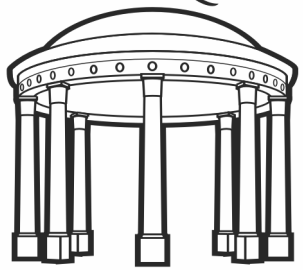


UNION SQUARE NEWS

Union Square Online: <http://www.union-square.us> • news@union-square.us
 Union Square Association, Inc. • Post Office Box 20520 • Baltimore, Maryland 21223

Union Square



November 2006

Message from the President

By **Christopher Taylor**
 President Union Square Association

Greetings! At last month's meeting, **Bill Adler** and **Fran Rahl** gave a presentation about the need to restore the fountain and gazebo in Union Square Park. A general estimate for restoring the fountain is between \$10-15,000. It is their hope that by restoring the fountain, we can use that as leverage to ask the city to help with the much larger task of restoring the gazebo. I applaud their efforts and welcome their initiative. With their energy as our catalyst, I have asked **Richard Pickens** to lead the organization of a Park Committee whose task will be to motivate people to help in this worthy effort, ascertain exact figures for restoration and maintenance of the park, and develop and implement a fundraising campaign to help us reach our goals. I would like to thank Richard for undertaking yet another important task in our neighborhood. If we all get behind this effort, I am confident we will see the restoration of our park. See you at the meeting.

S.O.S. Save Our Space - The Union Square Park

The Union Square Park is one of our community's signature treasures. It is the welcoming green space for our neighborhood visitors and a lavish front yard for many of us.

Unfortunately, we have been neglecting our namesake. Union Square, the park, is falling apart. The central fountain is not operational and has lost both a crane and a cherub angel. The recently refurbished flower and shrubbery beds are not fully maintained. And, probably most importantly, the historic gazebo is rusting out and could - given more neglected years - crumble to the ground!

Our park is a place for solace, recreation and neighborhood activities. Like an aging parent it needs our nurturing love and care. Please join me with the emerging Park Committee to brainstorm and work to restore our gem and the pride of our entire neighborhood. An organizational meeting is planned for Monday, November 6th at 6:30 pm at the old library, 1401 Hollins Street. Please attend or contact me.

Richard Pickens 410/233-1014
 Director of Historic Preservation

Union Square Association General Meeting

Wednesday, November 1, 2006
 7:00 PM · 1401 Hollins St.

2006 Christmas Cookie Tour!

The 21st Annual Union Square Holiday Cookie Tour is happening soon. Sunday, December 10th is the tour date.

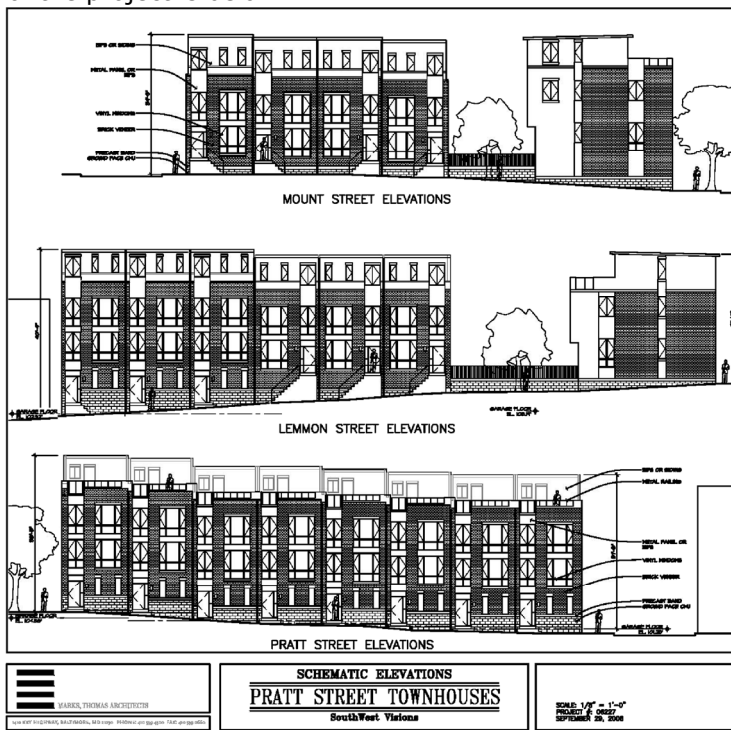
Every year neighbors open up their homes for a house tour and share a favorite holiday cookie. This is our neighborhood's main fundraiser and also an opportunity to showcase our great community. We are still looking for house participants and volunteers.

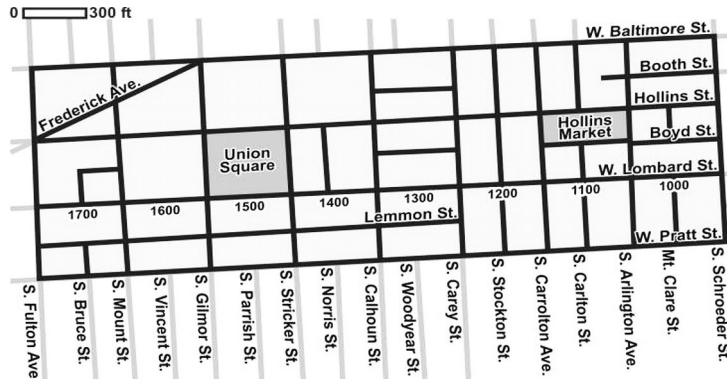
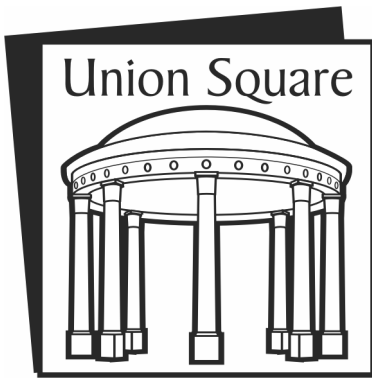
Additionally, there will be prize packets for decorated homes. The park will be decorated, the **Mencken House** will be open, and **Diane Asher** will be creating a holiday gift shop in the old library.

Please participate and tell your friends about this wonderful holiday event. For more information feel free to contact **Diane Asher, David Miller** or **Richard Pickens**.

18 Unit Townhouse Project Planned - Southwest Visions

Southwest Visions has acquired the large empty corner lot in the 1600 block of West Pratt Street. The property encompasses W. Pratt, Lemmon, and Mount Streets. The Union Square Association has invited them to attend this month's meeting to share their preliminary plans and receive neighborhood feedback. Pat Jenkins, Southwest Visions Director, and Tim Duke, the project's architect, will both be available to join in the discussion. An overview plan of the project is below.





**Visit
Union Square
Online**

Learn more about Union Square at the web site.
Union Square Online is
www.union-square.us
Also, visit the new improved forum: **The Public Square.**

Union Square Real Estate Opportunities

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| 1008 HOLLINS \$895,000
BR 1 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 1012 W LOMBARD \$250,000
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1127 HOLLINS \$126,500
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1056 W BALTIMORE \$649,900
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 | 107 S FULTON \$249,900
BR 5 BA 2 1/2BA 1 | 1421 W BALTIMORE \$125,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 |
| 1538 W BALTIMORE \$490,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 | 126 S MOUNT \$249,000
BR 4 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 113 S CAREY \$120,000
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1301 W BALTIMORE \$479,800
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 | 1308 W LOMBARD \$249,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 | 1713 LEMMON \$112,500
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1727 HOLLINS \$369,900
BR 3 BA 3 1/2BA 1 | 124 S MOUNT \$249,000
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1021 W LOMBARD \$110,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 |
| 1511 W LOMBARD \$362,900
BR 4 BA 4 1/2BA 0 | 1202 W PRATT \$245,000
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1226 HOLLINS \$110,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 |
| 116 S MOUNT \$339,000
BR 3 BA 3 1/2BA 1 | 18 S SCHROEDER \$240,000
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 1608 W PRATT \$109,900
BR 4 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1211 W LOMBARD \$330,000
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 130 S SCHROEDER \$239,000
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 1104 W PRATT \$99,900
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1610 W PRATT \$310,000
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 1 | 1713 HOLLINS \$238,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 | 1002 W LOMBARD \$99,000
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1510 HOLLINS \$299,999
BR 2 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 110 S CARROLLTON \$229,900
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1024 BOYD \$85,000
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1705 HOLLINS \$298,500
BR 3 BA 3 1/2BA 0 | 1133 W LOMBARD \$225,900
BR 5 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1240 W LOMBARD \$79,999
BR 1 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 109 S STRICKER \$295,000
BR 4 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1606 HOLLINS \$225,000
BR 4 BA 3 1/2BA 0 | 1238 W LOMBARD \$79,999
BR 1 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1422 W PRATT \$289,900
BR 4 BA 1 1/2BA 1 | 1717 W LOMBARD \$225,000
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1236 W LOMBARD \$79,999
BR 1 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1031 HOLLINS \$289,000
BR 5 BA 3 1/2BA 0 | 1523 W PRATT \$210,999
BR 4 BA 1 1/2BA 1 | 38 S SCHROEDER \$69,700
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1714 W LOMBARD \$285,000
BR 4 BA 3 1/2BA 0 | 1018 W PRATT \$199,900
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 103 MOUNT CLARE \$65,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 |
| 1103 W LOMBARD \$284,900
BR 2 BA 3 1/2BA 0 | 1036 HOLLINS \$199,000
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 1 | 1716 W LOMBARD \$65,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 |
| 1715 W LOMBARD \$275,000
BR 6 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1011 W LOMBARD \$190,000
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 119 S CARROLLTON \$65,000
BR 2 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1148 W LOMBARD \$274,900
BR 4 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1407 HOLLINS \$190,000
BR 4 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 51 S CARROLLTON \$59,900
BR 3 BA 1 1/2BA 0 |
| 1022 W LOMBARD \$264,900
BR 5 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | 1729 W LOMBARD \$169,900
BR 6 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | |
| 1239 W LOMBARD \$259,900
BR 2 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 1423 W BALTIMORE \$150,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 | |
| 1241 W LOMBARD \$255,900
BR 2 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | 1729 W PRATT \$145,900
BR 4 BA 1 1/2BA 0 | |
| 1402 W BALTIMORE \$255,000
BR 0 BA 0 1/2BA 0 | 30 S CARROLLTON \$144,000
BR 3 BA 2 1/2BA 0 | |
| 1417 W LOMBARD \$255,000
BR 7 BA 1 1/2BA 1 | 1609 W LOMBARD \$139,900
BR 4 BA 3 1/2BA 0 | |

Cookie Tour!

**ATTENTION: New Residents
(and Old Residents, as well)**

The 2006 Union Square Holiday Cookie Tour is scheduled for Sunday, December 10th.

This is our biggest fundraiser. Helping with the tour is a great way to meet your neighbors while contributing to the community.

Please come and help! We need volunteers to help with the following -

- Your house (or part of your house) on the tour... some participants open their entire home while many open the first floor or only their foyer and living room.
- Decorating the park and Pratt Library #2 - The Neighborhood Design Center (NDC), 1401 Hollins Street - (where tickets will be sold) on the day before the tour.
- Decorating the exterior of your home (everyone).
- Baking cookies.
- Selling tickets on the day of the tour.
- Distributing posters and flyers.....

To get involved, please come to the November 1 General Meeting and leave your name, address and telephone number. Someone on the Tour Committee will get back to you!

(Above adapted from a 2004 article by Phyllis VanMeerhaege.)

Trash Schedule

There will be no trash collections on Thursday, November 23 - the Thanksgiving holiday - otherwise, there will be the usual Monday and Thursday collections for the rest of the month: Mondays 6, 13, 20, and 27; and Thursdays 2, 9, 16 and 30.

The Blog is Back!

After weeks of technical difficulties, **The Public Square**, the forum of *Union Square Online*, is back and ready for your comments. Our visitors have posted some informative, clever and surprising material. Come and be entertained - and informed - by this popular web site feature.