



7016 Hunter Lane
College Heights Estates, MD 20782

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

December 11 **CHEA Community Meeting**
St. Mark's Meeting Room
7:30 p.m.
We encourage you to attend to learn about
The National Historic Register
Gypsy Moths
Area Development
Other Community Issues

CHEA OFFICIALS

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Beverly Silverberg, President (Calverton)
Elaine Murphy, Vice President (Calverton)
David Merkowitz, Secretary (Partridge)
Donald Hein, Treasurer (Clagett)

CHEA BOARD MEMBERS

Ron Blunck (Eversfield)	Jean Bourne-Pirovic (Calverton)
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College Heights Estates Newsletter

WINTER 2007



Dear College Heights Estates Residents,

Thanks to each of you who took the time to come to our Annual CHEA Meeting and vote for our new CHEA Board Members. Please see the *CHEA Officers and CHEA Board Members* box on the address page of this newsletter. I hope you will consider becoming a CHEA Board Member in the future. We certainly welcome you to do so and, if not to join the Board, then please share your ideas, issues and concerns with any of your neighbors who are already on the CHEA Board.

We invite you to a CHEA Meeting to be held Tuesday, December 11, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mark's School Meeting Room. See the *Mark Your Calendar* box on the address page of this newsletter for the meeting agenda. At the meeting, get the latest updates on the status of development happening around us, fighting those pesky gypsy moths and The National Register of Historic Places.

A great time was had by those who attended CHEAFest on September 30th. Please see the photos (taken by John Scott) in this newsletter and view the others on our website. More than 60 residents and countless children came to the Fest. They enjoyed charcoal broiled hamburgers, hot dogs and veggie burgers ably prepared by Ron Blunck, who was assisted by his wife Rosemary. Many of our CHE residents brought delicious goodies. Both new and long-time neighbors had a chance to meet and greet each other.

Many thanks to those who made this year's CHEAFest a success: *Sheila Bernard, Ron & Rosemary Blunck, Jean Bourne-Perovic, Selma Clayman, Lisa Holt, Jean Lee, Elaine Murphy, Kimberly Nugent and Anne & John Scott*. Mark your calendar next year so you get the chance to know your fellow residents.

Autumn has finally arrived and inevitably our leaves will fall. We continue to work with our County about leaf collection. Many trees have been damaged--first by the gypsy moths last spring and now with the summer draught. We may lose many of our beautiful trees from this double whammy which will be compounded by another, larger invasion of gypsy moths next spring. We will keep you posted.

We continue to look for ways to communicate better and in a timely way. We welcome your visits to our newly refurbished web site www.cheamd.com. Our webmaster is John Scott and our thanks to him and to Anne Scott for their efforts to improve CHEA communications. We hope you'll check out the site and share your ideas with us for any improvements you'd like to see there.

I wish you all a happy holiday season,

Handwritten signature of Beverly R. Silverberg

Beverly R. Silverberg, President, CHEA

CHEA MEMBERSHIP FEES

Help support CHEA. The annual membership fee, still only \$25, is the primary source of funding of CHEA activities. The fee covers street sign and gate maintenance, newsletters, postage, CHEAFest and special projects. Please send your annual payment to Don Hein, CHEA Treasurer, 4109 Clagett Road, College Heights Estates, MD 20782.

ADD/UPDATE E-MAIL ADDRESS

Have you submitted your email address to CHEA? We maintain a protected e-mail list for dissemination of current issues affecting our community. Your email will not be given out or made available to anyone beyond the CHEA Board. If you have not been receiving **CHEA Alerts** (time critical notifications to residents) or routine CHEA emails, please send your new or updated email address to CHEAMD@CHEAMD.com. We only send our residents emails that we believe will be of interest and importance (e.g., safety-related information).

WELCOME TO NEW NEIGHBORS

Brent M. Bushey and Kirsten A. Wright will soon move to 7011 Wells Parkway (formerly the Rita and David Gottlieb residence).

Gregory P. Zurmuhlen will relocate to 6908 Wells Parkway (formerly the Richard A. Good residence).

RECENT DEATHS

Some residents do not seem to be aware that Phyllis Gregg McNamee, a long time resident on Hunter Lane, passed away in early August after a short illness. Phyllis was a long time and active member of University Park Women's Club.

Forrest Holmes, whose family members were long time residents of Hunter Lane, was a retired Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves. He died on November 7, 2007, in Roanoke, Virginia, after a long illness. After serving his country in Italy and Germany, he spent his career in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of Defense.

"Bill" (William Lewis) has been a main stay mail carrier in our neighborhood for quite some time. Unfortunately, Bill passed away in mid-November. We will miss his constant presence among us.

CONGRATULATIONS to

University Park Elementary School (UPES) students *Leslie Holt* (Kindergarten), *Eric Hotakainen* (Grade 2), and *Frankie Like-Matthews* (Grade 6), and *Nayo Campbell* (Grade 6). They have roles in the Spring 2008 UPES presentation of Andrew Lloyd Weber's *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat*.

Lisa Holt who received a Certificate of Appreciation from Prince George's County's Chief of Police Melvin High for her outstanding service to the County's Crime Solvers Organization.

Claire Biffl whose 10 and under AA Division Cheerleading Squad won *First Place*, and to *Leslie Holt* whose 7 and under Team took *Second Place* in Prince George's County's Boys and Girls Club Cheerleading Competition.

Jennifer Mooney (Remington Court) who was chosen as the University Park Civic Association's Volunteer of the Month (November 2007). Jennifer organized the 2007 University Park Halloween Party which was enjoyed by children and adults alike.

Sheila Bernard (Calverton Drive) who is currently writing a book (with working title of *Archival Storytelling: A Filmmaker's Guide to Finding, Using, and Licensing Third-Party Visuals and Music*) with archival expert Kenn Rabin.

If you have honors or milestones which you would like to have included in the CHEA Newsletter and/or posted on the CHEA web site, please contact us at CHEAMD@CHEAMD.com with the specifics. We will not identify the street address for items related to children.

BECAUSE YOU ASKED

Some residents asked for background information about the Lejins property which is currently for sale by multiple trustees. The property is located at 7114 Eversfield Drive and is surrounded by a wooded area. The State of Maryland Real Estate Data Base lists the property size as 3.0 acres. Due to the property size and its proximity to the University of Maryland, there has been some *neighborhood speculation* that the property might be subdivided. However, the property is currently being marketed as a single family property.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

2007 Holiday Candlelight House Tour

Friday, December 14, 2007, 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.

This is a fund raiser for the University Park Women's Club. Admission is \$12.00 per person. To purchase tickets, please call Jean Pirovic on (301) 520-8420. No admittance without a ticket. *Tour* homes are located at 4202 Woodberry Street, 4310 Clagett Road, 6808 40th Avenue, 7002 College Heights Drive, and 4402 Beechwood Road.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Global Warming/Environmental Awareness Town Meeting

Senator Paul Pinsky hosted this meeting in Greenbelt on November 7, 2007. Several environmental organizations held a fair to educate attendees on preserving and conserving the environment. Senator Pinsky and environment participants encouraged attendees to get involved by writing to legislators, and by attending meetings/rallies on environmental preservation. Two helpful web sites are www.greenbeltclimateaction.org and www.allianceforglobalwarmingsolutions.org. Check out the CHEA site, www.CHEAMD.com to read Jean Lee's summary of this meeting.

Purple Line Light Rail Meeting

Michael Madden, Project Manager for Maryland Transit Administration, conducted the meeting on October 29, 2007. The purple line will be 16 miles long and will connect to the red line in Silver Spring, the green line in College Park, and the orange line in New Carrollton by rapid transit, light rail, and bus. The next public meeting to update the community on the process, alignments, and latest ridership information will be on Wednesday, December 5th, 5:00-8:00 p.m., in the College Park City Hall. Go to www.purplelinemd.com for additional information. Check out www.CHEAMD.com for Jean Lee's summary of this meeting.

Route 1 Corridor Forum

Councilman Eric Olson hosted this development forum at the College Park Town Hall on November 15, 2007. Attendees interacted with environmental, M-NCPPC, and transportation

representatives and viewed several land use

maps. A power point presentation outlined objectives for the 20-30 year plan. Notifications will be made on www.route1growth.com.

East Campus Community Review Steering Committee Meeting

Monday, December 10th
Transportation, Traffic & Parking, Part 2
Stamp Student Union's Atrium, Room 1107.
Residents are encouraged to attend. The development of approximately 38 acres as a mixed-use property can have an impact on our neighborhood. Go to www.eastcampus.umd.edu for additional information on past and future meetings.

ELECTION JUDGES NEEDED

The Prince George's County Board of Elections is looking for *Maryland Registered Voters* interested in serving as Election Judges during the February 12 and November 4, 2008 Presidential Elections. If you know someone who may be interested, please visit <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/Government/AgencyIndex/Elections/electionjudge.asp>, download the brochure, complete the application, and submit it to the Board of Elections. Contact the Board of Elections at (301) 430-8020 or election@co.pg.md.us to get additional information.

This information was provided by Representative Eric Olson.

PARKING ENFORCEMENT

The Revenue Authority, assisting the Prince George's County Police, is managing many of the parking violations previously handled by police. Community leaders are asked to notify residents that the following traffic violations are being enforced:

- 1) parking in a direction other than the flow of traffic;
- 2) parking on the grass of a residential lot;
- 3) parking unregistered motor vehicles or vehicles with expired tags or out-of-state license plates. Out-of-state plates need to be changed 60 days after moving to Maryland.

Also, be advised that the Revenue Authority can now "boot" vehicles with large numbers of outstanding traffic tickets. Report parking violations to the Revenue Authority at (301) 925-9448.

STREETS, STREET SIGNS, CURBS

During this summer and fall, repairs and upgrades have been generally routine maintenance with a few

exceptions such as a new storm drain and curb at the corner of Wells Parkway and Clagett Road. Please be alert for street and curb deterioration (pot holes, breakage, etc.) and notify the county at (301) 499-8520. Please follow up with a call to Ron Browning at (301) 927-1209 so that he can track the County's progress on making fixes. Some of our street signs (especially the posts) are showing their age. We are looking at alternatives for the pine wood posts as we plan for repairs over the next year.

POT HOLE REPAIRS

The beauty of winter is in our future but those dreaded pot holes may be in our future as well. If you encounter one on your block, contact the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation at (301) 499-8520, or visit the web site www.goprincegeorgescounty.com/government. Use the link *DPWT, Services We Provide* to e-mail the relevant information. If you live on Wells Parkway, call the Town of University Park, (301) 927-4262, since the Town is responsible for its maintenance.

SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING

No more sorting! Prince George's County recently introduced CHE residents to single-stream recycling (placing all recyclable materials of cans, mixed paper, corrugated cardboard, glass, and plastic) into *one* container or bin for curbside pick-up. Visit www.princegeorgescountymd.gov if you have any further questions. College Heights Estates residents have been notified via a post card that our participation in this program began on December 1, 2007.

SNOW REMOVAL

The Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation is responsible for providing "passable" conditions on the roads within College Heights Estates. The process relies on direct and immediate feedback from designated residents to provide a quicker response on roads that are impassible. CHEA President, Beverly Silverberg, attends the meetings held by the County, and is the primary contact for our community.

LEAF REMOVAL

Notice will be posted to alert us to our second and last leaf removal day. In the interim, please

- 1) rake leaves to the front of your residence;

- 2) do not put leaves in the street, storm drains, or drainage ditches;
- 3) remove debris—tree limbs, glass, plastic, etc.—from leaf piles, and
- 4) do not park in front or beside leaf piles.

Information is available on the Vacuum Leaf Collection Informational Hotline at (301) 499-8575, as well as at www.princegeorgescountymd.gov.

PET OWNERS

Barbara Wilson, Chansory Lane, has offered to manage the local area data base for lost pets. You can contact Barbara directly at (301) 779-4139 to register your pet. You will be asked to submit the owner's name, telephone number, address, email address, pet's name, breed and description, pet's license number and whether or not the pet has a microchip ID.

FARMER'S MARKET

The Takoma Park Farmer's Market is a year-round market for producers only. The produce is grown within a 125-mile radius of our locale. The market is located along 6900 Laurel Avenue and is open every Sunday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The market's web site www.TakomaParkMarket.org lists those products which are currently available.

CHEA WEB SITE

Please visit us at www.CHEAMD.com for the latest happenings in our neighborhood. We welcome your feedback and ideas for the web site. Contact us at CHEAMD@CHEAMD.com with your input or suggestions.

CHEA BOARD MEMBERS

The contact information for the current CHEA Board Members is listed on www.CHEAMD.com. The CHEA Board Members want to represent your views and ideas. Please contact any CHEA Officer of CHEA Board Member about any issue you would like us to address.