

THE ARCADIAN

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Mark Your Calendars

Our next general
meeting of the
**Arcadia
Improvement
Assoc., Inc.**

**Thursday,
November 13
7:30 pm**

speakers
area schools
were invited

**Ray of Hope
Baptist Church
Parkside Drive
& Harford Rd.**

the next meeting
is scheduled for

**Thursday,
January 8
7:30 pm**

President's Message

Whither goes Arcadia? What do we, the Arcadia Neighborhood, want the neighborhood to be? In what directions do you want the neighborhood to evolve? Should the neighborhood choose to follow a reactive stance, responding to issues as they come forward, or be proactive and strive toward molding the neighborhood toward future goals, as well as responding to issues as they come forward?

Let's begin, in this issue, with the question of what, in your view, is Arcadia; what are the physical, social, environmental, and economic attributes of our neighborhood? What are the positives and what are the negative? What defines us?

We can define the boundaries. It is encompassed by portions of many and all of some streets and roads including Harford Rd., Walther Ave., Overland Ave., Arabia Ave., Berkshire Rd., Harcourt Rd., Woodstock Ave., Parkside Dr., and Eastwood Dr. These are the boundaries defined in the Arcadia By-Laws.

A portion of Herring Run Park is coincident with the southern boundary. This park is thought to be a strong attribute of the neighborhood. To some, this positive feeling for the park is so strong that they voluntarily and regularly, in groups or individually, trim back invasives and weeds and remove trash. Many walk and play in the park. Is this a major attribute in the eyes of the majority of the neighborhood?

In my opinion, Arcadia's great strength is its neighborliness as demonstrated by conversations next door and across the street, people sharing electricity after power line damage, working together to shovel snow from the streets, watching your house and gardens and on and on. What is your opinion?

What do you believe Arcadia is? What do you think it should be? Please let us know.

Send your thoughts via
arcadiabmore.blogspot.com.
We are looking forward to your input.

Bob Poirier
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Police Alert



There have been multiple thefts from porches and private property in our Arcadia and Beverly Hills neighborhoods over the past two 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. These are suggestions from our local police community relations officers.

1. Installing a real or phony (available at Home Depot) outdoor camera. Burglars don't want to be noticed.
2. Outdoor floodlights that are motion sensitive.
3. Alarm system with an outside horn.
4. "Home Security" signage.
5. Asking a neighbor to sign for a UPS or a Fed-Ex package that you are expecting.

Below are the email addresses provided by Baltimore Police, Northeast Region. They have asked that these people be notified if you leave your house vacant for a period of time e.g. away for a weekend, away on vacation.

chris.tserkis@baltimorepolice.org
joseph.banks@baltimorepolice.org

If you do not have access to email, then call and leave a message for Community Relations.

410-889-6499.

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 410 426 0590 or email me at: eglowatzki@gmail.com

Hamilton-Lauraville Main Street Holidays on Harford

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2014

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 5, 2015. 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

Invasive Removal

To maintain the beauty of our neighborhood, Arcadia Improvement Association is coordinating a Saturday work morning to remove invasive plants from the Walther Road side of Triangle Park (aka Heinz Park).

We will meet on the corner of Walther Avenue and Parkside Drive at 9 AM Saturday, November 22. Tools and gloves will be provided by Baltimore Recreation and Parks.

See you there.

Invasive Removal Triangle Park
Saturday, November 22 9 til 11 AM



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.

Please SAVE A 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. 14

Friday, Dec. 12

* 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.

“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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Deadline for

News Items/Articles

December 30, for Jan/Feb newsletter.

You can also mail items for the newsletter to:

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Phone 410-426-3426

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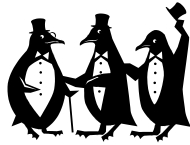
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Welcome New Neighbors



Lillian Cooperman
3113 Tyndale Avenue

Joseph & Laura Riley
3112 Tyndale Avenue



New Baby Congratulations

Erin Buzby & Josiah Mueller proudly announce the arrival of their second daughter,

Heidi Elizabeth Buzby-Mueller

She weighed 6 lb. 7oz. and joins her big sister Daphne at home on Berkshire.

Living Green Tips !

Try Composting:

Turn yard waste into a valuable fertilizer and soil amendment. Composting is a safe, natural method of converting yard waste and non-meat kitchen scraps into a valuable organic product that can be used as a mulch or tilled into gardens and flower beds to improve soil health.

Facts:

Farmers recycle the leaves and stalks of harvested crops to create a natural mulch that protects their fields from erosion and adds organic matter to the soil. Similarly, homeowners can recycle leaves, grass clippings and food scraps for compost and cut down on the amount of yard waste that gets hauled to our landfills.

Benefits of composting include:

- Improving the overall physical, chemical and biological properties of soil.
 - Helping plants cope with drought conditions.
 - Stimulating root development in plants.
 - Providing nutrients for plant growth while helping to promote healthy plants that are less susceptible to diseases and insect pests.
 - Provides a food source for earthworms and other desirable macro and microorganisms (big and little critters) that benefit your soil.
- <http://www.iwantmarylandsbest.com/>

“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 an Eighth 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 a dish, 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 2015.



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.

