

The Medfielder

Medfield Community Association
Newsletter



P.O. Box 4782 • Baltimore, MD 21211

COMMUNITY NOTES

NEXT MEETING

TUE, JAN. 14, 7:00 PM
Christian Love Baptist
Church (CLBC) Hall,
Falls Rd. & 42ND St.

BOARD MEETING

WED, JAN. 22, 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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BOARD MEMBERS

President:

Cindy Cabales

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Randy Dalmás

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Gary Sever

General Board Members:

Samantha Armacost
Charly Carter
Pat Dideriksen
Dennis Dideriksen
Jaclyn Paul

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Thank you so much, Medfield neighbors, for a magical display of holiday lights this year! Congratulations to the house decorating contest winners listed below.

Time passes so quickly. One moment we're enjoying the lights and the next, they've all vanished until next December. Before we know it, December will be upon us again. This year, let's commit to seizing moments to make a difference in ways big and small. Participate in a block cleanup, plant a tree, get engaged with plans for our new school, check in on a neighbor who might need some help, take more walks around the neighborhood, make a new neighbor feel welcome or an old neighbor feel appreciated. Sometimes being a neighborhood hero takes only a little effort.

Happy New Year, Medfield. Let's make the most of it!

— Cindy Cabales, President, Medfield Community Association

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS

Most Original

🏆 First Place 4427 Grandview Ave.
Honorable Mention ... 4309 Buchanan Ave.
Honorable Mention ... 4422 Buchanan Ave.

Most Traditional/Elegant

🏆 First Place 4423 La Plata Ave.
Honorable Mention ... 4207 Edgehill Ave.
Honorable Mention ... 4430 Clydesdale Ave.

Most Humorous/Fun

🏆 First Place 4426 Grandview Ave.
Honorable Mention ... 1509 Old Cold Spring Lane
Honorable Mention ... 4409 Buchanan Ave.

21ST-CENTURY SCHOOL DESIGN MEETING

We're getting a new school, and you have an important role to play! Whether or not you plan to have children attend Medfield Heights Elementary, the neighborhood public school impacts property values and the overall health of our neighborhood. All Medfield residents are invited to attend an orientation on January 16 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the Medfield Heights Elementary School cafetorium to learn more about MHES' transformation to a 21st-century community school.

At this meeting, you'll see amazing examples of 21st-century school renovations (hint: these aren't like the schools we attended!) and learn more about the community's role in the school design process. Medfield neighbors will also have an opportunity to meet the architects for our new school.

MAKE A NEW YEARS RESOLUTION TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE MCA!

Our volunteer registry will make its debut at the next general membership meeting. Please join us there or keep an eye on Nextdoor Medfield for more information. In the meantime, we have an urgent need to fill: a volunteer to help identify and apply for grants to fund Medfield projects. Interested? Send an email to medfieldmd@gmail.com with the subject "Grant Volunteer."

MAKE A GREEN RESOLUTION WITH NO-FUSS COMPOSTING

Have you thought about composting, but didn't want to deal with the mess and effort? Entrepreneur Andrew Reinel, a new Medfield neighbor, has started a composting business in our community.

For \$5 per trip, Peels on Wheels Compost Collection will pick up your scraps and turn them into compost. For more pricing and information, email Andrew at peelsonwheelscompost@gmail.com or look for him on Nextdoor Medfield.

2014 KICKS OFF WITH DANGEROUS COLD

With bitter cold settling over Baltimore this January, please remember those who are most vulnerable to hypothermia: the elderly, individuals with heart conditions, those who struggle with drug or alcohol abuse, and the homeless. Check on your neighbors and call 311 if they are without heat for any reason. Likewise, call 311 if you see a homeless person out on the streets before a frigid night. The city will dispatch someone to guide them to a safe shelter for the night.

MEET YOUR 41ST DISTRICT ELECTED OFFICIALS

Would you like to meet our 41st Legislative District elected officials? Save the date for the 41st Legislative District Night in Annapolis on Tuesday, January 21, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Miller Senate Office Building. You'll have an opportunity to meet with Senator Lisa A. Gladden, Delegate Jill P. Carter, Delegate Nathaniel T. Oaks, and Delegate Sandy Rosenberg.

A bus will be provided, but seating is limited for both the bus and the event. RSVP as soon as possible to 410-367-5811. Please specify if you are reserving a seat for the bus and event or the event only.

CURBSIDE CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION OFFERED JANUARY 7-31

The Bureau of Solid Waste will offer curbside tree collection from Tuesday, January 7 through Friday, January 31. Residents should set out trees on their



regularly scheduled trash collection day at the same location where their trash is collected.

All tinsel and ornaments must be removed from trees before they are set out for curbside collection or mulching.

If you wish to drop off your tree, please take it to 701 Reedbird Ave., 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays for mulching.

ARE YOU A NEIGHBORHOOD KNOW-IT-ALL?

Do you love Medfield? Would you be willing to talk to prospective new neighbors about your experience here? We're looking for neighbors of all stripes to join Live Baltimore's Neighborhood Know-It-All registry. Neighborhood Know-It-Alls are online volunteers who become ambassadors for their neighborhoods and support Live Baltimore in its mission to help people find a home in Baltimore City.

Do you find yourself talking up our neighborhood whenever you can? We'd love for you to fill out an online profile so people can contact you via Live Baltimore's website to ask questions about Medfield. It only takes about five minutes to apply and ensure Medfield is well-represented to people considering purchasing or renting a home in Baltimore City. For more information visit: livebaltimore.com/about-us/neighborhood-know-it-all-volunteers

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE & TIME	EVENT & LOCATION	MORE INFORMATION
Thu, January 16 6:00 PM	Medfield Heights School Design Orientation Medfield Heights Elementary School cafeteria	Contact Charly Carter via Nextdoor Medfield
Tue, January 21 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	41 ST Legislative District Night Miller Senate Office Building, Annapolis, MD	RSVP to 410-367-5811 Details in above article

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MEDFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP 2013–2014 (SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP RATES)

MCA decisions and initiatives are determined by the votes of MCA members. Becoming a member is easy—it just takes a small donation. The Association relies on its membership donations to help the community with projects throughout the year. Please consider joining to keep your community active. Join now and your membership will be effective until June 30, 2014. We appreciate and value your membership!

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Phone No. (optional): _____

E-mail: _____ ☐ Individual (\$5) ☐ Family (\$7) ☐ Senior Citizen (\$3)

Please make your check payable to Medfield Community Association. • You can bring this form and your check to an MCA meeting, or mail them to P.O. Box 4782, Baltimore, MD 21211.