

GBIA



NEWS

January 2009

Next General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, January 13, 2009 7:00 p.m. GBIA Hall

Ending to a Wonderful year of Celebrating the 100th Birthday of the GBIA

Many events were held this past year in conjunction with the Centennial Celebration and we would like to acknowledge all the chairmen and volunteers with a big **THANK YOU** for all their efforts in making this past year a huge success.

* **The Centennial Committee** included Barbara Moeller, Beth Behegan, Candy Fontz, Barb Sabur, Bob Tavik, Andy Werner, Muriel Carter, and Rick Biagiotti who planned many events to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the GBIA.

* **Carnival Program Book** was the project of Beth Behegan and Candy Fontz who spent many hours researching information and photos for this special publication.

* **Fourth of July Fireworks** at Sawmill Creek Park on July 3rd, coordinated by Andy Werner was once again held in our hometown.

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GBIA Tree Lighting Kicks off the Holiday Season

On Wednesday, December 3rd, the GBIA Tree Lighting was held at the Hall. This year the children heard noises while outside singing songs and found Santa around the building and they escorted him to the tree for the lighting. As in the past, the Girl Scouts provided crafts and the children also wrote letters to Santa. The evening was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Brenda Kelly who organized the event, Bruster's for supplying the ice cream, and to Beverly Behegan and Beth Behegan for trimming the tree outside the hall.



The 2009 Budget was passed at the December General Membership Meeting. Many thanks to the Budget Committee

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***Black Eye'd Susan Committee** sold black eye'd susans to the community and businesses to help celebrate the centennial.

***Quilt** was designed and made by the Home Arts Club of Glen Burnie showing different events over the past 100 years. Marv and Marsha Imhoff built the showcase in the hall to display the quilt.

***100th Birthday Party** was held on Sunday, June 8th and coordinated by Barbara Sabur. Despite the extreme heat, many enjoyed the day with refreshments, dancing, games for the children, ice cream supplied by Bruster's, and a birthday cake.

***1st 5K Race** was held on Sunday, October 12th. Chairman Rick Biagiotti and volunteers were delighted with the number of attendees and the days events.

***Time Capsule** coordinated by Beth Behegan was dedicated on Tuesday, December 9th and placed in the GBIA showcase to be opened on June 6, 2108.

***Cakes and Refreshments** at the monthly meetings are supplied by Brenda Kelly

***Memory Boards for Hall** were organized by Barb Sabur, Dolores Call, Norma Shaw, and Marian Johnson

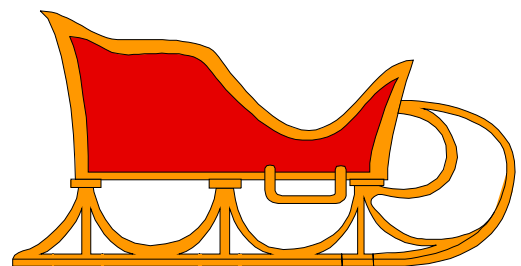
***Memorial Parade Float:** Bob Tavik, Andy Werner, and Rick Biagiotti

Santa's Sleigh Rides Again to the Delight of Many

Once again, children of all ages were treated to a Christmas Eve visit from their favorite man in red.

There is nothing that can add to the anticipation or wonder of Christmas Day like a Christmas Eve visit from Santa himself. Many children in Glen Burnie are treated to just such a visit thanks to volunteers from the GBIA, with the help of the Glen Burnie Volunteer Fire Department, and JBA Chevrolet who donate the truck that is used for Santa's sleigh.

There are several members of our community who help immensely with Santa's sleigh and who deserve our thanks. These individuals include, Bill Nevin, Mark Nevin, Pat Kelly, and Jim Call who spent many hours assembling and decorating the sleigh; and Bill Nevin, Bonnie Nevin, Mark Nevin, Tom Nevin Jr., Brian Nevin, and Drew for giving of their time on Christmas Eve to make this a special time for all. Without their help along with the Glen Burnie Volunteer Firefighters, this cherished Glen Burnie tradition would not happen year after year, and regardless of weather conditions.



Elections for the GBIA Board to be Held in January

The Nominations are closed for the upcoming elections to the GBIA Board.

Nominees are: **Dolores Call**
Russell Downs
Donna Falls
Marian Johnson
Brenda Kelly
Chuck Kiessling
Norma Shaw

Please plan to attend the January General Membership Meeting to cast your vote. You are eligible to vote if you are a member in good standing who has attended at least five (5) regular meetings in the previous twelve (12) months. Please come out and vote on January 13th.

VOTE

Time Capsule Dedicated

On Tuesday, December 9, 2008, the Time Capsule was dedicated and closed by Barbara Moeller and Muriel Carter and placed in the GBIA's hall showcase to be opened on June 6, 2108. The contents include legal papers and deeds, Pictures from carnival and GBIA events, Financial reports, Carnival Programs and Memorabilia, Carnival Financial Information, Newspaper articles and GBIA Newsletters from GBIA files and Maryland Gazette, Glen Burnie History, and Centennial Year Newspaper Articles. Many thanks to Beth Behegan and volunteers for all their hard work.

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Calendar of Events

Thursday, January 1st

Happy New Year

Tuesday, January 13th

General Membership Meeting, 7p.m.

Monday, January 19th

Martin Luther King's Birthday

Tuesday, January 20th

Inauguration Day





Congratulations
to Laura Pontzer
who was the final
winner of the
\$150
Gift Basket that
was given out at
the December's
General Meeting.



Welcome
New Members

Matthew Eiermann
205 Second Ave., S.E.

Kimberly Spinks
216 Sixth Ave., N.E.

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