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News from MRIA

MRIA Board Meeting The Board meets Tuesday, October 6, 8 pm, Upper Parish Hall of Memorial Episcopal Church, corner of Bolton & Lafayette. Enter through the Lafayette St. doors. The Board meets regularly on the first Tuesday of each month. All neighbors are invited to attend; light refreshments are provided.

Suspect Arrested 22-year-old Michael Privette of the 200 block of Monastery Avenue, Baltimore was arrested on September 2 and charged in the August abduction and rape of a Bolton Hill resident. Privette has been linked to at least three other incidents dating back to 2013. He is currently being held at the Baltimore City Central Booking and Intake Facility without bail.

Crime Report Many concerns were expressed at September's MRIA meeting about recent criminal activity in the neighborhood. Councilman Eric Costello addressed concerns about communication between police and residents. Many in the community wanted more information sooner in the days following the sexual assault in August, in particular. Captain Howe apologized for the suboptimal police communication with residents. He also announced a citywide plan being developed to improve community outreach and communication. As part of this effort, they met with Barbara Klik, Jill Kingery and others from the MRIA Safety Committee to discuss improving communication, especially regarding major safety incidents. The Bolton Hill Electronic Network (BHEN) will be used as a part of this communications plan. If someone witnesses or is involved in a crime or safety incident, they should report this directly to BHEN, which will work with police to alert the neighborhood about emerging problems. If you see anything that looks or feels suspicious, call 911 (not 311). If you are dissatisfied with your response, Major Howe and Captain Jones encourage you to ask to speak with a supervisor.

Classified Ads

Injured bird? If you find an injured bird or mammal, you can get expert help from this licensed wildlife rehabilitator: Kathy Woods at 410-628-9736

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2501 Eutaw Place
410-523-2446 www.bethambaltimore.org
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11 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Education Classes
410-523-1542 info@browndowntown.org

Memorial Episcopal Church
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Photo Contest The Bolton Hill Bulletin is moving online! We invite you to be part of our new look. We're looking for an image to use for the newsletter banner, something that captures the look and spirit of our neighborhood. Contact us at bhbeditor@gmail.com if you would like to submit digital photos or if you have a photograph that you'd allow us to scan. We are looking for extreme wide-format images: proportions of approximately 5:1. Digital photographs should be at least 1200 pixels wide. Submit photos to bhbeditor@gmail.com by November 1.

CHAP Revisions The Baltimore City Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation (CHAP) is currently revising the Historic Preservation Procedures and Design Guidelines. A draft of the proposed revisions to the Windows, Doors, and Alternative Material Design Guidelines has been posted to the CHAP Website in advance of the October 14 CHAP hearing. CHAP seeks public comment and testimony from interested parties. For more information, please contact Stacy Montgomery (stacy.montgomery@baltimorecity.gov).

Investigation of BPD The Department of Justice is investigating the patterns and practices of the Baltimore Police Department, and welcomes the views of anyone wishing to provide relevant information. Contact the DoJ at 1-844-401-3733 or Community.Baltimore@usdoj.gov. For more information, go to <http://goo.gl/ixkWZZ> and <http://goo.gl/JX1K0e>

Linden Park Apartments Renovations at Memorial Apartments—have been underway for some months. Nancy Hooff and Jake Stern of Somerset Development reported at September's MRIA Board meeting that renovations are now almost 60% complete. The renovated building will feature a new multipurpose room, a community kitchen, a computer lab, library space, and a lounge with a gas fireplace. The gardens immediately to the rear of the building are being re-landscaped, and new plantings and a fence will replace the overgrown pyracantha hedge that formerly ran along the north side of Mosher Park. However, citing budgetary restrictions, Somerset Development reported that they are not, unfortunately, planning any new improvements to Mosher Park.

Neighborhood News

Tree Pit Upgrade George Lavdas is exploring expanded tree-pit funding for Bolton Hill. Current standards call for a minimum pit size of 4'x8', which help trees to live longer. We need tree-well measurers: please call Sarah Lord at 410-206-6553 to help. And jeez, what a sight the weeds on our sidewalks are! Let's dedicate ourselves to weeding our tree pits and curbs, now and henceforth.

Local Business



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Fitzgerald Park For years, Andrew Fontanella and Charles Holman have taken the lead on maintaining this neighborhood gem. Under their guidance, the Park has blossomed, bringing pleasure to all. As they now step down from this role, we need volunteers to step up to help Jackie Richardson, who has been pulling weeds and planting flowers right along with Andrew & Charles. She can't do it alone. Email her at jgailrich@gmail.com and enjoy making things grow.

Neighborhood Schools Mt. Royal School, Eutaw-Marshburn Elementary, and Booker T. Washington all need help, and it just takes an hour or two per week. When kids grow up knowing their neighbors, they are better citizens and good friends. Call Monty Howard at 410-243-2902 or just visit the administration office at the individual schools if you'd like to pitch in.

What's Happening

Sheng Zhen Qigong Class Wednesdays starting October 7, 6-7 pm, Bolton Hill Nursery, 204 W. Lanvale St.; suggested donation: \$10 per class; \$75 for the 10-class series.

As a fundraiser for Bolton Hill Nursery, Peter Van Buren will teach a series of ten 1-hour classes on Heaven Nature Gong standing qigong and Awakening the Soul sitting qigong. These forms provide a true taste of the relaxing practice of Sheng Zhen. Beginners & drop-ins welcome. All proceeds go to the school. For more information and to register, visit BmoreSZG.com.

Festival on the Hill Saturday, October 10, 11-5 pm, rain or shine, 1300 block of Bolton St.

Bolton Hill Nursery is organizing our neighborhood's annual street party. The Festival will have its usual mix of music (Mambo Combo!), food, entertainment, arts and crafts vendors, and a fun, interactive kids' area. ALL proceeds benefit the neighborhood. Volunteers are needed. Please email FestivalOnTheHill@gmail.com if you can lend a hand. See you there!


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On & Off the Wall Sunday, October 11, 2-5 pm, Project 1628 (Marcia Hart's gallery), 1628 Bolton St.

2-D & 3-D works by Paul Daniel. Several kinetic outdoor sculptures by Paul have been installed in the region, and his work has been exhibited in numerous venues including Goya Contemporary, Delaware Center for Contemporary Arts, the American University Museum, and Katzen Arts Center in Washington, DC. These drawings and paintings investigate the development of sculptural ideas. Mr. Daniel is looking forward to showing work to his neighbors and is happy to walk across the street to for an opening!

Meet the Cast Thursday, October 22, 6-10 pm, Dougherty's Pub, 223 Chase St.

Support the Memorial Players' fall drama, *The Last Days of Judas Iscariot*, by joining the cast for a beer and some tasty food at this local tavern. Dougherty's is generously donating a percentage of the evening's proceeds in support of the Players.

Ragtime Auditions Friday, October 23, 7-9 pm and Sat. & Sun. October 24 & 25, 1-5 pm, Memorial Episcopal Church, 1407 Bolton St., Parish Hall entrance on Lafayette St.

Set in New York at the dawn of the 20th century, Ragtime tells of a time when everything is changing ... and anything is possible. The musical weaves together three distinctly American tales: a stifled upper-class wife, a determined Jewish immigrant, and a daring young Harlem musician. Together they confront what it means to live in America. Ragtime offers great parts for actors of all ages and abilities. Children as young as 8 are welcome to audition; however, a parent or guardian will be asked to be at all rehearsals.

Doors Open Baltimore Saturday, October 24, 10 am-4 pm, more than 50 sites around Baltimore, FREE

Own the city for the day, as this second annual event allows everyone to explore "Undiscovered Baltimore." Over 50 buildings around the city will open their doors, with construction and walking tours and other special events. Learn the secrets of our city's historic and architecturally intriguing buildings, particularly those that are off limits to the public. For more information visit doorsopenbaltimore.org/

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**Brown Memorial Lunchtime "City Love" Speaker Series
October 25, Noon**

This month, Brown Memorial Park Avenue Presbyterian kicks off a speaker series, *City Love: Challenges and Opportunities Facing Baltimore*, which will take place on the fourth Sunday each month, over lunch, following 11 am worship. This month features State Senator Bill Ferguson and a panel of Baltimore leaders discussing the challenge of identifying, recruiting, and supporting talented leaders to stand for elected office. The Bolton Hill community is invited to join BMPA for this important conversation about Baltimore's future.

Save the Date for Memorial Players' Fall Drama: The Last Days of Judas Iscariot Fridays & Saturdays, November 13 & 14 and 20 & 21 at 7:30 pm, with matinees on Sundays, November 15 & 22 at 3:30 pm, Memorial Episcopal Church

Mark your calendar! Written by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Stephen Adly Guirgis, directed by Rina Steinhauer, and produced by Monty Howard and Kristine Smets, this is a must see event. Funny, provocative, and profound, the play is a modern, urban examination of biblical and ontological themes: the nature of guilt, redemption, forgiveness, compassion, and the role of free will.

DBE British Tea November 5, 2 pm, Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church, Park Avenue. Send \$20 per ticket to Ann Balke, 502 Dogwood Lane, Towson, MD 21286

You are invited to join the Daughters of the British Empire (DBE) for its annual British Afternoon Tea. Come and enjoy delicious delicacies. Questions? Contact Marjorie Forster moforster@verizon.net.

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