

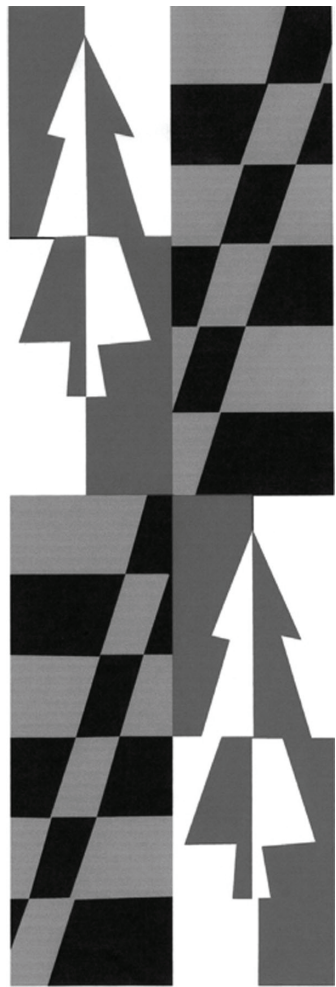
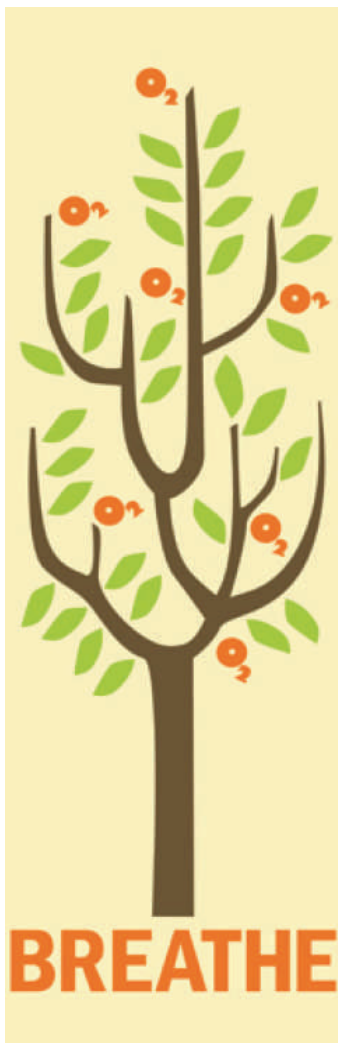
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## CV Designers Lead Citywide Urban Forest Project



Baltimore: The Urban Forest Project will showcase 200 artists, designers and students for two months. Beginning April 11, banners will line Charles and Pratt Streets, leading to six city parks. In Charles Village, banners will also hang in Wyman Park Dell during the Charles Village Festival on May 31 & June 1, when the lower Dell becomes an installation site. Go to [www.bmore-ufp.org](http://www.bmore-ufp.org) for more details on the schedule of events across the city. See the banners on line with artist's comments. Also, check out the Blog

The Urban Forest Project (UFP) is a unique design exhibition that will raise Baltimore's profile nationally, bring many communities together, show easy ways to be green, and raise money for the Mayor Sheila Dixon's TreeBaltimore initiative.

The UFP showcases Baltimore's creative talent. Over 250 Baltimore K-12 students, Girl Scouts, 100 area businesses, and 200 designers, local college students, and artists have designed banners that will be displayed on posts throughout Baltimore city this spring for 11 weeks beginning April 11–June 27. Based on the image of a tree and the idea of sustainability, these banners become an urban forest and tell a visual story.

Banners will line Charles and Pratt Streets leading visitors to six city parks. Druid Hill Park, Herring Run Park and Clifton Run Park will display banners from children at Park School, Lab School Baltimore, Edmonson West-Side High School and Mt. Washington Elementary. The remaining banners will be displayed throughout the city and will lead to Wyman Park Dell, Carroll Park and Patterson Park. These parks will feature creative installations by three area design firms demonstrating their own interpretation of sustainability (Cut Farm and 4thought, Gensler & Fast Spot). Daylong special events featuring entertainment, food and green education will promote and drive traffic to the parks.

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### CVCA MEETINGS

#### General Meetings

SS. Philip & James Church Hall  
2801 North Charles Street, Downstairs

**Wednesday, March 26 at 7:15 PM**  
**Community Potluck Social at 6:30 PM**

- **Charles Village Neighborhood Walkers**
  - **Summer Jobs for CV Teens**
  - **Assessment Appeal Advice**

**Wednesday, May 28 at 7 PM**  
**Potluck Dinner from 3 CVCA Cookbooks**  
**CV Memories Decade by Decade**

**Board of Directors**  
**Wednesdays, April 16, May 21, June 18**  
**Charles Village Community Benefits District Office**  
**2434 St. Paul Street**

*Call Dana Petersen Moore at 410.243.5952 for details.*

## Introducing CV Garden Contest

To encourage and inspire gardening and greening in the Village, the Charles Village Civic Association and the Charles Village Community Benefits District are co-sponsoring a garden contest for front yard, container and tree well gardens. Cash prizes for group and individual efforts will be awarded and winners will be announced on Saturday afternoon, May 31 from the main stage at the Charles Village Festival. The Garden Walk was initially inspired by a garden contest in the early 1980s. In 2008, the contest has been reinstituted in hopes of capitalizing on the excitement and energy created by the Painted Ladies house painting contest. So Villagers, the challenge is on to see if the creativity that went into house painting can be channeled into gardens, tree wells and greenery. Let's make our neighborhood blossom! See back page for Contest Application Form.

## Calling for Garden Walk Gardens

Spring is coming and so is the 28th Annual Charles Village Garden Walk, which will be held on Sunday, June 1 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased on the day of the tour or on Saturdays in May at the Waverly Farmer's Market. This year's tour will feature gardens north of 29th Street. If you would like to be on the Garden Walk, please contact Val Kuciauskas at 410.366.6071 or Beverly Fink at 410.366.4157.

## Applying for CV Festival Parade

March in the 12th Annual Festival Parade on Saturday morning, May 31. Groups and individuals are welcome, but you must apply. See back page for Parade Application Form. If you can't march, join the fun by watching the parade with friends, family and neighbors.

## Seeking CV Festival Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to assist with all events during the Charles Village Festival on Saturday, May 31 & Sunday, June 1— the 5K Race & Kids Run, Parade, Festival at Wyman Park Dell and the Garden Walk. Please contact Rory Flanagan at 410.243.5033 or [rory\\_r\\_flanagan@yahoo.com](mailto:rory_r_flanagan@yahoo.com)

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# President's Letter

Dana Petersen Moore, CVCA President

On January 30, I witnessed something I thought I'd never see in Charles Village. On that night, more than 140 CVCA members and friends gathered at SS. Philip & James Church to participate in CVCA's Community Potluck Social and General Membership Meeting. Increasing attendance at CVCA meetings was one of the goals. I hoped to achieve during my tenure as president. Seeing such a large, enthusiastic and engaged crowd at the January meeting was beyond swell! Watching this large group interact with one another, sharing recipes for their homemade dishes, engaging in an impromptu chili contest and just enjoying one another was warming. Hoping for a repeat at the March 26 General Meeting (see box on page 1), we will repeat the Community Potluck Social and also, bring you information regarding the reinvigorated Charles Village Walkers groups, facts to support assessment appeals and ideas for finding jobs for all Charles Village youngsters. We promise to get you out by 9 p.m.

In addition to the socializing, passing the CVCA By-Laws, learning about single-stream recycling, the January group gathered to go about the very serious business of learning about Maryland's process for assessing real estate and appealing those assessments. This brings me to the second thing I never thought I'd see in Charles Village—property assessments through the proverbial roof and in some instances, 300 percent higher than the previous assessment. Many shared the shock. Panelists Owen Charles, SDAT and a former SS. Philip & James parishioner, Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke and longtime neighbor and assessment applier Kirsch Jones were EXCELLENT in sharing information about the assessment and appeal process and applying for the Homestead Tax Credit. We thank them for their generosity in sharing their knowledge and expertise.

Now that I think about it, there are a few other things I never thought I'd see in Charles Village, but did this winter!

- ▶ I never thought I'd see a million dollar home in Charles Village. Lo and behold, we have a million dollar baby right here on Calvert Street. Actually, it's a \$1.1 million dollar baby listed for sale by Brandywine Fine Properties, Sotheby's International Realty. The home has seven bedrooms, five full bathrooms, three powder rooms, and seven fireplaces. The yard is dotted with fruit trees and rose bushes. An outdoor fireplace dominates the brick patio. All this plus the windowed turret make this my dream home! If you are fortunate enough to purchase this charm of a charm, please know that I'm available for tea anytime! I'll bring the cucumber sandwiches and sweet cakes.
- ▶ I never thought I'd see a day when "our" public radio station, based here in Charles Village, would silence its most favored voice. WYPR's decision to terminate Marc Steiner's contract and cancel his popular, eponymous show comes as a deep disappointment to many. Marc's show is widely recognized as the only place in Baltimore where diverse voices can be heard attempting to resolve the ills that plague our city and state. Many Charles Villagers have written to me expressing their disappointment, anger and frustration. Despite the huge public outpouring spurred by Marc's firing, I do not think I will see a day when he returns to WYPR. I hope I am wrong. No, I pray I am wrong.
- ▶ When I became president of the CVCA, I was told by many that I had become the steward of a rich social and cultural history that witnessed many positive changes in one of Baltimore's most diverse communities. One troubling caution that was presented by many and that I found odd was that I should not expect cooperation between the CVCA and the Abell Improvement Association (AIA). Though I never accepted this, I also never thought I'd see the day when the two organizations would work side-by-side on a single issue. Well, I am very pleased to tell you that I was wrong! VERY wrong! In January the CVCA linked arms with the AIA and several other community associations to battle an effort to transfer a BD7 liquor license to East 32nd Street. Though many said our efforts were not likely to be successful, we won—big time! Team work prevails again!
- ▶ I never thought I'd see my home on national TV, but I did. It wasn't on the screen long, but it was on long enough. T. Rowe Price's recent commercial aired during a Sunday NFL game contained just enough Charles Village footage for me to catch the colorful row that we all know as the 3000 block of Guilford Avenue. Many others saw it as well, including my mother who said she always knew I'd be a star.

▶ I never thought I'd see a neighborhood house in one of my favorite national magazines. But there it is, on colorful page after colorful page! The story of how Ron Tanner and his wife Jill transformed their St. Paul Street home from a "frat house to our house" is told in the January issue of *This Old House* magazine. The article contains numerous before and after photos and shares the often humorous events that kept the couple moving forward during the loving restoration.

▶ I never thought I'd see window and lawn signs in Charles Village urging support for the presidential aspirations of a woman or an African-American. But there they are "Maryland for Obama", "Maryland for Hillary. One of these candidates will be the Democratic nominee for President. Folks, there's no loser here. Be a part of history, exercise your constitutional rights, and enjoy the freedom we have to choose. Vote on November 4.

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▶ I never thought I'd see my granddaughter walking, at all. As Sylena approached her first birthday, we all realized that while she was a really good crawler, could take dictation from her granddad and could turn anything into a telephone, she was having difficulty with the physical mechanics of stepping, one tiny foot in front of the other. Our Friday night family dinners at Donna's were punctuated with impromptu assessments of Sylena's steps by the friendly pediatrician dining next to us or encouraging Sylena to finger walk over to the pretty lady named Lisa who was smiling at her from a few tables over. Sadly, neither effort produced steady consecutive steps. Well, Sylena's mom is a very good mom. So, against the advice of Sylena's pediatrician ("just wait; she'll do it"), Nia took her to a specialist at Union Memorial Hospital, had her fitted for night braces and, several months later, Sylena walks! The first time I saw her teeter tottering all on her own I...cried! She was so proud to show her "Granddaddio" and me that she could do it. I don't think Sylena ever doubted herself. I pray I won't ever see the day when she does doubt herself.

With that, here's wishing you a spring filled with the blooms of the bulbs faithfully planted last fall, mornings announced by the chirps of the birds returned to our ever greening streets and open-windowed nights laced with the steady creaks of the colorful Adirondacks on many a Charles Village porch.

Looking forward to sharing your potluck dishes and enjoying good times at the General Meeting, March 26. Hoping you will volunteer for the Festival. —Dana

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## Join Citizens On Patrol— Charles Village Neighborhood Walkers are Walking Again!

The Big Walk kick-off on March 12, reports Dana Moore, was a huge success with 60 people gathered at 26th and North Charles Street, ready to walk right at 6:30 p.m. The Police Commissioner Frederick Bealefeld walked with the group until about 8 p.m. The age range of our group went from 6 months to 70 years of age. Every demographic of our community was represented. And, she counted at least 4 dogs! Sharon Guida and the Planning Committee did a fantastic job organizing the Big Walk, getting the word out, making sure the group was walking safely and in the right direction! The reception afterwards at the new CVCBD office was more than hoped— refreshments provided by Donna's and JHU, good conversations about what was accomplished and ideas traded about improvements and enhancements and enjoying being in each others company. It was a very good end to a very good night with a very good cause!

Join the Citizens On Patrol program and walk together to make our neighborhoods safe. It's a great way to meet new people, spend more time outside, and enjoy your neighborhood. Join one or more of our scheduled walks. The Northern District Police have provided a start up model. We are eagerly seeking your input for the ongoing development of Neighborhood Walkers in Charles Village.

### What do you need to participate?

All you need to walk are some comfortable shoes and weather appropriate clothing. If you would like, bring a flashlight, note pad, and cell phone. There will be a brief orientation given by Northern District and JHU Security before the walk but you will also have the opportunity to receive more in depth training in the future (times TBA). All you have to do is show up. No need to sign up or RSVP (although you can if you like).

### The only times a walk will be canceled are...

If it's raining— not drizzling  
If the temperature is above 90 degrees  
If the temperature is below 32 degrees

### Citizens On Patrol/Neighborhood Walkers Start-Up Schedule

Meet at 6:30 p.m. each scheduled night to walk for about an hour.

**Wednesday, March 26** Meet at 32nd and Abell Avenue (Green Space)

**Wednesday, April 2** Meet at 23rd and Calvert Street. (Park)

For future dates and more information, call Katie at the CVCBD office at 410.235.4411. The night of a walk, call Laura Coons of GHCC at 443.224.7368 To receive a weekly schedule, email [charlesvillagecop@gmail.com](mailto:charlesvillagecop@gmail.com) and/or join this group <http://groups.google.com/group/charlesvillagecop>

### Community-Wide Sponsors

Baltimore Police-Northern District in partnership with the CVCBD and the four neighborhood associations— Old Goucher, Abell, Harwood, and Charles Village. Greater Homewood Community Corporation (GHCC), Johns Hopkins University and Union Memorial Hospital.

## CVCBD Offices Now at 2434 St. Paul Street

As of February 1, the CVCBD moved its offices to 2434 Saint Paul Street. We are planning an open house in April. Our contact information is still the same. Phone: 410.235.4411. Fax: 410-235-5544 Web: [www.charlesvillage.org](http://www.charlesvillage.org)

## Meeting on Financial Plan Set for March 25

The Charles Village Community Benefits District is holding its annual Spring Meeting on Tuesday, March 25 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Lovely Lane Church Hall, 2200 St. Paul Street. This meeting is an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed CVCBDMA budget for 2008-09.

## Volunteer for Mayor's Clean Up on April 19

The Mayor's Spring Clean Up is coming up on the morning of April 19. Tables with tools and supplies will be set up by 9 a.m. People will be out cleaning side-walks, gutters and alleys until 1 p.m. We need you to help recruit your neighbors and think about how best to clean up your block.

Look for tables where you can borrow tools from the city, including gloves, brooms, rakes, shovels and bags, at the following locations:

- ◆ 23rd Street & Guilford Avenue
- ◆ 27th Street & Maryland
- ◆ 3000 block Guilford Avenue
- ◆ 27th Street & Barclay Street

Starting at 1 p.m., we will also have cook outs at two locations: 27th & Maryland and 2528 Barclay Street. The main dishes will be provided for the Clean Up volunteers. Volunteers, please make a special side dish and bring your food to share.

For information about the Mayor's Clean Up, call 410.235.4411 and ask for Katie.

## Baltimore Sweep Action Parade on March 29

On Saturday morning, March 29, come and meet your neighbors at 10:30 a.m. on the corner of 25th and North Charles Street. Enjoy Zeke's Coffee as neighbors gather. At 11 a.m. the Baltimore Sweep Action Parade complete with a local Marching Band will begin moving down Charles to Mount Vernon Place. For more details, see article on page 9.

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# Village Chat

Dawna Cobb

A rich source of information this time of year comes from the people I run into at the Spaghetti Disco. Sadly, this year I had to miss it though I did stop by just as it was winding down. **Val Kaciauskas and Ed Hargadon** with several family members were still there looking like they weren't ready to quit! The Disco well attended and the dance floor was packed all night. **John Spurrier**, who has been the deejay for all 10 Discos, told me that "this year's bigger than expected turn out made me think that next year we should have a Spaghetti Disco Weekend with a Kiddie Disco on Friday and Adult Night on Saturday." He reports that new to the menu were some excellent meatballs and tasty croutons.

Here's some important news—no fooling! **The Book Thing** on 30<sup>th</sup> and Vineyard Lane is in danger of losing its space because it must make a balloon payment *by April 1* to pay off the mortgage. According to the website, once the mortgage is retired, The Book Thing will be fully self-sufficient. They do not solicit or require donations from those who select books. If you wish to help, please visit their wish list or Network for Good. You can reach the Book Thing at [www.bookthing.org](http://www.bookthing.org) or 410.662.5631. The Book Thing is a treasure, and I hope that Charles Villagers will do all they can to help out.

This is the time of year when people head off to warmer places. And, I have been taking care of neighbor's pets. **Jeff and Mariann Millard** went diving in Bonaire and had a terrific time. **Suzanne and Joe Rexing** sailed in the British Virgin Islands. Joe said the blue water in the BVIs is so incredibly vivid that it seems unreal. **Pam and Charlie Kelly** will soon visit Pam's brother in Arizona. In other travels, **Anna Smith** visited her twin sister **Emily** who is taking a junior abroad at Oxford in England. I noticed from reading *Style* magazine that **Laura Wexler** went on safari in Africa. Lucky her! **Lisa Simeone and Tim Munn** went to the Mayan Riviera aka Mexico. Lisa came home with a bad-cold and ruptured ear drum. Ouch!

**Ron and Jill Tanner's** house on the corner of 28<sup>th</sup> and St. Paul Street is in the March edition of *This Old House* magazine. In *From Animal House to*

*Our House*, Ron describes their seven-year experience renovating their now gorgeous house. Ron wrote about TOH's visit to his house in the Winter issue of the Villager. I have been agonizing over which colors to choose as we get ready to paint five rooms and two floors of hallways. Recently, Jill was kind enough to show me around their incredible house so I could get some first-hand ideas. Jill mixed her own paint colors using paint that people had returned to Home Depot because it was the wrong color! It is all that much more incredible when you think of how much work they did themselves. This semester, Ron is on break from house renovations, teaching the Marshall Islands this semester. Check out his blog <http://ronaldtanner.com/blog>.

**Speaking of home renovations**, we bit a very big bullet to have central air installed in our house. Readers of this column may recall other times when I have reported about other Charles Villagers getting AC. It seems to be a topic of interest to long suffering users of window units and ceiling fans. Charmed by the ad in the paper that simply shows an old-fashioned radiator, I called Unique Indoor Comfort and had a visit from their salesman. I was impressed by his knowledge and follow-up. After checking a reference and applying for and receiving a historic tax credit for the work, the three-week installation just concluded. The two fellows who installed the system arrived promptly everyday. Mike and Chung *were* neat, efficient and very creative in how they get the AC lines into very tight spaces. They managed to run trunk lines in the crawl space over our third floor and somehow snaked the necessary tubing into each of our second and third floor rooms. All you see are small circles cut into the ceiling. We look forward to being able to invite friends and family over during the summer! And, if anyone needs five window units at a good price, please let me know.

**Congratulations to Celia Neustadt** who trained as an election judge and worked the polls at the primary. She is an 18 year old senior at City and will head off to Pomona College in California next year. President of the

student government at City, Celia represents one of many young people I know who are very interested in this year's presidential election.

**My son Anders Hulleberg**, a freshman cross-country runner at Haverford College, was recently honored as an Academic All American, based on his running and academic accomplishments. What made him even happier is that his team was named All-Academic Team of the Year by the NCAA Division III U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. Needless to say, we are very proud. He hopes to work with City school kids this summer, having been inspired to do so by the fourth season of *The Wire*. His brother, **Lucas**, is busy being a junior in high school. Lucas is organizing a Spaghetti Disco-like dance at Park School to raise scholarship funds in the name of his good friend, Matt Young, and his sister, Abby, who tragically died in a house fire in Roland Park last December. Our exchange student from Macedonia, **Sandra**, is loving her year here. So far she's been to NYC, Washington, D.C., Ohio, New Hampshire (skiing!) and will soon visit Massachusetts, Vermont and Florida. Not too shabby. She is really loving Park's style of progressive education and will spend six weeks working with the Federal Public Defender's Office for her senior project. We have an invitation to visit her family in Macedonia in southern Europe near Greece and Croatia—just need the time. Sandra is our third exchange student in five years. If you have ever thought about hosting and want to know what it is like, I would be happy to talk to you. It's been a wonderful experience and great for our kids.

**Patricia Owens** had lung surgery a couple of weeks ago and is now home recovering and happy that the lump removed was non-cancerous. She reports that her neighbors and friends have been very helpful bringing her food and running errands for her. An avid gardener, Patricia is looking forward to completing her recovery so she can get out in her backyard. We wish her the best and expect to see her beautiful garden on this year's Garden Walk on Sunday, June 1.

**Abell Avenue's Paul Burk**, community leader for last year's major rebuilding of the Barclay School grounds, notified me about the upcoming 50<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for Barclay School. They are in the early stages of planning a 50th birth-


day celebration and would like community input and help. At this early stage in development, the only thing we know for certain is the general time for the event in late August or early September. Everything else is wide open, so please feel free to suggest ideas. He is also looking for volunteers to help coordinate and plan the event, as well as volunteers to actually help the day of the event. Contact Paul at 443.324.3918 or e-mail Taylor Berman at [tberman@greaterhomewood.org](mailto:tberman@greaterhomewood.org)

**Supporting sustainable businesses...** **Richard Burnham, owner of Graphic Imaging Inc.** on 25<sup>th</sup> Street, is a founding member of the Chesapeake Sustainability Business Association (CSBA), which has a goal of educating the public on the importance of supporting the local economy and encouraging businesses and consumers to be environmentally sustainable and socially responsible. Visit [www.csballiance.org](http://www.csballiance.org) for information and a list of members. or e-mail [keith@csballiance.org](mailto:keith@csballiance.org) for more information. CSBA also has an addition organization named BUY LOCAL BALTIMORE, to encourage support of local independent businesses. Graphic Imaging just won a number of awards from the Printing & Graphic Association Mid-Atlantic region, which is the premier printing industry event. First place finishes included the brochure and folder, point of purchase material, posters and miscellaneous categories.

**...and an Award of Excellence for the new CVCA Charles Village Cooks: A Taste of The Village.** which Graphic Imaging proudly printed. Village-based photographer, **Greg Pease** provided all of the photography for each of the award winning entries. Congratulations to Richard and his entire staff.

Speaking of local businesses, if you are in the market for a nice rug, check out the big closing sale at **Michael's Rug Gallery** on 33<sup>rd</sup> Street. I bought one there recently and thoroughly enjoyed my interactions with Ali and Allan. I am told that a new soul food place with table service has opened on the corner of St. Paul and 25<sup>th</sup> Street. If you have tried it and have a review, let me know!

Please send me news about you, your kids, your friends, your neighbors for my next column to: [dawnacobb@mindspring.com](mailto:dawnacobb@mindspring.com) or 2943 North Charles Street, Baltimore 21218 or call me at 410.366.6782.



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#### Urban Forest, continued from page 1

This project will tell a great visual story, especially in Charles Village—the hub of the project. There will be two Charles Village events. The first will open April 12 on the Johns Hopkins Homewood Campus Beach at 3400 North Charles Street, and the second will be a tree building installation in the lower lawn of Wyman Park Dell during the Charles Village Festival weekend, May 31 & June 1. In addition, North Charles Street to University Parkway will be lined with banners as part of the city-wide Urban Forest Project.

As a special end to the project, the banners will be recycled into tote bags and sold as original works of functional art. All proceeds from the project will

benefit the Baltimore City Department of Recreation & Parks Tree Baltimore Campaign for a greener city and the goal of doubling the tree canopy to 40 percent in the next 30 years.

What is the best thing about Baltimore's Urban Forest Project? *It produces no waste!* The UFP is a grow-

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ing global exhibition working in conjunction with the Times Square Alliance and World Studio Foundation in New York City.

Last fall, Charles Village-based Tilt Studio Foundation, Inc. discovered this project in NYC and is thrilled to bring it to their hometown. Tilt Studio is working with the Baltimore City Department of Recreation & Parks, Baltimore Green Week, Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts, Maryland Institute College of Art and Johns Hopkins University.

Check out the national site at [www.urbanforestproject.org](http://www.urbanforestproject.org) or our local Tilt Studio Foundation, Inc. at [www.bmore-ufp.org](http://www.bmore-ufp.org) about:

- ▶ sponsorship inquiries
- ▶ donations
- ▶ designer information
- ▶ event dates
- ▶ park information
- ▶ shop item questions

There are many opportunities for Charles Villagers to help. We are seeking more media support to help reach the local residents. In addition, we are requesting financial contributions to the non-profit Tilt Studio Foundation. These gifts will allow Baltimore City Department of Recreation & Parks Department to purchase advertising space in the Parks or on a banner.

You are invited to the Friends of Wyman Park Dell's Annual Meeting on March 31 (see box opposite) at the BMA, where I will discuss the Urban Forest Project and how it impacts Charles Village and The Dell.

For more information and to help in Charles Village, please contact me at [erb@tiltstudio.biz](mailto:erb@tiltstudio.biz) or 410.467.4513.

—E. Rachael Baird, Tilt Studio, Inc.

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Spaghetti Disco X— A Hit!

**Spaghetti Disco X**, on Saturday, February 23, was the biggest, most successful year in Disco history! **Over 500** community residents of all ages enjoyed an evening of delicious food, children’s crafts and entertainment, and disco dancing and prizes. In this tenth year, there were more spectacular disco costumes than ever, and handmade meatballs and croutons graced the buffet for the first time. It was truly a legendary night of local food, local folks, and loads of fun!

One highlight of the event was **Judah Terrelonge**, a nine-year-old student in the VLP’s **LINK After-School** program, who won “Best Moves” after an intense competition. Judah treated the crowd to a phenomenal performance on stage with back-up dancers **Asha Holmes** and **Diamonae Mooney**, both age 10 and also LINK participants. Groovy prizes were also awarded to: **Josh Fruhlinger** and **Amber Eisenmann** for “Best Disco Couple,” **Tara Loyd** for “Best Disco Diva,” **James Keck** for “Best Disco Dude,” and **Tali Spiliadas** for “Best Disco Kid.” Tali was also celebrating her birthday at the Disco! **Sarah Begus**, another winner of the night, turned a cool \$180 in the 50/50 raffle.

Disco Founders **Halle Van der Gaag**, **Chef Andy Thomas**, **Rebecca Bruce**, and **Chris Bruce** originally envisioned a neighborhood event that would both bring people together and benefit the community. After ten fantastic years, the Spaghetti Disco is a great success on both fronts. Many thanks to Halle, Andy,



LINK After School students dance on stage to Michael Jackson’s Thriller at Spaghetti Disco X!

Rebecca and Chris for their wonderful continuing support. And to celebrated Cartoonist Tom Chalkley for his terrific Disco X cartoon logo that wrapped up all past logos in one spectacular design. And thanks not least to John Spurrier for staging and DJing the disco evening—again for the tenth time..

VLP Calendar

**L.I.N.K Middle After-School Program— Mondays–Thursdays, 2:30 to 5:30 pm**  
The VLP is now accepting applications for L.I.N.K. (Let’s Invest in Neighborhood Kids) Middle, an after-school enrichment program for students in 6th through 8th grade. Participants will receive homework assistance, tutoring, MSA preparation, and enrichment activities featuring art, computer literacy and more! Applications are available at the Circulation Desk. For more information, contact Andrea Foster at 410.235.2210, ext. 205 or [andrea@villagelearningplace.org](mailto:andrea@villagelearningplace.org).

**Wise Guys & Girls Tutoring Program — Saturdays, April 5 to May 2, Noon to 2:00pm**  
Open to middle school students. Volunteers from JHU will provide small group instruction for homework help and academic tutoring. Participants should bring homework to tutoring sessions. Registration is required. Applications are available at the circulation desk of the VLP Library. For more information, please contact Andrea Foster at 410.235.2210, ext. 205 or email [andrea@villagelearningplace.org](mailto:andrea@villagelearningplace.org)

**VLP Step Team — Mondays & Wednesdays, 5:30pm to 6:30pm**  
A new Step Dance Class has begun for middle school students. Space is limited so register now! For more information or to receive an application, contact Andrea Foster at 410.235.2210, ext. 205 or email [andrea@villagelearningplace.org](mailto:andrea@villagelearningplace.org).




**Words & Rythms — Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm to 6:00pm**  
During National Library Week, the Village Learning Place will celebrate Teen Literacy on Tuesday April 15, 2008 from 4-6pm. The VLP will host Baltimore’s own Paula Chase-Hyman, the author of So, Not the Drama and Don’t Get It Twisted. Participants will have the opportunity to meet and greet Ms. Chase-Hyman as well as get a book signed by the author. This event also includes an open-mic poetry slam for all ages. Light refreshments will be served.


**VLP Book Sale — Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am to 4:00pm**  
Pick up a great read at the VLP’s book sale!

**VLP Volunteer Recognition — Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm to 8:00pm**  
A special event to thank the VLP’s wonderful volunteers who help throughout the year!

**VLP Annual Meeting & Reception — Thursday, May 22 at 6:00pm**  
The VLP invites community members to join us for this annual celebration of the organization’s accomplishments. Additionally, the election of the VLP Officers and Directors will take place.

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**Looking Through the Lens: Photography 1900–1960.** 150 vintage prints of some of the world's best-known 20th century photographers are featured, including May Ray, Alfred Stieglitz, Edward Weston, Dorothea Lange, and Gordon Parks. March 16–June 8.

**Meditations on African Art: Pattern.** A glorious display of pattern from textiles to body art. The Kuba patterns of Congo are the most impressive. Be prepared to be awed. Until August 17.

Families— check out the Free Family Sundays which feature hands-on art workshops, gallery tours, and more.

**Barnes & Noble Johns Hopkins Bookstore** has activities for families. Thursdays and Saturdays at 10:15 a.m. is story time in the children's department. For schedule go to: [www.johnshopkins.bncollege.com](http://www.johnshopkins.bncollege.com)

**The Walters Art Museum** is featuring **Mapping the Cosmos: Images from the Hubble Space Telescopes.** These stunning images will be on exhibit until July 27 in coordination with the major exhibit **Maps: Finding Our Place in the World**—a fascinating exploration of the art of maps and mapping across cultures and time. Works by artists, statesmen, and explorers from Leonardo da Vinci, Thomas Jefferson and Hernan Cortes. Admission for adults.



*In the Looking Through the Lens: Photography 1900–1960 exhibit at the BMA, see this photograph by Lázló Moholy-Nagy. Rue Cannebière. 1929. BMA. Also, explore the Meditations on African Art: Pattern exhibit with this Kuba. (Congo) (Kinshasa) Female Mask (Ngaady Mwaash). Late 19th–early 20th century. BMA*

For more on this exhibit through June 6 and special programs at the Walters, visit [www.thewalters.org](http://www.thewalters.org)

Charles Village resident, artist/ designer **Linda Gravina Ridings** will conduct a map making workshop at MICA in conjunction with a lecture by Will Noel, Curator of Manuscripts at the Walters Art Museum. One of the premier events held to celebrate the new exhibit **MAPS: Finding Our Place in the World.** The lecture and workshop will be conducted on Saturday, March 29 and Saturday, April 5. Space is limited. Registration fees.



tions, Steve, on another great effort. Through March 30 410.563.9135 or visit [www.vagaboundplayers.com](http://www.vagaboundplayers.com)

**At Fells Point Corner Theater**— Richard Greenberg's **Three Days of Rain.** A look at the secrets in families. Through April 13. Call 410.276.7837 or visit [www.fpct.org](http://www.fpct.org).

**At Audrey Herman's Spotlighters**— **Four Short Plays by Tennessee Williams,** directed by Barry Feinstein. Through April 13. 410.752.1225.

**The Hopkins Symphony Orchestra** continues its 25th Anniversary Season : Chamber Concert, Sunday, April 6 at 3 p.m. SDS Room . Mattin Arts Center. Featuring **Rossini Sonata for Strings.** And performance by winner of the First Annual Hopkins Concerto & Aria Competition. 410.516.6542 or [www.jhu.edu/jhso](http://www.jhu.edu/jhso)

**Pro Musica Rara** concludes it's season of early music on original instruments at the Towson Center for the Arts on May 4 at 3:30 a.m. with Beethoven's **Brio** with Edmund Battersby on the fortepiano.

For the many happenings at the **Creative Alliance**, visit [www.creativealliance.org](http://www.creativealliance.org). I'm sure you will find an event, production, or happening that will interest you. Call 410.276.1651 for snail mail schedule.

Music for the younger, hip set, is right in our neighborhood. **The Ottobar**, 2549 North Howard Street, is happening every night of the week. Some shows require advanced tix...check out the website: [www.theottobar.com](http://www.theottobar.com) or call 410.662.0069.

Finally, for a weekly update on all that's worthwhile in the arts and culture scene, subscribe to the Greater Baltimore Cultural Alliance listserv at [Http://www.baltimoreculture.org](http://www.baltimoreculture.org) or go to [BaltimoreFunGuide.com](http://BaltimoreFunGuide.com) or [fun-saver@baltimorefunguide.com](mailto:fun-saver@baltimorefunguide.com)

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**Center Stage** continues its season with Stephen Sondheim's **A Little Night Music.** March 13–April 13. 410.332.0033 or [www.centerstage.org](http://www.centerstage.org)

Also at **Center Stage** is Charles Village resident **Laura Wexler**, one of the creators of **The Stoop Storytelling Series**, The Stoop works like this: seven storytellers get seven minutes each to tell true, personal tales on a given theme in front of a live audience (think Ira Glass, This American Life) Cocktails and live music start at 7 p.m. with Stories starting at 8 p.m. First Mondays of each month. Call 410.332.0033 or visit [www.stoopstorytelling.com](http://www.stoopstorytelling.com)

**Everyman Theater**, 1727 North Charles Street, August Wilson's **Gem of the Ocean**, the ninth written but the first play chronologically in his ten play decade-by-decade cycle of the African American experience. Through April 27. Box Office: 410.752. 2208 or [Www.everymantheatre.org](http://www.everymantheatre.org).

**At Vagabond Players**— a fine production of **A Hatful of Rain** by Michael Gazzo is directed by Charles Villager, Steve Yeager. Congratula-

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Art on Purpose Maps  
Charles Village

Charles Village completed maps as part of Art on Purpose’s Maps on Purpose project. The workshop, led by the Lab School’s Jennifer Becker with an able assist from Christina Delgado, produced several maps by Lab School students and adults about Charles Village. The maps were largely based on surveys of residents and Hopkins students plus dozens of photographs taken during several neighborhood walks.


From March 26–to 30, the Charles Village maps will be shown along with maps from Belair-Edison and Union Square & Hollins Market (Sowebo), in an exhibition called *Blending and Binding*, revealing diverse views on what comprises and binds community. A special event is being held Friday evening , March 28. Charles Village residents not only are invited, but also are encouraged to ride a FREE bus to and from the museum. See details opposite.

The Maps on Purpose program is part of the **Baltimore Festival of Maps**, a city-wide celebration of all-things mapping from March 15 through June 8 with more than 45 exhibitions, tours, seminars, performances, lectures, hands-on activities, workshops, and films. The Baltimore Festival of Maps was made possible by a grant from a Fund of the Baltimore Community Foundation and the Baltimore Cultural Development Council.


For the complete schedule of **Baltimore Festival of Maps** activities, visit [www.BaltimoreFestivalofMaps.com](http://www.BaltimoreFestivalofMaps.com)  
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### CHARLES VILLAGE


BALTIMORE, MD




Do you feel that Charles Village is a good place to go to school? Why or why not?  
"Yes! I think Charles Village is a community that is close to a lot of art, culture and academic resources. It's a great place to go to school!"  
Hopkins students come from all over the world. They adapt to life in Charles Village but they also bring their own energy and style to the community.



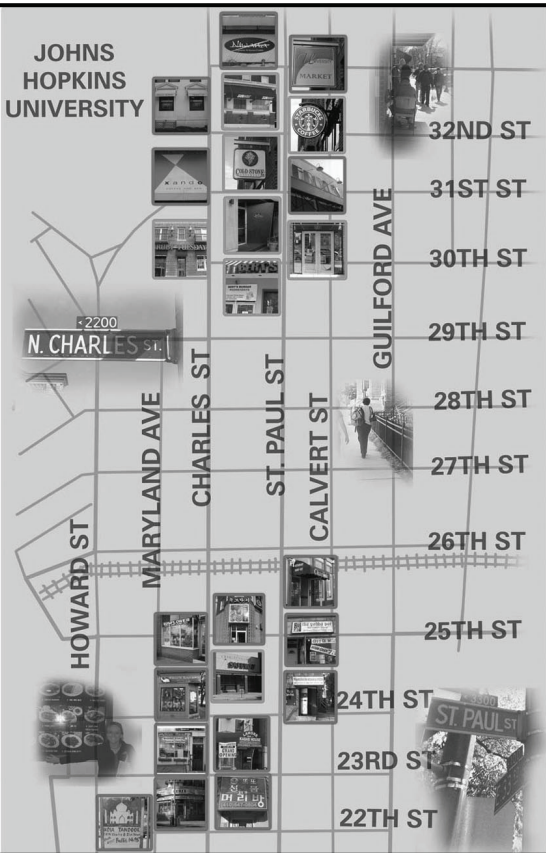
Do you feel that Charles Village is a good place to be a senior citizen? Why or why not?  
"Yes—things are close by. There's a lot to do — BMA (Baltimore Museum of Art), shops, restaurants and JHU (Johns Hopkins University) classes."  
Charles Village is a neighborhood that is accommodating to all generations.




What are some of your favorite memories of Charles Village?  
"I love that I can't really walk or drive through the neighborhood without seeing someone I know. I like community activity days, clean ups and project days."  
Charles Village Community Benefits District (CVCBD) works to unite the diverse populations of Charles Village.




What are you proud of in this neighborhood?  
"Diversity, young couples, seniors and different nationalities."  
Do you think Charles Village is a good place to be a business owner?  
"Yes— you have lots of diverse customers who are loyal in Charles Village and many students."  
Lower Charles Village has a very diverse mix of nationalities. It is known for its many ethnic restaurants that cater to the working population. New businesses are popping up next to businesses that have been in the neighborhood for years.




What are you proud of in this neighborhood?  
"Chiptole."  
The students that attend Johns Hopkins University find a level of comfort with the businesses that they are familiar with... just as if they were in their own town.






Why do you live in Charles Village?  
"Moved here to be close to my children and grand kids."  
Seniors citizens move to Charles Village for the same convenience and amenities that appeal students and young professionals.


What changes (good or bad) have you seen in Charles Village since you have lived here?  
"Good — redevelopment. Tearing down old buildings and creating new homes and businesses."  
Recently Charles Village has been going through a lot of redevelopment and change. There has been controversy as to whether "the new" is better than "the old".





Why do you live in Charles Village?  
"I love the history that this neighborhood has. Charles Village is filled with some of the oldest churches and many historic landmarks."  
Lower Charles Village still maintains its "retro" appeal that so many can remember and relate to.

What are you proud of in this neighborhood?  
"Old buildings."  
In Charles Village there is a surprise around every corner. Many of the historic homes have been returned to their original glory...and sometimes with a unique twist.



Graphics: design by Kelly Coleman, based exclusively on maps and photos from Charles Village Maps on Purpose project.

This digitally-created map, entirely based on two hand-made maps, nine accompanying photographs and commentary about Charles Village, will go on exhibit at The Walters Art Museum from March 26 to March 30 as part of the Maps on Purpose exhibition, which is part of the extensive, city-wide Baltimore Festival of Maps through June 8. For details go to [www.baltimorefestivalofmaps.org](http://www.baltimorefestivalofmaps.org).



View artistic maps created in and about your neighborhood!

Friday, March 28 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Ride the Charles Village bus to and from the museum and get one **FREE** ticket to see *Maps: Finding Our Place in the World*—a special exhibition with a regular entrance price of \$12!


The bus will leave from Wyman House,  
123 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street, at 5 p.m.

Transportation sponsored by Greater Homewood Community Corporation  
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## Charles Village Joins Baltimore Sweep Action Parade on March 29

On Saturday morning, March 29, communities in four distant parts of Baltimore neighborhoods will come together to sweep the sidewalks towards the center of Baltimore in a parade complete with a local Marching Band. The City's Initiative for a Cleaner Greener Baltimore will provide brooms.

Come and meet your neighbors at 10:30 a.m. on the corner of 25th and North Charles Street. Enjoy Zeke's Coffee as neighbors gather. At 11 a.m. the Baltimore Sweep Action Parade will begin moving down Charles to Mount Vernon Place. Around 1 p.m. the other three parades will come together at Mount Vernon Place for the opening and community celebration from 1 to 4 p.m. for MICA's *Beyond the Compass: Beyond the Square* installation in the four historic parks. Students created this site-specific, contemporary exhibit using themes in mapping within a public art setting inspired by the Walters exhibit.

Everyone is welcome to participate. Participants are encouraged to make costumes, banners, or decorative brooms to wear or carry in the parade. This is a chance to represent your community to the rest of Baltimore. All participants will receive a free pass to the very special *Maps: Finding Our Place in the World* exhibit at the Walters. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, contact Jonathan Taube, jtaube@mica.edu or www.baltimoresweepaction.org

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## Examine Legacy of Baltimore's 1968 Riots at University of Baltimore, April 3-5

The University of Baltimore (UB) announced the sessions and presenters who will participate in **Baltimore '68: Riots and Rebirth**, an unprecedented national conference in Baltimore from April 3-5 on the causes and effects of the 1968 riots. All of the conference events are open to the public, but registration is required. See the conference web page for an online sign-up and a link to the conference brochure.

On Thursday, April 3 at 6 p.m., at the UB Student Center's Performing Arts Theater, 21 West Mt. Royal Avenue, the conference **Baltimore '68: Riots and Rebirth** will open with a plenary session *Slavery, Jim Crow and the Death of a Dreamer: The Roots of a Riot*, followed by a special screening of *Pip & Zastrow*, a film documentary most recently seen at the Sundance Film Festival—showcasing two lifelong friends, one white and one black, who helped quell racial tensions in nearby Annapolis during the same period in which Baltimore erupted.

Daily plenary sessions, followed by concurrent sessions on a wide variety of topics related to the civil unrest and its causes and results, will be

held throughout the three-day conference. These gatherings will feature authors, students, musicians, professors, attorneys, advocates and witnesses to the disturbances. More than 100 people will be presenting during the three-day convening.

Jessica Elfenbein, coordinator of **Baltimore '68: Riots and Rebirth** and Associate Provost for University Engagement at UB, stated the purpose of the conference goes beyond a mere distillation of the history that was made in Baltimore in 1968. "One of the primary goals of the conference is to place the events of 40 years ago within a larger historical context to allow a deeper, more comprehensive understanding of where we have been and where we are going."

**Baltimore '68: Riots and Rebirth** is sponsored by the University of Baltimore in partnership with the Maryland Humanities Council, Annie D. Casey Foundation, WYPR-FM and William G. Baker Jr. Memorial Fund.

For more information, visit the [www.ubalt.edu/baltimore68](http://www.ubalt.edu/baltimore68), e-mail [balitmore68@ubalt.edu](mailto:balitmore68@ubalt.edu) or call 410.837.4079.

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Calling for 5K Festival Run Volunteers

On Saturday morning, May 31, the neighborhood will host the Charles Village Festival 5K Run to benefit The Charles Village Recreation League. Many volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Starting around 7 a.m., we need volunteers to prep the post-race party food tables— cut bagels, slice oranges, pour water and more. We also need volunteers to work the registration table and help with the race. Volunteer for one, two or three hours. Contact John Fink, Chair, 5K Festival Run, at [johnfink410@yahoo.com](mailto:johnfink410@yahoo.com)

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Join a fun night under the stars in the fight against cancer. Show your support to the families affected by cancer while having fun. Free entertainment throughout the night and activities for all ages. If you are a cancer survivor, please join other survivors at the event and help us celebrate life. Please contact us and be a part of the event. If you know someone affected by cancer, donate towards a Luminaria (candle in a bag with sand) to be lit in their honor or memory. Please send a letter with your name, the name of the person to be honored/remembered, and your donation (\$10 recommended) to: Relay For Life of Johns Hopkins University 200 Levering Hall, 3400 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21218. Call 410.516.4777 [Relay@jhu.edu](mailto:Relay@jhu.edu) or <http://www.jhu.edu/Relay> (note capital R).

Donate Blood to Red Cross at Homewood

Tuesday, April 22 & Wednesday, April 23, 7:30 am–5:45 pm  
JHU Homewood Campus, Glass Pavilion, Levering Hall. To register, go to [www.membersforlife.org/rccm/mobilesch/login.php?sponsorcode-1008](http://www.membersforlife.org/rccm/mobilesch/login.php?sponsorcode-1008) or contact John Black in the JHU Office of Faculty, Staff and Retiree Programs at [jblack1@jhu.edu](mailto:jblack1@jhu.edu) or 410.516.0138



On the Old Goucher House Tour on April 27, see the St. Paul Street offices of EAC/Archeology, which maintain the building's historic character and a homey feel.

Old Goucher House Tour Features  
Unique Buildings on Sunday, April 27

The Old Goucher House Tour is set for Sunday, April 27 from Noon to 4 p.m. The tour includes 10 historic houses and buildings in the neighborhood. Visit the best buildings that Old Goucher has to offer, from unique homes, to historic churches, to offices and art galleries in historic buildings. See Brian Jensen's house on 21st Street— recently featured in *The Baltimore Sun's* Dream House series. Brian's dreams include a built in pipe organ, vintage kitchen appliances, and working gas lights and servants bells. A favorite from past tours, Carol Dennis' house in the 2400 block of Guilford Avenue remains largely as built in 1906. Carol will display documents she has found on the construction of her block.

The Old Goucher Community Association will donate part of tour proceeds to the demolition training programs of Second Chance, a non-profit architectural salvage company. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold at Lovely Lane Church, 2200 Saint Paul Street, beginning at 11:45 AM on tour day, Sunday, April 27. For more information contact Peter Duvall at 410.243.6470.

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## Residential Permit Parking (RPP) for Area 37, Charles Village West DELAYED

At the March 12 Public Meeting, Theresa Webb and Gail Desch, City Parking Authority, reviewed the parking study for streets to be included in the new Charles Village West RPP Area 37. Howard Street committee representatives are still collecting signatures. If you would like to sign the petition on Howard Street, contact your block representative listed below.

Because of opposition to the new Area 37 RPP from businesses in the area, a Parking Management Study is now underway to satisfy the requirements of the City's RPP Ordinance, which requires the Parking Authority to assist businesses with finding alternative parking when an RPP is likely to have an adverse impact on the ability of businesses to park in the RPP Area. This study will take an additional 30–60 days to complete, but Ms. Webb and Ms. Desch promised to do it as quickly as possible.

As a result, the implementation of the Charles Village West RPP Area 37 will be delayed past April 1. Residents can and should continue to register online at <http://baltimorecity.gov/government/parking/permits.html> for permits. However, the permits will not be distributed until a few weeks before a new enforcement date is set. The new permit expiration date will be one year from the new enforcement date.

The earlier you sign up, the better chance you have to qualify for a JHU reimbursement program, whose details will be disclosed shortly. If you have questions, please contact your block RPP committee representative:

**2800 block Maryland:** Betty Hill, [BettyH14@msn.com](mailto:BettyH14@msn.com) or 410.467.5207

**2700 block Maryland EVEN (2700–2726):**

Wanda Holmes, [wholmes4@jhmi.edu](mailto:wholmes4@jhmi.edu) or 410.366.6454

**2700 block Maryland EVEN (2728–2752):**

Chuck Bullamore, [csbullamore@juno.com](mailto:csbullamore@juno.com) or 410.366.8245

**2700 block Maryland ODD:**

Cornel Rubino, [ladolcevida@mindspring.com](mailto:ladolcevida@mindspring.com) or 410.662.1925

**2600 block Maryland:** David Canova, [canova.david@gmail.com](mailto:canova.david@gmail.com) or 410.235.0533

**Unit block W. 29th Street, 100 block W. 29th Street, Unit block W. 27th Street, Unit block W. 26th Street and 100 block of W. 26th Street**

Evalyn Tyson, [evalyntyson@comcast.net](mailto:evalyntyson@comcast.net) or 410.467.3460

**100 block W. 27th Street:** John Skarbelis, 410.299.4095

**Unit block E. 26th Street:** Lee Truelove, [LeeTrue@juno.com](mailto:LeeTrue@juno.com) or 410.235.7939

**2700 block Howard Street:**

Thayn Moyes, [TMoyes@hotmail.com](mailto:TMoyes@hotmail.com) or 410.235.0651

Julie Galbo Moyes, [juliegalbomoyes@yahoo.com](mailto:juliegalbomoyes@yahoo.com) or 410.235.0651

**2600 block of Howard Street:**

Eric Dymond, [ericdymond@hotmail.com](mailto:ericdymond@hotmail.com) or 410.366.0108

Jessica Dymond, [jess.dymond@gmail.com](mailto:jess.dymond@gmail.com) or 410.366.0108

**2800 block of Howard Street:**

Colin Pierce, [milesperce@hotmail.com](mailto:milesperce@hotmail.com) or 443.850.3655

For more information on changes and the RPP process, please contact Sharon Guida at 410.889.0436 or [SLG2700@cs.com](mailto:SLG2700@cs.com)



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## CHARLES VILLAGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION

The Charles Village Civic Association (CVCA) is action-oriented. The Association, through its membership and committees, supports activities that build a sense of community and improve our quality of life. The CVCA has held the annual Garden Walk on the first weekend in June since 1982 and the Charles Village Celebration Weekend since 1996.

The CVCA informs neighbors through our newsletter, *The Charles Villager*, and listserv messages. We have fun with our kids through the Charles Village Recreation League. We help prevent crime and build community through the Neighborhood Walkers. We beautify the neighborhood through volunteer activities. We make our voices known on City issues.

### CVCA Membership Benefits

Membership includes voting rights at CVCA General and Town Meetings, invitations to special events, and Google e-mail news. CVCA members living *beyond* the boundaries will receive a mailed subscription to *The Charles Villager*.

### CVCA MEMBERSHIP FORM

*September 30 marks the start of each CVCA Membership Year.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Individual/Household     | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Business/Institution (non-voting) |
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E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please call me to discuss volunteer opportunities, interests, and opportunities to become actively involved in the Charles Village neighborhood.

Please make check payable to: CVCA. Complete this Membership Form and mail to:  
Brendan Coyne, CVCA Membership Secretary  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

If participating as a group: provide names, addresses, telephone for each person in your group on a separate piece of paper.

### The Greater Charles Village Garden Contest Official Rules

1. The contest is sponsored by the Charles Village Civic Association (CVCA) and is open property owners, residents, landlord, or business owners. Groups of residents/property owners are encouraged to apply as single applicant. **Winners will be announced at the Charles Village Festival on Sunday, June 2, 2008.**

2. Eligible gardens must be located within the Charles Village Community Benefits District Boundaries at <http://www.charlesvillage.org/districtmap/>

3. The categories for prizes are: **1. Best Front Yard/s, 2. Best Tree Well Gardens, and 3. Best Container Gardens.** All entries must be visible from the street, i.e., the front of the house or building. There will be cash prizes for best group and individual efforts.

4. An application must be submitted along with pictures taken **before and after the project is completed.** Each picture must be attached to an 8.5 x 11 inch sheet of paper. Enclose as many pictures as you feel necessary to highlight your project. Photos will not be returned. If you are entering as a group, please identify a contact person, his/her name, address, telephone number and e-mail address. **The deadline for submission is: May 24. Applications must be delivered by this date.**

5. The application must also be submitted with a written summary of your project, starting with your (or your group's) vision and goals, specific information about the plants and flowers selected and the name of any sources to whom credit should be given, i.e., landscapers, nurseries, etc.

6. **Send the application, photographs and summary to: The Greater Charles Village Garden Contest, c/o Dawna Cobb, 2943 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md. 21218.**

For more information and the complete Garden Contest Rules, contact Dawna Cobb at [dawnacobb@mindspring.com](mailto:dawnacobb@mindspring.com)

## 12th Charles Village Festival Parade

### APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE

**Saturday, May 31. Assemble at 9 a.m. Step off at 10.**

You ... children, kids on bikes, adults, dog walkers, kazoo players, marching bands, community groups, neighbors, non-profit organizations, local businesses, **IN YOUR MOST COLORFUL ATTIRE**, etc. All are welcome to apply including those from outside of Charles Village. Creative colorful combinations of people with wild, wacky props are encouraged. A parade featuring creative floats, art cars, marching bands and more will begin at 25th and St. Paul Streets, march up St. Paul to 33rd Street, over to Charles Street and south on Charles Street to 29th Street and the Festival in Wyman Park Dell. Voted "Baltimore's Best Parade", the parade captures the unique flair at the heart and soul of this urban village.

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Name of Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe your parade entry (theme, props, number of participants, color scheme, if you are a band, etc.). Attach separate paper to describe fully and include a picture/doodle of your proposed idea.

☐ **YES !!! We also want to apply for one of the three \$100 scholarships. A picture/doodle of our proposal is attached.**

**Please mail/fax the attached application by Saturday, May 17 to:** Charles Village Parade, Ed Hargadon, 3021 Guilford Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218 or Fax 410.243.1940.

The sooner you send in your application, the more likely you will be chosen for participation in the Charles Village Parade!

For more info call Ed Hargadon, Charles Village Parade Committee, 410.366.6071 or e-mail: [valdoned@comcast.net](mailto:valdoned@comcast.net)

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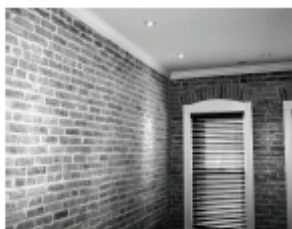
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