

SPRING 2025

# The Seton Hill Lantern

## Join the Seton Hill Association

The Seton Hill Association (SHA) is a volunteer-led nonprofit of residents working to keep our neighborhood safe, welcoming, and beautiful. We organize events, community projects, and advocate for our neighbors. Annual dues are \$15 for individuals, \$25 for households, and \$30 for businesses, or you can volunteer instead. Join us and stay connected with your community!



Scan  
to join  
or renew your  
SHA membership!

## Want to serve on the SHA Board?

Attend one meeting a year to be eligible. Elections are in October. Board members meet monthly, help at events, and take on roles like secretary, treasurer, or just become a general board member.

Follow us on Social Media for updates & all things SHA!

## We Couldn't Do It Without You – Thank You, Volunteers!

The SHA Board sends a heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who has volunteered to make Seton Hill better this past year. Whether you joined Dumpster Day, planted trees, helped clean up, or supported events—your time and effort truly matter. From gardening to grant writing, every contribution helps our neighborhood thrive. You are the heart of Seton Hill, and we're so grateful for all you do to keep our community strong, welcoming, and beautiful.







## Lexington Market Public Health Initiative

Last year, our friends at Lexington Market and the Market Center CDC started a volunteer-led public health initiative focused on substance use disorder and overdose prevention. Key stakeholders include University of Maryland's Embrace Initiative, Baltimore Public Markets Corporation, University of Maryland Medical System, Catholic Charities, and Lifebridge Health, to name a few. The City has also been engaged, sending representatives from the Health Department and Mayor's Office to the meetings.

LieAnne Navarro and Jim French, local business owners and friends of Seton Hill, presented at our January SHA meeting to tell us about their work. Since then, the group has started drafting a local public health resource pamphlet, gathered input for short-term public health goals, and recently connected with the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement.

The group meets monthly in the Baltimore Room at Lexington Market (located at the back of the Market on the Eutaw Street side).

**Have questions or want to join?**  
Reach out to LieAnne or Jim  
[LieAnneNavarro@gmail.com](mailto:LieAnneNavarro@gmail.com)  
[Jim@thefrenchcompanies.com](mailto:Jim@thefrenchcompanies.com).

## July is Children's Month in the Garden!

As part of our ongoing community improvement efforts, SHA adopted four vacant lots on Orchard Street last year through the City's "Adopt-a-Lot" program. Today, those lots are a community garden! So far we have flowers and three big raised beds planted with berries, vegetables and herbs.

We hold open garden hours from noon to 1pm every Sunday. During the month of July, we will also have special Children's Gardening Hours on Sundays from 2pm-3pm! Everyone is still welcome to join our noon-1pm sessions, but we wanted to dedicate special time for the

young people of Seton Hill. Come out and join us - no gardening experience necessary!



## Seeking Members for the Public Safety Committee

Join the Public Safety Committee! Open to Association members. This group engages with our City partners to work towards a safe community, rising to meet the challenges that our neighbors are experiencing with a broad array of solutions. We meet monthly to go over issues relevant to the neighborhood.

Please email Caleb Bowers at [cbowers@setonhill.org](mailto:cbowers@setonhill.org) for more information!



**Globe Coffee**  
**Hours of Operations**  
Wed: 8am-12pm  
Thur: 8am-2pm  
Fri: 8am-2pm  
Sat: 9am-2pm





## Friends of St. Mary's Park – Your Neighbors, Your Park, Your Voice

The Friends of St Mary's Park welcomes you, our community members and neighbors, to join with us in our wonderful St. Mary's Park greenspace to support, advocate for, improve, activate, and celebrate the park.

The Friends group organizes fun events every year such as flea markets, movies, and our annual pumpkin painting, as well as regular clean ups, plantings, and park upkeep. This fall, we will plant new trees to replace old ones in the park, as well as more street trees (pending a grant award.) We are happy to teach you about plants and tree planting, and can

lend tools for your home garden projects.

If you appreciate the park, please join us for our many activities and

events! See calendar for dates.

Additionally, we are updating the Park Master Plan and invite your ideas.



To contribute to the Plan or join the Friends, email your contact information to [kfrench@setonhill.org](mailto:kfrench@setonhill.org).

## See Something? Say Something with 311

Part of keeping Seton Hill safe and well-maintained is knowing when and how to report issues to the city. From dumped trash to broken sidewalks, Baltimore's 311 service is the first step in getting problems addressed.

You can submit a service request in three ways:

1. Call 311
2. Go online to <https://balt311.baltimorecity.gov/citizen/s/>
3. Download the Baltimore City 311 app

When filing a request online or through the app, it's important to select the correct issue category. Choosing the wrong one may result in the request being closed without action. If you're unsure, take your best guess, but be specific in the description and include photos when possible.

Once you submit a request, you'll receive a Service Request (SR) number. Be sure to save it! You can use this number to track the progress of your report and see when it's resolved.

## Summer Tips: Help Keep Seton Hill Healthy and Bug-Free

Summer means sunshine and mosquitos. Dump out standing water in buckets, pots, and gutters to prevent them from breeding. Even a small amount of water can attract them. Check birdbaths, toys, and plant saucers regularly. Keeping mosquitos away helps protect everyone's health and comfort.



Still having trouble getting results?

Contact our City Council representative  
Zac Blanchard.

[Zachary.Blanchard@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Zachary.Blanchard@baltimorecity.gov).

Just be sure to include your SR number so  
we can follow up on your behalf.

# THIS SUMMER

## *in Seton Hill*

### JUNE

- Saturday, June 21, 10am: Friends of St. Mary's Park Weed & Water
- Saturday, June 21, 11am: Yoga in the Park
- Saturday, June 21, 10am–3pm: Black Writers Pride Vendor Fair with Charm City Books + Little Free Library unveiling (bring books to donate!)
- Sunday, June 22, 5–8pm: Picnic in the Park with Baltimore Bike Party, Cherry Blossom Special & DJ Deezy
- Thursday, June 26, 6pm: Guided Meditation in the Park
- Saturday, June 28, 11am: Yoga in the Park
- Sunday, June 29, 12pm: Summer Social in Orchard Street Community Garden (we will be providing light refreshments from Trinacria)

### JULY

- Saturday, July 5, 6pm: Lawn Games in the Park
- Tuesday, July 8, 7:30pm: Neighborhood Association Meeting (Park Building across from 548 St. Mary St)
- Thursday, July 10, 5:30–7pm: Neighborhood Clean-Up (meets at Park Building)
- Wednesday, July 16, 6pm: Narcan Training in the Park Building (training provided by Baltimore City Health Department.)
- Tuesday, July 22, 6pm: Lawn Games in the Park

### AUGUST

- Sunday, August 3, 2pm: Grow Your Own Pizza in Orchard Street Community Garden
- Tuesday, August 12, 7:30pm: Neighborhood Association Meeting
- Thursday, August 14, 5:30–7pm: Neighborhood Clean-Up
- Sunday, August 24, 4pm: Neighborhood BBQ, Potluck, and Lawn Games