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# Gwynns Falls Newsletter

**Gwynns Falls Business and Homeowners Association**

A Non-Profit Community Association

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## *Mission Statement*

- ❖ Our community is made up of civic minded, responsible individuals and business people united in activism for the safety and enjoyment of our neighborhood and the surrounding areas. We represent a return to civility and order. We wish to be the voice for the neighborhood to help enforce existing regulations and implement revisions in areas where rules are flawed, ineffective or non-existent. We strive to see families and businesses in this community working together supporting general community interests such as issues with the city's legislation, efforts designed to increase property values, and other long term goals for an improved quality of life and the beautification of our community.

## *Treasurer*

- ❖ We would like to thank Gary Pearson for his valuable time that he has invested as well as his dedication and commitment to the association as treasurer! Going forward, we would like to acknowledge Connor Meek who has filled the position as treasurer and we welcome Connor aboard! Again, thanks Gary and Connor!

## *Mayor's 2016 Spring Cleanup*

- ❖ Cleanups implemented were the 3000 block of Frederick Avenue and blocks 3100 & 3200 Strickland Street. If you participated in the cleanup and we didn't know about it, we greatly appreciate your time and support!

## *National Police Officers Week – May 15 - 21*

- ❖ On Tuesday, May 17, we will provide a luncheon for our officers to show our appreciation! Please thank our brave men and women in blue! They are here to serve and protect the community. Also, please remember to wear your safety belts! Ensure that your children are in the proper child safety seat. The life you save may be your own!

## *Curious about Adopting or Fostering a child?*

- ❖ Join us Monday, May 23, at 6:30 p.m. to meet with Mr. Michael Dannenberg, Baltimore City Department of Social Services advisor to families. He will be discussing the process of adopting and fostering a child. The meeting will take place at the Academy of Success, 525 Hurley Avenue. If interested in contacting Mr. Dannenberg, he can be reached at 443-423-4321.

## *Did You Know...?*

- ❖ We will be installing a new flag in the park and new basketball nets are coming soon. Also, our association has submitted the information for the installation of traffic calming devices throughout the neighborhood.
- ❖ Call 311 ( City Services ) for unkempt yards, potholes, damaged or missing traffic signs, parking issues, bulk trash pickup and many other issues! Please utilize 311 for your first line of inquiry. City of Baltimore Website: <http://www.baltimorecity.gov>
- ❖ Our community meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at the Academy of Success, 525 Hurley Avenue at 7 P.M. There are no community meetings in months January and August.

## *Pet Owners*

- ❖ Please remember to cleanup after your pet! Our Gwynns Falls Park is a beautiful place for our children to play. Let's all do our part to keep it sanitary and inviting! Please use the new trashcans in the park to deposit your trash and pet waste. Signs are posted as a reminder. Also, please be respectful and cleanup after your pet on the sidewalks, other people's lawns, and Wellesley Park.

## *Food Pantries – Call in advance for specific days and hours.*

- ❖ Maryland Food Bank, Baltimore Office 410-737-8282 -- [www.mdfoodbank.org](http://www.mdfoodbank.org) -- visit website for other pantries in area
- ❖ Project Plase, 3601 Old Frederick Road – 410-837-1400 - Also offer Employment Assistance and Housing Services
- ❖ St Benedict Church, 2612 Wilkens Avenue – 410-947-4988
- ❖ Goodwill Industries of the Chesapeake, 222 E. Redwood Street – 410-837-1800 — Employment Assistance Only

## *Business Members*

- ❖ A1 Auto, 3041 Frederick Avenue - 410-566-5878 – [www.a1autothreebroscarrepair.com](http://www.a1autothreebroscarrepair.com)
- ❖ Carey ( Restaurant Shop ) Sales and Services, 3141 Frederick Avenue - 410-945-7878 – 800-848-7747 ( toll free )  
[www.careysales.com](http://www.careysales.com)
- ❖ Caton Lumber, 605 S. Caton Avenue – 410-233-0737
- ❖ Hayford Builders, 508 S. Caton Avenue – 410-362-3812 – [www.hayfordbuilders.com](http://www.hayfordbuilders.com)
- ❖ Three Brothers Shopping Plaza, 3061 Frederick Avenue – 410-566-9112 – [www.threebros.net](http://www.threebros.net)

## *More News*

- ❖ Memorial Day, Remember those soldiers who have fallen! -- Monday, May 30
- ❖ Students, you can earn community service hours by investing your time and skills right in your community! For additional information, please contact Thomas Rudzki at [trudzki@yahoo.com](mailto:trudzki@yahoo.com).
- ❖ Residents and businesses, will you join us in paying membership dues? Homeowners, \$8 yearly or \$15 for two years; Renters, \$5 yearly; Businesses, \$100 yearly. We strive to have a much improved community and your support would be very much appreciated. Dues can be paid by attending one of our community meetings or by contacting Connor Meek if you cannot attend the meeting. Thank you in advance for your participation!

## *Board of Directors*

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