



RIDGELY'S DELIGHT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING
March 6th, 2013, Slider's Bar & Grill 7:00 PM

Treasury Report

- Ended January: \$18,509.13 - \$150 + \$430. Ending February: 18789.13.
- Of current funds: \$4008 already spoken for (Downtown Partnership, Ruppert, memorial)

Crime Report

- New safety@ridgelysdelight.org address
- Ridgely resident Alysia Nicole Strickland was murdered on Friday, February 22nd in the Mondawmin neighborhood of West Baltimore. We are donating \$100 to BARCS in her memory. Eric has a card for the family. Please contact him if you would like to sign it.

Zip Car update

- We will be losing one car at Warner and Washington due to low usage rates. When the car is removed they will move the sign back to give us back the residential parking space.

Gala Fundraiser for South Baltimore Learning Center (SBLC) – Montgomery Park, March 23rd

- SBLC is a community based nonprofit organization where adult learners can attend classes in Adult Basic Education (ABE), Pre-GED and GED instruction, or — for beginning readers — weekly one-to-one tutoring sessions. SBLC also provides computer classes, career counseling, and academic counseling, as well as an opportunity to earn a high school diploma through the External Diploma Program (EDP). SBLC is the sole authorized provider of the EDP program for Baltimore City.
- The annual fundraiser 'That's Amore' ... The Love of Learning, 2013 Gala, March 23 @ Montgomery Park. Tickets are \$100 if purchased ahead of time and \$110 at the door. Go to <http://www.southbaltimorelearns.org/> for more information or to purchase tickets.

Historic Tax Credits and Weatherization – Workshop March 14th

- Thursday, March 14, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Neighborhood Design Center, 1401 Hollins Street, Baltimore, MD 21223
- Go to <http://www.baltimoreheritage.org/2013/03/weatherization-historic-tax-credit-workshops-in-march-and-april/> to RSVP.

Maryland SPCA March for the Animals-April 21st

- Fundraiser for the SPCA at Druid Hill Park on April 21st
- You can either join the pack at the event or sponsor the walk
<http://marchfortheanimals.kintera.org/> click on Charlie's Angels under Pack Rank on the right side of the page or contact Mike and Maggie at 443-472-0810 or email mikeplaisted@hotmail.com

Orioles Road Trip with your Ridgely's Delight neighbors!

- Mike and Maggie are taking a 9 day road trip to root for the Orioles at their away games. They are getting a group together to join them. Several people have already signed up. They will be travelling to San Diego, San Francisco and Phoenix, departing on August 5th and returning on August 13th. Contact Mike at mikeplaisted@hotmail.com or by phone at 443-472-0810 if you are interested. Plan is to try to purchase a block of ticket so everyone can sit together at the game.

Zoning Sub-Committee proposals

- Posted to Yahoo Groups on 21 February.
- Effectively kept residential for most of the neighborhood, a few current businesses zoned commercial or light industrial mixed use, changing grass lots at Eislen/Russell and Burgundy parking lot to open space.
- The recommendations have been submitted to the City Zoning Committee
- If you have not signed the petition at the Ridgely Mini Mart and you want to try to help them stay in the neighborhood, please drop by and sign it.

Dog Park Proposal

- Eric learned that the city will establish a dog park for us if we designate where we want it and assume responsibility for maintaining it. We can discuss this further at the next meeting. Please e-mail Eric at president@ridgelysdelight.org with your thoughts about this.

ARC Issues

- ARC is working on formalizing their structure and operations so it is clear how decisions are made re: what work can they approve or support in the neighborhood. More on this at the next meeting.
- Matt Hilldoerfer raised a proposal to consider a modification to the requirement that all replacement windows be made of wood. There are now non-wood products available that look like wood so could meet esthetic requirements and be more durable and lower maintenance for homeowners. He has collected information about other historic neighborhoods that have approved this. This will also be presented at the next meeting for further discussion.

Happy Hour on the Pirate Ship

- Eric is looking into booking an Urban Pirate Cruise on the Harbor for one of our Happy Hours in May or June. Will try to do it on a Friday when the Oriole's are playing as it is difficult to find a bar that is available in the area on game evenings.

Community Cleanup – Saturday March 9th 2013 – 9am - 11am

- Taking suggestions for problem areas/projects to concentrate on. president@ridgelysdelight.org
- We were not able to get a dumpster this time

Ridgely's Delight 2013 Calendars

- \$20 of awesomeness from around the neighborhood. Just a few left. Contact Eric at president@ridgelysdelight.org if you want one.