



Remington

Community Newsletter

Eighth Edition

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The Blue Boxes will soon be full of spring colors!

The Blue Boxes up and down Huntingdon Ave have come to be known as Remington's "public gardens". Several years and lots of hands have helped to take them this far. They are in need of care from the homes around them. Many of the boxes have a way to go to give us beauty each year.

Peter Babcox was the overseer of these boxes for many years. He planted bulbs, had volunteers for watering them and kept going to build as many as he could. He has left the area (on to Australia to be with his grandson), but the boxes still need some care.

If you happen to have one near your house, please step up and give it some maintenance. Plant some new bulbs, trim down what may be there and pull some weeds.

If enough people help out we can bring this off in fine style. Perhaps one day people who drive through Hampden to see the Christmas lights will be driving through Remington in the spring to see all the flowers!



Relay For Life at Johns Hopkins

Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's signature fundraiser.

Relay For Life is more than just a fundraiser, though. It's a life-changing experience. At Relay, every person in the community has a chance to celebrate, remember, and fight back. At Relay, you can find healing, comfort, and support from others who have faced cancer or who have lost a loved one to the disease. At Relay, you have a chance to meet people in the community who are equally as passionate about finding an end to cancer in our lifetime.

This year Johns Hopkins will host its own

Relay For Life on April 13th from 7 PM to 7 AM on the Upper Quad. To sign up or learn more about our event please visit our website www.RelayForLife.org/jhu.

We hope to see you there!



Save money on your Energy bills



All these appliances, all these things burning up the BGE bill, where does it end! Don't despair, there is help available!

Project Lightbulb is a FREE energy efficient upgrade to your home.

Project Lightbulb offers free shower and sink heads, lightbulbs and sleeves for your water heater. AmeriCorps volunteers will come to your home and install these items. There is no fee for installation. It's easy and you start saving money right away!

Call to schedule an appointment for an energy efficient upgrade to your house. Contact Civic Works and ask for Project Lightbulb at 410-366-8533 ext. 221 or call Zenobia Taylor-Weiss at 443-803-1952.

Do you need a MD ID for 2012? Make it happen!



The ID program is a wonderful program designed to assist people obtain their Maryland State IDs. This was started two years ago by Pastor Alice Jellema and now the Episcopal Housing Corporation Community builder has taken over the responsibilities of the job.

Since the program began many Remington residents have been able to get their state IDs, which is an important step in getting one's life on track. An ID is needed when you apply for assistance or cash a check or in many other instances.

This program does everything from giving support and information to providing transportation to the MVA and it even covers half of the cost of the ID. Zenobia is working for you, to get paperwork together and get an ID for you.

But how do you get an ID? Well, first contact Zenobia (her information is below) and then get necessary paperwork ready. Here is a guide of the paperwork needed. It is required that you must have 3 main proofs of identity.

1. Birth Certificate

This is essential, and it can not be a copy or a "birth registration". It must say Birth Certificate at the top. If you need your birth certificate we can help you obtain it.

2. Proof of Social Security

This is either a social security card or an SSA-1099 form, which lists everything you received for the whole year. If you need to go to the social security office to get a benefit letter printed (which they'll do for free on the spot,) it's in the Rotunda shopping center in Hampden.

3. TWO proofs of address

The MVA is very specific about what they will and won't accept. Contact Zenobia for the full list, but a lease, BGE bill or letter from the government all are good. Note that if you use government mail as a proof of address, it has to be in its original envelope.

Zenobia Taylor-Weiss, the EHC Community Builder for Remington is the contact person for this. You can call her at 443-803-1952, or stop in on Wednesday morning at Kromer Hall on 27th St. She is there from 9 am till 10 am, or e-mail her at zenobia@episcopalhousing.org

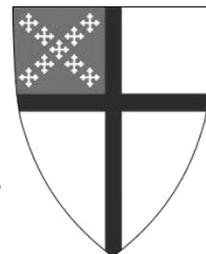
SPRING FORWARD on March 11th



Don't be left hanging behind. Daylight savings time hits on March 11th at 2 am so set the clocks an hour ahead. Remember to change the alarm clock, the microwave, the car clock and the dvd player. This is also a good time to change batteries in the smoke alarms.

Upcoming Events at the Guardian Angel Church

335 W. 27th Street
In Kromer Hall



— Open to the Community —

Homework Club, Monday from 6 to 8 pm. Children in grades 3-12 are welcome.

The Food Pantry, Wednesday morning from 9 am to 9:45 am to residents of zip code 21211.

Coupon Swap Club, Wednesday at 5pm, just before the Community dinner.

Free Community Dinner, Wednesday evenings starting at 6pm. Free dinner with neighbors.

AA meetings, Please call 410-235-5740 for more information.

The Church of the Guardian Angel has services -

Sunday 8am and 10 am

Tuesday 4pm - Bible Study

Wednesday 7 pm - Complin

Thursday 4pm - Prayer Group

If any other Churches in Remington would like their service schedule posted, please email Betsy at betsy@episcopalhousing.org. Thank you.



Take back the Park!

Come out and lend a hand on **April 14th**. There is a clean up planned for the 30th street Playground and park area from along Greenmount School up to 31st street and along the fence line.

We will be meeting at the Greenmount school on 30th street for some coffee and snacks in the morning around 9 am and then dividing into work groups.



Our goal is to clear the area of any debris or brush – leaves, branches and any trash. Who knows what we will find! Let's make the playground safer for our children and the parks cleaner for our enjoyment.

If you are interested in volunteering a couple hours on **Saturday April 14th**, please contact Blaine Carvalho at blainecarvalho@gmail.com

Join the Greater Remington Improvement Association!



March 19th at 7 pm.

We meet on the third Monday of each month in Kromer Hall at the Church of the Guardian Angel (335 W. 27th St).

The Greater Remington Improvement Association (GRIA) is dedicated to being a vibrant part of Remington. GRIA is a community organization and we cordially invite you to become a member.

Everyone is welcome to become a member of GRIA, there is a membership form and a \$10.00 annual membership fee. We can also drop a form off at your house or mail it to you.

Visit www.griaonline.org for more information and to view coming events, blogs, and past newsletters.

We need volunteers for delivering News to your neighbors!

The Remington Newsletter is looking for volunteers to pass out the newsletter at the first weekend of each month. The routes are only a few blocks of the Remington neighborhood. This would be a help to your community and only take an hour or so.

Please contact Andre@greaterhomewood.org or Betsy@episcopalhousing.org for more information.

Birthday, Anniversary or other announcements?

You can place a shout out to family or friend in Remington. Please contact her by the 18th day of the month before the month ahead (so if you want to say Happy Birthday for your Aunt in the May newsletter, get it to Betsy by March 18th).

Call Betsy at 410-366-6200 or email betsy@episcopalhousing.org

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