



THE BEVERLY HILLS BEACON

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SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Seems like summer doesn't want to let go of us. Been pretty warm around here for a while and for a few days longer. However, we are looking forward to some cooler days and Beverly Hills events. There is the Lauraville Fair on Sept. 24. Beverly Hills will have a cupcake table. Looking for volunteers to make some cupcakes and work at the Fair. The next event is Beverly Hills elections. We really need your participation. There is a section below outlining the upcoming elections event. In October we will be having our annual Fall Dumpster Day. We try to have the Fall Dumpster Day on the east of Walther Avenue; however after riding around Beverly Hills on the east side there is no level, flat site where a dumpster could be set down without causing tree damage. It was actually great seeing all of the new plantings. So we once again place the dumpster at the intersection of Montebello and Arabia. And at the end of the month the Annual Halloween Party on Saturday, October 29. So please think about becoming an officer or board member and help keep these events moving along for another year(s). We also have a new Beverly Hills website that will be up and running very soon. We thank Tom Wheeler for maintaining the current website. Tom is unable to continue his good work so Daniel Givens has stepped up to the plate. Thanks Daniel. And finally, we look forward to a beautiful Fall in Beverly Hills and seeing many of you at our upcoming events.

Peace and Vote!

OFFICERS:

Mary Buedel, President
Philip Harris, Treasurer
Board Members
Rocky Dunn
Mimi Kelly
Donald Major
Suzette Morgan

NEXT BEVERLY HILLS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, September 28 at p.m. at the Lauraville House
on Harford Road

NEW NEIGHBORS-

We have several new neighbors in our Beverly Hills community. We welcome you to Beverly Hills. This is a great place to call home! Hope to see you at upcoming Beverly Hills Improvement Association meetings and events!

BEVERLY HILLS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

About the elections and officers/board members, several of our board members have moved out of the area and we really need folks from our community to step up and help keep the Beverly Hills Improvement Association functioning. Serving as an officer or board member does require some time and effort but it is on behalf of Beverly Hills and surrounding communities and ultimately Baltimore. Keeping our community together is a joint effort. We have a handful of volunteers but can surely use more. To make being a Board member more appealing a household can be a Board member that will still only get one vote but would allow for more participation in meetings and events (must be 18 years of age to attend meetings and vote on behalf of household.) Having a children's committee, gardening committee, welcoming committee would be great assets.

Beverly Hills Officer Elections will be held at the September 28 Beverly Hills Improvement Association General Membership Meeting at the Lauraville House. Elections will be held for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Directors-at-Large. Term of office is one year. If you would like to fill one of the above offices you may send your name to beverlyhillselectionsmd2016@gmail.com. You may also submit your name on site at the meeting. Dues paying members only are allowed to fill an office. A membership form is attached to this newsletter. You can also pay your dues on Friday, September 13 at the Beverly Hills Grill that will be set up on Arabia at Montebello from 5-7 p.m. or on Friday, September 23 from 5-7 p.m. at Harcourt and Beverly Road. Rain dates for each of the above will be the



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Saturday after. Come support the BHIA and meet your neighbors!

NORTHEAST DISTRICT POLICE COMMAND CHANGE OF COMMAND AT NORTHEAST DISTRICT POLICE STATION

Message from Major Worley

Good afternoon,

The NED leadership is going to be changing hands effective Sunday, July 17. I will be moving to the Officer of the Chief of Patrol to assist Chief Osborne Robinson with overseeing all 9 police districts. Captain Milton Snead will be coming to the NED as the Acting Major and Captain Deanna Effland will be his Executive Officer. Captain Snead was here for over a year as my Executive Officer before heading to Homicide last year. Captain Effland was here as a Lieutenant a few years ago, so both are very familiar with the area. They will do a great job for the citizens of the NED.

I want to thank everyone for the continued support. It has been a great 3 ½ years and I am going to miss the citizens and officers. I will always stand by the opinion that we have the hardest working officers in the City and the best citizens in the City. The TEAMWORK between the Community and BPD has drastically improved over the past few years and under the new leadership, it will continue to grow.

My email address will always be the same so please let me know if you need anything.

Thank you again,
Richard J. Worley, Jr
Major – Northeast District
Baltimore Police Department

CITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Baltimore City Department of Public Works is proposing a three-year package of single-digit water and sewer rate adjustment, as well as a new rate structure that would eliminate the minimum billing for water usage. If approved rates would increase 9.9% October 11, 2016; 9.9% July 1, 2017 and 9.9% July 1, 2018. Sewer rates would increase 9% on 10/11/2016; 9% 7/1/2017; and 9%

7/1/2018. That would mean an overall total water/sewer bill adjustment of 9.4% per year.

NECOP – NORTHEAST CITIZENS ON PATROL

NECOP is a partnership between HARBEL and the Northeast District Police. Patrol volunteers serve as extra eyes and ears for the police. Your role as a Patrol member is to report suspicious incidents and crimes requiring response by trained personnel. You are in phone contact with police and do not get involved in situations. Patrols currently take place Thursday, Friday and select Saturday evenings. However, to honor the requests put forth by the NE District communities, plans for NECOP 24/7 patrolling are being formulated. This would allow for persons to patrol their neighborhood during the day or late at night and 7 days/week. The details for this plan are in the works and hopefully some Beverly Hills folks will sign up. We presently have Beverly Hills participation. The communities that we patrol are Beverly Hills, Arcadia, Moravia/Walther. If you would like to participate please send an email to goldiem1951@gmail.com.

ROADS/SAFETY/CLEAN UP

Walking on Walther

- For pedestrians who traverse Walther Avenue, please walk facing oncoming traffic. As you know many cars travel Walther at fast speeds so awareness is a key factor in preventing injury if something were to happen. _

Harford Road Bridge/Walther Traffic/Moravia Road

The reconstruction of the Harford Road bridge over Herring Run was to begin this Fall. However, we have been informed that the project will not be moving forward as planned. We were looking forward to having the bridge construction underway because during construction Walther is being closed to through traffic. We were looking forward to two glorious years of almost traffic free Walther. Someone recently had copies of the old Beverly Hills Improvement Association minutes from decades ago and traffic on Walther was an issue then too! Hopefully the bridge construction will not be on the back burner too long. We will provide bridge updates as received.

How About That Sewer Drain That Full Of Leaves And Other Stuff



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With Fall approaching and with that falling leaves, it would be great if we could keep the storm drains clear of leaves and debris. If you see a storm drain that is covered please take the time to clear it to prevent flooding. Thanks!!!

Trashy Stuff

It seems like the new trash containers distributed by the City are working well. Please remember that the reason for the large cans with LIDS is to keep the lids closed. We are trying to prevent rodents from feasting so please put any excess baggage into another can with lid.

Lawn/garden refuse is to be placed at the curb along with regular Thursday trash. Please don't put these bags out several days ahead of time.

Bulk trash is picked on the third Wednesday of the month. Please call 311 to schedule a pick up.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The Baltimore City Fire Department is seeking Baltimore City residents to participate in upcoming BCFD-EMT Firefighter interviews. Every candidate who submits an application for either firefighter or EMT sits before a citizen panel consisting. This is a very promising and worthwhile effort. We are both helping our City and also advancing those who seek to be part of the team protecting Baltimore City. The interview dates are: Sept. 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, October 1, 4, and 6. The interviews run from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. The location is Vanguard Collegiate Middle School at 5100 Sinclair Lane (A Wing). Parking and Entrance on Sinclair Lane. Meals will be provided.

If you are interested and available to participate, please email your contact information to:

b CFD.hr@baltimorecity.gov

Your time and input will be greatly appreciated.

FLOWERS/TREES/GARDENS

It's nice walking through Beverly Hills and seeing a nice array of flowers and shrubs. Please trim shrubs and cut back tree limbs that are encroaching the sidewalks.

One of our Beverly Hills residents suggests an article in the Baltimore Sunpapers that might of interest to gardeners and would-be-gardeners. It's the Monday, May 16 edition and the article is entitled, "Taking Birdland to a New Level." It's a great story about the community garden at Camden Yards.

If anyone would like visitors to see their wonderful gardens please put a message on Nextdoor. There are many nice gardens in Beverly Hills and it would be a nice opportunity to share the beauty with others. Even through it's a bit late in the season there are still nice places to visit.

Please collect flowers from your garden and save the seeds. Someone has suggested a seed swap perhaps for next Spring.

THINGS TO DO

Maryland Space Grant Consortium

Observatory at the Johns Hopkins University. Friday Nights open house to general public starts at dusk during the summer and at 8 p.m. the rest of the year (weather permitting). You can call the observatory at (410) 516-6525 after 5:00 p.m. for the status of the open house. The Observatory is located at the Bloomberg Center for Physics and Astronomy located on the west side of Johns Hopkins University's Homewood Campus in Baltimore. The website is: www.mdspacgrant.org/observatory

Lauraville Fair

The 32nd Annual Greater Lauraville Fair
Saturday, September 24, 2016
11 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Heinz Park – 4200 Harford Road at Walther and Parkside Drive

This is a great day and all of the surrounding community participate. Beverly Hills has been participating for many years and we look forward to this year's fair.

First Fridays of Every Month

On the First Friday of every month, Hamilton-Lauraville offers art openings, music events, and special restaurant



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menus. It is always a great evening to stroll the neighborhood and see what the vibrant Hamilton-Lauraville community has to offer. Check out First Fridays in Hamilton-Lauraville on Facebook to see what special activities are going on this month!

Take a Walk Around the Lake Montebello or Stroll through the Park

Walking or biking around Lake Montebello is a great way to get outdoors and relax. You can also take a walk through Herring Run Park. There is a refurbished walking path starting at Harford Road and ending at Sinclair Lane. The shorter loop runs from Harford Road to Belair Road and can be walked in less than an hour. Great dog walking area.

UPCOMING BEVERLY HILLS EVENTS

Beverly Hills Grill

Time: 5-7 p.m.

Friday, September 16 at intersection of Arabia and Montebello

Friday, September 23 at intersection of Harcourt and Beverly Road.

Rain dates for each of the above will be the Saturday after. You can pay your dues (\$10.00) and buy a Beverly Hills t-shirt (\$10.00). Come support the BHIA and meet your neighbors!

Lauraville Fair - Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016 from 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. Heinz Park

This year Beverly Hills will be selling cupcakes at the Fair. You are welcome to donate cupcakes or work at the stand. Please send an email to: goldiem1951@gmail.com if you would like to donate cupcakes or volunteer to work at the stand.

Fall Dumpster Day and Goodwill Collection Drive

Saturday, October 15, 2016 - 9 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Dumpster Will Be Placed At Intersection Of Arabia Avenue And Montebello Terrace

The dumpster is usually in place by 9 a.m. and picked up between 1-2 p.m.

A large Baltimore City walk-in dumpster will be placed at the intersection of Arabia Avenue and Montebello Terrace. No hazardous materials or construction materials. Cans with dried latex paint are acceptable. If you have a lot to get rid of, go to the Baltimore City Collection Center on Bowleys Lane. Take Moravia towards I95. Turn right onto Bowleys Lane. Site is a couple of blocks down on the left.

Saturday, October 15, 9 A.M. – 12 P.M.

Goodwill Collection Drive

Goodwill Box Truck Will Be Stationed At Arabia And Montebello.

Please donate gently used clothes, shoes, books and furniture.

Beverly Hills Annual Halloween Party

Saturday, October 29 – 1-4 p.m.

3100 block of Grindon

Please bring some goodies to share!

There will be games, food, music, pumpkin painting and more.

Please come in costume!!!!!!!

IF YOU WISH TO SUBMIT AN ITEM FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEWSLETTER PLEASE SEND TO: goldiem1951@gmail.com.

PEACE