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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.

**Send dues to: P.O. Box 243,
Braddock Heights, MD 21714-0243**

Join the BHCA Today!

Membership information below.



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!



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Another super swim season is in the past. For those who enjoyed the pool this year, you can thank Will Wood and his swim committee. Members of the committee provided for new umbrellas, new lounge chairs, and a new management company. If there are things members would like to see happen at the pool, suggestions are always welcome. Better yet, why not volunteer to be on the committee and be a part of the planning effort? Besides the Pool committee (meets once a month on 2nd Wednesday), there are other opportunities, e.g., serving on the Board of Directors (meets once a month first Wednesday); managing use of the Community Center and Pavilion. (we still need a volunteer); or pitching in a hand at the fall clean-up Saturday 26 October at 8:00 am. If there are issues you would like

addressed, we encourage you to engage one of the Board Members (listed on the back page). The Board's main purpose is to make the park, pool, Community Center and pavilion places you can enjoy with friends and families. In November, we will hold our annual Membership meeting to elect a Vice President and Treasurer for a two year term and four Directors. I want to thank Mark Koltz and Tom Dixon, outgoing Vice President and Treasurer, respectively, for their service. If you are interested, please contact me or any of the Directors. We need you to help keep Braddock Heights the community you love to live in and raise a family.

Doug Sims, *President, BHCA*

SWIMMING POOL NEWS

Adieu to a wonderful pool season! We had a much better summer season in regards to mother-nature and also feel the improvements made during the off season helped boost member satisfaction. Many thanks to the volunteers who work tirelessly on many tasks to ensure the pool season went off without a hitch.

Further thanks to the volunteers and vendors who stepped up and created another great Summer Splash! A special thanks to our amazing Middletown High School students; Ben Tabor, Erin Smith, and Thomas Taitinger; who were exemplary in coordinating and emceeing the games.

This year's party included a new twist with raffle items provided by generous local and regional vendors. Many thanks to Claudia Terrill for her tireless work with the vendors to ensure the raffle was a success. The raffle added a lot of excitement to our annual Summer Splash party and we look to build on this excitement for future events at the pool.

We'd like to thank all of the local and regional businesses that helped contribute to our raffle:

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| The Red Bow Salon and Spa | Frederick Oktoberfest |
| Great Wolf Lodge | Escape This Live |
| The Braddock Inn | Summers Farm |
| Bombshell Salon and Boutique | Cinco de Mayo Restaurant |
| Jumbo's Pumpkin Patch | I made this Pottery |
| Dominos Pizza | Liberty Mountain Resort |
| Trinity Salon & Spa | Madrones Restaurant |
| The Main Cup | Middletown Sportsland |
| Dempsey's Grille | Wegmans |
| Roads and Rails Museum | More Ice Cream |
| YMCA of Frederick County | The Catocin Wildlife Preserve |

These businesses really helped add to everyone's fun and excitement. We greatly appreciate their generosity.

We have received many compliments regarding the pool and the new management company. We look forward to working with RSV Pools again next year.

Once again a BIG THANKS to the pool committee volunteers, Dan Blum (Social Media and Web), Betsy Erlich (Secretary and Pool Beautification Specialist), Caroline Milam (Membership Processing

and all around pool Guru), Mary Mills (Membership Experience Liaison), Doug Sims (RSV Liaison & BHCA President), Claudia Terrill (Events/"Pool Party Lady") and new members Hilary Sizemore and Jen Wood.

We are a 100% volunteer-led community pool, and this only works if new volunteers continually join/contribute to our ranks. We would love to have you as a member of our team in serving our wonderful community!

Pool Committee Meetings:

2nd Wednesday Monthly (exception December)

7:30-8:30pm

Braddock Community Center

Last 2019 Meeting: November 13

What's New for 2020?

We will continue to upgrade pool deck furniture and umbrellas and hope to finish the project before the 2020 season.

We will begin discussions with RSV to determine critical maintenance that the pool may require as it approaches its ninth decade of operation.

We do not expect a rate increase in 2020. The budget discussions are currently ongoing and decide the priorities for the pool and its members. If there is something you think can improve the pool experience we would love to hear from you, or better yet, please join the committee so your vision can be realized. Please join us at the November General Membership meeting to vote on our budget which sets the rates and expenditures for the forthcoming season.

Did Your Email Change?? Simply e-mail us at:

pool@braddockheights.org so we can reach you for announcements, including membership season notifications.

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