

To The Point

July/August 2014



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Locust Point Civic Association
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Thanks to all the VOLUNTEERS that spent time helping out on EcoFest Day and Spring Maintenance Day for Latrobe Park. Thanks to the Under Armor Team (70 volunteers) and the ongoing efforts of our faithful LPCA Parks and Beautification volunteers for the fantastic results!



President's Message

Greetings,

For those of you unable to attend the previous two general community meetings, my name is Greg Sileo and I was elected President of the Locust Point Civic Association (LPCA) in May.

From our rich history, to our peninsular geography and safe 'small town' feel, Locust Point is truly unique. Like many of you, I care deeply for this community and am honored for the opportunity to lead the Association.

Throughout the last several years, Locust Point has experienced substantial growth – whether it's a family buying their first home, a developer buying a piece of property, or a large company expanding its operation, people are investing in Locust Point. Along with this type of growth comes valid concern about issues that could impact quality of life in our neighborhood.

It is my hope the LPCA can continue to play a key role in facilitating an open dialogue between residents of the community and other stakeholders. As a community we may not always agree. There will be certain issues that create tension between neighbors and cause emotions to run high. I believe it is extremely important to the future

of our community that we find ways to respectfully work through these differences and establish a unified voice on behalf of Locust Point.

The LPCA is fortunate to have a diverse Board of Directors comprised of a talented group of volunteers willing to commit countless hours toward the betterment of Locust Point. As you know, the important work of the LPCA can't be done by the Board alone. Volunteers are needed to serve on our committees and lead our events throughout the year. It's my hope that residents will accept these opportunities to get involved; and will do so with the same level of energy and passion we have seen during recent discussions regarding important issues such as parking and the bathhouse.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve in this position. I look forward to working with all of you to continue to strengthen our community. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with ideas, questions, or concerns and I hope to see you at the next general meeting, Wednesday, August 13.

Greg Sileo
President

**Upcoming Meetings:
NO JULY MEETING**

Wednesday, August 13th 7:30pm Francis Scott Key School

To join the LPCA email distribution list, send email to: contacts@mylocustpoint.org

Committees

Safety

Chairman: Greg Sileo

Contact: Safety@mylocustpoint.org

The Safety Committee maintains an open dialogue with the Baltimore City Police Department and organizes the Citizens on Patrol walks. The COP walks in Locust Point are held the third Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. The meeting point changes each month to allow walkers to cover different parts of the neighborhood. If you are having problems in your area with trash, drug activity, vandalism, etc., please contact COP chair Michael Rowe and the walkers will address your area on one of their upcoming walks. Better yet, please join the walkers to point out specific problems and address your issues directly with a police officer. Monthly email reminders are sent out with the meeting spot for the upcoming walk. You can join the LPCA email list by sending a request to contact@mylocustpoint.org.

Membership

Chairman: Laura McCoy

Contact: Membership@mylocustpoint.org

The Membership Committee keeps track of all paid members of the LPCA and sells memberships at the general meetings. Cost is \$5 PER PERSON. You must be a Locust Point resident, not just a property owner, to be eligible for membership. Please be advised that you are not eligible to vote for any motions unless you are a dues-paying member.

Communication

Chairman: Ginny Rajnes

Contact: Communication@mylocustpoint.org

The Communications Committee oversees the design and content of the newsletter and website. The newsletter is published bi-monthly. Community members are welcome to submit information on events and items of interest for To The Point or the LPCA website. The deadline for ads and editorial content for the newsletter is now the 15th of the month preceding publication. Website ads and content can be submitted at any time. If you would like to submit anything for the newsletter or if you would like something posted on the LPCA website, please contact Ginny Rajnes.

Design Review

Chairman: Will Jovel

Contact: Designreview@mylocustpoint.org

The Design Review committee reviews all of the plans for individual property improvements or proposed property subdivisions and monitors the projects to make sure property owners are complying with Baltimore City law and zoning codes. The city recommends that any major additions to individual properties or proposed property subdivisions be submitted to the community association prior to any public hearings. It is the policy of the LPCA to request a postponement of any hearing for an applicant that has not first notified the LPCA Board of Directors and presented plans to the Board. Please submit plans to LPCA P.O. Box 27097, Baltimore, MD 21230.

Social

Chairman: Shannon Keeny

Contact: Social@mylocustpoint.org

The social committee plans and coordinates all of the social events sponsored by the LPCA, including the annual yard sale, festival and holiday party.

Dog Park

Chairman: Sophia Silbergeld

Contact: locustpointdogpark@yahoo.com

The Dog Park committee is responsible for the overall cleaning and maintenance of the dog park and enforcing the park rules and etiquette. Members also organize frequent fundraisers, such as Yappy Hours at local bars and restaurants to cover maintenance costs for the park.

Parks and Beautification

Chairman: Cheryl Duffey

Contact: Parksandbeautification@mylocustpoint.org

The Parks and Beautification Committee is responsible for planning and organizing beautification projects in Latrobe Park and around the neighborhood. Projects in the past have included bulb, tree and flower plantings in the park and corner planters along Fort Avenue. This committee is also responsible for organizing neighborhood cleanups and educating neighbors about proper trash disposal and the city's recycling program.

Nominations and Elections

Chairman: Vacant

The Nominations and Elections committee is responsible for recruiting eligible candidates and organizing elections every 2 years for the LPCA Board and Officers or as vacancies arise.

Important Contact Information

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410-396-2499
Southern District Police Neighborhood Service Unit, 10 Cherry Hill Rd.
Officer Kevin Vaught, 410 -396-2170
Kevin.vaught@baltimorepolice.org

Sanitation Enforcement

(for occupied properties that have trash or high grass and weeds that violates the city code)
Eric Booker, Sanitation Enforcement Officer
410-396-4170

Department of Transportation

Tia Waddy, Transportation Community Relations Coordinator
tia.waddy@baltimorecity.gov

Liquor License Board

Stephan W. Fogelman, Chairman
231 E. Baltimore St. 6th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 396-4380 • Fax: (410) 396-4382
After 4:30: (410) 545-6360



Trash and Recycling:

Trash pick up is every Wednesday. Baltimore City law requires that all residences have durable trash cans with tight fitting lids. Residences are limited to two 32-gallon trash cans each. Trash must be put out in cans.

Recycling pick up is every Friday. There is no need to sort recyclables into separate bins and an unlimited amount of recyclables is allowed.

Acceptable recyclable materials include: •Plastics with any number from 1 to 7 on the bottom (Including wide-mouth plastic containers such as margarine, yogurt, sour cream containers, empty plastic prescription bottles, plastic drinking cups) •Rinsed milk and juice cartons •Empty aerosol cans •Glass jars and bottles •Aluminum, tin and steel food cans and foil •Mixed paper (all colors, mail, books (hardback, paperback and textbooks included), newsprint, folders, magazines, card - board, cereal boxes, phone books)

Unacceptable: •Plastic bags • Dry cleaning bags •Wire hangers •Chemicals or paint •Used paper napkins, towels, plates and tissues •Metallic wrapping paper •Non-bottle or jar glass, window glass •Used food containers and waxed- lined boxes •Foam or plastic packaging material •Motor oil containers, bottles and cans used for toxic substances.

Note about PLASTIC BAGS: Please reuse your plastic bags by donating them to the doggie bag bins in Latrobe Park.

LPCA Board of Directors

President: Greg Sileo

Vice President: Terry Hickey

Corresponding Secretary: Ginny Rajnes

Recording Secretary: Justin Grossman

Treasurer: Laura McCoy

Board of Directors:

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| Jamie Kelly | Cheryl Duffey |
| Caroline Baker | Allison Uza |
| Monica Ott | John Shea |
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Headquartered in Locust Point

By Nik Sky

Our neighborhood has become quite the attractive destination for new office space development and relocation among local companies with an established niche in the Baltimore economy. The convenience and amenities Locust Point affords to its residents and businesses have not gone unnoticed by companies like Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund (MAIF), and Mindgrub Technologies, LLC. Both companies have signed long-term leases, relocating their headquarters to the former Phillips Foods, Inc. complex on East Fort Avenue. Another familiar name, Under Armour Inc. is also a tenant at the space, leasing 25,000 square feet for a call center, which will eventually double to 50,000 square feet. Meanwhile, Phillips is scheduled to move out of the building in November 2015.

The complex is being re-developed by Mark Sapperstein, whose original plans have now been amended to include adding two stories to the former Phillips building, instead of just one. Because of the demand for more office space, which required changes to the original plan, Sapperstein did appear in front of the Locust Point Civic Association

in June, asking for our support of the expanded project. The membership in attendance voted over-whelmingly in favor of providing him with a letter of support for when he appears before the city.

Former Under Armour, Inc. executive Scott Plank is also set to appear before the city, seeking permission for the conversion of two Locust Point former industrial properties into an office and retail development. The properties are located at 1000 Key Highway East and 1401 Woodall St. Currently they are zoned for industrial use, however, Plank's War Horse, LLC is seeking the technical designation of "community business district," which would make the properties available for a wide variety of uses. While he is yet to appear before the membership, Plank has met with the LPCA board to expand on his plans thus far.

While to many long-term Locust Point residents the changes taking place in the neighborhood may appear to be taking place at neck-breaking speed, with little time left to digest them, they are necessary. The neighborhood cannot afford to shed old 'landmark' businesses without attract-

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Francis Scott Key School

2013 WRAP UP

HARRIS TEETER VIC CARDS

TOTAL EARNED TO DATE \$2044.00 with 156 participants

PLEASE LINK YOUR HARRIS TEETER VIC CARDS TO FSK – Email John Shea

(jjrs10132007@gmail.com) for assistance. IT'S A SIMPLE WAY TO HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON YOUR COMMUNITY

GREEN TURTLE FUNDRAISER

Thanks to all who participated in the Green Turtle Fundraiser. FSK earned \$336.

3rd QUARTER HONOR ROLE

Congratulations to the 127 Q3 Honor Role Students! GREAT JOB!

MAKING THE GRADE....

As part of the turnaround process for Francis Scott Key, various internal goals were set. Here's where things stand as year two comes to a close.

In addition to the 4 year old Pre-K class, there will be a new 4 year old day care program opening in August of 2014 under the guidance of Fitness, Fun and Games.

Kindergarten enrollment has doubled. There will be 2 classes beginning in August 2014. Families, both in zone and out of zone, are being drawn to FSK. With goal of growing the school at the elementary school level, the results are nothing but positive as families look to make FSK their top choice.

The Advanced Academic enrollment has tripled for next year's 6th grade class. This growth lines up with the goal of

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ing new ones. Yet, the new tenants are not going to simply move into old properties without improvement or redevelopment.

Despite all the changes, at its core, Locust Point remains true to itself. We are still a close-knit neighborhood, where people care about what happens around them, where people have the opportunity to live close to where they work, where the streets are safe to walk, and where people know their neighbors. Let us all welcome the new neighbors and give our support to those individuals and entities preventing properties from sitting vacant.

making Francis Scott Key the top choice as students select their middle school honors program.

New STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) classes will be added for the upcoming school year. FSK will be implementing the Engineering is Elementary as well as the Engineering Everywhere curriculum. These hands on programs are designed for students of all ages and will challenge the creativity and foster the critical thinking of students while using the engineering design process. These new classes and curriculum reflect the FSK goal of optimizing the new lab renovations and to offer a signature STEM program not found in other Pre-K through 8 schools.

A writing lab will also be added to ensure that students develop and further enhance their writing skills to position themselves for spots in the best high schools. This addition is aligned with our goal of becoming a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.

With all of these great classroom enhancements we want to ensure that the students and staff are comfortable and can concentrate on the material. With that said, HVAC upgrades will also be occurring during the 2014 – 2015 school year.

Congratulations to the students, Principal McComas and her entire staff on another successful year!

Locust Point Civic Association Newsletter Advertising Information

The Locust Point Civic Association distributes to over 1300 households and places newsletters in a number of businesses in Locust Point. Your ad will not only help advertise your business to Locust Point residents---it will also help the civic association with the work they do. Thanks in advance for your support.

Checks should be made payable to Locust Point Civic Association. Send payments to: LPCA, P.O. Box 27097, Baltimore, MD 21230. Advertising deadlines are the 15th of each month. PDF formats are preferred but JPEGs and TIFFs are acceptable. Please email Ryann McCarty or Mickey Kopansky at communication@mylocustpoint.org for more information.

Advertising Rates

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| \$25 | 1/8 page (business card size) | 3.7" W x 2.5" H |
| \$50 | 1/4 page ad | Option A: 7.5" W x 2.5" H Option B: 3.7" W x 5" H |
| \$100 | 1/2 page ad | Option A: 7.5" W x 5" H Option B: 3.7" W x 10" H |
| \$200 | Full-page ad | 7.5" W x 10" H |

Non Profit rates are \$17, \$30, \$65 and \$120 respectively.

-- Website advertising --

We are now offering a special on ads for our new website, www.mylocustpoint.org. Rates are \$25 for 6 months. Please supply a 203 pixels W x 67 pixels H (2.819 inches by .931 inches) in .jpg or .gif format ONLY.



Social Committee

Kruschiki making is Saturday August 23 from 8:30 am-1:00 pm and is a Locust Point tradition. This year it will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel, located at the corner of Towson Street and Fort Avenue. We are looking for volunteers to set up, make the cookies, and clean up. We need 40 volunteers. Contact Shannon Keeny---Social@mylocustpoint.org to sign up to help!

Sign up now for the Locust Point Festival Cornhole Tournament!

New to cornhole? It is similar to horseshoes but is played using bags filled with corn. Teams of two stand at opposite ends of sloped boards and take turns throwing bags toward the regulation size hole in the opposite board. A bag in the hole is worth three points. A bag on the board is worth one point. Teams can cancel opponents' points by scoring themselves, so even a team down by several points has the opportunity for a come-from-behind win!

Wanna play?

The tournament will be held during the Festival in Latrobe Park on September 20th. It starts at 2:00. Teams of two must be signed in by 1:30!

The cost is \$10 per team.

The tournament is limited to 64 teams and will be single elimination. Reserve a spot in the tourney for your team by contacting Social@mylocustpoint.org. There will be prizes for the first and second place teams.

Check us out on facebook or email questions to Social@mylocustpoint.org



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Flags on Fort



A letter has been sent to all residents of Fort Avenue from Lawrence Street to Fort McHenry asking for participation in flying a replica Star Spangled Banner from their home this summer. This is a great way to welcome visitors as they make their way to the Fort! If you would like a flag, please email your name and address to gatewayflagproject@gmail.com. Domino Sugar has offered to supply the flags and to coordinate distribution. If you do not have a flag pole or bracket, please indicate that you need one and it will also be provided.

Locust Point Festival

Saturday, September 20, 2014

Latrobe Park • 11am-6pm



Live Music from 12pm-5pm

Food and Vendors:

- Hull Street Blues brings back the Pit beef & more
- LP Steamers serving raw oysters
- Hale's Salsa
- Bamboo Moves Yoga

Local artists and much, much more!!

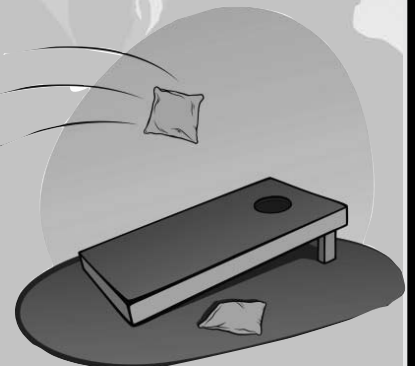
Family Activities

**Partnership with FSK -
Face painting, mini golf,
snacks, crafts and
much more!**

Cornhole

Tournament:

**2pm-5pm, \$10 fee
(team of 2)
Sign up soon!**



WE NEED volunteers!!!



In Brief

Rec Center

Fall Activities - Days and Times TBA

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

- After School tutoring and play
- Fall soccer shot - evening and day
- Dance classes - evening and day
- Kinder dance class - daytime
- Mommy & me class - daytime
- Kinder music - daytime

ADULT ACTIVITIES

- Frisbee football
 - Aussis football
 - Kickball
 - Roller hockey
- For more information call 410-837-4423

The Rec center is looking for a neighborhood person interested in teaching zumba class

Any community person interested in having an activity at the rec.center call 410-837-4423

Message from John Shea

Hello Locust Point neighbors,

With all that is happening in Locust Point and everyone's busy summer schedules, we'd like to ask that folks pay particular attention to all of the kids and families who are out walking our streets. We're all anxious to get somewhere - home, to Little League, to the pool, to the Orioles' games, etc. Please, as drivers, be sure to look for our children and our families in crosswalks or on bicycles. It's not always easy to see small children trying to navigate the streets. For all of those people out walking, please use the crosswalks. If we expect drivers to stop for families in crosswalks, then we need to expect that people are using them. Let's keep everyone safe.

Enjoy the summer.
John Shea



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