

# BUTCHERS HILL

MAY 2018



ANDREW CRUMMEY  
BHA PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors,

I expect everyone has shared the delay/frustration over the start of spring with the unseasonably cold weather. However, our neighborhood has had a great start to the year with the weekly chalk nights and our first mix and mingle event of the year in Halcott Square.

I am excited for the upcoming year; we will have stoop sittings, movie nights in Castle St. Park,

flea markets in Patterson Park, a house tour, a summer picnic in Halcot Sq, and much more! If you are looking for an excuse to wander out and engage with you neighbors or explore your neighborhood, you will find many opportunities.

I would like to thank those who came out on the April 28 to our spring cleanup to plant trees, tend our alley gardens, enjoy the kids cleanup in Castle Street Park, or do some general neighborhood cleaning. We take pride in our neighborhood and it shows!

Reminder that our May general meeting is at Commodore Johns Rodgers School. Each year we move our May meeting to the school so everyone has a chance to get inside and see what a great educational resource we have right here in our neighborhood.

See you around the neighborhood!

Andrew

**MAY BHA GENERAL MEETING IS AT  
COMMODORE JOHN RODGERS**



## SPRING FLEA MARKET

*Sat., May 12 ~ 9am-3pm*

We need YOU: volunteer, donate stuff, buy stuff!

Fun with neighbors: Sign up to help for a couple of hours, jobs listed online: [tinyurl.com/y926mp5z](http://tinyurl.com/y926mp5z) or contact Emily at [butchershillflemarket@gmail.com](mailto:butchershillflemarket@gmail.com) with any questions.

Bring contributions for the BHA flea booth to the Lombard St. park entrance "drop-off" curb area from 7-9am the morning of the flea market. Help will be available to unload your items and tax receipts can be obtained upon request.

There will be great live music, food, and unique finds from more than 150 vendors, earning our reputation for being Baltimore's biggest and best flea market. Also, around midday, the Pagoda will be open. The flea market is also a major fundraising event for BHA; proceeds fund our neighborhood activities, including greening projects and safety initiatives, as well as supporting local nonprofits, like the Friends of Patterson Park and our two preK-8 schools.

## BUTCHERS HILL FLAGS

The Butchers Hill Association is looking into the possibility of getting custom Butchers Hill flags made for neighbors to purchase. They will be 3'x5' white flags with the purple Butchers Hill logo on both sides. These will be on a preorder basis and we are hoping to get a minimum of twenty-five orders to keep costs down. As these are custom flags, we're looking at a price range between \$66 and \$90, depending on how many are ordered. The more orders that are placed, the cheaper the flags will be. We are still finalizing details, so these numbers are subject to change.

If you are interested in buying a Butchers Hill flag, please email Bri McNamara at [brianna.mcnamara@gmail.com](mailto:brianna.mcnamara@gmail.com) and let them know your name, address, and number of flags you may want. You will be kept updated on any decisions and will have a chance to finalize your decision before orders are placed.

# May 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 <b>Streetscape Committee Meeting</b>	2 <b>BHA Gen Meeting at CJR</b>	3	4 Household Hazardous Waste (thru 4/5)	5
6	7	8	9 <b>House Tour Committee Meeting</b>	10 <b>Executive Committee Meeting</b>	11 Birdwatching	12 <b>BHA Flea Market</b>
13 Mother's Day	14 <b>Land Use Com. Meeting</b>	15 Ramadan begins at sunset	16 <b>Crime Prevention Com. Meeting</b>	17	18 <b>June newsletter deadline</b>	19 Shavuot begins at sundown
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Dumpster ? Birdwatching
27	28 Memorial Day Gov't offices closed	29 .	30	31		

**SAVE THE DATE**  
 May 12 - Spring Flea Market  
 June 6 - Stoop Sitting  
 July 13 - Summer Potluck  
 September 15 - Fall Flea Market  
 October 14 - BHA 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., May 16, 7:00pm 2105 E. Baltimore St. Meets on the third Wednesday.
EXECUTIVE	Andrew Crummey <i>butchershillpresident@gmail.com</i>	Thur., May 10, 7:00pm 113 S. Chester St. Meets on the second Thursday.
FLEA MARKET	Emily Augustine Adam Bradbury <i>butchershillfleamarket@gmail.com</i>	No scheduled meeting in May
HOUSE TOUR	Pat Phoebus <i>phoebu1115@aol.com</i> 410-327-1610	Wed., May 9, 7:00pm 200 S. Chester St. Meets on the second Wednesday
LAND USE	Virgil Bartram <i>Virgil@ArchUV.com</i> 410-327-4964	Mon., May 14, 7:00pm Meets on the second Mon. in the white house in Patterson Park.
STREETSCAPE	Betsy Wadsworth <i>bmoredads2211@gmail.com</i> Andrew Crummey <i>andrew.crummey@gmail.com</i>	Tue., May 1, 7:00pm Meets on the first Tue.

**Household Hazardous Drop Off Days**  
 May 4-5, 9am-5pm., 2840 Sisson St.  
 Drop-off days give city residents the opportunity to dispose of materials such as:

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

No leaking or unmarked containers 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. For more information, including a complete list of accepted and unaccepted materials, go to <http://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov>.

**Chalk Night**  
 Every Wednesday at 5:30pm (weather permitting)  
 locations to be announced

**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.

**2018 DUMPSTER DATES**  
 May 26 August 4  
 October 13 December 1

**JUNE MEETING IS A STOOP SITTING**  
 Look here next month for the addresses of the stoops.

**MAY BUTCHERS HILL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING:** Wed., May 2, 7:00 p.m.  
**at Commodore John Rodgers Elementary & Middle School!**

- \* State Senator Brian Ferguson with a recap of the recently adjourned legislative session
- \* Someone from Councilman Zeke Cohen's office to discuss new legislation

### HOUSE TOUR

October 14 ~ noon-5pm

We are still looking for a few houses to be on the tour. By showing your house you reap many benefits: You can get those small projects completed, meet old and new neighbors, earn free passes to the tour, and are invited to the volunteer thank-you party. The tour also helps raise money for BHA projects and supports the two schools and other nonprofit groups in our area. Volunteers are also needed as house sitters. If you are interested in being on the tour or a house sitter, contact Pat Phoebus at 410-327-1610 or [phoebu1115@aol.com](mailto:phoebu1115@aol.com). Next committee meeting, May 9 at 7pm, 200 S. Chester Street.

### DONATIONS TO BHA

Do you want to help support the neighborhood association, but can't volunteer for the flea market or the house tour? Consider a one-time or sustaining donation. Just a small monthly donation will help us with our greening and safety initiatives. Go to [butchershill.org/giving](http://butchershill.org/giving) to set up a donation or send a check to BHA 27 S. Patterson Park Ave. Baltimore, MD 21231.

### ONE DUMPSTER LEFT TO "ADOPT"

We need one more volunteer to be trained and then to monitor the dumpster on May 26 on the 2100 block of E Fairmount Ave. If you are interested, contact Sandy at [sjs2201@verizon.net](mailto:sjs2201@verizon.net) or 410-558-0149. This dumpster may be cancelled if there is no one to monitor it.

### NEWS FROM OUR TWO K-8 SCHOOLS

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

Free Learning Parties - May 3, 10, 17, and 24. For ages 3-5 with a parent, to promote school readiness skills. Sign up for all four parties at [mlacroix@pppcs.org](mailto:mlacroix@pppcs.org).

Book Fair - May 20, 4:30-6pm. Add to your child's library while helping the school. Advice available about age appropriate literature.

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

Chik-Fil-A fundraising - Thur., May 3, 3:30-7:30pm

Family Science Night - Wed., May 9, 5-6:30pm

Food Pantry - Thur., May 10 and 24

Spring Showcase of the Arts - Thur., May 24, 6-7pm



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### STREETSCAPE UPDATE

*Don't Lift a Finger and Go Native for Butchers Hill*

LOTS (Lights on the Street), a new initiative by the Crime Prevention and Streetscape committees, has been established to ensure every street in our neighborhood is safe and well lit at night. A simple change to a dawn-to-dusk switch and conversion to LED bulbs will make this happen without lifting a finger! BHA is subsidizing the cost of the automatic switch and has contracted with a licensed electrician to provide three different conversion scenarios at a fixed price. No exterior fixture or need a new one? No problem. Contact the Streetscape committee (see page 2) if you are interested in getting your block brighter and safer the easy way. If you would like to donate to help offset the cost of the initiative, see the Donations article.

Going native in Halcott Square? No, not tropical island native, but we're replacing invasive or imported plants with natives that provide food and shelter for our native birds and insect pollinators. The park's over-grown yew hedge, native to North Africa and Europe, will be replaced with an attractive northern bayberry hedge, native to our mid-Atlantic region. It will provide berries for migrating and local birds besides attracting over one hundred species of moths and butterflies.

Other places in Butchers Hill where you can see native plants, pollinators, and birds flourishing are the three rain gardens; our street trees (flowering red bud, red maple, red oak, sycamore); your neighbors' Audubon-certified, bird-friendly gardens; and the unit block S Madeira Street.

Did you know that even small urban bird-friendly and pollinator-friendly gardens and containers help ensure our native species have the food and shelter they require to survive? For more information, see [www.audubon.org/bird/at-home](http://www.audubon.org/bird/at-home). If you are interested in purchasing native plants for yourself, consider purchasing from Audubon at the BHA Flea Market on May 12. Another alternative is Herring Run Nursery, a non-profit native plant nursery in Baltimore. [www.bluewaterbaltimore.org/herring-run-nursery/](http://www.bluewaterbaltimore.org/herring-run-nursery/)

### PRIMARY STATE ELECTIONS JUNE 26

June 5 is the last day to register. Early voting is June 14-21. Absentee ballot (electronic) deadline is June 22. Meet candidates for District 46, May 15, 5:30-7:30pm, SE Anchor Library. Sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

To receive this newsline via email or for newsletter questions, comments, and submissions,  
email the editor - [bhanewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:bhanewsletter@gmail.com).

## PATTERSON PARK ACTIVITIES

**Wine at Sunset** - Thur., May 24, 6-9pm. This is the Friends' signature fundraiser featuring great wines (and local beer and spirits) and food from local restaurants. Live music, a silent auction, and more! Tickets are available at [pattersonparkwineatsunset.com](http://pattersonparkwineatsunset.com).

**AVAM's Kinetic Sculpture Race** - Sat., May 5, 1-3pm, free to watch the amphibious, human-powered, custom-built works of art enter Patterson Park and go through the mud and sand pits at Linwood Ave. before powering their way up the Pagoda Hill. The racers exit the park at Lombard St. Learn more information, including the entire route, at [kineticbaltimore.com](http://kineticbaltimore.com).

## AUDUBON ACTIVITIES

For more information about Patterson Park Audubon Center or to RSVP, call 410-558-2473 or email [baltimore@audubon.org](mailto:baltimore@audubon.org).

**Fun Gardening for All Ages** - Sat., May 5, 9-10:30am. Tools, gloves, water, snacks, and service hours provided. Keep the food and shelter for our wildlife green and growing. Meet upland from the boat lake.

**Native Plant Sale** - at the Butchers Hill Flea Market, Sat., May 12, 9am until sold out.

**Bird Watching**, Fri., May 11 & Sat., May 26, 8-9:30am at the fountain in Patterson Park. All ages, no registration needed. Also, 3100 East Dr., Druid Hill Park, May 19.

**Tiny Tots - May Flowers!** - Fri., May 18, 10:30-11:30am, registration required, \$5 donation per child.

**Audubon's Baltimore Birding Weekend** - May 18-20 Exciting events exploring the green spaces & waterfront habitats important to birds. Visit the Audubon website for trip details & registration.

## ST. ANDREW ACTIVITIES

**St. Andrew Church Flea Market** - Sat., May 19, 9am-3pm, Fellowship Hall. Household items, clothing, jewelry, books, along with food and beverages. Donations of new or gently used, clean items in good working condition can be dropped off Sundays between 11:30am-1pm. Large furniture items and TVs more than five-years old will not be accepted.

**15th Annual Golf Tournament** - Fri., June 1, at Wetlands Golf Club in Aberdeen to benefit St. Andrew. Registration and sponsorship information is available at [standrew-baltimore.org/upcoming\\_events.html](http://standrew-baltimore.org/upcoming_events.html).

## OTHER MAY ACTIVITIES

**20th Maryland Film Festival** - May 2-6, get ready film buffs: Station North Arts District & MICA are offering multiple settings to view cutting-edge, vintage, classic 3-D, and contemporary films with free discussion panels. [mdfilmfest.com](http://mdfilmfest.com)

**FlowerMart 2018** - May 4 & 5, 11am-8pm, rain or shine. Dog, hat, and dance contests. Continuous entertainment, contests, and vendors featuring flowers, plants, and food (candy-cane lemons and more). The fair is around the base of the Washington Monument (Charles & Monument St.) in Mount Vernon. [flowermartmd.org](http://flowermartmd.org)

**Market Day 50th Anniversary** - Cylburn Arboretum, Fri., May 11, 8am-2pm, 4915 Greenspring Ave.

**Walking Tour of Druid Hill Park** - Sat., May 12, 11am-1pm. The tour begins at the Conservatory, near the Gwynns Fall entrance to Druid Hill Park. Includes significant walking, \$15 per person.

**Fell's Point House Tour**, Sun., May 13, 11am-5pm. Tickets at the Robert Long House, the oldest surviving residence within the boundaries of old Baltimore City. Advance tickets are \$20, \$25 day of. For questions about the tour, contact Barb Cromwell at 443-847-8738 or visit [www.preservationsociety.com](http://www.preservationsociety.com).

**Port Discovery Special Pricing** - May 18 & June 15, 4-8pm, thanks to Aquafina sponsorship, price reduced to only \$2 per person! [portdiscovery.org](http://portdiscovery.org)

**Booth/Hooper Senior Center** - 2601 E. Baltimore St. in Casino building in Patterson Park, 410-396-9202, Mon.-Fri. 8:30am-4pm. Special May events: May 14, Bowling at Stoneleigh Lanes; May 9, Jewelry Making. Transportation available. Call for information.

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.