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**Join the BHCA Today!**  
Membership information below.

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**Membership Information**

Ask your neighbors if they are members of the BHCA. If not, let them know for \$50 annually, they get bimonthly newsletters containing important information regarding the Braddock Heights Community. They will have voting rights at general meetings on issues involving the BHCA pool, park and pavilion. They should also know BHCA represents their interests at the county level when necessary. This includes pedestrian safety, traffic issues, blighted properties and more. We are all volunteers and we need volunteers to support the Board Directors in a myriad of operational areas. The newsletter contains dates of important events - annual spring and fall picnics, pool opening and closing, clean-up dates, etc. Come join the fun! For more information and contact data, go to [www.braddockheights.org](http://www.braddockheights.org).

Send dues to: P.O. Box 243,  
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**We need a volunteer  
"FACILITIES COORDINATOR"  
to manage the  
Community Center and Pavilion.**

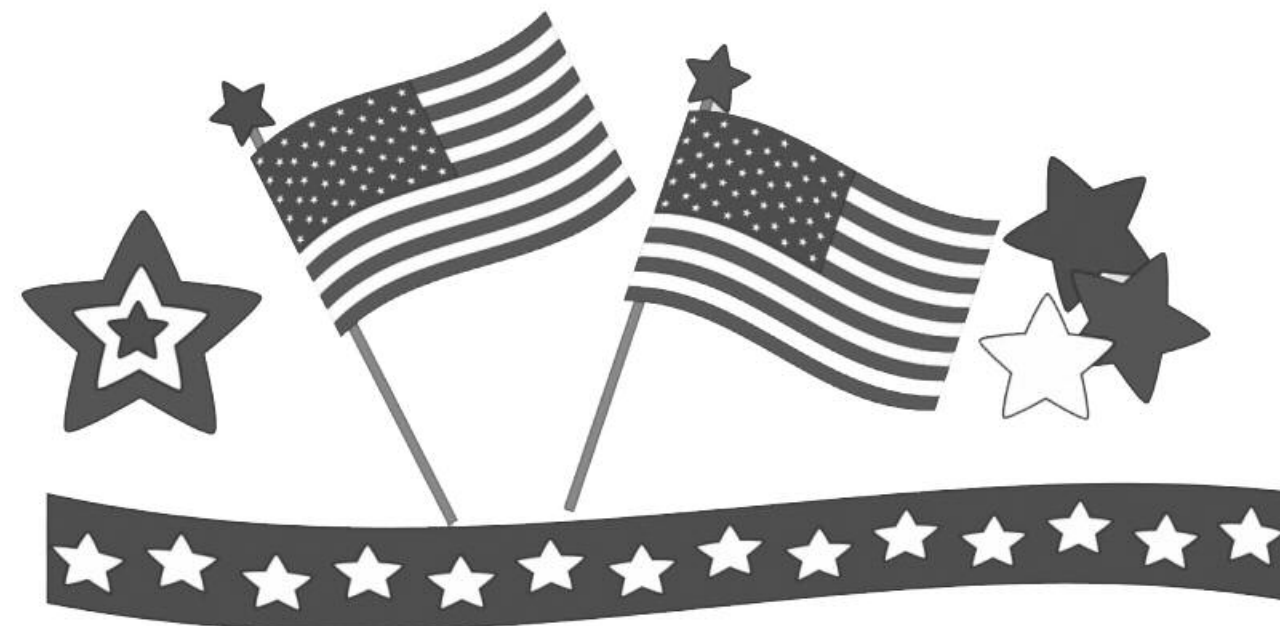
These wonderful facilities are not currently available to the general membership until we have a volunteer to help!  
Contact someone on the board if you are interested!

**PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

**F**riends and Neighbors – A wonderful swim season so far. The pool is in magnificent shape and our new management company is doing a terrific job of keeping it that way. The evening of opening day found us closing the pool a bit early due to septic tank back up. Thanks to Mike Cotrell's speedy action in getting a plumber there, the situation was resolved before midnight. Clean-up efforts by Everett Brown (above and beyond the call of duty) and Craig Campbell permitted the pool to be opened on time Sunday a.m. There have been minor glitches, but, overall, the experience, to date, has been wonderful. Our 2d annual pool opening Bash was well attended and supported. Claudia Busby organized the Bash with the help of numerous volunteers. And, she has agreed to organize the "end of season" Summer Splash. We have had some thunder closures and we make every attempt to announce those on our Facebook and website pages. I encourage you to visit each of those sites for current and future information concerning the

Park and the pool. Cyle Wolfe completed his Eagle Scout project at our park. He replaced and installed additional stanchions preventing cars from parking on the private property abutting our park. Cyle worked closely with Mike Cottrell and Craig Campbell in the design and execution of the project. We are grateful to Cyle and BSA Troop 1998 for this park enhancing project. I will report next newsletter on another scout project designed to enhance the appearance of the concession stand at the ballpark. The Board of Directors and the Pool Committee rely on volunteers for management of the park and pool. We are hopeful you will consider becoming a member of either the Board or committee. Contact me or any of the Board/Committee members. You can help keep Braddock Heights the place where families love to live.

Doug Sims,  
*President, BHCA*



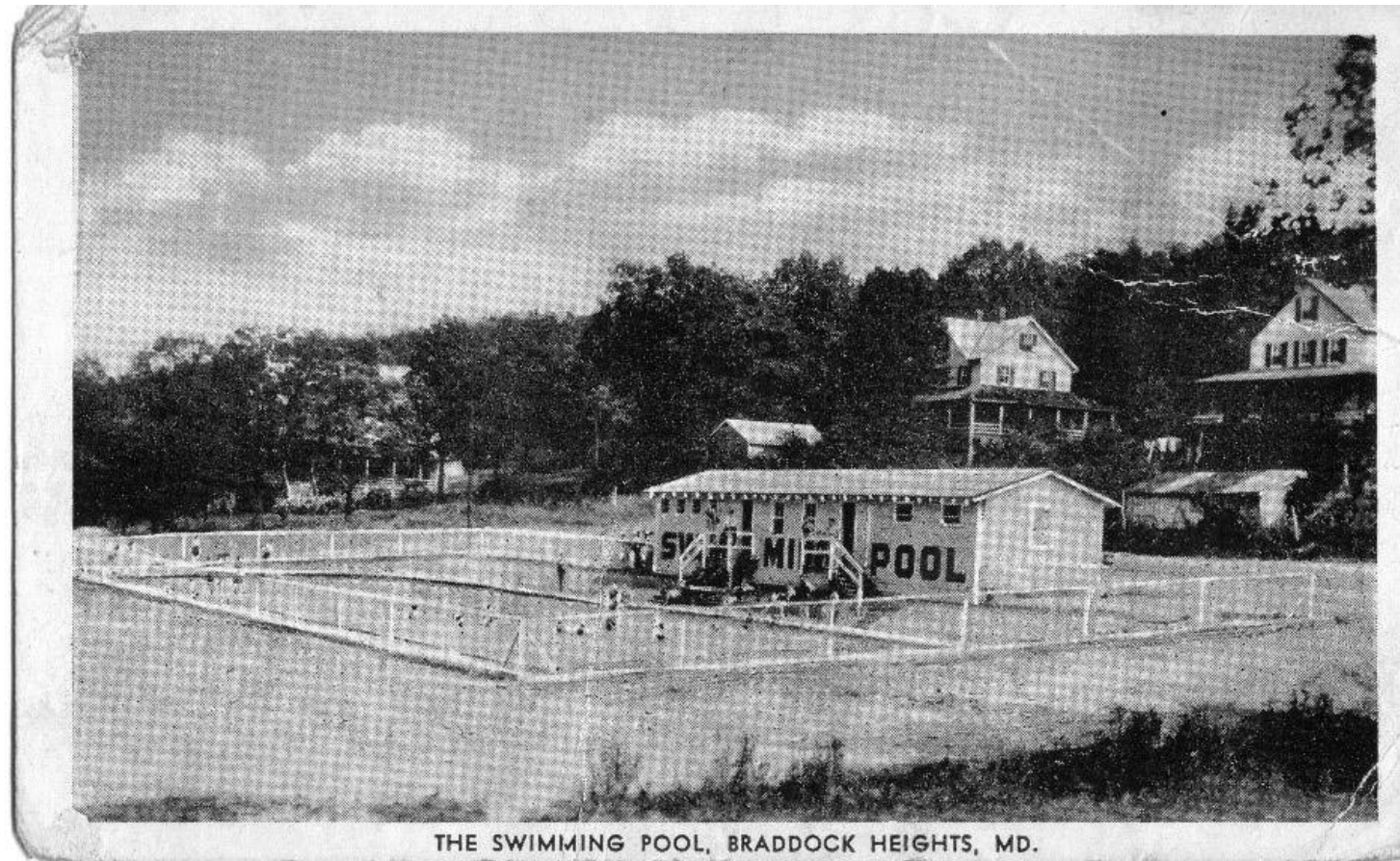
## BRADDOCK HEIGHTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY (BHHS) NEWS AND INFORMATION

Summer is in full swing and the temperatures are climbing into the 90's. The Braddock Heights Swimming Pool is the place to be. There were no swimming facilities at Braddock Heights in its early days. In 1922, Edward Poole built a spring fed pool on his property at the intersection on Clifton Road and what is now called Old Swimming Pool Road. Admission was 25 cents and drew summer residents and visitors for refreshing cold water.

In 1929, thanks to the sale of \$10,000 in stock, the first community pool and bath house was built on the current location on Schley Ave. Sundays were particularly popular with droves of swimmers

arriving on the trolley to enjoy the fun. In the late 1950's the pool was enlarged and the diving pool was added. For many years the water for the pool was fed from Klipps Spring (at the base of Gambrill Mountain) to Braddock Springs and then pumped to the reservoir in the old park. Today, over 400 families enjoy the wonderful pool and pack it to capacity on hot summer days.

If you are interested in participating in the historical society, please contact Mark Koltz at markkoltz@gmail.com or 240-490-7951. In the meantime, please reach out and share all Braddock Heights memories (or memorabilia) for our archives.



THE SWIMMING POOL, BRADDOCK HEIGHTS, MD.

## SWIMMING POOL NEWS

**Summer Splash is almost here!**  
We hope everyone one in attendance for the beginning for the season "Shindig" enjoyed themselves. Our end of the season "Summer Splash" is rapidly approaching so mark your calendars and please join us on **Sunday, August 25th**, from 12 noon until 3 p.m. We will have "Ray the DJ" spinning tunes once again, food, pool games and tons of fun. Bring guests and use up all those guest passes! If you are available to volunteer for the event, please contact Will Wood: 703-328-0035 or at pool@braddockheights.org. It is the work of the dedicated volunteers that make these events possible. This is a potluck event as well, with the BHCA providing hot dogs, chips and drinks. There will be NO rain date for this event.

**Enjoying your 2018 Braddock Community Pool Season? Want to see some changes for next year? VOLUNTEER!** Our dedicated team of Pool Committee volunteers would like to see some more hands in the mix - we have ~400 family memberships and less than ten Pool Committee members. Now is the perfect time to get involved in the pool committee as we wrap up the 2019 season and plan for the 2020 season. Each fall, we budget for the following season based on equipment purchases and repairs, management company contract, deck furniture, umbrellas / bases, building maintenance, and membership events. Pool Committee members serve 3-year terms with elections at the November BHCA General Membership meeting annually.

### Upcoming Pool Committee Meetings:

2nd Wednesday Monthly  
7:30-8:30pm

Braddock Heights Community Center

- 8/14/19
- 9/11/19
- 10/9/19
- 1/13/19

### Swim Diapers!!

Please insure young ones that are not fully potty trained have the appropriate swim diapers to reduce the possibility of contamination. The pool must close for 16 hours before it can reopen following a contamination event. That makes up the entire operating period for the pool. If fault is determined a pool membership can be revoked and a fine of \$500 imposed on the responsible party.

### Follow us on Facebook:

For weather related or other closures please visit the Facebook site for the most up-to-date information at [www.facebook.com/BraddockHeightsCommunityAssociation](http://www.facebook.com/BraddockHeightsCommunityAssociation).

### Comments, Compliments, Complaints??

Contact us any time to share your comments and concerns, or ask questions about the pool and pool management. You may contact me at 703-328-0035 or e-mail us at pool@braddockheights.org. **We are listening and want to serve you!**

### Swim Team:

Congrats to the Barracudas for an amazing swim season. They have a 2-1 record going into this Saturday's Division championship. They have a record 166 swimmers, eleven 6 & under and 31 All Star qualifiers. There are three hearing impaired swimmers that have participated in all of the meets. It's been a season of many wonderful firsts. This is a testimony to the wonderful coaches and parent volunteers who are focused on keeping the kids happy and healthy with the swim team!

Will Wood

Chair, BHCA Pool Committee  
pool@braddockheights.org