

# SoBoImCo

A publication of SBIC—the South Baltimore Neighborhood Association



April 2009

## Clean & Green

By Marianne Armstrong

Firstly, as a follow-up to last month's article: Ms. Dale Thompson, Assistant Chief, and Mr. Jerome Ragsdale, Collection Manager, of the Department of Public Works (DPW) attended our General Meeting in March to outline the proposed changes to the trash and recycling collection programs and address your concerns. Their attendance was very much appreciated as it helped to open the lines of communication between residents and DPW executives regarding current issues with collection services and the 311 system. Following the meeting, concerns relating to the litter accumulation in the park at Light

& Heath Streets were immediately resolved. Any future complaints related to inappropriate handling of trash or recycling receptacles should be relayed to 311.

As for the proposed changes, City-issued trash receptacles are NO LONGER slated as part of the program changes for 2009, but may be incorporated into programming in 2010. The "1+1" system of one trash pick-up and one recycling pick-up per week is the main focus. This system will allow for greater availability of crews for lot and alley cleanings, ser-

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## Updated Contact Information

You can now find us on the web at [www.mysobo.org](http://www.mysobo.org). Along with our new website, we have new email addresses for our Board members, which can be found in the Committee Contacts section on page 3.

## Get Out!

### 6th MammoJam Music Festival

Saturday, April 18th

6:30p.m.

8x10

See page 10 for more info.

### Mayor's Clean Sweep

Saturday, April 18th

9:00a.m.—11:00a.m.

Brooms, bags & gloves provided.

### Neighborhood Tree Planting

Saturday, April 18th

9:00a.m.—

Thomas Johnson Elementary

See page 9 for more info

### Lotta Art!

Saturday, April 25th

6:00p.m.—Cocktail Buffet

7:30p.m.—Drawing begins

Silo Point

The best way to buy art! See page 7 for more info.

### Spring Block Party

Sunday, April 26th

11:00a.m.—7:00p.m.

South side of Cross St. Market

\$5 admission. Kick off spring with the annual Federal Hill Spring Block Party. 10 live bands, great food and lots of fun! See page 4 for more info.

## Play Ball!

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

### Upcoming Stadium Events:

Thru April 5—Cirque du Soleil "Kooza"

April 4—Orioles FanFest

April 11—Lacrosse Day of Rivals

April 18—Juvenile Diabetes Walk

April 19—MS Walk

### Upcoming O's games:

April 6, 8-9—vs. New York Yankees

April 10-12—vs. Tampa Bay Devil Rays

April 21-23—vs. Chicago White Sox

April 24-27—vs. Texas Rangers

April 28-29—vs. Los Angeles Angels

**Reminder:** City Offices will be closed on Friday, April 10th in observance of Good Friday. No trash or recycling will be collected.

## Community Meeting

The next General Meeting will be  
Tuesday, April 7th  
at 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 4th Friday, April 24th.



All recycling collected streetside



### SoBolmCo

SoBolmCo is a monthly production of the South Baltimore Neighborhood Association 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:

### South Baltimore Neighborhood Association

P.O. Box 6364  
Baltimore, MD 21230  
Newsletter@mysobo.org

We reserve the right to edit or reject submissions. Articles represent the opinions of the authors and not necessarily those of SoBolmCo. 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 SBNA. Just contact an SBNA officer for more information.

### Meetings

Community meetings of SBNA are usually held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Olive Branch United Methodist Church located at the corner of Charles Street and Fort Avenue.

### Website

www.mysobo.org

*The South Baltimore Improvement Committee is now operating as the South Baltimore Neighborhood Association*

## 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.

### HIP HOP, MODERN & CLASSICAL DANCE

Monday, April 6, 3 p.m.  
Teens learn the latest moves from professional dancers.

### FAIRY TALE CRAFT

April 6 – April 11  
All ages. Make some magic! Create a wand to accessorize your costume for the Fairy Tale Ball.

### HIP HOP LIFE

Tuesday, April 7, 1 p.m.  
Teens listen to a selection of hip hop's most controversial songs and discuss.

### NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK KICK-OFF PARADE

Saturday, April 11, 11 a.m.  
Join us as we take to the streets with Dixieland jazz band Sac Au Lait leading the parade. More music and refreshments will follow at the library after the parade. In case of rain, the celebration will occur inside the library.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIGHT STREET BRANCH MEETING

Monday, April 13, 6:15 p.m.  
Everyone is welcome to join the Light Street Friends!

### ART WORKSHOPS

Mondays, April 13 – May 18, 5:45 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.  
For teens and adults. Take part in art workshops inspired by Poe's literary legacy. Presented by Art on Purpose.

### ARE YOUR AFFAIRS IN ORDER?

Tuesday, April 14, 11 a.m.  
Authors Mavis Polson Lewis and Carl Barham share guidelines from their book on estate planning.

### PRESS PLAY

Tuesday, April 14, 3-5 p.m.  
Teens. Impress your friends and show off your gaming skills with Wii and board games.

### WILDLIFE RESCUE

Wednesday, April 15, 1 p.m.  
Meet master wildlife rehabilitator Kathleen Woods and her feathery friends.

### HOW POE CAN YOU GO?

Thursday, April 16, 6 p.m.  
Are you an im"Poe"ster? Dress like Poe and recite Poe to win our look-alike contest. Prizes will be awarded. Registration required. Call 410-396-1096 to register.

### CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS

Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.  
Ages 6- adult. Explore different art forms and learn to make original artwork using a variety of materials. Presented by Sandy Anderson.

### SMALL BUSINESS CONNECTIONS

Monday, April 20, 12 p.m.  
Unemployed? Looking to start your own business? Come discover how to finance your dream of becoming your own boss. Bring a brown bag lunch. Presented by Naomi Hafter, Pratt Library's Business Center.

### GOLIDILOCKS AND BEARS, BEARS, BEARS

Tuesday, April 21, 1 p.m.  
A miniature puppet show of Goldilocks.

### FAIRY TALE BALL

Thursday, April 23, 6 p.m.  
You are cordially invited to attend the Light Street Ball. Live music, dancing and crafts. Please wear your finest attire or dress-up as a prince or princess.

### STITCH-N-KNIT

Saturday, April 25, 11 a.m.  
Calling all needle enthusiasts! Do you knit, crochet or cross-stitch? Come meet new people, trade tips and techniques.

### READ ME

Tuesday, April 28, 4 p.m.  
Teen forum to discuss book themes relating to everyday life.

### LIGHT STREET BRANCH BOOK CLUB

Thursday, April 30, 6:45 p.m.  
An opportunity for adults to choose and discuss notable fiction and nonfiction reading selections.

**Call 410-396-1096 to register for all programs**

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## In a Minute

By Joe Costa

A Summary of the March 3 General Meeting

### **Guest Speakers**

*Dale Thompson*, Assistant Chief of the City's Bureau of Solid Waste gave a presentation and answered questions concerning trash collection. She reported:

- On a proposal, under consideration by the City Council, to have a weekly trash as well as a weekly recycling day replace the present twice a week trash and every second and forth Friday of the month recycling pickups. Recycling would be picked-up in the same location as trash. The change is an attempt to achieve budget cuts while still meeting resident's trash collection needs. If these changes don't go into effect, the city may have to cut back on services. For example, streets and alleys may not get cleaned as frequently. And bulk collections may be limited. If the proposed changes are approved, they will go into effect with the new fiscal year—

July 1, 2009.

- If there is a holiday on a trash collection day under the new rules, a make-up collection day could be an alternate day of the week, or the next pick-up.
- New trash cans are not in the proposal because of their expense, and re-fitted trucks would not be able to go down alleys to pick-up trash.
- In response to a question about torn trash bags and scattered cans, Ms. Thompson said the city disciplines its trash collectors, even terminating them, when they do not do their jobs properly. She encouraged folks to call 311 if they have a trash collection problem.
- The city is encouraging recycling through education, including school presentations and TV spots and seeking ways to educate the public on what can be recycled.
- There were comments about public trash cans being used for household trash. Others felt these were useful

for placing street trash into.

- Our area has 6 trash collection supervisors, who weekly each put in as many as 40-50 311 calls concerning trash collection problems. Crews cannot be diverted from trash collection for ad hoc pick-ups, because this creates other problems—complaints about late pick-ups.
- A block/street can have scheduled city cleaning, if 50% of the residents on the block/street agree to it. Residents would have to move their cars during designated street cleaning hours.
- Cans kept in front of homes is a housing code violation and thus the responsibility of the City Housing Department. Calls to 311 for such violations go to them.
- There will be an enforcement blitz by the city before the change-over to the new trash/recycling rules go into effect.

*Christa Mahler* of the South Baltimore

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## Think Spring!

### SPRING BLOCK PARTY

Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> 11am to 7pm

Cross Street on the south side of the Market

\$5 Admission



Festival season is upon us! Get ready for the Spring Block Party! This is the street festival that kicks off the festival season in Baltimore. The party will take place along the south side of the Cross Street Market in the heart of Federal Hill. And that's what it is, a party! Ten bands will play on two stages throughout the day as we celebrate the coming of Spring. (Once again, out of care and concern for our canine friends, dogs will not be allowed at the Spring Block Party.) For more details as the date approaches, including a list of bands, check out our website at [www.historicfederalhill.org](http://www.historicfederalhill.org).

**Volunteer!** Be a part of the excitement and volunteer at a booth at the Spring Block Party on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Pouring beer, selling tickets, greeting people at the door – they are all unique ways to enjoy the festival and meet your neighbors. You will receive free admission, free drinks, and a festival t-shirt. You'll be helping Federal Hill Main Street, recipient of the Great American Main Street Award, help the neighborhood. And it's fun! To volunteer, contact [volunteers@historicfederalhill.org](mailto:volunteers@historicfederalhill.org) or call 410-727-4500.

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vices for which the City is unable to currently meet the demand. For residents with concerns about smelly garbage sitting outside during the summer, please be advised that it is **ILLEGAL** for anyone to store trash outside on the sidewalk (even in a sealed bin) on a 24/7 basis. Address your concerns to 311, and be sure to note the reference number received when you call.

And, one more reminder because so many people still violate this rule and contribute to our rat problem: **If you put your trash out in plastic bags, put it out in the morning, NOT the night prior to trash pick-up.** Rodents feast along our streets, infest our walls and houses, and deteriorate the hygiene of our community.

We'll all need to come together to ensure that the pending changes work effectively within our community and that our neighbors are being responsible City residents. If you have a concern, just send me an email, and I'll work with you to get it resolved.

**On to other matters: Has anyone no-**

**ticed that litter & leaves blow to the western sides of our north-south oriented streets (Hanover, Charles, Light)?** SBNA is currently working on obtaining mechanical street cleaning services from the City for the western sides of these streets. The cleaning services require that 50% of residents along these streets sign a petition to allow the street cleaning, because there will be a no-parking restriction for that western side of the street during a 2-4 hour window on a particular weekday. For those interested in helping to obtain street cleaning on your block/street, please email me.

On April 18<sup>th</sup>, please join your neighbors for a spring cleaning fiesta! The City will provide us with brooms & bags – clean up your block or your backyard, or join in efforts to prepare street tree pits (see Peter's article) or spruce up the park at Light & Heath streets. Email or call me to coordinate.

Thanks to everyone who is doing his or her part to keep South Baltimore clean & green!

## Lead Paint and Lead Dust Fact Sheet

Did you know that...

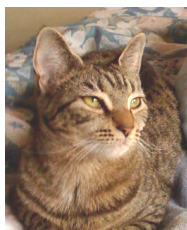
- If a typical pink or blue sweetener packet contained lead dust, there would be 1 million particles in it, yet it only takes 39 particles to poison a child
- Children who live in owner occupied homes can test positive for lead in their blood
- 90% of all Baltimore City properties are old enough to contain lead
- Children can be exposed to lead dust while visiting friends and family members
- Childhood lead poisoning is known to lead to:
  - Learning disabilities
  - Hearing loss
  - ADD/ADHD
  - School failure
  - Criminal behavior
- Pregnant women exposed to lead or lead dust can endanger their unborn child

### **Lead poisoning is preventable!**

Schedule a free 1- or 2-hour overview workshop to get more facts on creating and maintaining a lead safe and healthy home!

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## Available for Adoption



Madeleine is a not-quite-two-year-old grey tabby. She is currently living in a foster home with two other cats. Madeleine is still a little wary of humans, but is quite the lovebug once she gets to know you. Madeleine would do well with other cats or as an only cat. Madeleine formerly lived with dogs, though she would probably prefer feline companionship to the canine variety. Madeleine would do well with children who understood that she was just a little bit afraid of small people. For more information about Madeleine, please call Angela at 410.727.9628.



## Basic Computer Classes Begin April 28th at South Baltimore Learning Center

The South Baltimore Learning Center (SBLC) a community-based nonprofit organization providing functional literacy and life skills training, in addition to career preparation services, to residents in the Baltimore area is enrolling adults for **6-week Basic Computer classes**.

**Classes will begin on Tuesday, April 28th.** The course provides a basic introduction to the computer, the use of the internet and common computer programs. Classes are held twice a week, on Tuesdays **and** Wednesdays from 12:00 – 2:00pm OR 5:30 – 7:30pm. Classes are held at 28 E. Ostend Street, near the Cross Street Market. Fees are charged on a sliding scale based on family size and income level. Spaces are limited. Call now to register at **410-625-4215**.

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## City Agency Contacts Southern District

**PLEASE NOTE:** Always call 311 to report any non-emergency neighborhood concern to our 311 Call Center. Your concern will be entered into the 311 system, a service request (confirmation number) will be provided and the timeframe in which that specific concern should be addressed. If the concern is not addressed within that timeframe provided, please call back 311 or check the status online.

For more in-depth details and follow-up you should contact the outreach staff below listed for their respective agencies. Providing the agency personnel with your service request number will help to expedite their response to your inquiries. 311 is available by phone and online at [www.baltimorecity.gov](http://www.baltimorecity.gov). Reminder: You can also track your service request online once it has been entered into the system.

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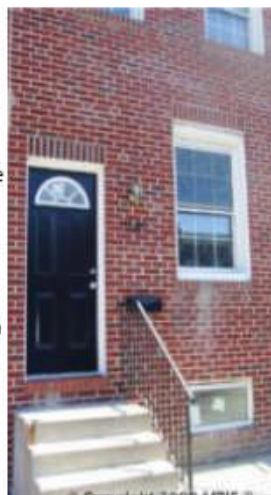
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upgrade carpet  
in bsmt., gourmet  
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Finished basement  
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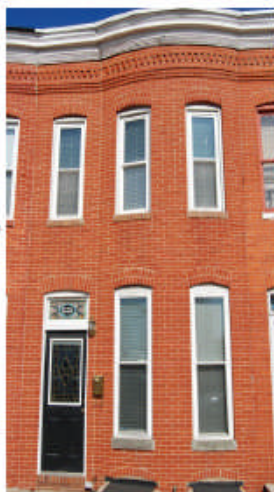
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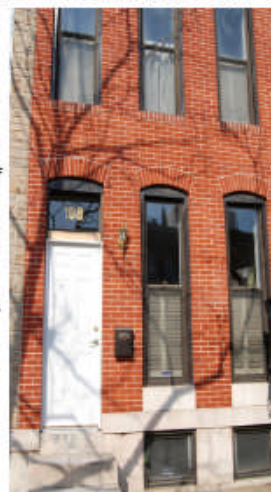
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Recent renovations  
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bath w/ granite  
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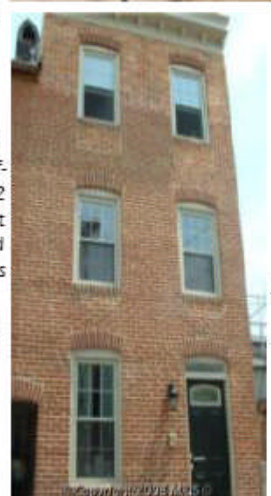
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## School 33 Art Center Celebrating 30 Years Saturday, April 25, 2009 at Silo Point



presented by:

Provident Bank is proud to support the work of School 33 Art Center by sponsoring the 17th annual Lotta Art Benefit.

**Continuous Cocktail Buffet & Art Viewing begins at 6:00pm**  
**Drawing begins promptly at 7:30pm**  
**Catering by The Pantry**

As we kick off our 30th year, School 33 Art Center continues to be an outstanding hub for art exhibitions, art education programs and artists' studios. School 33 Art Center thanks the hundreds of artists, volunteers and donors who have supported the visual arts in Baltimore since our beginning. Each individual, corporate and philanthropic contribution is greatly appreciated.

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410.396.4641  
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[School33@PromotionandArts.com](mailto:School33@PromotionandArts.com)

Attend an evening of art, food and fun! Meet and mingle with the contributing artists! **Lotta Art** features juried art by more than 120 local artists who have generously donated their work to benefit **School 33 Art Center**. Each art ticket holder is guaranteed a work of art in this lottery-style drawing.

Guests may attend the **Lotta Art** reception for \$50 and are not eligible to select art pieces.

Purchase your art ticket before **March 31, 2009**, and enjoy a discount!

Choose your selections in advance! Preview works of art online at [www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org) beginning **April 11, 2009**, and in person during the Lotta Art exhibition, April 19-24 at Silo Point. Viewing hours are noon to 5pm.

**ticket information**

**\$175 each**

**\$150** for members, participating artists and tickets purchased through March 31, 2009.

**\$50** Guest Ticket  
(This ticket does not include a work of art.)

### New Location at SILO POINT



**1700 Beason Street**

For questions or phone orders, please call:  
School 33 Art Center at 410.396.4641  
Monday – Friday, between 9am and 5pm and  
Saturday, between noon – 4pm

School 33 Art Center is a program of the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts Inc., a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization, and is supported in part by grants from: The Maryland State Arts Council, Provident Bank, and through contributions to School 33.

**SPECIAL THANKS TO:**



## Recycling Bins Still Available!

Both 18 gallon and 25 gallon yellow recycling bins are now available at **Baltimore City's Kane Street Yard (111 Kane Street, across from Patterson High School).**

Bins can be purchased between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

- 18 gallon bins are \$5.00
- 25 gallon bins are \$12.00
- A limit of **four** bins may be purchased by each individual. (Kane Street Location only)

- Lids (**25-gallon bin only**) are \$3.00 – A **limited** quantity of 25 gallon lids are available for sale at the above **Kane Street Yard only**. As we are able to increase the inventory, updated notices will be posted here on this web page.

- Residents can buy for their block with proof.

- Community groups can purchase in bulk and resell to their members.

- **Acceptable Payment** – Cash, Money Order or Check (Checks must be addressed to the Director of Finance and citizens must show proof of identification including address).

- Thanks to the Baltimore Community Foundation and dedicated community partners, bins are currently available at the following locations. Please call first to insure availability. \*Bin prices are the same as above.

### Falkenhan's Hardware

3401 Chestnut Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21211  
410-235-7771

Hours: M-F 8am - 6pm and  
Sat 8am to 5pm

### Mill Valley Garden Center, Inc.

2800 Sisson Street  
Baltimore, MD 21211  
410-889-6842

Hours: Th-Sun 9am to 5pm  
(Fri until 8pm)

### Eddies Food Market

7 W. Eager Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201  
410-727-0154

Hours: M-Sat 8:30am 8:00pm and  
Sun 8:30am 5pm

\*Please call for availability

### Santoni's Market

3800 E. Lombard Street  
Baltimore, MD 21224  
410-276-2990 x16

Hours: 24 hours - 7 days / week

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### Herring Run Watershed Association

3545 Belair Road  
Baltimore, MD 21213  
410-254-1577

Hours: M-F 9am 5pm

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### Work Printing and Graphics

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### Viking Chemicals Inc.

2325 Banger Street  
Baltimore, MD 21230  
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### Schneider's Hardware Store

700 Wyndhurst Ave.  
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### Breathe Books

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## Tree Planting Update

By Peter Shapiro

As I mentioned in a newsletter article several months ago, the South Baltimore Neighborhood Association, along with our neighbors in the Riverside Neighborhood Association and the Federal Hill South Neighborhood Association, recently won a \$6,300 grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust for tree planting and care in the area. We'll be prepping tree boxes for the first group of trees to be planted, at Thomas Johnson Elementary School, on April 18th. (Trees will be planted within the SBNA boundaries later in the spring and also in the fall.)

We're looking for a few good volunteers who aren't afraid to get dirty to help us backfill newly opened tree pits with soil. We'll meet at the gazebo in Riverside

Park at 9 AM on Saturday, 4/18. Want to join us later in the morning? Call Karin at (202) 277-9173, or Joanna at (443) 615-3782, or me at (443) 695-6244.

Speaking of green, now that it's – finally – beginning to return to the trees, for those of you who have them, please remember to take time to give a little attention to your street tree. If mulch in the tree box in front of your house has washed away, please consider adding another bag or two. Mulch helps keep water in and prevents the soil around the tree from becoming too compacted.

If your tree was planted within the last three years, remember that it will need to be water regularly once the first

leaves appear. Plan to water your tree twice a week, with 5-10 gallons of water at each watering. The water should be poured slowly over the roots and soil around them so it doesn't run off. "Gator Bags" can be very helpful in keeping water on the tree's roots and not letting it run off onto the sidewalk or road. Older trees generally don't need to be watered, unless the weather is particularly dry.

All trees can do with a spring check up. If you see any changes in your tree, or think it's doing poorly, please contact me at [pjshapiro@hotmail.com](mailto:pjshapiro@hotmail.com). As always, if you're interested in trees, I welcome all volunteers!

## Police/ Community Relations

By Ashley Cichowicz

If you have any questions or tips regarding criminal activity in your area please pick up the phone! You can call 911 and remain completely anonymous! When the call clerk asks for your name and phone number tell them that you do not want to give it and the call will still go out to our Officers!

If you have questions or information for me feel free to call me at (410) 949-4990. You can remain anonymous with me as well! We need your help to combat crime in our area.....WE NEED YOU!

## Silent Auction, Music & Family Fun at School 45

On Saturday, May 2, the Parent Teacher Organization of Federal Hill Preparatory School will be hosting its annual Silent Auction featuring a live Jazz performance by local favorite, Sandy Asirvatham. FHPS is a public pre-kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade school located on William Street in the heart of Federal Hill.

The Silent Auction will run from 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm, culminating with a Live Auction for some of the most sought after items at 3:45pm. On the auction block so far is a private sailing tour, a sitting & print package with Stairstep Kids Photography, a one-of-a kind piece by Maxwell Studios, wine tasting for 10 and a backstage tour of WJZ news. "Some of the most popular items are spa salon packages and gift certificates from stores and restaurants in our own backyard," points out Michelle Cole, a parent who is on her fifth year of helping organize the Auction. "Federal Hill is an amazing

neighborhood, and the PTO is thrilled to have so many supportive business owners."

The Silent Auction also features the "Mother's Day Room" where kids can shop by themselves for a small 50-cent gift for mom or grandma. This room is a favorite of neighborhood kids and dads alike! After shopping, the kids can stick around to listen to the music, grab a balloon or make some spin art. The School's front lobby will display information about the school for those parents that may want to learn a bit more about a local public school option.

So mark your calendars: May 2nd, 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm, Federal Hill Preparatory School, 1040 William Street. FHPS invites all its neighbors to come support a local public school and help MAKE IT HAPPEN!

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- The tax credit does not have to be repaid.
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- The credit is available for homes purchased on or after January 1, 2009 and before December 1, 2009.
- Single taxpayers with incomes up to \$75,000 and married couples with incomes up to \$150,000 qualify for the full tax credit.

*\*\*For clarification, please contact your CPA. Statements above are a summary and have to be verified. May not apply to everyone who purchases in 2009\*\**

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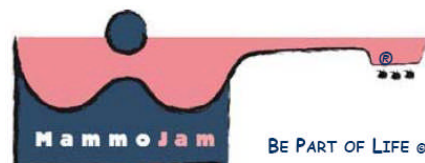
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## Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue Return for 6th MammoJam Music Festival



The MammoJam Music Festival, Inc. is proud to present the 6th annual MammoJam Music Festival on Saturday, April 18th, 6:30pm at Baltimore's famed 8x10. Headliner Trombone Shorty and Orleans Avenue return for the third in a series of MammoJam's live music and artistic performances to promote local breast cancer awareness, early detection, and treatment programs. In February, over 1500 supporters visited the Meyerhoff Symphony Hall to watch Emmylou Harris and Patty Griffin in MammoJam's largest fundraiser to date. Tickets are \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door and can be purchased at the 8x10 or at [www.mammojammusicfestival.org](http://www.mammojammusicfestival.org).

Trombone Shorty has been recognized as Offbeat Magazine's New Orleans "Performer of the Year" and has shared the stage and toured with U2 and Lenny Kravitz. His live shows are renowned for their high energy combination of virtuosity and exuberance. He will be joined on the bill by local stand-outs and MammoJam regulars the Grilled Lincolns, as well as

first time MammoJam performers Nelly's Echo and Janine Wilson.

"Trombone Shorty puts on one of the best live shows you'll see all year." said Bill Romani, founder of MammoJam. "We are fortunate to have him back with three outstanding local acts to support women and families touched by breast cancer." Please visit [www.mammojammusicfestival.org](http://www.mammojammusicfestival.org) for more information regarding the MammoJam's mission, tickets, and sponsorship opportunities.

MammoJam is a non-profit, grass roots organization dedicated to promoting breast cancer awareness, prevention, detection, and treatment programs for underinsured and low income women. Created in October, 2003, MammoJam has established a tradition of supporting local organizations like the Hoffberger Breast Center at Mercy Medical Center, Harbor Hospital's Breast Biopsy Support Fund, and the Cancer Support Foundation, Inc. in their fight against breast cancer.

## PETITION FOR MECHANICAL STREET SWEEPING

We, the following residents/businesses in the \_\_\_\_\_ block of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby request mechanical sweeping on the \_\_\_\_\_ side(s) of the street in our block. We realize that this mechanical sweeping will require "no parking" during certain hours on alternate sides of the street. Petitions must have at least 50% of the block's households/businesses in favor. We understand that when sweeping takes place that cars parked in no parking areas on sweeping days may be towed, ticketed, and/or the street may be skipped by the sweeper. By signing this petition we formally request street sweeping service on our block.

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*(In a Minute, Continued from page 3)*

Learning Center at the corner of Patapsco and Ostend briefly described the center as an adult literary institution that offers a variety of classes. The center has been in existence since 1998, and moved into its current location in 2002. It accepts volunteers for administrative support and to work with students. On March 14 it held its annual Fund Raising Gala at Montgomery Park.

*Lenore Malin* of Riverside Stage spoke about an upcoming March 21 event at the stage, "Swing into Spring", which will feature a live orchestra. Tickets are \$10.

*Ann Fiocco* of School 33 briefly described the school as having art displays, and providing art classes for young children. On April 25 the school will be holding its annual "Lotta Art" fund raiser at which food and drink will be provided and art works from area artists raffled off. The event will be held at Silo Point. Tickets are \$175, \$50 for guests. The \$175 fee buys entry into the art work raffle as well as the event. Neighborhood residents can attend at a reduced rate of \$150.





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### SBNA Membership Application

For just \$5 per person, you can become a member of the South Baltimore Neighborhood Association, a non-profit 501(c)3 community organization. Your dues help SBNA 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: SBNA, PO Box 6364, Baltimore, MD 21230, or bring it to a General Membership meeting. Please do not mail cash. All dues are tax-deductible under Federal guidelines.

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