

WAVERLY NEWSLETTER

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WIA MEETING DATES AND TIMES

- Next WIA General Meeting: Tuesday, Dec. 1st , 6:30 PM in the YMCA Conference Room .
- March 2, 2010
- June 1, 2010
- September 7, 2010

PLEASE JOIN OUR FIREHOUSE #31 COMMITTEE

In the heart of Waverly Main Street, historic Firehouse #31, located at 3123 Greenmount Avenue, is a community institution, a local 24/7 presence and safe haven, a Better Waverly polling place and an emergency fire & medical safe-guard for surrounding neighborhoods, including Abell, Charles Village, Ednor Gardens/Lakeside, Guilford, Harwood, Oaken-shawe, Pen Lucy, Tuscany-Canterbury, Waverly Village and beyond. It is also the 24/7 "home away from home" for Captain John Parker, his officers and medics.

Because of its age (100-years-plus), Firehouse #31 has been "closed for repairs" since mid-summer, in hopes that Baltimore would secure a federal stimulus grant for major renovation.

In October, we learned that we lost that opportunity --- but we have won Baltimore City's commitment to use local fund-ing, supplemented by volunteer help, to undertake major renovations nonetheless, with the hope of reopening by early Spring. Meanwhile, Company #31's men and women are temporarily housed at the Herman Williams Firehouse at Kirk Avenue & East 25th Street in Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello (CHM).

City work has already begun and will proceed in stages --- until we reach the point of needing all-out volunteer help and contributions to finish the job.

We are asking neighborhoods and local businesses to:

- 1) enlist TEAMS of volunteers now, with each TEAM committing to the volunteer painting/minor rehab of ONE ROOM EACH of Firehouse #31 in February/March 2010. Ms. Martin and Ms. Young will provide us with floor plans/ scopes of work within the next month, so please begin to organize.
- 2) begin to raise funds to help us equip the kitchen and provide for less expensive "wish list" items.

United Way of Central Maryland has mastered the art of engaging volunteer teams from Baltimore's corporate and non-profit communities, each team taking responsibility for one room or area of a Baltimore City recreation center, most re-cently at Medfield Recreation Center in our area.

I am hoping to engage United Way in the Firehouse #31 effort. I know they will help if possible --- but they are committed to the recreation centers and may be over-booked.

Meanwhile, I am recommending that we begin along the same lines by recruiting teams from our local businesses, non-profits and neighborhood organizations to paint/rehab one room each --- then compete for "best in show!"

Please let me know

- if you will organize a team of at least a dozen to 20 reliable and (if possible) skilled painting/minor repair volunteers.
- if your group can help us raise \$ for the kitchen appliances and wish list items.
- if you have ideas of local businesses we should be sure to en-gage.
- if YOU WILL VOLUNTEER PERSONALLY TO JOIN A FIREHOUSE #31 COMMITTEE to help coordinate this entire volunteer and fund raising effort

With your permission I will convene this committee and chair it for as long as necessary.

Please contact both me and Kara Kunst with your responses:

Subject line: #31 Firehouse

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Thanks,

Mary Pat Clarke

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WALKING WAVERLY

The Waverly Improvement Association is starting a walking group. The group would meet once a month walk for 1 - 2 hours. The route will be in and around Waverly. Do you like to walk? Would you like to see more of the Waverly Community?

If so, please contact
Regina T. Boyce, traleese@yahoo.com, or 410.889.3376.



WAVERLY ELEM/MIDDLE PAGEANT

Waverly Elementary/Middle Pageant

WHEN: December 17th @ 5:30 PM

WHERE: Waverly Elementary

Waverly Elementary/Middle Pageant

TIME: 5:30 PM, 4:30 PM to take pictures with Santa.

Details

\$1 Raffles

Volunteers needed

Donations for Raffle needed



FEATURED NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS



Last Phaze

Jeffrey Hair

Residential/Commercial Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning

Hardy-man Services

410.908.3367



NEW COMER TO WAVERLY

New C-SAFE Coordinator : Mark Hughes



To the Waverly Community,

As the new Waverly/Pen Lucy C-SAFE Community Organizer, I am excited about the opportunity to work with you. I bring experience helping others to access city services, confronting those who harm some of the most vulnerable neighborhoods in Baltimore and making the overall quality of life better in the community. My first priority is to help the association to accomplish its goals and involve more residents in the process. This will make the neighborhood association stronger and make the community a better place in which to live. My personal motto is "service is the price we pay for the space we occupy". I look forward to serving your community.

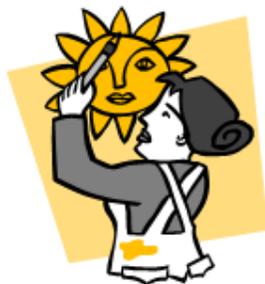
Mark Hughes

FREE FINANCIAL COUNSELING

Lori Jankalski , Financial Counselor
 Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Maryland
 1-800-642-2227 or 1-877-254-1097



RESORTATION OF THE BP MURAL



The Waverly Improvement Association, with the assistance of Greater Homewood Community Corporation and the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts, would like to form a team of Waverly Residents, 5 - 8 individuals, interested in overseeing the restoration of the mural on the wall of the BP Gas Station/Uncle Lee's (E. 33rd Street and Greenmount Avenue). Although the actual restoration may not begin until the spring of 2010, we would like to form the team now and start logistics of the project. If you are interested in this project, love art, and especially Waverly, we encourage you to take in this team. Contact Regina T. Boyce, traleese@yahoo.com , to reserve your spot. We look forward to meeting you soon!



Waverly Improvement Association

Celebrating Wonderful Waverly!

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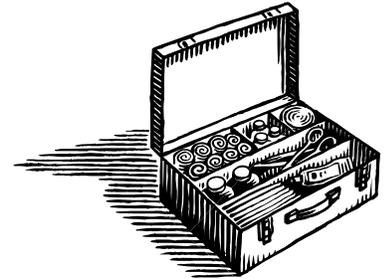
YAHOO! GROUPS

Would you like to sign-up for our List-Serve (WIA YAHOO GROUP? If so, here is how:

1. Go to www.yahoo.com/groups
2. Type "Waverly Improvement Association" in the search box "Find a Yahoo Group". Then click on Search.
3. Beneath the WIA photograph, click on "Join This Group".
4. If you already have a Yahoo account, sign in. If not, click on sign up and proceed to become a YahooGroup member.

CERT—THREE DAY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- ONE GALLON OF WATER PER PERSON, PER DAY
- FOOD
- MEDICINE
- FLASHLIGHT, PORTABLE RADIO, FIRST AID KIT
- WARM CLOTHING AND BLANKETS IF YOU ARE WITHOUT HEAT
- EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS OF FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS
- A CAR KIT: BLANKET, FLASHLIGHT, FIRST AID KIT, PORTABLE RADIO, FOOD, EXTRA GLOVES, SOCKS, SWEATER, AND HAT



40 TREES, 40 NEIGHBORHOODS



Baltimore City is rolling out a new program called TreeNeighborhood. As part of the Mayor's TreeBaltimore initiative, Baltimore City is providing FREE trees to residents of Healthy Neighborhoods, for planting on front and back yards this fall. Eligible neighborhoods include Waverly, Better Waverly, Remington, Charles Village, and Ednor Gardens-Lakeside. In partnership with TreeBaltimore, Greater Homewood Community Corporation (GHCC) and the 40 Trees in 40 Neighborhoods Initiative are happy to assist your neighborhood in coordinating, planning and executing your tree order or tree planting event. For information on how to order and arrange delivery of your neighborhood's FREE trees, the 40 Trees in 40 Neighborhoods Initiative,

or any resources on planting trees,

contact Audrey Stevens at astevens@greaterhomewood.org or 410-261-4927