

St. Martin Church of Christ Strengthens Community Partnership

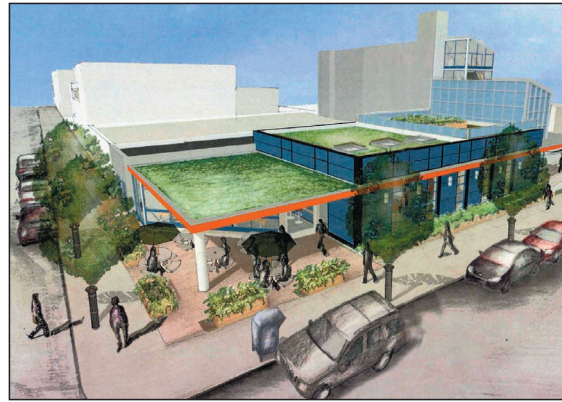
Under the leadership of Dr. Kevin Daniel, Senior Episcopal Pastor, St. Martin Church of Christ located at 2118 Madison Avenue formed a strong partnership with the community association.

- Applied funds from CPHA grant to reach out to youth in the community through HIP-Hop Ministry
- Hosted the 1st Annual Intergenerational Family Reunion in the community
- Created an apprenticeship program for men in the community interested in careers in the construction field
- Host Site for State Farm Financial Fitness Program on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.
- Serves on the West Baltimore Drug Prevention Coalition
- Joined the Advisory Board for the Druid Heights Boys Scout Troop #157
- Provides an enriched after school program to neighborhood children
- Great participation and attendance from residents in the community
- Joined in an agreement with Druid Heights CDC to develop the Franklin Entrepreneurial and Apprenticeship Center

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE FUNDRAISING EFFORTS FOR THE CENTER.

To contribute to the upcoming center, please visit the church's website at www.stmartins.coc.org

For more information about Druid Heights Community Development Corporation's residential and commercial development initiatives, contact Roscoe Johnson III, Director of Real Estate Development at 410-523-1350 ext. 228.



The 2101-2111 Pennsylvania Avenue Development Project



This project is the rehabilitation and new construction of the lots located at 2101-2111 Pennsylvania Avenue. The project design will take the 12,000 square foot site and create a net square feet of 14,450 for a restaurant/cultural arts venue, an interactive B.A.L.L. House Museum, a business incubator and retail space. To successfully complete this project, Druid Heights CDC will form a joint venture partnership with the Negro League Café – Baltimore and the B.A.L.L. Association Incorporated. The completion of the project will provide The Pennsylvania Avenue Historic District with an anchor to support the future development of future businesses, arts and cultural venues along the Avenue. The renovation of the Historic Sphinx and other vacant buildings in the 2100 block of Pennsylvania Avenue is in concert with current efforts spearheaded by public agencies, businesses and local residents to redevelop the commercial corridor to support the development activities in the 44th Legislative District of Baltimore City.

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DRUID HEIGHTS



Jan. Feb. March 2010



First Quarter

DRUID HEIGHTS Spotlight

In our continued efforts to acknowledge merchants and residents in the Druid Heights community who are making significant contributions, The Trumpet salutes Mr. and Mrs. Durwood and Daisy Bush. This outstanding couple operates Daisy's Nick Nac Variety Store located at 2418 Pennsylvania Avenue. Unlike other merchants, this shop offers more than produce and goods. They provide food, clothing and counseling to people in the neighborhood. Mr. and Mrs. Bush are ministers with a heart to serve and a vision to build the community by giving back through their "Dare to be Different Ministry". Mrs. Daisy Bush's lovely smile and warm greeting causes people to feel at home in their shop as Mr. Bush is responsive to the needs of the people.



Their outreach is geared towards children and families with a special focus on ex-offenders. The store is located near a Narcotics Anonymous

group and provides those in recovery with daily counseling and support. They are the parents of five daughters, two sons and the mentors to hundreds who rely on their spiritual guidance and professional advice. Mrs. Daisy is considered a mother in the community because her heart is not just for the success of the business but the needs of the people. Mr. Bush is President of the Penn-North / Druid Heights Merchants Association. Both are licensed Notary Public and provide this service to the residents in and around the community.

Daisy's Nick Nac Variety store donated turkeys to the community center to be distributed to needy families in the community during the holiday season. They are actively involved in the revitalization of the historic Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street project and decorated Upton Park with lights for Christmas. Most impressively, they give without recognition. "It is our calling to serve the people. We help the less fortunate because we believe it could have been us" they stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Bush are congratulated for the outstanding services they provide to the residents of Druid Heights and Baltimore City at large and wished continued success in their future endeavors. We are proud to have Daisy's Nick Nac Variety store in our community.

Executive Director's Corner Kelly Little

On behalf of the staff and Board of Directors of the Druid Heights Community Development Corporation, I would like to wish you the very best in 2010. Last year, the community and the organization reached new heights. Our staff has grown to include a team to support real estate development, housing counseling, community school initiatives, environmental services, family services, youth programs and community organizing. Druid Heights CDC initiated the process to bring 87 new town homes into the community and the revitalization of at least 25 vacant properties. We received financing for these properties from State Farm Insurance Company.

We are pleased to report our progress on the Pennsylvania Avenue redevelopment with the approval of a proposal submitted this fall to renovate the historic Sphinx Club. As a result, the metropolitan area will become home to the Negro League Café at the Sphinx Club and the Black Athletes and Legends Museum. (B.A.L.L.) The Negro League Café will provide entertainment and dining. The B.A.L.L. Museum will be a sports themed facility providing educational enrichment highlighting Black athletes of the past.

Our greatest accomplishment last year was to successfully draw the support of the residents of the community to a new level. We have witnessed the true value of human resources in the community and we are proud of those individuals who have committed themselves to the development of Druid Heights. Our residents now show great support by attending the monthly community meetings, leading the recycling efforts, clean block parties, school supply giveaways, tree well decoration, senior fashion shows, trips, support for the after school program, transportation for youth and senior programs, serving on committees, the Board of Directors and many other volunteer services. Druid Heights CDC was founded by residents in the community and still relies on their collective grass-root efforts. Therefore, we are thankful for your support. Let us all work to make Druid Heights a marketable and remarkable neighborhood. As Executive Director, I can attest that Druid Heights is on the rise.

Coming Soon!
Baker's View
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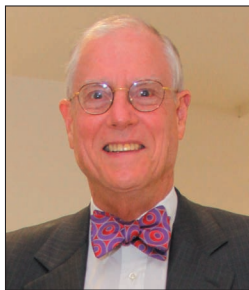
– EVENT OF THE YEAR –

Senior Fashion Show



The Senior Power program at the Druid Heights Community Development Corporation and the Charles Uncles Senior Plaza presented a Celebrity fashion Show and Dinner Extraordinaire on Sunday, October 18, 2009 in the Myrtle Howerton Room of the community center. This classy affair was attended by 128 guests who enjoyed a deliciously catered meal prepared by Jackie's Caterers, a beautify decorated community room with red carpet and a fashion show featuring local celebrities and models coordinated by the world renowned fashion guru, Travis Winkey. At 4 PM, the show began with staff from Druid Heights CDC and the blessing of the

food by Dr. Kevin Daniels, Senior Episcopal Pastor of St. Martin Church. Music, lights, color and fashion captivated an excited audience of seniors and friends. Travis Winkey introduced a cast of sophisticated models and designers. State Senator Verna Jones of the 44th Legislative District and Ms. Gigi Barnett, WJZ Anchor / Reporter are celebrities who took the runway to raise money for the seniors. Furs were provided by Xavier Furs Inc., who closed the performance with a standing ovation. Mr. Xavier was on the scene to assist with the success of the show. Mrs. Jerilyn Manning delivered a top notch performance as she demonstrated her keen ability to organize programs on a level of excellence and professionalism. Her personal touch and style added to the flair of the event as she flashed jewelry presented to her by Margaret Goodman, Representative of Cookie Lee Jewelry. Additional corporate sponsors included St. Martin Church, Druid Heights CDC, Roberta's House, King Memorial Park, The French Company, Time Printers and DESIGNCOLLAB.



DHCDC Salutes

Donald P. McPherson III, Esquire

A Special "Thank You" Breakfast was held to recognize and honor the work of Mr. McPherson. For more than twenty years he provided pro bono professional legal advice to Druid Heights CDC and assisted in many projects that directly benefited the development in the Druid Heights community. We wish him well in his retirement from DLA Piper LLP.

Community Re-Activates Boys Scout Troup #157

Mr. Leo Burroughs, President of the Roots of Scouting volunteered to serve as Scout Master for the boys in Druid Heights Troop #157. Men, young men and boys gathered for an instruction and induction ceremony and enlisted ten men to serve on the Troop's Adult Advisory Committee. The first troop meeting was held on Saturday, January 30, 2010 at 12 noon at the community center.



WHAT'S NEW IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

Christmas in the Neighborhood



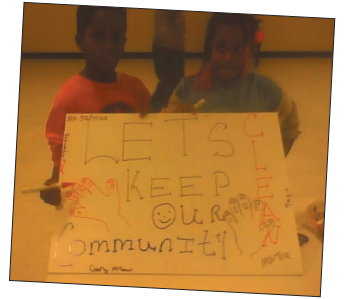
Children in the community enjoyed a nice horse driven hay ride singing "Jingle Bells" with Santa (Mr. Dave Williams, Case Manager for the Druid Heights Re-Entry Program). The buggy traveled to the community to

the Historic Pennsylvania Avenue Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony sponsored by the Historic Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street. (Linda Richardson, Main Street Manager)

OYO Traditions Cultural Arts Institute

Receives Citation for Community Recycling

Saturday, January 16, 2010 marked a great day to celebrate the success of the community's recycling and beautification project, "Urban Vitality". Nemi Trent, Executive Director, OYO Traditions received recognition and awarded individuals who contributed to the success of the program. After a theater presentation dinner was served.



The Community's Holiday Sharing Program

Letters were sent out to 25 businesses in the community requesting turkeys to be donated and distributed to families needing assistance. DHCDC collected enough turkeys and goods to serve 33 families. We received additional support from the Ray Lewis 52 Foundation and S & K Food located at 2100 Druid Hill Avenue. Thanks to all of those who supported the program.



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Druid Heights Community Development Corporation Shares Award

The Healthy Neighborhoods Consortium (Druid Heights CDC, Healthy Neighborhoods, Inc., Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development, Habitat for Humanity, St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center and the Telesis Baltimore Corporation.) This group was awarded **\$26,092,880 in Neighborhood Stabilization Funds** to address stagnant and declining housing markets in several neighborhoods in Baltimore City.