

Riverside Neighborhood Association

Encompassing Neighbors from Lawrence Street to Light Street and from Key Highway to the Railyard

NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 27

7 pm at Salem Lutheran Church (corner of Randall & Battery)

Happy Halloween - *Shane Laporte*

Coming up on October 25th is one of the great neighborhood events that happens here in Riverside Park: The Third Annual South Baltimore Halloween Bash. This is a great event for families in the area showcasing games, music and refreshments for kids, parents and friends. The truly fantastic part of this event is that it is 100% organized by South Baltimore volunteers, and is supported by donations from businesses and neighborhood associations throughout the peninsula. It is another example of the good things that can come from neighbors who want to be involved. For all of you who come out to enjoy this event, please take the time to thank the volunteers.

One of the biggest challenges of any neighborhood group is enlisting a group of volunteers. You may have noticed that this is a common theme in these newsletters and our monthly meetings. We have heard from several of you that you want to be involved but are not quite sure how to do it. To help with that, one of our tasks in the coming months is to come up with a clearer list of what volunteer needs we have here at RNA. We hope that this will help you to see where you can contribute and will lead to more of you being involved. Stay tuned!

Parks & Recreation - *Jackson Fisher* Riverside Park Fall Tree Planting

The annual planting of the trees will occur hours after Halloween on Sat. Nov 1 (9am-noon). Bring your sugared-up kids and dogs to the park to work off some energy.

TreeBaltimore is bringing us 15 trees and a load of mulch so there will be plenty of digging and mulch-spreading for all. For those who are looking for a milder workout, I am sure there will be plenty of candy wrappers and smashed pumpkins to pick up. Meet at the gazebo area at 9am or look for the green truck in the park.

October Cleanups

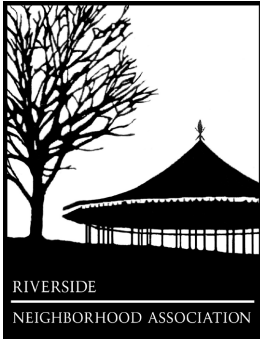
If the park seems brighter or the trees higher, it's due to the 40 yards of low hanging branches that we pruned from the park during the October cleanup. A special set of thanks goes out to State Delegate Pete Hammen who helped remove branches and is helping us move forward with the athletic field and pool renovations in Riverside Park.

Daffodils

Civic Works' 12th Annual Ricky Myers Day of Service was Oct 11; it is an annual city-wide event that pairs volunteer groups and park locations together for a day of planting and service projects. This year, Riverside hosted 15 volunteers for a day of daffodil planting along the hill on the Johnson St side of the park. The volunteers claim to have planted 400 bulbs in the two muddy and grass-less rectangles on the hill. We will have to wait until spring to find out if this is the case...

Street Trees

Planting season is here. The city will be out planting trees into empty tree pits and cutting new tree locations. One item that has received some attention recently is the issue of approval. The city does not need approval to plant a new tree in front of your house. As a resident, you do not have the right to refuse the installation of the tree. Street trees are city property planted on city land. Baltimore City has an ambitious long-term goal of expanding the tree canopy, and they have made it clear that they are putting in street trees regardless of citizen objections.



RIVERSIDE

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Planting In The Rain



Look for the beautiful results on the hillside along Johnson Street in March.

Upcoming Activities

Wednesday, October 22

Street Sweeping - Even Sides

Saturday, October 25

SoBo Halloween Bash, 1-6pm

Monday, October 27

Neighborhood Meeting at Salem Lutheran Church, 7pm

Saturday, November 1

Park Cleanup & Tree Planting, 9am

Monday, November 3

Citizens on Patrol Walk, Meet at gazebo at 7pm

Sunday, December 7

Gazebo lighting at 5:30 pm

Monday, December 15

Neighborhood Meeting, 7pm
Salem Lutheran Church

2014 Concert Series Recap – *Joelle Woolston*

The Summer Music Series came to a close on Sunday September 15th, and I would like to declare it our most successful year yet! As always there were many, many people who contributed to these concerts and each who helped make it possible should be recognized:

First and foremost, thank you to **Domino Sugars** for their sponsorship of this season's concert series. We look forward to working with them again next year.

Many thanks to **Murphy, Washo, Gunsiorowski, & Associates** and **Regency Center** for their contributions to the concert series.

Thank you to the bands (**Sac au Lait, Bumper Jackson, naked blue,** and **Speakers of the House**) for their great music, and to **Shaun Wilson**, our spectacular sound guy.

Please remember to support the local business who donated food for the band/sound guys (**Baba's Mediterranean Kitchen, Bluegrass,** and **Hersch's**), who donated the kegs for beer sales (**Schotti's** and **Union Craft**), and who provided support (**Little Havana's** and **Captain Larry's**).

We're grateful to the food trucks who took the chance and showed up with no guaranteed minimum sales (**The Smoking Swine, Busia's Kitchen, Bistro Lunch Box,** and **Da Rua**) as well as **Ms. Twist**, who donated 10% of her sales to RNA.

Thank you to **Stefanie McKenzie, Joyce Jones, Ann Fiocco,** and **Jackson Fisher** the volunteers who did most of the work involved in organizing the concerts, both before and concert day.

Thank you to the RNA board members and other volunteers for all of their help, be it promoting, selling raffle tickets, moving tables and coolers, watching my kids, etc.

And a final thank you to you, the RNA community and beyond, for coming out to enjoy the music and make it a great concert series!

****From RNA: Thank you to Joelle Woolston for putting all the pieces together! You are an invaluable piece of the concert series puzzle!**

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Community Yard Sale Recap

- *Rachel Wagner*

Despite being rained out on Saturday, we had a great turnout on Sunday, October 12! We appreciate the flexibility of our sellers and the generosity of the sellers who were unable to make it Sunday and donated the cost of their tables to RNA. This event brought in nearly \$300 for RNA, which will go right back into our park and community. We hope that all of our sellers enjoyed the beautiful day and went home with extra cash in hand, and that our buyers went home happy with useful finds! We hope to see many of you back for our next yard sale in the spring!

Sellin' Stuff



Residents make a few bucks in the park on Sunday, Oct. 12.

3rd Annual SOBO Halloween Bash

October 25, 1-6pm
Riverside Park

FREE admission and activities

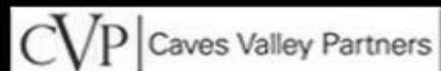


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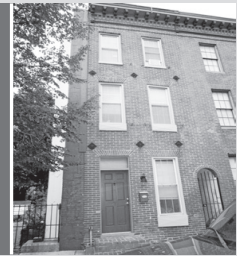


1613 S Hanover St
Beautiful home in the heart of Federal Hill! 3 full stories of living space featuring hardwood floors, exposed brick throughout, recessed lighting & gourmet kitchen with granite counters & unique details. Kitchen leads to large fenced in patio perfect for entertaining! 3 bedrooms above grade through the 2 upper levels with privacy! Master BR leads to upper deck overlooking the city skyline!



1639 S Hanover St
Immaculate 2 BR, 2.5 BA home in Fed Hill! Main level features hardwood floors, exposed brick, 1/2 BA & eat in kitchen with stainless appliances. Both upper levels each have their own bedrooms with custom built closets & bathrooms. Don't forget the balcony & large fenced in paver patio! HMS Home Warranty. 10 year guarantee on NEW lower roof & upper roof recently re-surfaced with warranty through June 2015!

NEW LISTING



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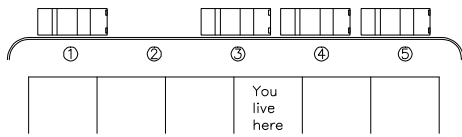


10 Year CHAP Tax Credit

131 W Randall St, Federal Hill
\$299,000 2Bed/2Bath

The Riverside Parking Test

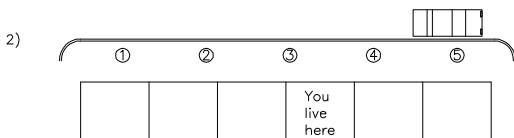
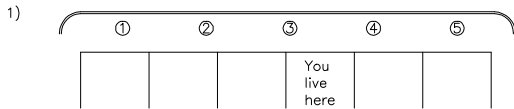
The following is a typical Riverside block of 6 homes that has a capacity of 5 parking spaces. A car symbol indicates that a parking space is occupied. The location of your home is indicated.
(Sample):



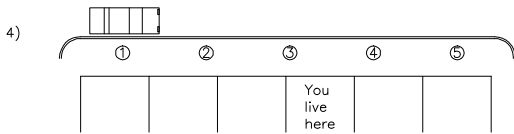
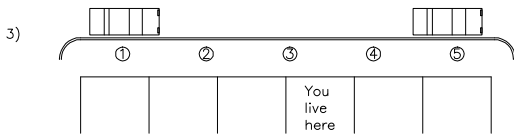
(The correct answer is "2" as it is the only available space)

You are to identify correctly, based on parking etiquette, at which parking space you are to occupy. Good luck! (Answers in next month's newsletter)

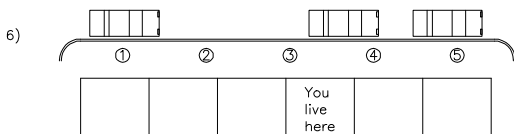
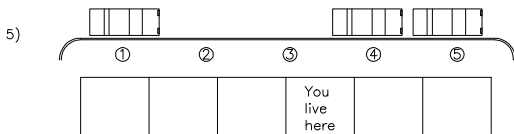
Easy Section



Kind of Tricky Section



Very Tricky Indeed Section



The Second Annual Gazebo Lighting will be held **Sunday, December 7th @ 5:30 pm**. Please join us at the gazebo in Riverside Park to enjoy cookies and hot cocoa, plus Christmas carols sung by the TJEMS choir. Santa is scheduled to arrive at 5:45, and he will be lighting the gazebo at 6:00. There will be 'snowball' fights and 'sleigh' rides (for the smaller elves); stayed tuned to the website and Facebook for more details. Contact FriendsOfRiversidePark@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer for or contribute to this event.

FUN at the BMI

October 25 – Video Game Wizards Exhibit Opens
Transforming Science and Art into Games is a revolutionary, interactive exhibit that lets visitors immerse themselves in the exciting process of creating a video game.



October 25, 9am-1pm – Family Day at Farmers' Market

This month's theme is Fall Harvest Fun. Seasonal games and crafts for all ages. Bring a child-size set of clothes and a hat to make your own scarecrow.

October 26 – Wine Festival

Come to BMI for an afternoon of tasting and swirling wines ranging from sparkling to port. Bottles of your favorites available at discounted prices. Tickets \$45; BMI Members \$35. Contact Kelley at kedelmann@thebmi.org or 410.727.4808 x132.

We will have one holiday, Nov/Dec meeting on December 15th and one newsletter that will be delivered in the first week of December.

Crime - Shannon Sullivan

A topic worth repeating - remove all items from your car. Though the police have made some good arrests lately of our more prolific theft-from-auto experts, one of the reasons they are so successful is because valuables continue to be left in vehicles. So when you park your car for the night or just an hour, clean it out (even loose change) and lock it.

The other reminder - "if you see something, say something." Lately, I've been getting reports of juveniles hanging out in groups after school, near the park or along Heath Street. Sometimes the kids are simply socializing, other times they have engaged in questionable behavior. If what you see bothers you, call 911; let the police investigate and talk to them. We can discuss this topic more thoroughly during the next meeting and our upcoming crime walk.

Speaking of which, the November walk is schedule for Monday, November 3rd at 7pm. Please check RNA's public page on Facebook for any updates related to weather.

In the meantime, please contact me if you have any crime/safety related questions at sullivansox@yahoo.com



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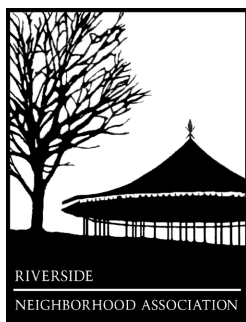
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Recent RNA Activities

September/October

- Neighborhood Meeting
- Citizens on Patrol Walk
- Elections
- Park Cleanup
- Daffodil Planting with Civic Works
- Yard Sale
- SoBo Halloween Bash Assistance



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