



# BFHA FLIER

The official newsletter of the Baltimore Field Hockey Association

## GET OUT THERE AND PLAY...

### 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Beach Bash!

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Beach Bash was another great success this year! Patti Webb did a wonderful job putting the tournament together. Thank you to everyone who came on Friday to help with set up and those who stayed after to clean up - your help is greatly appreciated. A total of 48 adult and high school teams participated in the tourney. In the Adult mixed division Team Heineken defeated ECM for the Championship Title with a score of 1-0. Second Effort took first place in the Adult Women's division after defeating Washed Up, 2-1. In the High School Red division Championship, Spitfire (1) defeated Fusion (0) for the win, and in the High School Blue Division Championship, Seton Keough Gators defeated the Fanatix for the win! For complete tournament results visit: [www.bfha.org](http://www.bfha.org).

### Spring Fling Tourney

University of Delaware hosted their annual tournament on April 17<sup>th</sup> for college teams in the area. Although this is primarily a college tournament, each year one adult team from BFHA is invited to play. There are several Delaware alumni within BFHA who have maintained a good relationship with Delaware as well. BFHA held their own turf while playing those division 1 college teams and most of all had fun while playing!

### Summer Season of Sticks

BFHA's summer hockey league will run every Wednesday from June 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010. There will be 5 teams again this year playing a round robin each night of 4, 20 minute games. Registration will open from May 1<sup>st</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup>. Go to [www.bfha.org](http://www.bfha.org) for the registration link. Registrations are received on a first come first serve basis so sign up soon!

### Summer Smash FH Tourney

BFHA and Howard County Parks and Recs are co-sponsoring the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Summer Smash 7 v 7 tournament on July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at Rockburn and Cedar Lane Parks in Howard County, MD. The tourney is open to U-19 and Adult players. Cost is \$350 per team for a 6 game minimum played on turf. This tournament fills up quickly so register soon! Go to [www.bfha.org](http://www.bfha.org) for the registration link.

### National Field Hockey Festival: Save the Date!

The 2010 National Field Hockey Festival will be held in Phoenix, Arizona this year over the Thanksgiving vacation. The Southeast Field Hockey Association will once again be sending a team including players from Baltimore FHA, Washington FHA, Tidewater FHA and other players from the East Coast area. For more information go to: <http://www.usfieldhockey.com/news/article.php?newsID=150>  
If you are interested, contact Stacie Gado: [stacie\\_gado@hcpss.org](mailto:stacie_gado@hcpss.org).

## UP TO SPEED

### Fundraising Online Auction!

BFHA is hosting its first ever Online Auction, commencing this June. Many donations are needed to use as auction items. Ideas for items include gift cards, new merchandise, crafts, baking services, and other contributions from local businesses. We need your help to make this happen! Please contact Harper Kubicek at [harper.kubicek@gmail.com](mailto:harper.kubicek@gmail.com) to contribute any items.

### Amazon.com

Are you are in the mood to go shopping? Visit [www.bfha.org](http://www.bfha.org) to shop at Amazon.com. For every purchase made at amazon.com, a percentage of your purchase proceeds will be paid to BFHA. In order for BFHA to benefit from this free \$\$ all you have to do is go to amazon.com via the BFHA link. Tell your friends and family to start shopping now!

### Baltimore Orioles Game

BFHA is offering Orioles game tickets for just \$15 and will receive \$5-\$7 for each ticket sold! This is a fun opportunity so be sure to tell all your friends and family too! Tickets will be sold during Summer league in June and can also be purchased from Kirsty Carhill-Knoll at [kcarrhill@yahoo.com](mailto:kcarrhill@yahoo.com) There are approx 50 to 75 tickets available for the following games:

1. Thurs 8/19 – Orioles vs. Texas
2. Wed, 9/1 – Orioles vs. Boston Red Sox
3. Thurs. 9/2 – Orioles vs. Boston Red Sox
4. Sat. 9/4 – Orioles vs. Tampa Bay

To view pictures from last year's games, go to [www.bfha.org](http://www.bfha.org).

### Essex Indoor Tourney – Food Table

This year BFHA raised over \$900 from sales at our food table during the tournament. It can get quite busy around lunch time especially when serving our famous BFHA meatballs and hotdogs. Thank you to those who helped run the table this year, we could not have done it with out you.

### BFHA Indoor Team League

The team league finished its sophomore year heading in the right direction. Six teams including Pineapple Express, Maryland Scorpions, Golden Storm, Penulty Mates, Bawlmor Hons, and the Gunadoos competed for 9 weeks of round robin play ending in crossovers and a championship match. Maryland Scorpions pulled out a close victory over Golden Storm to become the 2010 Adult Indoor Champs! With it being the Scorpions first year in the league, it will be exciting to see who will be coming in next year to battle for bragging rights. Although there is still plenty to work on for next year, it is exciting to see the league grow and exceed each year's expectations. A special thanks goes to Patti Webb and Michelle Gécy for all your help to make the league run smoothly.

## TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. **New Free Hit rule:** Defenders are required to be 5 meters away from a player taking a free hit. Does this also apply to the attacking team?

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## BFHA Gives to Charity - Heart for Hockey

This past fall season, BFHA held a Play for the Cure event in which \$5 for every goal scored the whole day at hockey was donated in support of Breast Cancer awareness and players dressed in pink on the field. There were also 5 BFHA members who ran in the 5k Race for the Cure. BFHA hopes to make this an annual event so look forward to it again this year. This winter, on February 28<sup>th</sup>, BFHA was successful again with **Heart for Hockey** by raising money for the American Heart Association and to increasing awareness of how to fight heart disease. Red tribute hearts were displayed in support or in memory of those who have fought heart disease and players wore as much RED as possible to show their support. Courtney Sherinsky from East Side Girls was the most REDDED OUT player in the high school league. Mike Fells and Jenny Hughes were the most REDDED out players in the Adult pick up and team leagues, respectively. All participants who made a \$2 donation or more received a Heart for Hockey t-shirt. In the Adult pick up and Team leagues, \$5 per goal scored was donated for a total of 49 goals. Due to BFHA's continued participation and support, \$738 was raised and donated to the American Heart Association on behalf of BFHA. Way to go everyone! A special thanks goes to Patti Webb who planned and organized this event. Please visit [www.bfha.org](http://www.bfha.org) and check out some of the pictures from this event!

## Soles 4 Souls!

It is spring again and it is time to clean out you closets and get rid of that pair of shoes you never wear or just don't need anymore. Soles4Souls is a Nashville-based charity that collects shoes from the warehouses of footwear companies and the closets of people like you. The charity distributes these shoes free of charge to people in need, regardless of race, religion, class, or any other criteria. Since 2005, Soles4Souls has given away over 7 million pairs of new and gently worn shoes. The shoes have been distributed to people in over 125 countries, including Kenya, Thailand, Nepal and the United States. The idea behind gifts of shoes is nothing new to the Soles4Souls team, as they coordinated relief efforts for the Asian Tsunami and Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, netting over 1 Million pairs donated for these disasters. BFHA will have a collection starting the first 2 weeks of Summer hockey on June 6th and 13th. When you are cleaning out your closets to get ready for Summer don't forget to put a pair aside to support Soles 4 Souls! All types of are accepted like athletic, running, dress, sandals, pumps, heels, work boots, cleats, dance shoes, and flip flops as long as they are new or gently worn (shoes that you would still wear) and even half pairs that could be matched up with others one day! Please go to <http://www.soles4souls.org> to check out more details.

## The Success of BFHA.....

Want to help support the sport we all love so much? BFHA is a volunteer organization where current members of the board organize and run all leagues and events. We are always looking for new board members and volunteers. If you are interested in helping out with upcoming events or would like to join the board please contact Jennifer Hughes at [jnhue016@yahoo.com](mailto:jnhue016@yahoo.com) or Tracy Boettinger at [spaceyfh17@yahoo.com](mailto:spaceyfh17@yahoo.com).

## 2009-2010 Board Members

PRESIDENT	Tracey Boettinger
PRESIDENT ELECT	There are no current nominations.
VICE PRESIDENT	Jennifer Hughes
TREASURER	Kerry Murawski
SECRETARY	Kimberly Gado
INDOOR PICK UP LEAGUE (ADULT)	Chad Goodnight / Morgan Feehery
INDOOR TEAM LEAGUE (ADULT)	Courtney Hughes / Tracey Smith
INDOOR LEAGUE (HIGH SCHOOL)	Tracey Boettinger / Natalie Beck / Caitlin Caldwell / Shannan Carlino
INDOOR TOURNAMENT (HIGH SCHOOL)	Kerry Murawski / Tracey Boettinger / Zehra Nizami / Shannan Carlino
INDOOR TOURNAMENT (ADULT)	Devin William / Danielle Dinsmore / Kristy Mumma / Karen Benson
BEACH BASH	Patti & Carey Webb / Donna Youngberg / Stacie Gado/ and BB Committee
SUMMER LEAGUE (ADULT)	Richard Hegmann / Tracey Smith / Kerry Murawski / Amanda Garbart
SUMMER LEAGUE (HIGH SCHOOL)	Currently no high school summer league
ALLIED HIGH SCHOOL PLAYDAY	Richard Hegmann / Kimberly Gado / Kristy Mumma
FALL CLUBS	Diana Hegmann / Josie Worthington / Devin Williams
FALL ASSOCIATION / SCHEDULE	Stacie Gado / Danielle Dinsmore / Kate Babas
SOUTHEAST TOURNAMENT	Samantha Severi/Melissa Leith/Donna Youngberg/Natalie Beck/Amanda Garbart
SOUTHEAST BOARD MEETING	Stacie Gado
TOURNAMENT TEAM ORGANIZERS	Natalie Beck / Danielle Dinsmore
PLAYER REPRESENTATIVE	Michelle Géczy / Alvero Salcedo
FUNDRAISING	Harper Kubeick / Katie Babus / Kirsty Carhill
WEBSMASTER	Michelle Géczy
MARKETING	John Marsh / Diana Hegmann / Marlee Gladstein
SOCIAL CHAIRS	John Marsh / Katie Babus / Julie Simon / Erica Jablonsky

## TRIVIA ANSWERS

**1. Yes and No.** Inside the 23 meter area players from both teams are required to be 5 meters from a free hit. Outside the attacking 23 meter area, two or more players from the same team may be close to the free hit spot.

Jennifer Hughes

