



The Docket

CONGRATULATIONS to New H.O.A. Officers Elected at the November 2007 H.O.A. Annual Meeting

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H.O.A. BOARD MEMBERS

President:

John Markus

Vice-President:

Open

Treasurer:

Mike Oehler

Secretary:

Rosemary Lorenz

Members-At-Large:

Barb Otten

Jim McCrory

John Markus is filling in behind Mark Ramsburg, who left in the Fall to move his family to Georgia.

Barb Otten rejoined the Board, replacing Howard Johnson, who has become the President of the Greater Elkridge Community Association.

Jim McCrory volunteered for a 3-year term as our second Member-At-Large.



You can contact any of these officers, or any committee chairperson, by following the "Contact Us" link on our GABLES website.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BUNNY ?

This year's early date for EASTER, coupled with conflicts in many families' schedules, has led us to cancel our GABLES Easter Egg Hunt this Spring.

Mark Your Calendars

- G.E.C.A. General Meeting
March 27
- Community Clean-Up
March 29
- Dumpster
April 12 - 13
May 31 - June 1
- Next Board Meeting
May 16
- Yard Sale
May 17 - 18
- Architecture Inspections
Month of May

Seeking Yard Sale Participants !

We are planning a community-wide YARD SALE for the weekend of May 17th-18th, "rain or shine".

If you would like to join in, please send an e-mail **before April 1st** to

myinbound-gablesyardsale@yahoo.com

Participants will be asked to contribute (approx. \$10 each) to costs for advertising (in the SUN, EXAMINER, and PENNYSAYER), permits, and basic street signage. The more people who sign up, the lower the costs for each of us, and the greater the chances that we will get a good buyer turnout.

Individuals who respond after April 1st, or who set up unregistered sales tables during the weekend of the sale, will be assessed a \$15 fee, which will be used to lower the costs for early-registration participants.

**Reminder to change your clock ahead 1 hour
On Sunday, March 9th !!!**





Architecture Committee Inspections Coming in May

The Gables Architecture Committee will be conducting its annual inspections during the month of May... so start planning for your Spring "spruce-ups" !

Common citations from past years have included:

- Fading and peeling paint
- Excessive mold & dirt on foundations and siding
- Rotted lumber in soffits and around windows
- Damaged or missing roof shingles
- Overgrown and unkempt shrubbery
- Cracked, broken, and bumpy sidewalks and drive-ways

The Committee also checks for violations of our By-Laws with respect to exterior property conditions. Some reminders about past concerns:

- Permanent outdoor animal enclosures are not permitted
- Trash cans should be kept out of view of street-fronts
- Any construction (storage sheds, swimming pools, fences, changes to paint color, etc.) must be pre-approved by the Architecture Committee and reviewed with your neighbors. [Application forms are available on the Website.]

We'd really welcome neighborhood assistance with these inspections. If you can spare some time during May to walk around our beautiful community and meet your neighbors, please contact

Gail Hoffer: ghoffer@juno.com



A very sincere
THANK YOU
to Ken Evensen and
Barb Otten for their
efforts in obtaining our
new street lights
and street signs.

Check Out The Gable's Website

Browse our secure community website to get the latest news about:

- upcoming community events
- official HOA updates
- recommendations for local service professionals

Need to get started?

Set your browser to **www.the.gablesinfo.com** and follow the links for "Sign-In" and "Register" to obtain your secure User ID and password.

This is a community-nurtured website, and content is welcome.

Please contact our WebMaster, Brenda Schweiger at bkschweiger7@msn.com

"Paws" for Pride...

Dog owners are asked to remember that the sidewalks and public grass areas are meant to be enjoyed by everyone. That simple pleasure can be ruined by unsightly and unhealthy mounds of uncollected animal droppings. There is a Howard County law which obliges owners to "scoop up" after their pets, but even so, let's keep things clean out of respect for our neighbors and pride in our neighborhood!

Community Spring Clean-Up

Come join your neighbors in our annual Community Clean-Up on Saturday March 29th. We will be collecting debris from the common areas along Summer Home Terrace and at the various court intersections, getting ready for our landscapers to trim and mulch.

We'll start at 9AM at the lower end of Latchlift Court, and the more "hands" we have, the quicker we can finish!

Introducing . . . G.E.C.A.

The **Greater Elkridge Community Association** strives to make lawmakers hear the "voice" of local residents on issues such as zoning and public services. General meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of every month at the Norbel School on Old Washington Road. More info is on the GABLES Website.