

The Arcadian

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September/October 2020 President's Message

It's September already? This summer has melted away. I hope everyone who participates in school has had a good first week. Now take a breath. We are in uncharted territory. If we are nothing else, humans are adaptable – even if we are begrudgingly so. It will not be painless, but we will get through this year even if it's less than ideal. Thank you to the teachers and school administrators who have been working hard to make it so that children can continue to go to school even if it is online. We are lucky. Ten years ago, school might not have been possible. For all its faults, the internet, in this application, is proving to be incredibly helpful.

The mess that we find ourselves in includes a number of cancellations and changes. Our most imminent change will be our general meeting. Our general meeting will be held on September the 10th at 7:00 PM. It will be our first remotely held general meeting. It will be held over Zoom. **YOU MUST REGISTER!** The address to register <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYpfuytpzssGt3FOuQ2uWBgdyZ88CCu5cK6>. This is a hefty link to type, so go to our website. www.arcadia-baltimore.org to click the link instead. This will be a first for me too. I've never run a large Zoom meeting before. Here's to a glitch free, or at least a glitch mitigated, Zoom meeting. I hope to see you there.

Our reliance on technological solutions lately is overwhelming. In the spirit of that great tradition, I want to make sure everyone is aware of our amazingly (for 2020) low tech solution to the endless problem of communications. Are you on Arcadia chat? If you are not, you're missing out. Arcadia chat is one of the main ways that Arcadia communicates. It is a forum and email list. Learn

everything from which neighbors are offering free stuff, to Harford road bridge updates, music events, block party info and other important announcements like, "so and so is missing their cat". You can look at the threads at <https://groups.google.com/g/arcadia-chat> or simply look at your email. It's pretty simple. You don't ever have to go to the forum if you choose not to. I do not. Once you sign up, simply email to arcadia-chat@googlegroups.com to communicate.

Importantly, Arcadia chat is NOT the same as Nextdoor. The board does not post officially on Nextdoor. If you are on Nextdoor, that's fine. I'm sure there is good information about what is going on around the region. But please be aware, if you are not on Arcadia chat, you are missing a whole slew of important and not-so-important information. Please consider signing up. How do you get onto Arcadia chat? Email president@arcadia-baltimore.com and we can get you signed up.

Unfortunately, we will not be having our fall block party. Hopefully things will be looking better by spring.

It is never too early to identify new board members for next year. If you are interested in getting more involved with the neighborhood, please reach out to me. That's all for now. Please continue to stay healthy!

Mike Mill

president@arcadia-baltimore.org



●Founding member and supporter of HARBEL Inc.



Mark Your Calendars

The next general meeting of the Arcadia Improvement Assoc., Inc. **Thursday, September 10 @ 7 pm**
Virtual meeting

***This is the second of two general meetings a year. Please consider getting involved.**



CHAT



Neighborhood Events



Back to School means Back-to-Safer Driving

When driving through the neighborhood, either in the mornings on your way to work or in the afternoons, please be alert. Drive carefully with an eye for the many children who may be in the street getting into a car or boarding buses. **Take caution** on area "speed/red light" cameras.

Police advise that leaving your motor running when running back into the house to retrieve a forgotten item is dangerous and against the law. In those few precious moments your car and its contents (maybe the kids) could be stolen. Be safe! Please take the keys with you.

Election Day is

Almost Here

YOUR VOTE COUNTS



WHEN: Tuesday, November 3rd

WHERE: at home if you have your mail-in ballot or come in person at an early voting site. Call Baltimore city Board of Elections to request a mail-in ballot fill it in as soon as you receive it. Mail it or drop it off at the closest voting drop box near you. Call **410-396-5550** to request an absentee ballot mailed to you. It's in your hands and it is our right and privilege to choose the person we think will do the best job for our city and state. If you say it doesn't matter who wins and you don't vote--no complaints after it's over.

Editorial comment

St. Francis of Assisi Church Annual Golf Classic

Friday, October 9, 2020, at Eagle's Nest Country Club in Phoenix, Maryland. The cost is \$120 per-player and it includes driving range balls, practice greens, "boxed" breakfast sandwiches on English muffins, coffee, juices, hot tea, Orioles' "boxed" lunches, the Black-Eyed Susan Adult Beverage Cart for the day, greens fees, carts, prizes and gifts. Please call the church office at 410-235-5136 to register.

Arcadia Parks Committee

This spring we hosted our first ever tree giveaway with trees supplied by Tree Baltimore. Eighteen trees found a new home in Arcadia, helping to make our neighborhood greener and cooler! Arcadia volunteers planted six trees that were not claimed in bare spots in the canopy of the park woods. With all the rain we've had this summer they are thriving.

As you enter the Tyndale Trail maybe you have noticed the newly mulched beds on both sides. These were created to expand the existing pollinator bed which includes a variety of native plants. Next spring the new beds should be ready for planting, with more blooms to attract and feed butterflies and bees as well as making our park entrance look well cared for and inviting to visitors!

On Saturday, November 7th, we will be planting more trees in the park woods in an area that is suffering from erosion. We could really use the help of neighborhood volunteers for this job! This will include transporting trees to the site as well as planting, staking and netting them. If you can help with any of these jobs or are interested in becoming a member of the Arcadia Parks Committee please email me at

munga3102@gmail.com.

Your support in helping to maintain and improve our beautiful park is greatly appreciated!

Lisa Kopf - Arcadia Parks Committee

Street Repaving in Arcadia

As of 8/28/2020 the repaving of Juneau Place and Berkshire Rd. is underway. Slow going for the project and for people trying to navigate a daytime parking spot if they have no driveway. **Caution:** watch the street level height if you have downspout drain holes at curbside. to accommodate a downspout.

Friends of Herring Run Parks

Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/>. Website is <https://www.friendsofherringrun.org/> A walk or run in our park is always a way to relax, refresh and get in touch with nature. Check our website for upcoming activities. Events have slowed down since COVID 19.



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also be reported, but
do get a tracking # so
you can check back if
the problem has not
been resolved.

“Thank You!”

Thanks to the faithful group of newsletter deliverers that help us get this publication out to all neighbors. If you can't continue to deliver, please contact the editor to find a replacement for your block. We really appreciate your service to our community.

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Send items for the newsletter to:

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Welcome New Neighbors



Natalie Gansop
daughter, Lyria & son, Lucas
3214 Tyndale Ave.

Dawn Robson
daughter and son-in-law,
Janey and Tyler
3210 Juneau Place

Steve & Lennie Ware
4221 Harcourt Road

We welcome you to Arcadia and hope you can join us at our virtual general meeting on Thursday, September 10th. Say hello to your neighbors as you walk the block-- we're a friendly bunch.

Support our Local Vendors

One of the best ways to keep our community financially healthy is supporting our local businesses. Many are hoping to have a dinner out with someone special, and there are not many in our area that can accomodate the dine-in experience. Dress-up (you and your table) and pre-order a takeout from Silver Queen or Maggies Farm. Don't forget the wine or beer from Lou's or Ammendment 21. Even Zekes or Red Canoe has special lunch sandwiches to go. We hope that they will soon be able to provide that great experience of local dining. Koco's continues their carry-out dinners Wednesday thru Saturday. **BON APPETITE**

Music to Soothe the Spirit



This certainly has been the most unusual summer. Our one normality is Arcadians coming together to share and make things better. We so appreciate the great Arcadians who hosted or came to support the "Sidewalk Serenades" that entertained and gave pleasure to the listening ears.

Pottery "Driveway Sale"

3106 Juneau Place
Saturday and Sunday, Oct 3-4,
11am-4pm
(Raincheck dates: Oct 10-11)

Wood-fired functional pottery and more! Pots will be spread out over the whole driveway and porch to allow for social distancing. Cards, cash, checks, Venmo, and PayPal accepted. For any questions e-mail Vianney at vianneypaul@gmail.com

“911”



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ALWAYS use this number for urgent police response. If you see something that's not quite right-say something or call 911 to report any suspicious activity.

2020 Arcadia Dues

Payment 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!

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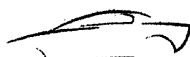


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