RIDGELY'S RECORD A Newsletter for the Residents and Businesses of Ridgely's Delight, an Historic Community

May 2014

Community and Board Meetings

The monthly community meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 7th upstairs at Sliders from 7-8pm. A board meeting will follow. If you live or own property or a business in Ridgely's Delight, you are welcome to attend both meetings; however, only board members are allowed to vote at the board meeting. You can review minutes from previous meetings as well as the upcoming meeting agenda at <u>www.ridgelysdelight.org/minutes</u>. We will also post a link to the meeting agenda on our Facebook page. The meetings are community-sanctioned events, and attendance counts toward becoming a Ridgely's Delight Association member in good standing.

Free Jazz Concert in Conway Park

The Department of Parks and Recreation and the Ridgely's Delight Association are pleased to present the Annual Brian Dale Jazz Concert in Conway Park on Wednesday, May 21st. The Dunbar Jazz Band will perform swing music from 6-7:30pm. Come early and stay late! Bring your friends, a chair and a picnic basket and enjoy one of the neighborhood's most popular events. You can also order from the Corner Bistro and Wine Bar and have your meal and/or wine delivered to the park. Review the menu at <u>www.cbwinebar.com</u> and place your order from May 19th until 4pm on the May 21st. Payment is due when the order is placed.

Safety Tip

With the weather heating up, you're probably getting out more. To avoid being a victim, be aware of your surroundings. Don't talk on the phone or plug in your ear buds while walking down the street. Look around you as you walk, not down at the ground. These simple tips can make a big difference.

City Closed for Memorial Day

City offices will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 26th.

Happy Hour at Quigley's

This month's First Friday happy hour will be held on May 2nd at Quigley's Half-Irish Pub. Come out and meet your neighbors and bring a few extra bucks for the 50/50 drawing, which benefits the community association. The fun will start around 6:30pm.

Parking Permit Renewal Registration

Your residential parking permit and visitor's pass **will expire on June 30**th. If you do not have a new permit or pass on your car as of July 1st, you will be subject to a ticket. Ridgely's residents can visit our website at <u>www.ridgelysdelight.org/parking</u> for the link to renew permits and passes toward the end of the month when the system is available. We will send an email when the link is posted, so be sure to join our email list at <u>www.ridgelysdelight.org</u> if you haven't already.

Permits and passes will be available for pick-up at the Parking Authority office in the latter part of June. The office will be open one week night and one Saturday during the renewal period. The dates will be published in next month's newsletter. There will also be a neighborhood pick-up on June 26th from 6-7:30pm at Sliders Bar and Grill. Note that you must pay for your permit online by 5pm. on June 24th if you want to participate in the neighborhood pick-up.

If you forget your user name or password for the Parking Authority's site, or if you are having problems with the registration process, contact the office at 443-573-2800. For more information on required documentation and other parking rules, visit <u>www.ridgelysdelight.org/parking</u>.

Permits are \$20 each (limit 4 vehicle permits per legal household). Visitors passes are \$20 each (limit 1 per legal household).

Pick-up Day Reminder

Trash pick-up: Wednesdays Recycling pick-up: Fridays

Ridgely's Record Community Clean-up May 10th

The monthly community clean-up will be held on Saturday, May 10th. We will meet at the community shed at the Burgundy Street lot at 9am. Pickles will provide free pizza and beer to volunteers after the clean-up. If you know of areas where we should concentrate our efforts, please notify <u>president@ridgelysdelight.org</u>. The clean-up is a community sanctioned event.

Moving Out?

As school closes for the summer, many students move out Ridgely's Delight, which means there's a lot of extra trash. Please note that if you leave large items such as furniture and appliances for weekly trash pick-up, you could be fined for illegal dumping. If you are a tenant who has moved out, and your landlord is fined, the amount can be deducted from your security deposit. Therefore, please make sure you properly dispose of your unwanted belongings.

Following are some resources for disposing of your large items:

- Call 311 for bulk trash removal of up to three items, which will be picked up on the first Tuesday of the month. Appointments fill up early, so schedule yours as soon as possible.
- Sell or give away items on Craigslist.
- Make a tax-deductible donation to Goodwill.
- Donate small appliances and household items, electronics and clothing to Purple Heart, which benefits U.S. veterans. To schedule a pick-up at your home, visit www.purpleheartpickup.org.

Sowebo Celebrates Art

The annual Sowebo Festival will take place around Hollins Market on Sunday, May 25th. With three stages of music, food, beer, arts and crafts vendors an art show and kids' activities, there's fun for the whole family.

Sowebo Arts, Inc. will sponsor its poster auction on June 8th at the University of Maryland Biopark, 801 Baltimore St. Poster viewing begins at 1pm and the auction starts at 3pm. Bid on posters by some of the Baltimore area's most talented artists and help support Sowebo Arts, which promotes economic development in southwest Baltimore through the arts.

Ridgely's Pirates Sailing August 1st

Since the Orioles have a home game on the first Friday of August, we're taking the monthly happy hour out of the neighborhood that night. Please join your neighbors on Aug. 1st for an hour-long, all-Ridgely's Urban Pirates grog cruise and help us pillage the Inner Harbor. Boarding on the pier at Ann and Thames Sts. begins at 7pm, and the ship sails from 7:30-8:30. Bring your own grog on the 52foot ship Fearless and enjoy maritime songs, dancing and debauchery. Feel free to dress in pirate gear to get in the mood. If you don't have any, you can buy eye patches and other items by the ship.

Tickets will be available for \$25 – cash or check accepted – at the community meeting and first Friday happy hour. You can also contact admin@ridgelysdelight.org. Tickets are going fast, so don't delay.

Visit <u>www.urbanpirates.com</u> for directions to the boarding location, parking information and other details. Grog cruises are for adults aged 21 and older, and you must provide photo ID to board. Drinks are not sold on board, so bring any adult beverages and mixers that you wish in glass, plastic and cans. Coolers are allowed.





Ine Ridgely's Delight Association is happy to announce our second summer Movie Night in the Park. The movie will begin just after sundown, approximately 7:45PM on Saturday, July 19th, in Conway Park. On a very large, inflatable screen we plan to show Goonies, Despicable Me 2, OR Frozen. Look out for information on how to cast your vote for your preferred movie in the Ridgely's Record, <u>www.ridgelysdelight.org</u>, and our other social media outlets in the coming weeks.



The Art of Sesame Street: From Pictures to Pages

The Post Discovery Children's Museum has a new visiting exhibit. Generations of children know and love the Cookie Monster, Elmo, Big Bird, Grover, Oscar, Zoe, and Bert and Ernie. For over 40 years, these and other Sesame Street television characters have also come to life in books, in the stories you were read to as a child or are sharing with your family today.

The art exhibit, The Art of Sesame Street: From Pictures to Pages, explores the history of the popular children's educational television show through paintings and prints, and will be on display at the Museum until September 1st.

Baltimore Regional Toddler Fair

Greenspring Montessori School is delighted to host the 20th Annual Baltimore Regional Toddler Fair this year!

The fair will be on Saturday, May 17th from 10am-2pm, and will feature exhibitors who specialize in products and services for families with young children. Come enjoy fun activities for the whole that include interactive family music demonstrations, food, a mammal & reptile exhibit, pony rides and much more! The fair is FREE to the public! For more info. go to http://www.greenspringmontessori.org/community/b altimore-toddler-fair

Baltimore Farmers' Market & Bazaar

The Baltimore Farmers' Market & Bazaar has returned for its 37th season! It opens every Sunday underneath the Jones Falls Expressway at Holliday & Saratoga streets (April-Dec).

While strolling through Maryland's largest producers-only market, shoppers can revel at the sight of a vast quantity of foods, including crisp fruits and vegetables, poultry, seafood, beef, pork, lamb, bison, goat, rabbit, fresh baked goods, flavorful herbs and organically raised and produced milk, yogurt, butter, eggs and cheese products. Additionally, dozens of food vendors add spice to the market with multicultural cuisine such as popular pit beef sandwiches, omelets and breakfast burritos, crepes, wood fired pizzas, pies and quiches, soups, noodles and dumplings. Vegan items are sold as well. The bazaar offers shoppers a variety of unique crafts and collectibles including jewelry, handbags, hair accessories, clothing, rugs, pottery and wooden items, stained glass and photographs.



Dog Hikes with the Doctor at Baltimore Humane Society

Bring your dog the First Sunday of each month at 11am through November! Hike on the grounds of the animal shelter's forested wildlife sanctuary in Reisterstown, led by Dr. Mary Zink, Baltimore Humane Society Veterinary Medical Director of the Low Cost Veterinary Wellness Spay/Neuter Center. Hikes take approximately 45min-1h. BYO DOG and proof of rabies vaccination is required The cost is \$2 per dog and no prior registration required. It's a moderate hiking level so dog and hiker need to be able to maneuver trees, hills, and streams. All dogs must be on a 4-6ft leash (no retractable leashes permitted) and walked by a hiker that is 14 years of age or older. Please bring plenty drinking water for yourself and your dog and appropriate hiking attire is recommended (comfortable, flexible, closed-toe shoes and durable clothing that can withstand mud, tall grass, twigs, stickers, stream water etc.) For more info, call 410-833-8848 ext. 219 or visit http://www.bmorehumane.org/

Ridgely Mini-Mart Neighborhood Convenience Store

Large selection of wine/beer/liquor Groceries and Deli Subs and Sandwiches Hot Food Service Dry Cleaning

410-244-6216

631 Washington Blvd. Hours: 10am-9pm Mon.-Thurs., 10am-10pm Fri.-Sat., Closed Sun.



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Renovation Reminder

All renovation work requires a city permit. Additionally, since Ridgely's Delight is an historic district, work on the outside of your home requires CHAP approval prior to beginning any renovation. To review the CHAP guidelines, visit www.ridgelysdelight.org/chap

Feel free to contact the Ridgely's Delight Architectural Review Committee (ARC) with any renovation related questions at arc@ridgelysdelight.org.

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