

RIDGELY'S RECORD

A Newsletter for the Residents and Businesses of Ridgely's Delight

October 2010

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Community Meeting is October 6th

Our monthly meeting will be held at the Diamond Tavern at 7pm.

Community Happy Hour is October 8th

First Friday Happy Hour will be held at Sliders. End the O's 2010 season on a happy note....a happy hour at Ridgely's favorite O's bar. Come out and watch one of the last games of the season with your neighbors at Sliders. Rachael and the staff of Sliders are throwing us a free buffet including buffalo wings and buffalo dip. Drink specials include \$2.00 domestics and \$4.00 bombs. See you there at game time 7PM. Please ask for a RDA bracelet.

Community Cleanup

The Ridgely's Delight Association is organizing two community clean ups in October. The first will be Saturday, October 9th, and the second will be Saturday, October 23rd. Volunteers are needed to clean and remove debris and leaves from our streets. Residents interested in volunteering please meet at the Sunoco at 9:00 AM. As always, we will be retiring to Pickles Pub for drinks and lunch.

Ridgely's Delight - a "trashy" hood?

The Ridgely's Delight Association would like to remind you to properly dispose of solid waste material. Violations of the Department of Public Works (DPW) regulations and City laws can result in citations and fines ranging from \$250 to \$500.

In an effort to enforce this policy, the Association will be issuing reminder notices and collecting all recycling/trash containers that are left in the public right of way, off personal property lines, during the October 9th cleanup. This enforcement effort is mainly due to the constant collection of trash cans at the corner of Bankard Ln. and Penn St. The collected containers will be available to reclaim at the dumpster located on Conway Street for a limited time on October 9th only (2-3 hours). Please make sure that your private trash container is stored on private property (back/side yard or inside your residence) or else you will lose it.

"Have a yucky day" Oscar the Grouch.

A New Ridgely's Improvement Committee

Five concerned residents of Dover St. have established a committee for the timely removal of the deteriorating buildings at the north end of Ridgely's Delight. The committee has learned that the possible demolition of the 723 Pratt St. Building, a University of Maryland Medical Systems (UMMS) property, has been postponed indefinitely. While we appreciate the efforts to preserve the historical integrity of Ridgely's Delight, there are several pertinent issues concerning this property that have been overlooked when evaluating the option of demolition. These concerns are primarily issues of **safety, environmental impact, and fiscal responsibility**. Plus, no person or authority has thus far been able to provide any evidence or explanation of the historical claim. If the 723 Pratt is not deemed a historical site, argument for saving it becomes moot.

As tax payers, home owners, and neighbors, we would like the other residents of our Ridgely's Delight community to be aware of the overall concerns of the 723 Pratt Street building.

To read more about the

- safety concerns due to the structural deterioration,
- concerns due to the severe flooding on Dover St.,
- fiscal feasibility for the renovation,
- questionable historical merits of 723 Pratt St.,

and to view pictures of the buildings, please see our website at <http://home.comcast.net/~ptwilder/site/>

If you are in agreement with the committee's position, please take a moment and sign the petition for the removal of these buildings at

<http://www.thepetitionsite.com/4/demolition-of-723-west-pratt-street/>

There is also a link to this petition on the website.

RDA Board Election

The annual election of RDA officers and directors will take place at the November community meeting. RDA By-laws require that the Board's Election Committee recommend and publish a slate of officers. To serve or vote, a person must be a member in good standing of RDA. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the November meeting.

Tot Lot Trash

To the residents who live on and around Bankard Ln., **please** remember that our neighborhood trash pick-up is on Wednesday. Trash should not be placed outside until 6pm on the previous night. For many months, multiple trash cans that are almost constantly filled with trash have been left on the corner of Bankard Ln. and Penn St., next to the tot lot! Please refrain from this habit. It is promoting the healthy lifestyle of a variety of insects and vermin. Other residents who frequently pass this corner and are frustrated with the accumulation of trash are encouraged to call 311.

Free Wine Tasting

The Bullpen (508 Washington Blvd) will hold a wine tasting on Wednesday October 13. The wine tasting is free and offers the opportunity to try at least 4 different wines. Food specials will be available. The Bullpen is also starting a Wine Club... try 10 different wines and receive one bottle free! Stop in for more details. (The Bullpen is closed on Monday and Tuesday.)

And for you football fans, the Bullpen has the NFL package so come by and watch your favorite teams on Sundays.

Information...On the Record

Read it before you receive it.

Go to <http://www.ridgelysdelight.org/record/> to read next month's Record up to a week before it's delivered. If you would like to contribute any information or comments to the Ridgely's Record, please email Michele at mvitolo@umaryland.edu before the 22nd of each month. We will try to include as much contributed material as time and space permits.



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Wednesday	\$7.00 Signature Martinis
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