



January 2020

**HTCA Annual Meeting and Elections,
Wednesday, January 14, 2020 7-8pm,
Bradley Hills Elementary School –
multipurpose room**

As we start the new year, there will be three open positions on the HTCA Board. New board members will be elected at the annual meeting and expected to serve a two-year term. The board is requesting nominations and we strongly encourage residents to nominate neighbors – or themselves. If interested in serving on the HTCA Board please contact Maggie Bree at maggiemaybree@gmail.com. So far, our current list of candidates include Maggie Bree, Marc Ghany, and Alex Jamison.

In order to vote, you must be a current member of HTCA. The dues are only \$20 per household, per year and membership begins each January. You may join by mailing or dropping off a check (payable to HTCA) to HTCA Treasurer Mark De Ravin 5620 Southwick Street or use a credit card or Paypal on our website, htca.net. Dues may also be paid at the annual meeting.

Donations are always appreciated, as the newsletter, meeting room space, community parties, legal and professional fund, and the Triangle Garden all require funding. Please donate generously by check or via the website.

If you would like to vote but are unable to attend the meeting, please use the proxy form on htca.net and give your proxy to a neighbor attending (each HTCA member can carry up to 3 proxies). A neighbor may

also carry your membership dues, or you can pay these at htca.net.

**Norman's Farm Market @ The Bethesda
Community Store**

HTCA is excited to report that the produce stand will be back at the Bethesda Community Store in 2020. Norman's Farm Market is a dynamic addition to the neighborhood- hosting Porchfest musical events, providing neighbors with outstanding produce, a beautiful Fall/Halloween display and pumpkin patch, and the farm fresh Thanksgiving turkeys were also off the charts delicious! HTCA is thrilled to welcome Norman's Farm market back to the neighborhood next summer.

Triangle Garden Update

HTCA held its annual Fall Triangle Garden Clean Up on October 19th. This was HTCA's first clean up collaboration with Bradley Hills Village. HTCA and Bradley Hills Village have joined forces to maintain the legacy of Huntington Terrace's beautiful greenery that is the Triangle Garden! We are truly thankful for all the support Bradley Hills Village has given HTCA to maintain this community gem. A special thank you as well to the Denchfield family for donating mulch for the clean-up. For more information about the garden and how to get involved, contact Johnny Bree (jebree@gmail.com).

On November 23rd, Bradley Hills Village and HTCA hosted a memorial event in the Triangle Garden to commemorate Eva Cohen, a longtime supporter of the garden, and the co-founder and first president of Bradley Hills Village. To honor Eva's memory and legacy of community stewardship, Bradley Hills Village raised funds to help support the garden and restore its bench. The newly restored bench that sits in the flower bed closest to Roosevelt Street looks beautiful. A plaque commemorating Eva resides beside it. We invite neighbors to visit the Triangle Garden and would also love to hear any ideas for community events that could be held there.

Huntington Terrace/Bradmoor Sidewalk Program Update

The Bradmoor Neighborhood Association (BNA), as well as a number of individual homeowners, filed applications with the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MDOT) to install sidewalks on several streets in the Bradmoor neighborhood. There were also individual homeowner requests for a sidewalk to be built on McKinley St. between Bradmoor Drive and Garfield Street in Huntington Terrace. The Huntington Terrace portion (between Hempstead St. and Garfield St.) has been included in the greater "Bradmoor Sidewalk Project" Proposal.

A public hearing was held on November 6th, 2019 to allow neighbors to present testimony concerning the construction of these sidewalks. Many positions were presented at the hearing including the environmental impacts of loss of trees due to sidewalk construction, pedestrian safety concerns, and the financial impact on the County budget for such a large project. The MDOT is currently reviewing both written and oral testimonies from this hearing and a decision regarding the sidewalk proposal could be made as early as the first quarter of 2020. For more information regarding this project, please visit the HTCA website (htca.net).

Community Liaison Committee (CLC) and Neighborhood Meetings with Suburban Hospital

A number of neighbors reached out to the HTCA Board with concerns over the loss of trees at the intersection of Lincoln St. and Grant St. due to the construction of the Suburban Hospital Lincoln St. Pedestrian walkway. On September 3rd, impacted neighbors and HTCA Board members met with Suburban Hospital administration on the construction site to discuss this issue. A county arborist confirmed the trees in question had been very damaged by WSSC work and could not be saved. These very mature trees

shielded neighbors from hospital light and noise. In an effort to make up for this loss of trees, HTCA worked with Suburban to have more mature trees planted along the walkway than originally planned.

On July 11th, representatives from HTCA attended the County Sign Variance Hearing to review Suburban Hospital's most recent sign package. A major point of discussion was the hospital's proposal for a large, branded, illuminated sign on the newly constructed garage to help visitors find the garage. The HTCA Board opposed this signage design as it does not fit into the character of our neighborhood. The sign review board voted in favor of HTCA's position, adding that the proposed signage does not solve the garage visibility issues. HTCA and Suburban Hospital were instructed to work together to find a more suitable solution.

The next Community Liaison Committee (CLC) meeting with Suburban Hospital is scheduled for January 15th, 2020.

Construction on the Suburban Hospital addition is almost complete. The new patient care building will be opening in February 2020.

Meet Your HTCA Board of Directors!

Marc Ghany – Co- President

Maggie Bree – Co- President

Mark De Ravin - Treasurer

Johnny Bree - Secretary

Alex Jamison - Board Member

David Shiff - Board Member

Mike O'Conner - Board Member

To contact your HTCA Board please email:

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We look forward to seeing you all at the annual meeting on January 14, 2020!

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