

RIDGELY'S RECORD

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

December 2016

No Community Meeting

There will be no December community meeting this month. It will be replaced with the Annual Holiday Party. However, there will be a meeting with last year's and this year's newly elected board. Details on when and where for the board meeting will be posted on our website when available.

Newly- elected board members:

President - Sharon Reuter

VP of Operations - Chris Conlon

VP Communications - Maggie Webbert

Secretary - Eric Davis

Treasurer -

Parliamentarian - Brad Hutcheson

Members at Large - Al Passarella,

Rob Ridgely, Chris Firehock, Paul Rubenson,

Clarissa Howison

Special Election at Holiday Party

Due to the resignation of the recently elected treasurer, we will have a quick vote of all members in good standing during the party. Ballots will be distributed to those who qualify and nominations will be taken from the floor that night. You should have already received a list of nominees for the position. If you haven't, please email President@Ridgelysdelight.org

Community Clean up

The monthly community clean-up will be held on Saturday, December 10th. We will meet at the community shed at the Burgundy Street lot at 9 a.m. The clean-up is a community-sanctioned event. Participating property owners can earn credits to reduce their Stormwater Fee.

City Holiday Closures

City offices will be closed on Monday, December 26th for Christmas and Monday, January 2nd for New Years Day.

Pick-up Day Reminder

Trash pick-up: Wednesdays

Recycling pick-up: Friday

Ridgely's Delight Annual Holiday Party

Music, Dancing, Food and Fun. The entire neighborhood is invited to the Ridgely's Delight Annual Holiday Party at Frank & Nic's West End Grille on Saturday, December 17th at 7pm. Featuring a cash bar and a sponsored buffet (Thank you Matt Hilldoefer).

If you bring a Potluck Dish you can come for FREE!!! The Best Potluck Dish will win Orioles vs Yankees tickets.

Santa will be there for kids of all ages! There will also be a 50/50 Raffle to support RDA events in 2017 such as movie nights and music.

Tickets are available for \$20 per person at the door, kids under 12 eat free.

Or pay \$17 to Tom Light 623 Washington Blvd in advance or Use PayPal at www.ridgelysevents.org FROM November 1st until December 15th and pay only \$16 plus a \$1 service fee.

Be An Elf This Year

Please bring a NEW UNWRAPPED TOY, VIDEO GAME, OR GIFT CARD to the Ridgely's Delight Holiday Party as we work with the Kamryn Lambert Foundation. Your gift will go to children in local hospital's and the Ronald McDonald House. Learn more at KamrynLambert.org

Urgent Care around the Corner

Did you know that you can stop by 105 Penn St. if you have a rash, tooth pain, sprains, cuts, sore throat, lower back pain, pink eye or flu symptoms? The non-emergency care office is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. No appointment is necessary. For more information, go to www.umurgentcare.org.

Street Sweeping Reminder

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(December 21st)

Even Side: every 4th Wednesday
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Upcoming Happy Hours 2017

For those who like to plan ahead for your good times, here are your upcoming Happy Hours for next year

January 6th at The Pigtown Tavern at 6:30pm.

February 3rd at Pickles Pub at 6:30pm

March 3rd will be a Bowling Night at Patterson Bowl Center, 2105 Eastern Ave. from 6:30 until 10pm

April 14th at Sliders at 6:30pm (note this is the 2nd Friday of the month)

Ridgely's Gamers: A Very Special Holiday Edition of Cards Against Humanity!

Need a little holiday cheer? Or just to break away a bit from the magic of the season? Join us on Thursday, December 15 for a Very Special Holiday Edition of the Gamers - Cards Against Humanity! Bring your sense of humor and a merry-making beverage to DBFA around 8:15 for an extra shot of irreverent fun!

Also, Ridgely's Gamers is looking for a new (temporary) fearless leader for the first half of 2017. Main duties include finding a space and time, writing these clever blurbs, and thinking of ways to spend a fun evening getting to know your friends and neighbors - what could be better?! Contact Jen at jenniferjhammitt at gmail dot com with questions or interest.

Happy holidays - see you at game night!



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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 <http://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.

Ridgely's Delight Safety Tips

A few tips to help reduce crimes of opportunity

To prevent vehicle break-ins:

- Always lock your vehicle
- Never leave anything especially valuables in plain view. Even if you don't believe it to be of value, someone else may.
- Never leave your keys or key fob in your vehicle.
- Never leave your vehicle running unattended, this is against the law.
- When possible, park in a well-lit area.

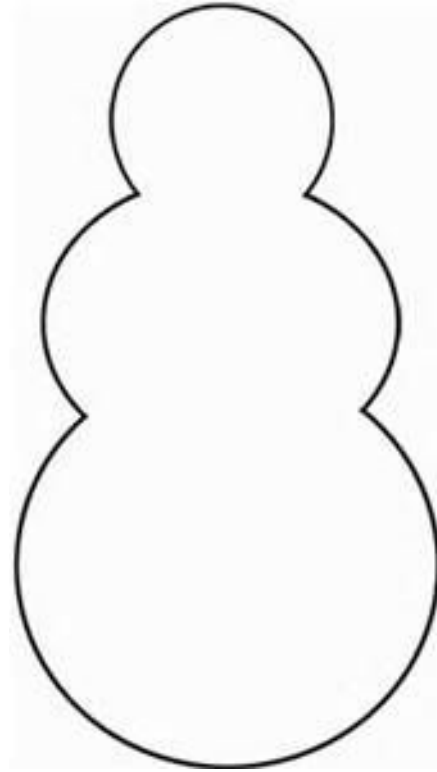
To prevent home break-ins:

- The easiest way into your home is through an unlocked door or window. Don't provide an invitation. Lock your doors and windows.
- Utilize your home security system – Deter thieves with noise or an automatic call to the police. If possible, consider purchasing a home alarm.
- Proper outside lighting – Thieves may choose to bypass a well-lit home.
- Strong exterior doors – Solid wood or metal provides stronger protection against break-ins.
- Block basement windows and window well covers
- Lock pet doors – Make sure your pet door isn't a point of entry for a thief.

To prevent robbery:

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Do not allow yourself to be distracted by activity such as talking on your cell phone, listening to music or reading.
- Try to travel with others, and walk in well-traveled areas
- Protect your electronics by not displaying them.
- Do not display large amounts of cash when paying for items
- If carry your wallet in your front hip pocket or inside jacket pocket- do not carry in your back pocket.
- If you carry a handbag or purse, carry one that you can grasp with a hand.

Happy Holidays - Finish the Snowman





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- Join Nextdoor:

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- Stay informed:

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