

RIDGELY'S RECORD

A Newsletter for the Residents and Businesses of Ridgely's Delight

August 2008

Community Meeting

Due to the National Night Out event on August 5, there will be no community meeting in August. We'll see you in September.

First Friday Happy Hour August 1

The First Friday happy hour will take place at Camden Pub on Pratt Street this month. If you're new to the neighborhood, come out and meet your neighbors. People usually start showing up around 6:30 p.m.

CHAP Reminder

All exterior work in Ridgely's Delight requires a permit and CHAP approval. For more information, visit www.ridgelysdelight.org/history/chap.html. If you have questions, please send an e-mail to chap@ridgelysdelight.org or call 410-499-0183.

Jazz Concert in Conway Park on July 30

There will be a free jazz concert in Conway Park on Wednesday, July 30. Noted musician David Bach will perform at 6:30 p.m. The Department of Recreation and Parks will provide a stage and some seating as part of the Music in the Parks Summer Concerts. If you prefer, bring a blanket or a chair, as well as food and drink to enjoy an evening of good music in the great outdoors. The concert will begin on time, so arrive early. Go to www.davidbachmusic.com to hear Bach's music.

National Night Out Picnic August 5

Ridgely's Delight will again participate in the National Night Out with a pot luck picnic in Conway Park on Tuesday, August 5, beginning around 6 p.m. The Night Out is a nation-wide program to promote safety. Baltimore City and University of Maryland Police officers always attend. Last year Commissioner Bealefeld stopped by. This a good chance for residents to meet their new neighbors and learn about living safely in the city. RDA will provide soft drinks and ice. Bring your own beverages of choice and a blanket or chair. Call Brian at 410-752-8746 or Debbie at 410-837-0228 to RSVP with what dish you will bring. Also, please let us know if you have an extra table you can bring. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Parents are asked to keep an eye on their children.

Community Clean-up August 2

There will be a community clean-up on Saturday, August 2. We will meet at the Sunoco Station at 9:15 a.m. There will be a dumpster.

A Ruthian Deal at Babe's Birthplace

The Babe Ruth Birthplace and Sports Legends Museum are partnering with members of the Greater Baltimore History Alliance in an exciting, new Reciprocal Admission Program. Anyone who is a member of the museums at the \$100 level or above will be entitled to free admission at several museums in Baltimore, including the Baltimore Museum of Industry, Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Museum, Baltimore Public Works Museum, Edgar Allan Poe House, Mount Clare Museum House and USS Constellation Historic Ship Museum. To obtain a membership, increase your membership level, or learn more about this opportunity, visit the Babe Ruth Museum or the Sports Legends Museum or contact Judy DePauw at judyd@baberuthmuseum.com or 410-727-1539 ext. 3029.

What's Brewin' at the Chop

Free is good! To welcome new Ridgely's residents (as well as thank you long-timers) Baltimore Chop is offering a free café Americano, herbal tea or Italian soda to everyone. Come on down to 625 Washington Blvd. to drink up! This offer is good for one drink per person and is valid through August 31.

In other happenings:

Open mic nights will be on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m., starting August 26. Anyone can come play music, read poetry or other writings, dance, do performance art or stand-up comedy, you name it.

Bluegrass jam will now move to Monday nights - get that mandolin out of the closet and come join us - bring your strings or just come watch!

Monday August 18 at 8 p.m. see A'tris from Boston plays indie rock.

Monday August 25 at 8 p.m. everyone's favorite Karla Chisholm appears with her amazing jazz trio.

August Recycling Dates:

Friday, August 8
Friday, August 22



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Reminder: September 1 is a federal holiday. City and state offices will be closed.

More Festivals

International Festival, August 2-3. It's a free celebration of Baltimore's cultural diversity with music, dancing and a variety of ethnic foods, from noon to 9 p.m. daily at Poly/Western High School, Falls Road and West Coldspring Lane.

FestAfrica, August 9-10. This African festival with traditional music, dancing, food, crafts and art will take place at Patterson Park. Admission is \$5 for ages 10 and older, younger children free.

Powwow Native American Festival, August 22-24. Enjoy an Intertribal gathering of Native American dancers, drummers, artists, and craftspeople in Patterson Park. Cultural presentations, Native American Dance and Drum Competitions, jewelry, art and the flavors of Native American food are all featured.

Pigtown Fest Volunteers Needed

The Pigtown Festival will be held on Saturday, September 6 on Washington Boulevard, right across MLK. Volunteers are needed to set up the night before, help out during the festival and break down afterward. If you are interested, please contact Bill at 410-385-1213 or bill@reuter.net.

Pity the Plants

In the dog days of summer, the trees and flowers in public areas throughout the neighborhood are thirstier than ever. Please keep our beautiful plant life alive by watering the flowers and trees near your home regularly.

Google your MTA Route

Want to know how you can get from point A to point B in Baltimore City on public transportation? MTA has partnered with Google to bring you the MTA Trip Planner. Just enter your start address and end address, and the search will tell you how to get there on public transportation. Find the shortest route to your destination at www.mtmaryland.com/transit/

Memorial Update

Earlier in the year, we reported that the Ridgely's Delight Association submitted a grant for a memorial to former neighbor Barney Farnham in Conway Park. The grant was not approved because we were not informed that it must be submitted to Parks and Recreation first. Since then, we have obtained approval from Parks and Recreation, and we will resubmit the request on August 1. We expect the grant to be approved soon.

Crime-Fighting Tip

August and September have traditionally been big months for car break-ins in Ridgely's as unsuspecting new students move in and leave their personal belongings in plain view to anyone who passes their car. Please be alert. Don't leave anything visible in your car because somebody will probably break in and steal it, even if it's only a few pennies in the ashtray or a CD or candy bar on the floor. Take a few moments to clean out your car. It could save you a lot of time and money in replacing your windshield and belongings.

If you see someone suspicious hanging around cars, get a description and call 911.

Baltimore on the Cheap

The last week of the American Visionary Art Museum's free outdoor film series, Flicks from the Hill, will take place at Federal Hill on Thursday, August 9. The movie will be *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*. Grab a blanket and picnic under the stars. The museum is open, and admission is free from 7 to 9 p.m. on Flick Night. The movie begins at 9 p.m.

Trash Reminders

If you're new to the neighborhood, or if you need a reminder, trash days are Tuesdays and Fridays. Recycling days are the second and fourth Fridays of the month. The recycling dates are always published on the front page of the *Ridgely's Record*. Place recycling materials in a clearly marked cardboard box or trash container. Acceptable materials are paper, cardboard, glass bottles, plastic containers with numbers 1-7 on the bottom, metal, aluminum and tin cans. For more information, call 311 or visit www.baltimorecity.org. If you have bulk trash, pick-up is available for up to three large items on the first Tuesday of the month. You must call 311 about one week prior to pick-up to make arrangements.

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