

SBNA Newsletter



A publication of the South Baltimore Neighborhood Association

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Why move to South Baltimore?

I submitted a poll a few months ago asking South Baltimore residents about how they feel about the bars and restaurants in the neighborhood. And the majority of my fellow neighbors responded "Love them- that is why we moved here!"

So this edition of the SBNA newsletter is dedicated to all of our local watering holes and restaurants. Please check out some of the specials that are available around town on pages 9-11.

SBNA elections are coming up in October and we will have some openings on the board. Please come out and join us- the board would love to have more committee members- as a committee member you can volunteer as your schedule permits. Feeling a little ambitious? Then consider chairing a committee or running for office (no experience necessary!) .. Some positions require more commitment time than others, and all of the positions and committees will be described in detail in the September newsletter. The neighborhood association is just a group of people that come together each month share neighborhood news, help neighbors with minor complaints, discuss ways to improve the neighborhood through events or initiatives—each person brings something different to the table therefore we would love to have you on board!

The 127 W. Fort Project was approved by the zoning board on 7/5/2011. For those of you that are interested in the details of the outcome—please contact the design review committee at design@mysobo.org.

Angled parking on the 100 block of Fort has been proposed but there is more legwork to be done if the change is to be implemented. Please contact Cynthia Griffin at area30parking@gmail.com if you are interested in moving this process forward.

The parking surveys have been handed in and the results will be published shortly- thanks to all of you who participated! It is important to let your voice be heard! Parking is the one thing besides air quality that affects us all.

There seems to be a large new project on the way at 1901 S. Charles- 193 rental units according to the developers website, however we don't have all of the details yet. (see page 5)

We are losing Rub restaurant, but a new and exciting Italian restaurant will be going into their spot. New owners, Stephanie and Josh Herskovitz are going to be opening this hot new spot this fall. Stay tuned.



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Community Meetings:

Tuesday, Aug 2nd 2011

Tuesday, Sept 6th 2011

7:00pm

Church of the Advent

1301 S. Charles Street

(enter on Patapsco)

SBNA 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:

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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 SoBo-ImCo. 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 Church of the Advent located at the 1301 S. Charles Street.

Website

www.mysobo.org

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

MEETING MINUTES

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

07/05/2011

First of all - a grateful thank you to June Riley of Advent Senior Housing. We arrived for the meeting at our normal meeting place, the Church of the Advent, only to find the doors locked and no one home. June happened to be there to attend the meeting and offered us the use of a meeting room at Advent Senior Housing, which worked out terrifically. June - you're a friend indeed!

Steven Robinson, the Neighborhood liaison from the Mayor's Office, attended the meeting - his first time at SBNA. He is the conduit to the mayor from neighborhood associations and can be reached at 443-984-1083 or steven.robinson@baltimorecity.gov. He related some facts regarding the new \$2.3 billion city budget. It was difficult getting down to that budget number but 311 services were not cut, taxes were not raised and swimming pools will be open through Labor Day. Reforms to the city pension program have upset city employees but will result in an \$800 million savings over the next 10 years.

Salaries of city employees are publically available at the "Open Baltimore" website. The city is obviously very concerned about the violent incidents at the Inner Harbor on July 4th. The number of tourists visiting the Inner Harbor this year is twice that of last year.

When asked what the mayor is doing to keep small businesses afloat, Steven responded that the Small Business Resource Center assists businesses with preparing business plans to optimize profits, the city prioritizes woman-owned businesses when contracting for services, and the city helps in obtaining funding for the Main Street program.

In response to another question regarding requirements for city employees to live in the city, he related that only Cabinet members are required to do so. 80% of the police department and 50% of the fire department live outside the city.

Councilman Bill Cole attended the meeting and participated in a discussion about high property taxes. In his opinion, the city needs to entice 100,000 more people to move into the city. A population of 750,000 to 800,000 is the "sweet spot" at which revenues can meet expenses. He believes in focusing on specific neighborhoods for revitalization efforts to attract new residents and supports the \$1

housing program that has been successful in the past.

Treasurer's Report - Matt Eskridge.

Current account status:

General Fund	= \$3,427.66
Heath St. Garden Fund	= \$3,220.46
Light St. Garden Fund	= \$2.13
Sitting Park Fund	= \$18.30
Teen Council Fund	= \$3,006.34
Tree Fund	= \$97.00
Total	= <u>\$9,771.89</u>

Light Street Garden Status - Tom Bullock

Installation of the 16 garden plots is complete. Some of the plots are used by students of the Thomas Johnson School to grow vegetables for pizzas. The Garden is presently in the "red" and fundraising is underway. Tom of The Reserve has graciously agreed to donate \$10 cover charge proceeds from his 7/21/11 event to the Garden.

Area 30 Parking Report - Cynthia Griffin

She is looking forward to receipt of Parking Surveys by 7/15/11. The Draft of the Mayoral Fellow Report which will relate the Survey results is due 8/1/11. The petition for angled parking on the block of 100 W. Fort Ave. has been approved by the city. Now residents need to take action, organize, and sign the petition if they are interested in pursuing this parking change.

Bill Cole mentioned that residents should be sure their parking stickers match the license plate and are on the correct car. Violations are receiving increased enforcement.

Amy Mutch reported that the city is studying methods of slowing traffic down on the 1700 and 1800 blocks of Hanover St. and is considering green painted bike lanes between the traffic lanes and the parking spaces. Widening of sidewalks has been deemed too expensive. Angled parking is not feasible on such a major thoroughfare. Bill Cole said he would check into the possibility of widening the sidewalks.

Design Review Committee Report - Justin Wilde

The Zoning Board hearing for the 127 W. Fort Ave project occurred today. Six neighbors

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SBNA Executive Board Members

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testified and four others submitted letters. The decision was unknown at the time of this SBNA meeting.

Amy Mutch stated that the owners of the building on the NW corner of Light and Fort are planning on a building renovation and are asking for a letter of support from SBNA. They are proposing retail on the first floor and residential on the upper floors. Since we have not received any specific information yet, no letter of support will be sent at this time. We will ask that they present their project at the August meeting.

Social Committee Report - Christie Blake

The June social at Delia Foley's was successful with good attendance. Thanks to Delia Foley's for their hospitality and appetizers.

Cailin McGough, liaison to Council President Jack Young, attended the meeting. Mr. Young is introducing a bill to increase the fine for illegal dumping to up to \$1,000. Cailin can be reached at 410-396-4699 or cailin.mcough@baltimorecity.gov.

June Risley reported on the upcoming Peace Path event on 9/11/11. Residents will be organized to stand and wave flags to passing motorists from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM along Charles Street from Towson all the way to Wells Street at the southern end of our neighborhood. This is sponsored by "Women in Black." June can be reached at 410-528-1052 for those wishing to participate and to obtain more information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis Plouff - SBNA Secretary

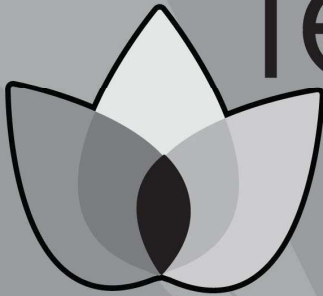
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Hidden Treasures in South Baltimore

By Christie Blake

ABBEY BURGER BISTRO

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SOBO CAFE

Across South Charles St. from Cross St. Market

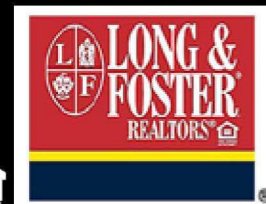
Sobo Cafe is a low key place that may be small but the meals are not! They have a comfortable ambiance with modern art. The food is modern and interesting yet has a 'down home cooking' feel. They regularly have a new menu just for the locals. Resurrection on tap for the beer lovers!

NICK'S FISH HOUSE

Hidden near the Hanover bridge, This place has the best crabs around, they're huge and great with Nick's fries! They have an array of seafood and recently, they've added sushi to their menu. It has a beautiful view of the water, and buffet brunch on Sundays until 3. During the weekends they usually have live bands that play on their large outside patio by the water. The kids can feed the ducks and enjoy food! F.Y.I. They don't serve crabs until after 3pm.



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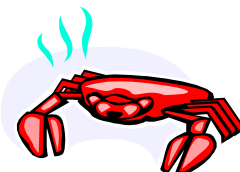
The Friends of the Light Street Branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library are holding their annual Pool Party/Membership Drive at the Otterbein Swim Club, 824 S. Sharp Street, Baltimore, 21230, on Tuesday, August 16, 2011, from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. The Friends group will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, soft drinks, juice and water and all paper products necessary. Attendees may bring a side dish or dessert to share and B.Y.O.B. if you wish. Anyone interested in learning more about the Friends group and the ways in which we support our library are encouraged to join us. We look forward to seeing our "old" Friends and to meeting "new" Friends. And bring the children!



COP WALKS!!!!

The SBNA/RNA walks are held the first Monday of every month. They begin at 7pm at the Riverside Park gazebo and usually last about 45min. The police always walk with us and well-behaved dogs are welcome. However, if it is raining, 32 degrees or below or 90 and above at 6pm the walk is canceled.

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	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<div><p>Ryleigh's Oyster 36 Cross St. (410) 539-2093</p></div>	<div>Monday- Friday <u>3-close</u> \$1 Local Oysters · \$3 Drafts· \$4 Wines by the Glass· \$5 Small Plates</div> <div>·Mussels & Clams -<i>Garlic tomato broth</i> · AL Pastor Nachos -<i>Cheese, Red peppers, onion, feta</i> · Cheese and Charcuterie -<i>Artesian cheeses & traditional accompaniments</i> · Baby Arugula Beef Carpaccio Salad -<i>House vinaigrette, shallots, capers</i> ·Flash Fried Calamari -<i>Roasted tomato aioli</i> Lunch\$9 Soup and Sandwich Pairings <u>11am-3pm</u>, new selections every day.</div>						
	<div>BRUNCH MENU and Absolut Bloody Mary Bar (make your own) <u>11am-2pm</u></div> <div>\$3 Miller <u>till 6pm</u></div>	<div>ALL DAY OYSTER HOUR Every Monday <u>3pm-Close</u> --\$1 Select Oysters, \$3 Drafts, \$4 Select Wines, \$5 Small Plate</div>	<div>SHORE NITE ON THE HILL <u>5pm</u> \$2 Std. Crabs \$1 Select Oysters· And many more seafood specials! \$4 Rum Cocktails (all)· \$5 Red Stripe Beer (24 oz Stubbies) \$12 ML Buckets</div>	<div>CHEFS SELECTION NITE <u>5pm-10pm</u></div> <div>\$10 Small Plate Menu featuring 5 brand new dishes each week from Chef McClure & \$15 Select Wines By the Bottle.</div>	<div>SUMMER BBQ MENU NITE <u>7PM-CLOSE</u></div> <div>\$6 Crushes· \$3 Drafts· \$3 All Bottles· \$5 All Call Drinks (Stoli, Capt. Morgan, Bacardi, Absolut, Jack Daniels, etc.)</div>		<div>Brunch Menu and Absolut Bloody Mary Bar (make your own) <u>11am-2pm</u></div> <div>\$3 Miller <u>till 6pm</u></div>
<div><p>Mother's 1113 S. Charles (410) 244-8686</p></div>	<div>Monday- Friday <u>2-6pm</u> Happy hour specials: \$5 Select Apps, \$5 Margaritas \$5 Jeremiah Weed, \$2.50 Miller Lt Drafts \$3 Blue Moon \$3 Heinekens \$4 Vodka Fruit Infusions!</div>						
	<div>ENTRÉE NIGHT Breakfast Special- \$10 Bloodies/ Mimosa Pitchers \$12 Sweet Tea pitcher specials \$12 Bkt (5) Coors Lt (<u>1pm-cl</u>)</div> <div>\$5 Jeremiah Weed Lemonade 16oz <u>All Day</u> \$13 Blue Moon pitchers</div>	<div>RIB DAY <u>11:30am-11pm</u></div> <div>Rack of Ribs plus Cole Slaw and Fries \$11.99 (<u>ALL Day</u>) \$3 Yuenglings Drafts \$5 Ketel One 12oz mixed drinks (Citrus & Orange) \$9 Pitchers of Yuengling (<u>5PM-cl</u>)</div>	<div>BURGER DAY <u>11:30am-11pm</u></div> <div>\$7 Burger/Beer (any specialty burger or plain burger w/2 toppings and a Miller Lite) \$2.5 Miller Drafts & \$5 burgers \$3 Pilsners and Peroni's, \$7.5 Pitch ML \$5 Jeremiah Weed and Lemonade (<u>open-cl</u>)</div>	<div>FRESH FISH DAY <u>11:30am-11pm</u></div> <div>\$10.95 Fresh Catch Special, ask server for today's selections. (<u>All Day</u>) 1/2 \$ glasses of wine w/ any food purchase (<u>5-11</u>) \$3 Hein/Hein Lt/ Newcastle/Dos Equis/Amstel Lt \$5 16oz Marg. \$11.99 42oz Monster Margaritas \$10 pitchers of Newcastle (<u>5pm-cl</u>)</div>	<div>STEAK DAY <u>11:30am-11pm</u></div> <div>1/2\$ Caesar Salad (not incl. toppings or Surf Caesar)(<u>11AM-5PM</u>) \$10.95 N.Y. strip or a 6 oz Filet w/1 side (<u>ALL DAY</u>) \$2.50 CoorsLt/ \$3Killians/\$3 Blue Moons \$5 Tall Captain Morgan Drinks & Captain Lime \$10 pitchers of Blue Moon (<u>9pm-cl</u>)</div>		<div>BREAKFAST SPECIALS- \$10 Bloodies/ Mimosa Pitchers \$12 Sweet Tea pitcher specials \$12 Buckets of (4) Miller Light (<u>1PM-5PM</u>) \$13 Sam Adams Pitchers (<u>1PM-5PM</u>)</div>



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	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
 The Rowhouse 1400 Light (443)-438-7289		Monday—Thursday <u>5-8pm</u> , Friday <u>4-7pm</u> \$4 Glasses of House White and Red Wine, \$1 off all Beers, \$5 Mussels White Wine, Beer, or Curry Cream, \$5 Flat Bread of the Day.....					
		\$5 mussels - half orders with your choice of broth/ heavy seas happy hour <u>all night</u>	all wines half price and fresh catch night	burger night all drafts \$4	\$4 blue moon , leinkugel , and \$6 crushes.		
 Delia Foley's 1439 S. Charles	\$.49 Cent wings \$5 Select apps <u>ALL DAY HAPPY HOUR</u>	\$.49 Cent wings \$5 Fish & Chips \$2 House Drafts <u>Open—7pm</u>	\$.49 Cent wings \$5 Cheese Steaks 1/2 Price Maryland Beers <u>Open—7pm</u>	\$.49 Cent wings \$5 Burgers \$3 Guinness, Smithwicks & Harp Drafts \$3 Jameson Shots & Drinks \$4 Irish Arnolds (Half Summer Shandy & half Twisted tea) <u>Open—7pm</u>	\$.49 Cent wings \$5 Irish Cheesesteaks \$3 Yuengling Drafts \$3 Newcastle Drafts \$2 Bud Light Bottles \$2 Miller Bottles <u>Open—7pm</u>	\$.49 Cent wings \$2.50 Miller Light Bottles <u>until 10pm</u> \$3 Amstel Light Drafts <u>until 10 pm</u>	\$.49 Cent wings \$2.50 Bud Light Bottles <u>until 10pm</u> \$3 Amstel Light drafts <u>until 10 pm</u> \$5 Pinnacle Vodka drinks/ shots <u>all night</u>
 The Reserve 1542 Light Street (410) 605-0955		Monday- All Night... Tues-Friday- <u>4pm-8pm</u> \$2 Miller Lite and Yuengling Drafts· \$4 House Wine· \$5 Absolut Drinks· \$4 Firefly · \$5 Small Plates Small Plates- Wings, Calamari, Quesadillas, Fish Tacos, and Shrimp Tacos					Sunday Brunch <u>10-3 pm</u> \$12 Mimosa, Bloody Mary, Sangria Pitchers \$5 Crush
 Ropewalk 1209 S. Charles Street 410-727-1298	\$2 Nathan's 1/4 Pound Hot Dog \$3 Chili Cheese Dogs	1/2 Price Burgers \$2 McHenry Drafts	\$.35 Cent Wings \$2 Blue Moon Drafts \$2 Bud and Bud Light Bottles	\$8.99 Crab Cake Sandwich with Fries \$2 Yuengling Drafts \$2 Bud and Bud Light Bottles	\$19.99 Bone-In Ribeye with 2 sides Two for One Amstel \$4 Red Bull & Vodka \$2 Bud and Bud Light Bottles	\$1 Bud and Bud Light - <u>9PM - 10PM</u> \$2 Bud and Bud Light - <u>10PM - 11PM</u>	

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Sun		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		<u>4-7PM</u> \$1 off drinks, 1/2 Price Apps Trivia Nite 730 Crab specials selected 1/2 price sushi	<u>4-7PM</u> \$1 off drinks, 1/2 Price Apps \$3 off Steaks, 1/2 price bottle of wine	<u>4-7PM</u> \$1 off drinks, 1/2 Price Apps Kids eat free	<u>ALL NIGHT</u> <u>Happy hour</u> \$1 off drinks, 1/2 Price Apps	<u>4-7PM</u> \$1 off drinks, 1/2 Price Apps	<u>11-6pm</u> \$1 off drinks, 1/2 Price Apps
Nick's Fish 2600 Insulator	Brunch 1030- 130pm						
	<u>All Day</u> - \$7 buckets of Ponies, \$4 Firefly Drinks, 1/2 Price Burgers, \$3 Miller Lite Bottles <i>*not all specials apply during home Ravens games</i>	<u>4pm-7pm</u> \$1.50 Miller Lite and Yuengling Drafts <u>7pm to close</u> - \$2 Miller Lite and Coors Light Bottles, 1/2 Price Munchies	<u>4pm-7pm</u> \$1.50 Miller Lite and Yuengling Drafts <u>7pm -10pm</u> \$2 rafts, 1/2 Price Munchies and \$4 Sushi Rolls 7pm to Close - \$2 Coronas and Miller Lite bot- tles	<u>4pm-7pm</u> \$1.50 Miller Lite and Yuengling Drafts <u>7PM-10PM</u> .50¢ Wing Night \$2 Blue Moons \$2 Coors Light Bottles	<u>4pm-7pm</u> \$1.50 Miller Lite and Yuengling Drafts <u>6:30-10pm</u> \$4 Cheesesteak Night <u>7-10pm</u> \$2 Coors Light Bottles <u>9pm to Close</u> - \$2 Miller Lite & Coors Lite Bot- tles	<u>4pm-8pm</u> \$1.50 Miller Lite and Yuengling Drafts; \$3 for ANY other Draft; \$4 Firefly Drinks, \$4 Glasses of Wine	<u>Noon to 5pm</u> \$2.50 Hei- neken Light, Dos Equis and Yuengling Bot- tles
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		<u>Monday - Friday 5pm-7pm</u> \$5 Appetizers (excluding seafood) \$4 Rail drinks and house wine \$3 Domestic Bottles \$2 Miller Lite Drafts (Not valid during Orioles/Ravens home games)					
Frank & Nic's 511 W. Pratt St 410-685-6800	\$15 All You Can Drink Mimosas & Bloody Marys (till 3pm)	\$5.95 House Cheeseburgers - \$15.95 15 Wings & Miller Lite Pitcher (After 3pm)	CHARM CITY TRIVIA NIGHT @ <u>8pm</u> - \$9 Miller Lite Pitchers \$12 Miller Lite Buckets	LOCALS NIGHT - Live in zip codes 21201 or 21230 then you will receive 1/2 off entrees 4pm- 8pm! Must bring in id/proof of address	\$7.95 Mussels (After 3pm)	\$5 Margaritas <u>ALL DAY</u>	15 Wings & Miller Lite Pitcher \$15.95
	\$5.00 Bucket of 6 Dom pony bottles and \$1.00 drafts	all Absolut cocktails are a \$1.00 off	All call Rums are reduced by \$1.50	all house wines are \$3.50	all imported beers are \$3.50	all martinis are a \$1.00 off	we run a 2-4-1 drink special from 5:00- 9:00!
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Lightning Safety

Thunder and lightning storms happen all the time. But did you know that lightning strikes and lightning fires occur most often in the summer? Know what to do to keep you and your family safe when it does strike!

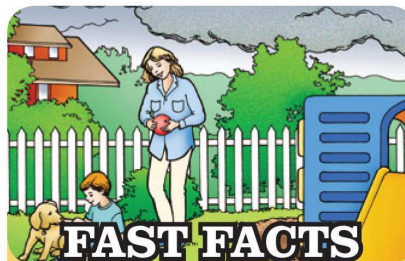
Safety Tips

Outdoor Safety

- ''' **If you can hear** thunder, you are within striking distance of lightning. Look for shelter inside a home, large building, or a hard-topped vehicle right away. Do not go under tall trees for shelter. There is no place outside that is safe during a thunderstorm. Wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder before leaving your shelter.
- ''' **Stay away** from windows and doors.
- ''' **If you are in** or on open water, go to land and seek shelter immediately.
- ''' **If you feel** your hair stand on end, that means lightning is about to strike, squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet. Place your hands over your ears and your head between your knees. Make yourself the smallest target possible and minimize your contact with the ground. Do not lie flat on the ground. This is a last resort when a building or hard-topped vehicle is not available.
- ''' **If a person is struck** by lightning, call **9-1-1** and get medical care immediately. Lightning strike victims carry no electrical charge; attend to them immediately. Check their breathing, heartbeat, and pulse. CPR may be needed.

Indoor Safety

Unplug appliances and other electrical items, like computers, and turn off air conditioners. If you are unable to unplug them, turn them off. **Stay off** corded phones, computers, and other electronic equipment that put you in direct contact with electricity or plumbing. **Avoid washing** your hands, bathing, doing laundry, or washing dishes.



- ! Outside and other fires accounted for three-quarters of the lightning fires reported to local fire departments.
- ! Lightning often strikes outside of heavy rain and may occur as far as 10 miles from any rainfall.



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