



THE ECHATTER

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Chartley Homeowners Association

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Upcoming Events

10/ 5 – Crab Feast
10/24 – General Meeting

September 2019

The eChatter

The eChatter is an electronic publication that will supplement the 4-times-a-year **Chartley Chatter**. The eChatter will be emailed to paid up members of the Association in those months that the Chatter is not distributed to all Chartley households.

Fall Yard Sale This Saturday

September 14th (Rain Date: 9/21)

For a list of participants go to

<http://www.countryclubestatesreisterstown.org/yard-sale-registration.html> or
<http://www.countryclubestatesreisterstown.org/>

CHA Annual Crab Feast

As we reported in the August eChatter, the always popular Chartley Homeowners Association Annual Crab Feast has been rescheduled for **Saturday October 5th**, from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the American Legion Post 116 located at 1090 Westminster Pike.

This event has become a **MUST DO** for many Chartley residents as well as for non-Chartley residents. **Tickets for this great event are \$40.00 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.** 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. **And 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!**

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

. 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
- **Non-alcoholic beverages**

Please see the Crab Feast Flyer **Page 5**.

Reisterstown Vol. Fire Co.
108 Main Street

2nd Annual Public Safety Day

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019

Time: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Location: Fire Company Grounds and on Adjacent Franklin Middle School Campus.

This year will be larger than last year with a show case of local, state and federal agencies. They will have Child ID on hand making identity cards for your children, a live car rescue demonstration and a live fire demonstration.

Crime in Chartley

What happened Chartley? We were doing so well this year in keeping crime down...and then came August when it seemed as if put up signs saying "Welcome Criminals"! We had 16 crimes reported during August, by far the most of any month this year. And the bad part of those 16 crimes is that **11 of them were thefts from UNLOCKED vehicles...every one of them LEFT UNLOCKED with the majority of them occurring during the over-night hours!!!**. And that's not the total of such incidents as those 11 **only represent those that were reported to the police**. I have learned that there were a lot more that were **NOT reported** because the vehicle owner either didn't lose anything, or was too embarrassed to make a police report. That too is troublesome as the police use ALL REPORTS to help them track crime and to better deploy their resources in order to capture the culprits. **No report, no police response or tracking capability. That only allows the criminals to keep targeting our residents.**

As shown in the chart below, those 16 crimes reported during August brought our year to date total to 40 as compared to 29 for the same period last year. Not good at all!

OK, so we had a bad month, a very bad month. Now is the time when we take a deep breath and resolve to step up and get ourselves back on the right track. The daylight

Type of Crime	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total
Assault (Non-Domestic)	2	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	6
Breaking & Entering	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	5
Theft	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	5
ID Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Theft of Vehicle	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	12
Theft from Vehicle	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Property Crime (De-struction)	0	1	2	2	0	2	2	1	10
Total	4	2	5	3	2	4	4	16	40

hours are getting shorter which will give the bad guys more opportunity to ply their trade... IF WE LET THEM. Let's **NOT** let them hit us again. We can turn this thing around by a number of means. Even if we have to put a reminder on our cell phone screen and/or computer screen, or put a written note on our pillow or on the refrigerator to remind us to **LOCK IT UP before we go to bed at night**...if that's what it takes, then do that, or something similar that will serve to remind you to go check to make sure **all is locked up and secure**. Keep your outside lights on at night. That will act as a **strong deterrent** to a criminal. They do not want to be seen, and will usually

find a home that does not have any outside lighting. In one instance during August, a resident with a motion detector light and an outside security camera caught a potential thief start to approach his car only to be startled when the light came on. The thief immediately turned around and fled. Outside lights work, and work even better with an outside security camera because it gives the homeowner a record of what is going on outside their home. And that record is admissible in court.

So, as a reminder or wake up call, let's repeat once again the following Crime Prevention Tips, and most importantly put them into practice and make them a **permanent part** of our everyday lives:

- **Lock it up, each time, every time.**
- **Keep the outside of your house illuminated after dark**
- **Never leave valuables in your vehicles**
- **Be aware of your surroundings wherever you are, particularly when you are outside or shopping after dark**
- **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 it helps, print the above tips and put them on your refrigerator or in some place that will serve to remind you to take steps to protect yourself and your home. And please share this information with your friends and neighbors. **Failure to take action now, will only invite the criminals to continue to take advantage of our mistakes.**

Programs of the Reisterstown Improvement Association

Two Special Opportunities to Help Main Street each month: Clean-Up Day is always the 1st Saturday of each month. Join us at Landmark Shopping Center (in front of Reter's Crab House) on Saturday, starting at 9:00am to clean Main Street. For more information about how you/or a group to which you belong can participate, contact Dan Carey shaneybrook@hotmail.com

Franklin Woodland Trail Project revitalization continues with more mulch laying and path defining. Donations are coming in and grants are being submitted to help make this a great place to stroll. The next work day is scheduled for Saturday,

September 14th at 9am near the bridge behind the library. Come join us.

Reisterstown Farmers Market continues each Sunday from 9am – 1pm until October 27th on the Main Street lawn of Franklin Middle School. Eat fresh and shop at your local market!



The **Historic Plaque Program** honors three more locations this Saturday, September 14th starting at 1pm starting at 143 Main Street. Docents at each property will talk about the history of the property.



143 Main Street
Gies' Shoe Shop
c. 1773



202-204 Main Street
Beckley House
c. 1779



19 Cockeys Mill Road
Reisterstown Community Cemetery
c. 1764

Reisterstown Elementary School News

Baltimore County Public Schools opened for students on Tuesday September 3rd. **Watch out for children walking to Reisterstown Elementary School, on Walgrove Road, in the morning and from school in the afternoon.** School is open from 8:05 – 8:20 am to dismissal at 2:55 pm. **CARS ARE PROHIBITED IN THE LOOP in front of the school FROM 8 am to 8:20 am.**

This is the second year for the administration of RES. Principal **Pamela Oliver-Jones** and Assistant Principal **Kaia Stevens** lead the Title 1 School which is designated as a Green and Passport School. Last year 621 students were enrolled in the school which opened in 1963.

School Calendar:

- September 20 (Friday) **Back To School Social** from 6 to 8 pm. Games and activities for all RES families and staff. Chartley Homeowners Association will participate.
- September 30 (Monday) School Closed for **Professional Development – Rosh Hashanah**

- October 2 (Wednesday) **PTA Meeting** at 6:30 pm.
- October 7-11 **Fall Book Fair**
- October 9 (Wednesday) School Closed for **Professional Development -Yom Kippur**
 - October 18 (Friday) School Closed for **Professional Development Day/MSEA Convention**
- November 6 (Wednesday) **PTA Meeting** at 6:30 pm.
- November 18-22 **American Education Week**
- November 28 -29 (Thursday & Friday) School Closed for **Thanksgiving Holiday**
- December 20 (Friday) School Closes at end of day for **Christmas Holiday/ Winter Break**

Collect your box tops from your favorite foods and drop them off in the **Box Tops For Education** box in the school office.

Volunteers are needed. If you have some free time and would like help the children of our community contact **Reisterstown Elementary School** at **410-887-1133** for details.

Please the flyer on **Page 6** of this eChatter.

CHA 2019 Calendar of Events			
Project	Location	Date	Time
CHA Yard Sale	Residents Yards	Saturday, September 14, 2019	8:00 am to Residents Discretion.
CHA Yard Sale (Rain Date)	Residents Yards	Saturday, September 21, 2019	8:00 am to Residents Discretion.
CHA Crab Feast	American Legion Post 116 1090 Westminster Pike Reisterstown, MD	Saturday, October 5, 2019	5:30 pm to 8:30 pm
CHA General Meeting	Reisterstown Elementary School	Thursday, October 24, 2019	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
CHA Executive Board Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month (except December) at the Reisterstown Volunteer Fire Company, Main St., 7:00-8:30 PM. All are welcome.			



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

Chartley Crab Feast

WHEN: Saturday, October 5, 2019



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

TIME: 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

TICKETS: \$40 per person

CONTACT: Dave Powers - 410-833-3734
davidlpowers@verizon.net

BYOB

NOTE: The bar at the American Legion will **NOT** be open to non-members.

Crabs furnished by Reter's Crab House



Menu

- Reter's Crabs
- Crab Soup
- Chicken Wings
- All Beef Hot Dogs
- Potato Salad
- Corn on the Cob
- Cole Slaw
- Macaroni Salad
- Cake
- Non-Alcoholic Beverages

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



If you are interested in volunteering at our school or going on a field trip please complete the volunteer training and fill out the volunteer application found on the [BCPS website](#).

Return the application and training certificate to the school.

Some options for volunteering could be:

- working with students
- copying or laminating for teachers
- helping with book clubs
- helping out from home by cutting out or coloring items for teachers to use in the classroom
- helping in the library
- chaperoning field trips
- Helping with PTA events
- Fun Day



Thank you so much for your interest in volunteering in our school!