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SBIC Membership Application

For just \$5 per person, you can become a member of the South Baltimore Improvement Committee, a non-profit 501(c)3 community organization. Your dues help SBIC promote and support a number of activities in the neighborhood, including youth events, social events, community clean-ups, public safety, beautification projects, newsletter printing and distribution, and donations to other local non-profits. All members must be residents of SBIC which is bounded by Light, Cross, Race, and McComas Streets.

To become a member, please fill out and return this form with payment to: SBIC, PO Box 6364, Baltimore, MD 21230, or bring it to a General Membership meeting. Please do not mail cash.

Name 1 : _____

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Preferred Phone: _____

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All dues are tax-deductible under Federal guidelines.

SoBoImCo

A publication of SBIC—the neighborhood association for South Baltimore



August 2008

Last Call for SoBo Night at the O's



Tickets are still available for South Baltimore Night at the O's vs. Red Sox on Wednesday, August 20th at 7:50p.m.. Tickets are \$12 for SBIC members and \$15 for non-members.

Prior to the game, join your friends and neighbors at Muggsy's Mug House at 1236 Light Street for a pre-game happy hour with drink specials, then head on over to Camden Yards to watch the Birds take on the Red Sox.

For tickets, contact Julie at 410.547.7467 or Julie@soboimco.org. Our group tickets will be available until August 4th.

New Meeting Time Starting in September

The neighborhood association will take its regular break this summer, and there will be no General meeting in August. The General meeting schedule will resume on September 2nd with a new, slightly different schedule: The General meeting will still be on the same day (the first Tuesday of the month), but it will start 30 minutes earlier, at 7:00 pm, rather than 7:30 pm, and there will be a 6:30 pm social with light refreshments.

Please remember to show up early for the September meeting!

Community Meeting

Take a Break!
No General Meeting in August

The next General Meeting
will be
Tuesday, September 2nd

7:00 p.m. at Olive Branch UMC
(corner of S. Charles St. &
Fort Ave.)

Recycling Days

All paper, cans, glass, and numbers 1-7 plastics shall be collected on the 2nd & 4th Fridays, August 8th & 22nd.



All recycling collected streetside

Get Out!

Summer Restaurant Week
July 26th—August 3rd

Enjoy specially selected (prix fixe) three-course dinner menus for just \$30.08. Or if lunch is your thing, some restaurants also offer a three-course lunch for \$20.08. Visit www.baltimorerestaurantweek.com for more info.

Little Italy Open Air Film Festival
Every Friday through August 29th
9:00p.m.

Intersection of Stile & High Streets

Pack your chair and a picnic dinner, and head to Little Italy for the annual Open Air Film Festival. Visit www.littleitalymd.com for movie listings.

Mother Goosed: The Nurseryland Campaign Tales

August 2nd & 3rd
5:00p.m. & 7:00p.m.

Patterson Park Pool

Come see the colorful citizens of Nurseryland swim and entertain in this politically charged water ballet extravaganza! Tickets are \$9. Visit www.fluidmovement.org for more info.

WTMD 1st Thursday Concert
Thursday, August 7th
5:30p.m.

Mt. Vernon Park

Enjoy a free concert with *Rolling Stone* "Artist to Watch", Nicole Atkins. Singer-songwriter, Carrie Rodriguez opens.

Free for All!
Thursday, August 7th
5:00p.m.—8:00p.m.

Baltimore Museum of Industry

Come to the museum for free tours, children's crafts and archival activities. Learn about our scout programs, kid's parties and much more. It's a evening at the BMI absolutely free of charge.

Neighborhood Cleanup
Saturday, August 23rd
Light & Heath Streets
Bags, brooms & gloves provided.



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

Play Ball!

Home O's games:

Aug 8—10 vs. Rangers
Aug 18—20 vs. Red Sox
Aug 22—24 vs. Yankees
Aug 26—27 vs. White Sox

Home Ravens' games:

Aug 16 vs. Vikings
Aug 28 vs. Falcons

Save yourself a ticket and a tow and watch for restricted parking during stadium events in Area A and Area 30 parking zones.

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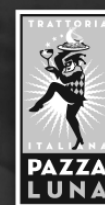
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explained their role in serving as liaison to the neighborhoods. Joe encouraged residents to sign up to receive Council President Rawlings Blake's email newsletter.

Committee Status Reports

Design Review—Steve Zaleskiwicz reported the following:

- 1901 S. Charles Street project is possibly moving toward.
- 1201 S. Charles has a sold sign on it. Steve has no info on this latest news on this property, but is checking it out.
- 1306 S. Charles has generated concerns from nearby residents. SBIC was encouraged to consider language in its letters to BMZA that either supported, rejected or were neutral in its position

Liquor Advisory

Donnie noted that we need a new chair. Tom Jones who is a lawyer has volunteered to be the new chair. He will be presented at the next general meeting.

Parking

Cynthia Griffin and Debbie Alt updated the residents on the blocks moving to Area 30 parking. In addition, they provided an update on the discussions at the Parking Authority to consider restricted parking in Federal Hill neighborhoods that limit non resident parking to 2 hours between 6 AM and 6 PM. Over the next several months, door to door approval will be sought for at least 60% of the neighborhood addresses in order to implement the new restrictions.

Race Street Task Force

Cynthia Griffin updated the residents on the collective efforts of the Race Street Task Force. She acknowledged the efforts of Mr. Peterson and Harris in organizing the work of many other community volunteers to improve Race Street

Announcements

- The next general meeting of SBIC will be Tuesday, September 2nd, 2008. the new meeting time is 7:00 PM with a social starting at 6:30 PM.
- Small recycling bins are still for sale at \$7. Contact Amy or Patrick Mutch at 410 468 0118.
- Neighborhood clean up will be Saturday, July 19th, 9 AM to noon at the intersection of Charles and Fort.
- Reduced price Oriole tickets for the August 20th game with the Red Sox are for sale from Julie Tice for \$12 for members and \$15 for non members.

PEACE PATH

ON CHARLES STREET

SEPTEMBER 11, 2008
4:00pm to 6:00 pm

To honor the memory of September 11th
Let us stand together in peace.

Join us on Charles Street
as we create a
PEACE PATH
through Baltimore.

For this brief time, let
us unite in expressing our
sorrow for the victims of
violence and war.

All around the world, Women in Black
stand vigil, wearing black as a symbol
of mourning for the ravages of war.
Women in Black, Baltimore invites you and
the greater Baltimore community
to stand on Charles Street, from
the Inner Harbor, north to the
Beltway, holding a sign
of peace.

**ALL ARE
WELCOME**



coordinated by: **WOMEN IN BLACK BALTIMORE**

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From the Prez Desk

By Donnie Fair

The next meeting of the neighborhood association is on Tuesday, September 2nd, at our new meeting time of 7:00pm – but come early to have time to socialize with your neighbors and enjoy food provided by Taps and No Idea.

As always, if you are interested to get involved with the neighborhood association, please get in touch with me via email at president@soboimco.org or via telephone at (443) 450-4700; the neighborhood association is always on the lookout for volunteers and especially leaders.



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Lots Happenings at the Light Street Branch Library

CLAY CREATIONS

Saturday, August 2, 1-2:30 p.m.

A fun afternoon for teens creating, painting and bringing to life clay objects.

BUGGY OLYMPICS

Monday, August 4, 6 p.m.

All Ages. Celebrate your summer reading success! Enjoy gold medal games and refreshments.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Thursday, August 7, 6 p.m. and Tuesday, August 19, 10:30 a.m.

One-on-one computer training presented by Millie Godfrey of Pratt's Technology Center.

Don't forget to sign up for this year's Summer Reading Program. There are programs for adults, teens, children and babies, too! Stop in soon for fun and prizes!

Call 410-396-1096 to register for all programs

WHERE'S MY MOMMY?

Tuesday, August 12, 10:30 a.m.

A baby Osprey meets Chesapeake Bay animals as he searches for his mother. Presented by the Aquarium on Wheels.

LIGHTCHASER SING-ALONG

Wednesday, August 27, 10 a.m.

Family sing-along with Alina Lightchaser.

In a Minute

By Patrick Mutch

The following is a summary of the July 1st General Meeting:

Financial Report

Dennis Plouff presented a summary of SBIC's accounts. The general fund is \$1390; the sitting park is \$225; tree fund is \$1615; youth council is \$1675; the accounts receivable is \$3,200; the accounts payable is \$1,700. The 50/50 raffle winnings were donated to SBIC.

Guest Speakers

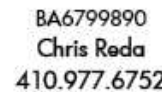
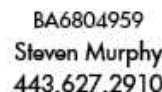
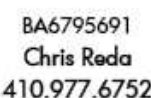
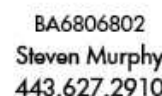
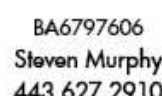
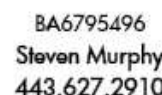
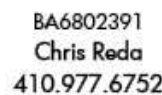
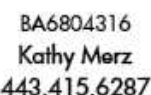
Betsy Cunningham, Women in Black – Ms. Cunningham presented information regarding the Peace Path on Charles Street held annually on September 11th. The peaceful stand along the length of Charles Street is held between 4-6 PM to commemorate the significance of 9/11 and the importance of peace. She encouraged participation and distributed information to publicize the day.

Larry Nunley and Joe Armstead, Liaison to Neighborhoods from the City Council President – Mr. Nunley and Armstead



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August 2, 2008

9:00am – 2:00pm

We need fans of the Baltimore Ravens to participate as actors/victims in a full-scale emergency management exercise to help us review the essential elements of emergency preparedness and response at M&T Bank Stadium. The day-long event will start at 9:00 am on August 2, 2008 and end at approximately 2:00pm. The Baltimore Ravens, the City of Baltimore, and the State of Maryland are testing response procedures at M&T Bank Stadium, which will serve as a hypothetical site under “attack”. Representatives of “first responders” – police, fire, volunteer agencies, stadium officials, and others – will be actively playing in dealing with this type of emergency.

This exercise is important to the safety of the Baltimore Ravens fans and players as the exercise capitalizes, reinforces, and provides feedback to the First Responder Community. It will also help us to develop, sustain, and provide feedback of emergency response operations as this is a great learning opportunity for the responders to examine the unique aspects of responding to a terrorist incident at our stadium.

***** Free parking will be available in lot B and free food, non-alcoholic beverages and entertainment will be provided to you throughout the day. There will also be a raffle with lots of great Ravens items including a large flat screen TV available to any volunteer attending the event. ******

If you are interested in helping your favorite team, please contact John Cline at 410-230-8017.



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The Baltimore City Shuttle

On Wed. July 16th community and business representatives met with city officials to begin route planning for the South Baltimore Shuttle. This service will connect with other city shuttles; north, south, east, and west. It will connect cultural, commercial, and residential areas. The shuttle will run Monday thru Friday from 6:30am to 11:30pm, Saturdays from 7:30 am to 12:00am, and Sundays from 10:00am to 10:00pm. The shuttles will run continuously every 10 minutes. The best news is: The Service Will Be Free! The service is slated to begin in June or July of 2009.

If you have suggestions for route or stop planning, or would like to attend the next meeting please contact Debbie Alt at 410-576-1017.

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Tomato Pizza Tart

By Debbie Alt

You will need a 9 inch loose bottom tart pan.

Ingredients:

1 Pillsbury refrigerated pie crust (not the frozen type)
2 medium sized ripe tomatoes
1 ½ cups grated havarti cheese (any style)
2 T Grey Poupon or Dijon mustard
½ t dried oregano
½ t dried thyme
½ t dried basil
¼ t garlic powder

Preparation:

Heat oven to 400 deg.
Line tart pan with unrolled crust. Fit crust into fluted edges. Cut crust even with top of tart pan. Brush bottom of crust with mustard. Sprinkle cheese evenly over crust. Sprinkle dried herbs and garlic evenly over cheese. Thinly slice tomatoes and cover cheese with tomato slices. Tomatoes may overlap slightly to provide full coverage. You might not use all of the tomatoes. Bake in the center of the oven for about 45 min. or until crust is dark gold and has pulled away from the pan. Cool and cut into wedges

Citizens On Patrol

Mon, 8/4 RIVERSIDE / SBIC
Riverside Park gazebo, Riverside Ave & E Randall St
Tue, 8/5 NEW SOUTHWEST MT CLARE
Wilkins Avenue Mennonite Church, 1616 Wilkins Ave
Wed, 8/6 BARRE CIRCLE / CAMDEN CROSSING
Washington Blvd & Scott St
Fri, 8/8 *1 PM* BARRE CIRCLE / CAMDEN CROSSING
Evelyn's Cafe, 784 Washington Blvd
Mon, 8/11 FEDERAL HILL / FEDERAL HILL SOUTH
Porter's Pub, E. Cross St. & Riverside Ave
Tue, 8/12 CURTIS BAY
Curtis Bay Recreation Center, Curtis Ave & Filbert St
Wed, 8/13 CARROLLTON RIDGE
Samuel F. B. Morse Recreation Center, Pulaski & Ashton Sts
Thu, 8/14 OTTERBEIN / SHARP LEADENHALL
S. Sharp & W. Henrietta Sts
Mon, 8/18 HOLLINS ROUNDHOUSE
Black Cherry Puppet Theater, 1115 Hollins St
Tue, 8/19 WESTPORT
Westport Resource Center, 2322 Annapolis Rd
Wed, 8/20 LOCUST POINT
Himalayan House Restaurant, 1522 E Fort Ave
Mon, 8/25 MT WINANS
Mt Winans United Methodist Church, 2501 Hollins Ferry Rd
Tue, 8/26 BROOKLYN
St John's Lutheran Church, 3rd St & Washburn Ave
Wed, 8/27 PIGTOWN
Bath House, 904 Washington Blvd



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Mindy - Tuxedo

Mindy is pretty girl with a pink nose -- curious, yet calm. Her dark coat and understated personality have lead to being overlooked for the rowdy young ones. Looking for a quiet, cute kitty to curl up in your lap or window still? Mindy is your lady!

1 year old. 9 lbs. Spayed. Tattooed. Felv/FIV negative. Brought to the shelter on 3/1 after losing her way home. *Here second longest of all the animals -- over 4 months.*

\$65 adoption fee includes Spay surgery, Rabies, DHLPP, and Bordatella vaccines, De-wormer, Flea preventative, Heart worm or Felv/FIV test, General examination, Pet License for Baltimore City residents.
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

Baby Girl - Shepherd/Terrier

Baby Girl is fun dog who knows sit on cue and loves to work for treats -- catching them out of the air! She also is good at fetch, returning the ball to you. Her former family reports that they crate trained her and she lived with children, dogs, and cats who she was friendly toward. Appears to be housetrained. Beautiful appearance with saddle-colored spots and plush shepherd coat.

Here longest of all the animals over 5 months!* 3 year old. 38 lbs. Spayed. Heartworm negative. Brought to the shelter on 2/15 because her family, after adopting after as a puppy, had a change in lifestyle and now work long hours.



Southern District Officers of the Month

Officer Kevin "Butterbean" Vaught
(Commander's Choice)



The command of the Southern District has awarded you recognition as Officer of the Month for May 2008. Your performance during the listed period was outstanding and represents the best efforts of law enforcement. The dedication, initiative and proactive enforcement displayed, most certainly made Baltimore, and the communities in the Southern District, a safer place to live and work.

Officer Vaught takes the initiative to handle tasks without being asked. Officer Vaught frequently attends community meetings and provides excellent information when questions are asked by the community. Officer Vaught is very knowledgeable of the persons of interest in Sector 4. During the last 28 days Officer Vaught had 1 arrest, 16 car stops, 53 citizen contacts and 37 warrant checks. Office Vaught interacts with the community whenever possible.

Officer Vaught is a well-rounded officer who remains very active in the community. He participates in the Explorer Program and assists for supporting fundraisers (Oriole vouchers). Officer Vaught is highly respected by all in the community. He is being recognized for being one of the top ticket sellers. Officer Vaught always displays a positive attitude.

WAY TO GO BUTTER!!!

Agent Kenneth Lipman
(Citizens' Choice)



Agent Lipman has been a foot patrolman in the Federal Hill Business District of South Baltimore for over 10 years and is the most well known Agent in the District. His nomination for Citizens Choice was overwhelming as all the area businesses helped celebrate the evening with food from Ryleigh's Oyster, Mother's Federal Hill Bar & Grill and Ropewalk Tavern. SBBA supplied a cake with a picture of his badge on top. Along with a Certificate of Appreciation from SDPCRC he was awarded a Proclamation from the Baltimore City Council and one from the Maryland State House of Delegates.

Agent Lipman is married with four grown children. He graduated from the University Of Maryland in 1974 with a major in psychology. He is a veteran who served in the Army from 1974 through 1977. He joined the Baltimore Police Department in 1979, serving 9 years in the Western District and 20 years in the Southern District. He has been awarded a Bronze Star and three Commendations.

CONGRATULATIONS OFFICER LIPMAN!

Preventing Armed Robbery - Both in the Home and Commercial Business

By Sharron McCulloch

Wouldn't you agree that a robbery is a dangerous situation for everyone involved? Robberies are over in less than two minutes. What you do in those two minutes of time could make the longest two minutes of your life, or the last two minutes of your life. ***Your number one priority in any crime is your personal safety!***

Remember: If the robber demands cash or property, give it up! It's not worth injury or death. No one likes to think about becoming a victim of a crime. However, the time to think about a robbery is before it happens. Crimes against individuals, homes, and businesses are usually crimes of opportunity. If you make it easy for someone to target you for a robbery, chances are someone will. So don't make it easy. Make it risky and unrewarding. Develop a plan for what to do before, during and after a robbery, and regularly check to see that policy and procedures are communicated and followed.

What to Do Before:

- Lighting: Install good lighting both inside as well as outside of your home or business.
- Clean: Keep your property or business clean and free of clutter.
- Escape Routes: Locate and eliminate any potential escape routes or hiding places for a robber.
- Visibility: Never restrict the view either into or out of your home or business with signs or displays on the windows or door. Always maintain maximum visibility.
- Check: Keep alert at all times, checking for loiterers or people watching your property. If you own or work in a business, greet and make eye contact with everyone who enters the store.
- Cash Control: Keep a minimal amount of cash on hand. Less than \$50.00 is ideal, and use of a drop safe is advisable. Make frequent cash pickups and never count cash at the counter area.
- Register: Should be centrally located within the business and easily seen by customers as well as passers-by.
- Bank Runs: Should be made at alternate times and routes. Try to use a variety of containers to carry the cash in and whenever possible try to use a different courier to make the bank runs. Also: Go directly to the bank!

What to Do During:

- Stay Calm: Let the robber know that you intend to cooperate. Don't make any sudden moves. Warn the robber of any children or persons in the home. Warn the robber of surprises such as an employee in the back, delivery people, or a customer about to enter the business.
- Do What You're Told: Don't argue. Obey all of the robber's orders. Keep all communication with the robber short and simple.
- Give It Up: Turn the money over to the robber. Try to treat this as if it was just another business transaction.
- Don't Try: Remember whether a robber produces a weapon or not, you must assume that the robber is armed and that the robber has the advantage and controls the scene. More importantly he/she will not hesitate to use it. Do not fight the robber or use a weapon—violence will only increase everyone's personal risk.
- Alarm: The time to push the ALARM is AFTER the robber has left your business.

What to Do After

- Don't Follow: Do not follow or try to chase the robber. Instead, call 911 immediately!
- Observe: Observe as much as you can about the robber's physical features and mannerism, type of weapon used, the route and means of escape, the type of vehicle (i.e. make, model, and color) so you can accurately describe them to the police.
- Report It: Immediately report it to the police. DO NOT hang up the phone until the police arrive.
- Lock Up and Protect: Lock the door and protect the crime scene. Separate all employees and customers, do not let them
- and discuss the robbery until the police arrive. Have them write down what they observed.
- Cooperate: Cooperate fully with authorities. Do not disclose to anyone other than the police the amount taken in the crime.

Tips for Calling 911 and 311!

The Baltimore City Police Department asks that you use the 911 and 311 systems to report problems in your neighborhood. When you call 911 and 311, please remember these important tips:

Provide the specific street address or the nearest street address of the location of the problem; business names and intersections are not specific enough!

Provide as many details as possible, such as what is occurring, how many persons are involved, what you saw them do, what they look like, what they are wearing, and where they are right now.

Remember to obtain a confirmation number!