

# The Arcadian

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## Mark Your Calen- dars

The next general  
meeting of the  
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**Thursday,  
September 9  
@ 7 pm**  
Virtual Meeting  
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\*This is the  
second of two  
general meetings  
a year.  
Please consider  
getting involved.

September/October 2021

## President's Message

Due to unforeseen circumstances—like a bad nickel—I am back in the saddle as president of AIA. Perhaps some folks were happy to be rid of me. Well, not so fast! I will stick around until next year.

Hopefully everyone has had a great summer. I have. We joined Swan Lake pool this year. It has been satisfying to watch my daughter progress from being nearly afraid of the water to being a confident swimmer. The pool has helped me slow down a bit and I appreciate that.

Our next general meeting will be held on Zoom. It is September 9 at 7:00pm. See this document on our website <http://www.arcadia-baltimore.org> to follow the link for registration.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84461212693>

I know we would all like to get back to some semblance of normal this fall. Hopefully COVID will be on the downswing by October. As of right now, our fall block party will be held on October 2 (rain date: October 3). Come out and see your neighbors and enjoy the fall afternoon! As our situation is constantly changing, our COVID precautions will adapt as needed. Come prepared for safety and fun.

I am pleased to announce that AIA is joining forces with Irene Smith (of neighboring Beverly Hills) to try a "Peacemaker Program." If you are experiencing difficulty with someone in the neighborhood, Irene may be able to help. She has many years of experience in assisting people resolve conflicts. If you are facing a challenge, please see the details to follow. The goal is to support neighbors as they work through difficulties in a neutral and non-threatening way.....

... Allow me to close by introducing Irene.....

*Mike Milli*   
**president@arcadia-baltimore.org**

## The Arcadia Peacemaker Program

If you were lucky enough to have Miss Renee Buettner as your first grade teacher at St. Francis of Assisi School, you also had the opportunity to become a peacemaker. This legendary longtime Arcadia resident inspired generations of students to go out into the world as strong, courageous peacemakers. I was fortunate enough to have three daughters in Miss Renee's class and her commitment to peacemaking deeply resonated with me as my name not only means peace but I have spent my entire 20+ year career as a lawyer and mediator working to bring peace to people, families, and communities. So with that inspiration and experience as my guide, I am very honored to be selected as the Arcadia Peacemaker.

The Arcadian Peacemaker Program is a pilot project supported by the community association as a service to all members of the community. Any member of the Arcadia community who is experiencing conflict with anyone (family member, roommate, neighbor, local business, etc) and feels that mediation could be effective in solving the conflict and plotting peaceful path forward now has access to a dedicated mediator on request. Simply send an email to [arcadiapeacemaker@gmail.com](mailto:arcadiapeacemaker@gmail.com).

The mediation process is confidential and pay-what-you-can. Mediations can be in-person, virtual, or through email/text. Everyone has struggled during the pandemic to feel a sense of stability and control. Conflict was inevitable but peace is possible. Today is a great day to be strong and courageous. Give it a try!

**Irene Smith**

## Neighborhood Events

### Fall Block Party (save the date)

When: Saturday, October 2nd, 1-5 pm.

Where: Canfield between Juneau and Tyndale

What we provide: burgers, brats, hot dogs, beer and non alcohol drinks

We'll have cornhole, games and a "moon bounce" for the children. Arcadia t-shirts will be on sale, pay your dues onsite if needed.

Volunteer help will be needed for set-up at 12 noon, clean-up at dusk and if you like to cook we'll need someone to assist in grilling for part of the time. **Please email Roger if you can help out: teamroger@aol.com**

Come out and socialize with your neighbors new and old. Talk about how we can make our community a stronger and safer place to live. Share ideas about schools, safety, and area businesses. Hope to see you there! **This all dependent on current COVID restrictions.**

**Mask-up, Vax-up.**



## 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.

## St. Francis of Assisi Church Annual Golf Classic

**Friday, October 8, 2021, at Eagle's Nest Country Club in Phoenix, Maryland.**

The cost of \$125 per-player includes a continental breakfast and driving range balls prior to the 8 am shotgun start, greens fees, carts, prizes, gifts and bountiful food and beverages following the tournament. **Please call the SFA church office at 410-235-5136 to register.**

## Arcadia Parks Committee

### TREE PLANTING AND TREE GIVEAWAY

If you have walked down the Tyndale trail this summer you probably notice the huge oak that fell, taking out a big beech tree in the process. While sad to see it is just part of the natural process of the woodland ecosystem. Park committee members were able to survey the site with Forestry staff from Balto. City Rec. & Park. Good news is we have come up with a plan to replant trees in the area to help prevent the spread of invasive plants which will take advantage of the light from the current opening in the canopy. We are lucky to be partnering with Friends of Herring Run Parks on our planting day so please consider volunteering!

**Saturday, Oct. 9th, 10:00-12:00**

Meet at the head of the Tyndale trail, gloves and tools provided, please wear a mask

**Also on Saturday, Oct. 9th, 1:00-3:00**, there will be a tree giveaway. All trees are provided by TreeBaltimore and this is a great chance to add shade and beauty to your yard! We have the following tree species to offer: eastern redbud, serviceberry, black viburnum, american holly and sugar maple. For those who earlier made requests for specific trees, we hope to get those trees and will set them aside for you to pick up the day of the giveaway. This will take place at 3102 Tyndale Avenue. In case of rain these events will be held at the same times on Sunday, Oct. 10th. Thanks to all involved for helping to make Arcadia greener!

Lisa Kopf - AIA Parks Committee

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## Friends of Herring Run Parks



Facebook page is <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 are slowly resuming--bring your mask just in case you meet a neighbor and stop to chat.



## Recycling



**TUESDAY=  
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## Trash



**THURSDAY=  
TRASH**

**COVID 19 & holidays happen. Saturdays are our make-up day if we are skipped.**

## • Bulk Trash pick-up

Due to COVID19 all curbside pick-ups have been cancelled. Please check with 311 to ask when they will resume.

## 311 "It works"

Report potholes and get them repaired within 48 hours, 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.

## "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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is listed on the front  
page. Check it out

## Welcome New Neighbors



**Tyler St. Clare & Ruth Goodlaxson  
& their son, Abraham  
4211 Harcourt Road**

**Lauren Boyce & daughter, Madeline  
3009 Overland Avenue**

**Jeremy Deschenes & his wife  
3023 Weaver Avenue**

**Torianne Schiff  
3220 Juneau Place**

**We welcome all of you to Arcadia  
and hope you can join us at our  
virtual general meeting on Thursday,  
September 9th. Say hello to your  
neighbors as you walk the block--  
we're a friendly bunch.**

### **Belated "Thank-You"**

In our last newsletter I mentioned the group of young people involved in the storm drain painting and stenciling. Somehow (editor's fault) the names of other eager artists were left out. We thank them and the parents and neighbors who supervised and helped. The children were

**Stella, Alice, Everett, Juniper,  
and Raine**

Neighbors please take note of these colorful storm drains on Berkshire, Tyndale, Juneau, and Parkside. All are part of a pilot program to remind everyone not to sweep or blow grass or leaves into the storm drains.

### **editor's note:**

### **Adios to former Neighbors**

To the **Nuth family** who has just moved from Harcourt Rd. to live with their daughter's family (on the waters in Essex). Please read the special insert to share Gene and Carolyn's memories of living in Arcadia. Gene served as president of AIA for five separate terms, started the Annual Ball Fall in December-2006, and Carolyn was editor of this newsletter for two years. Thanks to you both for **47 years** of caring and sharing with our community.

"911"



"911"

**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.

## **We Are a Dog Friendly Neighborhood**



Arcadia is a neighborhood with an abundance of pets. Many people get to know each other when out walking their dog. However, sometimes pet owners walk after dark and often forget or can't see where the droppings land. Please be respectful, always carry that pick-up bag in case your pet leaves a little something behind. Curb your dog and don't let them water the plants or grass on the neighbors' property.. **THANKS**

## 2021 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!

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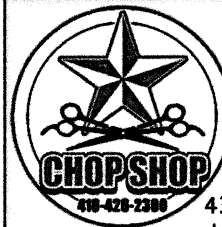
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## ADIOS ARCADIA

In March of 1974 Carolyn and I thought that we had found the perfect home to raise our 6 year old daughter and 5 year old son. Ten months later another daughter arrived. We had bought a beautiful house in Arcadia on Harcourt Rd. The property occupied almost half an acre. It had a two-car garage, plenty of room for the kids to play, and for us to establish a garden. My knowledge of Arcadia went back many years. It turned out that my parents almost bought a house on Parkside Dr., across from Heckel, but ended up buying a house on Chesterfield Avenue. Additionally I had a cousin who played football for an Arcadia (14-16) football team that won the city championship more than once. As my brother and I grew older we, along with the neighborhood kids, would ride our bikes to Hall Springs and climb on the large stand of a rock formation in the northeast corner across from the Spring. To us it was a tall mountain and had to be climbed.

At the time we moved to Arcadia we were aware of four residents who we knew. On Eastwood there was Bob Dix with whom I played little league baseball; living on Berkshire was Bob Mayes, who grew up across the street from me and Paul Brune, who was my classmate from elementary school through high school, and my room-mate in college. Paul's wife, Mary Brune was Carolyn's sorority sister.

We were quickly introduced to the Arcadia I.A. and attended the monthly meetings (attendees were asked to bring some food for a pot-luck dinner to share because after the meeting we sat around a large table to eat and converse. Over the years Arcadia has been very fortunate in selecting active, dependable, committed, creative and competent presidents and board members. They need support and they welcome your input.

Pastor Steve and his wife, Jane, welcomed us and later helped create the "Mothers Group" which met with children in tow. They also started a produce co-op, sharing all they bought from vendors and later had special people give lectures and even had a class on Belly Dancing (LoL)

We were told that Arcadia, in Greek, means town on a hill. We found out that it was appropriately named. From our bedroom we could see downtown Baltimore. Presently, from the bedroom can be seen a tall glass clad skyscraper that reflects the rising sun for a period in mid-December. At the New Year's Eve Ball Fall event the attendees can see the fireworks in the Inner Harbor.

It is said that "Neighbors make or break a neighborhood". Arcadia has very friendly neighbors and they are interested in what is happening in the community. We found that they easily organize to handle emergencies, such as removing snow from the entire street and sidewalks, or clearing fallen branches after a storm. They were extremely helpful when we experienced a house fire (they located a rental property in Arcadia, offered clothing and monetary support, and were available if needed. This ability to pull together helped establish the Annual Arcadia Neighborhood Yard sale on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of April. It was so successful that other communities along the Harford Rd. corridor followed suit. The success of the yard sale led to the establishment of other traditions—the Neighborhood Block Party, and that success led to the bi-annual "Dumpster Day" (ps:-it should be reestablished). Later the Ball Fall became an annual on New Year's Eve. Now a new wave of young and enthusiastic Arcadians are establishing a new set of traditions (the Candle Walk, Pop Up Porch Concerts, etc.). Let's not forget what goes on in Herring Run Park that is Arcadia supported. Group bike rides, group walking tours, bird watching, and the annual Herring Run Cleanup.

Although we are at a new address, our hearts are still in Arcadia. Our best wish and hope is that the new owners (they were Arcadians when they bought the house) enjoy living at 4211 with their young son as much as we enjoyed it. Adios Amigos

Gene & Carolyn Nuth