



The Seton Hill Lantern

September 2020

**Seton Hill Association
monthly meetings
are every 2nd
Tuesday.
General meetings
Feb, April, June,
August, October:
Holiday party
December.**

**Next General
Meeting OCTOBER
13th will
include our Annual
election to be held
virtually at 7 p.m.
via Zoom:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83475934636?pwd=M1FsdkFIVjJGYVY0S0ZiZ3lvS2x6UT09>

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Dear Seton Hill Community Member,

We hope you and your family have been staying well and safe during this challenging year. We want to share with you a few ways that the Seton Hill Association (SHA) has continued to work to maintain and improve our neighborhood, even now during the quarantine.

During the past year, dedicated SHA volunteers have initiated some great projects to help make Seton Hill such a great place to live.

*Last September, the Seton Hill Flea Market and Bazaar brought together neighbors and local businesses for a beautiful day that raised much needed funds for Saint Mary's Park.

*Monthly every 2nd Thursday SHA volunteers get their hands dirty during a clean-up, which we now complete while social distancing and taking COVID-19 precautions.

*The SHA planted trees according to our Trees and Greening initiative with more planting and tree maintenance scheduled for this fall and coming year.

*In response to COVID -19 the SHA distributes weekly food boxes for neighbors in need.

*We recently conducted a SHA safety and community survey that is helping to inform our work for the coming year.

*On October 31, we have a neighborhood cleanup and a roll-off dumpster, and socially distanced pumpkin decorating 10am-noon.



Seton Hill is a small community with limited resources to support our activities, yet we make a lot of great things happen. We would love to grow neighborhood support—with your help! Two things you can do:

Join our virtual general meetings, held the second Tuesday of every other month. The next meeting is October 13, 2020. Come hear the latest developments on projects, share your passion for the neighborhood, and find out about opportunities to become more involved.

Join the Seton Hill Association for the '20/'21 membership year beginning on October 1, 2020. If you have already renewed or become a new member, thank you! If you haven't yet, we invite you to **support the SHA with a new or returning membership before September 30, 2020.** Visit our website and click on the membership link <http://www.setonhill.org/become-a-member>, or write to president@setonhill.org with your name and address and paper form will be delivered to your door.

SHA membership helps inform the strategic plan for the neighborhood; cultivates friendships and neighborliness that strengthen community resilience and safety; and builds a volunteer base to support our programs and outreach. [Join today!](#)

REMINDERS



Housing and Architecture

Part of Seton Hill's charm is its houses; the neighborhood is designated a Baltimore City Historic District and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

If you are a homeowner/developer planning exterior changes of any kind to a home in Seton Hill, PLAN AHEAD! Your plans must be reviewed and approved before they take place. If work begins without first obtaining a Notice to Proceed and a building permit, it may be subject to housing code violations and fines.

The Seton Hill Association must review all changes to the exterior of buildings in Seton Hill, including windows, doors, lighting, painting, additions, fencing, and landscaping, then comment on the project to the City's Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation CHAP, who gives final approval to proceed with exterior work. Contact president@setonhill.org and <https://chap.baltimorecity.gov/about-chap>.

A certified rehabilitation may qualify for property tax benefits through CHAP and/or a [state tax credit](#) through the Maryland Historical Trust, which must be approved before work on the house begins. Furthermore, most of Seton Hill is designated target blocks as part of the **Healthy Neighborhood Initiative** and may qualify for special loans to help you purchase and renovate, refinance and renovate, or for home improvement: <https://healthyneighborhoods.org/our-loans/>

Parking:

Seton Hill participates in the Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC)'s RPP program as Area 10. Normally, these permits run from October 1 to September 30. Due to COVID-19, RPP will not issue new permits for 2020-21, but will continue to treat the 2019-20 permits as current. However, as of September 1, 2020, Parking Enforcement has resumed. If you do not have a 2019-20 permit, please contact the Parking Authority. <https://parking.baltimorecity.gov/residential-parking>.

Greening & Sanitation:

Please clean up the tree wells and sidewalks in front of your properties: the City considers these your responsibility. We're happy you lend you tools. If you would like to become a TreeKeeper or Weed-Warrior, please contact us.

Normal trash and recycling days are: Trash (Friday) | Recycling (Tuesday). However, until 10/31/2020, City DPW will not collect recycling due to the effect of COVID-19 on its workforce.

Lastly, please pick up after your dogs! Please do your part to keep our community looking good----we need everyone's help on these efforts!

If you have an idea, feedback, or something to share, you can always reach us at president@setonhill.org

Where to find out more about happenings in Seton Hill and SHA: **NextDoor:**

<https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/setonhill--baltimore--md/>

Website: <http://www.setonhill.org/>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/SetonHillNeighborhood>

Local Farmer's Markets

The [Downtown Farmers' Market](#) under the JFX/I-83: Open Sundays into Dec. 7 am – noon. Bring a mask and maintain social distancing. Prepared food and alcohol are available. No on-site dining. Park at the Mercy Hospital Garage. Rules may change weekly.

The [Druid Hill Farmers Market](#) located near the Rawlings Conservatory: Wed. 3:30 – 7:30 p.m. through Sep. The same rules apply.

The [Waverly Market](#) @ East 32nd Barclay Sts. Open year-round Sat. 7.00 am – noon. Modified layout and practices.

The [State Center](#) Farmers Market is every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. into Oct.

The SHA 2019-20 Board:

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Nominations & Elections:

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