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Edmondson Heights News

A Covenant Controlled
Community



COVID-19 EDITION.2

Yes, the dumpsters **are** coming!

Have you been spending time cleaning your home and yard during the public health emergency? Good news for you: Edmondson Heights Civic Association will host a Community Clean up Day (dumpsters available in the school parking lot) on Saturday, September 19. Open to all residents of Edmondson Heights. Bring your items to the school parking lot between 8 am—noon (or until dumpsters are full). Please wear a mask, keep a safe distance and bring proof of address.

Volunteers needed—please contact our Association President, Quintin Stevens at president@ehcaonline.org.

ACCEPTABLE FOR DISPOSAL:

Yard waste: brush, leaves, small tree stumps, logs, wood pieces under 6 feet.

Scrap metal: metal furniture, lawn chairs, lawn mowers (no fluids), washers, dryers, household junk.

Residential waste: non-metal appliances, furniture, repair and remodeling scraps, old carpet.

UNACCEPTABLE FOR DISPOSAL:

Electronic equipment

Hazardous substances

Paint, chemicals, pesticides

Concrete/stone bigger than 18"

Reinforcing bars, steel rods

Railroad ties

Food waste

Food contaminated refuse

Tree stumps larger than 36"

Wood longer than 6'

Medical waste

Explosive or flammable materials

Tires

Refrigerators

Recyclable materials

Monitors, laptops, printers

Telephones, cell phones

Stereos

Fax machines

Video devices

Asphalt

Air conditioners

IMPORTANT BALTIMORE COUNTY INFORMATION DURING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

COVID-19 Testing: <https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/News/COVID19/testing.html>

Baltimore County Health Dept. HOTLINE: 410-887-3816.

FOOD RESOURCES: <https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/News/foodresources.html> or call 410-887-2594

BUSINESS HELP: 410-887-8000

Your annual dues at work!

- *Ensure a safe, attractive community with covenant enforcement actions and community input.*
- *Sponsor activities of the Edmondson Heights Elementary School .*
- *Publish and mail our quarterly Edmondson Heights Neighborhood Newsletters.*
- *Sponsor activities for the benefit of all community members such as Project Clean Stream, Community Picnic, National Night Out, and Spring and Fall Dumpster Community Cleanups.*
- *Encourage beautification of the community by sponsoring the Holiday Decoration and Summer Garden contests, as well as planting and maintaining the flower gardens under the 3 community signs.*

REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR DUES ...still only \$20!

Options:

Mail a check or money order payable to EHCA, Inc. PO Box 21150, Catonsville, Md 21228.

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Use PAYPAL (\$1 fee) link at www.ehcaonline.org

Failure to pay dues as required may result in a delay in property sale or title transfer.



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protect your home!**

Community Events

Since General Meetings are normally held in the school cafeteria, meetings are on hold for the rest of this year because the school building remains closed due to COVID-19.

**Sept. 19 Community Clean up
(dumpsters available at school
parking lot)**

**Spring 2021 Project Clean Stream
Date TBD**

**More information via email, website or
facebook. Stay tuned!**

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Share the news with new neighbors: call Edmondson Heights Elementary School at 410-887-0818 to register a child for school NOW so adequate teachers will be provided for online learning! School starts Sept. 8!

Words from your
Neighbors....

My Journey is Real #Iwillnotgiveup— Theresa W.

Being overweight definitely was not new to me. My childhood years, I was always overweight. I grew up in a household where I had to always clean my plate. Not sure if that's where overeating began.

Before I got my mind right, I tried fad diets (like the cabbage soup diet). I lost a few pounds but not enough that it mattered. I was excited about Metabolite, the weight loss pill that curbed your appetite without a prescription. I was doing really great with this product, but to my disbelief once I stopped the pills the weight came back double!

Continuing a Healthy Lifestyle during the Pandemic

- Continuing to meal prep all meals and snacks.
- Prepare for cheat meal to avoid feeling deprived which can cause overeating.
- Working out via FaceBook andYouTube with personal trainer
- Working out with 1/1 trainer
- Morning walks in the park 3-6 miles with family and friends
- Checking in daily with accountability partners

I try not to be ashamed of the scars of my progress—hanging skin, cellulite, and bat wing arms. These scars just remind me where I used to be. It's a long journey but I'm glad of the scale and non-scale accomplishments. **I have gone from 402 pounds to my HappyOnes—199 pounds. No surgery, just a healthy lifestyle change.**

Please take care of the temple God gave you because only SELF is responsible for your HEALTH.

Are you looking for a way to plug in to your community?
EHCA is looking for a secretary to take notes at board meetings and general meetings.
Contact EHCA President,
Quintin Stevens at
president@ehcaonline.org or
410.504.4795 if you are interested in serving.

Why wear a face mask?—Phyllis G.

Wearing a face mask will help prevent the spread of infection of COVID-19. When someone coughs, talks or sneezes they release droplets into the air that may infect others nearby. Face masks are part of an infection control strategy that really works!

The argument for broadening the use of face masks is based on what scientists have learned about asymptomatic spread. It turns out that many people who are infected with the virus have no symptoms — or only mild symptoms. There is no good way to know who is infected. Let's be responsible when we go out in public — we should wear face masks, to help reduce transmission in the community. Remember, masks protect the people around you. Me wearing mine protects you and you wearing yours protects me.

From our Treasurer,

William Jacobs:

Banking Summary: 1/1/2020—6/30/2020
INCOME

Advertising Revenue	\$563.00
Donation Gift-Charitable Donations - Cash	\$20.00
Dues Prior to 2019	\$1,210.54
Dues 2019	\$340.54
Dues 2020	\$7,325.06
Interest Inc-Interest Income	\$2.72
Bank Fee Adjustment Income	\$0.11
TOTAL INCOME	\$9,461.97

EXPENSES

Gifts & Donations-Gifts & Donations	\$150.00
Insurance	\$325.00
Lawn & Garden-Lawn & Garden	\$55.97
Newsletter Office Expenses	\$591.52
Office Supplies	\$264.45
Post Office Box Rental	\$288.00
Postage	\$528.00
Professional Fees	\$894.86
Storage Fee	\$648.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,745.80
OVERALL TOTAL	\$5,716.17

Eating Healthy: Edamame (from Virginia J.)

I have had a passion for edamame for a long time, and only recently introduced it to my parents.

Edamame (Japanese for immature soy beans, literally, *stem beans*, because they are often sold on the stems) is a filling, nutritious vegetable/legume.



How to prepare? Just steam them (in the shell), and then take the shell between your two hands and pinch or squeeze until

the beans pop out. You will have to experiment with your own methods. Best eaten by popping them straight into your mouth!

I enjoy edamame for breakfast with coffee or juice to wash it down.

Virginia has lived in Edmondson Heights for 12 years, and is a rising junior at the Maryland School for the Blind. She loves interpreting for the deaf

Oscar's Law protects animals in Baltimore County from being left outdoors in unsafe conditions (below 32 degrees or above 90 degrees), wind, snow, ice, hail, exposure to direct sun or hot pavement. Report animal abuse to our Baltimore County Police Dept.'s animal abuse unit at 410-887-5901.

This is your community and we need your news! I look forward to including your articles, photos and information in the newsletter each quarter. If you have something to share, please contact our Edmondson Heights News line at 443-379-4663. Next newsletter deadline: November 1.

If your company is interested in an advertisement, please contact William Jacobs, treasurer, at the Edmondson Heights News line listed above.

—Deborah McEachran, Editor



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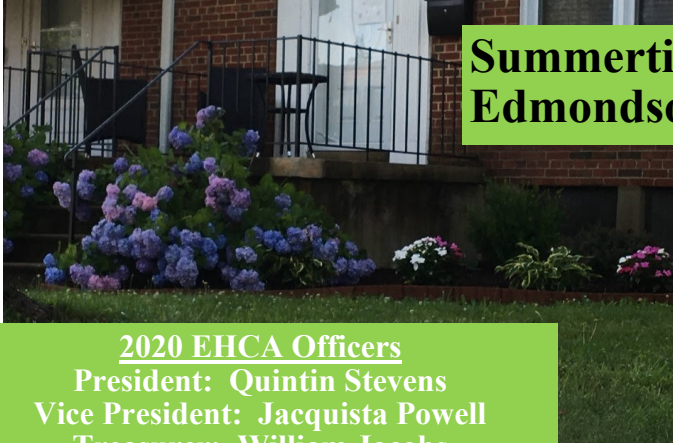
I look forward to working for you.

Jon Twigg and Susanna Twigg, two children of Mary and Austin Twigg, celebrating the planting of a garden at Edmondson Heights Park in memory of these long time Edmondson Heights residents.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR NEIGHBORS WHO GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE UNDER SUCH UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES THIS YEAR. WE ARE PROUD OF EACH OF YOU FOR YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS. DON'T LET A PANDEMIC HOLD YOU BACK!

Summertime in Edmondson Heights



2020 EHCA Officers
President: Quintin Stevens
Vice President: Jacquista Powell
Treasurer: William Jacobs
Secretary:
Sargent at Arms:
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Cheryl Anderson
Sarah Burns
Sharon Davis
Wanda DeWitt
Rosa Johnson
Marie Kane
Vita Savilla

The County has installed external WiFi capacity in the parking lots of 10 library branches, including;

- Catonsville—1100 Frederick Road, Catonsville, Maryland 21228
- 5 Woodlawn—1811 Woodlawn Drive, Woodlawn, Maryland 21207



EDMONDSON HEIGHTS COVENANT GUIDELINES

Residents should be aware that a legally binding set of restrictive covenants apply to all property in the Edmondson Heights Community and were established and initiated by the developer solely for the protection of property values within the community. It has been found that in developments such as our own, composed of groups of homes not individually styled, a certain amount of conformity must be enforced in order to preserve property values. They are a part of your deed, as an official document, recorded among the land records of Baltimore County as laws. By purchasing a house in Edmondson Heights, you have agreed to comply with these covenants even if you were not informed of or did not receive a copy of them at settlement. Covenant violation/s may make it difficult to sell or transfer your home without correction of the violation/s. The Edmondson Heights Civic Association, Inc. (EHCA, Inc.) as successor and assignee has adopted the following Covenant Guidelines to insure that homeowners, who are considering alterations, comply with the Covenant Guidelines.

These Guidelines have been modified and adapted from the Original Covenants that were established in March of 1953. This revision is effective May 1, 2015. Failure to comply with the Covenant Guidelines could result in EHCA, Inc. taking certain enforcement actions authorized under the Maryland Homeowners Association Act and the Maryland Contract and Lien Act. Such enforcement actions could result in delays in future property sale or transfer. Any deviation from the Covenant Guidelines will require a written submission outlining the type of work to be done and the materials to be used along with drawn plan/s delivered to the EHCA, Inc., Board of Governors, at P.O. Box 21150, Baltimore, Maryland 21228-0650. You may also deliver your plan/s to an Officer or Board Member at a regularly scheduled monthly general membership meeting. The EHCA, Inc. Board of Governors retains the sole right to approve or disapprove all plans. Upon approval from the EHCA, Inc. Board of Governors, residents are responsible for obtaining all necessary permits and inspections and for complying with all State and County laws and regulations. Residence dues as determined by the EHCA, Inc. Officers and Board of Governors are due and payable annually to EHCA, Inc. EHCA, Inc. is charged with enforcing these Guidelines and will investigate all complaints and violations and, if necessary, send a violation notice. Depending on the violation/s, the homeowner will be given from 15 days to 90 days to correct the situation. If you are found in violation/s and you, or anyone acting on your behalf want to discuss it, you must submit a request in writing to meet with the Board of Governors of EHCA, Inc., PO Box 21150, Baltimore, Maryland 21228-0650, stating your situation and the reason for your request. If the violation/s is not corrected in the stated time period, the EHCA, Inc. attorney will begin legal action. The homeowner with the violation/s will be responsible for any and all legal fees.

Boundaries of Edmondson Heights are as follows: 1100 thru 1248 Newfield Road, 1000 thru 1235 Harwall Road, 1101 thru 1197 Granville Road, 1400 thru 1654 Forest Park Avenue, 1080 thru 1196 St Agnes Lane (Even Side Only), 1000 thru 1012 Sanbourne Road, 1437 thru 1531 Ingleside Avenue (Odd Side Only), 1400 thru 1561 Clairidge Road, 1400 thru 1561 Barrett Road, 1400 thru 1655 Kirkwood Road, 1400 thru 1659 Langford Road.



TYPICAL END OF GROUP HOME
2 original design fluted pilasters and 1 plinth block on each side, Acorn pediment, standard crosshead with 6 fluted teeth



TYPICAL MIDDLE OF GROUP HOME
2 original design fluted pilasters and 1 plinth block on each side, standard crosshead with 6 fluted teeth. NO ACORN PEDIMENT.

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AWNINGS: Only canvas awnings, either in green canvas or green canvas with white trim shall be on the front of middle group homes and/or the side windows of end-of-group homes. All canvas awnings must be removed for the winter months. Rear awnings may be of any type or variety desired, but must not extend beyond the house line so as to be visible from the front street.

FRONT DOORS, STORM DOORS & FRAMES: Front doors may be painted any color desired, although white is preferred. Storm doors must be painted white wood, white baked-on aluminum or vinyl. Door frames must be replaced in the same style as the original design and must be constructed of wood or Fypon in white only. Vinyl or aluminum cladding, in white only, that maintains the original fluted design is acceptable. Security doors may be installed to replace storm doors but must be white. White Storm or Security doors are required. End of Group homes must maintain the original design Acorn Pediment.

END-OF-GROUP HOMES: Fascia boards running to the peak must be painted white or be covered with white aluminum or white vinyl. White shingles may be replaced or covered with white aluminum or white vinyl siding.

FENCES: Must not extend forward of the chimney. Fences are only permitted at rear of property. Chain link fences are preferred.

GUTTERS & DOWN SPOUTS: Must be white, brick red or dark brown. Conformity within the group is encouraged.

PORCHES: Front porches must be replaced in the original design and be of concrete. Steps must be poured or prefab concrete, quarry stone or brick. Rear porches may be of wood, concrete or metal.

ROOFS: Roofs must be replaced in the same style as the original slate in slate or asphalt and must be in a neutral color, preferably ranging from light gray to black. Attic fans or solar panels must be installed in the back or side of the roof and not be visible from the front of the house.

PAINTING AND STAINING: All exposed woodwork on the front, side, and rear of a house must be painted white (exception is rear porches). Front porch railings must be painted either black or dark green. Conformity within the group is encouraged. Front porches and the concrete wall below brickwork must be stained the color of concrete. Gray paint is unacceptable. Recommended concrete stain is Behr Premium Solid Color Concrete Stain Flat Finish, White Base 800, Color Catalina Stone (819).

WINDOWS: Must imitate the original double hung construction. Both sashes must be able to be moved up and down. Windows must be white. Bay windows are permitted on End of Group homes only. Security bars or grills and glass blocks are permitted on basement windows only. Shutters are not permitted.

WOOD STOVES & FIREPLACES: Exposed exhaust piping must be bricked-in, bricks to match existing, and must be located in the rear of the house. If exhaust piping is going through the roof, the exposed pipes must be stainless steel and be located at the rear of the house.

These Covenant Guidelines are subject to future changes at the discretion of the Officers and Board of Governors. This revision having been reviewed for legal sufficiency by legal counsel and voted on and approved by the Association Officers and Board of Governors and General Membership took effect May 1, 2015 and supersedes all previous versions.

STAY CONNECTED! ARE YOU MISSING OUT?

It is always good to learn about community events and information that impacts our neighborhood. But sometimes it is hard to keep up and stay informed. Get your name on the Edmondson Heights data base to stay connected.

Especially in these times of a public health emergency, when we can not meet together physically, it is important that we stay connected via the internet. You can receive regular email updates with pertinent news for our neighborhood by joining our Edmondson Heights email data base.

To join, simply send an email to:

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Help us all to stay connected!



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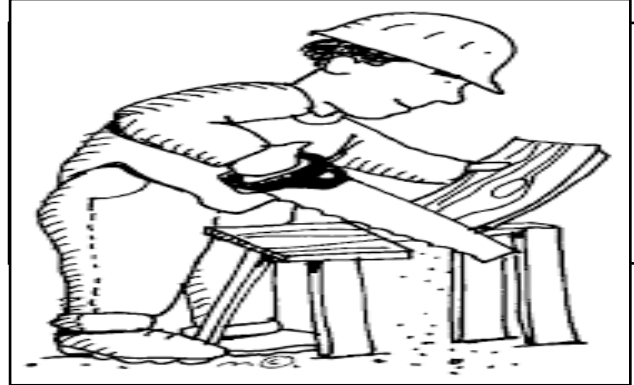
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***Any time is a great time
to greet your neighbors!***

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