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A Quarterly Publication of the Chartley Homeowners Association

Calendar of Events

Virtual Board Meetings

- Tuesday, April 13, 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, May 13, 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, June 8, 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, July 13, 7:00 pm

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(All are welcome)

Virtual General Meeting

Thursday, April 29, 7:00 pm (Zoom Meeting)

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Mission Statement

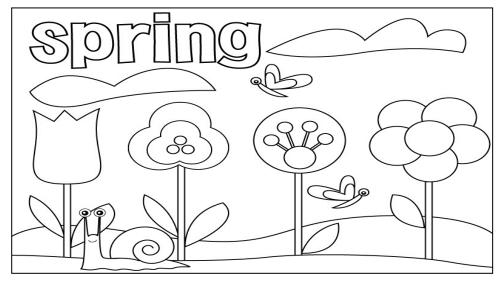
The Chartley Homeowners Association, Inc. promotes the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the homes within the Chartley area, the general well being of the community, and works to preserve Chartley as an attractive and safe neighborhood. It operates in coordination with other civic organizations to assist in educating residents about, and in the implementation of crime prevention programs, health initiatives, scholarship programs, cleanup campaigns, and other activities to maintain and improve properties within the community.

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Help!! We can't print the Spring Chatter in color, so please give the kiddies some canyons and have them dress this cover picture up for us. You can send us some cool ones at chatterstaff@comcast.net and we will publish a few of them in the May eChatter.

Thanks, the Chatter Staff



See the Candidates for Officers of the CHA on Page 5.

President's Message

Such a challenging year! Hopefully everyone wanting/eligible for a vaccine will soon be fully vaccinated and society will be edging ever more closely towards our new normal. Schools are starting back with some in-person learning, restaurants and places of worship are reopening to more capacity. We are all looking forward to a better summer and opportunities to once again gather with friends and family.

Leaves will soon be showing on the trees. We have been successful eliminating the dead ones between the curb and sidewalk on many of our streets. If you have trees in question in front of your home in that easement area, please call the Baltimore County Public Works, Bureau of Highways **410-887-3560**. They will send an arborist to examine the tree. If they determine it is dying and/or dead, there is no charge for that tree to be removed.



We are planning for the August 3rd National Night Out ... check out the details in the article later in the Chatter and come celebrate with everyone. We will be sure to follow all the health department guidelines at that time.

We encourage all to participate in our **Membership Drive**. For \$10/year your voice is represented with our county and state leaders.

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President's Message, continued from Page 1

Our community is viewed as being very active and often held as a model for other neighboring communities and it is your efforts that make that possible. I am proud to say that "I Live in Chartley". Please review the list later in this Chatter to see if your home is listed as a member. If not, please clip out, complete the application and send your check. One additional benefit of your membership and giving your email address, is receipt of the eChatter which is prepared in the months we don't have this quarterly Chatter.

We have important tasks to complete at our April General Meeting. Like last year we will be holding it as a Zoom meeting. Our Slate of Officers for our fiscal year 2021 – 2022 is shown later in the Chatter for your review to prepare to vote. An email will be sent to all members with the opportunity to vote on this Slate of Officers, our Budget for 2021-2022 and approve the minutes from our October 2020 meeting. Please email me presidentofcha@gmail.com for the information to sign into the Zoom meeting Thursday, April 29th from 7pm -9pm.

Mary Molinaro, presidentofcha@gmail.com

National Night Out

Last summer National Night Out was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the past few weeks, restrictions are being reduced on "Large Outdoor Gatherings," as many people are being vaccinated and the number of positive corona virus test results come down. By August we hope the current restriction of "Large Outdoor Gatherings", to 50% of capacity, will be removed so that National Night Out on August 3rd may return to normal.

Planning for National Night Out is well underway. Groups that have participated in the past are beginning to contact us to inquire about this summer's event. It is our intent to have a smaller footprint but to include the most popular activities of the past and bring new, exciting groups to our event. Our number one goal in

2021 is to bring back NNO in a "socially responsible" way.

Volunteers are always needed. If you can give us a little time in planning or can help on Tuesday, August 3rd, contact **presidentofcha@gmail.com**.

Keep up with news on National Night Out on Facebook and by following us on the web at https://nnoreisterstown.wixsite.com/nno-reisterstown.

Crime in Chartley

Now that spring has arrived and Covid restrictions are being reduced, we can expect to see the usual influx of door-to-door sales people trying to sell us just about everything on the planet. Of course, some of these people are far from being on the up and up and will try to take advantage of us, but they can only succeed IF WE ALLOW THEM TO DO SO! In that regard, the police recently issued a flyer warning of Deception Burglaries that have already begun throughout the County. Deception burglaries are scams which usually involve two people, one to divert the home owner's attention while the other steals whatever they can find. In the past this type of crime has ranged from home repair scams to people posing as utility workers, sometimes claiming to be from BGE, demanding to see the homeowner's bill for some reason they claim is necessary.

We have finally found a website that appears to provide the street level information needed to track crimes within our area. This website has been sent to the County police for evaluation and the necessary approvals which may take several months to acquire. Hopefully we will soon again have the functionality we need to allow us to track crimes within our community and surrounding areas. Stay tuned.

The police have asked us to advise every one of the following:

• A number of complaints have been received regarding big rig trucks and other large commercial vehicles being parked overnight throughout the area. The police have been ticketing these trucks as complaints are received. In this regard, the police reiterated that a commercial vehicle is not necessarily any vehicle with commercial signage painted on it (for example a van with the name of a company painted on the front doors). State law also defines a commercial vehicle as a vehicle that exceeds 10,000 pounds. That eliminates the

majority of small vans and trucks with a company name painted on it. If you see any of these large commercial vehicles illegally parked overnight in our community, or if you have any questions about them, the police are asking you to call their **Community Outreach** group at **410-887-6985** or the **Traffic Team** at **410-887-6912**. If an officer is unavailable to answer, please leave a message and an officer will get back to you as soon as possible.

- A number of complaints have also been received about vehicles in various communities, including Chartley, with expired license plates. **Captain Buckingham**, Commanding Officer, Precinct 3, said that, due to the Covid emergency restrictions, the police are restricted from enforcing the requirement to renew vehicle license plates at this time.
- Deception burglaries have been increasing throughout the County (see above). In a major achievement, the police were able to link homeowner security camera video from multiple states and jurisdictions to a group using deception burglary tactics up and down the East Coast. The homeowner security camera video literally caught these crooks in the act allowing the police arrest the suspects.
- An alert resident in our Precinct reported the break in of a vehicle and the suspect was arrested. Subsequent investigation linked this suspect to multiple vehicle burglaries throughout the area.
- A number of complaints have been received about speeding in multiple communities including Sacred Heart Lane and Owings Mills Boulevard near Bond Avenue. The police are monitoring the situation and are including these roads to receive traffic enforcement.

Now that spring is here, we can anticipate that once again we may encounter dirt bikes being ridden on our streets at high rates of speed. Please remember that these bikes are illegal and very dangerous to everyone. If you see any of these bikes, please do not hesitate to immediately report it by calling 911. Try to get a description of the bikes, and the riders, as well as the direction of travel. If possible, the police are most interested in getting pictures. Thanks to your cooperation, the police were able to get a number of these bikes off our streets last summer and fall, but we know that there are still a bunch of these dangerous bikes in the area. Please help us nip this in the bud before someone gets hurt.

With the onset of spring and the lifting of Covid restrictions, all of us can now get outside and enjoy the bright sunshine and warmer temperatures. But we know that the bad guys are aware of our anxiety to finally get a break from being cooped up during the pandemic. They will use every ploy in their bag of tricks to take advantage of any failure on our part to protect our homes, property and family. While we absolutely should enjoy the season, now is not the time to let our guards down. In fact, we should do just the opposite and reevaluate what efforts each of us needs to make to avoid becoming a crime victim. While the following Crime Prevention Tips may seem very redundant, adopting them has proven to be extremely effective in reducing crime.

- Lock it up, each time, every time.
- Keep the outside of your house illuminated after dark.
- Strongly consider the installation of home security cameras around your property. The bad guys tend to go somewhere else when they see these cameras around a house.
- Never leave your vehicle running unattended.
- Never leave valuables in your vehicles.
- Be aware of your surroundings wherever you are, particularly when you are outside or shopping after dark.
- NEVER, EVER, FOR ANY REASON, GIVE ANY PERSONAL INFORMATION WHATSOEVER TO ANYONE UNTIL YOU HAVE VERIFIED THE SOURCE FIRST
- If you see something, say something! Call 911 each time, every time.
- Remember that if you don't call 911, there will not be a police response... no response... no police follow up to prevent further crimes...MAKE THAT CALL, EACH TIME, EVERY TIME. And call 911 even if you do make a mistake and the criminals take advantage of you. Never be too embarrassed to make that call. You could be helping someone else by allowing the police to start closing the ring on the criminals. MAKE THAT CALL! If in doubt, let the police check it out.

"In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt."

-Margaret Atwood, Bluebeard's Egg

Meet the Candidates for Officers of the Chartley Homeowner Association

We are once again at that time of year when we elect our officers for the next fiscal year (July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022). Due to COVID-19, schools are still not open to outside groups; so, we will hold our elections with email votes and complete it at the Thursday, April 29th Zoom General meeting. Our nominating committee has presented the Slate of Officers for next year. Below is a biography of each nominee:

President	Joe Kirby	Joe has been a resident of Chartley with his wife Katie since 1993 and of Reisterstown since 1978. They have raised three children and now enjoy spending time with them and six grandchildren. Joe was active coaching and supporting local activities over the years. He retired from Exelon Corporation in IT including lead roles in various projects. Joe enjoys family time and working on his house and property and looks forward to post-covid time when people can enjoy the activities that Chartley and Main Street have to offer.
Vice President	Lawrence Van Horn	Lawrence and his wife Rebecca have been residents of the Chartley community since 1992, raising their children here. He and Rebecca are both recently retired; Lawrence from a leadership career at McCormick & Company. Lawrence also previously coached in Reisterstown Recreation youth sports activities and was a long-time Co-Chair of Matt's Helpers Foundation, an organization that supported families in their battle with childhood cancer. He is looking forward to helping the community through work on the CHA Board.
Secretary	Kaycee Wright	Kaycee and her husband Mark have lived in Chartley for ten years. As mom for four kids, she and her family love being a part of the community and Kaycee is looking forward to serving our CHA in the upcoming year.
Treasurer	Joe Ganem	Joe and his family have lived and raised their 3 children in Chartley. He has been a professor and department chair at Loyola University for years. Joe has served as our President and Treasurer in prior years and is always a willing participant in projects that benefit our community. He is serving as the current Treasurer.

Dining at Reter's

The COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 caused the cancellation of most Chartley Homeowners normal events including our **annual Dining at Reter's**. In past years **Dining at Reter's** was CHA's "Welcome to Spring" event. It was often Chartley residents first dining out experience after months of being locked at home over cold winter months. It was also an opportunity for friends and neighbors to visit together while enjoying a delicious meal and helping CHA raise money for its scholarship.

Dining at Reter's will be different this year. The former one-day event will be held over a week as

adhering to "social distancing" has reduced Reter's inside dining capacity. Fund raising will **not** be a goal this year. CHA is thanking our member, **Brad Reter**, for his continued support of Chartley and the Reisterstown community.

Show your support! Bring your family and meet your neighbors at Reter's Crab House and Grille for lunch and/or dinner during Dining at Reter's Week, May 16th through May 22nd. Seating is LIMITED. Long wait times may be encountered at peak times. It is recommended that you visit Reter's at NON-PEAK times.

If you remain hesitant to eat inside a "socially responsible" restaurant, call **410-526-3300** to order carryout.

chartleyhomeowners.org - A Great Source of Local Information

The Chartley Homeowners Association has a website that contains a lot of useful information and tools that can help local homeowners. The URL is **www.chartley homeowners.org**/ and we update it regularly with organ-

ization documents such as meeting minutes, and electronic versions of the Chatter and eChatter. Here is a screen shot of our site:

At the top of the photo there are several tabs that you can click on to

access various forms of information:

CHA – The Landing Page contains a calendar of events and a map of the Chartley area.

More About Us – This tab contains our Mission Statement, list of officers, and a link for becoming a CHA member.

Upcoming **Events** – Another calendar of events and a button to download the calendar

Organization Documents – Contains our bylaws and articles of incorporation along with current and back issues of our organization minutes, Chatters, and eChatters.

COP/Complaints – Contains a description of the Citizens on Patrol program, crime prevention tips, and a form for submitting a complaint to the Chartley Homeowners Association.

More – This tab is a catch-all tab for whatever remaining topics we've decided to include on our website. Because we use a free version of the website development

software, it restricts us in some ways, but we can still include necessary information. Here are the subtabs under "More":

- A link to the Owings Mills Patch Newspaper
- A form to submit comments to the CHA



- A tab for our CHA Scholarship Program
- A link to the CHA Facebook page
- A tab describing our smoke detector program
- A tab concerning local crossing guards
- Another tab for joining the Chartley Homeowners Association

Please visit our website frequently for important local information. If you have any suggestions for improving the site, you can do that in the Comments sub tab under "More."



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RV or commercial vehicle parking		Storage contain	ners left on prop	erty too long
Open dump or junkyard conditions		Illegal accessor	y structures	
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	- For Office	Use Only		
Date received:	Action tak	en:		
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Date of notification to Baltimore County (if	necessary):			
Further action required:				

Membership

The following list shows the addresses that are paid in full for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. This includes homeowners who sent in membership checks early and homeowners who have paid for multiple years that include the coming year. If you believe you have paid for the new membership year and you house number does not appear on the following list, it may be that the payment you made was for a previous year. If you are not on the list and think that you should be on it, contact our Membership Chairperson, **Betsy Sloan** at **410-833-5523**, so that we can verify your membership and, if necessary, update our membership records.

Of course, you can always complete the **Membership Application on this page** and mail it along with your check to the Association PO box. You will have the opportunity to pay for both the current year (2020-2021) and the next fiscal year (2021-2022).

Street	House Number	Street	House Number
Arms Chapel Road	211, 213, 227	Janet Court	202
Bentley Hill Drive	228	Janet Road	304, 307, 310, 311
Bond Ave.	214, 216, 227	Meadow Mist Court	3, 4, 6
Brunk Court		Northway Court	305
Brunk Road	107	Northway Road	101, 111, 113, 124, 126, 200, 201, 204, 205, 206, 208, 210, 212, 213, 217, 219, 222, 223, 226, 231, 233
Carlton Crest Court	3, 4, 6	Piper Road	600, 605, 610, 612
Chartley Drive	200, 201, 205, 210, 215, 220, 221, 225, 231,236, 238, 239, 240, 243, 246, 248, 250	Ringneck Court	
Cherry Chapel Road	302, 313, 324, 331	Sacred Heart Lane	204, 205, 207, 209, 217, 220, 227, 230, 233, 235, 314
Deacon Brook Circle	403, 405, 411, 414, 415, 416, 417, 419, 420, 422, 425, 429, 432, 434	Shirley Manor Road	706
Glen Granite Road	516, 523	Tidyman Road	230, 233, 238, 239
Glyndon Court	6	Townleigh Road	302, 304, 310, 313, 315, 316, 318
Glyndon Drive	116, 202, 206, 207, 216, 227, 231, 233, 312	Village Vale Court	5
Gwynnwest Road	402, 412, 508	Walgrove Court	702, 706, 707
Highmeadow Road	203, 207, 218, 227, 228, 237, 249, 303, 308, 311, 313, 400, 403, 404, 406, 409, 410, 411, 412, 414, 415, 416, 425, 427, 430, 433	Walgrove Road	107, 208, 224, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 245
Homevale Court	404	Zell Court	
Homevale Road	203, 209, 212, 213, 214, 225, 232		

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Volunteers are Welcomed	I (we) will help with: ☐ Membership ☐ Newsletter ☐ National Night Out ☐ Zoning ☐ Citizens on Patrol (COP)	State of Arman Control of Arman State (1997)	And the state of t	

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The New COVID-19 Vaccine Priority

The State has announced a new timeline and by April 27th everyone 16 years and old can make an appointment for the COVID-19 Vaccination.

We are starting to see the light at the end of this long tunnel we've been traveling and hopefully reach a large enough percentage that we can get to our "new normal" close to pre-pandemic gathering with friends and family.

The VACCINE NEW PRIORITY

2A

WHO: Marylanders age 60 and older

WHEN: March 23

2B

WHO: Marylanders age 16 and older with underlying medical conditions that increase the risk for severe COVID-19 illness

WHEN: March 30

2C

WHO: Marylanders age 55 and older, as well as essential workers in critical industries

WHEN: April 13

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WHO: All Marylanders age 16 and older WHEN: April 27

Issued March 18, 2021. Timeline may accelerate depending upon vaccine supply.

Main Street -- Reisterstown

While 2020 and 2021 have been challenging to all of us, volunteers have continued to help the 1st Saturday of each month at 9am with the **Main Street Clean Up**. New volunteers are always welcome to join other volunteers in the parking lot of Landmark Shopping Center (front of Reter's Crab House) to pick up litter.

The 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am volunteers once again gather near the bridge at the new trail head for the library loop of the **Franklin Woodland Trail**. The plans are to add new bridges and a boardwalk to the ongoing maintenance work in 2021 with a **Grand Opening ceremony Saturday, September 18th**. Mark your calendars.

Check out the calendar on **www.reisterstown.com** to see all that is happening around town.

Sundays are a great time to check out Main Street and all it has to offer. Vendors are now applying and plans



are being finalized to return to the Main Street lawn of Franklin Middle School from 9:00am un-

til 1:00pm with Produce Vendors. As COVID-19 restrictions continue to lift, craft vendors will hopefully return as well. For more information email <u>reisterstownfarmersmarket@gmail.com</u> or check out their Facebook page.

Check out our newest town sign at the corner of Main Street & Cockeys Mill Road next time you "Stop, Shop, Stroll & Dine" It was installed the 4th week of March and much more is coming during the year to the 200 Block.



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CHA would like to thank the students at the Sheppard Pratt - Reisterstown Campus for their assistance in producing this Chartley Chatter.

CHA 2021 Calendar of Events

(Bold Events are CHA Sponsored)

Project	Location	Date	Time
Kiwanis Shredding Day	Cherryvale Shopping Center (Office Depot)	Saturday, April 17, 2021	8:00 am to Noon
CHA General Meeting	Zoom Meeting	Thursday, April 29, 2021	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
CHA Yard Sale	Residents Yards	Saturday, May 15, 2021	8:00 am to Residents Discretion.
Clean Up & Electronic Recycling Day	Behind the old Mars Food Store	To Be Determined	
National Night Out	Chartley Park Shopping Center	Tuesday, August 3, 2021	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Reisterstown Festival Parade	Main St. to Hannah More	Saturday, September 11, 2021	8:00 am
CHA Crab Feast	American Legion Post 116 1090 Westminster Pike Reisterstown, MD	October 16, 2021	5:30 pm to 8:30 pm
CHA General Meeting	Reisterstown Elementary School	October 2021 (Date To Be Determined)	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

During the COVID-19 pandemic, CHA Executive Board Meetings are being held as Zoom Meetings the second Tuesday of each month (except December). All are welcome to participate.

Email presidentofcha@gmail.com to get the login information.

WE NEED YOU!

Spring is in the Chartley air! We have turned our clocks forward and now we look forward to a year of fun, outside activity, and renewed friendships with family, neighbors and friends.

Your homeowners' association has big plans for 2021. Reduced COVID-19 regulations and increased vaccinations will permit us to engage in more normal activities than in the past year. We will clean our "Chartley Stream", celebrate "Dining at Reter's, collect unwanted bulk items and outdated electronics, promote community yard sales, co-host National Night Out, hold our annual Crab Feast, and participate in Reisterstown community events, all in a safe and socially responsible way.

Plans are great but they do not happen by themselves. The missing element in a successful CHA year is YOU.

Chartley Homeowners Association, as a voluntary HOA, cannot take any action without the ideas, participation and support of the Chartley community, which it serves. Take a few minutes to review our proposed calendar. Volunteer for the activities of interest to you. If you have ideas of additional projects, send an email to "president of cha" and express your thoughts. CHA, your homeowners' association, always welcomes volunteers and your thoughts and ideas.

Joining CHA is easy. Complete the form on **Page 9** of this Chatter and remit the \$10 dues. If you are interested in specific issues, indicate those concerns so that you may be introduced to one of our committees. No specific skills or knowledge are required. All that is asked is that you participate to the level of your interest and give the amount of time that your lifestyle permits. Participation may be a few hours per quarter, attending an activity, helping at an event such as National Night Out, or by taking a leadership role.



Chartley Komeowners Association, Inc. P. O. Box 408, Reisterstown, MD 21136-0408

Who Are We?

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Chartley Homeowners Association is to promote the health, safety, pleasure, recreation, and welfare of the residents of the homes within the Chartley Area; to discuss and resolve issues that arise in or pertain to our area; to act in coordination with other civic organizations in the Reisterstown area; and to represent the interests of the members on the County and State Level.

WHAT IS OUR FOCUS:

- C ash donated to Community Crisis Center and Student Support Network for COVID-19,
- **H** andy information update issued weekly from March 26th to July eChatter,
- A nnually sponsors two scholarships for CHA High School Seniors,
- A ctive Citizens On Patrol (COP) program and in Police Community Relations Council,
- C hatter and eChatter (newsletter) issued quarterly and monthly free to inform residents,
- T imely information posted on CHA website and Facebook,
- I nitiated and leads annual National Night Out (NNO) build police-community relations,
- V ery popular annual Clean Up Day to dispose of bulk items and electronic equipment,
- I nvites residents annually to clean community stream,
- **T** o maintain property values sponsors "community zoning sweep,"
- I tems are sold by residents at annual Community Yard Sale,
- E nlists county services for tree removal, street cleaning, street lighting, and street repaving,
- S upports community events and Reisterstown Festival,
- C oncerns such as safety, traffic, zoning, etc. are raised with county officials,
- H osts annual Crab Feast and Dining at Reter's to support community activities,
- A ctive in Reisterstown Improvement Association (RIA), and Reisterstown Owings Mills Glyndon Coordinating Council (ROG).

All of the above for just \$10.00 per household per year. That's only 2.7 cents per day!

Join us to help maintain your property value and to make Chartley a safe, pleasant, and desirable community.

CHA Does Not Have Restrictive Covenants

We don't care what color you paint your home, what type or color shutters you have, whether you have a fence, a pet, or what type of plants you may or may not have. All we ask is that everyone obey the prevailing Baltimore County laws.

Community Resources Team Crime Prevention Alert



Deception Burglaries

Deception Burglary is a type of crime that involves individuals who attempt to enter homes through deception or diversion. This is a scenario that we see played out more and more frequently. Seniors are sometimes targeted, but all citizens need to be aware of this crime and how it is perpetrated.

Here are some examples of how this type of crime is executed:

The suspect knocks on your door or approaches you while you are <u>outside</u> working on your yard, washing your automobile, etc. He or she claims to need your help or offers to do construction or maintenance type work outside your home. This offer requires you to accompany the suspect to look at your roof, fence, and check property lines, etc. While the first suspect is diverting your attention outside, a second suspect enters your home and steals money, jewelry, and other valuables before you return. It may be days before you realize you have been victimized.

Another scenario involves the suspect(s) inquiring about the purchase of an item that you have displayed <u>outside</u> for sale, (e.g., car, boat, camper trailer, etc.). The first suspect will distract the homeowner while a second suspect enters the home and steals your valuables. The suspect sometimes agrees to purchase the item to get you more interested (or in this scenario more distracted) and agrees to return with the money. For obvious reasons they never return.

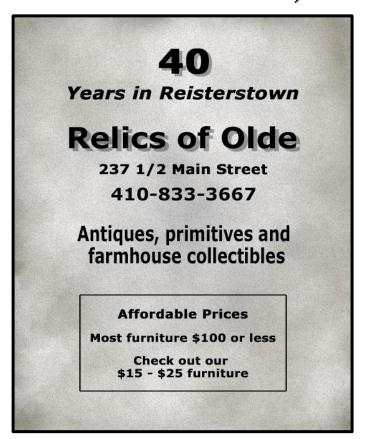
A similar scenario can also take place <u>inside</u> your home. The suspect will come to your door claiming to be a representative of a utility, cable, telephone company, etc. They will ask you to let them in to test the service. While you are assisting the first suspect who you believe to be a legitimate representative, the second suspect enters the home and steals your valuables.

In all three of these scenarios the suspect diverting your attention will usually stay in contact with the second suspect by cell phone or two-way radio. This way the suspects can alert each other of potential problems that would jeopardize the success of the crime.

Report any suspicious individuals or activity by immediately calling 911. If you can take note of license tag numbers, vehicle descriptions, or suspect descriptions without putting yourself at risk, it can be helpful to responding officers.

If you have been victimized by this type of scam please contact the police immediately, (911) or if you have any questions or concerns about this document, please call the Baltimore County Police Department's Community Resources Unit at 410 887-5901.

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