

SPECIAL ISSUE: COVID-19 IMPACTS THE LUTHERVILLE COMMUNITY



Lutherville Lab teachers send a message to their students on the playing field fence. From left: Kim Zagurski, Jamie Nicholson, Judy Henderson, Dawn Williams, and Amy Feltman.

Lutherville Fixtures LVFC, College Manor on COVID and Community

The Lutherville Volunteer Fire Company is staffed by volunteers dedicated to serving our community during times of need. COVID-19 has challenged how we provide these services and ultimately strengthened our relationship with the community. Fortunately, no members of LVFC have tested positive for COVID-19.

Members of LVFC dedicated countless hours to ensure our station was staffed for any emergency. Some members stayed at the station for days and even weeks. Our volunteers heroically accepted the risk to themselves and their families. We mitigated these risks with increased cleaning, decreased internal socialization, and wearing of masks in common areas.

In conjunction with the Baltimore County Fire Department, LVFC adjusted how we respond to calls for service. Every member received specialized training on COVID-19. We limited exposure by reducing the number of firefighters to each incident whenever possible. Responders donned personal protective equipment (PPE) including N95 masks, gloves, face shields and gowns.

Recognizing that the stay-at-home order impacted the ability to celebrate life events, LVFC brought a little bit of joy to Lutherville moms on Mother's Day. We paid a special visit with our engines and rescue squad, complete with lights and sirens! We adorned our engines with signs made by local children carrying special messages of love and support. We are proud to have been able to bring smiles and excitement to our community during these difficult times.

COVID-19 has brought unprecedented challenges to our community. Together we have adapted and persevered through this pandemic. LVFC is grateful for the outpouring of support from the community. We received cards, posters, food donations, and social media notes. We thank you for your continued support of our volunteer fire company!

LVFC PERSONNEL

Ninety days later and the College Manor community remains 100% COVID free! Knock-on-wood! We've had many interesting experiences, both positive and negative, during the pandemic. At the same time, we have learned even more about resident care, disaster preparedness and the selflessness of our community.

At the start of all of this, our main concern was keeping our residents and community free of the virus. Every week we rolled out new precautions along with the rest of Maryland. Visitors and vendors were the first to go, followed by contractors and other non-essential medical personnel. Staff were diligent in checking for symptoms amongst themselves as well as residents. While our residents handled isolation amazingly well, Zoom and FaceTime meetings were a welcome break and saving grace.

Coronavirus won't be the last disaster scenario we need to be prepared for but it was an eye opener. We now keep a large supply of PPE on hand for pandemic scenarios as well as a long list of trustworthy contacts. Our connections with people and businesses in the community kept us up-to-date on the latest news and reliable supply lines. Being prepared for an actual disaster isn't something you can just write in your procedures.

The Lutherville community was generous from the start. Donations came through the door every day! We received an abundance of food, flowers, supplies and personal notes to residents and staff. Many more in the community offered their services from home sewing together reusable gowns and masks. All of these acts showed us what true community means and what we will need going forward.

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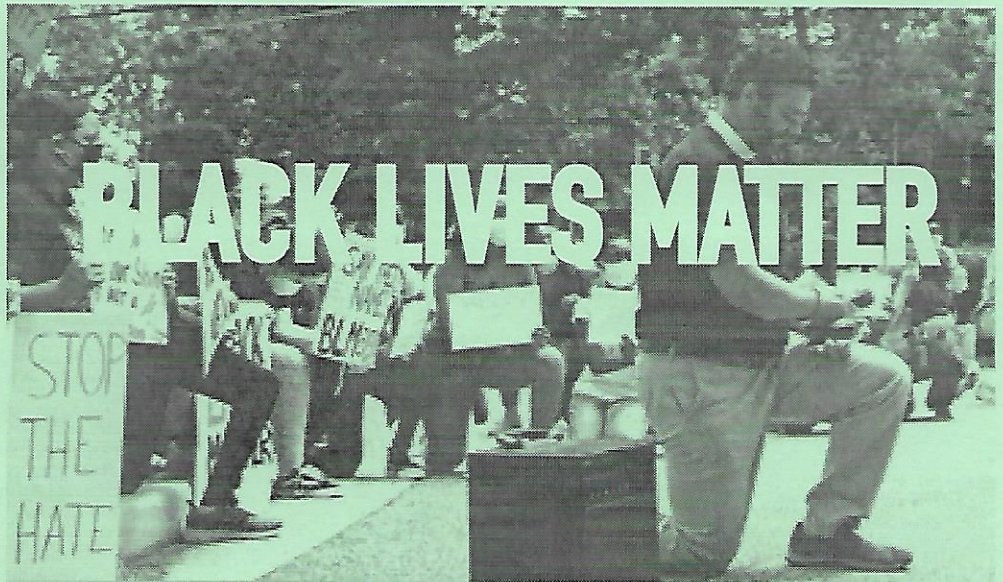
JHH Doctor and Country Club Park Resident Gives Online Presentation on Coronavirus

On June 24, 2020, the LCA hosted a Zoom presentation by infectious disease expert Dr. Stuart Ray of Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Dr. Ray has worked in his field for over 30 years. He answered a variety of questions on all aspects of the disease and provided the latest information. The topics included the origin of the disease, when U.S. researchers obtained the genetic sequence, how the disease is spread, risks of and advice on various activities, the quality of different tests, the potential efficacy of vaccines and treatments, comparisons of the responses of different countries, what has been learned through treatment at JHH, public health deficiencies in the U.S. and prospects for the future. His insight went well beyond the information heard on typical news sources.

We want to extend our deep appreciation to Dr. Ray for his wonderful presentation. He is willing to arrange another session if there is a demand. Feel free to let me know if you are interested in one or have specific questions.

JEFF DIER
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Peaceful protestors on Seminary Avenue kneel in memory of George Floyd. Photo by Tedd Henn

Following the death of George Floyd, the most recent injustice in the line of too many, which sparked protests against racism and oppression across the world, I had the privilege to participate with many of you in the local gathering on Sunday, June 7, 2020 in our own neighborhood. I was given the opportunity to address the gathering before taking a moment of silence as the bells of St. Paul's rang in the distance. Because the crowd stretched out so far along Seminary and Francke and were unable to hear well, I thought it would be important to share in print the text of what I spoke:

"There's a place in the Bible, neighbors arguing who and what is "right" - how do we interpret the laws and norms and expectations? In Matthew 22, one of the leaders asked Jesus: "Which commandment is the most important?" Jesus responds: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your mind. And there's another part to it: love your neighbor as yourself. Everything else comes from this."

We gather on these streets of our community to love our neighbor. To name that the laws of our land that should protect all of us equally, far too often, do not. They did not for George Floyd, and for far too many other black and brown neighbors of ours across this country.

To love our neighbor, we have work to do. As important as it is to be here in this place together, it is not enough. If you followed the plans for this gathering on social media, then you know that not everyone is happy we're here today. Friends, those who think that racism isn't real, and white privilege is a concoction of social justice warriors, or that all of this is just some kind of conspiracy - those aren't our neighbors in some far off places, but right here. In our own neighborhoods and communities, our own families and friends, our own churches and schools.

Loving your neighbor will mean making hard choices about where you spend your time and where you take your business. Loving your neighbor will mean talking with those you know and love: to your uncle, your boss, your pastor, your neighbor, your best friend. Not letting their casual or overt racism go by unchallenged. Loving your neighbor will mean understanding more about yourself, about privilege and advantage, about our own tendencies and bias. About knowing better so you can do better.

The love for our neighbor is clear in this place, stretching up and down these streets. It's clear on the signs and in the chants of Black Lives Matter, in joining our hands, feet, hearts, and voices to millions of others across this world who march and write and pray for something new. It's clear that this way of life proclaimed by a prophet thousands of years ago is still a way we strive to live in today. May this gathering today be the catalyst. We need to more fully love our neighbor, for our Lutherville community to do our part with and for one another, and for each of us to speak up and speak out for justice."

PASTOR ED KAY
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FLOODING

During heavy downpours, the intersection at Bellona and Division Avenues floods, creating hazardous conditions. The County has approved a storm water project to correct the problem, but work will likely not begin until the fall. Until then, neighbors are encouraged to be alert for periodic street flooding at this location.

SHADE TREE REPLACEMENT

Thanks to all who have taken action to remove dead and dying trees from their property. While many hazardous trees have come down, many remain. Contact us to find a licensed tree professional. The Baltimore County free shade tree planting program is postponed until the fall, though this may present an opportunity for additional sign-ups. The trees come equipped with all you need to maintain your new tree. County contractors supply, plant, and maintain the tree for one year with a 100% survival guarantee. Homeowners are responsible for watering their tree. Let us know if you'd like to adopt a tree and help keep Lutherville Green.

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YARD SALE

Sep. 12th @ 8:00am-2:00pm (rain date 9/13)

Gather up your knick knacks, toys, wall art, furniture and everything else that is ready to leave your home for a new one. This event is always a great success and a wonderful chance to mingle with your neighbors!

NOTE: This date is tentative and subject to change or cancellation due to impacts of COVID-19

FALL FEST BONFIRE

Oct. 24th @ 4:00pm (rain date 10/25)

Join us for our 5th annual Fall Fest Celebration, to be held on the College Manor lawn. This event is not to be missed! Our most popular gathering by far, Fall Fest is enjoyed by all ages. Neighbors, pack your wagons with the kids and coolers and get ready for a fantastic night!

BYOB · Bonfire · Snacks · Entertainment · Punkin Chunkin
· Raffle · LOTS of neighborhood fun!

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* For more information on LCA events, please contact our Special Events Committee Chairperson, Rita Nabhan, at rita.m.omalley@gmail.com



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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, Oct. 13th @ 7pm

LVFD Training Room

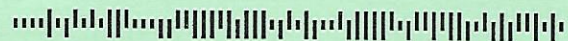
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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP ISSUE

Your membership and contributions help our community flourish. Because of you, Lutherville has a reputation to be an outstanding place to live and thrive in a strong family atmosphere.

Proceeds go towards functions of the LCA, which means we can continue to host events like Fall Fest, the Community Yard Sale, Santa's Firetruck Ride, the Easter Egg Hunt and many more!

We have enclosed a donation envelope in this issue for your convenience. Pay only \$25 per year per family, or only \$15 per year per individual.

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ROLAND RUN, THE NEXT STEP

Baltimore County has completed its stream restoration project on the Roland Run, but the project should not be viewed as the final step in getting the stream back to health. In many ways it should be considered the first step. Going forward, there are volunteer groups like the Friends of Roland Run who will initiate on-going projects to improve the water quality of the stream, and we may be able to learn from another group that has been dedicated to improving water quality in Baltimore County's streams since 1989.

The Gunpowder Valley Conservancy is a private non-profit organization that has mobilized thousands of volunteers to improve water quality in a variety of ways, including creating conservation easements on private land that limit development, initiating stream clean-up days that have removed tons of trash from over 700 streams in Baltimore County, and getting individual property owners to take measures to reduce sediment runoff.

The Gunpowder Valley Conservancy will be speaking about their "Clear Creeks" initiative at the next Greater Timonium Community Council meeting, and at our October General Meeting of the LCA, we will provide a summary of their "Clear Creeks" strategy, as well as contact information for anyone interested in getting involved.

OCTOBER COMMUNITY MEETING

What makes Lutherville a special neighborhood is the people who live here. LCA residents get involved in a multitude of ways to help keep their community one of the best in Baltimore County.

I am happy to announce the addition of five new board members for this 2019-20 term. The board list is as follows:

President	Marcia Hettinger	Membership	Matt Cimino
Vice President	Allen Hicks	Nominating	Karen Darden
Secretary	Debbie Darr	Public Facilities	Ernie Shea
Treasurer	Mike Deluca	Security	Jeff Dier
Director at Large	Marie Frederick	Newsletter	Chrissy Jerbi
Director at Large	Lauretta Evans	Special Events	Rita Nabhan
History	Julie Szymaszek	Zoning	Eric Rockel
Hospitality	Amanda Mendat	Traffic	Terri Byrd

We look forward to seeing you at the General Association Meeting on Oct. 8th (7pm) at The Lutherville Fire House. Come to the meeting to meet our new board members. Refreshments will be provided.

Be sure to mark your calendar for the Annual Fall Fest/Bonfire on Oct. 26th. Rita and her team are working hard behind the scenes to make it another huge success at College Manor. Thank you Bunny and her College Manor staff for putting together a fun evening around the campfire!

Don't forget September is Membership Month. See the big yellow envelope attached to this issue. There are many ways to contribute your time and talents to LCA activities. Please include your contact information on this form. We will be sure to call you so you can help us make Lutherville better than ever for 2020!



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Please join us for the 3rd Annual!

FALL FESTIVAL

PRESENTED BY COLLEGE MANOR & THE LUTHERVILLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Where: The College Manor Lawn
When: Saturday, October 26th at 4 pm
Raindate: Sunday, October 27th at 4pm

bonfire! snacks! games!
band! byob! vendors! punkin chunkin!
and lots of neighborhood fun!

SEE YOU THERE!

PUBLIC FACILITIES

DEAD AND DYING TREES IN LUTHERVILLE



The tree canopy within the boundaries of the Lutherville Community Association (LCA) is greatly prized as a valuable asset for our community. Unfortunately, many of our large, older trees are approaching the end of their expected lifespan and dead and dying trees have been identified as a **significant hazard to the neighborhood**.

To address this challenge, the Lutherville Community Association, Friends of Roland Run and the State Department of Natural Resources have teamed up on the "Greening of Lutherville" project to: identify dead and dying trees near our sidewalks and roadways; facilitate removal of the trees; and support efforts to replace and plant more trees.

The inventory phase of the project has been completed, resulting in the listing of over 100 hazardous and at risk trees along Lutherville's streets and public walkways. The inventory did not include the identification of dead and dying trees away from roads and sidewalks, but estimates are that these would number over 100 as well, meaning the total number of at-risk trees in Old Lutherville exceeds 200.

We are now preparing for the removal phase of the project, where individual property owners can team up and contract with a licensed tree service company to have their trees taken down. Removing dead or endangered trees on private property is ultimately the responsibility of the property owner. No owner will be forced to remove and replace dead or dying trees, but failure to do so could expose the owner to liability.

Or plan is to contract work out in blocks. If you have questions or would like to participate in the first block this fall, please contact LCA Public Facilities Chair Ernie Shea at e.shea@comcast.net

Please join us in helping to reduce risk and improve the environmental health of our community.

Ernie Shea

DPW SEWER PROJECT UPDATE

The LCA is working on several projects affecting the community: the Department of Public Works (DPW) sewer project, the Maryland Department of Environment FEMA map submissions, and the Department of Environment and Sustainability (DEPS) Roland Run Stream Restoration follow-up.

It is noted here that work on these issues and answers to questions about specific government projects was assisted by our political leaders: Delegate Dana Stein and his staff, and Councilman Wade Kach and his staff. Both were intimately involved in getting the state and county government agencies to respond to LCA inquiries. Also, helping was the staff of Senator West.

The LCA had many issues, concerns and questions about the sewer project. With the help of our elected leaders, the LCA received answers to questions; and later, politicians helped arrange a meeting between residents of Trebor Court and DPW. Below is a summary of the questions asked by LCA:

The Jones Falls Large Diameter Sewer Rehabilitation project involves the lining (rehabilitation) of sewers, mostly large diameter, which run from just north of Timonium Road to the Beltway, roughly paralleling the light rail. No new sewer lines are being constructed. As a sewer rehabilitation project, this is essentially maintenance, involving work on existing lines and manholes. When the work is complete, the area is basically returned to the existing conditions. There were problems with the installation of the liner running down Trebor Court. The contractor will be removing the damaged liner and installing a replacement liner. To do so, the contractor is planning to dig one (or possibly more) pits to access the sewer line and remove the liner. To assist this, Miss Utility has marked other underground utilities. The contractor was planning to start digging this afternoon but has postponed excavation due to the possibility of severe storms and flash floods this afternoon and evening. They plan to begin digging and removal of the liner will follow by the end of

the week. Once the liner has been removed and it's clear that there are no problems with the pipe, the contractor will bring another liner to the site and install it. They hope to do this as expeditiously as possible but they do not yet have a schedule for this work. The contractor will be keeping someone on-site tonight to make sure there aren't any problems with the line.

What is the time-line for starting and completing the project? Construction on the project has begun and should be completed by Fall of 2019.

More detailed information will be handed out at the October meeting.

Maryland Department of Environment FEMA map submissions. Delegate Stein and Hettleman, their staff and Councilman Kach, along with LCA Vice President Allen Hicks met with MDE to discuss the newly-but as yet, completed, FEMA map of our area. (The **Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)** is an agency of the United States Department of Homeland Security). The importance of the FEMA map is that it determines flood insurance for homeowners with mortgages. The LCA requested **David Guignet, Maryland Dept of the Environment Water and Science Administration NFIP State Coordinator** to present at the October LCA meeting MDE's FEMA map, which is to be presented to FEMA. Development and review of the map is an arduous and long process, so we will have the understanding of where MDE is in the process. There will also be the current MDE developed map for all to see.

The Department of Environment and Sustainability (DEPS), Eric Duce, will present to the community updates on **the Roland Run Stream Restoration**. Ernie Shea, Chair of the LCA Public Facilities Committee, Allen Hicks LCA VP, and Councilman Kach staff met with DEPS to discuss the erosion of the banks of the Roland Run. The erosion was brought to the attention of Councilman Kach, who requested DEPS meet with the community on why there was so much bank erosion. Eric Duce, the manager of the Roland Run Stream Restoration will provide information on what is expected for the future of the Restoration and answer questions.

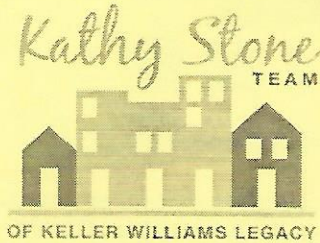
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COMMUNITY HISTORY BEING GATHERED

Along with the beautiful trees and foliage that adorn our community Lutherville also has a rich historical past. As the History chairperson I would like to share interesting facts, stories and pictures of Lutherville in our newsletters and at general meetings. If you have any information you would be willing to share please email me at djszy@comcast.net. I will also be sorting through our community archives housed at the fire station. Look forward to hearing from you.

Julie Szymaszek

LCA GENERAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

**JOIN US FOR THE
OCTOBER 8TH LCA
GENERAL ASSOCIATION
MEETING 7 PM**

WHERE: LUTHERVILLE FIRE HOUSE

WHEN: TUES., OCT. 8, 2019

**WHAT: DPW SEWER PROJECT
UPDATE**

WHO: ALLEN HICKS, V.P. LCA

WHAT: FEMA MAPS UPDATE

**WHO: DAVID GUIGNET,
MARYLAND DEPT. OF THE
ENVIRONMENT WATER &
SCIENCE ADMIN. NFIP
STATE COORDINATOR**

*** COME SEE THE FEMA MAPS**

*** REVIEW THE CURRENT MDE MAP**

**WHAT: UPDATE ON ROLAND RUN
STREAM**

**WHO: ERIC DUCE, MANAGER OF
THE ROLAND RUN STREAM
RESTORATION PROJECT,
DEPS REPRESENTATIVE**

*** FIND OUT ABOUT BANK EROSION
OF STREAM**

*** GET ANSWERS ON FUTURE
STREAM WORK**

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