

The Homeowners' Association newsletter for  
**THE GABLES AT LAWYERS' HILL**  
 ELKRIDGE, MARYLAND



# The Docket

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## Community Yard Sale

**The Gables is having a Neighborhood Yard Sale!**  
 Liz Culbertson is organizing a community yard sale on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.  
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The Board is looking for volunteers for 2022 and 2023  
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## Annual Cul-de-Sac Party



This year's Annual Cul- de-Sac party will be hosted by the Schweiger family at 6230 Latchlift Ct. The Greggs next door are also offering use of their property to host this year's event on 09/11/2021. This year's event will start at 4:30 pm. Please join us and bring your favorite dish to share. There will be catered sandwiches, refreshments, games, and more. The Gables Board asks that you send an email to the Board with a head count if you are interested in attending.

[gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com](mailto:gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com)

## Covid Vaccinations

If you are looking for a vaccination site in Howard County, please see the below link:

[COVID-19 Vaccine | Howard County \(howardcountymd.gov\)](#)



Elkrige Elementary School/Elkrige Landing Middle School Campus- Starting on August 30<sup>th</sup>, the grounds will be for school use only during school hours.

Elkrige Landing Middle School's day is from 7:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. and Elkrige Elementary day is from 9:10 to 3:55 p.m.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**The Gables at Lawyers Hill Board will be closely following information this year for COVID-19 updates and will change our calendars accordingly. Dates and times are subject to change.**

- \*Annual Cul-de-Sac Party - Saturday, September 11, 2021 Starting 4:30 p.m. (Latchlift Ct.)
- Community Yard Sale- Saturday, September 25, 2021- 8:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.
- Next GALH Architectural Meeting- Monday, September 20, 2021- 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. (Stained Glass Pub)
- Next GALH Quarterly Meeting- Thursday, October 21, 2021- 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. (Stained Glass Pub)
- Halloween Table October 31, 2021- 6:30 pm to 9:30pm (Latchlift Ct.)
- Annual Property Inspections TBA (Sometime in October)
- Annual Members Meeting- Tuesday, December 7, 2021 (Stained Glass Pub) 7:00pm- 9:00pm. Member Social from 6:30pm-7:00 p.m.

**Architectural News**

**Architectural Committee Annual Inspections:**



It is time again for the Arch Committee's Annual Inspections. The inspections will be completed early October, weather-permitting. We want to advise the community that we will be inspecting both the front and rear of your home in accordance with our by-laws. Please contact the Arch committee [archcomm@thegablesinfo.com](mailto:archcomm@thegablesinfo.com) if you have any questions. Follow-up notices will be sent to remind everyone as the date approaches. For everyone's convenience here is a link to our Architectural guidelines for your review: [Architectural-Guidelines-Reformat-5-2020.pdf \(gablesatlawyershill.com\)](http://www.gablesatlawyershill.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/Arch-Guidelines-Reformat-5-2020.pdf)

Our Architectural outside alteration form: <http://www.gablesatlawyershill.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/Arch-Alteration-Application-Form-current3.pdf>

We ask our community members to follow our guidelines, not only to keep our community looking nice, but also keep the value in our homes.

**Exterior House and Property Spruce-Ups**

This is a friendly reminder from the Architectural Committee for homeowners who will be sprucing up their exterior house or doing landscaping. Some examples of changes for a house include: altering windows, doors, roof or siding that would be a different color or style other than the original.

Any major landscaping changes include: Lawn changes that could cause improper water runoff to neighbors or the greater community. We also require any removal of trees 3" or larger to be submitted for approval.

If in doubt, please contact the Architectural committee at:

[archcomm@thegablesinfo.com](mailto:archcomm@thegablesinfo.com)

For your convenience, here the direct links to our architectural change form and guidelines: [Arch-Alteration-Application-Form-current3.pdf \(gablesatlawyershill.com\)](http://www.gablesatlawyershill.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/Arch-Alteration-Application-Form-current3.pdf)

[Architectural-Guidelines-Reformat-5-2020.pdf \(gablesatlawyershill.com\)](http://www.gablesatlawyershill.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/Arch-Guidelines-Reformat-5-2020.pdf)





## **Volunteers Needed**

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Starting, January 2022 and 2023, the GALH will need some new volunteers for the Board and possibly the Architectural Committee.

We are asking neighbors to come to a Board meeting to see what committing some of your time for our community is all about.

We are hoping to get some volunteers so we don't have to outsource, which could cause our dues to go up annually.

If interested, please send an email to the Board at [gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com](mailto:gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com)

We are also looking to train someone to be treasurer. Please see below:

### **GALH Treasurer Needed (Trainee)**

Bev Johnson's last year as Treasurer is next year (2022), completing 8 years of service. If you are good at organization and details, we need a volunteer to take over in 2023.

Training would be provided. Basic Microsoft Excel and Word document applications and skills required. A printer with copy/scan functions also needed.

Responsibilities include handling the HOA income and expenses, taxes, and mail.

Curious volunteers can contact Bev at [serr0560b@gmail.com](mailto:serr0560b@gmail.com) for more information.

Please consider this opening and taking a turn serving on our HOA board.

Most positions are not time consuming, and we only meet 4 times a year. We are a volunteer run HOA board that allows us to keep our dues and costs low. If the community HOA cannot be sustained due to lack of volunteers, then we would need to investigate outsourcing to a management company. We're going on 27 years of wonderful neighbors that have served our community.

Board volunteers are nominated at the annual social and business meeting each December, and start to serve in the new calendar year. Hope to see you there!

For more information on the board positions, contact [gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com](mailto:gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com)

The Gables is having a Neighborhood Yard Sale!

**Saturday, September 25, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**  
**(Rain or Shine)**

Everyone always has too much “stuff”; a yard sale is a great way to make some money and have fun in the process!

If you have questions or want to participate in your driveway/garage/yard, please email Liz Culbertson (who is coordinating the event) at [earthlvr27@gmail.com](mailto:earthlvr27@gmail.com) with your name and your address by Monday, September 20.

Liz will be putting up signs around the neighborhood on the morning of the sale (early!).

Please also indicate that you are a house that is participating by putting something noticeable (like a balloon or neon yard sale sign) on your mailbox so customers can find sales more easily.

### Liz's Tips for a Successful Yard Sale

- 1) Start collecting bags and packing materials now so that you have them for sale time.
- 2) Be sure to have enough change before the sale: I usually have \$60 in dollar bills and \$20 in quarters (remember that banks close early on Saturdays!).
- 3) Be ready 15 minutes before the start of the sale, as there will be people who come early.
- 4) **Never** sell anything damaged, defective, stained, missing parts/pieces, dirty, or smelly (like musty books).
- 5) Make sure everything is priced clearly and do not use masking tape – it gets sticky and gummy in the heat and can damage items. Use garage sale pricing stickers from the dollar store.
- 6) Always keep your money with you (use an apron or a belt pack).
- 7) Be prepared to “wheel and deal” (haggle) with customers (especially as it gets closer to the end of the sale).
- 8) Don't sell anything for less than 25 cents; if it's something that is valued at less than that, it should be free.
- 9) Don't have a bunch of people sitting together like a clique waiting as cars drive up; it intimidates customers.
- 10) Have fun with it!



## Pizza Casserole



MAN, OH MAN!!!

Put this one on your radar.

Pizza Casserole

Makes 5 servings

### **Ingredients:**

1 1/2 cups (12.69 oz) low sodium diced tomatoes (do not use petite dice)

23.6 ounces uncooked turkey Italian sausage ~Should Yield 20 oz cooked

1 tsp. dried oregano (2 condiment)

1/4 tsp salt (1 condiment)

1/2 tsp fresh-ground pepper (1 condiment)

2 1/4 cup (5.72 oz) fresh brown cremini mushrooms, washed and cut into thick slices (4.5 greens)

1 3/4 cups (7 oz) grated Mozzarella cheese (I used part-skim mozzarella)

5 oz turkey pepperoni, cut in half

### **Directions:**

Preheat oven to 400F/200C. Spray an 8-inch x 11-inch glass casserole dish with non-stick spray or olive oil.

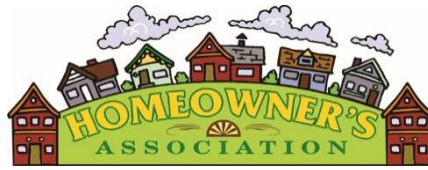
Pour the diced tomatoes into a colander placed in the sink and rinse with cold water. Let tomatoes drain a minute or two, then spread them out on paper towels to dry (or blot dry with another paper towel on top.) While tomatoes dry, heat 2 tsp. olive oil in a large non-stick frying pan, squeeze the sausage out of the casing, and cook sausage over medium-high heat until it's nicely browned, breaking it apart as it cooks. (I use an old-fashioned potato masher to break the sausage apart.)

While sausage cooks, wash mushrooms, pat dry, and slice into thick slices. When the sausage is done make a layer of sausage in the bottom of the casserole dish and top with the drained tomatoes, spreading them out over the top of the sausage. Season with dried oregano, salt, and fresh-ground black pepper. (I didn't use much salt.) Rinse out the pan if needed, then heat the other 2 tsp. of olive oil over medium-high heat. When the pan is hot add the mushrooms and cook, stirring a few times, until all the liquid is released, and the mushrooms are starting to brown. Layer the mushrooms over the sausage-tomato mixture.

Cut pepperoni in half. Sprinkle the grated Mozzarella over the top of the casserole and lay the pepperoni pieces on top of the cheese, spacing them evenly so the whole top is covered with pepperoni. Bake about 25 minutes, or until the cheese is melted and starting to brown. Serve hot. **KEEPER ALERT!!!**



## Committee Members and Emails



### GALH Board

**President-** Brenda Schweiger  
**Vice President-** Mike Wolek  
**Treasurer-** Bev Johnson  
**Secretary-** Angela Shiplet  
**Member at Large (1)-** John Fritz  
**Member at Large (2)-** Ashley Gerrity  
**Webmaster-** Brenda Schweiger

### Architectural Committee

**Chair-** Brenda Schweiger (Acting)  
 Erik Gregg  
 Kathy McCrory  
 Kristy Mumma  
 Karen Munter  
 Emile Paul  
 Jay Sandusky  
 Mark Shiplet



### Welcome Committee

Fern Nerhood  
 Susan Lavin  
 Chris Matney  
 Angela Shiplet  
 Laurie Tarsia



**Little Library Stewards:**  
 John Fritz  
 Dawn Pettit



### Important Emails and Community Closed Facebook Address

GALH Board- [gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com](mailto:gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com)  
 GALH Architectural Committee- [archcomm@thegablesinfo.com](mailto:archcomm@thegablesinfo.com)  
 GALH Welcome Committee- [welcomcomm@gablesatlawyershill.com](mailto:welcomcomm@gablesatlawyershill.com)  
 GALH Facebook Group- Gables at Lawyers Hill

Have a good  
 Summer!