

# Riverside Neighborhood Association

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

## NEXT MEETING: Monday, March 28

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

### Democratic Mayoral Candidates Debate – *John G. Paré Jr.*

The Riverside Neighborhood Association along with the National Federation of the Blind, the League of Women Voters of Baltimore City, Federal Hill Neighborhood Association, Federal Hill South Neighborhood Association, Key Highway Community Association, Locust Point Civic Association, and the South Baltimore Neighborhood Association sponsored a Democratic Mayoral debate on March 3, 2016.



Baltimore City Democratic Mayoral Candidates on stage at the National Federation of the Blind.

The candidates, pictured in the photo from left to right, Nick Mosby, Patrick Gutierrez, Cindy Walsh, DeRay Mckesson, Calvin Allen Young, III, Elizabeth Embry, Carl Stokes, Gersham Cupid, Catherine Pugh, Wilton Wilson, David Warnock, and Sheila Dixon shared their solutions to the issues raised by Peninsula residents. Tom Hall of WYPR moderated the debate and did an excellent job of facilitating meaningful conversations from such a large and diverse field of candidates.

The candidates addressed plans to solve Baltimore's vacant properties problem, discussed the property tax rate (which is

double that of surrounding counties), policies to address racial and socio-economic disparities in the city, policies that affect Baltimore citizens with disabilities, budget priorities and the Department of Recreation and Parks, and plans for the Baltimore City school system to ensure all students receive a quality education.

As with the Baltimore City District 11 Democratic debate, if you were not able to attend and would like to hear how the candidates responded to the debate questions, you can access video of the event at the SouthBmore.com Web site (<http://southbmore.com>).

The National Federation of the Blind hosted the debate and drew a large crowd of enthusiastic neighbors to the event. Although 250 were expected, close to 350 were in attendance. Thank you to all who participated and submitted questions for the candidates.

April 26, Maryland's primary election, is just around the corner. Your vote matters, so do your homework, identify whose leadership you think will bring Baltimore our brightest future, and then vote in the April 26 primary.



Tom Hall, WYPR host and John Paré, President of the Riverside Neighborhood Association (from left to right),

## Future RNA Events

**Monday, March 28** – RNA Meeting 7pm at Salem Lutheran Church

**Sunday, April 3** – Riverside Garden Club

**Monday, April 4** – COP Walk 7pm meet at Riverside Gazebo

**Monday, April 23** - RNA Yard Sale



The Riverside Garden Club met on Saturday the 12th and added new plants to the Johnson and Covington gardens. Hope to see more residents at the next planting.

## RNA Joins Others to Support Auxiliary Police

You may have already seen the Auxiliary Police on patrol with new bicycles. The Riverside Neighborhood Association, along with Duo Signage & Graphics, Federal Hill Neighborhood Association, Federal Hill South Neighborhood Association, Federal Hill Hospitality Association, Key Highway Civic Association, Otterbein Community Association and Race Pace Bicycles contributed funds to purchase three patrol bicycles. These bicycles will improve the mobility of our Auxiliary Police and help keep our community safer.



Auxiliary Police Office Sgt. John Ebert and Matt Urso pose on Federal Hill with 2 of 3 new patrol bicycles that were donated to the Auxiliary Police.

## Recent RNA Activities

### February/March

- RNA meeting Feb 29th
- Riverside Garden Club - March 12th - Added 25+ plants to gardens
- Donation of \$1,000 from South Harbor Business Center (Race Pace building) for garden fencing in the park

## AVAILABLE HOMES FOR SALE

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# Community Yard Sale

## Saturday April 23, 2016

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Riverside Park

**Sell:** Rent tables for \$10 each. Visit [RiversideNeighborhoodAssociation.com](http://RiversideNeighborhoodAssociation.com) to register and pay online or send your name, email address, phone number, and payment to Riverside Neighborhood Association, 200 E. Wells St., Baltimore, MD 21230 by April 16. Limited tables may be available the day of for \$15 each—but don't wait, tables usually sell out.

**Buy:** Swing by the park and score some new-to-you goods while enjoying Riverside Park.

**Donate:** Want to get rid of things without the hassle of selling? Drop them off to the RNA table by 9:30 a.m. on April 23. Proceeds from your donations will benefit RNA.

For more information or to volunteer, send an email to [RNABaltimore@gmail.com](mailto:RNABaltimore@gmail.com).



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## Greetings and Peace, Riverside Neighbors

Greetings and peace. I hope and pray that this letter finds you in good health and good spirits. I'm in excellent spirits because I love the weather at this time of year. I enjoy walking around in sandals, meeting new people and greeting old friends during neighborhood walks. While I'm often available to meet for "office hours" on Thursday afternoons at Starbucks, walking around the neighborhood is really my favorite thing to do for my job. I like being social in greeting people, getting to know you all and hearing what you are looking for in a faith community. I walk around with the pastoral collar on so always feel free to stop me and say hi.

I get a lot of requests from people who want to have their wedding or baptism at Salem. We're going to be adding a section about this to the website soon but if you would like to get married at Salem, we have an open policy in that you do not need to be a member. The rules are quite simple: for weddings, you and your fiancé meet with me three times prior to the date and you and your fiancé are both required to attend three worship services prior to the date. Baptisms require one meeting and one date of worship attendance prior to the date of marriage. We have a gorgeous sanctuary, an accommodating fellowship hall, and we are happy to host. For more information, please reach out to me ([pastorjacob@salemsouthbaltimore.com](mailto:pastorjacob@salemsouthbaltimore.com)).

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All the best,

*Pastor Jake*



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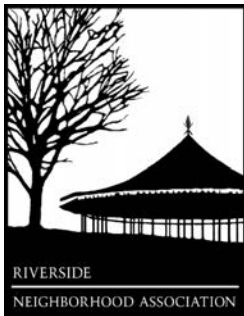


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