

El Mensaje del Presidente

¡Primavera es mi tiempo favorito del año en el vecindario! Es siempre grande ver todos venir al aire libre para frecuentar el parque o ayudar con plantaciones de árbol o limpiezas del vecindario.

Animo a todos ustedes a participar en la Cosa de Barrio de Primavera del Alcalde el 19 de abril. Esto es un gran modo para visitar con sus vecinos y limpiar nuestras calles y callejones. Hay empleos para todos y para cada nivel de capacidad físico. Si todos ayudan, podemos mantener nuestras calles limpias.

Por favor póngase en contacto conmigo con preguntas, preocupaciones, o ideas a president@patterson-parkneighbors.org o a (301) 775-5030. ¡Espero ver a todos ustedes en la cena del 14 de abril!

Marisa Villardo

Asociación de Vecinos del Parque Patterson

La misión de la Asociación de Vecinos del Parque Patterson (PPNA) es colaborar con todos los vecinos para mejorar y disfrutar juntos de nuestro vecindario. La PPNA se encarga de organizar muchas actividades tanto sociales como de servicios comunitarios. Queremos que nuestra Asociación sea una verdadera representación de nuestro vecindario, y es por eso que lo invitamos a que participe en nuestra próxima reunión. Venga a descubrir de qué se trata la PPNA.

La PPNA se reúne el segundo lunes de cada mes, a las 7:00pm en el sótano de la iglesia St. Elizabeth ubicada en la esquina de Baltimore St. y Lakewood Ave. (La entrada al sótano se encuentra por N. Lakewood.) Para más información o con cualquier pregunta, contacto Carlos Felipe. Si usted quiere recibir este Boletín de Noticias en español, llame al (410) 276 -1130 y dígame su dirección. ¡Bienvenidos!

PPNA Reuniones Mensuales

14 de Abril—Cena de la Comunidad y Concurso de Cocina
12 de Mayo • 9 de Junio
Julio y Agosto—Recreo de verano, no reuniones

RECOGER DE BASURA:

Al Oeste de Potomac – Los miércoles & sábados
Al Este de Potomac – Los lunes & jueves

Por favor NO poner su basura la noche anterior, menos que usa un basurero con una tapa bien ajustada! Poner su basura la noche anterior atrae las ratas y los animales a nuestros callejones!

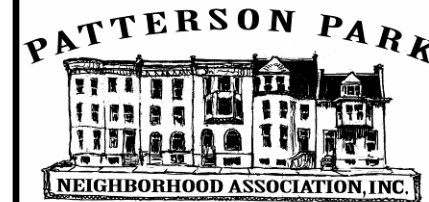
CDC Update

Last month we sold 1 S. Ellwood and obtained a contract on 13 N. Decker. We also have a contract on 108 N. Decker, and anticipate one soon on 21 N. Decker. We expect additional sales out of our spring house tour event and the follow-up backyard BBQ.

We are also pleased to have been chosen as a Home Depot community partner. Home Depot will be contributing \$20-80,000/year of goods to the CDC for use in our affordable rental properties. We would like to thank Home Depot for their commitment to our neighborhoods.

The Laundromat at 2805 E. Fayette is slated to open very soon, and we hope to announce a new office tenant on Library Square in the next month. We have also been talking to prospective commercial tenants for space at 3344 E. Baltimore. As for the coffee shop at 39 N. Belnord – the prospective tenant we announced previously has dropped out, but we have two other prospective operators under consideration, including one who lives in the neighborhood!

Mark Tough | Patterson Park CDC



Patterson Park Neighborhood Assn. April/May 2008

www.pattersonparkneighbors.org
Join your neighbors online!

Sign up for our Yahoo Group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PattersonPark>

President's Message

Spring is my favorite time of the year in the neighborhood! It's always great to see everyone come outdoors again to frequent the park or help out at neighborhood tree plantings and clean-ups.

I encourage you all to participate in the Mayor's Spring Sweep Thing on April 19th. It's a great way to visit with your neighbors and clean-up our streets and alleys. There are jobs for everyone and for every physical ability level from just holding open a bag, to offering water, to sweeping or hauling away debris. If everyone pitches in, we can keep our streets clean.

Please contact me with questions, concerns, or ideas at president@pattersonparkneighbors.org or at (301) 775-5030. I hope to see you all at the April 14 pot-luck!

Marisa Villardo

Fair at the Square!

Please join the Neighbors of Library Square for the "Fair at the Square" on **Saturday, May 31st**, from 11 am – 3 pm. Library Square is the green space located between Fayette St. and Pulaski Highway, by the Patterson Park branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library. This event will feature music, food, children's activities, and booths from community organizations. A youth community service project will precede the Fair from 9-11am, when students from neighborhood schools will have the opportunity to earn community service hours on art and beautification projects on Library Square

To get involved with NoLS, please contact Patrick Moylan at (410) 354-696, email moylanpa@msu.edu, or attend the monthly NoLS meeting on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm, in the basement of the Library.

PPNA Monthly Meetings

The second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in St. Elizabeth's Church Hall, Baltimore & Lakewood.

April 14th—Annual Potluck and Cook-off (see below)

May 12th

June 9th

July & August—Summer break, no meetings

Don't Miss Our Annual Pot Luck Supper

Monday, April 14th – 6:30 pm

St. Elizabeth Church Basement (Lakewood Ave.)

Bring a favorite dish to share – you could win a prize in one of the following categories:

- Ethnic •Salad •Vegetarian
- Meat Specialties •Decadent Desserts

For information, contact Ginny Dobry at 410-563-1444.

Happy Hour!

Join your neighbors for happy hour on the last Thursday of every month! Locations will vary — April's will be at **Romans on the unit block of S. Decker on April 24th** from 6:30 PM.



If you're a bar owner and would like to host a PPNA Happy Hour, please e-mail info@pattersonparkneighbors.org

Neighborhood Welcome Packet

If you are new to the Patterson Park neighborhood, or if you know someone who has just arrived, please call Ginny Dobry at 410-563-1444. Each new resident will receive a Welcome Packet with information about the neighborhood, the city, and a special welcome gift.



No Se Pierde Nuestra Cena Anual

El lunes, 14 de abril
a las 6:30pm

Sótano de Iglesia de San Elizabeth (Lakewood Ave.)

Traiga un plato favorito para compartir – usted podría ganar un premio en una de las categorías siguientes:

- Etnico • Ensalada • Vegetariano
- Especialidades de Carne • Postres y Dulces

Para información, contacto Ginny Dobry a 410-563-1444.



BANNER NEIGHBORHOODS NEWS

You can make a difference in your community – and have fun at the same time! Volunteer with one of

Banner's many youth programs. From afternoon reading and art programs to weeknight and weekend sports leagues such as basketball and football, you can find a program that suits your schedule and interests. Volunteering with youth is one of the most rewarding things you can do, and the kids benefit greatly from your support. If you simply don't have the time, then making a monetary contribution (checks payable to Banner Neighborhoods) is another important way that you can support the youth and help us make the programs possible. For more info about Banner's youth programs and other ways to get involved, go to our website at www.BannerNeighborhoods.org or contact Eric at (410) 585 - 8810.

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Notes from Jim Kraft, City Councilman

(and a Patterson Park resident!)

As part of my ongoing efforts toward a sustainable Baltimore, I recently introduced a comprehensive package of environmental legislation. Together, these bills are intended to promote long-term planning by both residents and City government, remove certain harmful products from the waste stream altogether, and keep our neighborhoods cleaner.

08-0057, "Property Tax Credits – High Performance Buildings" and **08-0058, "Property Tax Credits – Energy Devices"** would create tax incentives for the use of green building principles.

08-0055, "Charter Amendment – Sustainability Funds" would create a dedicated fund for sustainability efforts.

08-0056, "Sanitation – Mixed Refuse Collections" would establish trash pick-ups on the day after a City holiday.

08-0059, Beverage Containers – Refund Value" would create a 10-cent deposit value for most beverage containers sold in the City.

08-0060, "Plastic Bag Reduction" would prohibit stores from distributing "throw-away" plastic bags, a major source of litter, at checkout.

08-0061, "Food Establishments – Polystyrene Products" would disallow the use of Styrofoam products by restaurants except when there is no affordable alternative available.

For more information on these bills, including fact sheets and how you can help, please call my office at 410-396-4821.



Youth Soccer!

Crystal Palace F.C. USA, Baltimore's professional outdoor soccer team, and the Friends of Patterson Park are teaming up to offer Southeast Baltimore's youth a chance to play soccer in their own backyard - Patterson Park. The program will start March 28th with a "meet the coaches" session at 5pm. Regular clinics will be held every Sunday, March 30th - May 4th, 2-4pm. The program is intended for 4-14 year olds. For more information or to register call 410-276-3676 or stop by 27 S. Patterson Park Ave. Space is limited so register now!



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Patterson Park Public Charter School

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Patterson Park Public
CHARTER SCHOOL

Recently the Patterson Park Public Charter School celebrated Dr. Seuss Week. Children wore funny hats, wore their uniforms backwards, and wore green in lieu of their uniforms on Green (Eggs and Ham) Day.

PPPCS 3rd graders visited the Reginald Lewis Museum and the Museum of Public Works. 5th grade students visited the Historic First United Evangelical United Church of Christ to bowl a few games in the church's historic duckpin alley. 6th graders studied Egypt while Ms. Glos' Kindergarten class is learning American Sign Language.



A special congratulations to the PPPCS chess club, who won second place at the Baltimore City Public Schools chess tournament!

Safety Update

The **PPNA Citizens on Patrol (COP)** group meets every Wednesday at 7 pm at the park entrance at Baltimore & Linwood. Dogs are welcome but not required, so please come out to support this important activity!

AND DON'T MISS THE APRIL 9th COP WALK WHEN MAYOR SHEILA DIXON WILL BE JOINING US!

To Report Crime:

Call 911 to report any crime in progress.

Call 311 to report crimes not currently in progress.

Call 410-637-8848 to request graffiti removal.

Call 410-666-DRUG to report drug activity.

Go to www.sepcrc.org/reportcrime to submit a Citizen Complaint Form to the police department online.

Go to www.sepcrc.org/crimewatchnumber to sign up for a Block Watch number.

The Southeast Police Community Relations Council holds a meeting at 7 pm the first Monday of every month at the Southeast Police District station, located at 5710 Eastern Avenue. The meeting is open to the public and PPNA always needs volunteers to attend on behalf of our community.

GET INVOLVED!

PPNA is 100% a volunteer effort.

Help improve our neighborhood by volunteering for a PPNA committees by emailing info@pattersonparkneighbors.org.

The committees and chairpeople are:
Sanitation – Steve * Greening – Arch or Marisa
Safety – Tyrel * Newsletter – Holly
Housing Code Enforcement – Grant
Transportation – Kelly * Alley Gating – Loretta



TRASH PICK UP:

West of Potomac – Wednesdays & Saturdays

East of Potomac – Mondays & Thursdays

Please DO NOT put your trash out the night before, unless you use a garbage can with a tight-fitting lid! Setting bags of garbage out overnight attracts rats and stray animals to our alleys!

Recycling: the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. You can place all of your newspaper, cardboard, glass, cans, and plastics labeled 1-7 in one bin for collection in front of your house.

The **Mayor's Annual Spring Cleanup** will be held on **Saturday, April 19 at 9:30 AM**. PPNA will be dispensing rakes, brooms, shovels, and bags to residents to clean up their streets, sidewalks, and alleys. Please meet at the entrance to the park at Baltimore and Linwood Streets. This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and get your block ready for spring. PPNA will also be distributing FREE recycling bins on a limited basis to blocks with the greatest volunteer turnout. A post clean-up party will be held afterwards at the entrance to the park.

To register your block, please email sanitation@pattersonparkneighbors.org or call Steve at 410.456.7757.

Need Help Around the House?

Check out **CASA of Maryland's** Baltimore Workers Center (at 2224 E Fayette St.) – it's open Monday-Saturday, from 6:30 am - 12:30 pm. CASA has a group of versatile, professional, and reliable workers waiting to help you with any project you may have, including landscaping, construction, masonry, painting, carpentry, child care, home health care, cleaning, and roofing. This is the perfect opportunity to do a little bit of spring cleaning, spruce up your back patio, or paint that spare bedroom. To hire workers, contact Marimar Trejo at mtrejo@casamd.org or (410) 732-7777 or stop by the workers center!



Want trees on your block? Please email vpnorth-west@pattersonparkneighbors.org to find out how to do a tree planting on your block, or learn when and where we will be planting trees this spring. We will also have a mulching event to care for our existing trees.



Not just for the Birds!

Do you know the Audubon Center offers programs in Patterson Park for everyone in the family? Try a Tiny Tot Safari in the Park, a Girls' Night, a Family Adventure or a monthly bird walk.

Field Trip!

Saturday, April 26th 8am-12pm
Fort Smallwood Hawk Migration

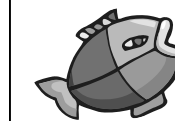
Join Audubon, the Friends of Patterson Park and the Chesapeake Audubon Society Chapter for a field trip to Fort Smallwood to observe hundreds of hawks as they migrate north! Meet at the white house near the fountain by 8am for donuts and coffee before carpooling together for an amazing day of hawk watching. **Registration Required.** For more information, check the website at www.audubonmddc.org/centers_PPAC.



Volunteers Needed at Patterson Park!

- **Boat Lake Team** - meets 1st Saturday of every month, 8am, at the Boat Lake to remove trash and invasive plants from the lake.
- **Pagoda Team** - meets 2nd Sunday of each month, 10am, at the Pagoda for a window washing and gardening good time!
- **Detail Detail** - meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month, 8:30am, to keep Patterson Park beautiful.
- **Tree Team** - meets on the 4th Saturday of every month at 9am to care for the trees in the park! .

Each team offers a fantastic team shirt for repeat volunteers! Email lesley@pattersonpark.com to sign up!

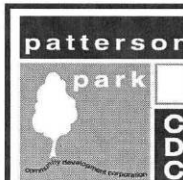


Family Fishing Fun!

Every Thursday in May and June from 6:00 to 8:00pm, at the Boat Lake! All children must be accompanied by an adult. The program is catch & release. Bring your own fishing rod or borrow one of the Park's. \$1.00 per person. Bait will be provided. For more information contact 410-396-9392 or 410-396-6136.

PPNA Softball Team

If you're interested in playing on a co-ed, PPNA softball team, please email president@pattersonparkneighbors.org. The season will start in June.



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