

The Lamplighter



THE WOODBRIDGE VALLEY IMPROVEMENT AND CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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The President's Message

I trust by the time you read this we will be out of the threat of a major snow storm. I am looking forward to spring. Remember to clean gutters and storm drains in preparation for the spring showers.

The Social Committee is looking for help with upcoming events this year. We need help with the Movie Night, Dumpster day and Shred-it day to name a few. Some of these affairs might have to be canceled if no one comes forward to assist us.

See the flyer for information on the **Easter Egg Hunt**. We are looking for volunteers to come early to hide the eggs. Call **Sharon Johnson, 410-370- 9731**, if you can help with this or any other events.

I have had several calls about the work being done in the community by the county. Please read the **Water Transmission Line** article in this issue.

Recently some cars in our area received \$52 tickets for parking the wrong way on their street. Be forewarned, that is a violation. Even if you have been doing it for years, it is better to be safe than sorry.

We have been having articles stolen from unlocked cars from time to time in the valley. Remember to lock your vehicles and take valuables inside. Go to our web site to see other precautionary measures you should take.

The Annual Meeting of the WVICA will be held Wednesday April 24, 2013 at 8 PM. We are looking for new Board Members to help us keep the Valley a pleasant place to live. Please consider becoming a Member. Call **Tina Brown 410-747-7069**

Happy Easter!



PLEASE DO NOT PUT "THE LAMPLIGHTER" IN MAILBOXES!

**WOODBIDGE VALLEY IMPROVEMENT AND CIVIC ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2012-2013**

Tina Brown	President	1002 Pleasant Valley Dr.	410-747-7069
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Charles Springer	Covenants	13 Forest Rock Ct.	410-455-0069

WELCOME!

NEW NEIGHBORS

Robert & Caridad Pecore
Jeremy & Drea Saunders

1121 Pleasant Valley Dr.
1233 Pleasant Valley Dr.

If you have new neighbors, please call Nicole Smoot at 1- 443-255-3131 so that we can welcome them to our community.

ATTEMPTED BREAK-IN

A resident on Lincoln Woods Drive reports that while she was at home in mid-February at 2 p.m., someone tried to break in through her front door. She had come home from work earlier than usual. She had locked the front door immediately when she arrived, but the criminal still tried to get in. He pushed on the door with his weight and tried to "jimmy" the lock. When he saw the resident through the translucent glass, he ran away. She had called the police, but he was gone. She now has a security system.

WATER TRANSMISSION LINE FOR ROLLING ROAD AREA

Baltimore County is constructing a new water main to serve the Rolling Road Water Tank, near Windsor Mill Road. Two miles of new 24-inch diameter line will be installed in Powers Lane, Lincoln Woods Drive, Johnnycake Road and Fairbrook Road to supplement the existing line and to build redundancy for pressure and flow into the system. The project, using bar-wrapped concrete cylinder pipe to facilitate repairs in the distant future will begin in early July 2012 and expected to take 18 months. It should be completed before the end of 2013.

“SCOUTING FOR FOOD” 2012 REPORT

The need is great! Programs such as “Scouting for Food” provide a way for community members to assist in filling both the need to provide scouting service projects and the materials/supplies to help meet community needs.

As one of many service projects, both Boy and Girl Scouts have been participating in a winter food collection project for many years now. In mid-April 2012, Scouts met at the Woodbridge Valley Pool and walked several area neighborhoods to distribute food collection bags, bags that look like ordinary shopping bags but may have contained a flyer explaining the “Scouting for Food” project. Then in late April, Scouts returned to those same streets to collect any donations. Many thanks are extended to anyone who contributed in any way as Woodbridge Valley area results were again high at **more than 1,200 food items!!**

Many organizations are willing to accept food donations, so the decision on where to take donations is not easy. However, area scout groups have committed to the idea that food collected locally should remain local. So, all 2012 proceeds went to local food ministries, including the CEFM Network (formerly Catonsville Emergency Food Ministries), Southwest Emergency Services (SWES), Beechfield United Methodist Church and Church of the Crucifixion.

As a result of past successes, Scouts will be out in Woodbridge neighborhoods again. Bags with flyers will be distributed throughout the week of **April 14** in different areas of Woodbridge Valley and collections will be gathered on Saturday, **April 20**. As in the past, items collected will be sorted and delivered to local food ministries, including one in Woodlawn this year. Attempts will be made to collect food items left at individual homes, but Scouts are grateful that Woodbridge Valley Pool will again allow use of the grounds for sorting the donations as well as for use as a drop off location. For more information on how to donate or how to participate, contact Sharon Loving at 410-747-4750 or via email at sloving@verizon.net. Thanks again.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES PARKED IN WOODBRIDGE VALLEY

Posted below is the Baltimore County Zoning Regulation concerning the parking of commercial vehicles in residential areas, such as Woodbridge Valley. In recent weeks several residents have been contacting the Association about these zoning regulations. Should a vehicle meet the definition of a commercial vehicle as described below contact us at 410-455-0069.

Zoning Regulations for Commercial Vehicles in Residentially Zoned areas

[Bill No. 70-1988]

§ 431.1 Parking time limited; exception.

- A. A commercial vehicle exceeding 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight or gross combination weight may not be parked on a residential lot for a period exceeding the time essential to the immediate use of the vehicle.
- B. One commercial vehicle per dwelling unit may be parked on a residential lot for a period exceeding the time essential to the immediate use of the vehicle subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. The gross vehicle weight or gross combination weight shall not exceed 10,000 pounds.
 - 2. The owner or operator of the vehicle shall reside on the lot.
 - 3. The vehicle shall be parked within a fully enclosed structure or, alternatively, if not within a fully enclosed structure
 - a. No materials, products, freight or equipment shall be visible.
 - b. The vehicle shall display no advertising other than lettering, figures or designs located on the driver's door or front seat passenger's door.
 - c. The vehicle shall be parked in a side or rear yard.

Woodbridge Valley Pool

PUT A SPLASH OF FUN IN YOUR SUMMER!

The Woodbridge Valley Pool is a member's only pool and all members must be bond owners with the exception of those who rent a bond. We offer two levels of pool membership.

Family Membership: covers all permanent members of your household.

Single/Dual Membership: covers a maximum of two people in a household (one member being an adult). Examples: husband/wife, housemates or parent/child.

The current price for a bond is \$250.

Dues for regular members are: Family \$354 Single/dual \$264

Price for a non-vested family membership is \$381 (\$50 bond rental + \$331 dues).

The pool season starts on Memorial Day weekend and ends on Labor Day.

Call 410-747-7069 for more information or visit our website www.wvpool.net.

COMMUNICATING WITH THE WOODBRIDGE VALLEY COMMUNITY

We promise to keep you informed via our website, The Lamplighter, signs, flyers, and One Call Now messages. To be added or removed from One Call Now messaging, please e-mail social@woodbridgevalley.org or call 410-370-9731.

We would like to augment our communications with e-mails and a Facebook page. If you are interested in receiving e-mails to inform you of emergency situations or WVICA activities, please e-mail your name, address, and e-mail address to social@woodbridgevalley.org, or include your e-mail address on your membership renewal form.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

The WVICA Social Committee is few in number, but continues to plan community-wide activities for the benefit of all. We need your ideas and support to help us continue offering activities such as yard sales, youth activities, Dumpster Day, Shred Day, etc. Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 23rd (refer to the flyer for additional information). Our annual Spring Yard Sale is being planned. WVICA will cover the cost for teen residents to attend a Teen Pool party at the Woodbridge Valley Pool again this summer. Our biennial Family Movie Night will be back this summer – to be held at the Woodbridge Valley Pool in August. An Adult Mystery Night is in the works for fall 2013.

WVICA ANNUAL SHRED DAY

We had a successful Shred Day on October 6th near the intersection of Crosby Road and King William Drive. Shred Day is one of the most popular services sponsored by WVICA FREE-OF-CHARGE for WVICA members. Our goal is to help combat identity theft through document shredding. Members lined up awaiting the arrival of the PROSHRED® Security truck. Over 5,000 pounds of unwanted papers containing personal information were shredded! PROSHRED® provided a Certificate of Destruction confirming that all documents were destroyed.

We thank everyone who attended and hope to see you again in October 2013. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped check membership cards, direct cars, and dump paper into the bins. Additional identity theft prevention tips and reporting resources can be found online at: www.ftc.gov/idtheft.

YOUTH WINTER BOWLING PARTY

WVICA hosted its first Youth Winter Bowling party on Saturday, December 15th at AMF Westview Lanes located at 5647 Baltimore National Pike. This activity was free for the children and grandchildren of Woodbridge Valley residents up to age twelve. First-time bowlers were assisted by AMF Youth League coach, Mr. George Roycroft. Judging by the smiles and laughter, it seems that everyone had a great time. Delicious pizza and a drink were served and a candy cane filled with candy was given to all youth in attendance! The staff was very accommodating and we will consider having another bowling party in the future.

AMF Westview's Saturday Youth League bowls every Saturday through the last Saturday in April beginning at 10:00 a.m. Youth aged 4-21 years of age are invited to be placed on a team, learn proper bowling techniques, meet new people, and have fun! Contact AMF Westview for more information.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

This year the membership drive was lower than normal. It is still not too late to mail in your dues. See the form below.

We use this money to sponsor events, maintain the islands, support the Scout troops, softball leagues, summer concert series and to maintain the covenants to name a few things.

If you are a block captain or area representative and have not turned in your envelopes, please do so as soon as possible.

If we all do a little, much can be accomplished.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

In the event that you are not contacted about paying your membership dues, please fill out and mail the following form, along with a \$25 check made payable to **WVICA**. The mailing address is: **WVICA, P.O. Box 3197, Catonsville Maryland 21228.**



NAME: _____

Please print the name of each adult as you want it listed in the Directory

STREET ADDRESS: _____

PHONE _____

_____ Please, DO NOT put my phone number in the WVICA directory

_____ Please, DO NOT call me about upcoming events

Even if you do not want your telephone number made public, please let the Association have it so that we can contact you about emergencies and Association business

EMAIL _____

Your email address WILL NOT be made public, but please let the Association have it so that we can contact you about emergencies and Association business

WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER SOME TIME HELPING WITH
AT LEAST ONE OF THE ASSOCIATION'S PROJECTS?

YES _____ NO _____

ADS

- **AVON:** Buy or become an Avon representative. Call Shannon at 410-655-8309 or email westhoney@verizon.net
- **COMPUTER SERVICES:** Why pay box store prices for in-home computer services? Call your personal Woodbridge Valley PC computer geek. Over 25 years of desktop computer experience. Myles Carpeneto, 410-455-0277.
- **DAYCARE:** Small Stars Daycare in Woodbridge Valley, Family Daycare, ages 3 mos. to 4 yrs. Call Betty Holloway, 410-869-3834
- **EMERGENCY CARE & RESPONSE TRAINING:** For a certified professional safety & health Instructor specializing in First Aid & CPR/AED, contact Mrs. Adrian Davis @ (Cell) 443-520-8903, (home) 410-788-2408 or Ladane35@yahoo.com
- **FAMILY HOME CHILD CARE:** Betty Aviles, 410-747-0552, registration number 1077.
- **HAULING, LANDSCAPING, LAWN CARE, SNOW REMOVAL & AUTO DETAILING:** Call Eric Aviles, 301-957-1068 and 410-747-0552
- **LIGHT HAULING:** Same day light hauling and delivery services. Call Woodbridge Valley resident Julian Bennett on 443-831-8975 or send email to julianbennett64@gmail.net.
- **PIANO LESSONS:** Both children and adults. Call 410-788-5175.
- **STARTING POINT ACUPUNCTURE:** David Paton has been practicing acupuncture for 22 years, having treated adults & children with a variety of conditions including ADD/ADHD, autism, asthma, hypertension, seizures, chronic pain, headaches, arthritis, stop smoking & anxiety/depression. Some insurance accepted. (410) 299-1952
- **TUTORING REASONABLE RATES:** K-12 all core subjects. Private school and high school entrance exam prep also. Call Nicole Moore at 443-622-0248.
- **TUTORING SERVICES:** Professional Educator, MSDE certified, over 15 years classroom experience. ALL academic subjects including German, Latin I, SAT & HSPT Test Prep., Study & Organizational Skills. References available. Proven results at reasonable rates. Call 410-627-5938 or e-mail teacherman68@hotmail.com.
- **WEDDING/PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHER:** Ted King III Photography, 14 Brucetown Court, Catonsville, MD 21228; www.tk3photography.com, email: TK3Foto@photo.net; 443-691-8677 (cell); 410-788-3636 (home)

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