

GBIA



NEWS

July 2005

Next General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, July 12, 2005 7:30 p.m. GBIA Hall

Don't Miss The Big Glen Burnie Carnival

July 29th - August 6th
(closed on Sunday, July 31st)

Monday—Friday: 7-11
Saturday: 6-11

As usual, Monday-Thursday ride-all-night bracelets will be sold for \$14.00, weather permitting, however there are no rain-checks and no refunds.

There are still plenty of volunteer opportunities, call Barb Moeller to let her know how you can help with our biggest fundraiser of the year!

410-766-6760

**Raffle tickets are still available
for the new Toyota Tacoma.**



CEO of North Arundel Outlines Hospital's Bright Future

James Walker, CEO of North Arundel Hospital addressed the General Membership in June. He reminded members that the hospital will celebrate its 40th birthday on July 4th of this year, and thanked the GBIA for its past support of the hospital. North Arundel is preparing for a major expansion program which should begin in February of 2006. This expansion will include a larger Emergency Room which will increase the volume of patients from about 80,000 visits per year to 110,00 visits per year. The inpatient capacity will also increase with the addition of a 6-story building. Mr. Walker also announced that North Arundel will bring back its Obstetrics unit, along with the addition of a major Women's Center. All of this is good news for the residents of Glen Burnie, as their main hospital improves to meet the needs of the patients it serves. Look for the new construction to begin early next year!

A. A. Co. Zoning Supervisor Addresses General Membership

Joanie Casey, Zoning Supervisor, addressed the General Membership in June to help alleviate some concerns residents voiced regarding zoning violations. She reminded residents that zoning violations can be reported anonymously, but that inspectors must be able to see the violation from the road. If the only place it is visible from is within your home, they will request that inspectors be allowed inside the home in order to observe and photograph the violation. If you have a zoning violation to report, you can do it in writing, (forms are available at the GBIA) or you may report it by phone. Call Rose Brooks, Aide to Councilman Middlebrooks, at **410-222-6890**.

Additionally, Ms. Casey reported two recent changes to the zoning laws:

- 1) Residents may now park up to a 1 ton vehicle in their driveway, (previous limit was .5 ton.)
- 2) All zoning violations on roadways are now the jurisdiction of the police department, such as untagged vehicles on the road.

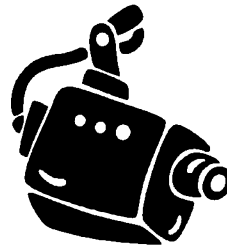
If residents still have questions about zoning violations, they can refer to the GBIA mailing all members received last year which outlined the zoning regulations in this county.



Thank You, Angie Monroe

Angie Monroe has graciously agreed to take over the responsibility of B&A Trail coordinator from Beth Behegan. She said the trail looks great right now and that all flower boxes are currently taken. Look for a new sculpture to be coming to the B&A trail soon.

Motion Approved to Donate to GBHS Camera Project



Voting was held to decide on the motion to donate \$5000 towards the GBHS security camera project. The motion was made, seconded, and approved. GBHS principal, Sam Salamy was extremely grateful to the GBIA for its support of the project. He is looking forward to the Board of Education supplementing his fundraising efforts.

Elected to Membership

Tina Bednarski,
104 Greenway, NW
James Bednarski,
104 Greenway, NW
Rochelle Powder,
97 Greenway, NW



Welcome, all new members!



Farmers' Market Opening Soon

When: Wed. 11-2 from 7/6-10/26
Where: Central Ave. & Platzer Ln.
(A. A. County Parking Lot)

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*Come and check it
this month!*

Happy July 4th

God Bless America!



The Volunteer Spotlight Shines on Mr. Levin Parker

If you searched all over Glen Burnie, it would be difficult to find someone who is more deeply rooted in this area of Anne Arundel County. Born and raised here, Mr. Levin Parker says that the Parkers have been here since the 1850s, and back then Glen Burnie didn't extend as far as his family's property located on Crain Highway. The Parkers were farmers and Levin grew up on his family's farm. They grew produce and used animals to do the work of today's tractors. Even as a young boy, Levin remembers the Big Glen Burnie Carnival. He worked as a 'truck boy' at the age of 10 or 11, riding on the back of a pickup truck bringing in fresh produce for the fire department to make up beautiful fruit baskets. . . and he's been volunteering ever since.

Levin has been a member of the Improvement Association for more than 25 years and in that time has worked the carnival, the Halloween Party, the Memorial Day Parade, served 4 years on the Board, and currently serves as the Police Community Relations Representative. His other current volunteer position suits him well, as he is responsible for the bulk mailing of the Newsletter. Before retiring in 1978, Levin dedicated 30 years of his life to working for the US Postal Service.

Mr. Parker's retirement in '78 didn't slow him down one bit. He began a second career with the State
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Outstanding volunteer, Levin Parker

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Calendar of Events



Monday, July 4th

Independence Day

Wednesday, July 6th, 11-2

GB Farmers' Market Opens

Friday, July 8th, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Bayside Big Band Concert

Tuesday, July 12th, 7:30 p.m.

General Membership Meeting

Friday, July 15th, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Bleu Lights Concert

Friday, July 22nd, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Package Deal Concert

Friday, July 29th, 7:00 p.m.

Big Glen Burnie Carnival Opens!

Levin Parker (cont'd from p. 3)

Police Department in 1980 teaching driver training courses. He took his skill with the police department and turned it into another service opportunity by becoming a volunteer instructor for the *Drive to Survive Program*, teaching 55+ senior driving safety.

The GBIA greatly appreciates all that Mr. Parker does, from the big jobs, down to the little ones, like praying before each General Membership meeting, or helping to set up chairs. To honor his dedicated service, Mr. Parker received the Carter Award in 1999. Levin, we are grateful to have you in our midst. Thank you for the gift of your time!

Doll Apartments to Be Sold

The Doll Apartments located at 1420 Crain Highway are in the process of being purchased by Supported Housing Developers, Inc. (SHD). They will convert these apartments into housing for a mix of tenants, all low income, some of whom will be seriously mentally ill. The Doll Apartments contain eight one-bedroom units and eight two-bedroom units completely furnished. The majority of the new tenants will be low-

income families who will pay 30-40% of their income toward housing.



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