

RIDGELY'S RECORD

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

December 2009

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No Community Meeting for December

The next monthly meeting of the Ridgely's Delight Association (RDA) will be held on Wednesday, January 6 at Frank and Nics at 7 p.m.

Holiday Party Reminder

The Holiday Party will be held in lieu of the community meeting and first Friday happy hour for December. Ring in the holiday season with your friends and neighbors! The RDA party will be in held on December 4th in Pickles Party Suite (second floor). Please bring your favorite pot luck dish or \$10.00 to supplement platters that Pickles Pub will be providing. RSVP to Mark James at dufour.sail@yahoo.com or to 410-499-0183 to indicate what you are bringing.

No First Friday Happy Hour in December

The First Friday happy hour of 2010 will take place at Camden Pub on January 8. If you're new to the neighborhood, come out and meet your neighbors. People usually start showing up around 6:30 p.m.

Winter Neighborhood Clean-up

This year's winter cleanup will take place on Saturday, December 19. DPW will provide brooms, rakes, bags and gloves for volunteers to clean and remove debris and leaves from our streets. Residents interested in volunteering please meet at the Sunoco at 9:00 AM. As always, we will be retiring to Pickles Pub for beers and pizza. There will also be a special projects team assembled for the relocation of a park bench in Conway Park.

Monument Tree Lighting

Thursday, December 3rd, 5-8:30 p.m. celebrate the holiday season and the annual lighting of the Washington Monument at the Walters during this free, family-friendly event! Enjoy seasonal performances and music, refreshments, and special kids' art activities! At 7 p.m., the Washington Monument will be set aglow, followed by fireworks. For more information, contact 410-547-9000, ext. 300 or familyprograms@thewalters.org

Waste and Recycling Reminder

Please be aware that the new pick up schedule for waste and recycling went into effect last July. Every Wednesday is waste pick up day, and every Friday is recycling pick up day for Ridgely's Delight. Please follow the City wide rules for pick up (listed below) to avoid the recruitment and propagation of city wildlife.

Waste

- Use durable trash **cans** with **tight fitting lids**
- Placing trash in bags for collection is illegal and feeds rats
- No more than 3 (32 gal) cans per address
- Place **cans** between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. the **evening before** collection
- Don't block alleys and sidewalks with your cans
- Never pile bags on the corner of your block or end of your alley
- Keep your sidewalks, gutters and alleys trash free
- Call 311 for bulk pick up - if it doesn't fit in your can - it's BULK!
- Violations can cost you as much as \$500 per citation

Recycling

- Use clearly marked containers, cardboard boxes or paper bags
- All recyclables can be mixed in the same container
- The City will collect as much as you can recycle - no limit!
- Place bins for collection between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. the evening before collection
- No plastic bags please - return to your grocer for recycling
- Shredded paper can be placed in a paper bag to keep it contained
- Soiled food containers belong in your waste can - not with your recycling

For more information, visit the Baltimore City website at

<http://www.ci.baltimore.md.us/government/dpw/index.php>

Officer Appreciation Day

It will be held at the Southern District Police Station roll call room from 11 a.m - 11 p.m., Friday, December 4, 2009. Once a year the Southern District Neighborhood Services Unit along with the Southern District Police and Community Relations Council holds a cook-out for the great men and women in blue who put their lives in harms way for each and every one of us. The cook-out is for all three shifts of Baltimore' finest cops, and people from the community are welcome. Donations are being requested to serve to the officers. Home-baked goodies are their favorites. We will have an officer available to pick up anything you would like to donate. If you have any question please call Jack Baker at 443-831-0538 or send an email to jackbaker@sdpcrc.org. You may also call Officer Dena Roney at 410-354-5169 or send an email to dena.roney@baltimorepolice.org. All donations will be very much appreciated!

Cheap To-Dos

More than 15 downtown museums and attractions offer admission for \$1 or less on **December 5 and 6, 2009 only.**

Participating venues:

- American Visionary Art Museum, Sunday only
- Babe Ruth Birthplace & Museum
- Baltimore Maritime Museum, Sunday only
- Baltimore Museum of Industry
- Carroll House and Museums
- Contemporary Art Museum
- Evergreen Museum & Library
Homewood Museum
- Maryland Science Center (excludes IMAX and traveling exhibit)
- National Aquarium in Baltimore (\$1 general admission from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. until tickets sell out. Limited availability.)
- National Museum of Dentistry
- Port Discovery Children's Museum, Sunday only
- Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History & Culture
- American History & Culture
Sports Legends Museum at Camden Yards
- Top of the World Observation Level
- USS Constellation Museum, Sunday only
- Walters Art Museum (permanent collection)

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Information...On the Record

If you would like to contribute any information or comments to the Ridgely's Record, please email Michele at mvitolo@umaryland.edu before the 22nd of each month. We will try to include as much contributed material as time and space permits.