



CHATTERLEIGH

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FROM THE COMMUNITY AWARENESS / SAFETY TEAM

➤ The repaving of the bus parking lot is complete. There are no plans to increase the number of buses on the lot. If anyone has any questions/concerns, please contact Kristin Iwanicki at 410-337-8054 or kmiwanicki@verizon.net.

➤ Please remember to drive slowly and watch out for children playing and people walking. **It has been brought to the attention of the Board that many of the speeders on our streets are our own community residents!** Thanks!

➤ Help keep our neighborhood beautiful! Please take the time to trim grass and weeds that grow where the curbs meet the street. If this is a hardship ask a neighbor to help. There are many giving and generous people who would not mind lending a hand.

Baltimore County Code Enforcement- During the annual meeting code enforcement was discussed. Did you know that you can report code violations to Baltimore County via their website www.baltimorecountymd.gov. Or you may call 410-887-3351, 410-887-3352. Send **faxes** to Code Enforcement Department at 410-887-2824. Please note that when you send an email, fax, or letter you can remain anonymous. If you call you are required to give your name.

Send letters to:

Department of Permits & Development Management
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 213
Towson, MD 21204

The most common residential code violations are:

- storing unlicensed motor vehicles
- storing inoperative motor vehicles
- open dump conditions
- junk yard conditions
- service garage (automotive repair) activities
- commercial vehicle parking
- kennel operations
- use of property to store contractor's equipment
- rooming house operations
- recreational vehicle parking
- illegal accessory structures

BLOCK CAPTAINS – 2010

To all block captains: If you are moving, or would like to step down from your position in 2010, please contact Ashley Semesky at (410)821-7638 or asesmsky@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	
Joanne Brown.....	Brook Meadow Dr. 1212-1218	
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	
Jackie Calkins	Temfield Rd. 1211-1220	
Anne & Adrian Palazzi	Cowpens Ave. 1123-1132	
Kelly Oakey	Brook Meadow Dr. 1303-1307	
Sally Diehl	Harts Run 1-9	
Carmel Etzel.....	Metfield Rd	
Jean Barker.....	Metfield Rd	

Community News of Interest and Opportunities to Get Involved!

(Deadlines for submissions for January newsletter: 12/30/10)

- 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 expansion of Loch Raven High School, the Hocker farm development, the Rock church development, the Baltimore Lutheran School issues, the 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) **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 Kirkcolm 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.
- 8) **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.**
- 9) 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
- 10) 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



Chatterleigh's Association Social Calendar 2010

The Chatterleigh Association social team will once again be hosting its Fourth Annual Halloween Party. This is our biggest event of the year! Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 31st in Waller Court starting earlier this year at 4:00 PM. Come dressed up in your costume and start off your evening with appetizers, pizza, drinks and games before you hit the road to trick or treat. Please RSVP to this event by October 28.



Announcements for all social events can be found in Chatterleigh Association's newsletter, our website www.chatterleigh.org, and through our EVITE invitations. Check in for updates and all current news.

Please RSVP to the EVITE invitation or to the Committee Janine Golden goldenjanine@comcast.net or Adrienne Hammel adrihammel@yahoo.com by the deadline so the social team can plan for events.



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GARDENING CORNER

By Laurie Mitchell, Chatterleigh Association Board Member

Deer, and Deer-Resistant Native Plants

This summer and fall, the deer problem has been the worst I've seen in the ten years we have lived here, perhaps because of the drought. If you like deer, read no further. If you think the herd numbers should be controlled through



hunting, as I do, write or call our County Councilman, T. Bryan McIntire, during his last few months in office, and ask him what we can do to get a solution to this problem back on the radar screen in Baltimore County (410-887-3387).

Deer eating our garden plants and vegetables is annoying. Lyme disease, caused by ticks carried by deer, car accidents with deer, the destruction of Maryland forests and degrading the watersheds through relentless browsing, and destroying the habitats of other animals and insects, are beyond annoying and can be deadly.

Here are some suggestions, repeated by request, for deer resistant native plants:

Spring

Foamflower: spreads and makes a ground cover, foamy white flowers on stalks. Partial to full shade.

Fringed Bleeding Heart: the native Bleeding Heart will bloom throughout the summer too if you give it some water once in awhile. A fabulous, undemanding plant, will take some sun but likes shade.

Native geraniums (*cranesbill*, etc., *geranium maculatum*); sun to partial shade. There are a zillion cultivars out there, all aromatic and thus undesirable to the deer. Most like a lot of sun.

Dwarf phlox (*Phlox stolonifera*) and Garden phlox (*Phlox maculata*): both make a lovely carpet of flowers, or bloom a few inches off the ground, in the spring, and then make a green ground cover afterwards. Many colors are available, from light pink to deep lavender/purple.

Columbine (*Aquilegia*, *Canadensis* and other varieties). This is a very flexible plant, can take some sun but likes shade. The foliage can get a bit ratty from leaf miners and slugs later on, but some springs it doesn't get eaten. The flowers are spectacular. There are many cultivars now and some are really showy.

Early Summer:

Bee Balm (*Monarda didyma*); the red ones look like little party hats and the hummingbirds love them. They spread aggressively, so put them somewhere you can control them. The

shorter types are not as aggressive. The root system is shallow though, so you may have to water it to keep it going. Likes full to partial sun.

Orange Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*, i.e. the native one). One of my favorites - tangerine orange, the butterflies and bumblebees love it, the deer hardly ever eat it, and it loves sun and dry weather. It has a tap root that goes down to the center of the earth, however, so make sure you want it where you plant it. Mulch it well in the fall.

Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*); a great summer bloomer, upright purple stalks

If it's happy, it will seed prodigiously and slowly cover the area around it with progeny. Leave the stalks up in the winter for the goldfinches and other seed eaters.

Fall:

Goldenrod; many varieties and heights now; does not cause allergies, contrary to popular myth. The variety *Solidago rugosa*, i.e. "Fireworks" has gorgeous fronds of tiny yellow flowers. Divides easily in the spring, too.

Asters; again, many native varieties, usually shades of purple to white. Wood asters like shade; New England asters (*Aster novae-angliae*) like partial sun to sun. The deer chew them but they will bloom anyway.

Mistflower (*Eupatorium coelestinum*); this plant is a small relative of Joe Pye-Weed. The fluffy little purple flowers in the fall add unusual color for this time of year. In partial shade it will spread rapidly; in sun it spreads more slowly. Comes up late in the spring so it's a good idea to mark where you planted it.

Horsemint (*Monarda punctata*); loves sun, dry weather, related to Bee Balm. Grows about a foot high, spectacular yellow, pink and brown flower heads and petals. Enjoy it close up, i.e. not a good plant for distant views.

Last but not least, deadheading (i.e. taking off dead flower heads) will encourage many plants to keep blooming.

Sources for native wildflowers: *Native Perennials, North American Beauties*, Brooklyn Botanical Gardens, 1998.

Bebe Miles, *Wildflower Perennials for Your Garden*, Stackpole Books, 1996. This book is the best one I know for native wildflowers, worth hunting for.

Invasive plants: a deadly trio

Garlic Mustard: Smells like garlic, tastes like garlic (yes, it's edible, Europeans probably brought it over here for that reason long ago), the deer don't eat it, and it is wiping out native plants in Maryland woods and meadows. The leaves look like large geranium leaves, but are not fuzzy. Pull it up wherever you see it in the fall, the seeds are long gone. It's a biennial (lives only two years), so it will not flower the next year if you pull it up now.

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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: _____

GARDENING CORNER

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Oriental Bittersweet: this invader has displaced our native Bittersweet vine and is the one responsible for pulling down and/or “mummifying” many of the trees we see on roadsides. Birds eat the seeds and spread them everywhere. Seedlings can be pulled up by hand. For big vines (and they can get very big), lop or saw them off, and paint the stumps with undiluted Round-Up, being careful this herbicide is in a tightly closed container at all times. Fall is a good time to kill these vines because the plant is storing energy in its roots and Round-Up is going in the same direction to eventually kill the plant.

English Ivy: this plant has become invasive in wooded areas, and it can severely damage your trees by eventually smothering them, and make them susceptible to other pests through creating moist areas near the trunk. Remove ivy from all trees, and better yet, get rid of it in your yard altogether.

For more information on invasive plants in our area, please contact Laurie Mitchell, 410-583-0774. I know most of them through long experience!

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Mothers Helpers Available

Katie Walsh – age 11

Sara Walsh – age 9 ½

The girls are available after school, on school holidays and on weekends.

If there is anyone interested, our contact information is as follows:

The Walsh Family

410-825-1554

Brianandmia1@comcast.net

**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**

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 asesesky@yahoo.com.

In addition to the above program it was recently suggested that a similar program be offered to our neighbors in need. If anyone knows of a neighbor who has recently become a ‘shut in’ please ask this neighbor if they would need assistance of any kind. If they are agreeable to receiving help please contact Ashley Semeskey at asesesky@yahoo.com



FITNESS CORNER

JUMPSTART YOUR METABOLISM

-Ashley Semesky, CPT, CSNC

A boosted metabolism is very important on many, many levels. Without a high metabolism, your body cannot burn calories properly. When your body can't do this, you gain weight. Here are a few tips to boost your metabolism and keep it up there so that your body is burning calories even when you're not working out!

Lift weights. Want to raise your metabolism so you will burn calories throughout the day even while you're not exercising? Lift more weights. A body with more muscles burns more calories. Every pound of muscle in your body burns an average of 35 calories per day.

Get moving and stay moving. Don't give your body a reason to stop burning calories. Even if you're not exercising, you can still do other things to help the metabolism stay at its maximum. Clean the house, mow the lawn, go for a walk, play with the kids. Just get active!

Eat more chicken. Chicken contains high amounts of protein. Protein is a vital part of your body's process to burn calories. Eating foods high in protein actually takes your body longer to digest, therefore making it work harder and burn more calories. Other high protein foods include turkey, fish, beans, legumes, eggs, lean steak, low fat dairy and nuts.

Don't eat right before bed. Your body's digestive system shuts down almost completely while you sleep. This means that anything still in your stomach has a better chance of being absorbed into your body's adipose tissue storage instead of being passed through the body.

Get sleep and lots of it. A well-rested body is more likely to burn fat. If you don't get enough sleep, your body will use all of its energy just to keep you awake instead of doing what it naturally should be doing. Get sleep, at least 7-9 hours a night.



PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES

Pay your **voluntary association dues!** For just \$75.00 a year you can support your community association and have a vote at the annual meeting. 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**
- ✓ **Provide community social events such as the Halloween Party, Mock Tail/Cock Tail Block Party, Movie Nights and much more!**
- ✓ **Decorate the community at the holidays**
- ✓ **Pay for signage advertising community events**
- ✓ **Deal with legal issues as they occur**
- ✓ **Provide the dumpsters for our annual dumpster day**

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.

*Please pay your dues ASAP. By delaying the payment it makes it more difficult for the community to plan for future events and needs!



Meet your neighbors!

(Deadline for submissions for the January newsletter: 12/30/10)

- 1) Interested in being a **Block Captain** for 6-10 houses around you? We are looking for block captains for the new additions to the neighborhood. If you live on Metfield, Brookview, Meadowlark, Harts Run, Ruffed Grouse or Minebank and would like to volunteer to be a block captain, please contact Ashley Semesky 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.

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