

The Medfielder

Medfield Community Association
Newsletter



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COMMUNITY NOTES

NEXT MEETING

TUE, FEB. 11, 7:00 PM
Christian Love Baptist
Church (CLBC) Hall,
Falls Rd. & 42ND St.

BOARD MEETING

WED, FEB. 26, 7:30 PM
CLBC Hall
Falls Rd. & 42ND St.

MEETING DAYS

MCA general meetings are
on the 2ND Tuesday and
the board meets on the 4TH
Wednesday of the month.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Some weather we've had this winter! While it may seem like we'll never shake off this cold, we'll be enjoying longer, warmer days before we know it. Planning is about to begin for spring greening projects, and opportunities abound to enjoy the neighborhood and get more involved.

Want to stretch your legs? Consider volunteering to deliver newsletters to a block or two. Have a knack for planning a great party? Help us plan socials or fundraisers. There's always something to do, even in the midst of these winter doldrums. I hope to see you at one of our MCA general membership meetings, held second Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Christian Love Baptist Church social hall.

Want to peruse volunteer opportunities on your own time? The MCA is pleased to roll out our brand-new volunteer site, where anyone can check current opportunities and offer their time and talents. Please bookmark our SignUp Genius site by visiting <http://bit.ly/1fp5oCG> so you can stay in the loop!

—Cindy Cabales, President, Medfield Community Association

CLEARING OUR SNOWY SIDEWALKS

Recent snowfalls have made for treacherous walking conditions around the neighborhood. Don't forget, residents are responsible for keeping their footways clear of ice and snow. Sidewalks must be cleared within three hours of the end of a snowfall or by 11:00 a.m. the next day if snow stops after 3:00 p.m.

However, winter is also a good season to be a good neighbor. Safe sidewalks help everyone, and it only takes a few minutes to continue shoveling down to your neighbor's house. We've heard from neighbors on Newport Avenue and 40th Street who say they make a habit of shoveling and salting a house or two in either direction while they're outside. Many hands make light work, and you never know when you might appreciate a kind neighbor clearing your walk!

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

This is a great time to live in Medfield! Not only are new shops—including several high-end bars and a Greek café—popping up on the Avenue all the time, we continue to see progress on developments closer to home.

Street utility work has wrapped up at the Rotunda and the construction entrance should be completed soon, which will improve traffic on 40th Street.

We're also looking forward to a new Chipotle opening next door to the renovated Dunkin' Donuts in the Greenspring Tower shopping center. Construction has begun and the restaurant will open in a few months.

For additional development updates, please feel free to join the Zoning/Land Use group on Nextdoor Medfield.

WANT TO MEET THE CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR OFFICE IN OUR DISTRICT?

The MCA is considering a collaborating with other organizations to host a meet and greet forum for residents to get to know the candidates running for office this June. Before we move forward, we need to assess interest and potential attendance. Please help us by completing a short online survey at <http://svy.mk/1ccF0Xw>. It will take less than a minute of your time.

ARRESTS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH RECENT BURGLARIES

No doubt you've noticed burglaries are up. Despite great news on violent crime—last year, shootings and homicides in our district went down 32% and 33%, respectively—larcenies have risen 18%. Several neighbors have reported home break-ins and robberies, and frustrations mounted throughout the fall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Thu, February 13 11:00 AM | Food Stamps for Those 55 and Older Please bring your: photo ID, Social Security card, proof of income, rent verification/mortgage statement, proof of utility, most recent bank statement, prescription/medical bills. 📍 St. Mary's Outreach Center, Fellowship Hall ☎ 410-366-3106 |
| Tue, February 25 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM | Meeting About Mechanical Street Sweeping How expansion impacts our neighborhood streets. 📍 League for People with Disabilities, 1111 E. Cold Spring Lane |
| Wed, March 5 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM | Non-partisan Gubernatorial Candidate Forum on Education in Baltimore City 📍 City Springs Elementary/Middle School ☎ www.becforourkids.org |
| Fri, March 7 11:30 AM | Senior Benefits Luncheon Come learn about federal, state, local, and private programs you may be entitled to. Entrance Fee: Food for the Hampden Food Pantry. 📍 St. Mary's Outreach Center, Fellowship Hall ☎ 410-366-3106 |



This month, we are pleased to share some positive updates. Police made several arrests in December in connection with a rash of car break-ins, and Officer O'Donnell shared photos and descriptions of a few suspects still on the loose at our January general membership meeting. On January 9, officers arrested three men suspected of committing burglaries across the Northern District.

Thanks to Officer O'Donnell for sharing this good news at our general membership meeting! The Northern District typically sends a community liaison to each of our meetings, so if you have questions or concerns — or are just curious about the latest crime updates and statistics — please join us on February 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Christian Love Baptist Church social hall.

HAVE YOU NOTICED A NEW FLAG FLYING ABOVE WELDON CIRCLE?

Thanks to Tom Kerr, who donated a new flag for Weldon Circle. Thanks as well to the Appleby family, who raise and lower the flag every day and have maintained the landscaping around the circle for many years.

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