



Winter 2024

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2024 AHCA Board of Directors

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<i>President</i> Joe Shinault	Linda Barnes Tim Jarrett
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<i>Treasurer</i> Chris Waterman	Cathy Plane Steve Smith
<i>Secretary</i> Meg Dandy	Adrienne Vedeloff

Roofing Update

The Board is in the process of developing an updated roofing covenant that will include the roofing material choices that the Board has recommended. Once completed, this proposed covenant will be presented to the community for feedback and then eventually go to the Board for an official approval vote. Any updates will be communicated via email, the Facebook group and monthly meetings. The Board encourages input from homeowners throughout this process.

2024 Board of Governors

Congratulations and thanks to the 2024 Board of Governors and Officers that were elected at the December AHCA Community meeting.

Board of Governors – Christie Kearney, Linda Barnes, Doug Kampe, Adrienne Vedeloff, Tim Jarrett
 President – Joe Shinault, Vice President – Rita Hall, Secretary- Meg Dandy, Treasurer- Chris Waterman
 Continuing Members – Cathy Plane, Steve Smith

There are still some board vacancies if any residents are interesting in volunteering for the community.

Decoration Contest

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE 2023 ACADEMY HEIGHTS HOLIDAY DECORATION WINNERS!

Each winner received a hand-painted Christmas ornament . Thanks to every-one that made the effort to brighten our community during the holiday season. We again thank neighbor Karen Dietzius for her talent and time in creating the beautifully unique ornaments.

BEST DOOR—332 GREENLOW

HONORABLE MENTION—6143 REGENT PARK

MOST ORIGINAL—340 GREENLOW

HONORABLE MENTION—6124 REGENT PARK

BEST LIGHTS—338 WHITFIELD

HONORABLE MENTION—6124 REGENT PARK

BEST OVERALL—424 GREENLOW

HONORABLE MENTION—332 & 408 STRATFORD

BEST BLOCK— 300'S GREENLOW

Rental Property

The AHCA has to occasionally address questions and concerns regarding rental properties within the neighborhood. There are currently 43 Academy Heights' homes that are officially registered with Baltimore County as rental properties. Homeowners, landlords and tenants should be aware of the following...

Baltimore County Code Section 35-5-201 requires that if you own a property in Academy Heights that that you intend to rent, it must be registered and licensed, or approved for exemption, by Baltimore County before tenants move into the property. Unless otherwise exempted, the law applies to all rentals, including Short-term Rentals advertised on such sites as AirBnB or VRBO. This does not include dwelling units solely occupied by a person related by blood, marriage, or adoption to or under the legal custody of the owner of the unit, which may include one additional individual who is not a minor without regard to the relationship of the individual and without regard to the number of minors in the dwelling unit related by blood, marriage or adoption to the additional individual or under the legal custody of the owner. Individuals must be related as grandparents, parents, children, or grandchildren only. The purpose of the law is to help enforce the County's codes and regulations that protect and promote public safety, health and welfare.

The property must have a rental inspection and the license is valid for three years. A person who owns and rents a dwelling unit or a portion of a dwelling unit without a license may be subject to the denial, suspension, revocation of the license or civil penalties of \$25 per day for each day a violation occurs and \$200 per day for each day a correction notice is not complied with, and there will be a \$1,000 fine for not complying with the Rental Registration Law. If you are concerned that a rental property is not registered with the County, call 410-887-6060. If the property is not registered, you may enter a complaint (anonymously if you wish) and a letter will be sent to the property owner requesting specific information. The owner will have 30 days to comply.



**Saturday, June 1
8am - Noon**

Northdale & Greenlow
Take advantage of this opportunity to discard bulky items from your home and yard.

Acceptable and prohibited items will be listed on the website and Facebook page.



**Saturday, May 4
8am - 1pm**

Time for some spring cleaning. Your unwanted items could be someone else's treasure. The community yard sale will be advertised in the newspaper and local social media.



**Christian Temple Church
Playground**

Saturday, March 30 at 11am

Bring the kids along with a basket or bag. Find candy filled eggs and 'Prize Eggs' too! Join the fun with your neighbors.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please EMAIL if you can assist with 10am setup.



**Catonsville
Farmers' Market
Christian Temple Church
parking lot**

**Every other Wednesday
10am -12pm**

Weekly beginning May 1
Weekly vendors listed on their Facebook page catonsvillefarmers-market.com

Community Dues

Thank You to the residents and homeowners that contributed to the AH Civic Association in 2023, and those that have already done so for 2024, thus allowing us to continue support of our community mission. This year, it would be wonderful if more residents would make the extra effort to support your community of Academy Heights. You can now pay with Zelle to info@academyheightsmd.org, or Venmo, Paypal or check.

Our Alleyways

Alley parking can be dangerous if there is not enough space for emergency vehicles to pass through. The Baltimore County Code, Article 18, Title two, Sub-title 202 states that "**(b) A person may not park, stop, or leave unattended a vehicle in any alley leaving less than 12 feet of clearance parallel to the vehicle.**"

In addition, vehicles blocking alleys can prevent access for trash and recycling collection trucks, utility and work trucks. Vehicles that block alleys are subject to ticketing and towing. To report a blocked alley, call the police at **410-887-2222**.

Whats Happening in the Heights?

Join our Facebook Group
www.facebook.com/groups/academyheightsmd

View our Community Website
www.academyheightsmd.org

Join our E-Mailing List
www.academyheightsmd.org/newsletter

PARKING ETIQUETTE REMINDER

Academy Heights has a limited number of parking spaces. We are unable to paint lines, assign spaces, do angled parking, etc.....so we need to show some respect and park wisely.

Residents should be able to park one car in front (or near) their home. Multi-car residents should be using the alleys, parking in areas not in front of homes (Northdale, open sides of Whitfield or Northdale, end of street) or a parking pad.

A vehicle not being used for some extended time should also be parked elsewhere and not take up a space on your block or in front of a neighbor.

Residents should be aware of spacing when parking their vehicles, so that we are maximizing the space available. Obviously, it is difficult to control guest and work vehicle parking .

Yes, these are public streets and the parking situation will always be a challenge.

We just ask that all residents be courteous and respectful of their neighbors when parking vehicles.

2024 Academy Heights CALENDAR

March 7 - AHCA Community Meeting

March 30 - Easter Egg Hunt

April 4 - AHCA Community Meeting

May 4 - Community Yard Sale

May 7 - AHCA Community Meeting

June 1 - Dumpster Day

May 27 - Memorial Day - Recycle 5/28,
Trash Pickup 5/31

June 4 - AHCA Community Meeting

July 4 - Independence Day, Bike Parade,
Trash Pickup 7/5

July 18 - Bulk Pick-up

September 2 - Labor Day, Recycle 8/3, Trash Pickup 8/6

September 3 - AHCA Community Meeting

September 21 - BLOCK PARTY ???

October 1 - AHCA Community Meeting

October 31 - Halloween in the Heights

November 5 - AHCA Community Meeting & Nominations

November 28 - Thanksgiving - Trash Pickup 11/29

December 3- AHCA Community Meeting & Elections

December 18 - Christmas Decoration Contest

*Please check the website for the most current details on events, dates and times.
Monthly AHCA meetings are currently held at Mount de Sales Academy at 7:30pm. Agendas on website.
Board officers may be contacted at info@AcademyHeightsMD.org*