



## Many a-things will happen this Spring!



Face  
Painting



Resources



Essay winners



AbraHAM  
Pinky



FUN!

Along with the return of the leaves on the trees; the flowers, warmer weather and the birds and bees. Many other wonderful things are happening this spring in our community. The **Citizens of Pigtown Community Association** hosted their **Spring Fling** on the grounds of George Washington Elementary on 5/3/08 from 12 – 4pm. Face painting, story time, moon bounce, clowns & vendors were all available to members of the community. Kudos to Anthony McCoy, Maya Ashley and Jovae Castle, who were named as

the three winners of the essay competition to name the Pigtown pig. The Pigtown Pig shall be known as Abra"HAM" Pinky. The **Y BOOST program** will conduct field trips on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup>. The **GWES Cotillion** will be held on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at St Jerome's Hall. The **Effort program** will conduct at least two hikes in this month along with its regular fitness routine and nutrition component conducted by students from UMB School of Medicine. The **School spirit week** will be held from May 27 – 30 so come on out and enjoy our spring things.

## Community News

### Washington Village Pigtown Neighborhood Planning Council (WPNPC)

WPNPC is also offering an array of services to community members, these include but are not limited to career counseling, employment readiness training, job skills training and job placement. They also offer adult education classes in Pre-GED and GED programs. Please feel free to contact their office for more details about services and volunteering opportunities at 410-385-8494.

### Y of Central Maryland Urban Services (BOOST Program)

Students at GWES have been engaged during after-school hours in activities such as chess, basketball, flag football, cooking, art and crafts, physical fitness and step. They also do homework and kidz math as part of the educational component. The Basketball team is 2 -1 against Belmont Elementary and the chess team brought home the 2<sup>nd</sup> place trophy for the YMCA/MSDE chess tournament. They have gone on field trips to Port Discovery, Centennial Park, Glen Burnie Bowl and Shake & Bake. Other trips are planned to Geppi Entertainment Museum and the Washington D.C. Zoo.

**St Jeromes Head Start** is currently registering children for their Fall 08' semester. Contact them at 410-625-0775 to for more information.

### Enoch Pratt Free Library Washington Village Branch

will host their Pre-school Story time every Thursday at 1pm. The Big Read Book discussion on *The First Tortilla* by Rudolfo Anaya will be held on May 21<sup>st</sup> at and Community Leadership Development and Resource Session for members and representatives from Organized Parent Group leaders, School Improvement Team, Family/Community Engagement team and the School Community. The event will be held at The BCPS Dr. Alice G. Pinderhughes Administration Building located at 200 E. North Ave., 1<sup>st</sup> Fl Boardroom. For more information call 410-545-1871.

### Citizens of Pigtown Community Assoc.

Please contact them at 410-982-5519 for further information on membership, volunteering and donation opportunities.

Are you a parent who lives in SW Baltimore City? A fellow mom just started a new listserv for parents who live in SW Baltimore City (Ridgely's Delight and west) to share information related to raising children in our neighborhoods. If you are interested in joining this e-group, please go to the following website and click on "join this group."  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SWBaltCityKids/> Please include your name, neighborhood and ages of your kids in your request. For more information, please email Sharicca at [sms205@hotmail.com](mailto:sms205@hotmail.com).

*Please refer to the calendar for other important dates and events.*

## Our Community

### Partners

- The Y of Central Maryland
- Paul's Place
- St Jerome's Head Start
- Open Gates
- WPNPC
- UMB
- Enoch Pratt Free Library
- EFNEP
- SWCOS
- SBLC
- SAIC
- New City Developers
- Tri-Churches Housing Inc.
- Sports Legends Museum
- Citizens of Pigtown Community Assoc.
- Ridgely's Delight Community Assoc.

**Spring has returned.  
The Earth is like a  
child that knows  
poems.**

Rainer Maria Rilke



Please **contact Marc La Veau at 443-388-0292/410-396-1445** or email me at [marclaveau@ymaryland.org](mailto:marclaveau@ymaryland.org) if you are interested in placing an article, AD or event in our Newsletter.

**Spotlight on!**  
**The Spirit Week**

Come out and support



**George Washington Elementary  
School Spirit Week  
May 27-30, 2008**

**Kick-Off (Pep Rally)  
Resource Fair**                      **Tuesday, May 27, 2008**    10am – 3:30pm

**Washington DC Trip**                      **Wednesday, May 28, 2008**    8:30am – 2:30pm

**Parade of Nations/  
Olympic Day**                      **Thursday, May 29, 2008**    8:30am – 2:30pm

**School Carnival**                      **Friday, May 30, 2008**        8:30am – 2:30pm

Volunteers needed for all activities

Contact Mr. La Veau at 443-388-0292 or Ms. Larkins at 410-396-1445

**May**

**2008**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3 Citizens of Pigtown Spring Fling @ GWES 12 PM – 4PM	4
5 Faculty Meeting @ GWES 2:45 PM	6 Coordinating Council Meeting @ 1 PM – 2:30PM	7 Site Based Mgt. Committee Meeting. 3pm - 4 PM	8	9 GWES Cotillion Ball @ St Jerome's Hall 5pm - 9 PM	10	11 Mother's Day
12	13 Site Based Mgt. Committee Meeting. 3pm - 4 PM	14	15 Southern District police Community MTG @ 7PM	16	17 EFFORT Hike @ 10am – 2pm Oregon Ridge	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Resource Fair @ GWES 10am - 3:30 PM	28 School Trip to Washington DC 9am - 2:45 PM	29 Parade of Nations/Olympic @ GWES 9am - 2:45 PM	30 School Carnival @ GWES 9am - 2:45 PM	31 EFFORT Hike @ 10am – 2pm TBD	