

THE ARCADIAN

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Mark Your Calendars

The next general
meeting of the
Arcadia
Improvement
Assoc., Inc.

Thursday,
March
@ 7:30 pm

Ray of Hope
Baptist Church

Parkside Drive
& Harford Rd.

**This will be our
election of
officers and new
board members
and the first
of two general
membership
meetings in
2016.**

President's Message

No trick but an early treat for us; October 17 co-chairs Jack Sheehe and Molly Dicken, along with many volunteers put on Arcadiafest, a German themed block party, with appropriate music, beverages, and food, pumpkin painting, and a moon bounce. In addition, many families brought delicious desserts, salads, or casseroles. All in all, there was wunderbare Geselligkeit und Nachbarschaft (wonderful merrymaking and neighborliness). Thank you Jack and Molly and all the volunteers for an outstanding event. It certainly would be nice to have an annual fall block party.

On a down note, the Baltimore City Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals approved the conditional use for a twelve pump Royal Farms Gas Station to be constructed across from the Hamilton Library near the intersection of Harford and Old Harford roads. All local neighborhood associations oppose this installation as needless, unsafe for school children crossing the busy intersection while walking to school, unsafe for traffic flow, an addition that will reduce home values, and disrupt our community visions. At a recent meeting, the mayor had committed to support our opposing position as did the Planning Commission. However, she and the Commission changed their minds at the last minute. So much for integrity and trust. Our third district City Councilman has consistently been on the side of Royal Farms. One wonders what is driving his interests. I am not aware of any attempt he has made to justify his opposition to the wishes of the people he has pledged to represent. Is this the beginning of the conversion of Harford Road to a major artery like Route 40? For an example of what may be built, look at 6091 Pulaski Highway.

Our Fall General Meeting focused on creating a timely, effective and correct policy for addressing

--- owners of or occupiers of homes in the community that are falling into disrepair. To broaden our understanding of the issues, we had two very knowledgeable speakers present their perspectives; Sophie Asike, Esq. Assistant State's Attorney, Baltimore Housing and Robin Jacobs, Esq., of the Community Law Center, Lawyers for Neighborhoods. From their presentations and answers to questions, we gained a much greater understanding of procedures and resources that are available to a neighborhood association. Thank you Attorneys Asike and Jacobs for excellent input. From this information and input from the audience, the Board is better prepared to create a general policy and procedures for dealing with properties that are deteriorating.

Cheers,
Bob Pairier
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Police Alert



There have been thefts from porches and private property in our Arcadia and Beverly Hills neighborhoods over the past several months. The police are aware of those that have been reported. If you know that someone has gone through your unlocked car, garage, entered your home, or taken something from your property, **CALL 911** to have a police officer come to take a report. Extra police help can only occur when there is a definite need for it.

Community Relations 410-889-6499
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Events in the Neighborhood

Arcadia Craft Circle

Hello all, we've started the Arcadia crafts circle again for fall; please let others know. For details and next meeting date please contact Elisabeth Glowatzki at:

eglowatzki@gmail.com

Hamilton-Lauraville Main Street Holidays on Harford

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2015

Santa Visits Main Street

Details to come, check-out our website for upcoming details under the Events link.

<http://hamiltonlauravillemainstreet.org>

Baltimore City Dep't. of Public Works



Press Release

Bagged leaf collection season has started and continues through January 4, 2016. The Bureau of Solid Waste will collect up to 20 bags of leaves every Monday throughout the season with the exception of November 11th. Residents must call 311 before Sunday at 10 p.m. for the next days collection. Residents may make multiple appointments for up to two months prior to the pickup date. The Bureau of Solid Waste will also continue to collect up to 5 bags of leaves on the regular trash collection day. Residents need to put leaves in clear or labeled bags and place them at their regular mixed refuse collection location and not in the public right-of-way. With Monday collections and regular mixed refuse collections, the Bureau of Solid Waste will collect, in total, 25 bags of leaves per week per resident. Residents can also drop off bagged leaves at any of the five Bureau of Solid Waste locations:

Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5p.m.
Eastern Sanitation Yard - 6101 Bowleys Lane
Call 311 for other drop off locations.

Arcadia's Trees = Leaves

** Keep the storm drains clear!
Do not rake or blow leaves into the gutters or street.*

Herring Run Park Events

The Friends of Herring Run Parks

invites you to attend our annual meeting which is scheduled for **Monday, November 30th @ 6:30 pm** at the Ray of Hope Baptist Church-- Parkside Dr. & Harford Rd. Come to hear about the construction updates for the Greenway Trail from city engineers in charge of the project. Please check-out the website for The Friends of Herring Run Park -- thefhrp.org or click on the link to our Facebook page at that site to view photos of past events and view upcoming events that we are promoting. We are a neighborhoods non-profit group that cares for our local park and promotes events that will keep neighbors active and engaged in what is happening in Herring Run Park.



Save A Tree

Many of the trees in Herring Run Park are being enveloped by vines. The vines are not parasites living off the tree but are simply reaching for light. However, they prevent light from reaching the tree and damage it further by the cumulative weight of the vines. So, vines destroy trees and need to be removed for the health of the forest.

There are over four hundred and forty plus households in Arcadia. If each household were to select (adopt) a vine covered tree and cut a "window" in all the vine stems at the base of the tree they would protect that tree for the next several years. What an impact that would have on the forest bordering Arcadia. Please adopt a tree. Should you not be able to get into the forest to save a tree yourself, perhaps you could sponsor another person to make the effort for you.

Contact one of the Arcadia board members for a metal marker to ID your tree.

Happy Holidays

Our wish for all Arcadians is a safe and Happy Thanksgiving. In December there are many different celebrations that may involve family gatherings. If yours is Christmas, Hanukkah, or Kwanzaa, our wish is for peace and sharing of the holiday with those we love.

Recycling/Trash Schedule



Tuesday = recycling



Thursday = trash

It's so easy

Be good to
our planet

Be "Green"

Recycle

● Bulk Trash pick-up

2nd Friday of each month

(up to 3 large items)

Friday, Nov. 13

Friday, Dec. 11

* remember to call 311 at
least 3 working days in
advance to schedule your
pick-up

311 "It works"

Report potholes and get them repaired within 48 hours. Other concerns such as trash dumped along major routes, illegal signs, abandoned vehicles, tree limbs in the roadway, clogged stormdrains, recycling or trash not picked up, etc. may also be reported, but do get a tracking # so you can check back if the work is not done.

KUDOS to our newsletter deliverers! With your help every one gets to know what is happening in Arcadia.

Thank You

ARCADIA

is on Facebook-check us out to see what other events or news is posted. Look under **arcadiaimprovementassociation**

“Editor’s Note”

We welcome articles of general news interest and like to welcome new neighbors and congratulate the birth of brand new little Arcadians, but we need your help. Please send or phone the editor to get this information into the next issue. You are the link to the news!

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News Items/Articles

December 30, for Jan/Feb newsletter.

You can also mail items for the newsletter to:

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Welcome New Neighbors



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Support Local Businesses

It’s a great gain for everyone!

Shop, eat, get groomed, find repairs--where? All these things are available less than two miles from home. Below are a few of the local businesses who have invested in our community. They want and need your continued support to stay healthy. Match these names to what they offer. **NOTE:** you may need more than one line to link the businesses with what they offer. Make the connection, **fix the mismatches!**

Hamilton Music

Red Canoe

Maggies Farm

Blue Spark

Zekes

Safeway

Hamilton Bakery

Hamilton Vacuum

Green Onion

Chop Shop

Theiss

Wills

Lakeins

Koco’s

jewelry
men’s styling
dinner

ladies styling
good coffee

kid’s cuts
mmm-muffins
plumbing supplies

music lessons

Rx

lunch

vacuum sales/repairs

cleaning supplies

delicatessen

groceries

NO prizes for this game, but all the correct answers should be taken to the businesses you support!

Thanks for being part of our neighborhood!

“New Year’s Eve Ball Fall”



at
Times Square



aka “Harcourt & Juneau”

Don’t miss the fun and excitement of preparing and testing for Arcadia’s own Ball Fall. We will need volunteers to make this event happen for a NINTH year. Please email me or call to offer your availability.

egene42@gmail.com

Gene Nuth @ 410-426-2035

Call me by the Monday before New Year’s Eve to offer your help for this great event. A show of **muscle and strength** will be needed for the testing of the ball--early afternoon on December 31st.

Everyone is asked to bring some snacks or a beverage to share with neighbors to welcome in the New Year. Please share in the preparation to make this a fun event for family and friends. We gather at 11:30 pm to share the welcoming in of 2016.



Snow



Trash



Recycling

How do these three impact ARCADIA residents?

1. If it snows, you are responsible for clearing your sidewalks. Please consider clearing the driving side of your street in front of your house.
2. Trash collection in our area happens on Thursday, recycling on Tuesday. If the street is impassible from the top or bottom because of snow/ice, city trucks will not take the chance of sliding into a parked car to service the street.
3. Recycling is to be put into marked cans, boxes or other containers.

PLASTIC BAGS and STYROFOAM are not recyclable. These items will jam the equipment at the recycling center (it’s all mechanized not hand separated). The city **can** issue citations if recyclables are put out in plastic bags.

4. Bulk items such as wood, building trim, and wallboard are not recyclable. However, tree and shrub branches can be bundled and tied to 3ft. lengths and will be collected on regular trash days.

5. Fines can be expensive. For further clarification on the rules call 311.

