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SEPTEMBER HCC MEETING

**The next HCC meeting is on
Monday, September 24th, 2018.**

Plan to join us at 7:00 pm at the Roosevelt Park Recreation Center on West 36th Street. The agenda will include committee updates and discussions of the most important issues of the day for business owners and residents of Hampden.

7:00-7:05 pm: Welcome

7:05-7:30 pm: Committee updates

7:30-8:00 pm: New business

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Keeping Yourselves (and Hampden) Safe

By Matt Stegman / President / hccpresident@gmail.com

The HCC did not meet at the end of August, but there has still been plenty going on in the neighborhood. On the positive side, the Union Collective is up and running and has hosted a bunch of community events, we're preparing for another wonderful HampdenFest (Saturday, September 8th), and the ACCE Academy is returning to the Robert Poole building. Unfortunately, we've also seen an uptick in crime around the neighborhood ranging from car break-ins to more serious crimes like armed robbery.

Neighbors are rightly concerned about crime and have reached out to the HCC to ask what they can do to keep themselves and the community safe. Both the HCC and HVMA have been in contact with Northern District leadership and you may have noticed an increased police presence in the neighborhood. There are also several steps neighbors can take to protect themselves:

- Remain aware of your surroundings
- Keep porch lights on in both the front and rear of your home
- Report burned-out streetlights to 311
- Ensure your car is locked when not in use
- Have the phone number of your neighbors and call them when needed

Pre-Thanksgiving Vegan Potluck with The VRG

By Gene Slothour-Hudnall

The Vegetarian Resource Group is hosting our 37th Annual Pre-Thanksgiving Vegan Potluck Dinner, showing appreciation for turkeys by not eating them!

Join us in sharing a variety of festive, delicious, vegan dishes. All are welcome. Adult admission is \$5 and children are free. Please bring a vegan dish – free of meat, fish, fowl, dairy, eggs, honey, or any other animal-derived ingredients – that serves 4 per adult in your party. We are also collecting canned foods for those in need.

- Call either someone in your home or a neighbor if you arrive home late
- Report all crimes to 911
- Review home security footage in the event of an incident and share helpful footage with detectives

Join a community crime & grime walk. HCC does regular walks through different parts of the neighborhood to address safety issues and clean up the community. Check our Facebook page for updates.

If you have other ideas or things you'd like to see the HCC do, suggestions are always welcome. Send your ideas to hccpresident@gmail.com.

If you have a great idea to improve the Hampden-Medfield-Woodberry community, you may also want to consider applying for our community grant. More information can be found in this newsletter, or on our website. Applications for the grant, which can be up to \$5,000, must be submitted before November 30th.

Enjoy the last days of summer. We'll see you at our next meeting on September 24th!

Matt Stegman

HCC President

The event will take place Sunday, November 18th at 5:00 PM in the North Baltimore Mennonite Church, located at 4615 Roland Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21210.

If you have any questions, please call 9am to 5pm, Monday – Friday (410) 366-VEGE (410-366-8343). You can email us questions at vrg@vrg.org.

To volunteer at the event or to help with promotion, please contact Gene at vrg@vrg.org.

Hampden's National Night Out

By Mary Rose Cook / Photo by Matt Stegman

On August 7, Hampden residents celebrated the National Night Out to take a bite out of crime by taking a bite out of tasty desserts.

Residents gathered at Waverly Brewing Company on Union Avenue from 6 pm to 8 pm to celebrate the annual Night Out. Everyone in attendance brought a tasty dessert to share. We were treated to cookies, fruit, a peanut butter cake, blueberry wraps, and lemon poppy seed muffins to name a few. Soft drinks were provided but most of those in attendance treated themselves to a tasty brew from Waverly.

In attendance were the members of Fire Engine #21 from Roland Avenue with the hook and ladder for the youngsters to admire. Police Officers assigned to foot patrol in Hampden also were in attendance and chatted with residents about safety concerns and how to prevent crime in the neighborhood. It was a hot and muggy

summer night, but everyone enjoyed meeting old neighbors and friends and making new ones.

Officers of the Hampden Community Council, including President Matt Stegman, attended and chatted with residents about how the HCC can be of assistance to residents.

Everyone is encouraged to join the HCC as a voting member and attend the monthly meetings on the last Monday of the month at Roosevelt Recreation Center.

The HCC would like to thank those residents who attended and brought a dessert to share, the fire department, police, and Waverly Brewing Company for their assistance in making the Night Out a success. Now, off to the gym to exercise off those pounds from all the desserts.



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Seeking Applications for \$5,000 Grant Use

By Hampden Community Council

Through a collaborative effort, the communities of Hampden, Woodberry, and Medfield have obtained a \$5,000 grant that is to be used to **improve the livability of and contribute to the betterment of our communities.** We are currently seeking applicants to request to utilize these funds for 2018/19. Below is a copy of the application that can be utilized to make a request.

Please note that submissions must be received by **November 30, 2018.**

Cover Letter (1 page)

Include a cover letter that contains the following information:

1. The purpose of the project and the exact dollar amount requested (up to \$5,000).
2. How the proposal fits with the goals of Hampden, Woodberry, and Medfield to improve the livability of and contribute to the betterment of our communities.
3. Contact Information: name, title, telephone number, email address, fax number, and mailing address of the organization or individual.
4. Title and physical address of the project.

Proposal Narrative (1-2 pages)

1. Applicant Background

Provide one to two paragraphs that succinctly describe the organization's history, mission, and goals. If you are an individual, please describe your background and motivations for applying.

2. Project Purpose and Anticipated Results

- Explain the community need that will be addressed.
- Describe the project. How will the money be used?
- What are the anticipated results of the project? Relate how the project directly and/or indirectly addresses the community need.
- How will you measure and demonstrate the success of the project?
- Provide a budget and timeline for implementing the project.
- If there is a website, Facebook page, Twitter handle or other social media accounts associated with the project or organization, please list those URLs.

Submissions

1. Applications should be mailed to the:

Hampden Community Council
P.O. Box 19957, Baltimore, MD 21211

2. Applications should include 3 copies.

3. Each of the 3 copies should be submitted on standard, white, letter size paper and fastened with one staple in the upper left hand corner.

Rules & Agreement

By submitting an application, applicant agrees to the following conditions:

1. Grants will only be awarded for projects located in Hampden, Woodberry or Medfield.
2. All applications may be made public.
3. Applicants must provide an itemized budget with two quotes for the project with their application.
4. Successful Applicants must provide receipts once the project is completed no more than 6 months after receiving their funding.
5. Successful Applicants must provide photos of the completed project with a 1000-word narrative describing said project no more than 6 months after receiving their funding.

Zoning & Land Use Committee Updates

By Martin Burian / Zoning and Land Use Committee Chair / hcczoning@gmail.com

3550 and 3600 Ash St

Last year, the HCC Zoning & Land Use Committee began looking at a proposal for five townhomes at the intersection of West 36th and Ash Streets with the developer and neighbors. The ZLUC and neighbors had concerns with the plans calling for curb cuts with front-loading garages, the impact of the new homes on street parking in the area, and the integration of the development into the character of the existing neighborhood.

The developer's plans have not changed significantly in the intervening time, and they require variances from the Board of Municipal Zoning Appeals (BMZA). A hearing before the BMZA is currently scheduled for September 4. The HCC has attempted to work with the developer on alternative solutions for parking. In the absence of a compromise, the ZLUC remains opposed to the plans as currently proposed.

3441, 3447 and 3449 Chestnut Ave

A local developer is proposing two-story rear additions to three rowhouse properties on Chestnut Avenue. The proposed additions would span the width of the lot on each property. The plans require an appeal for variances before the BMZA. (A variance was previously approved for a rear addition to 3441 Chestnut Ave, and the developer is seeking an additional variance to align with the plans and permits.) A hearing before the BMZA was scheduled for August 21. The HCC has been in contact with both the developer and neighbors and is monitoring the situation.

Clipper Rd

(Woodberry multi-unit development)

The Woodberry Community Association has engaged in a series of meetings with a developer proposing to construct an apartment building in Clipper Road in Woodberry, next to the Light Rail Tracks. The building would be on the site of

two historic stone buildings, which are proposed to be retained and incorporated into the design. The plan calls for 80 studio apartments in a four-story building. Dedicated parking will be limited because the site has Transit Oriented Development zoning intended to encourage use of public transportation and other forms of mobility. This development is different than the existing Clipper Mill development, which also has plans for additional development. Woodberry continues to hold meetings, and the HCC will continue to monitor activity.

Urban Renewal Plan (URP)

(Revisions to Hampden Business Area URP)

The Baltimore City Department of Planning is retaining the Urban Renewal Plan that encompasses mainly the Avenue. Planning is recommending technical changes to the URP to conform to the new TransForm zoning code. The change would also specify an expiration date for the URP.

The Mayor's Annual Christmas Parade Junior and Senior Miss Yuletide Contest

Junior - 8 to 12 Years of Age
Senior - 13 to 19 Years of Age

All Entries Must Be Received By
October 20, 2018

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News from the Hampden Library

By Devon Ellis

All of the Pratt Libraries are now FINE FREE, and materials are now automatically renewed! Visit the Hampden Library for the scoop!

Baby and Toddler Storytime

Wednesday mornings at 10:30 - 11:10 am, birth to 36 months, with their caregivers

Bring Baby/Toddler to the library to enjoy our lap program, with music, rhythm, songs, fingerplays, nursery rhymes, a story, and movement.

Preschool Storytime

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Thursday evenings, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

All skill levels and all ages are welcome to come and practice their chess moves. Beginners can learn the basics of the game, and more advanced players can try their skills against a real chess champion!

Adult Book Discussion

Thursday, Sept 20, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

"Maryland Humanities" has selected the following title for its annual state-wide reading event, "One Maryland One Book": "Bloodsworth: the true story of the first death row inmate exonerated by DNA," by Tim Junkin, 294 pages, c2004. Overview from Amazon: "Charged with the rape and murder of a nine-year-old girl in 1984, Kirk Bloodsworth was tried, convicted, and sentenced to die in Maryland's gas chamber. Maintaining his innocence, he read everything on criminal law available in the prison library and persuaded a new lawyer to petition for the then-innovative

DNA testing. After nine years in prison, Kirk Bloodsworth became the first death row inmate exonerated by DNA evidence. He was pardoned by the governor of Maryland and has gone on to become a tireless spokesman against capital punishment. Bloodsworth's story speaks for 159 others who were wrongly convicted and have since been released, and for the thousands still in prison awaiting DNA testing." Readers will find this harrowing story to be a tale of justice served.

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Hampden Homecookin': Bignulati

By Jon Kmetz

Hopefully you have June's bread recipe to use for *Bignulati*. A Sicilian favorite, *bignulati* takes olives, meat and onion, baking them in a loaf. Most recipes call for ground sausage, but we always use ground beef.

I don't recommend Kalamata olives here: the saltiness is too pronounced. Use regular canned black olives.

With any stuffed-bread recipe, it's critical not to overstuff: I usually use all the chopped olive, then enough meat to make a layer.

Freeze leftovers for other dishes. Take this to parties and bask in the smiles! Happy Homecookin'!

Bignulati

Ingredients:

-1 batch of white or wheat bread dough for a large loaf (no rye / multigrain)

-1 lb. ground beef / sweet Italian sausage

-1 medium onion

1 1/2 oz. can large, black pitted olives

2 Tbsp olive oil

Salt / pepper

Directions:

Prepare bread recipe and allow to rise. Store-bought, dough can be used, but you may want two tubes, and the texture may be sticky: dust with flour & knead to make smooth. No extra rising is needed.

Drain and chop olives. Set aside. Dice onion and sauté in oil until soft & translucent. Add ground meat. Break up meat and cook with onions until browned. Drain fat from meat and cool. Season mixture to taste with salt and pepper (sausage is salted already - taste before adding more).

Dust a work surface with flour and roll dough in a wide oval to 1/4" thickness. While rolling, flip dough 2-3 times and dust with flour as needed to avoid sticking. Don't roll too thin.

Spread chopped olives in an even, single layer, leaving an inch of bare dough along the top length of the oval. Add meat / onion mixture to fill out the layer without overfilling - you may have leftover. Starting from the long bottom edge, roll the dough to the top bare strip. While rolling, tuck flaps of dough at ends to contain the filling. Continue rolling and tucking until the top strip is reached. Pinch loaf along the seams and ends to seal. Place seam-side down on a baking sheet, cover with plastic wrap, and rest for 15-20 minutes. Preheat oven to 425. Uncover, and make 3 slashes with a serrated knife at the top of the loaf to vent steam. Bake for 40-45 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on a rack for 15 minutes. Slice and serve warm or at room temperature.

What's New at St. Mary's Outreach Center

By Tasha Cornish

Join us for "What We Remember: Recollections of Hampden as it Once Was" Everwondered what life used to be like in this ever-changing neighborhood? Join us at The Elm on Thursday, September 27, 2018 from 6:00pm - 9:00pm for a memorable evening hosted by Hampden's greatest storytellers - the elders we serve. Kick the night off with a cocktail and then get nostalgic over down home cooking. We'll even jive to some good, old-fashioned rock n roll!

Generously sponsored by Falkenhan's Hardware, Keswick, and Roland Park Place. Tickets are \$50 and going fast! Get yours today at <https://smocbaltimore.org/> or call 410-366-3106.

All proceeds benefit St. Mary's Outreach Center, which works every day to help older adults meet the challenge of living self-sufficiently with dignity and respect.

We need your stories!

In preparation for *What We Remember*, we invite you to share your memories of Hampden as it once was. Join us on Thursday, September 20 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM at 3900 Roland Avenue. If you cannot attend but want to get involved, please call 410-366-3106 or send an email to TashaSMOC@gmail.com.

UPCOMING AT SMOC

Sign up for My Groceries to Go: Wednesday, September 12, 10 AM - 11:30 AM

If you are age 60 or greater, you may be eligible to receive a monthly 40-lb box of nutritious pantry foods through My Groceries to Go, a federal program run by the Maryland Food Bank. The next sign-up is September 12, 2018. Call 410-366-3106 for more details.

Jewelry Making Workshop: October 2, October 9, October 16, 1 PM - 3 PM

Join members of the St. Mary's community for a three week earring making series. All equipment will be supplied. The class is free of charge, and donations for supplies are accepted. Space is limited to 6-8 participants, please call 410-366-3106 to reserve your spot today.

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Do you know which neighborhood location this limerick is about? Email your answer to annie@mykeyhometeam.com this week for a chance to win a gift from Wine Source.

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Hampden Family Center: News and Events

By Lisa Ghinger

The BMA Outpost Opening Reception

The BMA Outpost: Hampden is an exhibition of artwork created by community residents that began July 10th and will conclude September 27th. The BMA Outpost is a mobile museum which travels to neighborhoods in Baltimore bringing artmaking and conversation to where it's least expected.

The Outpost has been in residence in the community working with the Family Center as the host site, creating a space where the community responded to the theme of "home" either visually or verbally, telling the stories or lived experience of the neighborhood over the years. With all the works of art, a larger picture is formed of what Hampden means to people, a place of change, a place of community, family history, and many many other things.

These drawings and paintings highlight the assets and challenges that are a reality for many in present day Baltimore and Hampden, as well as dreams of what a better Baltimore could look like in the future.

Please join us for an opening reception on Thursday, September 27th from 6:00 – 7:30 to view the artwork and hear the stories collected. Lite fare and beverages will be served ALL ARE WELCOME!

FREE HEALTH FAIR

Saturday, September 29th 11:00 – 1:00

Join the Hampden Family Center on Saturday, September 27th from 11am – 1pm for the 8th Annual Health Fair in partnership with MedStar Union Memorial Hospital. Don't miss free flu shots, health screenings, giveaways and refreshments. Speak with representatives from Family & Children's Services of Central Maryland and the Baltimore City Harm Reduction Unit. Call the Center to sign up for a free flu shot 410-467-8710 and/or stop by the Center on September 27th for these other offerings:

- Blood pressure screening and stroke information
- Cancer prevention tips
- Cholesterol and glucose screenings
- Heart health and nutrition

NEW PROGRAM

Yoga for Beginners: Yoga Path's Kerry Martinez a certified yoga instructor will teach a one hour beginner's class for 8 weeks. Whether you are new to yoga or have been off the mat for a while please feel free stop by on Mondays at 11:00 am.

Date: Monday, September 17th

Schedule: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Individual and Family Counseling: The Family Center is pleased to announce its partnership with Family & Children's Services of Central Maryland. Beginning this month a counselor will be on site to meet with clients. Please call the Center 410-467-8710 for more information and to schedule an appointment.

Adult Literacy/GED

The fall session will be held at the Family Center beginning September 11th.

Registration will be held at Strong City Baltimore located at 3503 North Charles Street September 4th, 5th, 6th, 14th, 19th and 21st by appointment only. Please contact Ms. Davis at Strong City Baltimore: 410-261-3517 with any questions and to schedule your registration.

Date: Tuesday September 11th – December 14th

Schedule: Tuesday & Thursday 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

WIC

If you have children five years and younger and/or if you are pregnant or six months postpartum, you can apply for WIC, which is hosted at the Center every second Thursday of the month. WIC is by appointment only. Call 410-614-4848 for more information.

Date: Thursday, September 13th

Schedule: Second Thursdays 9am – 5pm

Senior Luncheon

Join us for lunch and share a hot meal with friends and play a few rounds of Bingo. Senior Lunches are free, but advance registration is required as seating is limited.

Date: Friday, September 21st

Schedule: Third Friday 11am – 1pm.

Seedco Earn Benefits

Need assistance in obtaining benefits such as food stamps, utilities support, a government issued cell phone and tax credits? To make an appointment with Ashley, call 410-467-8710.

Schedule: Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm

Fitness for 50+

Get into shape with an exercise class for those 50 and older! Led by a trained professional from MedStar Union Memorial Hospital, this one-hour, low-impact aerobics and strength training class is held every Tuesday.

Schedule: Tuesdays at 10am

COMING IN OCTOBER:

Taste of Hampden

Join us Thursday, October 11th 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm to celebrate Hampden's Culinary scene while sipping Union Craft Brews. The event will be held at Union Craft Brewing: 1700 41st Street. Tickets are \$50 per person and may be purchased online at www.hampdenfamilycenter.org, by phone at 410-467-8710 or feel free to stop by the Center. Proceeds from the event will support programs and services.

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Invitation to Participate in the "Historic Hampden Happenings" Newsletter

By Katharine Fernstrom / Newsletter Committee Chair / hampdennewsletter@gmail.com / Photo by Melvin E. on Flickr

Participate in the "Historic Hampden Happenings" Newsletter!

If you have an idea for an article or a topic you would like to see discussed in the Newsletter, or a subject you would like to address in a letter the readership, send an email to hampdennewsletter@gmail.com.

If we like your idea, we will probably ask you to keep your articles and letters to approximately 300 words, and to keep your tone polite and respectful.

The deadline for the Newsletter is usually 7-10 days before the Community Meeting, but check in for the actual date.

The Newsletter Committee reserves the right to ask you to edit for clearer presentation, and to schedule publication when we are able.



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Support the HCC at Hampdenfest!

By the Hampden Community Council / Photo by Theresa Stegman

Hampdenfest returns on Saturday, September 8th! This year's installment features a great lineup of musical acts, the always-popular toilet races, and the return of the HCC dunking booth. Come support the community council and dunk your favorite Hampden characters of note.

The booth will be located at the corner of 36th and Elm (next to Nori Sushi). You can take a toss for \$2, or 3 for \$5. All proceeds support the Hampden Community Council's work to improve our neighborhood. Check the HCC Facebook page for updates on when your favorites will be in the tank. Haven't renewed your membership? You can do that at the booth, too!

You can find a complete list of Hampdenfest vendors, musical acts, and events at hampdenfest.blogspot.com.



**Community Concerts
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IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN THE FUTURE OF HAMPDEN, please consider joining the Hampden Community Council. The HCC is a voice for everyone in Hampden – homeowners, businesses, teenagers, seniors, newcomers and old-timers. The more members we have the farther your voice can reach. Your membership fee supports our newsletter and improves our community through education, clean & green and zoning committees, to name a few. Help Hampden continue to thrive.

Hampden Community Council **SERVING THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1976** Baltimore, Maryland

HCC MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

NEW MEMBER **RENEWING MEMBER**

Name(s) _____

Street Address _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Business Name (if registering for a business membership) _____

INDIVIDUAL (\$10) **FAMILY (\$15)** **BUSINESS (\$25)** **\$_____ ADDITIONAL DONATION**

In addition to my HCC membership, I would like to serve on/learn about the following committee(s): **(OPTIONAL)**

- Zoning
- Crime & Safety
- Membership
- Education
- Fundraising
- Newsletter Distribution
- Clean & Green

Please make checks payable to Hampden Community Council.
The HCC is a non-profit 501(c)3 Organization. All dues and additional donations are 100% tax deductible.

Please fill out this application and mail it, along with your check, to:
Hampden Community Council
ATTN: MEMBERSHIP
PO Box 19957
Baltimore, MD 21211