

RIDGELY'S RECORD

A Newsletter for the Residents and Businesses of Ridgely's Delight, an Historic Community

February 2014

Community and Board Meetings

The monthly community meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 5th upstairs at Sliders from 7-8pm. Representatives from the Eklof building project will provide an update on construction and answer questions. A board meeting will follow. If you live or own property or a business in Ridgely's Delight, you are welcome to attend both meetings; however, only board members are allowed to vote at the board meeting. You can review minutes from previous meetings as well as the upcoming meeting agenda when it's available at www.ridgelysdelight.org/minutes. We will also post a link to the meeting agenda on our Facebook page. The meetings are community-sanctioned events, and attendance counts toward becoming a Ridgely's Delight Association member in good standing.

RDA By-laws in Review

The original by-laws were drafted in the 1970s and are in need of some updating. At this point, the review committee has identified specific content in need of clarification/updating. The next step is to thoroughly define each issue and devise solutions. This process is expected to take a few months before a proposed draft is presented at a monthly community meeting. Please keep in mind, all community input from the by-laws meetings, monthly meetings, and emails to the president will be discussed and considered. In addition, if you'd like to serve on or participate in meetings of the by-laws committee, feel free to attend. Or if you have suggestions for revisions, please email president@ridgelysdelight.org. You can review the current by-laws in the Association section of www.ridgelysdelight.org.

Please note that the next RDA by-laws committee meeting will be held on Thursday, February 13th. The meeting will begin at 7pm and will be held upstairs at A Peace and A Cup of Joe.

Happy Hour at Pickles

We'll meet up for First Friday happy hour on Feb. 7th at Pickles Pub, starting around 6:30. Come out and meet your neighbors. We'll be hanging out in the side room. Look for happy hour specials at www.ridgelysdelight.org/events.

Orioles FanFest February 1st

Tickets are on sale for FanFest at the Baltimore Convention Center. The event will feature appearances by current and former O's players and coaches, clinics, exhibits and interactive games. The event will be held from 11am-6pm with 10am entry for season-ticket holders. Individual game tickets for the 2014 season will also go on sale on Feb. 1st, beginning at 10am. Buy FanFest and game tickets by calling 888-848-BIRD or visiting the Oriole Park box office. FanFest tickets are also available at orioles.com/fanfest.

Babe Ruth Bash

Celebrate the 119th birthday of Ridgely's Delight's own Babe Ruth at Sports Legends Museum on Thursday, Feb. 6th, from 5:30-9pm. The event will also commemorate the 100th anniversary of Ruth's professional baseball debut in February 1914. The evening will include unlimited ballpark-inspired food and beverages, a silent auction, appearances by local professional and amateur athletes, the presentation of the 2014 Babe Ruth Museum Community Service Award to Oriole Adam Jones and admission to Sports Legends Museum's galleries. Tickets to the Bash are \$45 for museum members, \$55 for the general public when purchased in advance and \$60 at the door. Ten or more tickets purchased together are \$40 each. Order online at www.baberuthmuseum.com or stop by the Babe Ruth Museum at 216 Emory St.

City Offices Closed Feb. 17

In honor of Presidents' Day, City offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 17.

Community Clean-up on February 8th

The monthly community clean-up will be held on Saturday, Feb. 8th. We will meet at the community shed at the Burgundy Street lot at 9am. Pickles will provide free pizza and beer to volunteers after the clean-up. In the event of bad weather, we will send an email and post on our social media pages regarding cancelation or postponement. If you know of areas where we should concentrate our efforts, please notify president@ridgelysdelight.org. The clean-up is a community sanctioned event.

Yahoo Groups is Moving to Nextdoor

We're inviting everyone who has an address in Ridgely's Delight to join us on Nextdoor, a private social network for Ridgely's Delight. On our Nextdoor site, neighbors can share community events, recommendations, items for sale, crime and safety alerts, ideas about how to make our neighborhood better and more. You can even enter your cell phone number (which is not visible to other users) in the Settings section, and you'll get a text message should anyone report an emergency, like a crime in progress. Please join us on Nextdoor if you haven't already. To register, simply visit:

<https://ridgelysdelightmd.nextdoor.com>.

We also invite everyone to keep up with Ridgely's Delight by registering for our email list and following us on Facebook and Twitter. You can find these links at www.ridgelysdelight.org.

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- Commercial vehicles are not eligible for a residential parking sticker or guest pass.
- If a contractor with a commercial vehicle is working at your home, you must apply for a contractor's parking pass, which will be eligible for 30 days. Passes are available at the Parking Authority office at 200 W. Lombard St.

For more information on parking, visit www.ridgelysdelight.org/parking.



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Talking Trash

If you're new to the neighborhood, or if you just don't know when to put out your trash, this is a reminder that Wednesday is the general trash collection day. Trash must be in a covered container. Put your trash in the alley after 6pm on the night before pick-up and take the can in after collection. Place all recycling materials (plastic and glass bottles and jars, paper and cans) in recycle bins, cardboard boxes, paper bags or a clearly marked container for collection on Friday mornings. For more information about trash, including how to get bulk trash picked up and where to dispose of hazardous waste, visit the Residents section of www.ridgelysdelight.org.

Pick-up Day Reminder


**Trash pick-up: Wednesdays
Recycling pick-up: Fridays**

American Craft Council Show

The American Craft Council show will be at the Convention Center from Friday, Feb. 21st to Sunday the 23rd. It's a three-day celebration of all things handmade! There will be more than 650 of the top contemporary jewelry, clothing, furniture, and home décor artists from across the country gathered under one roof. It's your chance to touch, feel, and explore high-quality American craft like you've never seen before! It's a must-attend for craft lovers. A one-day pass is \$16 and a three-day pass is \$30. Children 12 and under are free. A discount of \$2 is available if you purchase your tickets in advance.

Please go to <http://shows.craftcouncil.org/baltimore> for more information and to purchase tickets online.

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YouthWorks Offering Summer Jobs

Each summer, YouthWorks matches thousands of city youth to six-week summer jobs with employers throughout the city. Baltimore City residents ages 14 to 21 can register online for the 2014 YouthWorks summer jobs program at <http://youthworks.oedworks.com> until Mar. 14th. Everyone who pre-registers must attend an in-person certification appointment to be eligible to be placed in a YouthWorks job; certification appointments will be held through March 29th.

YouthWorks is also recruiting Baltimore organizations to serve as worksites. Eligible worksites are not responsible for paying YouthWorks participants, but they must provide close supervision and mentoring throughout the program. An organization can apply to become a YouthWorks worksite until Feb. 7th at <http://youthworks.oedworks.com>. Worksite eligibility requirements are outlined on the site.

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FOG Alert: Fats, Oils & Grease Program

The City has launched a new campaign to make everyone aware of the problems caused when disposing of fats, oils and grease from food in the garbage disposal. These materials can stick to the walls of the pipe and eventually lead to blockage of the line and sewer back-ups, which can harm the environment. There is a better way to dispose of meat fats, cooking oil, food scraps, sauces, salad dressing, mayonnaise, lard, shortening and butter. Pour it into a covered container and store it in the refrigerator or freezer. When the container is full, throw it in the trash. In addition, to avoid back-ups of our aging sewer system, throw toilet tissue only in the toilet. For more tips, visit www.cleanwaterbaltimore.org.

Renovation Reminder

All renovation work requires a city permit. Additionally, since Ridgely's Delight is an historic district, work on the outside of your home requires CHAP approval prior to beginning any renovation. To review the CHAP guidelines, visit www.ridgelysdelight.org/chap

Feel free to contact the Ridgely's Delight Architectural Review Committee (ARC) with any renovation related questions at arc@ridgelysdelight.org.

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