



## "A Community School"

*Next meeting: December 18, 2007 @ 11:00 am*

Patterson High Community Schools Office  
100 Kane Street Baltimore, MD 21224  
443-388-0296

### Coordinator's Corner

*In the Spirit of Giving.....*



(Pictured above: Decorative boxes that were distributed to needy families of students and community members)

The Guidance Department at the Community Schools Strategy collaborated this month for a food drive at Patterson High School. Students and faculty donated non perishable goods and money for sixteen Thanksgiving Turkey Baskets for families of students and other needy families in the community.

A special thanks to Ms. Kemzura, Ms. Meyers, Mrs. Rhue, Mr. Ford and the Art teachers and students who decorated the "baskets".



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### Patterson High School Partners with the Bayview Business Collaborative

The Art Department at Patterson High School has embarked on a partnership with the Bayview Business Collaborative to have students enter a "logo design" contest. The Bayview Business Collaborative is an organization whose goal is to promote commerce and partnerships along Eastern Avenue between Johns Hopkins Bayview Hospital and Kane Streets. Businesses along the upper end of Dundalk Avenue are also included.

Castle Toyota has agreed to sponsor the prizes which are: \$100.00 for first place and \$50.00 for second place. The third place winner will receive a certificate of participation. These awards are what has been suggested and are subject to change.

The winning logo will be used on letterhead, envelopes and eventually for banners on light post along Eastern Avenue.



Parents, we want to hear your thoughts: Would you like to see metal detectors utilized at Patterson High School? Email your response to [EricFord@ymaryland.org](mailto:EricFord@ymaryland.org) or call 443 - 388 - 0296.

# Patterson Community High School

## Youth As Resources (YAR)

Not only is Youth As Resources a youth led grant - making organization, they also provide a much needed community service. Some of the veteran members of this group are a part of the "Task Force". The Task Force members volunteer to conduct focus groups with 9<sup>th</sup> graders in Patterson's Success Academy. Ninth graders bring with them a host of adjustment issues. Frequently, these issues are compounded with a need to be heard. The Youth As Resources Task Force serves as this sounding board. It's well documented that youth are influenced more by their peers than adults, and this is the model that YAR follows. YAR members visit Patterson each Wednesday at 10:00 to meet with students and encourage them maintain good attendance, resolve conflicts peacefully, and strive to become positive leaders. Very frank conversations are used so that students feel comfortable enough to speak freely. YAR assisted the Community Schools Strategy by having their students complete surveys from which data will be collected for a Needs Assessment. Strong youth, guiding their peers, can be quite powerful when properly structured. This is the challenge that YAR accepted four years ago at Patterson and they continue to work toward each week.

### Parents.....Get Involved

School Improvement Team Meeting:  
December 19, 2007 3:45 at Patterson High  
School Media Center

Parent/Community Advisory Board Mtg.  
1/7/08 @ 6:30 in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Board  
Room 200 E. North Ave.

Register your Giant Card to assist Patterson with fund raising. Each time you use your Giant Card, a part of your purchase will go to Patterson. We are in second place in the city right now. Stop by or call the main office for details.

Report threatening behavior anonymously:

(410) 396 - 8592

[SchoolPoliceTips@bcps.k12.md.us](mailto:SchoolPoliceTips@bcps.k12.md.us)

### Community School Services offered at Patterson High School

### Important Numbers

- First Call for Help - 1-800-492-0618 or 410-685-0525
- Maryland Youth Crisis Hotline - 1-800-422-0009
- Crisis Hotline - 410-752-2272
- Dept. of Social Services Information - 443-423-6300
- BCPSS Parent Response Hotline - 443-984-2020
- Energy Assistance: 410-396-5555
- Free Legal Help: 410-547-6537
- Eviction Prevention: 410-878-8550
- AIDS Hotline: 410-845-AIDS
- Drug Hotline: 410-685-DRUG
- Southeast Community Action Center: 410-545-6512

### On the Web.....

Health Info:  
<http://medlineplus.gov/maryland>

Employment Info:  
[www.baltimorebeehive.org](http://www.baltimorebeehive.org)

Southeastern District Police CRC  
[www.sepcrc.org](http://www.sepcrc.org)

- YMCA After School Program - Tuesday - Thursday, 3:30pm - 6:00pm
- FUTURES Program - Drop Out Prevention Services (daily)
- Johns Hopkins - Bay view - Mental Health and Substance Abuse Counseling (daily)
- BCCC Pre - G.E.D. Classes. Tuesday and Thursday 6:00pm - 9:00pm Room 101
- BCCC ESL Mentoring Program  
Wednesdays 3:45pm - 6:00pm
- Baltimore Housing Authority - Human Services Worker - providing assistance with housing, employment, utility bills, family crisis, income tax preparation (by appointment)
- Mayors Office of Employment Development career services (by appointment)
- Native American Student/Family Support (by appointment)
- Refugee Youth/Family Support (by appointment)
- Latino/Hispanic student support services
- East Baltimore Community Corporation
- Baltimore Health Department Full Service Health Suite - Daily

# December 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Merry Mart – Arts and Crafts Festival 11am to 6pm – Creative Alliance 3134 Eastern Ave.	3 S.E. Police Dist. Comm. Rel. Council Meeting - <b>7pm - (5710 Eastern Avenue)</b>	4 YMCA After- Sch. Prog. 3:45-6pm @ PHS  <b>Hanukkah begins at sundown</b>	5 BCCC Refugee Mentoring, 4-6 @ PHS  YMCA After- Sch. Prog. 3:45-6pm @	6 Washington Monument Lighting - 5:30pm YMCA After- Sch. Prog. 3:45-6pm @ PHS	7 Pearl Harbor Day	8
9	10 <b>Parent and Comm. Adv. Board meeting. 6:30 pm – 200 E. North Ave.</b>	11 Joseph Lee Community Holiday Party 7:00 pm (Our Lady of Fatima Church)	12 BCCC Refugee Mentoring, 4-6 @ PHS YMCA After- Sch. Prog. 3:45-6pm @ PHS	13 Festival of Lights – SE Anchor Library – Ages 6 to 12. Refreshments will be served	14	15 Job Searching and Resume Writing Seminar – Central Library 2pm Poe Room
16	17	18 <b>Comm. Schools Council 11- 12:30 @ PHS</b> East. Police Dist. Comm. Affairs Council Mtg. - 7:00 pm	19 YMCA After- Sch. Prog. 3:45-6pm @ PHS SIT Team Meeting - 3:45 - Media Center	20 {Eid} al Adha  YMCA After- Sch. Prog. 3:45-6pm @ PHS	21	22
23	24	25 Merry Christmas!	26 Kwanzaa Begins	27	28	29
30	31 New Years Eve Spectacular 9pm – 12:30pm Inner Harbor					