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Senator Obama has made the statement, “Everyone knows people in their 50s and 60s and 70s who still lack good judgment.” My answer would be there are several in this block. I’ve had heated discussions with a 70+ owner tenant about taking up more than one slot. He said his neighbor 60+ doesn’t mind. I guess the point is, since everyone is paying a share for care of the park and the parking slot is an easement that his 60+ neighbor doesn’t have the right to throw off the balance. Expanding the number of equal parking slots from eight opens the door to using the spaces as chattel. I shouldn’t have to remind anyone of the 50+ landlord who had a vacancy and gave permission to a young lady down the street to park her car in his easement because he liked the way she walked her dog. Then there’s the 60+ resident who has the distinct pattern of moving in untagged vehicles and partially blocking the alley with his pride and his bumpers. And of course there’s the 50+ resident who believes that there are possibilities for reasonable care for the green space and maintaining a clean safe street in an interracial neighborhood—that’s really lack of judgment in Baltimore. We won’t even talk about the judgment of young people who refuse to clean up in front of their homes because they rent and it’s not their problem—the park, the gutter, the piece of trash. And one absentee landlord won’t fix his back gate, giving access to anyone desperate or needy.

The closing bank statement for the year end read the same as it did in October. I did meet with Jerry briefly in early January and was informed that several house owners were behind in last years dues (8/10, 16/18, 20/22, 24/26, 30). Jerry has since caught up on 20/22, 24/26. I suggested we ask Nancy to be a drop off point for dues since Jerry’s properties in the block are rented and he makes fewer appearances. I also gave him a check from 12/14 South Durham for \$90.00 representing my wife and I; this covers us as owner tenants until June. Jerry has paid up for both of his properties covering January. This is not the time to fall behind because you never catch up. For 2007 Calvin and Pat are three months behind and Avon is two months behind. 2008 is due also. I don’t know if anyone has noticed that a tarp covers the Saint Michael’s Boys School engraving on the new rental property building: It reads “Saint Michael’s Square”. If anyone is familiar with geometry, the building and existing parking lot is no square. I also recall being told that the exterior of the building cannot be altered for historical reasons. Why cover up the natural Marketing Tool of Saint Michael’s Boy’s School? They would only need a sauna in the rec room and the Lofts will go quickly to very creative people.

We’re not out of the woods yet. Saint Michael’s Square? If any of this effort has been a waste of time then we’re all wasted in due time. Transparency is a good thing—Hidden agendas are almost always uncovered no matter how busy it gets.

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