Stevenswood Improvement Association, INC.

The Stevenswood Connection

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A Massage from Your President, Aaron

2010 in Review: Last year was a "Banner Year" in the Stevenswood Community. Literally, thirty-five street banners were installed throughout the community. Most of them were funded by a \$5,000 grant from the Baltimore Community Foundation and \$2,000 from LifeBridge Health Small Community Grant Program. In addition, the rotten ponderosa fence located at Ben's Run overlook on Stevenswood Road was replaced by a beautiful post and rail fence which was funded by the aforementioned \$5,000 grant. Those projects are both transformative and mobilizing in nature.

In June the Beautification Committee launched The Lawn of the Month program that ended in October. The program will be repeated this year. More details will be in the spring edition of this newsletter.

The semi-annual community clean-up program expanded to Courtleigh Drive so that members of the Association could dump their household items and yard debris more

easily and conveniently than ever before.

The second annual National Night Out Against Crime and Community Cook Out was a success. Even though the weather was threatening, a large number of neighbors participated. Everyone had a wonderful time. The cook out was fully funded by a grant from the Baltimore County Police Department Crime Prevention Grant Program. In short, the \$7,890 in grants enabled us to make major beautification improvements and noticeable enhancements.

The 4th Annual Combined Communities Holiday Celebration and Party: I wish to personally thank the thirty-two members of Stevenswood for buying tickets and for joining my wife and me at the celebration. You saw the "party animal" in me unleash itself. Everyone appeared to have a lovely time enjoying the food, music, fun, and fellowship. Rosalind Little is a line dance professional. She inspired us!

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I am inspired and deeply moved by the writings of George Bernard Shaw in particular. He wrote, "I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can." Serving my community is a privilege.

2011 Annual Stevenswood Membership

The 2011 Annual Membership Drive launches on March 1st and ends on April 30th. A Block Captain Directory is on page 2. At the bottom of the page is a 2011 Dues Payment & Homeowners' Address & Telephone Directory Registration Form. All homeowners

are welcome to join, and you are encouraged to complete the registration form so that an updated telephone directory can be published and distributed to everyone in the Community. Please include your *e-mail address*. Thanks! Kindly place your registration

form along with your membership dues in the self address envelope and return it to your Block Captain.

I wish to thank Mr. Carl Waters, 3302 Lauri Road, for volunteering to record the minutes of our 2/11 meeting.