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## Mark Your Calendars

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

In person tentative date is Thursday, September 8th

More info in our next newsletter.

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primary-July 22

## May/June 2022 President's Message

Let me get introductions out of the way before I dive into the meat and potatoes of this issues message.

This is **Roger Trageser** speaking and I am the latest and greatest addition to the Arcadia Improvement Association president class. OK, perhaps not the greatest. After all I've only been at this since March 10 th. On the other hand, I have been an Arcadian for quite some time. I purchased my home on Harcourt Road in 1983 which would appear to make me a neighborhood old timer. And that suits me just fine.

Look for the boxer flags and mailbox just off Parkside and you've got us. My wife Stephanie (please call her Stephie) is usually the one parading our dogs, Hooper and Baron, around the neighborhood. We're the crazy, overboard Halloween decorating people and if you've attended any of the block parties, I'm the one spinning the tunes and occasionally miking up with announcements.

Speaking of block party, the year's first event will be held Saturday June 4th. The moon bounce for the kids will be returning. Look for the announcement in this issue regarding setup volunteers.

There have been two Harford Road bridge update meetings recently. The first had us on a completion schedule of June with a focus on an opening celebration in July. I jumped on the tabling work group for an Arcadia presence at this event. The board and I had some healthy discussion about this at our April meeting with a plan in place.

Unfortunately, the second bridge meeting on April19th now has us in a holding pattern. Councilman Dorsey informed us that the completion date is not that well defined, and we may be looking at an August or September opening.

I reached out and asked, what's up with the Lauraville Fair.----

---To my surprise, and like I stated earlier I'm still on a learning curve in this position, Lauraville is not the primary organizer of this event. With the two-year pandemic hiatus, a reboot is in need. I've reached out to Lauraville's president, Mercedes Unfried, and together we are working to gather information and planning for an event in 2022. If anyone has additional information or would be willing to help with this effort just let us know. My primary email is teamroger@aol.com (AOL, told you I was an old timer).

While we are on a roll with the neighborhood event announcements, I would like to bring your attention to a very special event that is on the not too distant horizon and that is exactly 100 years in the making...the very first meeting of the Arcadia Improvement Association was held on March 7, 1923, and in honor of 100 years of "united effort for community improvement" the AIA would like to party like its 1923!! Of course, an undertaking like a Centennial celebration is hardly a small affair so we are recruiting for a Centennial Celebration Committee. All are welcome...veteran neighbors and newcomers, young and old, all colors and creeds. The committee will learn about Arcadia's history, provide feedback about how to celebrate, and plan the event. If interested, please email:

Cat Chupein at catkusch@gmail.com for more information. In the meantime, stay tuned for classes, workshops, and other events to ignite our excitement as we "Countdown to the Centennial!!"

In closing congratulations are in order to **Lisa Kopf** and the AIA Parks Committee upon receiving the Silver Award presented by Maryland Urban and Community Forest Committee. The award recognizes the tree planting and caring that our AIA Parks Committee performed in 2021.

Roger Trageser



president@arcadia-baltimore.org

#### **Neighborhood News**

#### **ARCADIA** Parks Committee

Have you noticed that the entrance to the Tyndale trail is looking better? Invasives that were damaging trees were removed back in March. Native flowers are starting to bloom in the flower beds, providing food for insect pollinators. Recently we hosted two garlic mustard removals in the area. Future invasive removals will be posted on arcadia-chat and volunteers are always welcome! If you remove garlic mustard in the park on your own, just a reminder that it needs to be bagged. If thrown on the ground it can still produce and spread seed. You might have also noticed invasive removal along the bike path and sledding hill. This is thanks to many hours of hard work by Louie Carlat and Bob Poirier!

The Forestry Dept. has started to survey our woods to document what species grow there. Their integrated vegetation management contractor has removed invasive jetbead, wineberry and aralia elata trees in the woods. We should have more to report on their plans for managing the health of the woods at the next AIA meeting. Spring Tree Giveaway: Saturday, May 14, 10-12, 3102 Tyndale Ave.

Once again we are partnering with TreeBaltimore for a tree giveaway! City residents can have up to 3 trees of different species for planting in their yards. When we receive the delivery we will post what varieties are available. Contact Louie at

**GreenArcadiaTrees@gmail.com** for more information.



#### Arcadia Chat



Stay connected to your neighbors! Do you know that Arcadia has it's own email group? The Arcadia Google Group is a great resource to stay informed about events, to ask for help or recommendations from neighbors, and to get updates from our local government officials. You must be a **resident of Arcadia** to join, so you'll only hear from neighbors. To sign up, go to Arcadia's website (**arcadia-baltimore.org**) and you'll see a link to "Join Our Google Group".

#### Pottery "Driveway Sale"

Spring Pottery Sale

Where: On the driveway 3106 Juneau Place When: Sat + Sun May 14 + 15 11AM-5PM Questions? vianneypaul@gmail.com

#### School is Almost Out

As children in our community finish their in-person or at home Zoom lessons and the weather is warming--more kids will be outside playing. They may be biking, skate boarding, chasing a ball, or scootering. So please drive slowly on all of our residential streets. The speed limit (not always posted) is 25 mph. The traffic humps on Parkside and other neighboring streets make you slowdown to a more reasonable pace.

PLEASE DRIVE carefully.

## A Friendly Reminder! from neighbors who care



Please curb your dog, even in Herring Run Park. We all know it's the law, and it's the right thing to do. And even in the park nobody wants to put their foot in it, so to speak. Arcadia is also home to the Heinz Park area of Herring Run Park and we share all of it with our neighbors and the entire city. Let's show our neighbors and other park visitors that we know how to take care of our neighborhood and the park. Please clean up after your dog. There are no sidewalks at most of the park's edges. Carry a pick-up bag with you.



## Summer Crime Prevention TIPS

- **1.** When working outside lock the front or back door so intruders won't have easy access.
- **2.** Don't leave first floor windows open at night or when you're away from the house.
- **3.** Keep your mowers/garden eqipment locked in a shed/garage when not being used.
- **4.** Lock your car doors--crimes of opportunity can only happen when you forget.

CALL 911 or your neighbor if you see strangers in a neighbors' yard. Better safe than sorry.

FHRP --events and projects--go to Herring Run https://www.friendsofherringrun.org



#### Recycling Trash Schedule

TUESDAY=
RECYCLING
All of Arcadia is
on cycle A--this
is a bi-weekly
pick-up

#### THURSDAY= TRASH

- \* If a Tuesday or Thursday falls on a holiday, then Saturday is our make-up day
- Bulk Trash
  pick-up
  No set schedule,
  call 311 to get a
  date

#### 311 "It works"

Report potholes and get them repaired within 48 hours. Other concerns such as large limbs broken or fallen from a street tree, 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.

#### THE ARCADIAN

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<u>Deadline for News Items</u> for July/August issue is **June 30 th Send items** for newsletter to:

Betty Mayes 3209 Berkshire Rd. Baltimore, MD 21214 Phone 410-426-3426 e-mail:

bbmayes@verizon.net

We welcome articles of community interest.

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## Arcadia Block Party "Family Fun Day" Save The Date-Sat., June 4 Rain date-Sunday, June 5



MUSIC-- DJ Rog will be taking requests
MOONBOUNCE--returns for the kids
FOOD & Beverage--provided by AIA
DESSERTS & Sides--your donations are
welcomed

**HELP WANTED**--we need a few co-chairs to keep everything afloat and keep volunteers to their assigned tasks. It is just 4 weeks away and things must get underway or the party will not happen without some added help! Please contact

Roger Trageser @ teamroger@aol.com let me know what you can help with.

We get lots of volunteers but need a taskmaster to keep all of us on track. This is the plan that worked last year and new insight can bring some changes.

WHEN: Saturday June 4, 1-5 pm

WHERE: Canfield Rd.-Tyndale to Juneau Pl.

Volunteers are needed to help coordinate the days events. **Grillmaster** needed, day of party set-up (this starts at 12 noon) and clean-up help when the party is overl is also needed.

A parent supervisor for the Moonbouce is a must. Please leave all bikes, scooters, skateboards, and pets at home.

ARCADIA Centennial this event is on the horizon for March 2023. We are the oldest continuing community organization in Baltimore City. Many hands and forward thinkers will be needed to pull off 100 years of community involvement. Contact us to help plan Cat Chupien catkusch@gmail.com

# Arcadia (FINAL CALL) Improvement Association "Paul Preziosi" 2022 Scholarship

#### **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
- Complete and submit the application by May 31st. Application materials can be obtained from: Sarah Sette 3500 Parkside Drive, 410-444-9393, ssette@miemss.org

We will be awarding an AIA scholarship. No financial information is needed.

#### 2022 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!

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Email:

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Sent to: Arcadia Improvement Association P.O. Box 24515, Baltimore, MD 21214

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