For all that has been – Thanks! To all that shall be – Yes!

Dag Hammarskjold

Following just after the Abell Community Street Fair and the New Members Chili Cook-Off, this issue of the AIA Newsletter is dedicated with enormous THANKS! to all who made those events so successful. Coming out just as Fall is painting our trees, this issue is also an invitation to say YES! to the opportunities for community engagement on AIA’s fall agenda.

First, THANKS!

Street Fair Co-Chairs Haakon Maxwell and Joel Urbanowicz have compiled the list, which appears on page 2, of all who answered the call for volunteer help. The Fair simply could not have happened without the skill, energy, good will and time represented on that list. While every ounce of service was needed, the initiative taken by those who chaired or coordinated specific activities was absolutely crucial, not to mention labor intensive. As for Haakon and Joel, who began holding planning meetings months in advance and brought not only intelligence and previous experience but also a vision of how to make this community shine - they “nailed it,” making September 20, 2015 a banner day in Abell History.

Less than a month later the Chili Cook-Off and New Member Social attracted a record number of entries and tasters. Every special recipe and chef, each pan of bread and dish of topping, and all the appetites came together with fine weather to create a very happy event. Not only did Cook-Off Coordinator, Shelley Treadway, manage the setting up and taking down and provide bottles of homemade hot sauce to every contestant, but she made 2 pots of chili – including the one that won the First Prize Flower Arrangement donated by Local Color Flowers. She really deserved it.

Then, YES!

Community stewardship is a year-round responsibility. In the near future here are some opportunities to say YES! to engaging with the community: Take part in the Mayor’s Fall Clean-up, October 24. There will be a dumpster at 31st and Abell that morning. Vote in the Charles Village Community Benefits District Elections for the person who represents our Quad, October 27, SS Philips and James Church, 6 p.m. After you vote, fall in with the Abell Neighborhood Walk, leaving from the Open Space at 7:15 p.m. on that same date (10/27). Get to know your neighborhood school by attending the Barclay School Open House, November 9, 4-6 p.m. Join your neighbors at the AIA Membership Meeting, November 18, 6:30 p.m., 29th St. Community Center. Reminder notices and the agenda for this meeting will be posted on line and sandwich boards about a week before the meeting. If you have a discussion topic to propose, please contact me: jooiman64@gmail.com. The more we all connect with neighborhood projects and community institutions the stronger Abell becomes.

HAPPY AUTUMN,

Jo Ann Robinson

President, Abell Improvement Association
Thank You Street Fair Volunteers

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped plan the fair, set up two full blocks of tables and stages, man booths, clean up afterwards and make this year’s Street Fair the biggest and best ever. And a special thanks to all the **children of Abell** for putting their creative ideas and artistry on display for a fabulous parade!

Amy Erardi  
Jim Anthony  
Judy Berlin  
Bonnie Bessor  
Jon Birkholz  
Heidi Boncana  
Rachel Bone  
Chris Bradley  
Paul Burk  
Eileen Canizan  
Xin Yi Chan  
Celeste Chavis  
Nicholas Colten  
Danielle Corcoran  
Anna Coughlin  
Sahar Damghani  
Andrew Delclos  
Jerry Druch  
Frank Erardi  
Ayla Feldman-Krainak  
Sindbad Fennimore  
Isaac Finkelstein  
Katie Flickinger  
Linda Forlifer  
Gretchen Gettes  
Jackson Gilman-Forlini  
Michelle Golden  
Vonnie Gowe  
Jenny Harbold  

David Kim and the Lambda Phi Epsilon fraternity from JHU  
Michael Klama  
John Leigh  
Haakon Maxwell  
Sue McClintock  
Patrick McMahon  
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Jon Birkholz  
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The Dizz  
Walk the Dog  
Waverly ACE Hardware  
Waverly Farmers Market  
Wild Pea Hummus  
Zeke’s Coffee

Congratulations to Kahoe Grandparents

**Tim and Janet Kahoe** are the proud grandparents of Henry Rayne Kolo, born July 18, 2015, at 11:05 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz. at birth and was 22 inches long. Now at almost 3 months, he is 16 pounds and 25 inches long. The Kahoe’s daughter and new mother **Carly** Kolo grew up on Abell Avenue, along with her brother **Colin**. Carly and her husband, Brandon, live in Michigan, where Carly has worked as an attorney with the Lipson Neilson Law Firm in Bloomfield Hills for two and a half years. Brandon is a senior manager with Motor City Maintenance and also owns an ice cream shop in northern Michigan. Henry’s uncle Colin is the General Manager at the beautiful new Baltimore restaurant, La Cuchara. He graduated from Arizona State University with a degree in Small Business and Hospitality. Colin began working in restaurants starting with Rocky Run as a busboy.

We can’t wait for Carly and Brandon to bring Henry for a visit to Abell!
Welcome to Barclay School’s New Community Schools Coordinator

Tenne’ Thrower, a graduate of Lincoln University in Pennsylvania with extensive experience as a youth advocate, mentor and counselor, became the Community Schools Coordinator at Barclay in August. Enthusiastic and energetic, she reports that she’s excited about the new school year and has many plans for engaging parents and neighbors. For starters, the school is about to launch a phone app that will let all community members and partners keep up with Barclay’s happenings. In keeping with the school mascot – a bull dog – the motto for this year is ALL PAWS IN! If you would like to extend a paw, here are some ways:

- Save the “Education” box tops from such brands as General Mills and Kleenex
- Pass along used ink/printer cartridges
- Contribute shoes to the citywide shoe drive program

- Register your Giant Foods card, selecting Barclay as one of the schools to benefit (giantfood.com/savings-and-rewards-program/aplus)
- Eat the first Monday of every month at Pizza Studio and identify yourself as a Barclay supporter
- Look for announcements of the next Barclay fund-raiser at Chipotle Funds raised by all these means will go to the field trip scholarships fund, family resources and special events. You are always welcome to deliver box tops, cartridges etc. to Tenne’ at the school office at 2900 Barclay Street or leave them with AIA president Jo Ann Robinson at 3012 Abell Avenue.

Remembering Former Abell Resident Bob Speaker

Long-time members of AIA will remember our former president, Bob Speaker, who moved to Abell in 1994 after retiring from 30 years of service with the U.S. Census Bureau. He presided over AIA in 1998-1999 and was Vice President the following year. He was also a valued volunteer for the Charles Village Community Benefits District. Although he first opposed the establishment of CVCBD, he came to hold a very positive view of it, co-chairing the sanitation committee, proofreading the newsletter and painting the office. He faced some thorny issues as the president of AIA, including live entertainment on Greenmount Avenue and the unsuccessful attempt to build a Burger King Express at Greenmount and 29th Streets. He remained unflappable through these controversies.

Bob also was instrumental in securing funds from the governor’s office of violence prevention, directed by Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, to sponsor a summer peace camp for children in the neighborhood. Zora Salisbury, who directed the camp for each of its five years, recalls how “It touched many children, providing a safe environment to learn communication skills and violence prevention skills as well as life development activities.”

According to The Washington Post, Bob was “a life long gardener, a student and steward of our natural world and an enthusiastic traveler.” He is remembered by Abell colleagues as “a kind, joyful and generous man who really loved being part of this community.”

Fall Activities at the 29th Street Community Center

Just a few quick notes from the 29th Street Community Center! First off, a huge “Thank you!” to the organizers of the street festival is in order. It was great to see the girls from Jump 4 Joy out front of the parade and many of you stopped by to say “hello!” at our table. What a fun event!

Next, a few highlights for our fall programming: we have three different Yoga classes this fall; mixed level Mondays at 6pm, beginners’ level Tuesday at 6, and Thai and fly Wednesday at 6. All are sponsored and instructed by the Baltimore Yoga Village. There’s an incredible Zumba class Thursday at 6:45. And for the kids, the Crazy 8’s math club Wednesdays at 6:30 and reading club Thursday at 6 have been incredibly popular ways to enhance learning in fun ways!

We will be having a haunted house on Halloween from 3-5pm. Please feel free to bring the kids out. The cost of admission is a donated item to the Maryland Food bank. If you’d like to volunteer, contact Derrick at dweston@strongcitybaltimore.org

Finally, please make sure that you stay connected with us via social media! We’re on Facebook and you can follow us on twitter and Instagram @29SCC. We hope to see you soon!
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**AIA Quarterly Membership Meeting**
Wednesday, November 18
6:30 p.m.
29th Street Community Center
300 East 29th Street

**Agenda for this meeting will include discussion of the Baltimore Time Bank and a Thanksgiving raffle.**

*If you have a discussion topic to add, please contact Jo Ann Robinson at jooiman64@gmail.com.*

**Abell Neighborhood Walks**

*When:* Last Tuesday of every month

*Where:* Leave from the Abell Open Space

*Who:* Neighbors, Benefits District Security and Baltimore Northern District Police

*Why:* For a pro-active, safe, informed community

*Time:* 7:15 p.m. on October 27
7:00 p.m. every last Tuesday thereafter.

**Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake's Fall Cleanup**

Save the Date
**October 24, 2015**
9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Let’s sweep our community of trash and litter!

**Supplies of bags will be available and bagged debris will be collected on Monday, October 26.**

Please send newsletter contributions to Shelley Treadway, 3026 Abell Avenue, or email sbtreadway@aol.com.

**Deadlines for newsletter submissions:**

- November 17 Holiday Issue
- January 17 Winter Issue
- March 17 Spring Issue

*Volunteer newsletter delivery persons are needed* for several blocks in Abell. If you can spare 30 minutes of your time, six times each year, and would like a little stair-stepping exercise, please contact sbtreadway@aol.com.

**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:**

October 24
November 14
E. 31st Street and Abell Avenue
Arrives approx. 8 a.m. or earlier.