



## College Heights Estates Association Newsletter

SUMMER 2007

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept. 10 **CHEA ANNUAL ELECTION**  
St. Mark's Church Meeting Room  
7:00 p.m.

We encourage your participation in the upcoming election. Any active member may nominate and vote for candidates. Please let any CHEA Board member know if you are interested in running. Nominations are welcome from the floor. Those whom you elect will be the ones you entrust to represent your perspectives.

Sept. 30 **CHEAFest**  
Corner of Calverton/Chansory  
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Come and meet new neighbors, greet old friends, and make new acquaintances. We will provide additional information as the date gets nearer.

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

I hope you are having a wonderful summer. It will soon be September and we have two important events that I hope you will put on your calendars, and join your neighbors in attending.

The first event is CHEA's annual meeting and election. It will be held this year on **Monday, September 10, 2007**, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Church Meeting Room. A meeting agenda is included in this newsletter. Come and get an update on the status of development planned for our area; help us fight the gypsy moth invasion, find out if there is anything we can do about those pesky mosquitoes that are keeping us out of our own yards; find out about the National Register of Historic Places, and have a say in who is on the CHEA Board. You can find the proposed slate of Board Members listed in this newsletter, but please feel free to nominate yourself or others to join that slate.

We believe that more members mean better representation of views and ideas, and we welcome you to become actively involved with your neighborhood homeowners' association.

CHEAFest is an opportunity to greet old friends and make new acquaintances. We encourage you to come to the corner of Chansory Lane and Calverton Drive on **Sunday, September 30, 2007** from 2-4 p.m. Bring your kids and grandkids and bring your appetites. We will have hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers and assorted other dishes. Please bring a dish, or not. The important thing is to bring yourself and your family. We will send out additional information about the CHEAFest next Month.

We are working to improve our communications with the community. Anne Scott, our Communications Director, is spearheading this effort. We are working on updating our website. Our plan is someday to send newsletters electronically, as well as CHEA ALERTS. We know that electronic mail is both a blessing and a curse. The blessing is that we can send you instant messages (assuming we have your email address) and of course the curse is we are all inundated with emails.

My promise to you is that, if you give us your email, we will only use it to send you emails that we believe will be of interest and importance (such as safety-related information). We will keep emails short and to the point. My second promise to you is that your email will NOT be given out, sold, or made available to anyone else. We take your right to privacy very seriously.

So, please send in your dues. Send us your current email address. And most important, come to our September events and let us know what's on your mind. I look forward to seeing you there.

Warm regards,  
*Beverly Silverberg*

## Annual Community Meeting

### *National Register of Historic Places*

The CHEA Board has been researching the pros and cons of nominating College Heights Estates for the National Register of Historic Places. The Board has concluded that there are two primary benefits to being placed in the National Register with essentially no associated negative factors. Therefore, the Board is recommending that CHEA proceed with the nomination process for the National Register.

The primary benefits of being in the National Register are: (1) Maryland state tax credits may be available to homeowners for certain household improvement and remodeling projects, and (2) there are regulations and limitations imposed on government-sponsored projects that might adversely impact the community (e.g., the County or State could not easily build a new cut-through street to the Maryland campus). The first benefit is more realistic and applicable than the second, but both would apply to our community. There is also the prestige that goes along with the National Register.

It is important to note that there are no restrictions imposed on homes in the National Register. Owners of property in the Register are free to do anything owners of property not in the Register can do, which includes selling property, remodeling property, changing architecture, etc.

As a general rule of thumb, homes must be 50 years old or older to be eligible. Most homes in College Heights Estates, but not all, are this old. Also, there has to be some common historical relevance to homes being nominated. The historical relevance has to be researched and documented as part of the nomination process. CHEA and MNCPPC believe there probably is sufficient historical relevance associated with College Heights Estates.

The process to be followed for nominating homes for the National Register is specific, and CHEA, in working with MNCPPC, is sponsoring the research and nomination process. There will be no cost to home owners for any of this, and annual real estate taxes will not change as a result of inclusion in the

National Register. As a by-product of the research, the history of College Heights Estates will be gathered and made available the CHE residents.

For more information about the National Register of Historic Places, refer to the Federal website at <http://www.nps.gov/nr/>.

The CHEA Board is recommending that CHEA proceed with the research and nomination process for the National Register. If you have questions or concerns, it is important that you attend the annual meeting and participate in the discussion. If you are unable to attend, call or email a CHEA Board member to submit you issue.

*(Summary provided by Ron Blunck, CHEA Board)*

## Development Update

### *Landy Property*

In late July, the University Park Town Council hosted a meeting about the apartment complex to be built around Northwest Drive off Toledo Road. Megan Bramble, an attorney with Rifkin, Livingston, Levitan and Silver, LLC, and Tim Madden, landscape architect with Morris and Ritchie Associates, Inc., presented models of the proposed 34-acre gated community. The project will be done in stages and will take about 5-8 years to complete. The price point for the units has not been determined. There are a number of issues which need to be resolved. Some meeting attendees expressed concerns about the potential for increased traffic.

*(Summary provided by Jean Lee, CHEA Board)*

### **“New” Neighbors**

David Gottlieb and Rita Sloan Gottlieb will soon be relocating from Wells Parkway to Hunter Lane (formerly DeWitt residence).

**CHEA ANNUAL MEETING  
AGENDA**

**CHEA ANNUAL ELECTION**

## County Police Report

We draw your attention to the enclosed "Report On Crime and Crime Control," provided by Major Kevin Davis, Commander, District 1, Prince George's County Police Department.

## Upcoming Events

### *Arts In The Park*

Listen to great music. *Cheek to Cheek* will perform at the University Park Elementary School Gazebo from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Bring a dessert to share.  
*Saturday, August 25, 2007*

### *East Campus Community Review Steering Committee Meetings*

Councilman Eric Olson of the 3<sup>rd</sup> District has informed us that these meetings (held from 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.) are open to the public. Contact Dannielle Glaros at (301) 952-3060 for more information or visit <http://www.eastcampus.umd.edu/>.

*Monday, August 27, 2007*

*Wednesday, September 12, 2007*

*Monday, September 24, 2007, and October 8, 2007  
October 22, 2007 (reserve date)*

### *Annual Chili Cook Off*

Join your neighbors at the University Park Elementary School Gazebo from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to enjoy good food and blues music by Roger Edsall's band, *Pork Chop and the Top Dogs*, featuring Mary Shaver. Chili categories are vegetarian, mild, and 3-alarm. Enter your chili recipe or bring a side dish or dessert to share. For further information, or to volunteer, contact Sarah Heitkemper at [sarah.heitkemper@boland.com](mailto:sarah.heitkemper@boland.com) or 301-209-1059.  
*Saturday, September 8, 2007*

### *Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)*

The Hyattsville Community CERT is looking for volunteers to help protect yourself and your community. Prince George's County Office of Emergency Management will conduct CERT Training in September and October. To find out more about the CERT Program, visit online at [www.citizencorps.gov/cert/](http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/). Call Tonya Hairston at (301) 583-1899 to register.

*September through October 2007*

### *Cafritz Property*

Five workshops to gather public input have been previously held. A concept plan for the property will now be presented and discussed at two **identical** meetings. Both meetings will be held at Riverdale Elementary School 5006 Riverdale Road, Riverdale. A CHEA representative will be present.  
*September 15, 2007 10:00 a.m.-noon OR  
September 18, 2007 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.*

## Local Farmers' Markets

Riverdale Park (MARC Rail Station parking lot)

Thursdays, July – October from 3 - 6 p.m.

College Park (Ellen Linson Pool parking lot)

Saturdays, May – November from 7 a.m. – noon

Hyattsville (behind Bank of America on Hamilton St.)

Tuesdays, May – November from 2 – 6 p.m.

Hyattsville (Northwestern High School)

Flea Market including sale of produce

Saturdays, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

## CHEA Membership Dues

Help support your homeowners association. The annual fee is still only \$ 25. Please forward your payment to Don Hein, CHEA Treasurer, 4109 Clagett Road, College Heights Estates, MD 20782. You may also pay dues at the upcoming meeting.

## CHEA Email Addresses

CHEA maintains a protected e-mail list, available only to CHEA Board Members, which is used to disseminate information of interest and importance. Please provide your email address or any updates to Anne Scott ([jtsads@aol.com](mailto:jtsads@aol.com)) so that we may add you to the e-mail list. If you prefer, you may provide your email at the upcoming CHEA meeting.

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### **You can self-nominate at the Annual Meeting.**

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**YOUR name here!**