

BUTCHERS HILL

AUGUST 2019



BETH BRAUN
BHA PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors,

I had a very interesting conversation with a neighbor recently. I was sitting on my stoop admiring the lights (more about that later), and a young woman walked by — she stopped to chat for a moment and expressed some interest in the neighborhood. I suggested that she come to one of our general meetings or social events, and she said she thought she wasn't allowed because she is a renter. I think my jaw actually

dropped a little bit. Apparently, we've done a really poor job of marketing the neighborhood association as an entity for all neighbors. According to our bylaws, any person is eligible to become a member of the Association if they are:

- i. A Resident. A resident of Butchers Hill as defined by the boundaries* described in the bylaws.
- ii. A Business Person. A business owner or designee who owns a business in the Butchers Hill (BHA) boundaries*, which represents 1 vote.
- iii. An Organization. An entity or organization within the boundaries* of Butchers Hill, such as churches, recreation centers, clinics, or schools, which represents 1 vote per organization.
- iv. Associate Members. Any individual who does not live within the Butchers Hill boundaries* but wishes to join in order to participate in activities (no voting authority).

Nowhere is it stated that a resident must be an owner of a house versus a renter. All are welcome! Please share this information with your neighbors that are renting and encourage them to come to a meeting or a stoop sitting

or some other event. And if you are a renter and are reading this, please join us!



As to the lights—I'm talking about the café lights—we are looking for individuals interested in adding them to their house/block and are willing to be the point person for their block or block face (just one side of the street). We have the information that you will need to sign up and get organized; just email me at butchershillpresident@gmail.com or call me at 240-353-6333. We are also looking for several people to become trained in the installation so we can relieve the person that has been doing all the work so far. (Thanks Chris.)

Take care of yourselves and each other, Beth

*Butchers Hill boundaries are detailed here: <http://butchershill.org/index.php?page=boundaries>.

BUTCHERS HILL FLEA MARKET & CRAFT FAIR Saturday, September 14, 9am - 3pm

BHA members (dues-paid in 2019) may sign up for one or more 15'x15' spaces, at a cost of \$35 each, starting Aug. 5; information at butchershill.org. Others may purchase spaces starting Aug. 8. To volunteer to help with the flea market, go to <https://tinyurl.com/y4qrtuzj> or email Heather at butchershillfleamarket@gmail.com.

Drop off donations to the Butchers Hill table on Sept. 14, from 7-10am, at the Lombard & Patterson Park entrance to the park. Get help unloading and get a tax receipt for your donation. All proceeds of the BHA table directly benefit our two local preK-8 schools.

BHA organizes the flea market twice a year as a gift to the area and to the organizations that participate. We do so in order to bring together and benefit many people in Southeast Baltimore and beyond. So join us! Saturday, Sept. 14, to shop, socialize, and enjoy the flea market, our gift that benefits local nonprofits and schools.

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

The annual BHA art event, Shop & Schmooze, where local artists show and sell their work, is Wed., Nov. 13, at St. Andrew Church hall. Artists interested in being part of this yearly holiday mart are asked to send an email to Kini Collins (kinicollins@gmail.com), by Sept. 15. Set up begins at 5pm, shopping and schmoozing runs 7-9pm, and load out is at 9pm. Table fee is \$10 to participate. BHA provides beverages, nibbles, and music.

August 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 HHW	3 HHW Dumpster Day
4 Patterson Park Concert Series	5	6 Streetscape Com. Mtg.	7 General Mtg.	8 Executive Com. Mtg.	9	10
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18	19	20	21 Crime Prevention Com. Mtg.	22	23	24 Dam Jam at Lake Montebello
25	26	27 Flea Market Com. Mtg.	28	29	30	31 Bird Watching

BUTCHERS HILL COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

CRIME PREVENTION Perry Warren
perrywarren@gmail.com
Wed., Aug. 21, 7:00pm
2105 E. Baltimore St.
Meets the third Wednesday.

EXECUTIVE Beth Braun
butchershillpresident@gmail.com
Thurs., Aug. 8, 7:00pm
Meets the second Thursday
at the white house.

FLEA MARKET Heather Gorius
butchershillfleamarket@gmail.com
Tues., Aug. 27, 7:00 p.m.
Meets the fourth Tuesday at
the white house.

GARDEN TOUR Trish White
mrshophoop@hotmail.com
240-593-3712
No meeting this month.

HOUSE TOUR Pat Phoebus
phoebu1115@aol.com
410-327-1610
Wed., Aug. 14, 7:00 p.m.
200 S. Chester St.
Meets as needed.

LAND USE Virgil Bartram
Virgil@ArchUV.com
410-327-4964
Mon., Aug. 12, 7:00 p.m.
Meets the second Monday
at the white house.

STREETSCAPE Betsy Wadsworth
bmoredwads2211@gmail.com
Andrew Crummey
andrew.crummey@gmail.com
Tue., Aug. 6, 7:00 p.m.
120 S. Chester St.
Meets the first Tuesday.

SAVE THE DATES:

August 3 \ BHA dumpster, unit block N. Collington
August 6 \ National Night Out - sit on your stoop!
September 14 \ Fall Flea Market
October 12 \ BHA dumpster, 100 block S. Chester
October 20 \ BHA House Tour
November 13 \ Shop & Schmooze
November 23 \ BHA dumpster, 100 block S. Collington
December \ Holiday Potluck

TAKE NOTE:

S. MADEIRA ST. \ The unit block of S. Madeira St. has been certified as a bird-friendly garden!

CITY SIDEWALK TREES \ These trees need a gallon of water every day (or at least five gallons each week). Please water the tree in front of your house—and, while you're there, water your neighbor's as well.

CODE RED VS. CODE ORANGE \ **ORANGE** means air pollution levels are unhealthy for active children and adults, and for those with lung problems like asthma. **RED** means excessive heat; cooling centers (nearest two are Booth Senior Center in Patterson Park Casino building, 410-396-9209, and SE Community Center, 3411 Bank St., 410-545-6518) and pools remain open later to all.

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.

AUDUBON ACTIVITIES

Habitat Team \ Sat., Aug. 3, 9-10:30am, meet at the wetland garden, uphill and northwest of the Boat Lake in Patterson Park. Service hours available.

Bilingual Tiny Tots \ Fri., Aug. 23, 10:30-11:30am, Busy Bees, Patterson Park at the Boat Lake. Please register in advance. \$5 suggested donation.

Birding Activities \ Sat., Aug. 31, 8-9:30am in Patterson Park, bird watching—meet at the fountain at the Lombard St. and Patterson Park Ave. entrance. If you want binoculars, please send an email.

For questions and to register for any or all activities, contact baltimore@audubon.org or 410-558-2473.

PATTERSON PARK ACTIVITIES

Fluid Movement: The Water Ballet \ Fri., Aug. 2 - Sun., Aug. 4 in Patterson Park Pool. For more information and tickets, visit fluidmovement.org.

Concert Series \ 6:30-8:30pm, family-friendly, on Pagoda Hill, information at pattersonpark.com.

- Sun., Aug. 4, Cimarrón, from Bogota, Colombia, native joropo music with global and contemporary flair. Instruments never seen out of Latin America!
- Sun., Aug. 11, The Scotch Bonnets, reggae blends and classic Jamaican grooves with funk and American songwriting.
- Weds., Aug. 14, Sarah Sullivan & the New Old Fashioneds, free swing lesson at intermission.

BrewFest \ Sat., Sept. 28, 1-7pm at the Bull Circle in Patterson Park. Forty+ local beers, restaurants, food trucks, and live music all to benefit "Baltimore's Best Backyard"—Patterson Park! For more event details, visit www.pattersonparkbrewfest.com. **NEW:** Discount for All FOPP Members - become a member of the Friends of Patterson Park by Aug. 8 and be eligible for a \$7 discount on up to six tickets to the BrewFest.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Lake Clean Up \ Sat., Aug. 3, 8am, pull trash out of the lake, cut overgrown weeds, and pick up area trash

Tree Mulching \ Sat., Aug. 3, 8:30am, mulch trees throughout the park.

For more information on volunteer opportunities, email volunteer@pattersonpark.com.

The Pagoda is open every Sunday, weather permitting from 12-6pm, from April through October. Come enjoy the best view in the city!



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A NEW WAY YOU CAN HELP THE BHA HOUSE TOUR BE SUCCESSFUL

Would you like to support the Oct. 20 house tour? Perhaps you would like your name in the house tour booklet as a sponsor. Or perhaps you know of a group or a business that would like to contribute. If so, there are four sponsorship levels, each with its own benefits, all are described in the table below. Contact Katherine at kwolf1@gmail.com or 303-875-6138 if you are interested or with contact information for someone else that may be.

As always, volunteers to house-sit are needed. Those that volunteer for a 2.5-hour shift will receive a ticket to go on the House Tour, as well as an invitation to the all-volunteer-appreciation party that evening.

Sponsor the tour and be listed in the booklet, volunteer by house-sitting, or go on the tour—which will you choose?

BHA House Tour Sponsorship Table				
	Platinum \$200	Gold \$150	Silver \$100	Bronze \$50
Complimentary House Tour Tickets	✓ 4	✓ 4	✓ 2	✓ 1
Ad in Tour Booklet	full page	half page	quarter page	eighth page
Speak at a 2020 BHA Gen. Mtg.	✓	—	—	—
Promotion at BHA events in Patterson Park (9/14 & 10/20)	✓	✓	—	—
Logo on BHA House Tour webpage	✓ + link	✓ + link	✓	—
Acknowledgement in newsletter	✓	✓	✓	✓
Acknowledgement in Tour booklet	✓	✓	✓	✓

PERFECT WEATHER = PERFECT PICNIC!

About seventy neighbors, friends, and family members came together over homemade sidedishes and volunteer-grilled delights at the annual BHA picnic in Halcott Square. Always a fun and relaxing time for adults and children alike, it wouldn't have been possible without the help of several volunteers. Thanks to Billy and Doug for organizing and to Jay for providing his charcoal grill and making the best hamburgers and hot dogs while Andrew grilled the veggie burgers. Bill, Adam, Steve, and Sandy filled in on setup and breakdown, along with Elizabeth and Robby completing the final cleanup.

CAN YOU HELP?

On Sat., Aug. 3, 8am-noon, we have a need for a volunteer or two to assist with the community dumpster.

We also have a temporary need for someone to distribute the BHA newsletter to the unit & 100 blocks of S. Collington Ave. & Madeira St.

Interested in either position? Please contact Sandy at sjs2201@verizon.net or 410-558-0149.

NEWS FROM OUR TWO K-8 SCHOOLS

COMMODORE JOHN RODGERS SCHOOL
100 N. CHESTER ST.

Family Barbecue and Uniform Sale \ Wed., Aug. 14, 5-7pm. Also available online at www.thecjrschool.org/

First Day of School \ Mon., Aug. 26

PATTERSON PARK PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL
27 N. LAKEWOOD AVE.

Donation Request \ Donations accepted Mon.-Fri., 9am-3pm, at 2638 E. Baltimore St. Students are in need of child/youth size new white, black, or blue socks, deodorant, lotion, feminine hygiene products, liquid laundry detergent, and dryer sheets for the community-use washer/dryer.

First Day of School \ Tues., Sept. 3

NEWS ABOUT ED RUTKOWSKI

Ed Rutkowski, one of the founders and former executive directors of Patterson Park Public Charter School, passed away on July 18. Ed also formed the Patterson Park Community Development Corporation in the 90's, helping to stabilize and improve the neighborhoods north and east of the park. He will be missed by many in the city, especially those in SE Baltimore.

AUGUST ACTIVITIES

Baltimore Restaurant Week \ Aug. 2-11, two-course brunch/lunch menus range from \$12-\$20, three-course dinner menus range from \$20-\$35. Share your experiences on social media at #BaltRW. www.baltimorerestaurantweek.com

Free Movies at Local Pratt Libraries

- Southeast Anchor Library in Highlandtown: Aug. 3, 2pm: Black Panther; Aug. 17, 2pm: Blackklansman; Aug. 21, 2pm: Anime Afternoon.
- Canton Branch: Aug. 31, 11am: Stay Human

6th Annual Vegan SoulFest \ Aug. 3, noon-6pm, Clifton Park, 2701 St. Lo Drive; vegansoulfest.com

AFRAM 2019 Festival \ Aug. 10 & 11, in Druid Hill Park, rain or shine, bring items only in clear or mesh bags; no alcohol, smoking, coolers, glass containers, weapons, lighters, grills, pets, personal radios, drones, or retail items - enforced. Parking limited.

Meteor Shower \ Aug. 12-13, overnight. Is this in your stars? One of the most active meteor showers of the year, Perseids, takes place the night of Aug. 12 and early morning of Aug 13. Remnants of the Comet Swift-Tuttle will throw off as many as one hundred meteors per hour, visible in a perfectly dark sky, so possibly worth a drive to the country. <https://earthsky.org/?p=165416>.

Culinary Adventure Camp \ Mon. Aug. 12 - Fri. Aug. 16, 9am-1pm at the Julie Community Center for ages 7-12. Register online at www.foodstudies.org. The Julie Center is located at Lombard & Washington Streets. Volunteers are needed; if you are interested, please email juliecenterdirector@gmail.com. For more information, contact Ariel at info@foodstudies.org, or call (410) 948-2449.

Free Movies \ Aug. 16, Castle Street Park, Harry Potter; Aug. 30, Betty Hyatt Park, 1710 E. Baltimore St., How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World.

Feast of St. Gabriele \ Aug. 17 & 18. littleitalymd.org.

Maryland State Fair \ Aug. 22-Sept. 2, advance ticket discounts and list of new events at marylandstatefair.com.

Dam Jam at Lake Montebello \ Aug. 24, 10am-4pm, free, music, food, and water history, plus your chance to tour the Montebello Water Filtration Plant. Steel bands, food trucks, wildlife, face painting. publicworks@baltimorecity.gov or 410-545-6541.

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 and/or volunteer at BHA events? _____ Which: _____

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.