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Presidents Perspective

Lately we have had a rash of complaints about neighbors that do not keep their yards up to snuff. Even though there are few covenants that concern messy yards, there are zoning violations when it comes to untagged vehicles, excess noise, and uncut grass (after it reaches a height of approximately 2 feet). This is just to name a few. It is really beyond my thought process that some people keep houses and yards in such said state. But when you think of the number of homes in the Cape, it turns out to be a low percentage of neighbors that do not care about the appearance of their homes. However, one bad lot in the middle of a street can spoil the streets property values (the one bad apple theory), so we will continue to work with the residents to help determine what type of complaint it is and facilitate, where possible, resolutions to these complaints.

In the last several years the covenants committee has developed a repeatable process to deal with these covenant and zoning complaints. They have set up a database to tracking complaints, set up standard procedures to deal with different type of complaints, and worked with residents to resolve these issues. The board has gotten away from an ad hoc method of evaluation and resolution. These efforts started under Joe Daly and continue with Matt Puglisi. I would like to commend both for their efforts.

There is a suggestion to add a rule to the CSCIA building code that would make it a violation if you did not keep your structure(s) in a good state of repair. This would apply to not only the main structure, but porches, decks, and sheds as well. I would like to see the board work on this issue in the upcoming months and put it to a community vote later in the year.

In addition, we still have issues with high school students parking their vehicles on streets surrounding the school, thereby making the streets impossible for two-way traffic. A short-term solution has been for the concerned group of residents to go to the county and get No Parking signs (the ones that say no parking between 7 a.m. and noon on weekdays). Every time one group of residents gets these signs, it just pushes the problem a little further out and the cars are moved to a new area. The signs prevent legitimate guests from parking on the streets like friends or work/repair trucks. A new solution should be looked into (a few suggestions have recently been emailed to me, which I will present to the board), but these are county roads so whatever solution we would like to try must have the backing and support of our county officials. If you have any suggestions, please send them to the roads committee, which is chaired by Bruce Campbell.

Turning to a happier note the Strawberry Festival, which in a

way marks the changing of the seasons in the Cape, is June 3rd (might have already happened), and should be a blast again this year. I am anticipating a lot of fun to be had. As you might know, one the main reasons the Strawberry Festival exists – aside from bringing the residents and family together – is to allow community groups to raise money for their activities. In many cases this is the only big event for them to raise funds.

Mary Lamb has organized the Festival; not to mention the Easter, Halloween, and Christmas celebrations for many years now. There can't be enough said of the huge amount of time she and her volunteers put in to bring us these events. So, I will simply say, "Thank You!" I hope the streets are lined for the parade and the weather is with us, so that we have a great turnout this year.

May your summer get off to a great start and continue on until Labor Day!

Dan Wolin

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County Council in Action By

Cathleen Vitale

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Bits and Pieces: A Little Bit About A lot of Things

Well it's May, and that means budget month for the Anne Arundel County Council. As most of you know, the County Council receives the budget from the County Executive on May 1st each year. Prior to that time, we have no idea what she (or he) is going to provide for to meet the needs of the citizens of our County. Will money go into school construction? What about roads (anyone driven College Parkway lately)?

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While I anticipate a budget that provides for more than a billion dollars in operating and capital expenses, the details will have to wait for the June column. I know, I'm anxious to see if the projects and needs I asked for on behalf of our citizens are funded, but the column is due April 21 (although I am a bit late, it's the 24th), and the presses won't wait until after the budget message. However, a few thoughts.

On May 8 (Chesapeake Arts Center) and May 10 (Arundel Center, Annapolis), public hearings will be held on the budget. At that time, public testimony will be taken regarding any issue relating to budgetary items, the tax rate and other accompanying budget bills. Of course, our regular monthly meetings will continue on the 1st and 3rd Monday night to handle the business of the Council.

Last month the Council passed the Scenic and Historic Roads Bill, (sponsored by yours truly), a piece of legislation that dates back to 1997, when a list was created which designated various roads throughout the County as either scenic, historic or both.

The purpose of the designation was to provide protection or preservation to the roads against development, which would be inconsistent with the surrounding area.

There are approximately 14 points, which relate to scenic and historic roads and development. They are listed in the County Code in section 17-6-504.

For example, if a road were so designated, structures and roads would need to be designed to retain the open character of the site and to minimize the impact of the development on views from the road; development would have to minimize tree and vegetation removal and protect existing vegetation adjacent to the road; entrance features shall be low, open, and in keeping with the scenic or historic character of the surrounding area and the development would need to preserve the existing forest, tree canopy, foreground meadow, pasture, crop land, and other natural screening and shall be designed to place development in the background as viewed from the road.

As a result of the legislation,

several roads in Severna Park, Arnold and Broadneck now hold this designation.

The Council has also been working on legislation requiring the establishment of a Veterans Commission. Many other counties already have such legislation in place, and the council, spearheaded by Councilman Middlebrooks, took up this important issue.

With the status of Crownsville up in the air, delegates, senators and council members hoping to have a veterans home on a part of the property, and the increasing number of retired military who call Anne Arundel County home, the legislation was overdue and I am glad we are addressing this issue.

I would be remiss if I did not at least mention the Board of Education. As many of you know, the Board is in the throws of a master facilities utilization study. Each time the Board reviews the usage of County schools it sends shivers up the back of parents all over the County regarding the prospect of redistricting.

I want to thank the many parents who took time away from their
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busy schedules to attend one of the two meetings held by MGT which were "designed" to get our input as parents and community stakeholders in the proposed plans.

As of yet, I have yet to hear their recommendations. It is my understanding that a presentation will be made to the Board of Education on or about June 7th. That presentation will occur during an open, regularly scheduled board meeting in which the public may attend. For many, myself included, this may be the first opportunity to hear any specific suggestions regarding the results of the study.

As a parent of a Folger McKinsey student, and past resident of Berrywood, I can tell you that

throughout my lifetime, the issue of which community goes to which feeder system has always been discussed with some level of anxiety.

While I, and the other members of the Council do not have the authority to pass or defeat any Board of Education decision regarding redistricting, I can only tell you that we listening and engaged. I have attended the meetings, scheduled special meetings with the Council so that MGT can hear our concerns and communicated my desire to keep our current feeder system alignment as it currently exists.

I urge interested parents to participate in the upcoming Board meetings and to make your positions known to the members of the Board of Education.

You may find your specific representatives at www.aacps.org. I have found them to be available and interested, each time I have presented them with an issue or a problem.

So much for a bit of this and a bit of that. I will see you after budget. As always, feel free to communicate with me at cvitale@aacounty.org or call 1-410-544-4937.

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We always manage to have fun, largely because of the tremendous volunteer effort that goes into making these events possible and their ability to cope when the majority of us would head screaming back to the house. May and June are always risky when it comes to rain stopping play and we’ve been rained out few times, but for the most part Cape Folk make it happen.

Unlike many of the communities on the peninsula we’ve had time to adapt! On the subject of adaptability, neighbor Rick

Brightwell literally remembers when all roads leading to the Cape weren’t quite as smooth.

Rick moved here in 1961 when his dad, who worked for the Social Security Administration, was relocated to the Baltimore office. Rick recalls very few homes here in those days, the roads were made of sand and there was no modern shopping center. While there was a ball field to play in, it wasn’t like the current recreational field. No blaring sound system or problems parking. Just a simple field and the sound of children having fun without all the fuss.

In those days Cape St. Claire was a private, gated community with a guard on full time duty, located in the shack close to the bus stop near our supermarket.

You could not enter the Cape without identification proving you lived here or as a guest with advance notice to the guard. Rather like Gibson Island is today.

The shopping center, which as Rick remembers it consisted of the Bee Hive and Graul’s Supermarket, seemed much slower then, unhurried and perfectly tranquil. The Volunteer Fire Department had a loud siren which sounded in emergencies to call community volunteer firefighters together. The community then as now supported their Fire Department but used the firehouse for dances and fundraisers for the department.

This homegrown Cape boy is a University of Maryland graduate
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who now works as a computer scientist for the fast-growing Annapolis based software development company CollabraSpace. The company, which was recently awarded the prestigious "Best Place To Work" award by the Baltimore Business Journal, is a leading provider of web-based collaboration solutions for government and commercial enterprises. In layman's terms, when you want to bring people, processes and data together around the country or the world in real time, their software enables you to do it — one world, no boundaries. Sounds very exciting and darned practical to Cape Folk.

The Brightwell's have been married for 33 years, and have raised two sons in Cape St. Claire. Mrs.

Brightwell is a pre-kindergarten teacher at Calvary Methodist Center in Annapolis. The couple are typical of many baby boomers in Cape St. Claire — still enjoying themselves in a community that remains self-contained, with stores, schools, recreations fields, beaches and piers all accessible without having to drive for miles.

Rick feels that our very active Community Association does a fine job in ensuring the quality of life here particularly with the beaches and piers.

"Our recreational facilities are great," says Rick, "and have improved over the years, but we should make a greater effort to keep non-residents or non-guests of residents away. The 'No Parking' signs at the beach seem to be invisible and are not

always enforced."

Rick added that he always liked the small beach on the Little Magothy but now it is sadly overgrown and almost inaccessible.

What changes would Rick like to see in our area? No surprises, Cape Folk. Like so many of us, Rick would opt to restrict building of new businesses except for perhaps a movie theatre in Arnold or somewhere close on Route 2. "Route 50," he said, "is starting to look like Route 2 in Glen Burnie!

Here in the Cape I would put in more sidewalks, and ask for a more prominent police presence to enforce the speed limits. I dislike the present volume of traffic inside and around our community.

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Folk (Cont. from page 10)

The woods we had as children are gone,” he explained somewhat wistfully, “now there’s a house every ten feet!”

Which brings us back to where we began. If it rains on the Strawberry Festival or Garden Club Sale, we utilize our coping mechanisms and take a rain check or get wet. To deal with uncontrolled growth in our area and improve failing infrastructure, we take it to the polls later in the year to ensure better decisions are made to protect our future. Cape Folk – that’s who we are and that’s how we survive in the best place to live on the Lower Broadneck Peninsula!

Submitted by Mandy Johnson
Mandy Johnson is the Director and Founder of The Enehey Group, an Investigative Research Company

specializing in human rights issues and pre-trial investigation for law firms.

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Submitted by Patricia Frederick
A longtime resident and grandma of two elementary school children!



Happy June, all! The azaleas are already fading, but the irises and peonies are going strong! What a lovely, cool spring we’ve
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Garden (Cont. from page 10)

been having so far, and even a bit of rain to water the plants. Thanks to all who brought us their recycled planting pots – they were a tremendous help as we prepared for our plant sale.

The Garden Club is pleased to announce and congratulate the Yard of the Month winners for the month of May:

- * *Area 1:* The Riesetts, 1009 Magothy Park Lane
- * *Area 2:* D. Manning and D. Gerrior, 1062 Sun Valley Drive
- * *Area 3:* Elizabeth Wnorowska, 963 Highpoint Drive
- * *Area 4:* The Vistas, 837 Chestnut Tree Drive
- * *Area 5:* The Meldonados, 1219 Chestnut Tree Drive

At our May meeting, we heard Jerry Crawford speak about Bay-wise Gardening. Cape St. Claire is one of thousands of communities privileged to live along the 11,000 miles of coastline that are the Chesapeake Bay watershed, and we are among those charged with keeping the bay healthy for future generations.

There are many things we can do, with our lawns, our gardens, our watering and fertilizing habits, and

in our landscaping design.

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Mr. Crawford suggested I include a monthly Bay-wise tip in my Caper articles. Here is one for June: mow your grass high, leaving 3" of blade, and leave grass clippings on the lawn for added nutrients. Mowing high has several benefits: it reduces weeds,

since weed seeds can't get to the soil or receive sunlight as easily, and it helps the lawn hold and absorb rainwater, which is good for the lawn and reduces runoff to the bay. If you're accustomed to mowing the grass low, you may have to hold off mowing for a while until the lawn is higher, but once it gets 4" high, you simply mow at the same frequency, leaving the grass at about 3" each time. Try it, for a greener, healthier lawn!

Our annual plant sale on May 20th was a resounding success, thanks to all of you. What a lovely day we had for our sale, sunny and cool, and boy did you all turn out in force – nearly everything was sold. Thanks to all who came out – it was lovely to meet some neighbors while sharing gardening tips!

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The Garden Club will have one more speaker in June, the very knowledgeable Gene Sumi, a professional horticulturalist. Mr. Sumi has spoken twice to us already and always dazzles us with the breadth of his knowledge. This time, he will speak on the topic of growing fruit and other edibles. Ever thought about planting fruit trees? Blueberries? Strawberries? This talk is for you! Join us at 7 pm on Tuesday, June 20th, and learn all about it.

After our June meeting, our meetings will pause for the months of July and August, and resume in September. Keep your eyes peeled in future Capers for the Yard of the Month winners and then the announcements of the fall meeting schedule.

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