



# Remington

## Community Newsletter

Ninth Edition

December 2013



### Blanket Drive to Keep Warm!

Remington resident Nikki Dean had been collecting blankets for weeks. Her home was overflowing, boxes of blankets lined along the walls. Blue, green, plaid and polka dot. Fleece, wool and some handmade. Some were brand new and some used. One had a loving note attached to it telling the story of a favorite blanket and it's travels.

This is all part of a movement called #RAKE - Random Acts of Kindness. It is a nationwide group headed by Ricky Smith. He began a drive to collect blankets for the homeless and shelters. He invited cities across the country to participate and Ms. Dean took up the call for Baltimore.

She and a group of volunteers of all ages went out on Thanksgiving Eve. They handed out over 500 blankets to the homeless out on the streets around Baltimore and to shelters. A big shout out of thanks to her and her volunteers and to all that donated blankets.

### Presents for Parents

Santa's Toy Day  
at the Church of the Guardian Angel  
**Saturday December 21st from 11am -1pm**

This is a special way to make sure children in the Remington area will have something to open on December 25th.

Any parent in Remington is welcome to pick out a gift for their child. There will be sign up that morning. Parents must have ID to verify residence in the community. An I.D. or mail with their address. Children are not allowed inside the church hall while this is going on. Santa wants them to be surprised!



### 2014 Maryland Energy Assistance Program: Help for Remington Residents

Save some money on your fuel bills. It's not too late for MEAP in 2014.

If you are interested in learning more or completing the applications, Betsy Childs is now available on Wednesday mornings after 10 am at the Church of the Guardian Angel. This can help with BGE and oil if needed.

The state will allocate a certain amount towards your energy bill each month or help in purchase of oil for the year. Get relief and stay warm this winter.

It's easy to complete, but there is certain paperwork needed. If you are interested in setting up an appointment, please call Betsy Childs at 410-366-6200 or stop in on Wednesday morning.

## Lowside Garage comes to Remington

In early November, a sign went up on a long-vacant commercial building on 29th Street, across from Potts and Callahan. Lowside Garage is a motorcycle magazine and distributor that is currently based in Pennsylvania. They plan to open their first physical location in the next couple months right here in Remington.

Lowside Garage is envisioned as a place to celebrate motorcycle culture. In addition to their magazine, the garage will offer 8,000 feet of space where enthusiasts can work on their machines and store them during the winter months. They were looking for a good-sized building in a hip city neighborhood, and Remington fit the bill for Lowside Garage.

The co-owner, Rich Gohlinghorst, is a Baltimore City native, and his business partner, Jon has moved his entire family down from Pennsylvania, settling just a couple blocks away from the shop. He says they are committed to providing a positive environment in which to work on their bikes and celebrate their passion. Their extensive website, [www.lowsidegarage.com](http://www.lowsidegarage.com) fully describes the company's mission. Rich says they want to be good neighbors and that bad behavior won't be tolerated; this is also clearly explained on their website. Rich and Jon, and all their members, are very excited to be in Remington. Look for them when they open soon.

### The Remington Empowerment Center

Empower yourself, take care of you, and when you have time come and get to know us, together we can empower the greater community. Our hope is that through building a community around this project we can expand our ability to solve problems in Remington.

We expect this process to take some time. And as the project grows so will our scope. We will continue to work to provide resources so people can save more money and spend more time solving their own issues.

Come learn more and become involved.

There will be an Holiday Open House on December 21st from 4 to 8 p.m, at 2623 Huntington Avenue. Light refreshments will be served.

## In Our Community

### ***Food Pantry - Kromer Hall***

9 - 9:45 am Wednesdays  
355 W. 27th Street

### ***Community Dinner***

335 W. 27th Street In Kromer Hall  
Free and fun, on Thursdays at 5:30 pm

### ***Remington Empowerment Center***

Free Food Fridays  
Noon - 4pm  
Corner of Huntingdon and Lorraine Avenue



## Join the Greater Remington Improvement Association!



## December 16th at 7 pm

Temporary location -  
Miller's Court  
2601 Howard Street, Downstairs, side entrance

Visit [www.griaonline.org](http://www.griaonline.org) for more information and to view coming events, blogs, and past newsletters.

### **Remington Community Newsletter**

This newsletter is produced and distributed to the residents and business located in the neighborhood of Remington with the collaboration of the following partners: Episcopal Housing Corporation, G.R.I.A., The Church of the Guardian Angel, and the Greater Homewood Community Corporation.

Everyone is welcome to contribute information about activities and events in the Remington Neighborhood. Contact Betsy at 410-366-6200.

## Remington Business Showcase

### Baltimore Broom Factory

Although technically not a business, the Broom Factory (BFF) is a popular arts venue that brings lots of people to Remington. Tucked below Mill Valley Market at 28th and Sisson, the space is home to several working artists and musicians. Its clever name (BFF is short for "best friends forever" to the younger generation) is also meant to separate it from The Broom Factory, an upscale office and retail complex in Canton. The space was previously used as a recording studio, and hosted some famous artists such as George Clinton and the P-Funk All Stars.

The BFF is one of a handful of 'DIY' art spaces in Baltimore City where young people gather to celebrate music and culture. Advertising for the shows is mostly via social media or word of mouth. It hosts regular parties and concerts, mostly to small crowds of only a couple dozen people. Because of its location, below grade, surrounded by industrial buildings and next to two busy streets, events can occur without disturbing neighbors.

The Broom Factory Factory has been in the news recently because it was raided twice over the summer by overzealous Baltimore Police officers. Because of the raids, the BFF hasn't hosted events for some time, and it's up in the air whether or not the powers that be will allow them to continue to operate in their quiet corner of Remington.



## St Mary's Outreach Center 3900 Roland Avenue Hampden

Christmas Caroling  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm



Faith Mennonite  
High School will be  
performing Holiday  
classics.

Come enjoy!

### Holiday Church Schedules

#### Episcopal Church of the Guardian Angel

*Christmas Eve*

7pm service

*Christmas Day*

10 am service

After Christmas Day service there is an open house/brunch at 2629 Huntingdon Ave.

#### St. Philip and St. James Catholic Church

*Christmas Eve*

4pm Children's Mass

11:30 pm Pre-Mass Choir Concert

Midnight Mass

*Christmas Day*

11 am Mass Only



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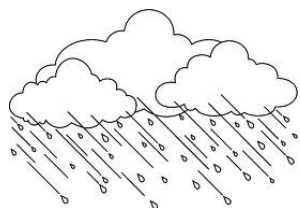


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