



CHURCH HILL NEWSLETTER

COMMITTED TO INFORMING THE RESIDENTS OF CHURCH HILL
OCTOBER 2009

Important Church Hill Association Business

Over the next two months there are several matters that will be addressed at the General Membership meetings that are also addressed in the contents of this newsletter.

1. At the October General Membership meeting we will review the proposed revisions to the By-laws that are included in this newsletter. At that meeting the Board will receive comments and recommendations on the revisions, make any necessary changes and hope for a final vote at that meeting. If time runs over, the final By-law revisions will be voted on at the November General Membership meeting.

2. At the October General Membership meeting we will review the 2010 proposed budget that is included in this newsletter. At that meeting the Board will receive comments and recommendations on the budget, make any necessary changes and bring the final 2010 budget to the November General Membership meeting for a final vote.

3. At the November General Membership meeting we will hold the elections for the 2010 Board of Directors. In this newsletter you will find the nominees for the open positions. You must attend the November 17 meeting to vote for the 2010 Board. Nominations can also be taken from the floor at that time.

4. There will be a regular General Membership meeting on November 17 at 7:00pm at St. John's Church Parish Hall. The Membership Party will be held on November 24 at 7:00pm at the 2300 Club. After all of this, we hope that you'll come to the party!

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Payment must be received prior to the publication date in order for the ad to be included in the newsletter. Send payment to: **CHA Newsletter**, P.O. Box 8031, Richmond, VA 23223.

Questions? Please contact Trish Bernal, Ad Coordinator, 643-2420 or at trishbernal@gmail.com

The Church Hill Newsletter is distributed by volunteers throughout the Church Hill neighborhood (North and South of Broad Street) and to several apartment bldgs in the Shockoe Bottom area. We also distribute to several local restaurants and area merchants. A total of 1600 issues are distributed each month.



The Church Hill Newsletter is available online at the Church Hill Association's website at www.churchhillrichmond.com. Past issues are available under the section titled "Archives".

EDITORIAL POLICY

The newsletter is published monthly except for a combined November/December issue. All official opinions of the CHA are found in the minutes of the meetings. All other opinions expressed in the newsletter are the opinions of the individual author. Submissions are welcome. The editorial policy does not permit personal attacks, profanity or anonymous submissions. Submissions may be edited for space. Final approval rests with the Board of Directors. Please submit all articles/letters as e-mails to newsletter@churchhillrichmond.com

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Proposed Church Hill Goals & Strategic Plan 2009 – 2010

*Alice to the Cheshire Cat ... "Which road should I take, I am lost and don't know where I am going".
Cheshire Cat to Alice, "If you are lost and don't know where you are going - any road will do."*

Building on the accomplishments of the past and realizing the opportunities in our community, I believe we should establish strategic goals and strategies for a bright and fruitful future for CHA. This approach is superior to reacting to issues and short-term troubles, which seem to now consume much of our time and energy. If there were strategic goals that acted as guidepost or beacons, then CHA Board and membership could be better focus and set direct paths to achieving them for the ultimate long-term benefit of the whole community. As such I propose below five main goals be established for the balance of the 2009 and set a suggested general courses of action for CHA in 2010. Of course all these goals and ideas of this Strategic Plan will need to be discussed and approved by the membership, thus I am proposing the following for everyone's consideration.

Overarching Goals and Strategies to achieve the goals

Goal 1 - Increase awareness, appreciation and membership strength for the CHA and improve its leadership role in the community.

Development of a two-year membership attainment plan, emphasis on acquiring new memberships north of Leigh Street and east of 30th Street.

Develop a working CHA calendar of events, programs and opportunities on the website and Newsletter and share with CHPN to be more dynamic, interactive and informative.

CHA work at established a corporate outreach programs that links CHA in support recognized charities and other universal needs in our community

Tell a positive story featuring a citizen/resident/event each month in the Newsletter

Goal 2 - Gain greater respect and improve communications leverage with local, City and State officials.

Establish two specific Board positions, (from present positions), that are title and focus in important work/activities in these areas:

Grant writing, (historic, social and general) and fund raising.

Director of Communications and Community Issues (more involvement, time and efforts directly related to the City, surrounding Counties and Regional approaches).

Research Grant projects and opportunities for access to Federal, State and organizational free funding to support our parks, historic districts and formal/informal community based education programs in the CHA community

Increase partner ships with 7th District Rep and all associations in Church Hill – including immediate communities/neighborhoods that are typically under served and under represented

Improve our interactions and inter-relationship with local police, fire fighters and social service providers in our community.

Goal 3 - Enhance relationship and communications with other associations, schools, churches, businesses, and civil leaders in the Church Hill area.

Create a mentor program for schools and youth from the vast educational and teaching experiences of membership in CHA

Outline a supporting local business program that features local business/establishments each month in the Newsletter, (owners/products and services - not endorsements but informational).

Goal 4 - Encourage membership participation in CHA and their involvement in events, meetings and public service projects.

Develop community awareness and fund-raising plans in association with the annual major Church Hill festivals

Start a Church/Union /Chimbo Earth Day celebrating in nature, parks and recreational activities

Support environmental programs in our community like Tricycle Gardens, Planter's Society and Friends of the Parks.

Develop a new marketing plan and budget to include funding for:

A valued CHA identity that symbolizes a whole community

New web site that is more interactive and dynamic

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



New and/or revised Church Hill brochure and walking tours
Work with St. John's Church to enhance historic texture of Church Hill
Work with Historic Richmond Foundation on collaborative projects

Goal 5 - Continue to streamline and improve the By-Laws, budget process and administrative procedures of CHA.

Create a membership data base for communications and notification of important topics/events/issues.
Continued revision of by-laws to meet the changing needs of the community including revision of policies, procedures and budgeting process and the Zoning Committee process

Comments please, and suggestions/additions and/or deletions.

John Johnson,
President,
Church Hill Association

A Special Thanks

On behalf of our Association, and all the residents of Church Hill, It is my distinct pleasure to extend a warm and well deserved "Thanks" to Ms. Shawn Noroian as she has been the chief architect and impetus to the recent improvements and rejuvenation of Chimborazo Playground. She organized, negotiated and worked along side others with Friends of Chimborazo Playground Park, Kaboom, local businesses and other organizations (Tri-cycle Gardens, City of Richmond Recreation and Parks, Richmond Recreational Parks Foundation and Home Depot) for close to three months to bring this project to fruition. Shawn's work and coordination has resulted in a wonderful new children's playground and up to 18 new community gardens. So in our thanks to all those that worked on the event (the fabulous turnout of 100 or so of our local residents to help on "build day" was so impressive) I would like to recognize Shawn Noroian's personal and professional work, organizational skills and tireless efforts to make this event happen. It is to such people like Shawn and all the volunteers from our community that do "make the difference". This IS the type of grass roots coming together for the common good which makes Church Hill such a great place to live.

Our thanks to you all,
John R. Johnson
President,
Church Hill Association

Call for Volunteers

The Church Hill Zoning Committee is in need of both a Chairman and committee members. Following are the requirements of both. Please contact John Johnson at mksml@msn.com if you are interested. Thank you.

It is the responsibility of the Zoning Committee to research and advise the Board of Directors on zoning and land use matters in the city of Richmond related to the St. John's, Church Hill North, and Chimborazo Old and Historic Districts. The Chair of the Zoning Committee is appointed each year by the President and approved by the Board of Directors. In selecting a Chair, the incoming President should give strong weight to experience in zoning matters as well as leadership credentials and potential. Committee members should be appointed annually by the Chair after consultation with the President and with the approval of the Board. All committee members so selected shall be members in good standing of the Association and reside in or near the St. John's, Church Hill North and Chimborazo Old and Historic Districts and remain so as to both requirements during their term. The Zoning Committee meets each month in or near the Historic Districts at the call of the Chair, preferably one week prior to the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors. The meetings should be open to observation by members in good standing of the Association, preferably upon notice to the Chair. If any committee member fails to attend four meetings in a one-year period, the Chair shall be empowered to recommend to the President that the member be replaced in the same manner that any other member is appointed.



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Vaccinate children and yourself for seasonal flu early and be sure to also get the H1N1 flu vaccine when it becomes available.

Wash your hands frequently and cover coughs and sneezes with a sleeve, elbow or tissue – not your hands. Alcohol-based hand sanitizers are also effective.

Stay home if you have flu symptoms such as fever, cough or sore throat. Don't return to work or school until you have been without a fever for at least 24 hours without the use of a fever-reducing medicine. Working parents should make plans for their children's care if they or their children should become ill with the H1N1 virus.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that the following groups of people receive the novel H1N1 flu vaccine when it first becomes available:

Pregnant women

People who live with or care for children younger than 6 months of age

Healthcare and emergency medical services personnel

Persons between the ages of 6 months and 24 years old

People 25 through 64 years of age who are at higher risk because of chronic health disorders or compromised immune systems

For more information about novel H1N1 flu, visit www.vdh.virginia.gov or call VDH's toll-free inquiry center at 1-877-ASK-VDH3 (1-877-275-8343) during business hours.

THE CHURCH HILL HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR NEEDS YOU

Your holiday house tour committee has been working steadily in preparation for a successful 2009 tour. Publicity has already started, the poster is in the works, ticket design and distribution are being addressed, and the Park House gallery is moving ahead.

We need your help. As we head into fall it is time to finalize the house selection list. Our theme this year is homes from the 1800's.

What we need now are several more houses north of Broad.

If your home was built in the 19th Century (1800's), will be decorated for the holidays, and has not been on the Church Hill Holiday House Tour before, we are looking for you! Or, if you have done major renovations since the last tour, we'd love to talk with you. This is a great way to highlight our historic neighborhood, so don't be timid. We'll even provide helpful decorating ideas, if desired.

If you fit that category, please contact Bénédicte Whitworth at CHAbene@comcast.net or Eugenia Anderson-Ellis eandersonellis@gmail.com 643-3915.

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KID'S PLAYGROUND NOW OPEN!

About 300 volunteers built a new playground and a community garden on September 10. Volunteers and workers from Home Depot, KaBOOM! and the Church Hill community built a playground, 18 garden plots, three compost bins, an arbor, a community bulletin board, blackboards, 3 teepees, and installed new garden beds.

On September 13, kids from all over the neighborhood tried out the new slides, monkeybars, swings, digger, playhouse and more at the Grand Opening of the new playground.

The Friends of Chimborazo Playground is grateful to these organizations for their generous support: KaBOOM, Home Depot, Joe Gibbs Racing, the Richmond Department of Parks, Recreation & Community Facilities, the Richmond Recreation & Parks Foundation, Church Hill Association and Tricycle Gardens.

We could not have completed the project without the help of our local community partners. The restaurants, businesses and organizations listed below generously donated food, drinks, supplies and their time to feed more than 300 volunteers and build the new playground.

Special thanks to the Shockoe Bottom Neighborhood Association for providing the food for Build Day. We truly appreciate such great neighbors!

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White House Catering



The next time you head out for coffee, dinner or a beer, stop at one of these fine businesses and say “thanks” for supporting our local community.

None of this would have been possible without the grant application and Playground Planning Team: Bridgette Huff, Bill Conkle, Joan Coogan, Jennifer Dodge, Mark Economy, Barbara Marques, Shawn Noroian, Sean Priest, Lisa Taranto, Richard Taranto, Logan Vetrovec and John Whitworth.

A HUGE thank you to all the volunteers that came out on Prep and Build day—without your hands we could not have built such a great place.

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KaBOOM! Chimborazo Playground



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- Oct. 17 **Sacred Harp Singers' Rehearsal**, 1 – 4 pm, Parish Hall, Come listen or participate.
- Oct. 19 **Celebration of New Ministry**, 7:00 pm, Installation of The Rev. Laura Inscoe, 25th Rector
- Oct. 25 **Adult Forum: Dr. Paul Achtemeier**, professor emeritus, Union Theological Seminary, VA
- Nov. 1 **Adult Forum: Dr. Paul Achtemeier**, professor emeritus, Union Theological Seminary, VA
- Nov. 1 Neighborhood Spaghetti Dinner, 5-7 pm, All Church Hill neighbors welcome.**
Donations accepted, but not required. Volunteers, call 649-7938
- Tuesdays **Knitting/Craft Circle**, 10:00 a.m., Parish Center, 2319 E. Broad St.

Patrick Henry Committee Events

For more information, please call our Visitor Center at 804-648-5015

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LIBERTY LECTURE SERIES, Wednesday, October 7, 11:00 a. m. - 12:00 p. m.

The biannual Liberty Lecture Series is co-produced by the Valentine Richmond History Center and the St. John's Church Foundation. Lectures are held at St. John's Church in Church Hill.

Dr. George Herring, Professor Emeritus at the University of Kentucky and author of *From Colony to Superpower: U.S. Foreign Relations since 1776*, published by Oxford University Press in late 2008. Formerly a professor at the University of Richmond, Dr. Herring will draw parallels to current U.S. diplomacy issues with historical challenges and lessons.

The lecture is free; guests are invited to stay for a post-lecture lunch and book signing. Reservations required for lunch; please contact Kate Aliberti at 804.649.0711 ext. 339.
Cost: FREE; lunch - \$10.00

MACABRE MARCH CANDLIT TOUR, Saturday, October 3, 7:00pm-10:00pm

Pay homage to the life and works of Edgar Allan Poe on this memorial Candlelit walking tour. Begin your tour in the graveyard of St. John's Church then stalk the old haunts of Poe while enjoying local ghost lore. End your tour with an eerie performance in the haunted gardens of the Edgar Allan Poe Museum. Enjoy a cash bar and wickedly delicious treats while browsing the exhibits of the Poe Museum.

Cost: \$15.00 per person. Ticket includes candle, guided tour, performance, one free drink ticket, and wickedly delicious treats!

HALLOWE'EN GRAVEYARD TOUR, Friday, October 30, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Explore the graveyard of St. John's Church and its eternal inhabitants such as George Wythe, signer of the Declaration of Independence, Elizabeth Arnold Poe, birth mother of Edgar Allan Poe, James McClurg, a delegate to the Constitutional Convention, John Enders, a Richmond tobacco magnate, two governors of Virginia and more!

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Enjoy 40-minute historically narrated tours of the James River & Kanawha Canal along the historic Canal Walk in one of our covered boats, which accommodates up to 35 passengers and departs on the hour from the Turning Basin, between 14th and Dock Streets in downtown Richmond's River District. For more information call 804-788-6466 or 804-649-2800 or visit www.venturerichmond.com.

Thursday Growers' Market (April 23-December 3)

17th Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 8:30am-4pm
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Saturday Mercado Market (April 25-December 5)

17th Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 9am-4pm
An eclectic mix of fresh homegrown produce, flowers, plants, baked goods, handmade & homemade products, vintage antiques, collectibles, jewelry, fine crafts and specialty vendors with cultural items for sale. Free Parking. For more information call 804-646-0477 or visit us online at www.17thstreetfarmersmarket.com.

Sunday Vintage Market (May 24-December 6)

17th Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 9am-4pm
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Special Events in October

Friday-Sunday, October 9-11

Richmond Folk Festival

Downtown Richmond's Riverfront from 2nd to 7th Streets, including Brown's Island and historic Tredegar, Free admission

The Richmond Folk Festival embraces the heritage and traditions of all Americans. Legendary masters and the next generation of dynamic young artists will celebrate the musical soul and cultural roots of America on six stages of continuous music and dance. World-class artisans, countless varieties of ethnic foods and a family area ensures there's something for every taste and every age! The Richmond Folk Festival will engage the entire community, bringing together diverse groups and drawing visitors from across the country. Produced by Venture Richmond and the National Council for the Traditional Arts. For more information visit www.richmondfolkfestival.com or call 804-788-6466.

Saturday, October 17

Shochoberfest

17th Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 11am-5pm
A Bavarian-style festival honoring our fall harvest just as they do in each year in Bavaria, with several of our local restaurants specializing in German-Hungarian foods along with music, varieties of rich beverages and plenty of entertainment. There will be dancing and singing of traditional Germanium Polka songs, so gather up your lederhosen and your favorite beer stein and come join us in the market for Richmond's best Shocktoberfest. For more information call 646-0477 or visit www.17thstreetfarmersmarket.com.

Saturday, October 31

Richmond's Eerie Canal Boat Rides

Canal Turning Basin - Dock and 14th Streets, Free admission, 6-9pm

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517 N. 25th Street

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Service: 11:00 am

Lunch 12:15 pm

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



Winter Garden Contest coming in December....

The Planters and Church Hill Association will be sponsoring the Fall / Winter Most Inspired Gardening Contest in concert with the Christmas House Tour on **Sunday, December 13**.

There are three categories -

- Most Inspired Garden,
- Most Insured Block or Alley Contest and
- Most Inspired Decorations on a Tour House.

Nominate your garden, block, alley, or that of a neighbor. Submit nominations by the December 10 deadline by calling Beauchamp Payne, 649-8162, or emailing curtrp@erols.com.

So deck those halls and gardens. Put candles in your windows. Let the neighborhood glow. Let it glow. Let it glow. Let it glow.

The Golden Trowel Award will be given to the tour house with the most inspired use of natural materials to enhance the architectural character of the house.

Beauchamp Payne, Chair
'Most Inspired' Contest



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Blood Lake Haunted House Trivia Night

Monday October 12, 2009

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Mondays

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CHA BOARD MEETING



MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2009 BOARD MEETING

By CHA Secretary, Pam Prescott

President John Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:07PM at the Edgewood Building on Cary Street in the offices of Hirschler Fleischer Consulting, LLC.

The attendees were:

PRESIDENT, John Johnson
SECRETARY, Pam Prescott
ASSISTANT TREASURER, Susan White
DIR. AT LARGE, Aimee Perron Seibert
DIR. AT LARGE, Michael McPeak
DIR. AT LARGE, Matt Conrad
DIR. AT LARGE, Tony Monteleone
NEWSLETTER EDITOR, Erika Gay

Announcements

Minutes were voted on and approved.

Church Hill Association will host a Candidate Forum for 7th District City Council on October 15, 2009 at the Robinson Theatre at 2903 Q Street from 7pm to 9pm.

John Johnson advised the Board that the Italian Festival will not occur this year in Church Hill.

Recognitions

A big thank you goes to Malou Rawls for hosting the final CHA picnic at Reed's Square for the year. The weather was beautiful with lots of food and fun. Thanks again for all the summer picnic volunteers and your efforts in pulling the picnics together!

Treasurer's Report As of August 31, the CHA had \$27,481 cash in the bank. Cash Receipts for the month were \$1,021; expenditures were \$1,385 for a decrease in cash of \$364.

Committee Reports

Zoning: Due to the recent resignations of committee members, the committee is in great need of additional members. If any one is interested, please advise any Board member.

Newsletter: The CHA website has been updated with newsletter from previous months. The Board also discussed the possibility of offering the CHA newsletter

online and discontinuing the hard paper copy. This will be discussed in greater detail in upcoming meetings.

Membership: No Report

Clean and Safe: No Report

Nominating: The Nominating Committee of Erika Gay, chairperson, John Johnson, Matt Conrad and Mike Prescott presented to the Board nominees interested in serving Church Hill. In light of recent vacancies, the Board voted and approved recommending to the membership Gene Henley to fill the vacancy left by Susan's Nolan's previous resignation. The Board also voted and approved recommending John Whitworth to fill the vacancy left by Beth Sarrett's resignation.

If anyone is interested in running for an office on the CHA Board, the nominations for any available offices will remain open until the November membership meeting. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the meeting. The committee will post all the nominees in the newsletter prior to the elections in November. The elections will be held at the regular membership meeting on November 17, 2009. The membership party will be held November 24th at the 2300 Club.

Holiday: The committee is pursuing the possibility of using credit cards to use in payment of Holiday Ball tickets as well as membership fees.

New Business

The Bylaw committee of Aimee Perron Seibert, Matt Conrad and Erika Gay has spent a lot of time working on revising the bylaws and bringing them up to date. The Board discussed the proposed changes in depth and resolved to present them to the membership. The proposed Bylaw changes will be presented in the newsletter at least 30 days prior to voting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

THE CHURCH ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

DRAFT AMENDMENTS, FALL 2009

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be The Church Hill Association.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote a sense of unity and common endeavor among all the residents of the St. John's Church, Church Hill North, and Chimborazo Old and Historic Districts, District, other residents of the East District, and other interested persons, in order to develop a stable, desirable urban neighborhood.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership shall be open to everyone living in and/or working in the St. John's Church, Church Hill North, and Chimborazo Old and Historic Districts, District, other residents living and/or working in the East District, and to other interested persons. Membership shall in no way be exclusive.
2. Members shall be those persons who have paid their dues during the current calendar year, being January~~November~~ 1 through December 31. Only members shall be entitled to vote upon any question before the general membership. Any new member who pays their dues after June 1 of any year shall remain a member in good standing until December 31 of the subsequent year.
3. Each member shall have one vote. Proxy voting shall not be allowed.
4. An up-to-date membership roster shall be maintained by the Membership Committee Chair and verified by the Assistant Treasurer. The roster shall be available at each general meeting.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

1. The officers of the Association shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. These five (5) officers and five (5) Directors at Large shall constitute the Board of Directors of the Association. The Board of Directors shall meet regularly each month and at the call of the President. At each meeting of the Board of Directors, the agenda for the membership meeting which follows shall be prepared and approved by the Board. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to any current member of the Association on a non-voting basis.
2. All persons nominated to office and holding office in the Association shall be members as defined in these by-laws. All persons elected to office in the Association shall maintain their membership status through their term of office.
3. The President shall be the executive officer of the Association and the presiding officer at meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors.

The President may represent the Association at civic and other public functions. ~~The President shall act as the spokesperson for the Association when directed to do so by the membership of the Association.~~

The President shall have the authority to engage in correspondence on behalf of the Association. ~~Subject and, subject~~ to the approval of the Board of Directors, the President shall have authority to execute contracts and act as the spokesperson ~~for on behalf of~~ the Association.

The President shall, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, appoint the chairs of all the standing committees of the Association including such vacancies as may occur. The President may serve as an ex officio member of all standing committees.

4. The Vice President shall act for the President in case of the absence of the President, and shall be responsible for the ~~Holiday Festival, Christmas Festival and the presentation of programs at membership meetings.~~ The Vice President shall perform such other duties as the President or the Board of Directors may assign.

5. The Secretary shall be responsible for the recording of the minutes of all meetings both of the Board of Directors and of the membership of the Association and shall be responsible for insuring their publication in the newsletter of the Association.

The secretary shall maintain a list of active ~~positions adopted by resolutions or letters of position on the membership Association's website.~~ Unless stated otherwise ~~at within the time of adoption, resolution,~~ all ~~formal positions adopted by the membership resolutions~~ shall expire ~~and be removed from the active list~~ one year after adoption, ~~or at such time as the issue is resolved by a legislative body.~~ A ~~formal position resolution~~ may be renewed by majority vote of the membership.

The Secretary shall perform such other duties as the President or the Board of Directors may assign.

6. The Treasurer shall collect all the funds of the Association and disburse the funds as stated in Article IX, Section 6, and maintain accurately the financial records of the Association, and shall be a signatory on all accounts of the Association. The Treasurer ~~is responsible for preparing and filing all relevant tax filings and for the upkeep and renewal of Directors & Officers Insurance. The Treasurer shall~~ will ensure that an independent audit of the Association's books is made ~~in April~~ before the new Treasurer assumes office. The Treasurer shall perform such other duties as the President or the Board of Directors may assign.

~~The Treasurer shall prepare a draft budget for presentation to, and approval of, the Board at its meeting September. The draft budget shall contain statements of proposed expenditure for both operating expenses and community projects and shall be subsequently published in the October newsletter of the Association in order to solicit comment from the Membership. The budget shall then be presented for an official vote at the November membership meeting.~~

7. The Assistant Treasurer, ~~assisted by the Membership Chair,~~ shall maintain an up-to-date roster of the ~~membership; such membership, which~~ roster shall be available at all membership ~~meetings.~~ ~~The roster shall include basic contact information such as name, address, phone, e-mail, initial date of membership. The Assistant Treasurer~~ meetings, ~~and~~ shall perform such other duties as may be delegated by the Treasurer. The Assistant Treasurer shall perform such other duties as the President or the Board of Directors may assign.

8. The Directors at Large shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President or the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V. NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS, AND TERMS OF OFFICE

1. A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors at its ~~May~~ ~~March~~ meeting. The committee ~~shall~~ will be composed of two current members of the Board of Directors and two persons who have not served on the Board for at least ~~two~~ ~~three~~ years. No person who shall be a candidate for office shall serve on the Nominating Committee.

2. A slate of officers and Directors at Large shall be presented by the Nominating Committee at the ~~September~~ ~~April~~ meeting of the membership. The slate of officers and Directors at Large shall be published in the ~~October~~ ~~May~~ newsletter. Nominations may be made from the floor at the membership meetings in ~~September~~ ~~April~~ and ~~October.~~

~~May.~~ All nominees shall be members of the Association at the time of their nomination.

3. Elections shall be held at the ~~November~~ ~~May~~ membership meeting, after the nominations are closed. ~~Voting will~~ ~~Where there is more than one candidate for an office, ballots or another suitable method of counting votes may~~ be ~~held by~~ ~~ballot employed.~~ Where there is one candidate only for an office, that candidate may be elected, upon motion properly made and ~~seconded.~~ ~~seconded,~~ ~~by acclamation.~~

4. ~~The Where written ballots or other method of counting votes is used, the~~ President shall appoint ~~two~~^{three} tellers to assist in the vote count. The results of the vote shall be announced before the adjournment of the ~~November~~^{May} Meeting.

5. All officers shall be elected by a majority of those members present and voting. All Directors at Large shall be elected by a plurality of those members present and voting.

6. Terms of office for all officers and Directors At Large shall run from ~~January 1~~^{June 1} to ~~December~~^{May} 31. The term of office for officers shall be one (1) year, and the term of office for Directors At Large shall be two (2) years. Two (2) Directors at Large shall be elected in even years and three (3) Directors at Large shall be elected in odd years.

7. In the event the President is unable to complete his term, the Vice President shall succeed to the position of President for the remainder of the unexpired term and shall be eligible for nomination and election to the office of President in the year immediately following such succession.

In the event any other officer or a Director at Large shall fail to complete their terms, the Board of Directors shall propose replacement officers or Directors at Large to the membership at the next membership meeting, and the membership of the Association shall elect a replacement. Nominations may also be made from the floor for such replacement and elections held pursuant to the provisions of this article.

8. The Vice President and Assistant Treasurer shall automatically succeed the President and Treasurer, respectively, in the year following their tenure as Vice President or Assistant Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

1. Regular meetings of the membership shall be held in the months of September, October, November, January, February, March, April, ~~May~~ and ~~August~~^{May}.

2. The President of the Association may call special meetings of the Association, other than regularly scheduled ~~meetings. The President shall also call a special meeting of the Association meetings, or,~~ upon receipt of a petition signed by fifteen (15) members of the Association so ~~requesting, requesting, shall call such a special meeting.~~ The petition shall state the purpose for which the meeting is requested.

3. Ten percent (10%) of the members of the Association, but no less than twenty (20) members, shall constitute a quorum for membership meetings. A majority vote of the members present at any meeting shall be necessary to pass any measure, except as provided for in Article V, section 5, regarding the election of Directors at Large.

ARTICLE VII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. The Board of Directors shall meet regularly each month and at the call of the President. The President shall preside at meetings of the Board. ~~In order to constitute a quorum six members but shall only vote in case of a tie. A majority vote~~ of the Board shall ~~be present. A constitute a quorum. A majority~~ of the Board members present shall be required to pass any measure.

2. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the ongoing operation of the Association. Once the budget is approved at the November membership meeting, the Board may not expend more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in excess of any amount in the approved budget without the approval of the membership at a membership meeting.

Any proposal for spending amounts ~~over five hundred of one thousand~~ dollars ~~(\$500.00)(\$1,000)~~ or more must be announced to the membership by newsletter ~~and electronic communication or flyer~~ before any action of approval at a membership meeting. It is further provided that in any membership vote ~~on spending amounts over five hundred dollars (\$500) or more, in this connection,~~ there shall be strict adherence to permitting only ~~currently paid~~ members in good standing to participate, by reasonable safeguard.

The Board shall ~~not~~ act with~~out~~ the approval of the membership, as evidenced by resolution duly moved and seconded at the membership meeting, on the selection of community projects to which Association monies or volunteers will be committed; on changes to the by-laws of the Association; on correspondence espousing support for political or social causes or movements; or supporting or opposing land use issues. Upon the passage of such resolution, the Board may act to carry out the will of the membership as expressed in such resolution.

3. If any officer or Director at Large misses three consecutive or a total of six meetings, the Board of Directors shall be empowered to recommend to the general membership that the officer or Director be replaced. Any Board member desiring to resign shall submit a letter of resignation to the remaining Board members.

ARTICLE VIII. COMMITTEES

1. The following shall be the standing committees of the Association: Budget, Zoning, Membership, and ~~Holiday~~Christmas Festival. The Chair of each standing committee shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

Each Chair so appointed shall then appoint all such committee members as may be necessary to effect the work of the committee.

The Board of Directors shall prepare a statement for the guidance of each standing committee; however, the Zoning committee shall meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Moreover, the Zoning Committee shall be have the authority to request, without further approval by the Board or Membership, one month's delay or continuance from the Commission of Architectural Review (the "CAR"), on behalf of the Association, regarding items on the CAR agenda under the following circumstances:committee-

1. Requests for zoning changes or Special Use Permits
2. New construction
3. Changes to footprint, façade or roofline of existing structures.
4. Change to setback requirements."

2. The President shall also appoint, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, an Editor of the Association's newsletter, Block Leader Chair and ~~Memorial Day Festival Chair~~, and such other positions as may be deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of the association.

3. The immediate-past president may serve as an ex officio non-voting member of the board for a one year term. The chair of the Zoning Committee and Editor of the newsletter shall serve ex officio as non-voting participants at meetings of the Board of Directors. The other officers of the ~~Holiday~~Christmas Festival shall be appointed by the Festival Chair subject to the approval of the President, except the Treasurer who shall be the regularly elected Treasurer of the Association.

ARTICLE IX. CONTRIBUTIONS AND FINANCES

1. The fiscal year shall run from January 1 through December 31.

2. The amount of membership dues may be changed upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors and approval by vote of the membership.

3. The membership shall vote at the November membership meeting on the budget prepared by the Treasurer. The budget submitted by the Treasurer shall contain both an operating budget for the day-to-day expenses of the Association, and a special projects budget which shall detail any proposed expenditures of Association funds for community, civic, cultural, and/or historic preservation and/or any other special purpose. No funds shall be expended by the Association unless first approved by the membership as part of the budget, except as provided in Article VII, section 2 above.

4. The Treasurer shall receive all dues and all other receipts and deposit them in a banking account of the Association. A portion of the association's cash assets may be invested in an interest bearing account.

5. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to authorize the expenditure of monies from the Association's operating account as set out in an approved budget, subject to the provision of Article VII, section 2 above.

6. The Treasurer shall be authorized to sign any checks under \$200. Checks in the amount of \$200 or more require two signatures, the Treasurer and either the President or the Vice President, ~~or Treasurer.~~

7. Requests for community project and capital funds over one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) must be completed in writing and submitted to the Board prior to the approval of the budget, as stated in Article IV, Section 6.

ARTICLE X. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

1. Roberts Rules of Order, Current Edition, shall govern the operations of the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these by-laws. These by-laws shall govern in case of such inconsistency.

ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended at any meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of those present, provided that the proposed amendments have been submitted in writing to the members at least 10 days prior to the date of the regular or called membership meeting. Such submission of the proposed amendments shall be ~~either~~ by mail, newsletter, or electronic communication, ~~by the means ordinarily used to distribute the newsletter.~~

As amended March 16, 2004; Previous Revision was approved March 18, 2003. Previous Revision was approved April 22, 1997.

Approved by the Board of Directors and Membership (March 16, 2004)

March 16, 2004; /s/ Dick Carlton/Dick Carlton/President

Attest: /s/Carolyn Williamson; Carolyn Williamson, Secretary

Church Hill Association By-laws as of April 22, 1997

Appendix—~~APPENDIX~~ I

Originally Printed as Attachment II

To the Minutes of The Church Hill Association Board Meeting

of April 9, 1996

Guidance Statement for the Zoning Committee of the Association

Under Article VIII, section 1, paragraph 3 of the By-laws as amended, the Board of Directors is to prepare a statement for the guidance of each standing committee. This document is to provide such a guidance statement for the standing committee on zoning based upon the recommendations of the 1995-96 Zoning Committee and the deliberations of the 1995-96 Board of Directors. While this is provided as a guidance document, it is hoped that it will be viewed by future Boards of Directors and Zoning Committees as reflecting the serious intent which produced it.

1. Given the priority for the Association of zoning and land use matters, there should be standing committee status for a Zoning Committee on an ongoing basis.

2. It shall be the responsibility of the Zoning Committee to research and advise the Board of Directors on zoning and land use matters in the city of Richmond related to the St. John's, Church Hill North, and Chimborazo Old and Historic Districts.~~District.~~

3. The Chair of the Zoning Committee shall be appointed each year by the President and approved by the Board of Directors. If the Committee deems it useful to its operations, it may wish to designate a Vice-Chair to act as an alternate for the Chair and/or a Secretary to record minutes and assist in correspondence. In selecting a Chair, the incoming President should give strong weight to experience in zoning matters as well as leadership credentials and potential, with preference to members of the previous year's Zoning Committee.

4. Experience has taught that the Zoning Committee requires a mix of experience and fresh ideas, geographic and other diversities and a size of membership large enough to enable performance but not so great as to become unwieldy. While the Committee has functioned with varying sizes of membership, an optimal number may be nine, including the chair. A reasonable balance of diversities and of experience is essential; to that end, in a committee size of nine, it seems desirable to bring in at least three fresh members each year and retain as many as six from the prior year. It also seems desirable to include within the nine members, two or more Board members on the Zoning Committee.

5. Just as continuity is important because of the demands of the subject matter for the Zoning Committee, it is also important that the Committee not become hidebound by lack of turnover. To that end, term limits for service of, e.g., no more than three years service in any five-year period would be an important safeguard.

6. Committee members should be appointed annually, with due regard to the foregoing, by the Chair after consultation with the President and with the approval of the Board. All committee members so selected shall be ~~currently paid~~ members in good standing of the Association and reside in or near the St. John's, Church Hill North and Chimborazo Old and Historic Districts and remain so as to both requirements during their term.

7. The Zoning Committee should normally meet each month in or near the Historic Districts at the call of the Chair, preferably one week prior to the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors. The meetings should be open to observation by ~~currently paid~~ members in good standing of the Association, preferably upon notice to the Chair.

8. Delinquency. If any committee member fails to attend four meetings in a one-year period, the Chair shall be empowered to recommend to the President that the member be replaced in the same manner that any other member is appointed.

Approved by the Board of Directors

April 9, 1996

/s/ Breck Arrington

Breck Arrington, President

Attest: /s/ Kim Johnson

Kim Johnson, Secretary



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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2009 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

By CHA Secretary, Pam Prescott

CHA President, John Johnson, called the meeting to order at 7:10 at St. John's Church

Announcements

John and the membership welcomed the new members!

A Church Hill resident brought up to the membership the possibility our local Fire Department being under staffed and, in some cases, inoperative as much as 10-12 days out of the month. This is a real concern as our next closest Fire Station is located on P Street south of the river. Residents plan to post information on the CHA website and Church Hill People News.

Police/Crime Report showed from 7/1/2009 through 8/31/2009: 50% decrease in total violent crimes from the same period a year ago, and an 80% increase in total property crimes from the same period a year ago. Residential burglaries and theft from vehicles were the prime culprits. Please always continue to remove all valuables from sight in your vehicle. Any questions or concerns, please call the First Precinct at 646-0572.

Presentations

Several administrators from ChildSavers spoke to the membership about the need for a Special Use Permit (SUP) in regard to traffic and an overabundance of vehicles surrounding the building. ChildSavers also wants to open on Saturday from 9am-5pm to accommodate more children. The economy has found this resource is in greater need in our area. By comparison, ChildSavers provided 2,000 hours of assistance in 1999 whereas now they provide 8,000 of direct services hours for children in need and their families.

Neighbors expressed their concern about the administrators not presenting these changes to the adjacent homes that surround the ChildSavers building. Parking, noise and traffic were all concerns expressed by the residents that live in immediate area. The membership recommended sending the proposal back to the local neighbors and ChildSavers to work out an agreement more acceptable for all involved. The SUP will then be presented to the Zoning committee. The SUP will also be presented to the Planning Commission in October.

Committees

Treasurer: John Whitworth and Susan White are working on the proposed 2010 budget and it will be presented in the next newsletter.

Membership: Benedicte Whitworth announced that we currently have 342 members in the CHA. The annual membership party is November 24th at the 2300 Club.

Zoning: The Zoning committee is in need of new members including a chairman due to some recent resignations.

Holiday: Eugenia Anderson-Ellis spoke to the membership about the upcoming Holiday House Tour and Weekend. The weekend will be held December 11, 12 and 13 with the underlying theme of the 1800's. Currently there are six houses on the tour with a maximum of 10 being accepted. The House Tour on the 13th will also consist of opening the Libby Hill Park house where all the past framed Holiday Weekend posters will be displayed by Holly and Chuck Wren. Refreshments will also be served at the Park House. Thanks for your efforts!

Business: The Chimborazo playground has been built and it looks fantastic! On Building day, over 300 volunteers along with Home Depot employees and members of the Joe Gibbs Race Team were all on hand to help. Area restaurants like the Hill Café, Buzzy's Beanery, Sette, Patrick Henry's and Poe's Pub just to name a few all provided food for the volunteers. Thank you to Kaboom and everyone involved in this process and the ultimate unveiling of an area the whole neighborhood can enjoy. The volunteers also built 18 community gardens for the neighborhood.

The Board recommended for John Whitworth to fill the vacated Vice President position, the membership had discussion, a motion to approve which was seconded, and then there was a vote by membership. The motion was carried. The Board recommended for Gene Henley to fill the vacated Director at Large position, the membership had discussion, a motion to approve which was seconded, and then there was a vote by membership. The motion was carried.

The City Parks and Recreation department has been asked to clear out the area below Chimborazo Playground to enhance the Free Flight Bird Park being planned for the area.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Church Hill Association
Calendar Year 2010 Proposed BUDGET

	Budget 2007	Actual 2007	Budget 2008	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Budget 2010
REVENUE						
Holiday Festival						
Sales	17,000	14,384	18,000	13,789	17,375	16,000
Expenses	(12,000)	(11,013)	(12,000)	(13,191)	(14,965)	(12,430)
Net Holiday Festival	5,000	3,371	6,000	598	2,410	3,570
Prior Year Holiday costs				(920)		
Newsletter						
Revenue - Ads	7,370	9,801	8,000	9,035	9,700	8,200
Expense - Printing	(9,460)	(8,741)	(9,000)	(10,701)	(10,000)	(10,000)
Net Newsletter Revenue	(2,090)	1,060	(1,000)	(1,666)	(300)	(1,800)
Membership	4,000	5,607	6,000	5,760	(250 @\$25) 6,250	(275 @\$25) 6,875
Planters: Funds deposited	0	1,374	300	791	1,400	1,000
- Expenses paid	0	(1,342)	(300)	(676)	(1,400)	(1,000)
Donations/Grants						
High on the Hog	1,000	0	0	0	0	0
St. Patrick's Church	0	1,000	1,000	1,500	1,000	1,000
Net D/G Revenue	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,500	1,000	1,000
Community Events						
400 Year Anniversary: Jamestown		575				0
Costs		(2,870)				0
Italian Festival Revenue		385			300	0
Costs		(175)		(20)	(250)	0
Net Community Events	0	(2,085)	0	(20)	50	0
Interest Earned		440		803	1,200	400
NET REVENUE (less associated costs)	7,910	9,425	12,000	6,170	10,610	10,045
EXPENSES						
Operating Expenses						
Membership Party	(1,100)	(1,323)	(2,100)	(3,144)	(2,500)	(2,500)
Social Union Hill -"On the Night"	0	0	(500)	(64)	0	0
Church Hill Bags (net)	0	0	(500)	(947)	0	0
Picnics (2010 Reduced to two)	(450)	(340)	(400)	(1,141)	(500)	(600)
Meeting - Sch.Board Forum (2008)	(700)	0	0	(190)	(450)	(200)
Insurance - Directors & Officers	(550)	(438)	(650)	(691)	(450)	(680)
Supplies (Stamps/Envelops/Misc)	(185)	(286)	(300)	(67)	(250)	(100)
Website	(525)	(198)	(200)	(86)	(200)	(200)
P.O. Box				(81)		(85)
Financial Review/IRS Filings (990)	(500)	0	(100)	0	(500)	(250)
Contingency	0	0	(400)	(118)	(60)	(30)
Total Operating Expenses	(4,010)	(2,585)	(5,150)	(6,529)	(4,910)	(4,645)

	Budget 2007	Actual 2007	Budget 2008	Actual 2008	Budget 2009	Budget 2010
Donation and Project Expenses						
Reed's Square Maintenance	(400)	(400)	(400)	(400)	(400)	(400)
Crime Watch	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Alley Rally (two)	(300)	(458)	(200)	(370)	(200)	(200)
Historic District Initiative	(500)	(936)	0	0	(1,000)	0
Block Captain	(100)	(688)	(100)	0	0	0
Sub-Total	(2,300)	(3,482)	(1,700)	(1,770)	(2,600)	(1,600)
Education						
Donation: Bellevue	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)
Donation: Chimborazo	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)
Donation: CHAT	0	0	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)
Donation: Richmond Public Library	0	0	0	(250)	0	0
Donation: ChildSavers			(500)	(500)	0	(500)
Sub-Total Education Expense	(1,000)	(1,000)	(2,000)	(2,250)	(1,500)	(2,000)
Preservation						
Donation: ACORN	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)
Sub-Total Preservation Expense	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)
Community Relations						
Donation: Richmond Hill	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)	(300)	(250)
Donation: Planters Society	0	(1,000)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Donation: Family Resource Center				(500)		(250)
Donation: Church Hill Dog Park				(500)		0
Donation: Undeclared	0		(500)			0
Sub-Total Cmty Relations Expense	(300)	(1,300)	(2,300)	(2,800)	(1,300)	(1,500)
OPERATING & DONATION COSTS	(7,910)	(8,667)	(11,450)	(13,649)	(10,610)	(10,045)
PROFIT / LOSS	0	758	550	(7,479)	0	0
Approved Allocation from Excess Funds: Capital Spend					(20,000)	
Spent 2009 / Budgeted for 2010					(5,500)	(14,500)
Approved Allocation from Excess Funds: Non - Capital Spend					(5,000)	
Spent 2009 / Budgeted for 2010					(4,500)	(500)
TOTAL 2010 Budgeted Spend						(15,000)

Notes:

- 1) The Excess Capital spend allocation of \$15k in 2010 will reduce \$ for \$ if any additional monies are spent in 2010
- 2) The Newsletter has been budgeted to lose \$1.8k in 2010. The Board recommends that advertising rates are not increased in 2010 but will be reviewed during the year as the economy develops.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



2010 CHA Board Elections

Elections for the 2010 Church Hill Association Board of Directors will be held on November 17 at 7:00pm at the St. John's Church Parish Hall. Following are the nominees for the open positions and some of their biographies. Nominations can also be taken from the floor on the day of elections.

Nominees:

Aimee Perron Seibert, Vice President

My husband and I have lived in Church Hill since July 2006 and I've served on the Church Hill Board as a Director at Large for the last 2 and half years due to the adjustment in the election cycle. I've found the experience to be rewarding, challenging and fun all at the same time.

Soon after joining the Board, I served as co-chair of the 2007 Holiday House Tour. As Vice President, I will be in charge of the oversight of the Holiday Weekend and I feel like I am well-positioned to take on this responsibility. I am looking forward to taking on more responsibility on the Board and continuing to work hard for our neighborhood.

To let you know a little bit about me, after completing my BA from Boston College, I worked at a domestic violence and sexual assault agency in Lexington, VA. In 2002, I received my master's degree in social work-policy, planning and administration at VCU. During graduate school, I worked for Senator John Watkins and after graduating, I was the legislative director of the ACLU of Virginia for four years. Currently, I am the Senior VP at HF Consulting where I focus on strategic state government affairs. I am a 2004 graduate of the Sorenson Institute for Political Leadership at UVA, one of Style Weekly's 2005 "Top Forty under Forty", active at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church and a member of the board of ChildSavers. I also have baby girl, Amelia Cate, who just turned one in July and a black lab/golden retriever mix named Seneca.

Carolyn Williamson, Assistant Treasurer

Jacqui Newman, Secretary

Jacqui Newman is a graduate of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg where she studied Community Development as a Geography major. Currently, Jacqui works in Shockoe Slip as a GIS Specialist at the Timmons Group, and is the Compliance Director for Virginia House of Delegates Minority Leader Ward Armstrong.

In her free time, she publishes River District News; a community blog that focuses on activities and events for Shockoe Bottom & Slip, Manchester, Tobacco Row, and Rocketts Landing. Jacqui also enjoys volunteering in the community and at the Richmond SPCA. Jacqui has been an active member in the Shockoe Bottom Neighborhood Association for the past couple years.

Jacqui recently moved to Church Hill and lives on Libby Hill Park with her dog, Charlie. She would like to become more involved in her new neighborhood. Jacqui looks forward to keeping her neighbors informed through the Association's website and newsletter. She is especially excited to help the Board plan for the Holiday House Tour.

John Vetovec, Director at Large

I'm 33 years old and my wife Logan and I are in our second house in Church Hill having been up here for 7 years. We have a not-quite 2 year old daughter and another child that is due in March and plan on raising our children on the Hill. I serve in a role as a Certified Financial Planner for Davenport & Company LLC and have been in the industry for almost 10 years. I'm not new to experience with the CHA, I'm a current member, and have served as both the Assistant Treasurer and the Treasurer, each in year long positions. In addition, Logan was the 07-08 Secretary, and I filled in for her several times when motherhood kept her from meetings. I attended all of the summer picnics and was glad to see younger members taking an active role in the neighborhood in addition to members of longer standing. I would like to think that my past experience and love of the neighborhood puts me in good standing for a Director at Large position.

Carolyn Worssam, Director at Large Mort Cason, Director at Large

Randolph Bell, Director at Large

Randolph Bell, a native of the Richmond area, graduated from the College of William and Mary and Cambridge University. He served for thirty-one years in the U.S. Foreign Service, ending his diplomatic career as an Ambassador at Large and Special Envoy. From 2004 until the spring of 2009, he served as President of the World Affairs Council of Greater Richmond. He serves on the Boards of the Virginia Holocaust Museum, the First Freedom Center, the Humanitarian Aid Foundation, the Rosewell Foundation, and Citizens to Stop Nuclear Terrorism. He is married to Karla Bell, and the Bells have one son, Lt. Cdr. Christopher Bell, USN.

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The purpose of this organization shall be to promote a sense of unity and common endeavor among all the residents of the St. John's Church Old and Historic District, other residents of the East District, and other interested persons, in order to develop a stable, desirable urban neighborhood.

The CHA Membership Party will be on Tuesday, November 24 at The 2300 Club!

If you would like to enjoy the party without having to wait in line to renew your membership for 2010, please fill in the membership form below and mail it to the CHA in advance. The membership runs from the 1st of January to the 31st of December each year. For those of you who joined our association at one of our summer picnic this year, your membership runs through to December 2010, hence you do not need to renew.

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We would like to welcome the following new or renewing members who have recently joined the Church Hill Association:

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Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Monument: “the statue would of necessity be Colossal” (Part 2)

By, Ruth Ann Coski

This is the second part of a two-part series begun in the last issue of the CHA newsletter. It is excerpted from an article in the Museum of the Confederacy Magazine and lightly edited by CHA member Waite Rawls. In part 1, the Soldiers and Sailors Monument Association had been started in 1887 but had been unable to reach agreement by 1893 with the chosen artist—Richmond native, VMI graduate, and world-famous sculptor Moses Ezekiel.

“Relieved of all embarrassment...”

Six years had passed since the starry-eyed formation of the Confederate Soldiers & Sailors Monument Association, and the officers had little to show for their efforts, save an unfinished stone base. McCarthy turned to another Virginia-born artist, William Ludwell Sheppard (1833-1912). A savvy commercial artist, Sheppard had trained in New York and Paris, and ably illustrated McCarthy’s popular 1884 work, *Detailed Minutiae of Soldier Life in the Army of Northern Virginia*.

More importantly, Sheppard was also a sculptor who had recently completed two Confederate statues in Richmond – one on Park Avenue in the Fan to the Richmond Howitzers



artillery (the unit in which both Sheppard and McCarthy had served) and the other on Laburnum Avenue to Lt. Gen. A. P. Hill. Sheppard immediately set to work executing a model that fulfilled the Committee on Design’s requirements—sans internal spiral stairs or colossal decoration. The association board unanimously approved Sheppard’s work on July 27, 1893.

Reinvigorated by Sheppard’s cooperation, the monument association turned its focus on finances. The fundraising had not gone as well as hoped. Whether in confidence or despair the veterans turned as they frequently did, to their wives and daughters. They enlisted the help of several local ladies memorial associations, most notably the Oakwood Memorial Association and the Ladies Hollywood Memorial Association.

The LHMA had recently undertaken to acquire the former Confederate White House and was determined to open it as a “Confederate Museum” under the auspices of a new organization, the Confederate Memorial Literary Society. In April 1893 the ladies associations held a “Memorial Bazaar” in the Armory Building, 7th and Marshall Streets, in downtown Richmond. In 18 days they raised \$31,400, which they divided between their society (to fireproof the White House) and the Confederate Soldiers & Sailors Monument.

A list of receipts in the Association’s account book indicated that the \$14,855.46 from the “Ladies’ bazaar” represented more than half of the funds received for the monument. Thanks to the ladies, the Association was, it later confessed, “instantly relieved of all embarrassment and was enabled to push the work to completion, confident of their ability to pay the last dollar of its cost.”

William Ludwell Sheppard signed a contract in August; he was paid \$10,000 for his work and recommendations. In December the artist wrote McCarthy, telling him that a clay model of the statue was ready for inspection. Under Sheppard’s guidance, the committee contracted with a New York firm to produce the bronze statue, while a Richmond businessman successfully low-bid to construct the platform and stairs. The correspondence between McCarthy and Sheppard dealt with deadlines and monies, but retained a warm, cordial tone. Sheppard was reassuring to his “Dear friend McCarthy.”

Now that the monument seemed a reality, on April 14, 1894 the Common Council, Board of Aldermen, and Mayor of

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Richmond agreed to create a committee to cooperate with the Monument Association unveiling ceremonies. They set aside \$4,000 for aid “in such manner as will reflect credit on the City, and do honor to the men who so nobly laid their lives a sacrifice on the altar of their country.”

But the course of committee work ne’er did run smooth, and, on May 7, 1894, a meeting was held to ponder the insufficiency of funds for the stairs, despite the mayor’s approval for \$1,200 to go towards the same. With artist Sheppard present, it was moved and approved to have the statue face west or “up Main Street.”

In the end, the stairs were built, the statue placed safely atop the plinth, and invitations issued for the unveiling ceremonies on May 30, 1894 (Memorial Day). The *Richmond Dispatch* pronounced it a “glorious day,” despite the heavy rain that fell throughout the dedication ceremony. An estimated 100,000 people witnessed a parade of nearly 10,000 veterans, militia, and dignitary led by 2,000 children.

The official souvenir of the unveiling offered a sanitized history of the monumental effort that managed to avoid mentioning the name of Sir Moses Ezekiel.

It wasn’t over for the association, of course, as they contended with the final expenses for the unveiling, including \$52 for ammunition, and \$50 for horse feed. The carpenter’s bill of \$120.25 was considered “very excessive,” and all the more aggravating because they refused to give an itemized account. The cost exceeded the mayor’s \$4,000 allowance by \$725.22.

At its final meeting, on May 26, 1896, the Association voted to turn over its remaining funds (\$330) to the Jefferson Davis Monument Association and its records to the Confederate Museum. Secretary Carlton McCarthy went on to serve as Richmond’s mayor 1902-1908, and likely found it easier work than the monument association effort.

Sir Moses Ezekiel lamented in his memoirs, “my heart was in the Southern cause; I fought for it and risked my life for it, but the injustice that had been done to me was very cruel. The blank ingratitude of my own people, however, could never change what I felt to be my duty towards my home and country.”

Ezekiel got another chance to make his lasting mark and contribution on the Confederate landscape when he won the

commission for the United Daughters of the Confederacy’s richly symbolic Confederate monument in Arlington Cemetery. President Woodrow Wilson accepted Ezekiel’s masterpiece on behalf of the American people in June 1914. Old soldier that he was, Ezekiel himself was buried in Arlington on March 30, 1921 at the foot of his own monument to the Confederacy. His tombstone bears the simple epitaph, “Moses Ezekiel, Sergeant, Company B,



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