



The Porch Light

Be a good neighbor; remember to keep the porch light on at night !

**Coldstream Homestead
Montebello Community
Corporation**

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***CHM Community Thanksgiving Dinner
7:00pm, Tues. Nov 23* @ CHMCC Building,
3220-A The Alameda**

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Revitalization of Harford Rd takes another step forward

Community residents gathered with elected officials and representatives from Baltimore Department of Transportation to break ground on the 5.6 million dollar Harford Rd infrastructure and beautification project. This project will include new planted median strips, road resurfacing, stamped concrete crosswalks, new landscaping and more. In addition to the Harford Rd project, CHMCC pushed through much needed major roadway and sidewalk improvements for Kirk Ave. The Harford Road beautification,

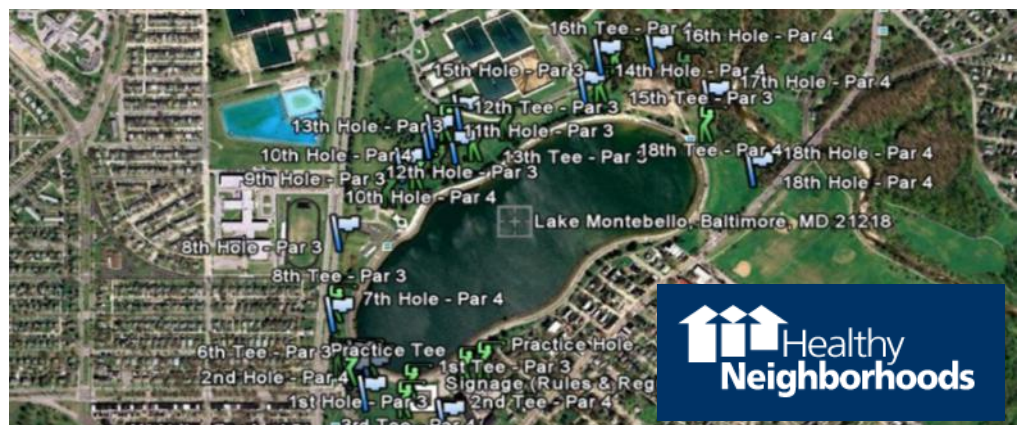


which begins at North Ave extends throughout Coldstream-Homestead-

Montebello (CHM), is just a start of a newly refreshed Harford Road.

18 hole disc golf course coming soon to Lake Montebello

In a letter dated November 5, 2010, Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake informed the community that, through Healthy Neighborhoods Inc, Coldstream Homestead Montebello Community Corp, CHMCC, had been awarded a grant that will lead to the installation of an eighteen hole disc (Frisbee) golf course at Lake Montebello.



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Join City Schools for American Education Week November 13-20

Each year, American Education Week highlights how important it is for every child to receive a quality public education. It is a great opportunity for communities to see the many great things happening in Baltimore City Public Schools every day and to get engaged.

Here's a sampling of the week's activities.

- **Preparing for College, It's Never Too Early to Start**

Thursday, Nov. 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Waverly Elementary/Middle School, 1400 Ellerslie Ave., 21218. Review the importance of a student's grade point average, class rank and course sequence when applying for college and scholarships.

- **Choose Your School! 2010-11 Middle and High School Choice Fair**

Saturday, Nov. 13, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Poly-Western Complex, 1400 W. Cold Spring Lane, 21209. Explore City Schools' many exciting middle and high school options.

- **Make the Choice to be College Ready**

Saturday, Nov. 13, 10-11 a.m. and 12:30-1:30 p.m. Poly-Western Complex, 1400 W. Cold Spring Lane, 21209. Get advice from City Schools' counselors about the classes students need to take in middle school and high school need to prepare for college.

- **College Savings Plans of Maryland: Start Early. Save Smart.**

Tuesday, Nov. 16, 4-6 p.m. Mary Ann Winterling Elementary School, 220 N. Bentalou St., 21223. Learn about the College Savings Plan of Maryland and ways to save for college.

- **Community Conversation with CAO Sonja Brookins-Santelises** Tuesday, Nov. 16, 6-8 p.m. Creative Alliance, 3134 Eastern Ave., 21224. Join City Schools Chief Academic Officer Sonja Brookins-Santelises as she explains the new Common Core Standards and what they mean for City Schools.

- **Community Conversation with CEO Andrés A. Alonso** Thursday, Nov. 18, 6-8 p.m. St. Veronica Roman Catholic Church, 806 Cherry Hill Road, 21225. Join City Schools Chief Executive Officer Andrés A. Alonso for a conversation about American Education Week and how this year's theme applies to City Schools.

- **Super Saturday: Parent PTA Leadership Academy #1**

Saturday, Nov. 20, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. University of Baltimore, Thumel Business Center, 11 W. Mt. Royal Ave., 21201.

Come for an exciting day of leadership training with the National PTA to strengthen parent engagement in schools across the city.



Meet our Neighbors

We found our house while taking a house tour of CHM. We were initially interested in the neighborhood because it was close to Lake Montebello and easy to get to the "cool spots" around town, as the neighborhood is centrally located. While on our tour, we met a neighbor that informed us of a home for sale that wasn't open that day. When we were able to view the house, we were amazed by the price and the great condition it was in. The amount of space in the house, and the gigantic yard with a garage, were easy sells. We've been here now for a year and have learned how strong our Community Association is. From community clean-ups to Art Brunches at the center, we see great things happening in the community. Our neighbors are another reason we love living here. During the



snow storm we shoveled paths to each others homes and took turns making food, we've had a great

year and look forward to many more!

Community publishes cookbook

The aromatic blast extending from the community center Thursday October 28, 2010 was reminiscent of Thanksgiving, and the jubilant crowd similar to that of a family reunion. The gathering was not for an early holiday party but to celebrate the release of the Coldstream Homestead Montebello's Community Arts Cookbook.

From January through August 2010, the Coldstream Homestead Montebello community held seven art brunches, funded by a grant from Kresge Arts in Baltimore, in partnership with the Baltimore Community

Foundation. Each art brunch featured four to five breakfast or lunch dishes that residents prepared in their homes or in the community center's newly built Nutrition Kitchen. Residents brought their dishes to the community center along with family, friends and neighbors to share.

After enjoying a meal, all of the attendees examined their lifestyle and habits, explored their environments, and expressed their hopes and dreams for the happiest and healthiest futures imaginable- through art. The recipes



from the art brunches have been compiled in the community Cookbook and can be purchased for the nominal price of \$10.00, with the proceeds benefiting the community center. The art work is currently on display in the great room at the community center, 3220-A the Alameda.



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Neighbors' are encouraged to submit
articles and ideas to the *Porch Light*..
Please submit your thoughts using one
of the following method:

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Art Brunch Photos



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Session I 9:00 AM– 11:30 AM

Session II 2:30 PM– 4:30 PM

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