THE ARCADIAN

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President's Message

Thanks to all who assisted with the June Block Party. The weather held out and the neighborhood shared another fine gathering. Terry Staudenmaier did the shopping for us, Rich Dowd was a great grillmaster, Spilly helped with picking up folding chairs in the morning, and Thomas and Gina Rowe once again were gracious in allowing us to set up using their driveway as our grilling and food prep area. There was live music, hula-hooping, and some impromptu juggling lessons. The usual crew came out early to help with setting up. You know who you are...and thank you. Oliver Brewing kindly donated a keg of their English style ale, which was fully tapped.

I saw old friends, reacquainted myself with a number of neighbors, and met several new neighbors as well. It is great to have new people, as we do in Arcadia, moving into the neighborhood, who want to participate in community events and have a desire to be active participants in the association and just in the well-being of the neighborhood in general. While it may not be perfect I feel that we do have mechanisms in place to welcome and incorporate new people directly in the AIA organization, and this helps make Arcadia a special place.

Speaking of which, we are having a Board Meeting that was rescheduled from June, on the evening of July 12. There will be standard business discussed but also certainly a discussion of possible responses to the rash of burglaries that have been happening over the last few months in Arcadia as well as in the greater Hamilton/Lauraville area. The area around Parkside and Juneau seems to have been hit particularly hard. If anyone, outside of the board and officers, would like to participate please contact me directly. In the meanwhile please keep an eye out --

--for suspicious behavior and don't hesitate to call the police. They are obviously particularly aware of the issue and want to help resolve it and apprehend the thieves.

We will be having an all-community meeting in September. More announcements will follow. Planning for our Oktoberfest event is under way. The date has been set for October 14 and the highlight of the event will be a neighborhood chili cook-off. Pull out those old family recipes or start experimenting with some new ones. The challenge is on.

It looks as if the real summer weather is about to begin so please stay cool and keep an eye on kids and pets (and gardens) to make sure everybody stays healthy and hydrated.





Park Dumping is Illegal



A reminder that if you live in walking distance of our beautiful park, it is **NOT okay** to dump yard waste, trimmed shrubs, or tree branches in the park. It is environmentally bad for the soil and stream because yard waste often contain animal droppings, plant pesticides or fertilizers. Bag your clippings, bundle pruned branches in 3 foot lengths and the city will take them away with the trash. If you see someone dumping items in the park, call 311 and report their car tag # or address if you feel you can't confront the neighbor to ask them not to dump.

Want to know what events are taking place in our park? Check this website theFHRP.org and link onto our Facebook page.

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Mark Your Calendars

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

Thursday September 14 @ 7:30 pm

Ray of Hope Baptist Church Parkside Drive & Harford Rd.

Neighborhood Happenings

Tuesday Market at the Connection is a local farmer's and vendors' market taking place every Tuesday until October. Look for the 'Market Connection' sign and white canopies across from Safeway, free parking on their lot. tuesdaymarket@hamiltonlauraville mainstreet.org

Hamilton Street Festival

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When: Saturday, July 29th, 12N to 6 pm Join us on Harford Road between Echodale and White Ave for this 24th annual event! Food vendors, beer garden, multiple stages and bands. Again this year there will be a section for families with small children. Inflatables, games and activities plus new this year a puppet show and magic show inside the Strand Theatre.

Join us to repaint the street mural Saturday, July 29 at 2:30 am at the intersection of Hamilton and Harford Roads. If interested in helping, call Regina at 410-319-7150 

### St. Francis of Assisi Church **Annual Golf Classic**

Friday, September 29, 2017 - 8:00 A.M. Shotgun Start Clifton Park Golf Course 2701 St. Lo Drive FORMAT: Captains Choice (Best Ball) **DONATION:** \$120 per golfer includes donuts and coffee before the tournament, greens fees, carts, prizes, gifts, bountiful food and beverages following the tournament.

**DEADLINE:**All entries must be rec'd by 9/28/17 on a first paid basis.

4somes and singles are welcome Call Gina Gross @ 410-235-5136. ~~~~~~~~~~

### The Friends of Herring Run Parks



We invite all our neighbors to join us in enjoying the bounty that this beautiful asset to our neighborhood brings. So many opportunities for hiking, biking, nature watching, or just enjoying a quiet stroll with loved ones or pets are just a few minutes away from home. Our group is happy to sponsor events that are available to everyone in the entire area of Herring Run Park. Check this website theFHRP.org and link onto our Facebook page.

### **News** from The Maryland State Boychoir



The Maryland State Boychoir, located in Mayfield, is now holding auditions for new members for its training choir and touring choirs! Interested parents should call: 410.554.8644

The Summer Series at the MSB Center for the Arts includes Compline, Recitals, a Summer Sing and Hymn Sing and Silent Movie with organ accompaniment. All events this summer ARE FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Visit our website for details: www.msbsummerseries.org

#### WELCOME HOME CONCERTS

Our Tour Choir is returning from Ireland and will present a free concert on Friday, July 14, 2017 at Grace United Methodist Church, 5407 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21210. Please check website for time: www.marylandstateboychoir.org

Concert Choir returns from a 10-day tour to the mid-West and will present a free concert at the MSB Center for the Arts, 3400 Norman Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21213 on Friday, August 4, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.

### Adoption is an Option!



No not a child or a pet, but what else? A storm drain? Who would give that a second thought? It's not so unlikely if you are an environmentally conscious person. It doesn't cost you anything but time and a bit of exercise. The benefit is all yours, because you get to burn a few extra calories and save a bottle, plastic bag, food wrapper, paper anything, can, and whatever else might get dropped on the street from reaching our watershed.

Consider this as an option to support clean waterways. Just once a week check your closest storm drain for recyclabes and just plain old trash. By keeping the storm drains open it helps to eliminate water back-up that might end up flooding basements.

#### Recycling Schedule



We have single stream recycling in the city. This means paper, cans, glass and plastics will be collected weekly every Tuesday DO NOT

use plastic bags for any recyclables. They will jam the equipment used in recycling. You can use any hard container marked "recycling" for the heavy items, paper bags or cardboard boxes for the light stuff.

#### Trash Schedule



Trash is collected every Thursday. Please use cans with lids - plastic bags are okay for yard waste only.

### **Bulk Trash** pick-up Friday, July 14 Friday, Aug. 11 Friday, Sept. 8

2nd Friday of each month (up to 3 large items) \*remember to call 311 at least 3 working days in advance to schedule your pick-up

311 "It works" Report broken curbs. potholes.city trees in need of removal, or cars that appear to be abandoned to 311. Give them the location and/or tag #. Get the tracking number so you can follow up if it hasn't been taken care of.

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### **Editors Note**

Suggestions and articles of community interest for the newsletter are always welcome. However, we cannot accept anonymous contributions.



### Welcome New Neighbors

Kaila Poinsatte-Jones & Robert John Scarborough 3114 Berkshire Road

It's wonderful meeting and greeting the new people in Arcadia. Stop and say hello if you see them outside next time you walk by.

### Arcadia Crime Alert

June brought a new wave of home break-ins to our neighborhood. Entry was gained through windows and doors not easily seen by a next door neighbor. Sometimes valuables were taken but the thought of someone going through your personal belongings is never welcomed. If you return home to an open door that you know was locked when you left--call 911 before you enter the house, the person may still be in your house. Consider getting an alarm with an outside audible sound--it will alert at home neighbors. If property is taken from your yard, car, or garage, call 911 to report it. Even the smaller crimes that you feel were your neglect for not locking up, need to be reported. Crimes of opportunity are still CRIME!

Be a good neighbor and call if you see something that just doesn't seem right. Make it a point to know how to contact a neighbor when something is out of the ordinary.

### **Pruning Bushes** & Trees



We love our trees, flowering bushes, and hedges, but when they push onto the sidewalks it can be dangerous to pedestrians. Please keep them trimmed back so all the sidewalks are passable. If there are limbs or branches from a flowering shrub or tree that would hit your face as you walk by, carefully prune them back Be kind to the mail carrier and your neighbors who walk with their children or pets. PLEASE trim them back! If it is a city tree--one that is on the street side of the walkway--call 311 to report it as a pedestrian hazard or if the roots have uplifted sidewalk, the city can replace that portion.

### **Arcadia's** "Paul Preziosi" Scholarship Winner



Congratulations to the recipients of this vear's Arcadia scholarships. They are Clara Brill-Carlat who lives on Juneau Place and will be attending Smith College in the fall and Jaelyn Westbrook who lives on Parkside Drive and will be attending University of Baltimore in the fall.

#### Check It Out!

Arcadia's new website is up and running with many new features. It takes time to create something worthwhile. And thanks to our webmaster, Chris Williams, the new website is easy to navigate. It will be updated with information to help neighbors know what is happening in the neighborhood. The address is the same, but the look is new.

http://www.arcadia-baltimore.org

### 2017 Arcadia Dues

Payment of your yearly dues will be greatly appreciated. We ask each family for \$10/yr 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.

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