

## Updates for the Historic Jackson Ward Community –July 2017

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1. **Clean and Green** – VCU and HJWA Saturday July 8, 2017 8am – noon. Meet at the Abner Clay Gazebo to volunteer. Please note that if you know of bulk trash in the alleys, I need the locations ASAP. We are in need of volunteers. Please email [hjwassociation@gmail.com](mailto:hjwassociation@gmail.com) Attn: Marilyn if you are able to volunteer. I have tees, gloves and supplies.
2. **Dedication of the Maggie Walker Statue – July 15th 10am – 3pm** Broad Street at Adams Street, Richmond, Virginia. Join us for the dedication of a new monument honoring Maggie L. Walker, including ceremony and speakers, followed by a ranger-led guided walking tour to Mrs. Walker's Jackson Ward home immediately following the ceremony. For more information, <https://www.facebook.com/MaggieL.WalkerNHS/> or call (804) 771-2017, ext. 0 Note: there is also a guided tour of Evergreen Cemetery in the evening, led by Ajena Rogers. Check the website for information. (personal note from Marilyn – email to marilynmlilio12@gmail.com I would like to go on the tour if anyone wants to ride with me)
3. **The HJWA Board voted to support the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Maggie L. Walker Youth Leadership Institute with a \$500 grant.** The institute runs from July 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>. “Inspired by the example of Maggie L. Walker, the program brings together high school aged students motivating them to be future leaders, cultivating their sense of pride in heritage and engaging them in the community.” There will be a recognition ceremony on Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 at the MWNHS on Leigh Street.
4. **The monthly community meeting of the Historic Jackson Ward Association** is scheduled for July 18th at 6pm. **Please note the change in location.** The meeting will be held at UNOS in **Room 110 at 700 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street** because of construction taking place at the Jackson Center. There is parking available to us. The visitor parking lot outside the front door of 4th Street will be available to HJWA visitors on the 18th. **We will have updates on the Abner Clay Park Project, the KaBoom led playground build on October 27<sup>th</sup>, the 1<sup>st</sup> Street CPDC Development Project and many other community activities. Is your membership current? Join on our website, [www.hjwa.org](http://www.hjwa.org) via PayPal or download form and follow the instructions.**
5. **Please join with the Historic Jackson Ward Association and Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church for National Night Out, Tuesday Evening August 1<sup>st</sup> on Duval Street in the open fields across from Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church at 6pm.** Please join us for food, fun and community. “National Night Out (NNO) is an annual community event designed to strengthen police/community relationships and generate support for anti-crime programs.”

NOTES: We are still waiting to hear from the city on our Doggie Stations and the proposed garden and orchard. The Firehouse dedication was postponed due to the installation of the new Fire Chief, Melvin Carter on July 10<sup>th</sup>.