

UNION SQUARE NEWS

November 2003

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends:

As president of this association, one of my duties is to address crime.

I would first like to say that over the years, I've seen our neighborhood become a safer place in which to live.

Why is it that way? Because a number of residents began calling 911 and 311 whenever they saw suspicious activity. And guess what? The crime began to dissipate.

We have a wonderful working relationship with the officers in our district and we can help them help us by increasing our presence in the park and on our streets. (Yes, folks, the benches are there for us to sit and read. If we don't use them, the drug dealers will.) We can also help by staying on the lookout and filling our anonymous crime action sheets with license numbers and personal descriptions anytime we see a person we think is buying or selling drugs. (If you don't have an action sheet, see me at the meeting.) Remember, problems get worse by the minute. Let's take back our streets before they get out of control.

Until next time,
Karen Fretz,
President

UNION SQUARE ASSOCIATION PARTNERS WITH SOWEBO ARTS FOR COOKIE TOUR

In the spirit of the holidays, Union Square and Sowebo Arts have come together to make this year's Cookie Tour the biggest event ever.

On the day of the Cookie Tour (which is Sunday, December 14th, by the way), Sowebo Arts will be selling limited edition Christmas cards made by local artists. All proceeds will go to Union Square Association.

Bill Adler has kindly agreed to host an art show on the same day at 100 S. Stricker St. Please contact him if you'd like to exhibit your work at the show.

The Black Cherry Puppet Theatre is hosting a special homemade Christmas Decoration Party. This party will be held prior to the Cookie Tour (date to be announced). It's a chance for artists and non-artists,

adults and children from the neighborhood to come together to make ornaments and enjoy the wonderful resource we have in this theatre. The ornaments made at this event will then be displayed on a Christmas Tree on the day of the Cookie Tour.

For information, or to volunteer for the Cookie Tour, see your block captain or email us at unionsquarenews@hotmail.com.

Volunteers Needed for Cookie Tour

To help decorate, bake cookies, sell tickets or provide general support, please contact Karen Fretz or email unionsquarenews@hotmail.com.

We can't do this without you!

👉 GENERAL MEETING 👈 WED., 11/5, 7 PM 1401 HOLLINS ST.

JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING GENERAL MEETING TO
DISCUSS THESE TOPICS:

- HOLIDAY COOKIE TOUR
- RECOVERY NETWORK - GUEST PRESENTATION
- REAL ESTATE - GUEST SPEAKER, REALTOR DAN MOTZ

HOMES FOR SALE

\$178,900 1607 W. Lombard
3BR/2BA #BA4628751

\$165,000 35 S. Carlton
3BR/2BA #BA4624108

\$160,000 1321 W. Lombard
5BR/2.5BA #BA4632705

\$150,000 1322 Hollins
4BR/3BA #BA4662354

\$149,900 1407 Hollins
4BR/1BA #BA4583393

\$145,000 1324 Hollins
5BR/3BA #BA4662502

\$134,900 1704 W. Lombard
4BR/3BA #BA4656523

\$105,000 1310 Hollins
4BR/3BA #BA4662503

\$ 97,000 1709 W. Lombard
4BR/4BA #BA4650030

\$ 90,000 1044 W. Lombard
3BR/1BA #BA4633032

\$ 85,000 14 S. Gilmore
4BR/2.5BA #BA4523261

\$ 82,900 1227 Hollins
3BR/2BA #BA4635152

\$ 80,000 7 S. Stricker
4BR/1BA #BA4662980

\$ 70,000 1301 W. Lombard
4BR/2BA #BA4442460

\$ 65,000 1128 W. Pratt
2BR/1BA #BA4591821

\$ 59,900 200 S. Stricker
4BR/2BA #BA4602307

\$ 49,900 1226 Hollins
#BA4627816

\$ 25,000 1220 W. Pratt
3BR/1BA #BA4660243

\$ 15,000 1228 W. Pratt
1BR/1BA #BA4279947

IMPORTANT NUMBERS AT THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Emergency 911
Nonemergency 311
District Telephone
 410 396-2499
Shift Commanders
 410 396-2499
Command Investigations
 410 396-2499
Tactical Operations
 410 396-2499

Community Relations
 Unit . . . 410 354-5169
Traffic Enforcement
 410 354-5169
Distressed Neighborhood
 Unit . . . 410 396-2499
Warrant Squad
 410 396-2499
Domestic Violence Unit
 410 354-9371

Drug Enforcement Unit
 410 354-2540
Major Crimes Unit
 410 354-2504
ComStat Unit
 410 354-3430
Operation Relentless
 410 354-3430
Juvenile Problems
 410 333-6865

TURN OVER A NEW LEAF

The weather's turning cold and it's time to get out the rakes and gather up the leaves.

The City is once again collecting bagged leaves on the second trash collection day of each week. These collections will continue through Jan. 31.

Dumpsters for bagged leaves will be available Monday through Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm at the following Solid Waste Yards:

- 6101 Bowleys Lane
- 701 Reedbird Avenue
- 2840 Sisson Street
- 5030 Reisterstown Rd.

Please help keep our neighborhood clean. •

Ban Thai Night 11/13, 6:30 pm

Join us for good food and fun as we support our advertiser. Call Karen Fretz for reservations.

OPERATION CRIME WATCH: NOVEMBER 15TH

Join Mayor Martin O'Malley and Police Commissioner Kevin Clark at the first citywide conference of Operation Crime Watch on Saturday, November 15, 2003 from 9 am to 3 pm at Frederick Douglass High School, 2301 Gwynns Falls Pkwy.

The conference will include free admission and lunch, as well as:

- Block Watch Training

- Crime Prevention Workshops
- Merchant Safety Discussions

Please register by November 10th by calling Min Kim, Assistant Coordinator for Operation Crime Watch, Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods at 443 984-2371, TTY 410 396-4930 or email ocw@batimorecity.gov •

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH: LORETTA TOWNSEND

Loretta has been working tirelessly to increase the value of our properties and improve the quality of our lifestyles. She has been investigating halfway houses in our neighborhood. In addition, Loretta and her husband recently pur-

chased a property on Baltimore Street, which they plan to turn into an art gallery – another boost for the neighborhood. For being such a wonderful neighbor, Loretta wins a \$20 gift certificate to Ban Thai Restaurant. •

PLEASE REPORT...

ANYONE USING DRUGS OR ALCOHOL IN OUR
PARK OR ON OUR STREETS TO THE POLICE.
THIS NEIGHBORHOOD IS FOR OUR CHILDREN.
LET'S KEEP IT SAFE.