

## "WHAT'S DOIN?"

Occasional Newsletter of Charlestown-Sandtown Connection

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The is the first of an occasional communication to you as a 'Friend of Charlestown-Sandtown Connection'. It's a brief sharing to keep you informed about what's happening between Charlestown and Sandtown.

But it starts with a request: We need someone to step forward and volunteer to continue this 1page newsletter so that all of us may keep informed about the good work being done with the people of Sandtown. Maybe we'll call this the "What's Doin?" newsletter for cSc (Charlestown-Sandtown Connection).

First off is the grand Christmas outpouring of funds for the New Song Academy teachers to be able to give every child (160 in the school) a major gift at Christmas. They had informed us of this annual practice and the cSc request for funds brought in \$4,500+. In addition, Donna Chesson took two carloads of Christmas-tree scarves and gloves over for distribution to the children.



New Song Academy classroom

We now have 6 volunteers going down weekly to tutor and work with kids. Our rewards come at times like this when one of the 3rd graders looks up at her helper and exclaims, "You have lots of wrinkles, don't you?" What's the appropriate reply to that one?

Jubilee Arts offers programs at the Intersection of Change for youth and adults. To fulfill their mission of helping all-age students in selfexpression, acquiring income, and even a path to a career, their fee-based courses require outside help. Rita Tschiffely, cSc liaison, said that cSc has funded multiple scholarships with them. Recently, cSc facilitated a substantial private donation that will help the scholarship pool.

Jack and Jane Anderson take advantage of the Treasure Sales 'Left-Overs' to provide clothing for Turnaround Tuesdays. They pick out nice jackets, trousers, and dresses for young adults going out for their first job interview. In addition, TAT provides training on what to say and how to present yourself in an interview. They've taken one volunteer with them to a training session.

**END OF NEWSLETTER:** This is the kind of sharing cSc would like to do occasionally (like quarterly). We need a volunteer to offer his/her services in providing this communication. cSc will provide you with stories. If you're interested, please contact Lon Chesnutt at 410-737-8119 (Lchesnutt@aol.com).