



THE ECHATTER

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Chartley Homeowners Association

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Upcoming Events

10/16 – Crab Feast

10/28 – General
Meeting on Zoom

September 2021

President's Message

Welcome to September which marks the end on Summer and beginning of Fall. We celebrated Summer with a very successful National Night Out and the traditional Reisterstown Parade and Festival. I was very pleased with the crowd lining the parade route and the people waving and cheering those of us who walked. Everyone looked very happy for the parade especially the kids who raced for the thrown candy.

The Festival also drew a nice crowd. There was music throughout the day even during the fireworks, plenty of food trucks, businesses and local organizations represented. The night ended with a fantastic fireworks display. It was great to have it all back.

And that is not all! The new pocket park, the grand opening of the Franklin Woodland Trail, and the opening of the renovated Reisterstown Library are outstanding additions to the area. I urge you to get out and experience them.

October brings the Chartley Crab Feast at the American Legion on Rt 140 on Saturday, October 16th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Crabs and sides are provided by Reter's Crab House. Crabs, corn, salads, boneless wings and more will be served for the BYOB event. Being COVID conscious, tables will be spread out at the recommended distances. For those not wanting to dine inside, there will be a grab-and-go option. For further information, look later in the eChatter, on our website and our Facebook page.

The other opening, I don't want to forget is the start of school. Please be careful driving as children are walking to get to school or the bus stop and home again. Pay attention to our devoted crossing guards. Be aware of the busses lights and stop signs. It is a school year where many kids are entering the school building

for the first time in a year or more. Have patience with them and keep them all safe.

Joe Kirby, President

2021 CHA Crab Feast Coming Soon

The annual CHA Crab Feast has always been one of the most popular events in the entire Reisterstown area. We weren't able to have this event last year due to the COVID situation, but we are up and running again this year. **This**



year's Crab Feast will be held on Saturday, October 16th, from 5:30 PM until 8:30 PM, at the American Legion Post 116 hall located at 1090 Westminister Pike, Reisterstown, Md. 21136.

This year's event will also feature a Drive Thru Pick Up option to allow you to participate in this great event, but to enjoy the good food in your home. And consider inviting friends to join you as well! **However, all orders for the Drive Thru Pick Up Option MUST BE RECEIVED BY SATURDAY OCTOBER 9TH! Contact Dave Powers as indicated below for details.**

This event has become a **MUST DO** for many Chartley residents as well as for non-Chartley residents. **Tickets for this great event are \$48.00 per person and are now available. Please contact Dave Powers at 410-833-3734 or by email at davidlpowers@verizon.net to reserve your tickets or to place orders for the Drive Thru Pick Up option.** Since tickets for this event are always in high demand and on a first come basis, it's always best to make your reservations early.

The **CHA Crab Feast** has always been a fun night

out with family and friends, delicious food prepared locally by our very own **Reter's Crab House and Grille** which has always served the most delicious food anywhere in the area. **Proceeds from this event go toward funding our Scholarship Program which we award to qualified seniors within our community every June! Now that is truly a win, win, win for everyone!**

The delicious menu for this event is shown below:

Menu

- Steamed Crabs
- MD style Crab Soup
- Chicken Wings (hot, BBQ, Old Bay or Naked)
- Beef Hot Dogs
- Corn on the Cob
- Potato Salad
- Cole Slaw
- Macaroni Salad
- Cake/Chocolate Chip Cookies
- **Non-alcoholic beverages**

Please note that this will be a **BYOB** event as the American Legion Bar can only serve alcoholic beverages to Legion members. So, please plan accordingly.

Please see the associated Crab Feast Flyer on **Page 6**.

Reisterstown Festival Parade

For the past 20 years Chartley Homeowners Association has helped kick off the Reisterstown Festival by marching in the Festival's Parade which is always held on the first Saturday after Labor Day. This year was the 35th anniversary of the Festival, and CHA once again was there to advertise who we are, and that we are hard at work to help maintain Chartley as a clean, safe, and pleasant place to live.

Although our contingent has always been relatively small, that hasn't stopped us from carrying our blue CHA Banner proudly as we march with the other units participating in the parade.

Our sincere thanks this year to our current President, Joe Kirby, our current Vice President, Larry VanHorn, our current Treasurer, Joe Ganem, Mary Molinaro, Ernie Schmidhauser, Dave Powers, Karen Good, and Mike Piotrowsky for supporting our community in the parade.

October General Meeting

At the September Board Of Director's meeting, the board voted to continue the Zoom meeting format for the General Meeting scheduled for October 28, at 7:00 pm.

Check the October Chatter for details.

Crime In Chartley

Although we are still awaiting approval from Baltimore County Police for a new Crime Mapping website that will once again allow us to track crime down to the street level, we have become aware that there were two crimes that were reported by Chartley residents during August. The first was a theft reported on Deacon Brook Circle on Friday, August 6th and the second was a report of vandalism reported on Sunday, August 22nd.

An analysis of the very few crimes that have been reported so far this indicated that the vast majority of crimes reported in Chartley this year have taken place from Friday to Sunday. This is very unusual as in previous year's crime reports were scattered throughout the entire week. The only exception to this was the six theft from UNLOCKED vehicles that were reported on Tuesday, July 6th.

Now that three fourths of 2021 has already passed, and based on the few reports that we have received from January thru August, the total crimes reported to us to date are as follows:

- Theft from Vehicles (UNLOCKED!!!) ... 6
- Burglary 4
- Theft..... 3
- Assault (Domestic) 1
- Vandalism 1

It's important to again note here that the crimes shown above only represent those that have been reported to us so far this year. That is why we are continuing to pursue County Police to allow the Crime Mapping website to interface with their systems to provide us with up to date, street level crime reports. This is not new to the police department as in the past multiple crime reporting systems provided such street level crime information to anyone who wished to look at it.

Never the less, now that daylight hours are decreasing, we can expect past trends to once again occur this year with an increase in crimes, particularly theft from vehicles, burglary from sheds, and general theft. So take the appropriate action now by remembering to **LOCK IT UP EVERY TIME**, and by having sufficient outdoor illumination after dark to deter thieves. Of particular note, park your vehicles in well illuminated areas after dark and make sure they are locked every time you exit them. As we have stated for several years now,

- **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.**

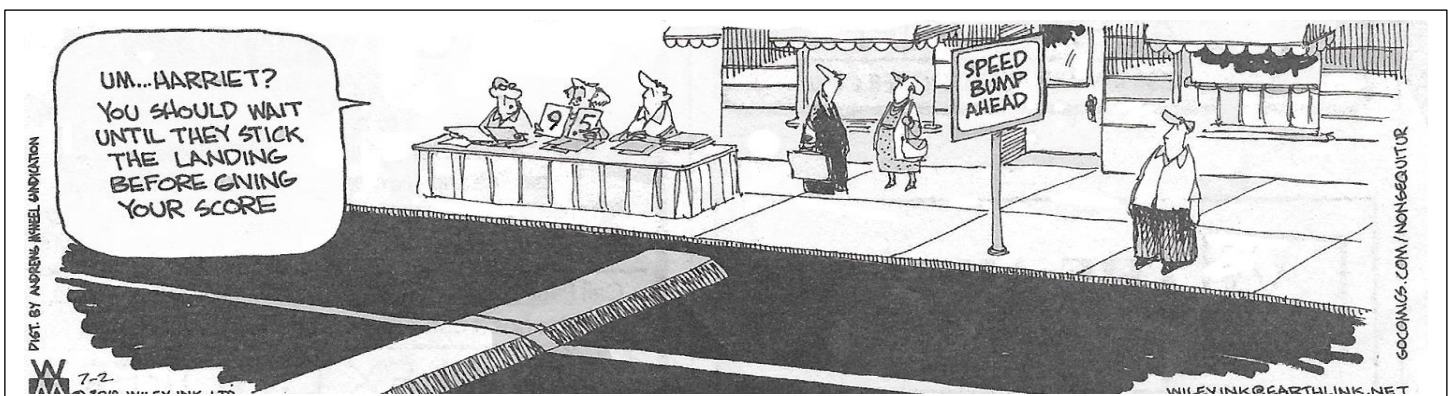
- **Be aware of your surroundings wherever you are, particularly when you are outside or shopping after dark.**
- **NEVER, EVER, FOR ANY REASON, GIVE ANY PERSONAL INFORMATION WHATSOEVER TO ANYONE UNTIL YOU HAVE VERIFIED THE SOURCE FIRST.**
- **If you see something, say something! Call 911 each time, 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.** 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.

CHA 2021 Calendar of Events

Project	Location	Date	Time
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	Zoom Meeting	October 28, 2021	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.



Reisterstown Main Street

The 1st Saturday of the month Main Street Cleanups work to make our town clean and welcoming.

Volunteers gather at 9am in the Landmark Shopping parking. It normally lasts just 2 hours so come join us.



The **Reisterstown Library** held its Grand Opening Tuesday the 14th – it looks wonderful! Books are ready to read, the history room has its data organized and the new lab to digitize your photos is ready. Be sure to explore and check it out.



Now open with Hours: Friday 11am – 3pm, Saturday 11am – 2pm and Sunday 11am – 1pm

If you are interested to serve meeting and greeting visitors to share information about our town email mainstreetmanager@reisterstown.com

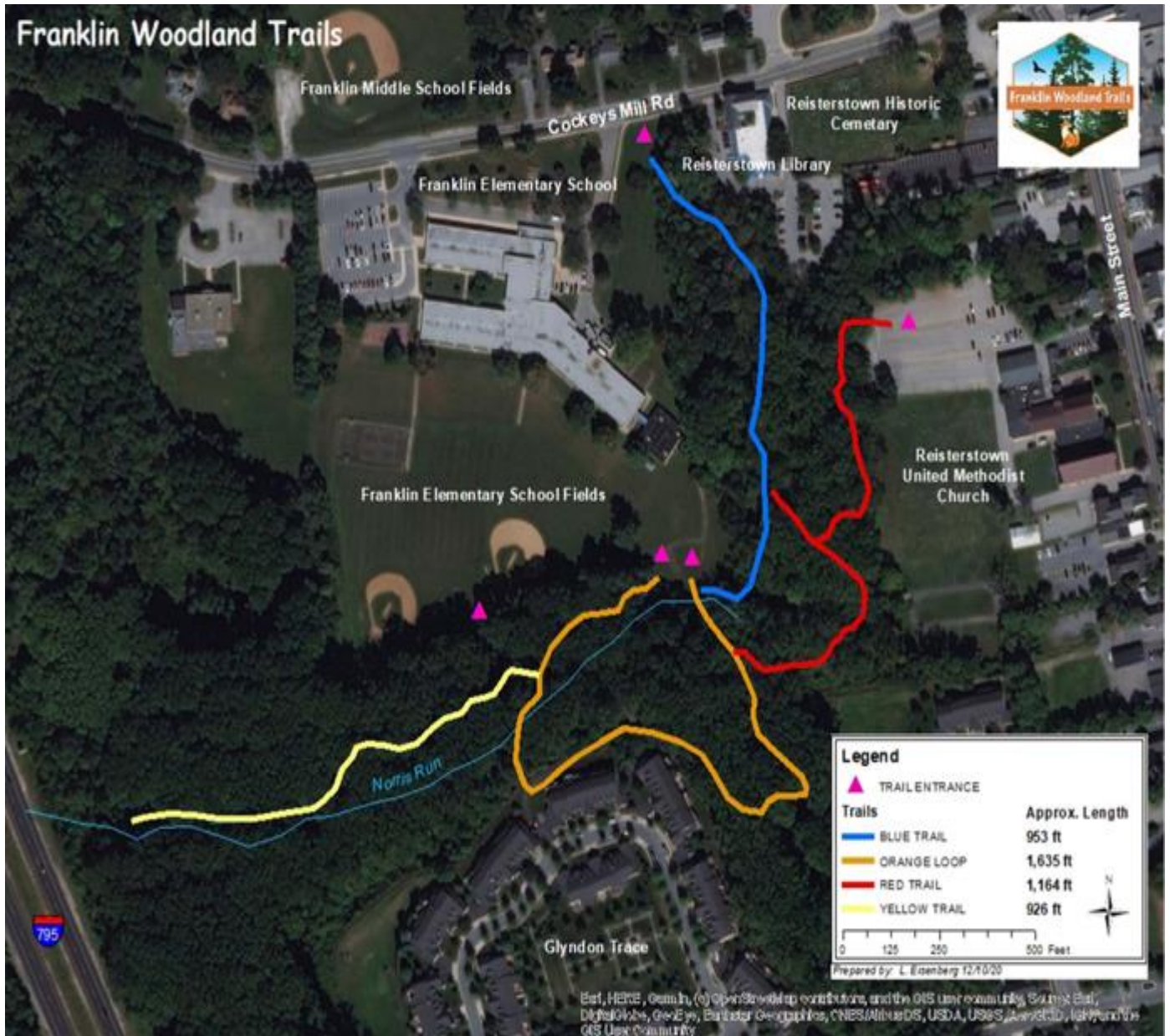
The market is open on the Main Street side of Franklin Middle School Sundays from 9am – 1pm each Sunday until November 21st.

Vendors are happy to bring you local produce and homemade items. Let's shop local and eat well in 2021!





Franklin Woodland Trail Grand Opening Saturday, September 18th from 11am - 3pm



The 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am volunteers gather near the bridge behind Reisterstown United Methodist Church to work on Franklin Woodland Trail. Many amenities have been added and it is always improving. Come and see this wonderful green space in our town.



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Chartley Crab Feast

EAT IN or DRIVE THRU PICK UP

WHEN: Saturday, October 16th

WHERE: American Legion Post 116 Hall
1090 Westminster Pike, Reisterstown

TIME: 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

TICKETS: \$48 per person

CONTACT: Dave Powers - 410-833-3734

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Crabs furnished by Reter's Crab House:



Menu

BYOB

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| *Reter's Crabs | *Boneless Chicken Wings |
| *Crab Soup | *Corn on the Cob |
| *All Beef Hot Dogs | *Cole Slaw |
| *Macaroni Salad | *Cake/Choc. Chip Cookies |
| *Potato Salad | *Non-Alcoholic Beverages |