



# THE ECHATTER

An Electronic Publication for the Members of the  
Chartley Homeowners Association

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Stay Safe.  
Stay Healthy.  
Wear Your Mask.

May 2021

## Stream Cleanup 2021

Thank You to the twenty-three residents of Chartley who participated in the April 3<sup>rd</sup> cleaning of the Chartley Stream. We had a total of thirty-six volunteers, seven of whom were under age 16, who collected 38 bags of trash and debris that were taken to the county landfill by late afternoon by resident Jimmy Roberts.

Helping to improve the stream that flows through



### From This to This – Great Job!

our community were President Mary Molinaro, President-Elect Joe Kirby, Secretary Dan Palich and wife Sue, Emerson and daughter Azure Crossley, Karen Dzialowski, Jane Hienz, Carol Holland, Dave and Rose Martin, Mark and Cara Norris, Stacy and Dylan Ownby, Dave Powers, Jimmy Roberts, Rita and Ernie Schmidhauser, and Susan and Alyssa Sooklal

In addition, Titorian Richardson, noted our activity on the Alliance for the Chesapeake website, and brought twelve friends to help clean the stream from Shirley Manor Road to Gwynnwest Road.

## Dining at Reter’s

In the past **Dining at Reter’s** was the communities “Welcome to Spring” event. It afforded Chartley residents a first dining out experience after months of being locked at home over the winter. It also was an opportunity for friends and neighbors to get together while enjoying a delicious meal and helping your homeowners association raise money for its scholarship program.

**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 Reisterstown.

Show your support for the good deeds of Brad and the Reter family over the years. Meet your friends and neighbors at **Reter’s Crab House and Grille** for lunch and/or dinner during **Dining at Reter’s Week, May 16<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Seating is limited. Avoid the long wait **and visit Reter’s at NON-Peake times.** If you are hesitant to eat inside a “socially responsible” restaurant, call **410-526-3300** to order carryout.

### CHA Board of Directors – 2021-2022 (Effective July 1, 2021)

- President – *Joe Kirby*
- Vice-President – *Lawrence Van Horn*
- Secretary – *Kaycee Wright*
- Treasurer – *Joe Ganem*
- Past President – *Mary Molinaro*

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## Crime in Chartley

The temperatures are getting warmer, the grass is growing, flowers are starting to bloom, and the pollen count has really increased. Spring has arrived! With the lifting of the Covid restrictions, we can finally get outside and enjoy. But we can also expect that the bad guys are going to be out in force as well, all trying to take advantage of any failure on our part to remember to do simple things like lock the doors to our home when we go out. And we can also expect that the bad guys pretending to be sales people, utility workers, county inspectors, tree trimmers, or even government officials, will use every ploy to deceive us in every way possible. The police indicate that reports of deception burglaries (see accompanying article on **Page 10** from the County Police), and home improvement scams are increasing and are urging everyone to be extra diligent when approached by anyone coming to your door and either trying to sell something at bargain prices, or who may ask to see your utility bill, or indicate that they need to inspect something on your property. If you have any concerns when approached by such individuals, call 911. **If in doubt, let the police check it out!**

We are also beginning to receive complaints about **dirt bikes** being ridden on our streets again, often at high speeds and with complete disregard for the safety of others. These bikes are dangerous and illegal and we need to get them off our streets before someone gets hurt, or worse. 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.

Speaking of pictures, we continue to urge everyone to seriously consider the installation of security cameras around your property. They are proving to be a great deterrent to crime as well as assisting the police in solving crimes when they occur. And, they are also proving to help keep unsavory sales people away from homes that have them. Illegal sales people, burglars, thieves, etc. do not want to be on camera. The extra layer of security that these cameras provide is well worth the money. In addition, many insurance companies also offer discounts on homeowner insurance policies if the resident has such cameras. All in all, these cameras are a very worthwhile investment.

In addition to the concerns about deception burglaries, the police have asked us to advise our residents

that they have received a number of complaints of speeding in a number of communities, including Chartley. Sacred Heart Lane, Gwynwest Road, Glyndon Drive, and Owings Mills Boulevard near Bond Avenue are some of the streets included in these complaints. **Captain Buckingham, Commanding Officer of Precinct 3**, has indicated that these streets will receive traffic enforcement activities. Further, the police continue to receive parking complaints throughout the Franklin District that involve commercial vehicles. Tarragon Road and Dolfield Boulevard are two specific areas. Please continue to communicate with the **Police Community Outreach and Traffic Team** with any complaints you may have. They can be reached at **410-887-6985** for the **Community Outreach Team** or for traffic related complaints **410-887-6912** for the **Traffic Team**. If an officer does not answer, please leave a message on the answering machine. Finally, a number of complaints have been received regarding vehicles parked on streets with expired license tags. The police advise that, due to the Covid emergency, they cannot enforce these situations at this time.

As you may have noticed, there is a lot of **litter on many of our streets**. Plastic bags seem to be self-perpetuating, fast food bags ambush our ankles when we try to walk anywhere and discarded face masks are all over the place. Statistics prove that communities that keep their streets and yards clean have lower crime rates than communities that do not maintain their streets and yards. When you get outside to enjoy the warmer weather, please consider taking a few minutes to clean in front of your house and to remove any litter that has accumulated on your property. If you have a neighbor that is physically unable to clean his/her yard or the street in front of their house, please be considerate and be a good neighbor and help them clean their area as well. Of course, care should be taken when picking up discarded face masks and they should be immediately placed in the trash. Be sure to thoroughly wash your hands after handling any items removed. We thank you for your help in maintaining Chartley as a clean and safer place to live. As you get outside, remember the following Crime Prevention Tips:

- **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**

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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.**

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## **Combined Annual Clean Up Day AND Electronics Recycling Day**

We weren't able to hold our Annual Clean Up and Electronics Recycling Day event last year due to the Covid-19 crisis, but we have received permission from all the necessary entities to hold this event again this year. And just in time too now that spring is here which is a great time to spruce things up. There is no better way to do that than by disposing of those things that you have been planning on taking to the dump. Our **Annual Clean Up/Electronics Recycling Day** event will allow you to get rid of most of such items, and will also save you a trip to the dump as well. Once again, CHA is partnering with **Country Club Estates Community Association** to sponsor this always popular event **on Saturday, June 5th, behind the old Mars Food Store at 11953 Reisterstown Road, in Reisterstown Md., 21136, between the hours of 9 AM and Noon or until the dumpsters are full, whichever comes first.**

**All electronic items received at this event will be properly recycled. All other items disposed at this**

**event (Community Clean Up Day items) will be taken to a County facility for disposal according to County requirements.**

Disposal of all **electronic items is free EXCEPT FOR TV's** (see below). Disposal of **all items associated with the Clean Up Day are also free, but there are restrictions on the types of items that can be accepted** (see below).

There will be **two separate lanes** at the event to allow you to dispose of your items. You will be directed into the proper lane based on the type of items you are getting rid of. In order to help in this regard, **please place any electronics items in your vehicle separately from all other types of items.**

### **Restrictions on items that can be accepted**

#### **Electronics**

**All electronics items will be accepted at this event.** Since we are charged a disposal fee for televisions, we must pass that along to those desiring to dispose of TV's at this event. **The fee this year is \$10.00 for all TV's EXCEPT for projection type televisions which, because of the size of these units and the difficulty involved in recycling them, the fee is \$15.00.**

**All Other Items (Non-Electronic Clean Up Day Items)**

The county has imposed some strict requirements for all community dumpster or cleanup day events. The primary reason for this is that all items received at these events are deposited directly into the County dump. The County restrictions help to ensure that hazardous materials from this refuse does not leech into our streams and waterways. **Items that are usually picked up at your curbside** on either the regular trash pickup day, or the recycling pick up day, **cannot be accepted at this event.** An example of this is glass items which can be discarded as trash in your normal curbside trash pickup day, and, consequently, can no longer be accepted at a Community Clean Up Day. In addition, items such as chemicals of any kind, anti-freeze, oil, gasoline, and paint are also prohibited. Lawnmowers, snow blowers, weed whackers, and other gasoline operated tools must have the gas tank removed and not contain any oil or other liquids.

Also on the prohibited list are items such as pesticides, medical wastes, animal carcasses, large stumps or wooden logs, automobile tires, and any materials that contain asbestos. In addition, the county has stated that absolutely **no commercial waste** is to be accepted

during any community cleanup event.

Listed below are some of the **typical items that residents get rid of at Clean Up Day events (Acceptable Items)**:

Broken toys	Kitchen chairs
Brooms	Lamps (no bulbs)
Cd's/computer disks	Lawn furniture
Chair pads	Mops
Brooms	Pillows
Clothing	Pots and pans
Curtains	Rope
Empty lawn mowers (no oil, gas tanks removed)	Rug shampooing machines
Empty weed whackers (no oil/gas tanks)	Rugs
File cabinets (empty)	Small Home appliances
Grills (without any charcoal)	Small lawn ornaments
Hand, power, and garden tools	Small Plastic baskets/barrels
Hoses hose reels	Tables
	Vacuum cleaners
	Venetian blinds

**Unfortunately, the County WILL NOT allow us to accept any of the items below:**

Asbestos shingles or any asbestos product	in regular trash placed at curbside)
Tires of any kind	Glues
Automobile batteries	Lawn waste (includes dirt, bagged leaves or grass-dispose at curbside on designated day)
D Batteries and smaller of any kind (dispose in regular trash. Recycle rechargeable batteries at Home Depot/Lowes, etc.)	Liquids of any kind
Chemicals of any kind (includes pesticides, pool chemicals, lawn & garden chemicals, etc.)	Oil
Concrete or stone	Paint or stains
Flammable materials of any type (e.g., propane tanks unless empty with the valves removed).	Paint thinner or mineral spirits
Fluorescent light bulbs (dispose in regular trash placed at curbside or recycle)	Prescription drugs and over the counter drugs-(dispose in front of Police Station at 606 Nicodemus Road
Food waste (dispose in regular trash placed at curbside)	Recyclable items (place at curbside on scheduled day)
Gasoline	Steel rods, slabs, reinforcing rods
Glass or glass items (dispose	Thermometers or thermostats
	Trash normally placed at curbside

This **combined event** is a great opportunity to get rid of unwanted, broken, or items that you no longer

want at a convenient nearby location. So be sure to mark **June 5<sup>th</sup>** on your calendar. **We strongly advise that you do not wait until near the end of the event since we will have to stop accepting items if/when the dumpsters are filled** If you have an item(s) that you have **questions** about being accepted for disposal at this event, please email your questions to Dave Powers at [davidlpowers@verizon.net](mailto:davidlpowers@verizon.net).

Participating in this event will save you both time and the expense of having to haul such items to the County landfill, helps protect the environment by keeping hazardous materials out of our landfills and waterways, helps maintain our community as a pleasant place to live, and ensures that your discarded items are properly recycled. **Unfortunately, we cannot accept any items prior to 9 AM, so please plan your arrival time accordingly.**

## National Night Out

Baltimore County has removed its restrictions on “Large Outdoor Gatherings” and is now issuing permits for events such as **National Night Out**. Our annual event will be held on **Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the Chartley Shopping Center from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.**

Planning for National Night Out is well underway. Permits have been requested and groups that have participated in the past have been contacted. Our intent is to reduce the footprint of our activity while including the most popular activities of the past and bringing in new, exciting groups to our event. We plan to hold a fun and interesting family friendly event that is “socially responsible”.

Volunteers are always welcome. Can you give us a little time on Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> Contact [presidentofcha@gmail.com](mailto:presidentofcha@gmail.com) to advise your availability.

Keep up with news on National Night Out on **Facebook** and by following us on the web at [nnoreisterstown.wixsite.com/nno-reisterstown](http://nnoreisterstown.wixsite.com/nno-reisterstown).



## For Your Information:

**COVID-19 UPDATE:** Maryland's positivity rate, hospitalization and ICU numbers continue to decline! Baltimore County will remain in alignment with Maryland's latest actions no longer requiring use of masks and face coverings in most outdoor situations. They will still be required at large ticketed venues as well as indoors at all public and private businesses and when using public transportation so keep them handy when out of your home. Effective May 1, restrictions were lifted related to outdoor dining capacity and distancing and allows standing service outdoors at bars and restaurants. Indoors at bars and restaurants will still follow the seated service and physical distancing requirements

COVID-19 Vaccinations are now available for everyone over 16 years old in Baltimore County. If you making your plan to do so, Baltimore County has already taken a number of actions to expand access to the COVID-19 vaccine, including:

- Operating mass vaccination clinics in Timonium, Randallstown and Essex;
- Hosting community clinics in underserved communities in Lansdowne and Turner Station;
- Launching mobile vaccination clinics to serve targeted groups in partnership with community organizations;
- Creating a program to schedule and cover the cost for Uber rides for residents without other transportation options;
- Deploying teams to administer vaccines directly to homebound residents; and
- Developing the "[Healing Starts Here](#)" campaign to educate residents about the importance of getting the COVID-19 vaccine and increase public confidence among underrepresented populations.

Individuals can visit [baltimorecountymd.gov/vaccine](https://baltimorecountymd.gov/vaccine) for the latest updates.

**Master Plan 2030:** Meetings will be held virtually so let your voice be heard. Baltimore County government wants to hear your voice as it develops the vision and strategies for the County over the next 10 years. They will hold meetings focused on the western, northern and eastern parts of the county. Our area covering Council District 2 and Council District 3 will be **Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30pm. Click on **Webex Meeting** to register and join the meeting. Check out the website for more details [masterplan2030-bc-gis.hub.arcgis.com/](https://masterplan2030-bc-gis.hub.arcgis.com/)

**Baltimore County Budget for 2021-2022:** County Executive Olszewski submitted his budget to the County Council for their review. The Council cannot add to the budget but only cut items. Some highlights of this \$4.2 Billion Budget that particularly affect our area are:

- Historic funding for public education
- Major investments in key priorities that will support the County's ongoing recovery amid the COVID-19 pandemic
- Capital improvement funding for:
  - Franklin Woodlands Trail
  - Hannah More Park: Playground Replacement Hannah More Center Mechanical Upgrades (Design & Replacement)
  - Reisterstown Library Renovation
  - Reisterstown Sportsplex Expansion for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Ice Hockey rink
  - Reisterstown Regional Park: refurbish natural turf field
  - Kiwanis Field: Delight Quarry Parking Expansion

### Reisterstown Main Street

Work continues with 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month Main Street Cleanups meeting at 9am in the Landmark Shopping parking and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 9am volunteers gather near the bridge behind Reisterstown United Methodist Church to work on Franklin Woodland Trail. New additions appear each month, come and take a walk. The Story Trail, relax on the new bench or eat lunch at the new picnic table. Plans are to have a Grand Opening ceremony Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> ... mark your calendar to come celebrate.

Progress continues on the renovations at the Reisterstown library with hopes of opening late summer so they may be opening to the public as the trail celebrates its opening.

The market will once again be held on the Main Street side of Franklin Middle School Sundays from 9am – 1pm. This year it will start **May 30<sup>th</sup>** and be held each Sunday until November 21<sup>st</sup>. Let's shop local and eat well in 2021!





**BALTIMORE COUNTY  
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

*Be All In*

**Baltimore County Public Libraries are  
Reopening for SOME services starting  
Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>**

Branch hours are Monday to Thursday 10am to 6pm; Friday & Saturday 10am to 3pm and closed on Sundays. Many of you have been using the Owings Mills Library while our Reisterstown Library is being remodeled. **Plans are on schedule for our Reisterstown library to reopen late summer.**

What you **CAN** do: browsing and self-checkout of materials, limited computer use (1 hour per day),

inside and outside return of material, brief information and account management requests, self-service printing, faxing and copying, library card registration and digital card conversions and curbside and walk-up pickup. Free WiFi continues to be available from all our parking lots 24/7.

What you **CANNOT** do: meeting room usage and reservations, open seating, study rooms, personal work and study spaces, food or drink (including water fountains and vending machines), magazine rooms and newspapers, indoor programs and events, notary and passport services, permits and licenses, Storyville, The Hive and COLAB, and children's play areas, toys, games and computers.

High-touch areas will be cleaned regularly as recommended by the CDC although there are no guarantees for the cleanliness of materials or equipment. Please follow common sense and if you have a fever or feel ill visit another time, maintain social distance of at least 6 feet, keep your visit brief as others may be waiting to enter if the branch has reached their capacity.

**CHA 2021 Calendar of Events**

(Bold Events are CHA Sponsored)

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

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](mailto:presidentofcha@gmail.com) to get the login information.



## MD 30 at Mt. Gilead Road Intersection Improvements

### Construction to Begin Fall 2021

The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) is undergoing engineering design for a project that will improve safety at the MD 30 (Hanover Pike) and Mt. Gilead Road intersection in northwest Baltimore County. Work on the project is scheduled to begin in late fall 2021.

### Project Background and Overview

MDOT SHA determined that the sight distance along northbound MD 30 when approaching a hill near Mt. Gilead Road needed improvement to allow for better visibility of left-turning vehicles. Most of the documented crashes at this location were rear-end collisions. After a fatality occurred in August 2015, MDOT SHA designed the current project with the support of stakeholders. The upcoming improvements will widen and reconstruct the intersection as follows:

- Adding a left-turn lane on MD 30 northbound to accommodate a safe left turn onto Mt. Gilead Road
- Overlaying the existing roadway to improve sight distance and traffic safety
- Constructing a stormwater management facility (bioswale) for water quantity and quality control
- Replacing, repairing and/or cleaning existing storm drain inlets, installing new drainage pipes, as well as erosion and sediment control
- Upgrading traffic barrier and relocating utilities

MDOT SHA also will be installing new driveway ramps and curb and gutter, as well as upgrading pavement markings and signage.

### How will traffic be impacted during construction?

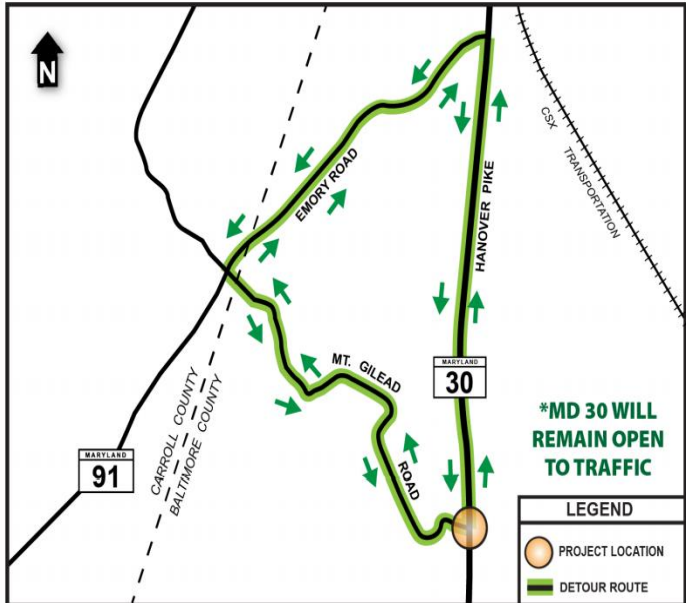
This project will be constructed in four stages and will require a series of lane and shoulder closures. During construction, Mt. Gilead Road will be closed at MD 30. The detour route shown below will be used to access properties along Mt. Gilead Road. The detour will have minimal impact on daily traffic operations along both MD 30 and MD 91. Work hours are limited to off-peak travel times and include both daytime and nighttime operations shown below:

- Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning
- Weekends as needed from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Working hours will be limited during the holiday shopping season.

### When will work be completed?

MDOT SHA will make every effort to complete this project as quickly as possible while minimizing impacts on residents, motorists and businesses. Construction is scheduled to begin in late fall 2021 and be completed in spring 2022.



### For More Information

For questions about the MD 30 at Mt. Gilead Road Intersection Improvement Project, please contact:

**Zahyah Ramirez, Project Manager**  
Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration  
District 4 Office  
320 West Warren Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21030  
**Phone: 443-618-0972 (cell)**  
**Toll-Free: 1-866-998-0367**  
**Email: [zramirez@mdot.maryland.gov](mailto:zramirez@mdot.maryland.gov)**

**Robert Rinehimer, Construction Area Engineer**  
Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration  
District 4 Office  
320 West Warren Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21030  
**Phone: 443-569-2209 (cell)**  
**Toll Free: 1-866-998-0367**  
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## **SMOKE & CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR RECALL**

### **226,000 smoke-carbon monoxide alarms recalled by Kidde**

Kidde has announced a recall of Seven models -- Series 2040, 2050, 2060 and 2070 smoke and combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarms. These models are involved in the recall, the company and **Consumer Product Safety Commission** said Thursday.

Only detectors with the TruSense logo or "AMBER=FAULT" printed on them are impacted.

Smoke alarms aren't exactly cutting-edge technology. They've been around for a very long time and the systems that allow them to detect smoke — whether they use ionization or photoelectric technology — is relatively mundane. You buy them in packs and stick them all over your house and assume they'll work because, well, they almost always do. They're just that simple. Unfortunately, nearly a quarter of a million smoke and smoke/carbon monoxide combination detectors are now recalled because they just don't detect smoke like they're supposed to, and that means they won't alert you when a fire breaks out.

In a new recall bulletin posted on the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission website, Walter Kidde Portable Equipment Company Inc. announces the recall of Kidde-branded smoke alarms and smoke/carbon monoxide combination alarms that sold from between \$10 and \$70. The hazard risk for these units is described as follows: "The smoke alarm and the combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarm can fail to alert consumers to a fire.

The smoke alarms that are subject to recall have a variety of model numbers.

Here's the contact info from the recall bulletin:

Kidde toll-free at **844-796-9972** from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET on Saturday or online at [www.kiddetsalarmrecall.rsvpcomm.com](http://www.kiddetsalarmrecall.rsvpcomm.com) or [www.kidde.com](http://www.kidde.com) and click on "Support" and then "Product Alerts" for more information.

The smoke alarms that are subject to recall have a variety of model numbers. The various units detect either smoke or smoke in combination with carbon monoxide, and there are a total of seven different models included in the recall:

Again, this recall involves Kidde TruSense Smoke

Alarms and Combination Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Alarms. The recalled units are Kidde Model Series 2040, 2050, 2060 and 2070 Smoke and Combination Smoke/Carbon Monoxide alarms. Only alarms with the TruSense logo or "AMBER=FAULT" printed on the front of the alarm are included in this recall.

The smoke alarms were sold at a number of different retailers including Walmart, Home Depot, Menards, and other stores as well as online. They were available on Amazon.com and the company's own website, ShopKidde.com.

The company is offering free replacements for the defective alarms but says that after the request is made for new alarms, the old alarms should remain in place until the new ones arrive. Apparently, there's still a chance that the smoke alarms might work, so it's best to leave them up until the replacements show up and can be installed.

### **Senior Food Distribution Program**

**Senior Center Reopening Plans** announced by the **Baltimore County Department of Aging**. Some in-person activities will start for nine of the centers but not yet announced for **Reisterstown**. Senior center members will need to attend orientation sessions so stay tuned for details in the future.

Reisterstown Senior Center will still host the weekly bulk food program for seniors. One member per household can register online at [www.baltimorecountymd.gov/aging](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/aging) or call **410-887-2040** on Mondays between 8:30am and 4pm to reserve a food kit. Each "kit" includes canned goods, fruits and vegetables, dairy products and a small chicken. Food distribution will occur on Wednesdays.

**Spring**  
is Nature's way  
of saying  
**LET'S PARTY!**  
ROBIN WILLIAMS



## Blocked Gutters Can Lead To Environmental and Safety Concerns

Baltimore County residents are reminded grass trimmings into the gutter or street is unsafe, potentially damaging to the Chesapeake Bay and illegal.

Grass trimmings can also clog drains and, if they do get to the bay, cause algae blooms. Algae blooms absorb oxygen and light that fish and aquatic plants need to survive.

Instead of blowing these yard materials into the gutter, the County suggests that residents compost them.

Composting grass trimmings is an easy way to produce an environmentally friendly soil additive for use in gardens and the mulch will keep the soil moist and protect the roots of the plants.

Baltimore County residents who choose to bag their yard materials should put them out in accordance with their lawn waste recycling collection schedule. Residents are reminded to use paper or plastic lawn and leaf bags to set out their yard materials, not trash cans or any other type of container.

For more information on how to handle yard materials at home, residents may visit [baltimorecountymd.gov/solidwaste](http://baltimorecountymd.gov/solidwaste) or call 410-887-2000.

## CHARTLEY Closed, Active and Pending as of 5/11/2021

Closed Properties							
Address	Bds	Bths	List Price	CL Price	Concess	CL Date	DOM
217 Bentley Hill Dr	4	3 / 1	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$10,000	02/12/2021	3
206 Bond Ave	3	3 / 1	\$399,500	\$423,270		03/12/2021	4
504 Deacon Brook Cir	4	2 / 1	\$339,000	\$345,000	\$3,200	01/13/2021	10
512 Glen Granite Rd	4	2 / 1	\$320,000	\$305,000		02/26/2021	3
517 Glen Granite Rd	3	2	\$250,000	\$270,000	\$15,000	02/03/2021	10
6 Glyndon Ct	4	2 / 2	\$325,000	\$330,000		01/08/2021	4
237 Homevale Rd	3	1	\$220,000	\$220,000		02/25/2021	1
106 Northway Rd	4	2 / 1	\$340,000	\$368,000		04/28/2021	4
225 Northway Rd	4	3	\$340,000	\$340,000		04/30/2021	4
226 Northway Rd	3	3	\$321,000	\$321,000		05/03/2021	4
614 Piper Rd	3	2	\$299,000	\$299,000		04/26/2021	4
210 Sacred Heart Ln	4	2 / 1	\$345,000	\$345,000		03/15/2021	7
307 Sacred Heart Ln	4	2 / 1	\$350,000	\$375,000	\$8,000	03/15/2021	4
<b>Averages:</b>			<b>\$322,192</b>	<b>\$329,328</b>	<b>\$9,050</b>		<b>5</b>

Active Properties				
Address	Bds	Bths	List Price	DOM
231 Chartley Dr	3	1 / 1	\$293,000	2
200 Janet Ct	5	2 / 1	\$349,000	3
305 Northway Ct	3	2 / 1	\$339,900	5
<b>Averages:</b>			<b>\$327,300</b>	<b>3.3</b>

Pending Properties				
Address	Bds	Bths	List Price	DOM
312 Glyndon Dr	3	2 / 1	\$350,000	4
239 Homevale Rd	3	2	\$350,000	1
230 Walgrove Rd	4	1 / 1	\$279,900	4
234 Walgrove Rd	3	2	\$320,000	4
245 Walgrove Rd	3	1 / 2	\$290,000	4
<b>Averages:</b>			<b>\$317,980</b>	<b>3.4</b>

The tables summarize properties sold in the Chartley. The data is based on information obtained from **Metropolitan Regional Systems, Inc. (MRIS)**. Properties that did not appear on a multiple list service are not included.

**If you would like additional information, please call Mary Muth of Keller Williams at 443.744.9221.**

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## 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 **outside** 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 **outside** 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 **inside** 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.

# JOIN CHA!

We are a homeowners association dedicated to the improvement of our town and the Chartley neighborhood, which is made up of 790 homes, and a group of active, community-minded homeowners.

**Become a member • Attend meetings • Bring your ideas!**

**<http://www.chartleyhomeowners.org/>**

## Chartley Homeowners Association, Inc

### Membership Application

Enclosed are my membership dues for year(s):

Annual Dues - \$10:00 per Household

2021/2022       2022/2023

7/1/2021 - 6/30/2022      7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_  Cash

Name (s) (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell No.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to:**  
Chartley Homeowners  
Association, Inc.

**Mail application to:**  
P.O.Box 408,  
Reisterstown, MD.21136-  
0408

**For questions call:**  
Betsy at 410-833-5523

Renewal     New Member

Homeowner     Landlord

**Volunteers  
are  
Welcomed**

**I (we) will help with:**

- Membership     Newsletter     Block Captain     Hospitality  
 National Night Out     Zoning/Traffic     ROG Representative  
 Citizens on Patrol (COP)

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