

Membership Meeting: Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 7:00 PM
American Heritage Federal Credit Union—Red Lion & Jamison Road

Greater Bustleton Civic League News

April 2018



President's Corner

Hello neighbor,

The spring weather is finally here and with it comes a return of some small ball with the Phillies and our own Bustleton Bengals. Two great acts to catch during the new, warm weather.

This weather also helped to contribute to nice turnout for the neighborhood cleanup that took place April 7th. It's quite a statement about our residents to see such community involvement.

I hope to see you at the April 25th membership meeting.

Thank you,
Jack O'Hara, President

Bits and Pieces

- **Next Membership Meeting** - 4th Wednesday-of the-month, Wednesday, May 23 7:00 pm
- **Bustleton Bengals Gym** – Numerous delays have not dampened the excitement surrounding the beginning of construction on the long-awaited gym. While a groundbreaking date has yet to be set, L&I permits are in the process of being issued and building materials are scheduled to be delivered this week. The finish line of this long race is now in sight. **Clothing Drive Fund Raiser–Sat, April 28**, 7 AM to 3 PM -Clothing, Accessories, Household items, & Toys.
- **Maternity BVM Carnival – Monday, May 14 to Saturday, May 19**
- **100 Year Anniversary 1st Air Mail Delivery - Saturday, May 19**, 11 AM to 2 PM– Bustleton’s contribution to the New York City to D.C. flight was a midway stop at Bustleton Field. The airfield was located at the southeast corner of Haldeman and Red Lion Road.
- **American Heritage Federal Credit Union, Craft & Car Show - Saturday, May 19, 2018**, 10am, Carriage House Branch. Spend a beautiful Saturday afternoon talking cars, shopping at the 45-vendor craft show and enjoying free games, free food, and entertainment for the family while listening to a live broadcast from 98.1 WOGL. You'll also have the opportunity to participate in a Meet and Greet with legendary guests Dick Vermeil and Vince Papale! These American Heritage folks sure put on some nice events.
- **Krewstown Road Festival – Sunday, June 3, 2018** –Join your friends and neighbors for a traffic-free stroll through Pennypack Park along Krewstown Road. Krewstown Road will be closed 9am to 6pm between Bloomfield and Algon Ave. Festivities start at 10am to 5pm. Park tours, craft booths and exhibits, Police stable tours, Boy Scout parade with horse and riders, and refreshments. All the makings of a fun, family event. Join the Pennepack Baptist Church and the GBCL in this special event. For more information, pick up a flyer at the GBCL meeting.
- **GBCL Elections** - The GBCL will hold its annual elections for President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer at the May membership meeting. Nominations will be submitted at the April 25 membership meeting. Any person wishing to make a nomination can contact Tommy James junie412@hotmail.com or attend the April 25 meeting. Please consider contributing time to the running of your civic league.
- **Police Service Area 2 (PSA-2) Meeting:** Next Meeting May 14th, 7 PM, Randi’s Restaurant, Grant Plaza shopping center. The PSA meetings are the forum for having one-on-one conversations with a representative from the 7th Police District.

- **Friends of Pennypack Park** – The next membership meeting will be Thursday May 17th, 7:30 PM at Deer Meadows Residence on Roosevelt Boulevard north of Holme Avenue.
Park Clean-up: Saturday, April 28th, 2018 (Earth Day) 10:00 AM 1:00 PM. Rain date April 29th. Location: Little City upper parking lot on Rhawn S. at Holme Ave. Wear long pants, long sleeve shirts, and sneakers/ work boots. Volunteers under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- **Pennypack Environmental Center, 8600 Verree Road - LOVE Your Park Service Day – Saturday, May 19th.** The PEC is looking for volunteers to help clean up and pull weeds around the Center during the city's *LOVE Your Park* event. Volunteers can meet at the Center at 11 AM to 1 PM. The PEC is a jewel of Bustleton and an interesting attraction for the entire family.

Zoning

- **1926 Grant Avenue – Presentation & VOTE** will take place at the April 25 membership meeting. The owner of the building, Posel Management, has requested a USE variance for a Religious Assembly to accommodate a potential new tenant. The proposed use as a religious assembly is prohibited in the CA-2 district and requires a variance.
- **Red Lion Rd/Island Green** – After years of sitting dormant, Teva Pharmaceutical sold its 136-acre parcel to Commercial Development Corp., a warehouse developer from St. Louis, MO. Plans exist for the construction of a massive 1.6 million square feet of warehouse space, stories high and running the full length of the parcel along Red Lion Road. While we've yet to receive any information from city officials, the GBCL is working to learn the breadth of the project and has reached out to PennDot, Lower Moreland Township and the Somerton Civic Association. We are also working to confirm if the project will undergo the city's Civic Design Review, a process for projects that meet certain thresholds described in the zoning code. A CDR requires review on any proposed structure that is greater than 100,000 sq. ft., and for the applicant to schedule a meeting with local community groups. The GBCL will keep residents updated as new information becomes available.
- **Red Lion & Bustleton** – The owner of 10101 Bustleton Ave, currently the Goodwill store, presented a plan to the Somerton Civic Association for a potential Royal Farms convenience store with gas pumps, to be built on the corner parcel. While no applications have yet to be made, the owner stated he would continue to collect input and comments as he plans the project. The GBCL works with the SCA on projects along our common boarder of Red Lion Road.
- **Medical Marijuana Dispensary, 8900 Krewstown Rd.** – As reported earlier, Holistic Pharma confirmed that they are moving forward with opening their business on Krewstown Road. Renovations have begun with the opening planned for some time in June or July.

Businesses in Bustleton

The Bustleton community is a mix of residential homes and businesses. It's a mixture that has evolved over time into the community we enjoy today. The GBCL is mainly a group of area residents with a strong interest in preserving the best attributes of Bustleton and ensuring appropriate development. We're also very fortunate to have area businesses that share our vision.

Please support the businesses that support the GBCL.

- American Heritage Federal Credit Union
- American Legion Post 810
- Bustleton Bengals Club
- Classic Body Worx
- Keller Williams Real Estate
- Kelly's Seafood
- Little Caesars Pizza
- PAWS
- Pennypack Flowers
- Randi's Restaurant
- Wawa

Greater Bustleton Civic League (GBCL) -- 2018 Membership Application

Check one: ___Renewal ___New Member Date: _____

Check one: ___\$10 For Entire Household ___\$7 For Seniors

Donation for _____ \$_____ TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Names of all adults in household: Please print!

Last name: _____, First name _____

Last name: _____, First name _____

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Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY): _____

This membership covers from the time it is received until December 31, 2018.

Thank you for supporting the GBCL!

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