- Oil-based paints
- Herbicides
- CFL light bulbs
- Pool chemicals
- Pesticides
- Car batteries
- Drain cleaners
- Gasoline

No leaking or unmarked containers will be accepted. Latex paint can be dried up and the cans put out for regular trash collection. Residents must show proof of city residency. Residents must also be able to identify the material. Materials that will not be collected include: asbestos, ammunition, industrial and medical wastes, and radioactive materials, including smoke alarms with a radioactive symbol. For more information go to <http://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov>.

**2017
Dumpster
Dates**
June 3
August 12
October 7
December 2

2017 Save the Dates
May 13 - Spring Flea Market
July - Summer Potluck
August - Teachers' Breakfast
September 16 - Fall Flea Market
October 8 - House Tour
November - Shop & Schmooze
December - Holiday Potluck

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.

APRIL BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING: Wed., April 5, 7:00 pm at St. Andrew Orthodox Church hall, Lombard & Chester Streets., enter on Lombard St.

Agenda for April meeting:

- Robbyn Lewis, 46th District Delegate

NOTE: OUR MAY GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT COMMODORE JOHN RODGERS

NOW IS THE TIME!

SIGN UP TO BE ON THE BHA HOUSE TOUR

Many of you have said that you would like to be on the house tour sometime. We are beginning our search for houses for the 2017 BHA house tour, which will occur on Oct 8. Are you ready to be one of the attractions of the neighborhood that amazes visitors and even other Butchers Hill residents? We need a variety of homes, small and cozy, big and impressive, simple and interesting, 150 years old or modern inside. All of them show the diversity and potential for life in our little area within three blocks of Patterson Park.

We will also need volunteers to do some writing for us. If you are capable of some descriptive writing and have a little time, your help will be most appreciated. Recommend a neighbor you think would be interested, and we can follow up with them. It may seem like a long way off to October 8, but we need to settle our list of houses soon—so don't wait. Contact Sue Noonan or Pat Phoebus (see Committees list on page 2). Our next committee meeting will be held on April 10 at 7pm.

SCHOOL BOUNDARY MEETINGS

Baltimore City Schools is holding a series of meetings to gather input regarding school zones and boundaries. The meeting in SE Baltimore is at the Southeast Anchor Library on May 3, from 6-8pm. Interpreters will be available at that meeting. For more information, including the other meeting locations, contact zones@bcps.k12.md.us.

MIDNIGHT BELL RINGING - APRIL 30

Paschal services at St. Andrew Orthodox Church will begin at 11:30pm on Sat., April 15, with nocturns followed by the midnight procession, around the church building and ringing of the church bells during the procession. This occurs once a year as part of Easter celebration. We appreciate all they do for our community association, including allowing us to hold our monthly meetings and pot luck in their church hall. We also encourage supporting their fundraisers: the annual golf tournament at the Wetlands Golf Club in Aberdeen (June 9-14), the Bull & Oyster Roast (Oct. 1), and the homemade cookie sale (December).

NEWS FROM OUR TWO K-8 SCHOOLS

You can help support our two K-8 schools; 100 percent of the funds raised at the BHA flea market booth goes to the schools. On May 13 drop off donations from 7-10am at the Lombard St. Patterson Park entrance. Tax receipts provided upon request.

Commodore John Rodgers (100 N. Chester St.)

Commodore's OrchKids performance with the BSO takes place on Monday, April 3, at 1pm. In addition, Commodore's Spring Showcase of the Arts takes places on Thursday, April 27, at 6pm. If you are interested in attending either event, please email glenwick@thecjrschool.org.

CJR partners with BUGS, a Living Classrooms-supported afterschool program and hosts an annual farmers' market day at BUGS headquarters at 802 S. Caroline St. the morning of Sat., April 29. Come by for some snacks, plants, and various student-made items!

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

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 1-5, and HOPPP (the parent organization at PPPCS) is planning a week full of events to show appreciation to our teachers. To get involved, please contact Ashia at 410-558-1230, extension 327 or AMoultrie@pppcs.org. We'll be collecting donations of goods, cash, and volunteer time to show our teachers some love!

The PPPCS 3rd-5th grade Destination Imagination team "Da Gud Spellirz" won first place at the at the regional competition in the improve category and will be going to the state competition on April 1 at UMBC.

STOP THE WIND FROM TRASHING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD ON RECYCLING DAYS

Some suggestions for keeping your recycling in the container: tape an "X" over the top of the container, staple or tape paper bags and boxes shut, use a container with a tight-fighting lid, or if it is a windy day, you might hold onto recycling until the following week. Cheap, easy solutions to keep the neighborhood beautiful and keep your neighbors happy.

FRIENDS OF PATTERSON PARK

Pagoda Opening Day - Sun. April 9, noon-6pm, through Oct. 8, weather permitting. Best view of Baltimore.

Dia del Niño - Sat. April 29, 11am-2pm at Pagoda Hill, rain date: Sun. April 30, free for the whole family. Crafts, games, music, dance, paper rockets, book giveaway, and piñatas.

FOPP Needs Volunteers - email volunteer@pattersonpark.com to join a team.

Boat Lake Team - Sat., April 1, 8am, meet at the boat lake.

Pagoda Teams - Sun. April 9, 9:30am, rain date: April 16, clean up and gardening at the Pagoda to get it ready for opening day!

Tree Team - Sat., April 22, 9am, celebrate Earth Day by mulching trees, edging walkways, and picking up trash, meet at the white house.

AUDUBON ACTIVITIES

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

Habitat Team - Sat., April 1, 9-10:30am Meet at the wetland garden, just uphill from the boat lake.

The Intro to Bird-Friendly Gardening workshop for adults will be offered at three different libraries: Mon. April 3, 6-8pm, Towson Branch; Wed., April 5, 5:30-7:30pm, Roland Park Branch; and Mon. April 24, 5:30-7:30pm, Waverly Branch. Please register in advance.

Guided Bird-Watching Walks - Sat., April 29, 8-9:30am, meet at fountain near Lombard St. Over two hundred bird species have visited Patterson Park, an important migratory stopover in Baltimore. If you need to borrow binoculars, send an email.

LIGHT CITY BALTIMORE

Festival of Light, Music and Innovation - March 31-April 8. The light festival features illuminated sculptures, projections, interactive technologies, performances, concerts and a children's area—all free to visit along the Inner Harbor. Schedules of events, map, information about the innovative conferences, and more at lightcity.org. There are other related events in the city during the week, including Lit City Dance Party in the Light Tunnel on St. Paul St. on Thur., April 6.

FARMERS' MARKET OPENING DAY

The Baltimore Farmers' Market & Bazaar returns April 23, 7am-noon, and continues every Sunday under the Jones Falls Expressway (I83). Maryland's largest producers-only market, selling locally raised fruits and vegetables, poultry, seafood, beef, pork, lamb, bison, goat, baked goods, herbs, eggs, and dairy products. Food vendors add multicultural cuisine. The bazaar offers a wide variety of artisan crafts and collectibles. Many vendors accept credit, debit, and Independence cards. There is an ATM on site. Visit www.promotionandarts.org/events-festivals/baltimore-farmers-market-bazaar.

OTHER APRIL EVENTS

Fells Point Privateer Festival - April 1 & 2, 10am-7pm, celebrate maritime history, re-enactments, arts & crafts, live music, and more. Details at <http://www.fellspointmainstreet.org/privateerfestival2016.htm> (sic).

Spring Flower Show & Music - Wed. to Sun., April 8-23, 10am-4pm, extended hours on the days of the concerts (7pm). April 12, Charm City Bluegrass; April 20, jazz jam sessions; conversations with jazz legends & historians, light refreshments will be served. Free in Druid Hill Park at the conservatory. Other events: April 15, Fruit Tree Fair, 10am-2pm, activities & tree give-away. For more details call 410-396-0008, go to rawlingsconservatory.org, or email info@rawlingsconservatory.org.

Highlandtown Wine Fest - Sun., April 30, 1-6pm. Tickets, \$20 in advance and \$25 at the gate, will get you entrance, a souvenir wine glass, antipasto platter, and five wine tastings. There will be arts and crafts vendors, live music, and a variety of fun games/activities throughout the day. Get tickets and information at highlandtown.com/highlandtown-wine-festival.

Free Shredding Event - Sat., April 22, 9am-1pm at Edmondson-Westside High School, 501 N. Athol Ave. Up to two 32-gallon bags of paper will be accepted with proof of Baltimore residency. This is an opportunity to safely dispose of sensitive documents.

Recycling bins will also be available for purchase at a discounted price: 18-gallon bins (\$4) and 25-gallon bins (\$7), and lids for the 25-gallon (\$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.