

LakeWalker

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
FALL 2016 NEWSLETTER



OUTSTANDING BLOCK PARTY

A torrential and prolonged downpour earlier in the afternoon did nothing to dampen the spirits of the more than 200 residents who attended our 24th annual Block Party later under sunny skies and warm September weather. Over \$600 in dues was collected, so if you missed the festivities, now is the best time to pay your dues for the coming year, and receive your new directory. The party's expenses totaled \$1250. But proceeds from the amazing raffle amounted to \$900, and a generous \$500 grant from MECU and the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts enabled us to come out ahead for the first time ever.

The resounding success of this event, which marks the beginning of our fiscal calendar, is due to the tireless efforts of so many people: **Jim Bersani** and **Rob Bowen** for their expert cooking; **Mike Boardman** for the archival photo display; **Kathryn Knight**, **Bruce Ziman**, and their cadre of young helpers for the children's interactive activities; **Scott Knight** for the sound

system and music;

Cy Governs for serving as the raffle MC; **Scott Donnelly** and **Little Havana** for the use of the grill; and the many volunteers who helped with set up, take down, Sunday cleanup, and manning the Community Affairs table. **Bruce Ziman** conducted the Chili Cook-off, won by **Joe Sugarman**, who walked off with the \$24 cash prize and custodianship of the coveted chili trophy.

A perennial highlight of the day is the Sidewalk Chalk Art Contest, ably executed by **Scott Dombrowski**. This year's winners were: Ages 5-10: 1st- **Rose Donnelly & Molly Bitner**; 2nd- **Casey Bitner & Gabrielle Cassini**; 3rd- **Margo Gilroy & Isa Morin**. Ages 10+: 1st- **Leo Burnham & Ben Benam**; 2nd- **Lili & Sophie Terranova & Carmen Manna**; 3rd- **Evan Gilroy-Scott**.

Thanks also to the local businesses (*listed on page 2 and deserving of your support*) for their raffle donations, and especially to the following neighbors who donated: **Diana Bersani**, **Brackston Ziman**, **Erin Hans**, **Mary**



Calendar
OF events

OCTOBER 26

LWCA General Meeting

10/26 LWCA General Meeting –
7:30 p.m., Arbor Oaks
Meeting Room. Please see page 3 for
the agenda and location. Please bring
a non-perishable food item for CARES.
(Meetings occur quarterly)

OCTOBER

10/15 Dumpster Day – near 500 Hollen

10/22 Mayor's Fall Cleanup, 10 am to 12 noon
– Meet at York and Walker Community Garden.
Bring work gloves and come beautify the
neighborhood!

NOVEMBER

11/12 York Road Partnership Meeting –
7:15 p.m. @ St. Mary's Church Hall, 5502 York
Road, parking and entrance in the rear of the
church. Recurring mtg on first Wed. of every
month: 12/7, 1/4/2017.

11/16 Northern Police District Meeting –
7 p.m. @ the Northern District Police Head-
quarters, 2201 W. Cold Spring Lane (just
west of I-83 on your left). If anyone has any
questions, call Officer Doug Gibson @ 410 367-
8491. Recurring mtg. on third Wed. of every
OTHER month, 1/18/2017, 3/15/2017

Check in at **lakewalker.org**
for the full 2016/2017 schedule!

**Landen, Lisa Sachs Cahlander, and
Larry Schumacher.**

Kudos to these hardworking members
of the planning committee for securing
the donations and for making it all
happen: **Kathy Brohawn, Barb Dent,
Scott Dombrowski, Janice Dykacz,**
(continued on pg. 2)

Judy Gemmill, Cy Governs, Kathryn Knight, Marita Manna, Martha Palmer, Tom Piccin, Deb & Jim Pickett, Kathy Scholl, and Bruce Ziman.

And finally, we offer a round of applause to the many friends and neighbors who actually attended this event and brought a delicious array of side dishes, salads and desserts. Next year, our 25th, will be its Silver Anniversary. Don't miss it! 🐾



Please **support** the following and **thank** them for their generous contribution to the 2016 Lake Walker Block Party.

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| Atwater's | Little Havana |
| Ayd Hardware | Neopol Savory Smokery |
| Baltimore Yoga Village | Party Plus/Taylor Rental |
| Belvedere Veterinary Center | Pinehurst Wine Shoppe |
| Brackston Ziman | Sachs Design |
| Brick Bodies | Sass Salon |
| Café Zen/Zen West | Senator Theatre |
| Cards by Diana Bersani | Sherwood Auto |
| Ceriello Fine Foods | Starbucks Coffee |
| Chipotle | Swallow at the Hollow |
| Clark Burger | TCBY |
| Ejji | The Home Coach |
| Elite Kickfight | The Senator Theater |
| Erin Hans, LMT | Tooloulou |
| Grand Cru | Uncle Wiggly's Ice Cream & Deli |
| Green Fields Nursery and Landscaping | Vita |
| Jerry's Belvedere Tavern | Wells Discount Liquors |
| Jinji Chocolate | Zoe's Kitchen |
| Lawrence Plumbing & Heating | |

Call for Dues

If you didn't make it to the Block Party in September, don't forget to pay your dues. We are collecting for 2017. You can mail your dues or pay at the next General Meeting. We have new directories, which are distributed only to households who have paid dues. \$10 per household and \$5 for seniors. **Pay your dues with PayPal!** Look for it on the LakeWalker.org website. 🐾

West Nile Virus Alert



In light of the recent news that one of our neighbors contracted West Nile virus from a mosquito bite, it is a good idea to watch for and clean out mosquito breeding grounds. While we cannot eliminate them from our environment, we can help curtail their breeding by cleaning sources of standing water, such as pet water bowls, flowerpot saucers, pool covers, birdbaths, and trash cans.

One common source of mosquitoes that is often overlooked is the downspout extension. The accordion style should either be replaced or emptied after each rain fall. 🐾

LAKE WALKER GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

Voting will take place at the General Meeting on **October 22, 2015**. Absentee ballots should be mailed to LWCA P.O. Box 11391, Baltimore, MD 21239-1391 and must be received by **October 22, 2015**.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

PRESIDENT

- Martha Palmer
 Other _____

VICE PRESIDENT

- Susan Patry
 Other _____

TREASURER

- Todd Piccin
 Other _____

SECRETARY

- Cindi D'Angelo
 Open _____

BIOS

Martha Palmer has been a Lake Walker resident since 1989 and lives on Clearspring Road with her dog Henry and two cats, Sam and Lucy. Martha works for WBAL TV in advertising sales. Martha has served on the Lake Walker board as Treasurer, Vice President and this would be her second year as President. She has also volunteered her time on the Block Party committee.

Susan Patry has been a Lake Walker resident since 2004 and lives on Gittings Ave. Susan works for the Baltimore County Department of Aging. In her spare time, she likes to be involved with improving the Lake Walker Community and Baltimore City. In addition, Susan likes shopping, going to craft fairs, attending concerts, reading, traveling, visiting with family, decorating and remodeling her house. This would be Susan's second year as Vice President.

Tom Piccin is new to Lake Walker this year. He moved into his house on Cedarcroft Road just a week after the record-breaking blizzard in January. He works as a project manager at Johns Hopkins Hospital, and also enjoys teaching and community theater. This would be Tom's first year as Treasurer.

Cindi D'Angelo, an avid gardener, has been a Lake Walker resident since 1990. She lives on Hollen Road with her roommate Dave and their dog, Baxter. Her son Andrew is a college junior studying in Russia. Cindi has long been active in the community, playing a key role in bringing curbside recycling to our community and hosting an annual Easter egg hunt for many years. This would be Cindi's first year as Secretary.



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LWCA General Meeting Agenda

October 26

Please attend the fall meeting at 7:30 p.m. on October 26 in the Arbor Oaks Meeting Room. The address is 813 Lenton Ave., south of Lake Ave. Lenton is opposite where Highwood ends at Lake. Bear left on Lenton. The meeting room is at the far end of the apartments where there is a small parking area.

AGENDA

- Welcome
- Minutes Review
- **Doug Gibson**, Northern District Police Report
- **Bill Henry**
- **Jim Pickett**, Block party recap
- Guest Speaker: **Hardwick Spencer, Voter Outreach Facilitator**, MD State Board of Elections. The Maryland State Board of Elections is reaching out to neighborhoods in the City of Baltimore to demonstrate the new voting machines to city residents and recruit election judges that our city sorely needs.
- General Election (*please see ballot*) 🗳️

ALLEY OOPS

Lake Walker contains several elaborate wide and well-tended alleys, such as in those that run between Lake and Cedarcroft and between Parkway and Highwood. Dog walkers enjoy the relative quiet of these lightly-traveled alleyways, and many residents take advantage of the off-street parking using parking pads in front of their own garages. Residents who wish to make a U-turn, avoid an on-street roadblock, or take a shortcut down an alleyway may encounter a garbage truck, pedestrian, or child traveling the other way.

To keep our alleys safe and pedestrian-friendly, drivers should observe the following rules:

- The speed limit in our alleys, though not marked, is 5 MPH.
- Carefully check around corners for children, bicyclists, dogs, and pedestrians, as well as when exiting an alley onto a street.
- If you must park in an alley, leave enough space for other cars and pedestrians to pass.
- All of our alleys are bidirectional, so if you are traveling down an alley, you may meet oncoming traffic. Take care when driving into an alley, as well as backing out onto one of the streets. 🗳️



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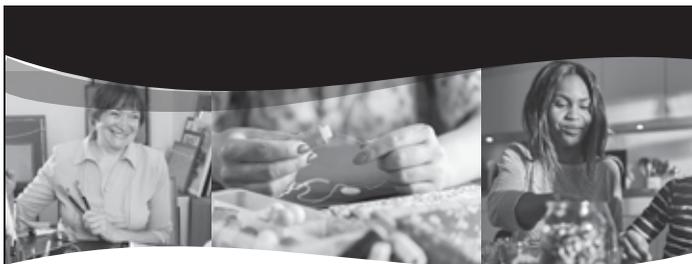
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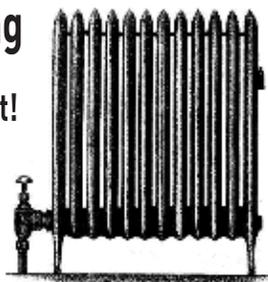
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