

RIDGELY'S RECORD

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

November 2011

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Community Meeting is November 2nd

Our community meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 2nd at 7pm upstairs at Sliders. The annual RDA Board elections are scheduled for this meeting. We will also have two guest speakers. Major Barillaro of Southern District Police will discuss crime in the area and Carly Mercer of Maryland Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) will discuss savings options for lower utility bills.

All Ridgely's residents are welcome! Students, renters, and homeowners.

Community Happy Hour is November 4th

November's neighborhood happy hour will be held at the Peace and a Cup of Joe (713 Pratt St) with food and drinks provided by the Corner Bistro & Wine Bar.

Charm City Swing

Looking for something new to do in the neighborhood? Why not learn to swing dance? Charm City Swing has opened an amazing new venue just across MLK at 861 Washington Blvd. Dances are held every Monday and Friday night at 9pm with drop in lessons for beginners at 8pm. No partner or experience needed for the lessons or the dance. \$10 dollars included lesson and dance (\$5 with student ID).

Check them out on Facebook and online at CharmCitySwing.com.

Community Clean-up is November 12th

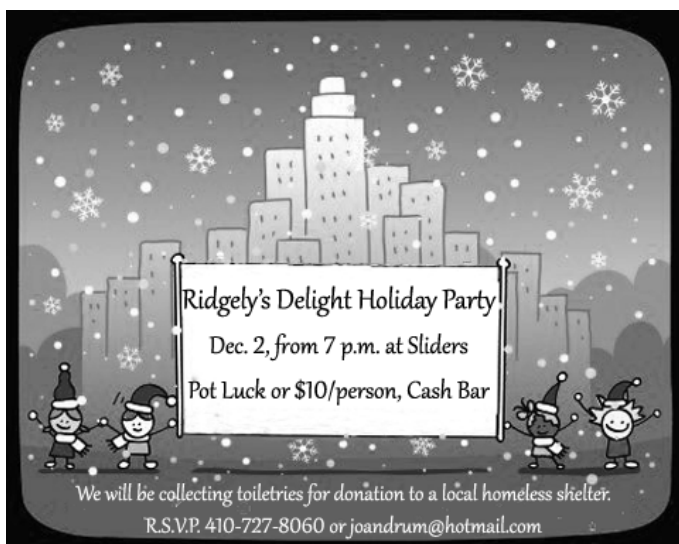
This month community clean-up will be Saturday, November 12th at 9-11am. Meet at community shed in the Burgundy St. lot for supplies.

Burglaries in Ridgely's Delight

There have been six home burglaries in the neighborhood during October. At least some of the crimes occurred during daylight hours and involved forced entry from the front of the home. Three occurred in the 600 block of Portland, two in the 200 block of S. Fremont and one in the 400 block of S. Fremont. All residents, particularly those in the northern part of the community, should keep alert for suspicious activity and call the police at 911 if anything unusual is observed.

Take a few minutes to do a home security check. The idea is to make your house look occupied. On the inside, doors should fit tightly in the frame and have a secure, one inch deadbolt lock. Put some lights and a radio on a timer. Update you home inventory listing things like computers, sports equipment and electronics. Secure sliding doors with a commercially available lock or a wooden dowel in the track.

On the outside, make sure front and back entrances are well lit. Consider installing a motion detector in the back. Keep your home well maintained and store tools, ladders, and such inside when not in use. Please also report broken street lights, abandoned cars, graffiti, and litter to 311. Helping the neighborhood stay in good shape can also deter crime.



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DBFA and Adopt-a-Family

The Downtown Baltimore Family Alliance (DBFA) is once again hosting their annual Adopt-a-Family program. DBFA is partnering with George Washington Elementary School to identify families who need a little extra help this holiday season. Local families will be matched with a deserving family and are asked to purchase at least one gift per child and one book for at least one school-aged child. "Adopters" will receive their family information by 11/20 and the exchange will take place the weekend of 12/9. If you are interested in "adopting" a family this holiday season, please contact Allison at apendelljones@gmail.com or 443-653-1226.

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Reminder: Ridgely's Delight is an historic neighborhood. If an owner does any renovation work without first obtaining a Notice to Proceed and a permit, he/she will be subject to housing code violations and fines.

CHAP guidelines and requirements can be found at http://www.ridgelysdelight.org/history/ridgelys_guide_lines.pdf

Please contact the Ridgely's Delight Architectural Review Committee (ARC) with any questions at RidgelysDelightARC@gmail.com

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