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Spotlight

In our continued efforts to recognize individuals who are making outstanding contributions to the community, the Druid Heights Trumpet and Newsletter proudly salutes Officer Robert Horne, a native Baltimorean, gentleman and scholar. Officer Horne is the first born to great parents, Mr.

and Mrs. William and Virginia Horne. He has two younger sisters. Officer Horne has two daughters, La'Tisha Horner 17 and La'Tonya Anderson who is 21 years old. After graduating Woodlawn Senior High School in 1988, he served four years in the United States Army as an Artillery Man. He received an Honorable Discharge in 1992 and later retired from the National Guard. He joined the Baltimore City Police Department in August of 1994. His first patrol was in the Southwest District. He studied in Egypt and speaks fluent Arabic. In 2000, he became Chaplain for the Muslim inmates at Baltimore City Detention Center where he continues to volunteer and teach. In 2004, Officer Horne was appointed as the Liaison for the Islamic Community of Baltimore City. Most impressively, he volunteers on a regular basis at the Druid Heights We Can Achieve Program for at risk youth. He is a role model and a person who serves from the heart.

Two years ago, Officer Horne was assigned to the Druid Heights neighborhood as Community Officer. His role is to bridge the gap between the residents, community organizations and the Central District Police Department. He also works with refugees who have relocated to America and helps them to understand their rights in this country while assisting them to overcome cultural and language barriers. Officer Horne



is friendly and personable, and he exemplifies the true meaning of integrity in his daily walk and service. Each month, he reports the crime statistics to the residents at the monthly community meetings and continues to build a personal relationship with the residents. This allows him to be involved and proactive as he does his job to protect and serve the community. The Druid Heights community benefits from his service as we experienced a decrease in aggravated assaults, zero murders and auto theft.

As a soldier, he served in the first Golf War. In 2000, he studied in Cairo, Egypt at the Center for Arabic Language. Robert also studied Arabic in Yemen before attending the Alazhar University in Cairo, Egypt to continue his studies for four years. His hobbies include traveling, reading and volunteering. Officer Horne's great personality and contagious smile can even reach the career criminal. He speaks with passion and conviction to the young men who attend the mentoring programs at the community center. "I am glad I was assigned to the Druid Heights community. I refer to the center as a one stop shop for the city that is accessible to all people. People from everywhere come to Druid Heights to share in the open door partnerships at the center."

Officer Horne is consistent and committed. Many residents have a mobile number to reach him directly. His service to the community is well noted and respected. With his support, the community Peace Patrol program and volunteers enjoy an interactive relationship with the Baltimore City Police Department. Our philosophy is to stay connected and to build a partnership before crime takes place. Druid Heights CDC and the residents of the community congratulate Officer Robert Horne for the mammoth job he performs and express our sincere appreciation for his commitment to our community and Baltimore City at large.



CIVIC AND COMMUNITY MINDED IN DRUID HEIGHTS 2012

Happy New Year! On behalf of the staff and Board of Directors, I extend the best wishes to all of the residents, friends and stakeholders in Druid Heights. Our history is rich, and we are working towards a brighter future. Last year we were able to reach milestones. Our accomplishments include the

completion of Phase 1 of the Baker View Homes and the start of our Gateway Development with an investment from State Farm Bank. Most impressively, the community organization was able to retain employment for as many as forty people throughout these difficult economic times. We continue our commitment to building people first.

I also measure the success of 2011 by the continued support extended from the residents in the community. With cutbacks and shortfalls, this is the year that we all need to become more civic and community minded. I encourage everyone to get involved with local, state and federal government affairs while voluntarily supporting the growth of the neighborhood. It is our mission to empower the community through educational initiatives and programs that will promote civic and community participation. We must all register to vote and stay informed so that our request and efforts to improve the quality of life in Druid Heights will not be in vain.

Let's show other community how involved we are and how unity makes a community. There are lots of reasons to take pride in Druid Heights and together, this year, we will make a better a difference. Druid Heights is a place where people are civic and community minded.

Druid Heights Community Meetings

Please Plan to Attend

Sat., Jan. 28th @ 1:00PM Sat., Feb. 25th @ 1:00PM Sat., March 24th @ 1:00PM

Community Clean Up Day Tuesday, March 20th A Roll-Off will be placed on corners of Gold and McCulloh Streets. Please bring your junk 10am-1pm.

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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Bakers View and Gateway Homes



Thursday, September 8, 2011 was a proud day in Druid Heights as the residents joined community leaders, city and elected officials, and the staff of Druid Heights CDC to celebrate the Grand Opening of 17 newly constructed homes in the neighborhood. The rain stopped just in time for the event that was long anticipated and successfully completed. Shown in the photo from left to right is Roscoe Johnson III, Director of Real Estate Development for Druid Heights CDC who stands behind State Senator Verna Jones-Rodwell, a community resident and Board member who is smiling next to Mrs. Jacquelyn Cornish, former Executive Director of Druid Heights CDC. Mrs. Cornish is responsible for leading the efforts to organize the residents in the community to develop a master plan for these homes ten years ago. She stands in front of Housing Commissioner Frank Graziano as Kelly D. Little, the Executive Director at Druid Heights CDC is joined by Bill Cole, Councilman of the 11th District. This was a fun filled day as music was provided

for free by one of Baltimore's Best Bands, Mercury Movement. Free limousine service was provided by ECO Green Transportation Company to escort guests to visit the Gateway Homes on McCulloh Street. The band performing on the porch New Orleans style, the free limo service and the tours of the properties, special preparations were all a part of the staff's hard work with outstanding support



and leadership from Mrs. Chloe Williams, Director of Housing Counseling and Homeownership Opportunities. We express our appreciation for all the stakeholders and partners with special gratitude for the support from State Farm bank. Druid Heights CDC is now working on Phase II of the project and aim to complete 85 newly constructed homes in this new bright spot in our community.



The Charles R. Uncles Senior Plaza Claims Fame



607 Pennsylvania Avenue, the address to the Charles R. Uncles Senior Plaza and the surrounding territory is now known as the Charles Uncles Way. The street was renamed after the first ordained

African American Priest of the Catholic Church who once lived and studied on the premises. Mrs. Jerilyn Manning, Senior Program Coordinator for Druid Heights CDC continuously provide resources, entertainment, health awareness and additional amenities to compliment the great lifestyle provided at this 47 unit. The Honorable Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, Mayor, participated at the Renaming



Ceremony and many other events as she has been a frequently invited guest by the seniors.

The Druid Heights Youth Ambassadors Host Halloween Haunted House



More than 200 children showed up at St. Peter Claver Hall to attend the haunted house sponsored by the Druid Heights Youth Ambassadors in partnership with Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street Program and St. Peter Claver Church Youth Ministries. These young people worked in a team to design the haunted house with incredible props, to engage their peers as volunteers, solicit candy from merchants for the children, and to raise money for next year's event. Congratulations to all who assisted Tavon Benson, Shaleece Williams and Daysean Williams. The community thanks St. Peter Claver Church for consistently serving the needs of the community.

••• WHAT'S NEWS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD! •••

On Saturday, September 21, 2011, Druid Heights CDC held the "Gifts In the Yard" Give-Away Day. As many as 150 people joined us in a vacant yard in the community to receive products donated to the community through the Home Depot Store # 2504 Framing Hope Gifts In Kind program. Over the past year, the organization received tools, equipment, chemicals, trash cans, building supplies, lawn mowers, appliances and many other items to cut the costs of our development efforts and to distribute to families, individuals and organizations in need of the products. Mrs. Virginia Rollins, a proud homeowner in the 2000 block of Etting Street, gladly shared her love for her new floors she was able to have installed after getting all the flooring from the give-away, and Mrs. Laura Scott of the same block loved the lovely flower plants she received. Druid Heights CDC has installed doors and sinks in homes and was able to use the equipment to provide environmental maintenance to the community. On several occasions we assisted families with hot water heaters and delivered services beyond expectations. The community thanks Home Depot #2504, Bed, Bath and Beyond and other Good360 partners for the continued partnership.

Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street Program Skate With Santa



Pamela Johnson, Manager, Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street Program added fun to the Avenue for Christmas. Children attended Shake and Bake Family Fun Center to receive gifts and a chance to dance and skate with Mr. and Mrs. Santa. Mrs. Emilia Harris and Elder Harris blessed the community as they enjoyed themselves while giving the children a great time.

OYO Traditions Cultural Arts Institute Steers Energy Efficiency in the Community

Mrs. Nemi Trent is a community resident a member of the Board of Directors who never stops her work. As Executive Director of OYO Traditions, she was able to secure funding to provide energy saving products to fifteen families in the community. Funding was provided by Community Energy Savings Grant Program / The Department of General Services and Office of Sustainability.

Community Resident Givess Back

Edward Grant, CEO of New Baltimore Contractors LLC, contributed 25 turkeys for needy families in the community. Eddie was raised in the community and holds to his commitment of giving back all year with a special emphasis on helping families during the holidays.

Thanks for the Support of the Maryland Food Bank for 100 Turkeys

Urban Built Holds Toy Drive for Needy Children in the Community

Parents of children in our after-school program and in the community were given a Wish List to complete for their children one month

before Christmas. The lists were sent to Urban Built Construction Company. The toys were delivered the week before the holiday and families were called to the center to pick up toys and food baskets. Kelly Little, Executive Director of Druid Heights CDC is joined by



Jason Watts of Urban Built LLC where the gifts were delivered, wrapped and labeled to surprise children when they arrived at the after-school program.

The Honorable Larry Young Hosts the 2nd Annual Christmas Cantata

Druid Heights CDC joined in partnership with St. Martin Church located at 2118 Madison Avenue for the annual Christmas Cantata to raise funding and awareness for the Franklin Entrepreneurship and Apprenticeship Center. Please visit our website to learn more about this center which will provide a myriad of services and job opportunities.

The Verizon Foundation Supports Druid Heights After School Program

Each day as many as sixty children attend the community center after school. Supper is prepared and delivered daily by the Maryland Food Bank Supper program. After supper, the children receive tutorial and homework assistance. The Urban Youth Initiative Project staffs and oversees the program with caring parents and volunteers. A major outcome and focus for the Verizon Foundation is to build literacy skills.

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