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CITIZENS ON PATROL

SEGWAY TRAINING
for potential
neighborhood patro
members

FALL TOWN HALL MEETING 2009

ELECTION OF AT-LARGE BOARD MEMBERS

Presentation of Midtown's Strategic Plan

*Wed. Oct. 21 - 7:00pm
Waxter Center, Cathedral at Eager Street*

Tuesday September 29, 2009
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
FITZGERALD PARK
Wilson At Bolton Sts.

MIDTOWN EVENTS

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

BOLTON HILL

Joseph Palumbo is an active member of the Spicer's Run Home Owners Association Board of Directors (2004 - 2007) and has served as its president. He has been a member of the Midtown Benefits District Board of Directors 2006-2008; He has been an active Member of the District's finance committee, public safety committee and the operations committee.

Mr. Palumbo has been a resident of Bolton Hill from 1995 through 1997 and from 2003 to the present. He is the owner of a CPA practice In Anne Arundel County.

Second Saturdays in Charles North

*On every 2nd Saturday of the month
venues in the Station North Arts &
Entertainment District offer free
admission to encourage visitors to
venue-hop and experience the divers*

CHARLES NORTH

Melvin G. Mercer Jr. is the vice- president of the Greenmount West Community Association. He and his wife Dr. Charmaine Mercer have resided in the Midtown Community Benefits District corner of the Greenmount West community for the past three years and within the city of Baltimore for five years. Melvin is a graduate of the University of Maryland School of Social Work, where he received a Masters of Clinical Social Work degree. For his under-graduate studies, he attended Howard University in Washington D.C. where he received double bachelor's degrees in Sociology and Criminal Justice.

Melvin has 15 years of work experience in the field of social work he is currently employed as a Child Protective Services Social Worker with the City of Alexandria, VA. Department of Social Services. He is very interested in improving his community and working with community leaders to reduce the large number of vacant and abandon buildings in the city of Baltimore. In his free time Melvin enjoys reading and spending time with his family. Melvin and Charmaine are expecting their first children in November.

MADISON PARK

Juanita Curtis has been a resident of the 1400 block of Madison Avenue for 20 years. Her husband is a retired administrative law judge and is now employed by the Maryland Department of Transportation. Juanita is a retired vocal music teacher with her BA from Whitworth College in Spokane,

Ms. Curtis has been spearheading improvement efforts in her immediate neighborhood for many years. Most recently she led a tree well cleaning and planting drive with funds from a Parks and People Grant. She is currently working with her neighbors on a project to involve students of Booker T. Washington Middle School is beautifying the school grounds and some other the surrounding blocks.

Juanita describes as one of her goals during her active retirement years the spreading of the civility of Bolton Hill to the 1300, 1400 and 1500 blocks of Madison Avenue and beyond.

MOUNT VERNON

Steven Shen is currently an At-Large member of the Board representing Mount Vernon-Belvedere and serves as Chairman of the Operations Committee. Over the past years, Mr. Shen has worked closely with the District Administrator to increase the efficiency of cleaning operations nearly 500% throughout the District. Recent completed projects include the outfitting of a new liftgate truck and acquisition of equipment to further increase the efficiency of Midtown's various operations.

He continues to encourage residents of neighborhoods with a significant commercial component to authorize the posting of 2 Hour No Parking signs to take advantage of the City's mechanical street sweeping on a weekly basis and has been implementing the return of regularly maintained corner wastebaskets to high traffic locations throughout the District in the continuing battle against litter.

In the next year, Mr. Shen intends to continue his primary focus of identifying technological solutions, such as Segways, to address the unique safety issues that face each neighborhood and its bordering communities. The proposed Smart-CCTV solution will require a significant commitment of capital from and unprecedented cooperation between MCBBD and institutional, governmental, neighborhood, and private partners.

Mr. Shen has an engineering and business background. He serves

and creativity the neighborhood offers. Events will include art openings, theatre performances, spoken word, local and touring musicians and more!



Mark your calendar for the 14th annual Baltimore Book Festival in Mount Vernon Place on September 25-27, 2009. This year's authors include Buzz Aldrin, Gwen Ifill, Ralph Nader, Chris Gardner, Amiri Baraka, Ingrid Hoffmann, Farai Chideya, Maureen McCormick, Dale DeGroff, Lourdes Castro, Adair Ried, Mordicai Gerstein and James Warhola.

Festival on the Hill

BOLTON HILL SWINGS!!

Celebrate With Us At the
55th Annual Festival On The Hill
Saturday, October 3, 2009
Noon to 5:00 pm

In the 1400 block Bolton St.
Sponsored by Memorial Episcopal Church
Live Entertainment
Delicious Food
Kids Zone
Artists & Crafters from far and near
Raffle

Poetry Readings
and much, much, more
Proceeds benefit community
organizations and charities.
For further details call
Memorial Episcopal Church
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MADISON PARK FALL EXTRAVAGANZA

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as chairman of the MVBA Architectural Review Committee and is active in neighborhood and historic preservation issues.

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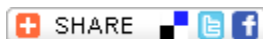
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Sat. Oct 17
Community Clean-Up
Entertainment
Food

Nearby:

SETON HILL BALTIMORE'S OLD FRENCH QUARTER OPEN HOUSE TOUR

Tour historic buildings, private homes, and the new Visitor Center for the historic Seminary Chapel and the Mother Seton House.



SATURDAY OCTOBER 3, 2009
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. VISITOR CENTER:
600 N. PACA ST.
BALTIMORE, MD

Visit www.setonhill.com for more information about how to reserve your ticket.
An Event partnership between Seton Hill Association, Live Baltimore and Hearty Neighbors

UB MIDTOWN UNVEILED

Wed. Sept. 30 at noon
Gordon Plaza - Mt Royal Ave.
The unveiling of a cutting edge color addition to the UB campus and its environs featuring illustrations by nationally renowned artists.



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