

# THE ARCADIAN

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<http://www.arcadia-baltimore.org/>

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## Mark Your Calendars

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

Thursday,  
March 10th  
7:30 pm

Ray of Hope Baptist Church  
Parkside Dr. & Harford Rd.

## President's Message

Happy New Year. We have reached the position of Earth to Sun where we begin a new year. Some cultures use the position of the Moon to Earth to mark the beginning of a new year which occurs at a different time than January 1st and at a different time each year. The selection of January 1 as the beginning of the year was fairly recent and is somewhat arbitrary. In any case, it is customary to reflect on the past year and to set goals for the coming year. AIA had a busy 2015.

### 2015 Reflections:

- The Arcadia community voted to change Article 9, Section 1 of our bylaws to have two scheduled general meetings annually rather than a general meeting each odd numbered month. The Annual Meeting will be held in March and the Fall Meeting will take place in September.
- Our Hospitality Committee (Erin Busby and Mary Anne Brennan) coordinated an Arcadia Night Out family dinner at the Lauraville House that was enjoyed by a large group of neighbors.
- Mandy Arora Farrelly, with help from several others, organized a superb annual Block Party that was enjoyed by many neighbor families.
- Not all reflections are positive. Royal Farms has received zoning approval to construct a twelve pump gas station and convenience store across from the Enoch Pratt Library on Harford Road. Legal challenge is continuing, supported by virtually all the local neighborhood organizations.
- Guided by Kim Burns, Arcadia now has a revised web site created, under contract, by Arcadian Chris Williams.
- Ad hoc, Jack Sheehe and Molly Dicken, along with many volunteers put on Arcadiafest in October, a German themed block party, with appropriate music, beverages, and food. It was an outstanding event.

- Our Fall General Meeting focused on gathering input to create a timely and effective policy for addressing owners of or occupiers of homes in the community that are falling into disrepair.

### 2016 Goals we hope to achieve before the March Annual Meeting:

- Complete and publish a policy for dealing with distressed houses.
- Publish revised bylaws on the AIA web site.
- Coordinate another Arcadia Night Out at a local venue.
- Assemble a slate of officer and board members for the March election.

If you would like to serve as an officer or board member, please let one of the members of the nominating committee know (Betty Mayes, Cami Colarossi, Cathy Brill).

Happy New Year,  
*Bob Poirier*



## Christmas Tree Pick-up

DPW will offer curbside tree collection from Monday, January 4 through January 31, 2016. Residents should set out trees on their regularly scheduled trash collection day at the same location where their trash is collected. All tinsel and ornaments must be removed from trees before they are set out for curbside collection. Please call 311 for additional information.

\* **Reminder to residents living across from Herring Run Park---it is not okay to dump your tree, decorative greens, or other yard waste in the park. Chemicals from these elements do not co-exist with the ecostructure of our park trees.**

## Community Events

### **Arcadia Craft Circle**

This gathering has been suspended until later in the Spring. This newsletter will announce the resumption of the Craft Circle, so please check future issues.

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### **Herring Run Park**

Want to know about what's going on in our park? Checkout our website at

<http://thefhrp.org/>

You can also visit our Facebook site at:

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfHerringRunParks>

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### **SFA School "Open House"**

St. Francis of Assisi School will hold an Open House on Sunday, January 24 from 11am to 1pm. Meet the teachers, talk with students and see first-hand what makes St. Francis a wonderful community school. Parents can also "see the school in action" and visit classes later in the week. For more information or to schedule your visit, call **410-467-1683**.

Founded in 1954 and situated in historic Mayfield, St. Francis of Assisi offers a comprehensive school curriculum for Pre-K through grade 8 in a nurturing environment.

**Check our website for more information:**  
<http://www.sfa-school.org/>

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### **The Dan Meyer Choir Performs at the Creative Alliance**

Arcadia's Dan Meyer Choir will be returning for a second year to The Creative Alliance for it's Valentine's and President's Day celebration "Love Songs of the Presidents." The performance will be at 3:00pm on Monday, February 15, 2016. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$8 at the door. If you cannot attend that performance, they will also be performing at The Electric Maid in Takoma Park at 3:00pm on Sunday, February 14, 2016. Those tickets are \$10.

Get more information at  
[www.danmeyerchoir.com](http://www.danmeyerchoir.com)

## **Arcadia Improvement Association "Paul Preziosi" 2016 Scholarship**

**\$200 toward tuition, books, or supplies**

### **Eligibility Requirements**

1. Be a resident of Arcadia ;
2. Be a high school Senior;
3. Reside in a household with a current membership in the Arcadia Improvement Association; and

4. Complete and submit the application by May 31. Application materials can be obtained from: Sarah Sette  
3500 Parkside Drive, **410-444-9393**,  
[ssette@miemss.org](mailto:ssette@miemss.org)

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### **Winter Weather Tips**

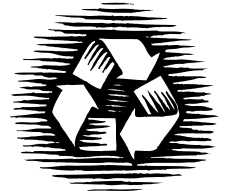
DPW reminds citizens to clear snow from fire hydrants and storm drains in your neighborhood (melting snow and thawing ice need clear channels to storm drains).

1. Keeping storm drains clear prevents flooding of intersections and basements and lets water flow freely away.
  2. Let a thin stream of cold water run from a basement faucet when outside temperatures are extremely low. The stream should be a continuous flow, about the thickness of a pencil lead. This water can be caught in a bucket to be recycled later as laundry or dish water.
  3. If your pipe is frozen, gently warm it with hot air from a blow dryer at the point where it enters your house.
  4. Be sure you know the location of the water shutoff valve in your home. Check it periodically to ensure it works properly.
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### **Snow Trash Recycling**

*How do these things impact ARCADIA ?*

1. If it snows, **you** are responsible for clearing your sidewalks. Please be considerate of neighbors who use public transit and walk to the bus stop. Also consider clearing the driving side of your street in front of your house.
2. Trash and recycling collection will **not** happen if the street is impassible from the top or bottom because of snow or ice. City trucks will not take the chance of sliding into a parked car to service our streets.



### **Recycling Trash Schedule**

**TUESDAY=  
RECYCLING**

**THURSDAY=  
TRASH**

#### **• Bulk Trash pick-up**

2nd Friday of each month  
up to 3 large items  
Friday, Jan. 8  
Friday, Feb. 12  
Friday March 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 slippery side streets in need of salting, salt boxes that need to be refilled, unpermitted construction projects, etc. may also be reported, but do get a tracking # so you can check back if the problem has not been resolved.

The "New" Arcadia website is listed on the front page. Check it out and thanks to Thayer Young for the updated Arcadia map.

Some local business websites of interest

<http://www.koco-spdb.com/>

<http://www.redcanoe.bz/>

<http://maggies-farmmd.com/>

<http://www.bmore-chopshop.com/>

<http://bluespark-barbershop.com/>

<http://www.wills-hairstyling.com/>

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**Crime Takes A Winter Break!**

Let's not fool ourselves with this statement. It takes a watchful community presence to be the eyes and ears for neighbors who may be at work, doing errands, or out picking up children from school. In addition to calling 911 we can help by taking the tag number of vehicles that seem out of place and knowing how to contact a neighbor at work if things are moving out of that neighbors house. Be vigilant and be the concerned person who alerts neighbors when things just don't seem right.

Thank You

Merci

Gracias

Danke



The 10th annual Arcadia Ball Drop was a success. It was the combined effort of many helping hands and a knowledgeable "motley crew" who return to this spot each year. Gene Nuth had big dreams in 2006 when it first happened, but who knew it would be a tradition. Arcadians and neighbors from other areas came to witness the festivities.

**North by Northeast American Roots Music Series**

**in association with Earth Pulse Yoga**

**2016 Concert Calendar**

January 9 ---The Old Part of Town

February 13 -- Michael Patrick Flanagan Smith

March 5 --- The Stone Hill Allstars with Billy McComiskey

April 9 --- The Shameless Mooks with The Patapsco Delta Boys

May 14 --- The Polkats

June 11 --- The Wheels

**COST: \$10 adults \$5 children under 10**

All concerts are held at 8 pm at

**The Church of the Messiah**--Harford Rd. & White Ave.--free parking in the rear of church  
Doors open @ 7:30pm--non-alcoholic drinks & desserts sold -- BYOB

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**Yoon's Body & Paint**

**ZEKE'S Coffee**

**2016 Arcadia Dues**

**P**ayment of your dues will be greatly appreciated. We ask each family for \$10 per year to help defray the cost of publishing our newsletter, support of community activities such as our block parties and yearly donations to the non-profit organizations that directly impact our community. ●

Here's my/our \$10.00 membership dues!

I/We'd like to give more because Arcadia is a great place to live!

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of adults in household: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to:

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