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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!

inety 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

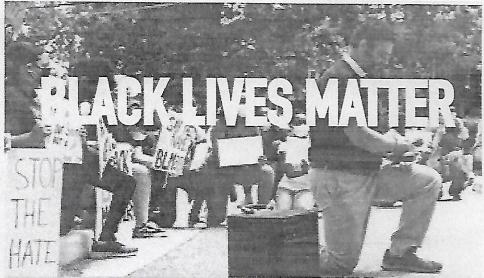
n June 24, 2020, the LCA hosted a Zoom presentation by infectious disease expert Dr. Stuart Ray of Johns Hopkins Hospital.

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.

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

Pollowing 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 to speak up and speak out for justice."

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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 signups. 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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— STICK ME ON THE FRIDGE! — -

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 The Lutherville Community Association

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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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<u>luthervillecommunityassociation.org</u>

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