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A publication of SBIC—the neighborhood association for South Baltimore

November 2007

Board Position Still Available

SBIC is looking to fill the position of Board Secretary. Whether you're a long-time member or a newer member, please consider running!

As Secretary you would:

- take notes at the monthly general meetings and executive board meetings,
- circulate minutes at the next meetings, and
- store the SBIC records.

This is straightforward work that SBIC needs someone to do. If you are available to come to two evening meetings a month and to type up brief notes from those meetings, then we could use your help.

You would also be a member of the Executive Board and have the opportunity to help out in other ways. As one of SBIC's newer members, being Secretary and serving on the Board has given me more insight into the positive aspects of our neighborhood, the challenges facing South Baltimore, and the great volunteer work going on in the neighborhood.

Please contact the President, Donnie Fair and come to the November general meeting if you're interested. You're also welcome to contact me (Jocelyn, at jrodgers78@gmail.com or 443-451-5132) if you have questions.

Get Out!

Leaf Collection Season

October 4th—January 26, 2008

Use clear or labeled bags. Collection will be the 2nd collection day of each week (Fridays or Saturdays)

Town Hall Meeting with Congressman Jon Sarbanes

Saturday, November 10th
1:30p.m.

Ella Bailey Recreation Center

See page 12 for more info.

Neighborhood Cleanup

Saturday, November 17th
8:00a.m.

Corner of S. Charles St & Fort Ave.

Brooms, bags and gloves provided.

Thanksgiving Parade

Saturday, November 17th
11:00a.m.

Eutaw & Pratt Streets

Yule Fest & Santa's Arrival Party

Saturday, November 24th
10:30a.m.—1:00p.m.

Corner of S. Charles St & Cross Streets

See page 5 for more info.

Mayor's Christmas Parade

Sunday, December 2nd
2:00p.m.

Hampden

Festive Flavors of Federal Hill

Tuesday, December 4th
6:00p.m.

Annual gallery, restaurant and pub tour.
See page 7 for more info.

Washington Monument Lighting

Thursday, December 6th
5:30p.m.

Mt. Vernon Place

SBIC Annual Holiday Potluck

Tuesday, December 11th
6:30p.m.

Olive Branch UMC

Held in lieu of our regular meeting.

REMINDER:

City offices will be closed on
Monday, November 12 for Veterans Day and
Thursday, November 22 for Thanksgiving.
No trash or recycling will be collected.

Community Meeting

The next General Meeting
will be
Tuesday, November 6th

7:30 p.m. at Olive Branch UMC
(corner of S. Charles & Fort Ave.)

Recycling Days

Paper recycling is the 2nd & 4th
Fridays, November 9th & 23rd.



Bottles, Cans & Jars are the 4th
Monday, November 26th

All recycling collected streetside



SoBoImCo

SoBoImCo is a monthly production of the South Baltimore Improvement Committee, Inc. whose mission is “to encourage, through regular meetings, the formal exchange of ideas; to work with local law enforcement in promoting safety; and to assist individuals and families in the continuing process of neighborhood renewal.” We welcome articles, ads and photo submissions via mail or email:

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We reserve the right to edit or reject submissions. Articles represent the opinions of the authors and not necessarily those of SoBoImCo. We believe all sources of information are reliable, however, we do not guarantee completeness or accuracy.

Membership

Residents of South Baltimore are encouraged to become members of SBIC. Just contact an SBIC officer for more information.

Meetings

Community meetings of SBIC are usually held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Olive Branch United Methodist Church located at the corner of Charles Street and Fort Avenue.

Website

www.soboimco.org

President's Corner

By Donnie Fair

At the October General Meeting, we held our annual elections for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. I accepted the position of President and I am very pleased that Pat Mutch is returning as our Vice President, that Dennis Plouf is coming in as our Treasurer and that we have several promising candidates for our Secretary. I am looking forward to my new position within the neighborhood association to make South Baltimore a better place to live.

Over the next year, I will work specifically toward making your neighborhood association a more robust and sustainable cooperative, one that is more accessible and more tangible to the persons it represents: YOU. I have ideas – ideas of change, ideas to empower, ideas for achievement – to reinforce the fabric of community in South Baltimore.

If you would like to be a part of the changes that are shaping your neighborhood, I encourage you to get in touch with me. I will make room for every person who wants to be a part of the team I am working with: Amy Mutch, Julie Tice, Sharron McCulloch, Steve Zaleskiwicz, Kathy Hodson, Al Evans, Ugur Erickson, to name but a few. There is a lot of work to be done and I can get as much of it done as I have people like you to help me.

Lots Happenings at the Light Street Branch Library

MOTHER GOOSE ON THE LOOSE

Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

For children up to the age of three with their caregivers.

An interactive nursery rhyme program with music and movement.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Wednesdays, 11 a.m.

Ages 3-5.

Stories, songs, and fun for preschoolers.

RE-HABBING A BALTIMORE HOUSE

Saturday, November 6, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

LIVE BALTIMORE presents the ins and outs of re-habbing, Baltimore Style.

FRIENDS OF THE LIGHT STREET BRANCH

Thursday, November 8, 6:15 p.m.

Meeting. All are welcome.

CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS

Saturday, November 10, 10 a.m. – noon

Ages 6-12. Explore different art forms and learn to make original artwork using a variety of materials. Presented by Sandy Anderson.

BEAUTIFUL BOOKS

Monday, November 12, 3:30 p.m.

Ages 6-12.

Celebrate Children's Book Week and create your own handmade book.

WRITERS LIVE: Rudy DePaola

Tuesday, November 13, 11 a.m.

World War II as seen through the eyes of teen-aged soldiers. Author and WW II Veteran Rudy DePaola discusses his book, *Wings of the Bullet: A Story of Young Americans at War*

TEEN CAFÉ

Tuesday, November 13, 4 p.m.

Crafts, games and refreshments.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO DIGITAL CAMERAS

Thursday, November 15, 6:30 p.m.

Learn about the fundamentals and discover the digital camera appropriate for you. Presented by John Jorde and David Tirschman of the Pratt Library's Sights and Sounds Department.

Call 410-396-1096 to register for all programs

In a Minute

By Jocelyn Rodgers

In addition to officer elections, a vote on new rules, and committee reports, we had several speakers at the October General Meeting.

Steve Fogleman, the Chairman of the Baltimore City Liquor License Board, introduced himself to the residents. All three Liquor Board commissioners were all new as of April, and they are still on a learning curve. He announced that the Liquor Board is now part of 311; so if you have a complaint about a bar or bar patron, you can call 311, have the information entered into the computer, and get a confirmation number. Steve Fogleman then discussed various questions and concerns raised by residents.

Michelle Pierce from the Community Law Center came to let us know that she filed an appeal about the 1201 S. Charles St. BMZA zoning decision on behalf of SBIC and a few residents. She will come back with more information when she has it.

Jack Baker from the Police Community Relations Council spoke with residents and heard their concerns. People with concerns about drug dealing were encouraged to get involved with the NICE sub-

committee. Jack Baker also let us know that October is Officer Appreciation Month with a cookout for the police officers at the Southern District on Friday 10/26.

Adele Wedemeyer, the co-owner of Bill's Lighthouse Inn, let us know about their planned expansion. They have zoning approval to expand into the building behind them for a picnic-style crab-eating area and to place outdoor tables on the Barney Street side. They will be going before the Liquor Board soon for an expansion hearing, and they have already entered into a contract with SBIC related to the expansion.

Finally, Amy Grace from Main Street told us about a few things coming up. The grand opening on the Comfort Station on Cross Street is scheduled for Thursday 10/25. Currently there is a 'Building Our Neighborhood Brick by Brick' fund-raising campaign; And, finally, planning for Festive Flavors (the annual 'restaurant crawl' on the first Tuesday in December) is getting started; get in touch with Main Street if you would like to work on the committee.

Design Review

By Steve Zaleskiwicz

The Development Team for the property located at Heath & Clarkson Streets (the old paint factory), have agreed to come to the November General Meeting to discuss proposed changes to their project. In July 2006, SBIC approved the proposed conversion of this building into 29 condos with one parking space each. The revised plan will increase the unit count to over 40, while maintaining the minimum parking space count at one per unit, resulting in smaller, more affordable units. The building will remain the same in size and height as per original plans submitted to the city. The Design Review Committee always encourages developers to include affordable housing in their projects.

The November General Meeting is important and should you have any concerns about this project be sure to attend and ask your questions. You can reach me at 443-790-4520 regarding this project.

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Awesome Events at the National Aquarium

Contact the National Aquarium in Baltimore at 410-727-3474 or visit www.aqua.org to find out more about these hot happenings.

Breakfast with the Frogs: A "Ribbiting" Good Time
Sunday, November 11, 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

Ages: 3 to Adult

The *Frogs! A Chorus of Colors* exhibit features highly adaptive, visually stunning amphibians. Join us for a continental breakfast followed by a short presentation about these fascinating creatures. Tour the exhibit with our amphibian experts and listen to riveting and "ribbiting" stories. Plus, make some frog crafts. Admission to the Aquarium is included. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a paying adult. Reservations are required/space is limited/call 410-727-3474 Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. for reservations or information, including the cancellation policy.

\$20 members, \$40 non-members

Behind-the-Scenes Tour: An Insider's View

Saturday, November 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Ages: 8 to Adult

Experience our galleries from a whole new perspective -- the other side of the glass! Here's your chance to discover places most visitors never get to venture. Explore a maze of pipes and hoses, see and smell the Aquarium kitchen where we prepare meals for over 16,000 animals, and walk inches above the sharks on the famous catwalk. Wear comfortable clothing and non-slip shoes. Admission to the Aquarium is included. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a paying adult. Reservations are required/space is limited/call 410-727-3474 Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time for reservations or information, including the cancellation policy.

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Breakfast with the Dolphins: A Dolphin's Day

Saturday, November 17, 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Ages: 3 to Adult

After your continental breakfast, join the dolphins and marine mammal trainer for an up-close look at a dolphin's day. Learn how staff members prepare food and daily supplements, how they train new behaviors, why playtime is important, and how you can protect dolphins and their habitat. A trainer will be available for questions. Admission to the Aquarium is included. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a paying adult. Reservations are required/space is limited/call 410-727-3474 Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time for reservations or information, including the cancellation policy.

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The Holidays are Here in Historic Federal Hill

Head on down to Historic Federal Hill for these fun upcoming events:

Tree Lighting

Friday, November 23rd. 7:00pm

This marks the start of the holiday season. A large tree will be lit at the corner of Light Street and Key Highway, the gateway into our neighborhood.

Yule Fest and Santa's Arrival Party

Saturday, November 24th. 10:30 am -1:00 pm

Santa will travel through Federal Hill on a fire truck and arrive at the corner of Charles and Cross. The entire lot on the corner will be a Yule fest celebrating the holiday season. Santa will visit with kids in the special Santa house and there will be music, food, giveaways and holiday beverages for children and adults. Lots of fun for the whole family! Volunteers needed. Contact Linda Dehne 410-727-1500 or Barry Werner 410 837-0010.

Festive Flavors

Tuesday, December 4th. 6:30p.m.-9:30p.m.

This yearly adult crawl is a great way to see the neighborhood businesses. Contact Crystal or Denis at Vineyard Wine & Spirits, 410-837-3733

Moonlight Madness

Friday, December 14th. 7:00 pm - midnight.

Stroll the streets of Federal Hill and shop until you drop at this fun filled event. All retail stores are open until midnight and give progressive discounts through out the evening. Carolers are out and about and the Main street tree is lit up that night on top of the hill. There are lots of giveaways sponsored by Main Street and the streets are filled with holiday cheer! Contact Bonnie at Main Street. 410-727-4500 for more info.

Stroll Through Baltimore's Historic Neighborhoods with Walking Tours

The following walking tours are being offered in November. Coordinated by Karen Lewand, Hon. AIA, this program is co-sponsored by AIABaltimore, Baltimore Architecture Foundation, and Baltimore Heritage whose members will receive a \$10 discount on the \$95 registration fee. 10 AIA/CES (HSW) credits available per session. Register with MICA by calling 410.225.2219 or visiting www.mica.edu. Sessions held rain or shine.

Saturday, November 3— Mt. Vernon: Homes and Institutions of the Elite by Eric Holcomb.

Saturday, November 10—Roland Park: Early Garden Suburb by Donald Kann, AIA.

Funky Fun with the Creative Alliance

Visit www.creativealliance.org for more events and information on ticketing.

ART TO DINE FOR: *Scent Salon: An Olfactory Adventure*

Sun Nov 11 5-8pm

Savory | "Scent"sational | 30 Guests | \$40

Inaugural recipient of the 2006 Sondheim Prize, Laure Drogoul's skewed humor informs her sculptures, installations and performances. Tonight she awakens your most evocative sense - smell - with an "enhancing" performance and tour of her Howard Street "Scentorium" and studio. CA trustee, Kim Battista co-hosts this event serving steamy, savory dim-sum, wines and exotic teas.

ART TO DINE FOR: Rare Collection in Roland Park

Sat Nov 17 | 6:30-9:30pm

Exotic dinner | Artsy chic | 15 Guests | \$100

Accomplished artist and daughter of former New York gallery owner Grace Borgenicht, Lois Borgenicht offers a tour of her collection and an exotic dinner. This remarkable grouping is a celebration of major modern masters including Avery, Beckman, Corinth, Matisse, Derain, Davis and Hartley. See Lois' own work at her opening reception on Nov 3rd at Gallery G.

ART TO DINE FOR: Avant Film Olé!

Sun Nov 18 2-6pm

Mexican buffet | Film buff casual | 25 Guests | \$50

Musician Leon Josowitz and scientist Shira Kramer host internationally known filmmakers and UMBC professors Fred Worden and Cathy Cook for a screening at their home. On the big screen with surround sound, Fred Worden shows a recent abstract piece with live music by colleague Steve Bradley. Rising young film art star Cathy Cook premieres an excerpt from a new work.



Merry Mart!

Sun Dec 2 11am-6pm

Free! Cash bar.

Do your holiday shopping at The Patterson with just the kind of fabulously charismatic and eccentric holiday gifts you'd expect from us! 40+ handpicked artists. Jewelry by Laurie Flannery and Sue Lowe, new creations from Baltimore Glassworks, Mark Supik's superb turned bowls, Monica Broere's gorgeous ceramics, Devin Mack's wire sculptures and mucho more! Food, beverages and live entertainment!

Area # 30 Residential Parking Renewal

WHEN TO APPLY: Residents may apply for renewal on line 6 weeks prior to their expiration date. (Permits are not ready until the 20th of your renewal month in our office)

WHERE TO APPLY: Residents can renew by going to www.baltimorecity.gov/government/parking
Existing residents DO NOT need to re-enter their information, just request to renew or edit to update.

You can pay with a credit card OR you can mail in a check or money order along with a copy of your current documentation See due date below. Checks / MO payable to (DIRECTOR OF FINANCE) **NO CASH**

Mail to: PARKING AUTHORITY – RPP

200 W. LOMBARD STREET, SUITE B

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21201

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED:

You **MUST** show your current VEHICLE REGISTRATION reflecting the ADDRESS FOR WHICH THE PERMIT WAS REQUESTED. If the registration is **not in your name**, you also need to have a **notarized letter** from the owner stating you are the sole driver, along with proof of residency, (**current lease, current utility bill-BGE, cable or house phone**). **Students and military** must have a current ID. If the vehicle registration is **out of state** and you **do not** have a Maryland driver's license, you must obtain a **non-resident permit** from the Maryland Department of Motor Vehicles. You must provide the receipt from DMV along with the above information.

NO PERMITS RELEASED WITHOUT VEHICLE REGISTRATION SHOWN.

ALL REQUESTS must be in to the Parking Authority Office no later than Noon on December 13th in order to pick up at :**PICK-UP DATE / LOCATION: DECEMBER 14th**

THE ROWAN TREE from 2 PM to 9 PM at 1633 S Charles Street

If you are unable to make this date, you may go to the Parking Authority Office **after the 20th of your renewal month** to pick up your permits, again proper documentation is required. For additional questions, call 443-573-2800.

ALL permits that have been paid for in advance **WILL** sent back with their area representative

ALL PERMITS THAT WERE NOT PICKED UP AT THE RENEWAL WILL BE SENT BACK TO THE PARKING AUTHORITY ON THE 1ST WORKING DAY AFTER THE RENEWAL BY 10:00 AM.

CITY COUNCIL PASSED A NEW BILL, 06-0316 WHICH MAKES NUMEROUS CHANGES TO THE RPP PROGRAM. LISTED BELOW ARE A FEW.

1. **REDEFINED ADVISOR BOARD:** Two year term consisting of 17 members, 13 which will be residents of different RPP areas. Duties involve procedures, policies, investigating problems and solutions.
2. **RESIDENTIAL LIMITATIONS:** No more than 4 permits may be issued for the benefit of persons residing in the same dwelling unit.

FALSE INFORMATION: Falsifying and documentation, counterfeiting or altering permits, using expired permits or permits that have been voided, charging a fee for the use of a permit, or allowing someone to use a permit in violation of any rule or regulation, including landlords who control any permit issued to a tenant **may result in immobilizing your vehicle with a boot , impounding the vehicle and can be found guilty of a misdemeanor and may be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than 12 months or both.** Any vehicle booted or impounded **must satisfy any booting, towing or other charges and surrender the false permit prior to the vehicle being released.**

FOR THE ENTIRE LAW, GOOGLE Baltimore City Codes, click on Baltimore City Charter and Codes, click on (select one) box, scan down to Article 31-Transit and Traffic and click.

Area A Parking Representative Needed

The South Baltimore Improvement Committee is looking for a Chairperson of its Parking Committee. This position is also required by the Residential Parking Program (RPP) to maintain Area A parking.

Time requirements include:

- Attendance at the ten RPP meetings per year to represent Area A.
- Attendance at the monthly SBIC Executive Committee Meeting as a voting member of the Board.
- Attendance at the monthly SBIC General Membership Meeting to give a brief report (if necessary) and answer any questions (if necessary).
- Coordinate parking permit pickups in January.

For more information please contact Donnie Fair via email at donnie@donniefair.com or via telephone at (443) 324-7752.

Youth Council

UPCOMING YOUTH COUNCIL EVENTS –

See what we are doing at the Ella Bailey Recreation Center in November.

NOVEMBER 1, 2007 – Tour of the Southern District and learn about your rights. Discussion about what the Police can and can't do when they stop a teen. Meet at the Rec by 6:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 8, 2007 – Power Point and Poster contest. Cash Prizes! The teens will submit an artistic poster or Power Point presentation on Crime, Gangs and Violence, Community, or Drugs. Presentations and reception with food begin at 7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 10, 2007 - The Youth Council will co-host a town meeting with Congressman John Sarbanes. The entire community is invited to the Ella Bailey Rec Center from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 16, 2007 (FRIDAY) – Rock and Bowl – Mid-

night duck pin bowling and music. Meet at the Recreation Center at 10: p.m.

NOVEMBER 22, 2007 – THANKSGIVING. NIGHT OFF

NOVEMBER 29, 2007 – Murder at the Rec and CSI investigation. There will be a murder at the Recreation Center that the teens will solve using Crime Scene Investigation techniques – finger printing, “blood spatters”, and angles of gunshots or stabbings. Officers from the Southern District will help the teams of teens solve the murder. “Death” begins at 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 13, 2007 - Scavenger Hunt – Find and photograph things you never knew existed in the neighborhood! The winning team gets \$50.00. Meet at the Rec at 7:00 p.m.

The Ella Bailey Recreation Center is located at 100 E. Heath Street – the back entrance of the Johnson/84 Elementary School.

Festive Flavors

of Historic
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Tues, Dec. 4, 07
6-10 pm
\$50⁰⁰



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Main Street's website at
www.historicfederalhill.org
for more information as
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This holiday restaurant, tavern, gallery and gift shop walking tour of historic Federal Hill is a perennial favorite and sells out fast. Start the evening at the fabulous Shofer's Furniture showroom, then stroll the streets and visit a mix of Federal Hill establishments to sample their delights!

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Citizens On Patrol

Are you worried about crime in the neighborhood? You can change things by getting together with neighbors who share your worries. Anyone and everyone can take the most basic actions, like reporting suspicious behavior or crimes in progress to the police. Whatever the contribution of time, energy, talent, and resources you can make, small or large, it will help! Citizens on Patrol (COP) is just one way you can help in making our streets smarter and safer. Take a stand and help protect your neighborhood!

All walks start at 7:00p.m., unless noted otherwise. Please visit the Southern District Police Community Relations Council website for the latest COP scheduled updates (www.sdpcrc.org), or call Sharron McCulloch at 410-659-5159.

Wednesday, November 7th at 7pm -
BARRE CIRCLE/CAMDEN CROSSING
Meet at *Shahrazad's Restaurant, 771 Washington Blvd.*

Monday, November 12th at 7pm -
FEDERAL HILL / FEDERAL HILL SOUTH
Meet at *Porter's Pub, E. Cross St. & Riverside Ave.*

Tuesday, November 13th at 7pm -
RIVERSIDE / SBIC
Meet at *the Riverside Park gazebo;*
400 blk of Randall St. & Riverside Ave.

Thursday, November 18th at 7pm -
OTTERBEIN / SHARP LEADENHALL
Meet at *S. Sharp & W. Henrietta Streets.*

Tuesday, November 20th at 7pm -
CARROLLTON RIDGE
Meet at *the Samuel F.B. Morse Recreation Center,*
Pulaski & Ashton Sts

Wednesday, November 21st at 7pm -
LOCUST POINT
Meeting place TBD, please check www.sdpcrc.org for more info

Wednesday, November 28th at 7pm -
PIGTOWN
Meet at *the Village Center (Bath House), 904 Washington Blvd.*

Thursday, November 29th at 7pm -
BROOKLYN
Meet at *The Hargrove District Courthouse, 700 E. Patapsco Ave.*

Tuesday, December 4th at 7pm -
NEW SOUTHWEST MT. CLARE
Meet at *Wilkins Avenue Mennonite Church, 1616 Wilkins Ave.*

Wednesday, December 5th at 7pm - **BARRE CIRCLE/
CAMDEN CROSSING**
Meet at *Shahrazad's Restaurant, 771 Washington Blvd.*

Third Thursday

The Southern District Police Community Relations Council meets the third Thursday of every month. It is a non-profit organization designed to improve communication and understanding between the police department and residents. Come by and listen to the Southern District Update with Major Michael McDonald & Deputy Major Charles Carter.

Agenda includes, but is not limited to:

Southern District Update

Officer of the Month Award

Guardian Angels Update

C.O.P Update

Neighborhood & Council Updates

This month's meeting is scheduled for *November 15th, 2007* at *7:00 PM* at the Southern District Police Station, 10 Cherry Hill Road.



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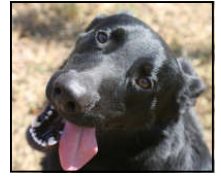
Saucy, DSH, Kennel # 101

Alright, people, this is getting ridiculous. I've been at the shelter since May and I want to go home, so get down here and adopt me already. Yes, I'm talking to YOU. Everyone seems to want kittens lately, but kittens are a

lot of work, and if you ask me, they smell. I, on the other hand, am easygoing, affectionate, playful and gorgeous, with white specks hidden throughout my shiny black fur. And I smell delightful. So hop to it. I'm waiting.

1 year old and 5.7 lbs as of arrival date. Brought to the shelter on 5/10.

Brody, German Shepherd Mix, Kennel #4



Brody is a handsome German shepherd mix who is smart, friendly, and affectionate. He loves to play and is quite energetic. He already knows 'sit' and seems to enjoy learning new commands. He responds well to treats, and takes them ever so gently from your hand.

1 year old and 51 lbs as of arrival date. Brought to the shelter on 9/21.

To learn how to adopt these orphans, stop by BARCS at 301 Stockholm St (near Ravens' Stadium), phone 410-396-4695 or visit www.BaltimoreAnimalShelter.org

Health Insurance for Pets

By Jill Shook, DVM—CityPets Veterinary Care & Wellness, jssdvm@aol.com

Owning a pet is truly a privilege, but it is also a responsibility. Anyone considering getting a pet should consider not only the effort and time needed to properly care for a pet, but the financial commitment necessary as well. Even without injury or illness; routine veterinary care, food, toys and other supplies can add up quickly. If an unexpected injury or illness arises expenses can become quite high depending on the situation. It's important to have a plan for these situations, whether it's money in a savings account, credit card reserves, or a CareCredit plan. Pet health insurance is another option for pet owners to help protect themselves from unexpected costs.

The first company to provide pet health insurance began selling policies in 1982. Since then, several other companies providing health insurance for pets have formed. More and more pet owners have become aware that pet health insurance is available and are buying policies. In fact, many employers now offer pet health insurance for employee pets as part of the benefits package.

So what do you need to know when shopping for pet health insurance? You should review the different policies offered by the company so you can choose which policy will best meet your needs. Most policies cover accidents or illness, and preventative care may also be covered. Some companies

offer preventative care policies at an additional cost. Typically, pre-existing conditions and hereditary conditions are not covered. Some insurance companies allow you to seek veterinary care from any licensed veterinarian and others may require you to choose from a list of veterinarians in their network. Most policies also have a deductible and co-pay, these vary depending on the company. Costs for policies vary on the type of coverage requested, and the species, age and breed of your pet.

I recommend pet health insurance to all pet owners. There is nothing worse than having to make a decision between personal finances and the health and well being of your pet. Pet health insurance policies help ensure that you can provide the best medical care for your pet. The websites listed below are for companies that are licensed to offer pet health insurance in the United States. The CareCredit website offers information on no interest and extended payment plan options for pet owners, it is not health insurance.

- www.petinsurance.com
- www.petshealthplan.com
- www.petcareinsurance.com
- www.embracepetinsurance.com
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- www.carecredit.com

Sanitation & Beautification

By Amy Mutch

Saturday, November 17th at the corner of S. Charles and W. Fort marks the date and location for our next neighborhood cleanup. Volunteers are asked to come to the dumpster location between 9am and 12noon to help rid trash from our streets! All necessary supplies are provided. This committee is in need of more help especially with leaves to sweep. You may choose to clean your block independently and gather a few neighbors to pitch in! Human behavior will change once a new standard has been established for cleanliness. YOU NEED TO BE THAT CHANGE AGENT!

Gratitude is the message in November as we celebrate Thanksgiving in our homes. I would like you to consider your neighborhood association as you contemplate your blessings. Be grateful that you are living in a community that is working hard to better itself. Decide today that you will play some part in the improvement of South Baltimore. As the saying goes, "THINK GLOBAL, ACT LOCAL."

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Ace Hardware (1214 Light Street) is giving 10% off on all white lights for neighbors between October 13th and November 23rd. Ask for John.

My Flower Box (1211 South Charles Street and the Cross Street Market) is giving discounts to neighbors on garland. This must be preordered soon for the great discount. Ask for Kim or Lori.



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Liquor Advisory Committee

By Al Evans

To All SBIC community residents,

Jason Zink, the owner of NO IDEA Tavern located at Heath & Hanover Streets, has made a formal request to the Zoning Board for outdoor table service, and the hearing is scheduled for November 13th. He will also apply to the Liquor Board for an expansion of his liquor license to include the outdoor table service, pending zoning approval. Jason made the same request to the Zoning Board last year, and some residents surrounding the tavern protested the request, and it was subsequently not approved at that time. Because of his interest in requesting outdoor table service again, Jason attended the September and October SBIC General meetings to talk about his plans, and demonstrated willingness to work with SBIC residents in the immediate area to gain their support. Jason will also attend the next SBIC General meeting on November 6th to answer any questions or concerns regarding the outdoor tables.

I recently had a preliminary meeting with Jason to discuss his plans for the outdoor tables and how he will address the issues and concerns of the residents in the immediate area. In order to gain SBIC/community support for his request, Jason has agreed to the following:

- No more than 5 tables
- Table locations will start at side door and continue west to Hanover and at front of tavern
- Alcohol will be served, but the type of containers will be restricted (i.e. no bottles)
- Outdoor alcohol consumption will be limited to patrons seated at the designated outdoor tables and only during the agreed times.
- Operating hours will be 5-10pm Monday thru Thursday, 5-11pm on Friday, 10am-11pm on Saturday and 10am-10pm on Sunday.
- Tables & chairs will be brought inside after table operating hours
- There will be no outside speakers.
- Loitering will not be allowed and will be monitored, and he will call 911 for loitering within 100 feet of the bar.
- Cameras will be installed to monitor outdoor table activity.
- Exterior lighting will be maintained dusk to dawn.
- Sidewalk cleanliness will be maintained daily.
- Trash pick-up will be provided by both the City and Allied Waste five days a week with pick-up twice on Wednesday and Saturday; no Tuesday or Sunday trash service.
- A 24 hour contact number will be provided to the SBIC President.
- He will agree to a procedure for SBIC to address problems caused by outside tables, if any.
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Future (Fall 2008) outdoor table plans for coffee & breakfast. At that time, he will NOT operate the tables before or after school when school children would be using the sidewalk.

The SBIC-LAC will meet with Jason to formalize and sign an enforceable agreement to be implemented if his request for outdoor table service is granted. The finalized agreement will be placed in the Liquor Board files. If you have any comments or concerns about the request or the above conditions, please contact me at footnote96@verizon.net.

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Come Meet Congressman John Sarbanes!

Our South Baltimore Youth Council is hosting a Town Meeting for Congressman Sarbanes on Education. Bring your concerns about education and other federal issues.

When:

Saturday, November 10, 2007 starting at 1:30 p.m.

Where:

The Ella Bailey Recreation Center, 100 E. Heath Street – the back entrance of the Johnson Elementary School/School 84

Refreshments will be served.

Our teens are thrilled that they can bring our Congressman to the neighborhood. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to make your voice heard in the Federal Government.

B'more Green

By Nicole Killion, RN, bmorgreen@yahoo.com

Last month I mentioned that the Green Festival was being held at the Washington Convention Center and I hope some of you had the chance to go. I went and, as always, it was phenomenal. The Green Festival is a weekend of lectures by preeminent authors, scholars and activists in the green and social justice movements. The Festival includes films, yoga classes, a children's area, and a huge exhibit hall full of non-profit organizations and green and fair trade businesses.

I picked up free samples of non-toxic fabric softener, teas, energy bars, natural fruit roll ups, magazines, lotions, shampoos, conditioners, face moisturizers, shower gels, and more. I sampled many different fair trade teas, chocolates, fruit drinks, lotions, lip balms, salad dressing, cheeses, cereals, and more. I can't tell you how delicious the chocolates were. I bought a bar of fair trade chocolate which is made by the Kuapa Kokoo Cooperative in Ghana. It is silky smooth, melts in your mouth, and because it's fair trade, the profits go directly to the farmers in Ghana instead of a large multi-national corporation. I also couldn't resist a shirt and purse of gorgeous batik fabrics made by a women's cooperative in India.

I went to several great lectures. Amy Goodman, a reporter for Democracy Now, talked about the mainstream media in our country and its lack of objectiveness. Michael Dorsey, a professor at Dartmouth, spoke about how we need to reengage the political process. As Professor Dorsey noted, the only way to get the things that we want, such as more clean energy technology, is by going to our local city council meetings and lobbying Congress, whether in person or via emails and phone calls. Riane Eisler, author of *The Real Wealth of Nations*, spoke of the caring economy and how it is not included in the GDP. She asks, why do we pay a plumber anywhere from \$50-100 but we will only pay a babysitter \$10 to take care of our child? Why do we invest so much money in our pipes, yet so little in our children's education?

I picked up a brochure by Wake Up Wal-Mart. Although Wal-Mart has great low prices, I personally cannot support a company that doesn't provide healthcare to over 775,000 of its workers (guess whose taxes pays for their public assistance health care). Wal-Mart pays such low wages that even it

admits that working at Wal-Mart is not designed to support a family. In addition, Wal-Mart is being sued by over 2 million women in the largest discrimination lawsuit in American history. Go to www.wakeupwalmart.com for more info.

I picked up a publication by ONE DC, a local community organization. Their mission: by "mak[ing] our voices known through meetings with decision-makers, public hearings, rallies and community events, we make sure that the decisions that are made about our communities are based on what we know is best for our communities. Money that would otherwise go into developers' pockets gets used for training and hiring local residents for living-wage jobs. Land that would otherwise be used for market-rate development becomes affordable rental housing..."

All of the lectures from the Green Festival will be offered for free at www.greenfestivals.org/audio. And mark your calendars for next year's Green Festival which will be held in November. You won't want to miss it.



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Here is a quick overview of the steps that are involved which will all be coordinated by SBIC once your request is received. Community Planning Day is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and to bond with your tree. Not required but very much appreciated!

- Gather tree requests from residents
- Meet with the Baltimore City Forestry Division to determine if the requested location is suitable for a tree
- Have Miss Utility come out and mark the requested tree pit locations
- Have tree pits cut and all concrete and debris removed
- Tree pits are backfilled with dirt
- Schedule day to have tree delivered and for community planting

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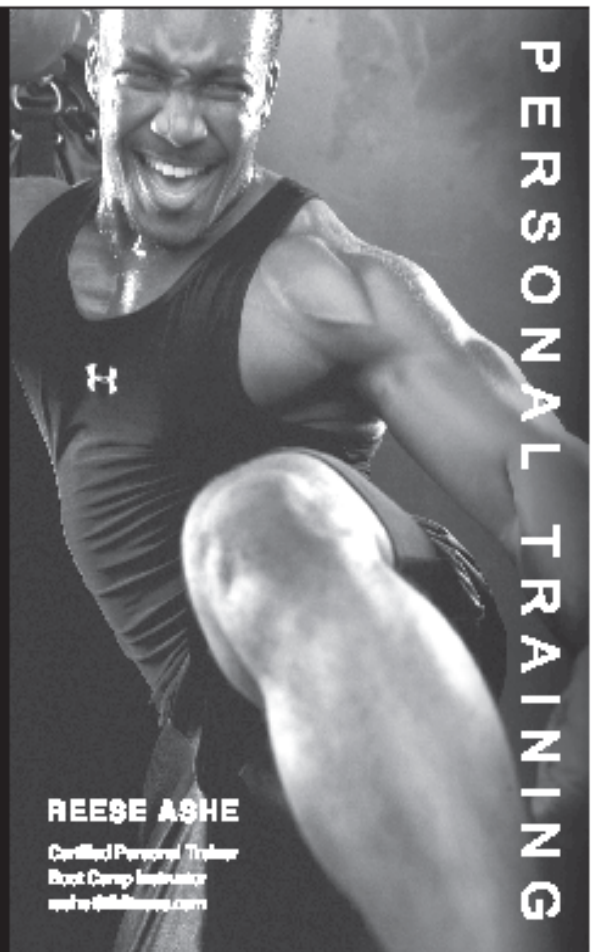
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