

# MIDTOWN NEWS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF MIDTOWN BRANDYWINE NEIGHBOR'S ASSOCIATION



*Wintertime is here, Midtown needn't fear, Eagles' streaks  
and Chilly Cheeks will bring us lots of cheer!*



NEW YEAR, RENEWED FOCUS

## PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

The year ahead is bright for our neighborhood. Working with the city, board members and neighbors continue to define our borders and the uses we want to see in and around our neighborhood. Freire's gymnasium project moves forward. Plans to vacate 13th St. are on hold. Streetscape project TAP application matching funds secured. These are just a few of the projects your Board has been involved in over the past few months.

February's board meeting is open to neighbors. Come out and join in the conversation! Agenda topics will include: committee updates; open discussion; preview of a neighborhood website; and more!

All my best,  
Joel

**OPEN BOARD MEETING  
TUE, FEB 7 @ 6:30PM  
LITTLE CHURCH (WEST & PARK)**

## GET SOCIAL!

CHILLY CHEEKS CHILI COOK-OFF  
SAT, FEB 11 @ 1PM  
POCKET PARK (BYOB)

Who will be the next next Chilly Cheeks Chili winner? You don't want to miss this delicious and highly competitive neighborhood tradition!

Chili Chefs: Grab your crock pots! Tweak your recipes! Set up starts at noon, bring a table and extension cord. We will supply tasting cups and spoons.

Non competitors: We need your help too! Taste and vote for your favorite!

PROGRESSIVE DINNER  
SAT, APR 15 @ 1PM  
A DINE AROUND EVENT

The much anticipated return of Midtown Brandywine's Progressive Dinner is back! Planning this event is such a great experience. If interested in joining the Committee, please contact Rhea Phillips at [rdkdental@gmail.com](mailto:rdkdental@gmail.com).

Save the date and keep an eye out for more details as plans comes together!



## NOTICE!

### NEW RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM

Did you hear?

Residential parking permits have been automatically extended through Jun 30, 2024! **No action needed.** Exceptions apply. Go to [wilmingtonde.gov/residents/parking-in-wilmington](http://wilmingtonde.gov/residents/parking-in-wilmington) to learn more.

### HOUSEKEEPING

Parking is always a top-of-mind issue when you live in the city, particularly in a small neighborhood like ours. Many Midtowners also have more than one car which adds to the challenge. Please park as close to the vehicles in front and/or behind your car as reasonable to reduce the greatest amount of "dead" space as possible. Your neighbor coming home late at night will appreciate your courtesy.

### UPCOMING CITY HOLIDAY

Presidents Day (Mon, Feb 20), Trash Collection Tue, Feb 21

## COMMITTEE CORNER

### PARKING & PUBLIC SAFETY

Neighborhood walkers are encouraged to use the City's 311 System to report any street lights that are not working. When you submit your complaint, you'll be assigned a case number that you can use to follow up to make sure the situation gets fixed. Please keep a record of the case number and share it with Bob Blanchard ([robt.i.blanchard@gmail.com](mailto:robt.i.blanchard@gmail.com)).

And just a reminder that Wilmington's parking regulations state that you must be 15 feet from a fire hydrant to be legally parked. Don't run the risk of a ticket while also putting your neighbors at some risk should a fire occur.

## TAKE NOTE

302-654-5151

WPD Non-Emergency Number to report suspicious activity or other low crime concerns. If it is a true emergency, call 911.

## BEFORE WE GO...

### MIDTOWN'S CURRENT BOARD

Jordan Barrett; Bob Blanchard; Simon Cousins; Christopher Howland; Jeff Mazella (Treas); Nancy McGrath; Lauren Musumeci (VP); Rhea Phillips; Natasha Poppe (Secy); Jes Reed; Bobby Ries; John Stafford; Joel Stango, (Pres); Michael Yingling

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