

# Riverside Neighborhood Association

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

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 25**

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

**District 11 City Council Primary Election – *John G. Paré Jr.***

Every four years we elect a city council that helps make legislative decisions that impact Baltimore City. Residents of the Riverside neighborhood are part of District 11, and we vote for a council member to represent, advocate, and help make decisions regarding our neighborhood.

It is important that the person elected understands the goals and values of our neighborhood. The best way to ensure that happens is to get involved and let your voice be heard by voting in both the primary and the general election.

## ☆ What to know ☆

### **When is the primary election?**

April 26, 2016

### **Who are the Democratic candidates running for the District 11 City Council seat?**

Eric Costello, Curtis Johnson, Greg Sileo, and Dea Thomas.

### **How can I learn more about the candidates?**

Attend the District 11 Democratic City Council Debate at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2016 (debate will end no later than 9:00 p.m.).

### **Will all the candidates participate in the debate?**

All the candidates have confirmed their participation in the debate. Note that only candidates who have filed by the February 3, 2016 deadline will be allowed to participate.

### **Where will the debate be held?**

At the National Federation of the Blind headquarters located at 200 East Wells Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21230. Once in the building, take the elevator to Members Hall on the fourth floor

### **Who are the hosts for the debate?**

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, Riverside Neighborhood Association, and South Baltimore Neighborhood Association.

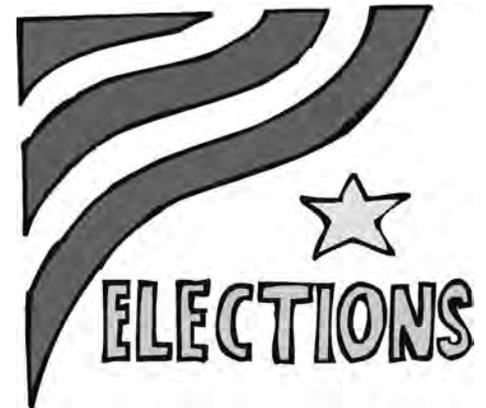
### **Can I submit a question for the candidates?**

Yes, the public is encouraged to submit questions. Please contact Lou Ann Blake at the National Federation of the Blind by calling 410-659-9314, extension 2221, or send an email to [lblake@nfb.org](mailto:lblake@nfb.org) to have your question submitted for consideration in the debate.

### **Will there be any information about the voting process at the venue?**

The League of Women Voters of Baltimore City will provide voter registration materials, voting machine demonstrations, as well as provide the rules and timekeeping for the event.

This election is shaping up to be an exciting one—hope to see you at the District 11 Democratic City Council debate!



## Future RNA Events

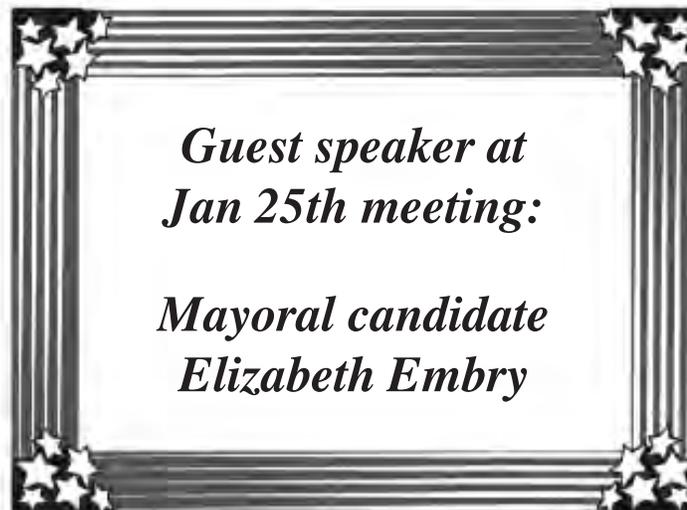
**Monday, January 25** – RNA Meeting 7pm at Salem Lutheran Church

**Monday, January 25** – Guest speaker Elizabeth Embry

**Monday, February 1** – COP Walk 7pm meet at Riverside Gazebo

**Thursday, February 11** - District 11 Candidate Debate

**Saturday, February 6** – Park cleanup, 9 am



## Development – *Ann Fiocco*

### Rallo's Lot Development

I post this info again to ensure the information gets out to our residents - Rallo's Lot Development – The development companies involved with Anthem House are in the preliminary stages of development for the old Rallo's building and the adjacent parking lot. The parking lot will be developed into a mixed use project with retail/office on first floor and apartments above. The project is tentatively planned for 4 or 5 stories. There is a preliminary plan with many presentations still to come for the Planning Dept and Planning Commission. RNA has been and will continue to be involved in the process with a presentation to the association to come in the next few months. Currently, the first step has been made with a rezoning request put into the City Council. The rezoning will most likely get on the docket for January or February. RNA will keep the community updated as this project, and its planning, continues. Questions may be sent to annfiocco@yahoo.com

### UnderArmour

UnderArmour has released design plans for a 200+ acre mixed use development for Port Covington. This is an important project for our city and one that will have some impact on our neighborhood. RNA will request plans from the city and/or developer to share with residents. We have heard that one impact of this development is the re-routing of the #64 bus and we are looking into these changes with our state representatives. We hope to have complete plans to share in the next 60 days.



## Recent RNA Activities

### December

- Gazebo Lighting
- Holiday Cookie Contest and Holiday Meeting
- Garden planting and mulching

### January

- Trees and plants acquired from MANTS convention
- Tree/shrub planting

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**Sunday January 31st, 2016**

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## Recreation & Parks – Jackson Fisher

### Art with a Heart Bench

Riverside Park has a new piece of artwork! A local artist designed the bench to celebrate the 15 year anniversary of Art with a Heart. The bench was installed just in time for New Years and is located near the flagpole in the center of the park. It is one of fifteen benches located in various areas around the city. If you would like to visit any of the other locations, information can be found on the Facebook page for Art with a Heart.



### MANTS Plants

January is not normally the time of year associated with new plantings and garden work. However, it is the time of year for the Mid Atlantic Nursery and Trade Show (MANTS) at the convention center. Each year, at the conclusion of the show, vendors can donate material to registered non-profit groups in the city. RNA has been a beneficiary of these donations for about six or seven years. This year, we acquired about a dozen trees and several dozen shrubs and small flowers. As of press time, the trees have been installed in the park and we expect to get the smaller plants in the ground as the weather cooperates.

### Cub Scout Service Project

Special thanks to the Webelos and Wolves of Cub Scout Pack 577 who came out in December for a couple service projects in Riverside park. The Webelos were tasked with filling in holes left from old trees, dog activity, and park traffic. As a group, they moved eight loads of topsoil and filled in about a dozen locations. On the following weekend, the Wolves arrived with rakes in hand to tackle some of the leaves collecting in the gutter along Covington. They were able to fill 20 bags and cleared most of the area near the storm drain by the Covington/Heath entrance. Overall, the kids did a great job and we hope to have them back in the near future.



**New Listing in Historic Federal Hill**  
1244 Riverside Ave

Gorgeous home designed and renovated by New Renaissance Architects Builders. Sought-after 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath, garage parking, top of the line kitchen, exposed brick, hardwood floors and a finished basement. The master suite offers sitting room. Wet bar entertainment area leading to 3rd level deck. Contact Steven Murphy for additional information! Steven.Murphy@PenFedRealty.com

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## Recent Crime in Sector 4

**January 9, 2016** - No Crime Reported

**January 10, 2016**

1 - Robbery - 700 blk S. Charles Street

1 - Stolen Auto - 100 blk W. Ostend

**January 11, 2016**

1 - Attempt Robbery - 400blk S. Sharp st

1 - Assault - 700 S. Charles st (suspect arrested)

5 - Burglary - 1100blk S. Hanover, occurred between 9:30am - 4:00pm  
 300 blk S. Fremont, occurred between 1:00pm - 8:00pm  
 1600 blk S. Charles st, occurred between 9:30am - 4:00pm  
 500 blk E. Clement st, occurred between 1:00pm - 11:00pm  
 700 blk Portland st, occurred between 11:00am - 11:00pm

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## Greetings and Peace, Riverside Neighbors

Greetings and peace! I hope and pray that your holiday season was a good one. I know at Salem, ours was especially blessed by those who attended our Advent services, Advent vespers, Christmas Eve worship and Christmas party. It was great to have you! I want to also thank those who contributed financially to the Holiday Kickoff gift baskets at the RNA meeting (and congrats to the winners). All of these things went very well and for those of you who visited from the neighborhood, we are thankful that you spent the time with us and hope to see you again soon. In the words of many a church Pastor: We are indeed open between Christmas and Easter.

If your New Year's resolution does include getting involved in a faith community, then Salem might be the place for you. We worship every Sunday at 10am, with a spirit that can best be described as "traditional but light and fun." There are plenty of programs to get involved with, or you can just stop by on Sundays. Salem is a small congregation but the blessing of this is that everyone's voice gets heard and we can go out of our way to accommodate what you are looking for. We really do work together to follow through with our mission commitment to share faith, hope, and God's love with all whom we encounter. I'm more than willing to meet with you to talk about what Salem has to offer. Please feel free to e-mail me (pastorjacob@salemsouthbaltimore.com).

We will be resuming Love Thy Neighbor Gatherings on Wednesday, January 13, 7:30pm at Captain Larry's (601 E Fort Ave) but we are looking to bring back Vespers after our February Ash Wednesday service (Wed. 2/10 at 7pm). You can follow the latest info on our revamped website (SalemSouthBaltimore.com), twitter page (twitter.com/SalemELCABmore) and Facebook page (facebook.com/SalemBaltimore). We hope to see you in 2016!

### CONTACT US:

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All the best,

*Pastor Jake*



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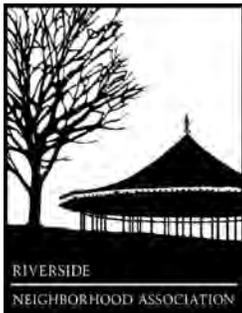
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