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NEWSLETTER

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From the President...

Happy New Year!



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BLOCK CAPTAINS – 2010

To all block captains: If you are moving, or would like to step down from your position in 2009, please contact Ashley Semesky at (410)821-7638 or asemesky@yahoo.com. We are looking for block captains for the new addition to the neighborhood. Contact Ashley if you are interested in volunteering to be a Block Captain

NAME	BLOCK 1	BLOCK 2
Gil Spicer	Green Acre Rd. 1018-1024	Cawdor Ct. 1100-1103
Honey Armstrong	Green Acre Rd. 1025-1101	Kirkcolm Rd. 1001-1004
Elizabeth	Green Acre Rd. 1004-1013	
Mary Ellen McLaughlin	Green Acre Rd. 1102-1113	
Megan Williams	Green Acre Rd. 1114-1122	
Rose Trotter	Green Acre Rd. 1015	Dunblane Rd. 1000-1005
Lynn Constantine	Green Acre Rd. 1123-1140	
Ruth Dailey	Glen Luce Ct. 1-5	
Barbara Sandaal	Ryegate Rd. 1100-1110	
Debra Press & Ann Poole	Ryegate Rd. 1111-1121	
Emma Consoli	Brook Meadow Dr. 1303-1307	Drake Ct. 3-8
Linda Bardroff	Chatterleigh Circle 1103-1108	Buckley Ct. 1-6
Betty Mace	Chatterleigh Circle 1109-1111	Metfield Rd. 1100-1108
Laurie Mitchell	Chatterleigh Circle 1113-1124	Brook Meadow Dr. 1301-1302
Sarah Mouring	Waller Ct. 3-6	Metfield Rd. 1026-1031
Marilyn McGrath	Concordia Dr. 1000-1007	Green Acre Rd. 1000-1002
Lynn Wegner	Concordia Dr. 1008-1101	
June Rowe	Concordia Dr. 1102-1110	
Patricia Dobyski	Concordia Dr. 1111-1122	
Rhonda Memphis	Concordia Dr. 1123-1146	
Julie Latanze	Brook Hollow Rd. 1207-1218, Alcan Ct.	Brook Hollow 1219-1227
Jen Descoteau	Helm Ct. 1-7	Cowpens Ave. 1200
Martha Kirby	New Forest Ct. 1-8	
Chip Welsh	Brook Meadow Dr. 1200-1211	
Linda Anderson	1212 Brook Meadow Drive	
Karen Maricle	Cowpens Ave. 1022-1034	Cowpens Ave. 1102-1110
Ellis Dodd	Cowpens Ave. 1115-1122	
Robin Cirincione	Linlow Ct. 3-13	
Jackie Calkins	Temfield Rd. 1102-1108	
Jackie Calkins	Temfield Rd. 1200-1210	
	Temfield Rd. 1211-1220	
Anne & Adrian Palazzi	Cowpens Ave. 1123-1132	
Kelly Oakey	Brook Meadow Dr. 1303-1307	



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Any questions please call our manager
Charly Gibbons 410-435-3244

Visit www.jlbalt.org for information and sale dates

100% of your donations go toward the operating budget for the JLB & all donations are tax deductible.

The Wise Penny is owned and operated by the Junior League of Baltimore. Proceeds are used to fund community programs and to further our mission. We accept tax deductible merchandise donations during store hours. Founded in 1912, the Junior League of Baltimore, Inc. is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational & charitable.

Community News of Interest and Opportunities to Get Involved!

(Deadlines for submissions for April newsletter: 3/31/10)

- 1) The Chatterleigh Community Association has **covenants** that run with the land and are binding (they can be legally enforced) regardless of whether you knew they existed when you purchased your home and regardless of whether you pay your dues. To avoid unnecessary hassle and hard feelings, please request a copy of the covenants for your neighborhood and submit a completed **Covenants Review Application** (found in this newsletter) before starting any fence, home addition, or structure on your property. This process is to protect all home owners and our property values. Thank you for your understanding. Covenants may be requested from our Covenants Team leader: Charly Gibbons (410)583-2276 or charly1129@comcast.net.
- 2) The Chatterleigh community has introduced a new logo. Check it out on the Chatterleigh Community Website. www.chatterleigh.org
- 3) **Want to receive email updates regarding issues impacting the Chatterleigh Association community? The community's Urgent Response Email Network has been sending out updates on the the expansion of Loch Raven High School, the Hocker farm development, Rock church development, Baltimore Lutheran School issues, crime in the community and related meetings. If you have not been receiving these emails and would like to, please submit or resubmit your email address, name and street name to chatterleighassociation@hotmail.com. This email site is an effective way for residents to be alerted to neighborhood issues quickly. Not only will you receive updates, you can also send messages to the rest of the community.**
- 4) If you would like to **advertise your business** in our annual community directory or our quarterly community newsletter, please contact Phil Maher of FATA at (410)578-3600 or pmaher@fataonline.com. The advertising contracts run year to year and are reasonably priced.
- 5) If you use an advertiser listed in our newsletter or directory, please let them know where you saw the ad. The more business they hear about, the more likely they are to advertise with us again! Thank you!
- 6) **"Slow Children at Play" signs:** If you would like to purchase from the county and post on your property a sign that reads, "Slow Children at Play", please call (410)887-3554 and ask for an information packet on the signs. Please remember to drive slowly and watch out for children playing and people walking.
- 7) Pay your **voluntary association dues!** For just \$100.00 a year you can support your community association and have a vote at the annual meeting in May as well as special community meetings throughout the year. These dues enable us to maintain our monuments and common areas, print and send special mailings to the community, send out our quarterly community newsletters, annual directory and much more. To learn more about how the dues are used, contact the Urgent Response Email Network at chatterleighassociation@hotmail.com. To pay your voluntary dues, send a check made out to "The Chatterleigh Association, Inc." to our treasurer, Charly Gibbons P.O. Box 42243, Baltimore, MD 21284-2243. If the annual dues are a financial hardship, the Association may consider assistance. Contact Charly Gibbons at (410)583-2276.
- 8) **Chatterleigh Association Website!** Chatterleigh has a Web site -- www.chatterleigh.org.

The site was created for free by Ryan Snyder, who moved with his wife, Mary, and children Ryan Jr. and Ali to Kirkcolom Road last year. The site includes the newsletter, articles and photos of neighborhood events, photos of community "landmarks," and information sent on Hotmail. It also offers links to community resources and lists of board members and standing committees. We owe Ryan our thanks for his work designing our attractive Web site. Send potential contributions to chatterleighassociation@hotmail.com.
- 9) **The Association is looking for volunteers from the community to monitor the ongoing Hocker/Limekiln Farm Development project. If you are interested, contact Laurie Mitchell at (410) 583-0774.**
- 10) The Board would like to remind all residence to please put trash out after dark and put your trash can back away before going to work but no later than 9:00 AM. By doing this our community will be much more eye appealing.

We are also having complaints that both contractors as well as homeowners are leaving grass cuttings in the street as well as on their neighbor's driveways. Please show consideration to your neighbors
- 11) The Chatterleigh Association, Inc. has a post office box for all correspondence.
This address is:
Chatterleigh Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 42243
Baltimore, MD 21284-2243



Shop Locally!

Towson small businesses are part of your community

The Chatterleigh Association is a member of the GTCCA (Greater Towson Council of Community Associations); check out their website at www.gtcca.org.

The GTCCA supports our Association by giving us a bigger public platform to voice our concerns (as in the proposed expansion of Loch Raven High School). The article below was written and sent out to GTCCA members by Ed Kilcullen, President of the GTCCA.

There are a lot of things that our local businesses do in Towson that we take for granted -- from simple things like lights on the trees and flower pots hanging from lamp posts, to big things like the weekly Feet on the Street summer block parties and the annual Towsontown Spring Festival. Unfortunately, we tend to complain about what we don't have in Towson, such as more fine restaurants - or have too much of (e.g. hookah lounges and pizza/beer joints) -- rather than appreciating what we do have. But if we don't patronize these businesses, they won't survive.

A couple of gems that I've recently discovered:

Bead Wear -- this tiny shop on Allegheny Avenue has lots of interesting, fun and affordable jewelry. The owner is very helpful, particularly to those of us who have no clue about jewelry, and can even come up with something special that you may not see displayed.

Stoney River - this new steakhouse next to The Cheesecake Factory at the mall gives a \$25 gift certificate for every \$100 spent.

Cheesecake Factory -offers a coupon for a free piece of cheesecake with the purchase of a \$25 gift card.

7 West Bistro -- seeming to put its troubled past behind, this new restaurant on W. Chesapeake Avenue (formerly "Blue Grotto" in the old Sunny's Surplus location) offers great food at a great price. They have lots of specials too. Let's show them that Towson can support a new restaurant rather than just another bar.

All About Me Salon & Day Spa -- a great place to get gift certificates or self-care products to pamper someone special.

Towson also offers shops for all your holiday needs -- from bagels, sandwiches, and beer/wine/liquor, to fine jewelry and fine dining. Please remember to shop local!

If you have a favorite small local business, please send its description for consideration in the newsletter to Jon and Christy Shinnick, jshinnick@bcps.org

FRIEND FINDER SIGN UP SHEET

Parent Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Children:	Name: _____	Birthday: _____ (month/year)
	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____

Additional Information:

Any children interested in babysitting?

Petsitting?

Lawn Care?

Snow Removal?

Other?

Please submit to: Chatterleigh Association Social Team
PO Box 42243
Baltimore, MD 21284-2243

This information will only be distributed to the participating families.

Chatterleigh Association Covenants Review Application

Return this form to:
Chatterleigh Covenants Team
Attn: Charly Gibbons
P.O. Box 42243
Baltimore, MD 21284-2243

The Chatterleigh Association, Inc. must receive your applications PRIOR to ANY changes being made and before any application is filed with Baltimore County either for a variance or a permit. Before signing any contracts, be sure your application has been approved. If you follow the correct procedure with the association, as outlined below, you could avoid unnecessary delays, fees or even possible court costs.

Property Owner _____

Property Address _____

Phone (and best time to call) _____

Change or alteration requested _____

Reason for change _____

Have you reviewed a copy of your covenants and restrictions?
Yes or No

For all alterations or structures, please attach a separate, detailed drawing. Drawing needs only to be of sufficient quality to show proposed changes. Include an overall sketch of your property where necessary. Photographs may be helpful.

Description of change (include dimensions): _____

Materials: _____

For Covenants Team use only:

Applicable Covenants: _____

Plat #: _____

Decision: _____

COMMUNITY SOCIAL EVENTS

To help plan future events, contact co-chairs, Janine Golden at goldenjanine@comcast.net or Adrienne Hammel at adrihammell@yahoo.com.



COMMUNITY RESOURCES



The Baltimore County Department of Aging's 2009 "Senior Resources"

directory is now available. The guide, which offers information on topics such as home health services, nursing homes, reverse mortgages and transportation services, is available at the county's 19 senior centers, doctors' offices, hospitals, libraries and senior housing. Free copies can be ordered by e-mailing aginginfo@baltimorecountymd.gov or by calling 410-887-2594.



Meet your neighbors!

(Deadline for submissions for the April newsletter: 3/31/10)

- 1) Interested in being a **Block Captain** for 6-10 houses around you? Contact Ashley Semesky, block captain coordinator at (410)821-7638 or asesmesky@yahoo.com.
- 2) New to the neighborhood and did not receive a **Welcome Packet**? Oops! Please forgive us! Contact Ashley Semesky, block captain coordinator for one at (410)821-7638 or asesmesky@yahoo.com.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Chris and Ashley Semesky welcomed their second son, Ryan Anthony on 1/6/10. He was 7.11 and 20 3/4"

From the Community Awareness / Safety Team

*Please remember to drive slowly
and watch out for
children playing and
people walking.
Thanks!*



FITNESS CORNER

My Two Favorite Cake Recipes

by Laurie Mitchell

Here are two incredibly delicious and sinful cakes for Valentine's Day, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. They taste as though they take hours to make but are basically jazzed up from cake mixes.

Chocolate Kahlua Cake

Ingredients

1 Devils Food Cake Mix
4 eggs
1 cup sour cream
3/4 cup vegetable oil
1 cup Kahlua or other coffee liqueur
6 oz. chocolate chips (preferably dark chocolate)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and oil and lightly flour a Bundt pan before starting to mix ingredients

Put first 5 ingredients in large bowl and mix 3-5 minutes on medium speed with electric beaters

Stir in chocolate chips. Pour mixture into pan and bake at 350 in middle of oven for about 50 minutes, check with knife after that.

Cool in pan for 30 minutes, invert on to serving plate. Let cool completely, then just before serving, dust with confectioners sugar. **Note:** I've often considered experimenting with other liqueurs (cherry, orange, etc.), but have never done it.

Luscious Lemon Cake

Ingredients

1 Lemon Cake mix
4 eggs
1 cup sour cream
3/4 cup vegetable oil
1 package dry mix lemon pudding
1 cup Limoncello or other lemon liqueur
6 oz. white chocolate chips



Preheat oven to 350 degrees and oil and lightly flour a Bundt pan before starting to mix ingredients

Put first 5 ingredients in large bowl and mix 3-5 minutes on medium speed with electric beaters

Stir in chocolate chips. Pour mixture into pan and bake at 350 in middle of oven for about 50 minutes, check with knife after that.

Cool in pan for 30 minutes, invert on to serving plate. Let cool completely, then just before serving, dust with confectioners sugar - can also "dot" with maraschino cherries, etc.

How to keep your New Years' Weight Loss Resolutions-

Ashley Semesky, CPT, CSNC

The number one reason that most people fail at their weight loss and exercise goals is because they simply quit. The bottom line: For something to work, you have to keep at it. If you keep doing the exact same thing over and over again and expecting different results, then you must change what you are doing. You have to not only physically change what you are doing but mentally as well.

If you hit the gym and know what to do, come home and know what to eat, and you're still not seeing results... it's probably because you're not doing these things correctly. That's where it's not the task at hand that's the problem, it's you. You've got to mentally prepare yourself.

Here's a few ways to make sure you stick to your weight loss promises:

1. Reward yourself. Think about this-- have you ever worked your butt off with no reward? Have you ever put in a hard day's work and not expected some sort of incentive? No. Human beings thrive on being rewarded for hard work. Give yourself that dress if you hit a certain weight by a certain time. Take yourself out to your favorite dinner on your cheat day if you don't miss a workout session for a month. Be creative. Some of my clients even enjoy having a calendar to mark workouts on. Whatever helps you tick-- use it to your advantage.

2. Cut down your large goal. I know you have a certain weight or size to be at within a certain time, but it seems like a far reach if you don't look at the smaller picture for the time being. A great example of this: Focus on cutting your large weight loss goal of 50 pounds down to 5 pound increments. Then reward yourself each time you hit a small milestone.

3. Be realistic in your expectations. It took months and even years to put on the weight. It's not going to melt off just by putting in sweat equity in the gym for a couple of weeks. Believe me, if it was that easy, everyone would be walking around with a six pack. Besides setting your ultimate goal, set a smaller, more realistic goal of, say, sticking to your diet for good this time.

Take other tips to heart. Take it one day at a time. Ask your friends and family to encourage you. You can do this. It just takes time.

TIP: Heat soup bowls for a few minutes in the microwave or fill with hot water from the kettle – your soup will stay hotter longer!

Below are some upcoming Fitness Events. For more events or information, go to www.charmcityrun.com or www.baltimorerunning.com. If you know of upcoming events or would be interested in writing a "fitness segment", contact Christy Shinnick at cshinnick@bcps.org

3/7/2010	B&A Trail Marathon/Half Marathon 2010
03/14/2010	Kelly St. Patrick's Day Shamrock 5K
03/27/2010	The Squeal Appeal 5k Run/Walk - Paul's Place
4/11/2010	Cherry Blossom Ten Miler (Washington, DC)
4/11/2010	8th Annual Johns Hopkins University Blue Jay 5k Race for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation





Social Committee Update



The neighborhood has started a program to provide home-cooked meals to families with new babies to help parents with the transition at home. If you would like to be informed of any new births and volunteer to provide a meal, please contact Ashley Semesky at asesmesky@yahoo.com.



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