

RIDGELY'S RECORD

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

September 2013

Community Meeting is September 4th

The monthly meeting of the Ridgely's Delight Association (RDA) will be held on Wed., Sept. 4th at 7pm, upstairs at Sliders.

Anyone who lives, works, or owns property in Ridgely's Delight is welcome to attend.

First Friday Happy Hour is September 6th

This month's neighborhood happy hour will be at The Yard, a newly renovated restaurant and bar in the Marriott on Pratt and Eutaw. The Yard features locally sourced cuisine and cocktails and has a 'Beer & Wine Wall' loaded with Maryland beers and wines by the glass. They will be offering specials for Ridgely's residents. Come on out and meet your neighbors. The fun starts at 6:30.

Community Yard Sale September 28th

Looking to unload some clutter in your house? Looking to pick up some needed household items, books, music, or become the next Great American Picker? We are going to have a community yard sale on Saturday, Sept. 28th in Conway Park. If you have items you would like to sell, you will need to register by September 24th with president@ridgelydelight.org so that we can get you stickers/tags to identify your stuff among everyone else's. We are also looking for folks that have vehicles to bring items down to the park, and if there are any kid entrepreneurs that want to do things like sell lemonade or baked items during the yard sale. We are working to secure a charity that will pick up any items at the end of the sale that were not purchased and you don't want back. If you are interested in selling or in helping out, please contact president@ridgelysdelight.org.

NFL Kickoff – Fun Run

The NFL Kickoff will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 4th with the NFL Back to Football 5K Run, which will take place in multiple NFL cities to get fans ready for the start of the season. The Run will unite both runners and NFL fans, and welcomes participants of all abilities to kick off the 2013 Ravens season. In anticipation for the Raven's success, pull out that jersey, lace up your running shoes, and register to show your team spirit on September 4th!

Start Times:

6:00pm –Fun Run (Ages 6-12: half mile)

6:20pm –Fun Run (Ages 5 and under: field run)

7:00pm – NFL Back to Football Run (5K)

Start Location: M&T Bank Stadium

Finish Location: The 50 Yard Line

To register for the runs and more information, go to <http://nflrunseries.com/ravens/>

Although the race route is not yet available online, we have word that Hamburg and Ostend St. bridges will be **closed** for the runs.

NFL Kickoff – Concert

Thursday, Sept. 5th marks the NFL's 94th year in existence, as The Baltimore Ravens take on the Denver Broncos in the first game of the 2013 regular season. Coming off a Super Bowl winning 2012 season, the city of Baltimore is hosting the "NFL KICKOFF 2013" concert (presented by Pepsi).

Guests will also be able to enjoy the concert from West Shore Park and along the Inner Harbor promenade which features a performance by the Grammy Award winning singer **Keith Urban**. He will be performing on a floating stage near the Science Center. The performance is rumored to contain pyrotechnics and waterfalls.

It is **FREE** and open to the public. However, the areas to view the concert open at 6pm and access will be on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information and to find the rules and restrictions (there are quite a few) on what will and will not be allowed within the concert areas, go to

<http://www.nfl.com/kickoff>

Rash Field and parts of the Inner Harbor Promenade will be closed for construction in the week leading up to the event.

Community Cleanup Competition

September is the last month of our Community Cleanup Competition, and we've talked a lot about recycling, sidewalks, and trash cans. If you didn't get a chance to order in the community bulk order, you can pick up recycling cans/bins at Baltimore's Kane Street Yard at 111 Kane Street (9am - 2pm M-F), or at a number of stores that resell the items (<http://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/Recycling/RecyclingBins.aspx>).

Storm drains

Keeping the storm drains clean is another criteria for us to gain points in the Community Cleanup Competition. It's been a rainy summer and that causes a lot of trash on the sidewalks and street to collect in the storm drains. This is both unsightly and can cause some localized flooding which can make crossing the street hazardous or possibly increase chances of flooding property/basements. You can help out by keeping loose trash off the streets by using a proper trashcan with a locking lid, making sure your recycling is secure when you put it out, and picking up trash you see lying on the streets. One quick hint: a grocery bag or plastic tote in your car can allow you to pick up small items in the street when you walk back home after parking your car at the end of the work day.

If you see a storm drain that is plugged up, it takes a little more concerted effort to clean it out, but really isn't that hard if you have a trash bag and a shovel. If you need to borrow a tool, they are available in the community tool shed, just contact a board member or president@ridgelysdelight.org if you need access or help with that.

Green (or brown) spaces

While the City is supposed to mow our larger green spaces, there are a lot of small spaces throughout the neighborhood that could be tidied or spruced up. Tree plots that aren't full of roots are good places for some small flowers or plants. The tot lot often has open spaces in their raised beds. There are raised beds on Pratt by the BGE power station that are often in poor condition. Some neighbors put out potted plants turning the hard concrete sidewalk into a garden path in the city. If you'd like to add a splash of color to any of bare spots in Ridgely's please feel free!

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The Shindig is coming!

A true rock and roll festival comes to Baltimore! The long time Maryland promoter, 24-7 Entertainment, is introducing The Shindig to be held in Carroll Park in Pigtown on Saturday, Sept. 14th.

The lineup is eclectic and features Dropkick Murphys, Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, The Gaslight Anthem, Clutch, The Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Reverend Horton Heat, The Hold Steady, Jimmie's Chicken Shack, Larry and His Flask, The Glenmont Popes, Bad Seed Rising, and a local band contest winner (TBD).

The all-day event will feature two identical main stages with no over-lapping sets of music. The vending village in The Woods will be the home of Ripley's "Believe It or Not" Side Stage with rare talent and oddities continuously entertaining throughout the day and evening. A section of The Woods will also include a diverse offering of Baltimore's best food and beverage options with plenty of seating and shade available.

Tickets are still available for \$53.50, and more information can be found at:

<http://www.theshindigbaltimore.com/>

Community Cleanup is September 14th

This month's community cleanup will be Saturday, September 14th, 9am-11am. Please come out to help. This is the last community cleanup before the City's Community Cleanup Competition ends.

Also, we are expecting a city dumpster to be on Conway street during the morning hours. All bulk items are welcome, but please adhere to the bulk trash guidelines. No hazardous material.

Please email any suggestions for cleaning/beautifying projects to:

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Federal Hill Beat Street Festival

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Family Fair & Walk

On Saturday, September 21st The Family Tree will host a FREE event for families - The Brent A. Rosenberg Family Fair and Walk at the Y on 33rd Street. Join them to support strong families for a strong community! Registration begins at 8am and the walk begins at 9am. Immediately following the walk, participants can enjoy the Family Fair featuring football clinics run by Ravens Assistant General Manager Eric DeCosta and Ravens scouts, entertainment, activities, giveaways and refreshments. To register for the walk and more information, go to

<http://www.familytreemd.org/about-us/events/family-fair-walk/>

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