PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors,

It’s been a busy fall here in Abell. Once again our annual Street Fair was a big success. The event was kicked off with a “Harry Potter” themed parade, with the Hogwarts Express driven by Hagrid himself! The parade included Hogwarts students from all houses, owls, house elves, and all manner of wizards. At the end of the parade, the crowd erupted into an impromptu dance party in front of the stage where our good friend DJ Mills was spinning some great tunes.

The Street Fair also included a silent auction with items donated by local residents and businesses. Neighbors enjoyed an all-you-can-eat crab feast, yummy food from the grill, and beer donated by The Wine Source. We also had fun children’s activities in the Abell Open Space and a great mix of vendors. In the end we raised over $3,800 to fund AIA’s programs, including grants to the Barclay School and the Summer Film Series.

The Street Fair was possible because neighbors came together to plan, donate their artistic abilities, ask for donations, coordinate vendors, volunteer during the event, and do set-up and clean-up. It’s a huge undertaking and is made especially great because so many of our neighbors pitch in and make it happen. I want to give special shout-outs to the following neighbors who volunteered their time and talents and to coordinate and lead the following aspects of the Street Fair:

- **Lorri Randolph & Michele Golden** - grill station;
- **Joel Urbanowicz** - vendors;
- **Jon Birkholz** - music;
- **Katie Flickinger** - Street Fair co-chair, rentals & permits;
- **Carol Serksnis** - children’s parade and children’s activities;
- **Sarah & Campbell McLean** - crab feast;
- **Susanne Riveles** - bake sale;

And, of course, **Bill Nelson** for designing our t-shirt and poster, **Paul Burk** for printing our promotional posters, AND **Rachel Bone & Red Prairie Press** for donating the screen printing of our t-shirts. See more of Bill Nelson’s work at billnelsonillustration.blogspot.com. Rachel Bone’s lovely designs and wearable art can be seen [http://redprairiepress.bigcartel.com/](http://redprairiepress.bigcartel.com/). To see Paul Burk’s work, visit [www.paulburkphotography.com](http://www.paulburkphotography.com/). See inside for a full list of Street Fair volunteers and donors.

Many thanks to Shelley Treadway for coordinating our annual chili cook-off on October 6. This event was a great opportunity to meet new neighbors and enjoy some great homemade chili. We even got some press coverage in the Baltimore Messenger!

Another big activity this fall has been the negotiation of a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the owners of the Peabody Heights Brewery at 30th and Barclay Streets. The Brewery has applied for a new type of liquor license that was created by the Maryland State Legislature earlier this year. I have been working closely with the Community Law Center and the owners of the brewery to reach an agreement that will be fair for the community and for the brewery. I encourage you to attend our general membership meeting on November 6 at the 29th Street Community Center (300 E. 29th Street) at 6:30 p.m. We will be voting on the MOU at this meeting.

I look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood in the coming months.

Best,

Bonnie Bessor

President, Abell Improvement Association

www.abellimprovement.org
Thank You Street Fair Volunteers

The Abell neighborhood is lucky to have so many generous volunteers to make our street fair happen each year. This fair remains very unique in Baltimore; the children who attend have memories of street fair day for the rest of their lives.

The biggest thanks go to heroic Co-Chairs Bonnie Bessor and Katie Flickinger. The fair planners (see Bonnie’s letter on page one) also want to thank these hard-working volunteers who gave their time on the day of the fair:

Jim Anthony
Jon Birkholz
Paul Burk
Miruna Burk
Eileen Canzian
Julie Cavnor
Eric Christoph
Sylvia Cohn
Nick Colten
Eric Cox
Maureen Daly
Julie Depner
Elizabeth Duverlie
Jennifer D’Urso
Amber Eisenmann
Frank Erardi
Annette Fallon
Sindbad Fennimore
Katie Flickinger
Linda Forlifer
Amy Frahm
Josh Fruhlinger
Michele Golden
Jenny Harbold
Aaron Hattenschwiller
Michael Klama
Ira Kowler
Mark Langammerer
Haakon Maxwell
Campbell McLean
Sarah McLean
Tweefie Millspaugh
Teresa Pfaff
Lorri Randolph
Susanne Riveles
Jo Ann Robinson
Suzanna Roettger
Andy Scott
Laura Scott
Carol Serksnis
Darren Smith
Amy Thompson
Megan Thompson
Shelley Treadway
Joel Urbanowicz
Emil Volcheck
Cassie Wicken

Music
Thanks to Jon Birkholz for coordinating!
DJ Mills
Timothy Bracken Complex
Jazz Lunch
Happy Hours

Welcome New Neighbors

From Karen Taylor: Longtime Abell Avenue renters Karen Taylor and Juan Rodas are pleased to become permanent members of the neighborhood as the new owners of 410 E. 31st Street. We're so happy that we got to remain in the neighborhood!

Congratulations!

Best wishes to Annette Fallon and Eric Cox, who wed on November 2. Annette is Director of Admissions at the Baltimore Lab School and Eric is doing graduate work at Johns Hopkins University. They come to Abell from Los Angeles, CA. Cheers to Annette & Eric from Abell!

A Big Thank You to our Silent Auction Donors

Fluid Movement
Trohv
Hopkins Symphony Orchestra
Falkenhan’s Hardware
Greenfield’s Nursery
The Dizz
Charles Theater
Arlene Ogurick
Greenmount Loan & Jewelry
Center Stage
La Famiglia
Walk the Dog
Hopkins Symphony Orchestra
ReBcycle
Toss Pizza
Josh Fruhlinger
Normal’s Books & Records
Local Color Flowers
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Herman’s Discount
Eddie’s Liquors
Barclay School
Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke
Peabody Heights Brewing
Snark Machine
Jennifer D’Urso
Rocket to Venus
Full Circle Plant Probiotic
Dean Smith
Matt Fouse
Robert McClintock
Handel Choir of Baltimore
Jim Anthony
Kathy Flickinger
Johns Hopkins University Press
Peter Matchette
Linder Automotive
Pete’s Grille
Eddie’s Market
Donna’s
Gertrude’s
Susanne Riveles
Shelley & Michael Treadway
Eve Nelson
29th Street Community Center Fall Potluck

The 29th Street Community Center’s first Annual Community Potluck of Thanks will be held on Tuesday, November 19. Calling all neighborhood associations, community residents and program participants - come celebrate the end of the year and your successes! Bring a dish and enjoy an evening of showcases of the various fall programs.

When: November 19, 6-8 p.m.
Where: The 29th Street Community Center, 300 E. 29th St.

What to bring: Abell residents - salads, Harwood residents - beverages, Charles Village residents – desserts, all other neighborhood residents - canned goods for donations

R.S.V.P. through Eventbrite at https.the29thstreetcommunitycenter.eventbrite.com or contact Hannah Gardi at 443-213-0394 or hgardi@greaterhomewood.org

Also, volunteers are needed at the 29th Street Community Center! Formerly known as the Barclay Recreation Center, the center reopened this past May. Each week, more kids are coming to the community center and we need your help! Volunteers are needed in the following programs: computer lab, games and homework help, arts and crafts, jump-roping club, and open gym. Hours of volunteer service are Monday-Thursday 2:30-8:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We are flexible to work around your schedule!

The 29th Street Community Center is located on 300 E. 29th Street. For more information or to sign up, please contact Hannah Gardi at 443-213-0394.

Baltimore Waterworks History

The Baltimore City Historical Society & Historical Society of Baltimore County 2nd Annual Joint Program takes a look at the:

Baltimore Waterworks History
Saturday November 16, 2013, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Maryland Historical Society, France Hall, 201 West Monument Street, Baltimore 21201

Free, on-site parking and light refreshments with guest speakers:
Kurt Kocher, Baltimore City Dept. of Public Works Public Information Supervisor
Edward C. Papenfuse, Md. State Archivist and Acting Archivist for Baltimore City
William P. Stack, Center for Watershed Protection Deputy Director of Programs

Old Baltimore began by relying upon wells and springs, went on with limited success to offer water through quasi-private corporate subscription and eventually accepted the need for local government to take over responsibility for managing and supplying the public with safe, steady sources of drinking water.

State enabling acts, large land acquisitions, flooding of a mill town, laying pipes, building dams and reservoirs, treatment plants and tunnels and reaching accords across jurisdictional boundaries have all been part of the ongoing history of Baltimore waterworks between Patapsco River, Jones Falls, Gunpowder River and Susquehanna River.

Explore Environmental History

Adam Rome will present The Nature of the Metropolis Saturday December 7, 2013 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Peabody Room Cathedral of the Incarnation 4 E. University Parkway, Baltimore 21218

Adam Rome authored "The Genius of Earth Day: How a 1970 Teach-In Unexpectedly Made the First Green Generation" and the prize-winning "The Bulldozer in the Countryside: Suburban Sprawl and the Rise of American Environmentalism." He has edited the journal "Environmental History." He has a B.A. from Yale and a Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in American Environmental History. He teaches history and environmental non-fiction at the University of Delaware. www.udel.edu/History/bio/rome_adam.html

Free admission, parking and refreshments, directions: www.incarnationbaltimore.org

Contact BCHS: baltimorecityhistoricalsociety@gmail.com Website: www.historicbaltimore.org

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**AIA Quarterly General Membership Meeting**
**Wednesday, November 6**  
6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
29th Street Community Center • 300 East 29th Street

**Holiday Caroling**
**Sunday, December 15 ~ 5:30 p.m.**
Carolers meet at Jim Anthony’s house, **3212 Abell Avenue**,  
before heading out to serenade the Abell community. Bring  
cookies or a snack for a post-caroling party. Song books are  
provided.  
Contact host Jim Anthony with questions: janthony@towson.edu,  
410-243-2269

**New Year’s Eve Progressive Dinner**
Celebrate New Year’s Eve with your Abell neighbors. Travel to  
four homes for four courses, beginning with appetizers and ending  
with champagne at midnight. Attendees should **bring a dish to share** at one of the courses.  
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If you would like to attend, or can volunteer your home to host one  
of the four courses – Appetizers, Main Course, Dessert, or Champagne -  
contact Shelley Treadway:  
sbtreadway@aol.com, 410-467-0310  
Details for participants will be distributed when locations are finalized.

**Trash & Recycling Schedule**
TRASH  
EVERY TUESDAY
RECYCLING  
EVERY THURSDAY
Trash may be put out after  
6 p.m. the night before, by  
6 a.m. the day of pick-up.  
**Trash must be in rigid containers with tight-fitting lids.**  
Residents may be fined for trash disposal violations.  
**DUMPSTER DATES:**  
November 9  
December 28  
31st Street at Abell

Please send **newsletter contributions** to Shelley Treadway, 3026 Abell Avenue, or email to sbtreadway@aol.com.  
Deadline for newsletter submissions:  
January 17 **Winter Issue**  
March 17 **Spring Issue**

The AIA will be holding its election for **officers for 2014**  
in January.  
Anyone who is interested in running for any AIA office may submit their name for nomination to  
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