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Dear Lutherville Residents,

Lutherville welcomed in the month of November in grand style. If you were not around on Saturday November 4 you missed a special community happening. Our second annual Fall Festival on the grounds of College Manor. Two hundred plus residents gathered to launch and smash pumpkins, reconnect with neighbors, explore the LVFC fire truck, enjoy some cider, pizza, ice cream, a cold beer, glass of wine while gathered around an awesome bonfire, listening to the wonderful tunes of The Wafflers. A special thank you to College Manor for partnering with the LCA for another successful community event.

Check out the thank note list of our donors who made this event possible.

We are already planning for Fall Festival 2018!!

Now the Holiday Season is upon us and soon our homes will be merry and bright. Once again we will be judging the best decorated Lutherville homes. See details in Rita's Nabhan special events article. The LVFC truck and Santa will be visiting the neighborhood on Saturday, December 16th. Listen for the siren!!

Included in this issue is an article from the Lutherville Garden Club on the Wildlife Habitat they have created on the grounds of College Manor and an important article on the LCA project in partnership with our community churches to aid seniors and vulnerable adults. Two valuable resources in our community.

I continue to believe that it's the people, events, and organizations that distinguishes LCA as a special community. So if you enjoy our neighborhoods and the activities we plan please take a minute to join the LCA. We have included another membership envelope in this issue for dues or go to our website and use paypal.

On behalf of the LCA Board I wish you a joyous holiday season with family and friends. See you around the neighborhood.

Julie Szymaszek
President
Lutherville Community Association

Mark your calendar - LCA General Association Meeting - MARCH 13th 7 PM

Speaker - Ed McDonough, MEMA Spokesperson - "Disaster Preparedness for Senior" - Some of the topics to be covered: Assembling emergency supply kits, developing a pet care buddy system, importance of making an emergency plan.

See you at the firehouse (2nd floor) on March 13th for this very important speaker. All are invited to join us: Refreshments 6:45 Meeting begins at 7 PM.

SANTA VISITS ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th BEGINNING AT 10am

Once again Santa has graciously coordinated with the Lutherville Volunteer Fire Department to make a special visit to our neighborhood!!!! He will be going through on the fire truck on Saturday December 16th at 10am. LVFD has asked that we organize the ride into main stops in hopes the ride goes more smoothly and is more timely.

- 1 - Norman Ave
- 2 - Lincoln @ Franke
- 3 - Trebor Cr
- 4 - Kurtz at St Paul's Lutheran
- 5 - Frankie @ Division
- 6 - Greenspring @ Morris
- 7 - Morris @ Towson
- 8 - Burton Ave

We hope that Santa will get to see all the children in the neighborhood, but just in case, it's best to be near one of these 8 areas during his visit.



HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

We will once again be holding our decoration contest! We will be polling the community for nominations and votes! Just before Christmas some neighborhood elves will place all nominations in mailboxes.

A vote will be held on Facebook and the List Serve. And winners will be announced just after the new year!

The winners will receive gift cards/prizes from local businesses. Remember, no home can win more than 2 consecutive contests in any category. Decorations are out, so stock up and let's see how bright our neighborhood can shine! Here are the categories and winners from last year.

2016

Best Inflatables: 1423 Burton
Most Traditional: 319 Melanchton*
Best in Show: 629 West Seminary
Grizwold Award: 623 Goucher
Voter's Choice: 1446 Burton
**has won the last two contests.*

ZONING AND PUBLIC FACILITIES REPORT

Wallace Montgomery, the consultant working for Baltimore County's Department of Public Works, has completed the revision to the 100 Year Floodplain mapping. This mapping is the first step in a multi-step process for getting the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map for the Roland Run revised, and it comes after an initial submission to FEMA, which was rejected.

The latest revision to the map shows a much more narrow floodplain. For example, the current FEMA map shows the majority of homes on both sides of Trebor Court to be within the 100 Year Floodplain. The map submitted by Wallace Montgomery only shows one home on Trebor Court, #1623, to be in the floodplain, and it is only partially in at that. Similarly, properties in the 1700 and 1800 blocks of Greenspring Drive see the floodplain greatly reduced as well, but homes on Railroad Avenue and School Lane are still burdened by the floodplain designation.

At this point in time the Maryland Department of the Environment will take the information compiled by Wallace Montgomery and produce a revised Flood Insurance Rate Map, which will be passed on to FEMA. After FEMA has completed its technical review, there will be a public comment period where anyone objecting to the floodplain's depiction can submit specific, technical information to challenge the mapping. Less than technical, engineering-based objections are not considered by FEMA at that stage. A final date for adoption of the revised map is still hypothetical, but a reasonable estimate would be sometime in late 2018.

As to the Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability's stream restoration project, they recently reported that the project will not start until the summer of 2018. Getting State and Federal permits are part of the reason for the delay, but the fact remains that some local residents are not satisfied with the project on several fronts. Some residents have refused to grant permission to use their private property, and presumably the project is being scaled back in those areas. Other residents have objected to specific features of the construction, such as the use of Round Up for vegetation removal or the fact that the project does not attempt to address sources of pollution from the northern end of Roland Run.

The Lutherville Volunteer Fire Department has completed a parking lot addition at the corner of Bellona and Norman Avenues. As part of the parking lot construction, they were required to construct a stormwater management retention pond that is capable of holding runoff in the event of a 100 year storm, according to a Public Works official. This lot should minimize on street parking on adjacent streets when the fire company holds events at the station.

Eric Rockel

WILDLIFE HABITAT AT COLLEGE MANOR

The Lutherville Garden Club has embarked on a brand- new project to be enjoyed by the residents of the Lutherville community – a Wildlife Habitat. Located at College Manor the Wildlife Habitat is situated alongside a nature path that many use for daily exercise as well as walking their dogs.

The objective of the project is to attract more and diversified wildlife by providing food, shelter and a place to raise their young. Next summer the area will be planted with native plants and will include a bluebird house, bat house and mason bee homes.

Also included in the project are plans to clear the stream of debris and to establish a Monarch Waystation. The garden club hopes to help the plight of the endangered Monarch butterfly as well as to enhance the beauty of the existing landscape.

PROJECT TO AID SENIORS AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

The Lutherville Community Association, in partnership with local churches, has developed a project designed to help our neighbors. We know that as many of our residents become seniors they may need assistance and services that are provided by our local institutions. Our group has met with many of these agencies and institutions and identified the services that are available in a wide variety of areas including emergency preparedness, fire and safety, health, finances, and the legal arena. We have developed a concise packet of information that explains the array of available resources. Additionally, we have teamed with Towson University to offer an opportunity for community homeowners to benefit from the help of University students on their annual April 21, 2018 Big Event Volunteer Day.

The event will run from 10 am to 1 pm. Homeowners whose projects are approved can have groups of students perform such tasks as raking, gardening/planting, trash clean up, stream clean up, mulching, outdoor painting, and hauling furniture, etc. to the roadside.

During the coming weeks, LCA Block Captains will identify the seniors (residents over 60) and also vulnerable adults (adults with significant disabilities or special needs) who live on their assigned block(s). They will distribute packets of informational materials to these residents. They will also ask the homeowners if they have an appropriate project for consideration for inclusion in the Big Event.

Interested residents will complete application forms that will be submitted to Towson University for consideration by a student committee that picks the approved projects. The process includes site visits to review the proposed projects.

If a project is approved, then a team of students will be dispatched to the home on April 21, 2018 to perform the chores. Included will be a site manager who will be in communication with Towson U. staff. LCA will also have representatives circulating among the project sites. Homeowners will have to provide any necessary supplies for the tasks such as paint, yard bags, mulch, etc. Students will come with work gloves. Those interested in participating and questions can be directed to Marcia Hettinger at mhettinger@comcast.net.

FROM YOUR ST. PAUL'S NEIGHBORS

I'm just coming through a season of more travel than usual, and while I enjoy being away and engaging in some special projects and ministries, being away from home takes its toll on me at times. So when there's an experience that helps me feel more comfortable and welcomed, it makes all the difference.

Earlier this month, I was in Houston, TX to lead a training as part of our preparations for a national youth gathering in the Lutheran church that will take place there next summer. More than 30,000 young people and adults will descend upon the city for service, learning, worship, and encouragement as they live as a Christian in the world.

During this training, I was somehow given concierge access at the hotel (a new experience for me) which provided for my breakfasts and breaks, staffed by a very attentive couple of employees at the hotel. While it was a little uncomfortable at times to be cared for in this way, it did make my stay and time away from home a little easier, for which I was very grateful.

There's a passage in the Bible about showing this kind of care for others: "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." (Hebrews 13:2) But this is a different kind of hospitality - not trying to maintain brand loyalty or outdo the competitor, but in showing hospitality to welcome others in the way we would want to be welcomed ourselves.

Maybe even an angel in our midst.

Hospitality is something we've been turning our focus to this Fall at St. Paul's too. If you've noticed the new awning we have over the church office entrance, it's there for hospitality to help people know where to find our office, and to provide shelter for those entering and exiting the building. We're working on how to improve signage around our property to help people find their way. We're working to consider lighting around the buildings so people feel safe and have a clear path as they walk through our space. We're trying to imagine the angels that are coming our way, and how we can welcome them into our midst!

In Community Together,
Pastor Ed Kay
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