

## GENERAL MEETING:

2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

**JUNE 14, 2011**

**6:30-8:00**

**26 N. FULTON AVE**

BON SECOURS COMMUNITY SUPPORT  
CENTER

## AGENDA

- BCF NGP Grant—Schedule
- Bylaws review
- P&P projects
- Clean and Green (Bon Secours)
- SouthWestCARES  
Greening projects
- ROOTS Fest
- P&P Grant Application for Fall
- Facebook, Brochure

## WASTE PICKUP

### RECYCLING: TUESDAYS

When a holiday falls on Tuesday, pickup will be the previous Saturday

### TRASH: THURSDAYS

When a holiday falls on Thursday, pickup will be the following Saturday



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# Hello Franklin Square

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## It's Summer

Franklin Square kicked off summer at the SOWEBO festival. We spent the day meeting people and showing off the historic architecture and all the cool stuff we are doing. We highlighted the Blank Lot project on Carey St, which, by the way, we were just informed this week that we will be a recipient of the Neighborhood Grants Program by the Baltimore Community Foundation. YEAH!! Thanks to everyone that helped us.



*Neighbors signing up for the Franklin Square newsletter at SOWEBO fest*



So far, with the help of Civic Works and our neighbors, we have graded the lot, planted 17 trees, and on June 4th we will plant Sunflower Mountain. This new grant will enable us to build the woodchip path, repurpose the concrete pads into whimsical hopscotch courts, and add planting

beds and a rain garden.

Join us for a workday and cookout every third Saturday throughout the summer.

Summertime continues with several other festivals planned in the area. Be sure to check out ROOTS Fest coming to the corner of Franklin and Carey and the West Baltimore Farmers Market on the parking lot of the West Baltimore Marc Train Station. Opening day is this Saturday, June 4th. Tours of the West Baltimore Squares will also be offered.

## P&P Projects

Parks and People proposed several new water treatment and art installation sites to the Watershed 263 Council. The sites are scattered throughout the WS263 area. The two sites in Franklin Square are Baltimore & Mount and Gilmor & Vine. These are opportunities to be involved in planning what happens in our neighborhood. P&P will be hosting workshops for community members to participate in design and choose the artists and landscape designers that will work on the projects. Get your ideas ready!

They are also in the process of planting street trees and are looking for more locations. Please let us know if you see any empty tree pits.

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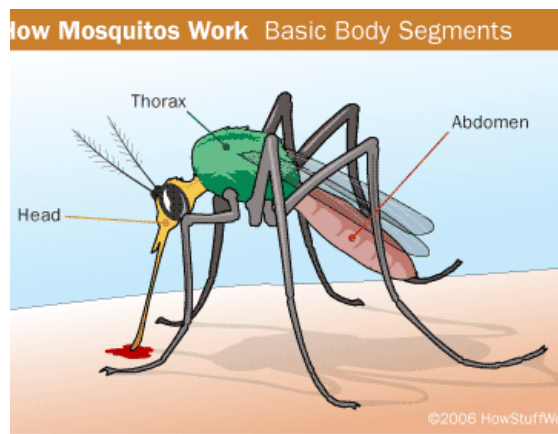
- **West Baltimore Farmers Market** opening day is June 4th. The market will be open every Saturday from **8am-noon** until November. Come by and get some healthy food from local folks. <http://westbaltimoremarc.blogspot.com/p/west-baltimore-farmers-market.html>
- **Walking Tour of West Baltimore Squares.** Join Baltimore Heritage / Parks & People and the West Baltimore Squares for walking tours of the squares **June 4th 10am-noon**. contact Eli Pousson at [pousson@baltimoreheritage.org](mailto:pousson@baltimoreheritage.org)
- **Book Give Away.** Relax with a free book this summer! **June 11th 10am-3pm** Greater Hope Baptist Church 2720 W. North Ave. 410-669-1023.
- **Franklin Square Planting Day at the Blank Lot on Carey St.** Third Saturday of every month. Join us **June 18th 9am-noon** when we will add mulch to Sunflower Mountain and weed the tree beds. As always the work will be followed by a cookout.
- **Roots Fest is coming to West Baltimore!** a festival of empowerment and arts. **June 22-26, 2011**  
[www.rootsfest2011.org](http://www.rootsfest2011.org)      [www.alternateroots.org](http://www.alternateroots.org)
- **West Baltimore Strategic Alliance:** Community Stakeholder Meeting Monday, **June 27 6:00 pm** at Union Memorial United Methodist Church, 2500 Harlem Avenue (*location tentative*). The alliance is a coalition of residents and community stakeholders who are working to define a unified community development strategy for West Baltimore and change the conversation about responsible development and community benefits. For more information, please call (410) 645-0160, email us at [westbaltimorealliance@gmail.com](mailto:westbaltimorealliance@gmail.com) or visit us online at [www.westbaltimorealliance.blogspot.com](http://www.westbaltimorealliance.blogspot.com).
- **Free home owner education:** Live Baltimore is hosting workshops during the summer. [www.livebaltimore.com](http://www.livebaltimore.com)
- Check out the neighborhood calendar for more events at [http://www.westbaltimoresquares.org/?page\\_id=9](http://www.westbaltimoresquares.org/?page_id=9)

## Mosquitos

Mosquitos can spread diseases such as malaria and west nile virus from animals to humans and from humans to humans.

They need water to hatch but they don't need much. For some just a bottle cap full of water is enough. Trash is one favorite home for mosquitos. Discarded tires are another.

Researchers from the Carey Institute will be in the neighborhood taking samples during the third week in June. Keep an eye out for them and say hi. If you don't see them and have questions about what is going on or how you can be involved, email us.



## Candidates

This is an election year and the campaigns are getting into full swing. For us in the 9th district, of special importance is the City Council seat and the Mayors race.

Several groups in our area are coordinating candidate forums. This will be an opportunity to get all the candidates in one place to ask them questions and compare them.

Keep an eye out for updates on dates and locations for the forums.

It is our right to vote. It is our responsibility to make an educated decision.



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