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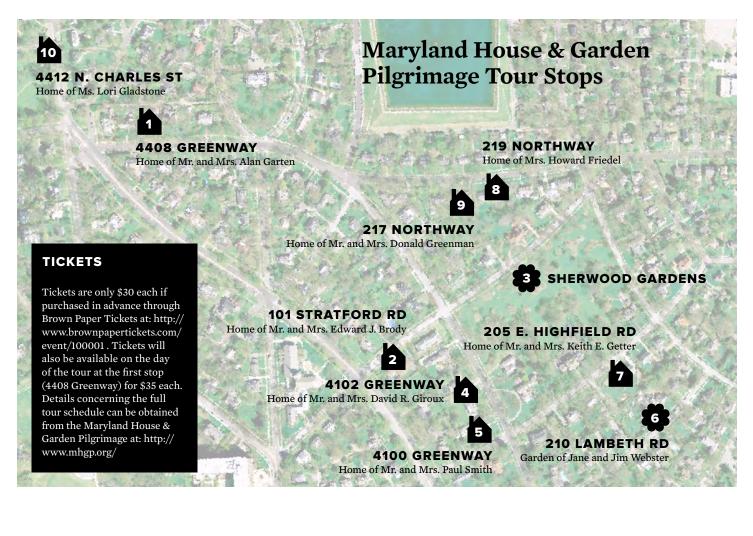
# Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage

ANNUAL TOUR INCLUDES 10 STOPS IN GUILFORD, SUNDAY, APRIL 25

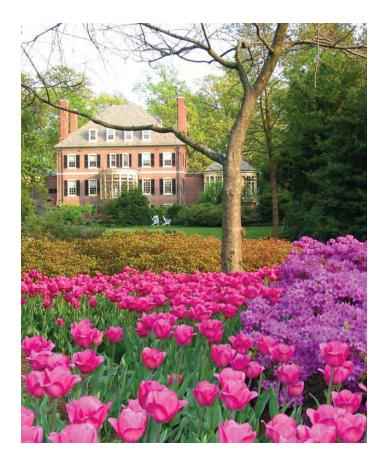
Can you think of a more beautiful place than Guilford in the spring? Neither can the Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage, which has decided to feature our community and several of its lovely homes during its annual tour on Sunday, April 25th from 10–5 pm (rain or shine).

The Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage (MHGP) is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the preservation and restoration of architecturally significant properties in the State of Maryland. Each year it coordinates a multi-county tour that gives visitors an inside look at extraordinary historic and contemporary sites as a way to cultivate awareness of Maryland's rich architectural and cultural heritage. The Pilgrimage has enjoyed a large and dedicated following, having raised well over a million dollars for the preservation and restoration of properties throughout the State. This year, funds raised from the tour will benefit Sherwood Gardens and the other neighborhood parks in Guilford. The Guilford Association encourages our residents and friends and family to participate in the MHGP to benefit our lovely community.

The Pilgrimage is a great event and a highlight of spring in Maryland. It will be a unique opportunity to see many of the historic and well appointed properties in our neighborhood.



#### FROM THE PRESIDENT



As new President of the Guilford Association I am pleased to continue to work with the volunteer members of the Board of Managers in the efforts to maintain Guilford's quality of life and stunningly unique environment. After the long winter of memorable record snowfalls Spring, the season when our community is most beautiful, has returned.

Neighborhood activities increase and it is a time when we have many visitors and there is an opportunity for others to see what a special place this is. This year not only will Sherwood Gardens be an attraction but in addition the Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage has chosen Guilford as the location of the Baltimore City house tour; ten of our residents generously will be opening their homes for view. Other family and social activities are planned for spring and summer as discussed in the newsletter.

This new newsletter format is part of our effort to increase community communication by providing more information and details about matters that are of interest to the Guilford community. We invite your comments and suggestions for newsletter topics for the future. Also, as a further effort to maintain communication on current issues we have increased the frequency of Association and Guilford Security Patrol (GSP) emails. In addition, the Guilford web site maintains a list of news and events.

The Guilford newsletter is being sent electronically to all residents for whom we have email addresses. A print copy will be sent to residents who are members of the Guilford Association.

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Tom Hobbs

### Meet the New President: Tom Hobbs

# Q: WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR THE GUILFORD COMMUNITY?

**A**: Guilford is wonderfully unique because of the beauty of the architecture and its general environment and the great sense of community here. We have to preserve and enhance that legacy. The overwhelming approval of the extension of the Deed and Agreement indicates that our residents share that commitment.

At the same time we have to recognize that we are part of a greater north Baltimore community and the larger City. Guilford covers a large area from Southway to Cold Spring Lane and Greenmount Avenue to Linkwood. We are affected by what happens around us and we have to engage and be engaged by our neighboring communities and institutions. As evidence, in this issue there are a number of articles about issues in areas on Guilford's periphery that impact our environment.

# Q: WHAT ARE YOUR TOP PRIORITIES FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

**A:** Assure that Guilford remains the most desirable community in Baltimore in which to reside and that means maintaining a safe neighborhood and a community where the housing and the environment are sustained as superior. We are all stewards of Guilford and we need to protect and sustain it for generations to come.

We need to maintain a community spirit and resident involvement. We have that now and we need to continue to build on it. Virtually all of the activities in Guilford are organized and maintained by volunteers, including the many functions that raise money to support Sherwood Gardens, support for Guilford Elementary, functions for families, the welcoming party for new neighbors, the community Christmas party and of course the Board of the Guilford Association. We will continue to create opportunities for more resident involvement.

There are immediate issues to resolve that have impact on the neighborhood such as the fate of the Guilford Reservoir, assuring a safer environment along the community's Greenmount Avenue edge, resolving with Loyola development decisions for the northern entry to Guilford, maintaining communication with JHU and our Tuscany Canterbury neighbors as students move in greater numbers north along Charles St.

We need to consider a campaign to raise funds to create a larger endowment and reserve for Sherwood Gardens. Currently about half of the funds to maintain the Gardens come annually from the Association and half is raised through donations obtained from a series of events organized by great volunteer effort.

# Q: DO YOU SEE ANY CHANGES IN THE GUILFORD BOARD?

**A**: The Guilford Board is composed of 20 highly devoted community volunteers. The Board largely functions through committees that are chaired by board members — Architecture, Safety, Traffic and Parking, Sherwood Gardens, Parks, Neighborhood Events. It's an

organization that has served the community well and I don't foresee changes. We are always seeking candidates for new board membership as there is turnover.

The administrative demands on the board volunteers are great and we do need to consider how that is relieved and more efficiently handled. The Association contracts bookkeeping and accounting services but all other functions are handled by the volunteer board. Homeland and Roland Park both maintain offices and have a paid staff person in their association office and Guilford must consider the same. We have taken steps to centralize our files and historical records.

The past president, Lynda Riley, and I have taken steps to increase neighborhood communication through an improved web page and email communication. I will continue that effort. We have increased email notices from both the Association and Guilford Security Patrol.

2013 will be the 100th anniversary of the start of Guilford and I think we should begin planning for ways to celebrate that event both to look back at our history and to create community events that commemorate it.

# Q: HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE GUILFORD COMMUNITY?

**A**: I've been a resident of Guilford for 32 years. Robin, my wife, and I have raised our family here and continue to find it a wonderful place to live.

I've been a member of the Guilford Board of Managers for 24 years and have chaired the Parking and Traffic Committee and the Architecture Committee and served as Vice President. I am continuing to chair the Architecture Committee.

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#### NEIGHBORHOOD

# Guilford Elementary/ Middle Aims to Become a Blue Ribbon School

NANCY GETTER

Diligent and exciting academic work happens daily at Guilford Elementary/Middle School, located on the northeast corner of our neighborhood. Under the careful management of both the principal and assistant principal, the academic life for the school's students continues to improve. Last year the school passed state mandated testing requirements, and the school's National Academic League (NAL) completed several undefeated seasons, advancing the team to the national level of competition.

While the majority of the credit for the school's improvement belongs to the dedicated, talented administrators, faculty and staff, a significant number of Guilford residents have also been involved in efforts to strengthen the school.

Under the guidance of our neighborhood group, FANS (Friends and Neighbors of the School), whose sole mission is to support Guilford Elementary/Middle School, several of our neighbors tutor there. Lynda Riley works and plays with the kindergarteners. Carol Rice and Sherry Murphy work on reading and writing skills with second graders. Jay Lippincott tutors two middle school students in math while his wife, Margaret Allen Lippincott, works with sixth graders to help them improve their language arts skills. Claudia Nemphos, a Homeland resident, also tutors students in language arts. Gillian Meigs helps middle schoolers navigate the challenges of middle school mathematics, and Sandry Sachar works with students studying Spanish.

During the last two years, a few other neighbors have also tutored at the school: Tori Eversman, Debbie Finnerty, Nancy Getter, and Claire Miller.

In addition, our neighbor, Grace Pollack, in conjunction with Guilford Elementary/Middle School teacher and Gilman graduate, Ted Smith, has recruited 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students from Gilman and Bryn Mawr to assist Guilford's middle school students with their preparation for the National Academic League, (NAL). The NAL is a public school program designed to enhance learning and encourage academic advancement. Last year, all ten Guilford Elementary/Middle School 8th graders who participated in the NAL went on to attend three of the best public high schools in Baltimore.

Another neighbor, Deborah Steinig and her daughter, Talia, organized a book drive for Talia's birthday party and donated the books to the school's library. The Trauner family has donated books, puzzles, and toys to be used in the pre-kindergarten program, and our neighbor Caroline Hannaway donated a beautiful flute to the school.

Finally, of significant note, several neighbors have offered generous financial support to the school. Donors include Margaret Budd, Dana DiCarlo and Scott Plank, Jim Durkay and Sheryl Post, Beth and Mark Felder, Gail and Jonathan Fishman, Nancy and Keith Getter, Bess Keller and Michael Terrin, Marcia Moylan, Carol Rice, Lynda and Darrell Riley,and Jane and Jim Webster.

Because of the incredible generosity of these neighbors, FANS has been able to support the school in a variety of ways. Donations have been used to support an after school program, Acts4Youth which works with at risk fourth grade boys; a foreign language program; meals for the student tutors and participants in the NAL; lunch for career day presenters; stipends for Experience Corps Volunteers, a group of trained senior citizens who spend 20 hours each week working with teachers and students from kindergarten to third grade; and gardening equipment to care for the new trees donated by the Jones Falls Watershed.

Baltimore's Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Andres Alonso has asked communities to help support their local Baltimore City public schools, even if people in the community do not use the school. Many Guilford residents have graciously stepped forward to answer that request. All involved help not only to improve the academic life of the students at the school but also work to strengthen the connection between our community and the school's administrators, staff, and students.

If you would like to participate in supporting the school in any way or if you would like to volunteer as a tutor, please contact Nancy Getter at (410) 662-0934 or at kgetter@aol.com.

# **Loyola Construction Begins May 1**

MARK CHARTRAND



Loyola University will begin a 16-month-long reconstruction of their Donnelly Science Building at the northeast corner of the intersection of Charles Street and Cold Spring Lane starting in May 2010 and planned completion in August 2011.

The Guilford Association, through the Architectural Committee, is in talks with Loyola officials about the details of the building facade and particularly the plans for streetscape design and landscaping. This area is important to Guilford, as the intersection is the northern gateway into the neighborhood. This project should present an opportunity to significantly improve the area both as an entrance to Guilford and the University.

Loyola has permission to build the Donnelly addition as part of the most recent agreement between the University and the North Baltimore Neighborhood Coalition, an umbrella group of north Baltimore neighborhoods, of which Guilford is a member. Under the terms of the agreement, the communities affected by Loyola's plans have the right to comment on and present a position on the plan details. It is the details of the design of the building and landscaping that are being discussed, as well as efforts to minimize the effects of the construction project on foot and automobile traffic at the intersection, and inconvenience to nearby homes.

The University project will add a 14,000 square foot, four-story addition of classrooms, laboratories, and office space, where the opening is now, connecting the Charles Street and Cold Spring Lane wings of the existing building. There will be a new entrance to the building at the corner but there will no longer be direct access to the campus or quadrangle at this location. The project also will include reconfiguring the design and re-landscaping the area at the northeast corner and along East Cold Spring Lane past Beatty Hall to the drive entrance. While the improvement to the northwest corner of Charles and Cold Spring are included in the plan and proposed for the future, the Guilford Association is urging Loyola to undertake the landscaping in that location as part of the Donnelly construction as well.

Construction materials for the building addition will be Butler Stone, limestone, glass, and metal, matching the existing materials. A gateway sign, similar to the one at the Loyola recreation center at Charles and Wyndhurst, is planned for an area at the NE corner. Construction is expected to be completed by August, 2011.

Demolition and removal of the current part of the building and stairs will begin around May 1. Construction will require placing a fence around the whole corner of the intersection running from the bus stop on Charles Street half a block north of the intersection, south to the intersection, and then east along the sidewalk to approximately the eastern end of the existing building. Contractors are planning truck entrances to the construction site located near the current bus stop on Cold Spring Lane, and are asking the city for permits to park equipment in the curb lane, outside of the bus stop, during hours that parking is allowed there. West-bound traffic near the intersection will be confined to one lane during much of the day. Those who drive through the intersection should expect increased congestion.

The work schedule will be six days a week, Monday through Saturday, 7 am to 7 pm.

UPDATES

# Reservoir Plan Eliminates Open Water

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TOM HOBBS

Planning continues for the elimination of the open water containment of the Guilford Reservoir. Reported in the last newsletter, the proposal is in part a response to Federal laws regarding drinking water safety. The City Bureau of Water, Department of Public Works also intends through their plan for draining the lake and encapsulating the water to increase the pressure and service area of the Guilford facility.

The initial plan from the City called for two round storage tanks to be placed in the bed of the existing reservoir lake, rising 12 feet above the existing berm and walkway. The Association opposed the proposal and rejected any above ground storage or exposed tanks.

October 2009 a community meeting was held with the Bureau of Water officials at which the Association and representatives of the community presented the objections and called for the consideration of specific alternatives for enclosing the water. The City was reminded that under federal and state laws any plan must evaluate the adverse impact on the National Register area and propose means to eliminate or minimize the negative effect.

January 2010 there was another meeting with the Bureau of Water. At this meeting the City attempted to respond to alternative proposals for the reservoir presented by the community at the earlier meeting. A revised plan was offered by the Bureau as the City's selected alternative. It maintains the elevated storage tanks but covers them with earth creating a landscaped green space in place of the lake. However, retaining the elevated tanks that are required to meet the City's desire for increased gravity pressure and capacity, will result in a mound rising 18 feet above the current walkway. We are satisfied that the exposed tanks that were originally proposed are no longer being considered and the community is supporting a landscaped covering. Nonetheless there are remaining concerns about the proposed elevations and other details related to design and construction. We are awaiting the City's further response to additional questions and community stated requirements. The Association and a committee of concerned residents will continue to monitor the project and require consultation as the plans are being completed. In addition, there will be a hearing before the City's Commission for Historic and Architectural Preservation (CHAP).

Reports and proposals for the Guilford Reservoir can be accessed on the Guilford web page under News and Events.

The City Bureau of Water, Department of Public Works will maintain the elevated storage tanks and cover them with earth creating a landscaped green space in place of the lake. The Association and a committee of concerned residents will continue to monitor the project as it moves forward.





# Streets & Traffic JAY LIPPINCOTT

Things ought to be a bit quieter on Greenway this spring thanks to improved street signage recently installed by the Baltimore City Department of Transportation. The City has installed 4-way stop signs to slow traffic at the intersections of Greenway and Stratford Rd. and Greenway and E. Highfield Rd. The City has also agreed to consider a landscaped, traffic circle at the three-way intersection of Greenway with Northway and Millbrook Rd.

Residents along Greenway have also put up with drivers going the wrong way on the one-way section that extends from E. University Pkwy. to the three-way intersection, so the city responded by putting do not enter signs on the back of the new stop signs. Additional one-way arrows have also been installed.

Other parts of Guilford have also benefitted from improved signage: Drivers trying to find a shortcut from St. Paul St. to E. Cold Spring Ln. by going up Bedford Place are now being reminded that there is actually no outlet; Whitfield Rd. is now one-way, thanks to petitioning residents, preventing traffic from using their street to get to Overhill Rd. instead of turning at the traffic light at the intersection of N. Charles St. and Overhill Rd.; and cars will no longer be able to park on Overhill Rd. close to the intersection with N. Charles St., essentially reducing it to one-lane.

Sometime this Spring, one block of the previously closed portion of 39th St will be repaved curb-to-curb (Greenmount Ave. to Juniper Rd.), and two additional patches will be laid near Greenway. The street, however, will remain open to traffic throughout. According to the contractor, the repaving will occur only from 9am to 3pm on weekdays. From Greenmount Ave. to Juniper Rd., the two outer lanes will be repaved first, then the two inner lanes, so to always allow 1-lane traffic each way.

Unfortunately, every request of the City does not lead to the desired outcome. Residents of the 4400 block of Underwood Rd. complained about speeding and requested a speed bump, but a study of traffic on the street by the City did not find a significant problem.

There are a number of other issues that we are working on with the City, including the accident-prone intersections of N. Charles St. and E. Cold Spring Ln., 39th St. and N. Charles St., Charlcote Rd. and St. Paul St., and Greenmount Ave. and Southway. Progress will be reported in future issues of the newsletter. If there are other issues or concerns that you would like to address, please contact: jay@guilfordnews.com

# Guilford Security FELIX DAWSON

As Spring arrives and we emerge from hibernation, we should all take advantage of the open space and outdoor activities that this beautiful and secure neighborhood has too offer. Guilford has an alert, active, and concerned base of residents. Neighborhood security studies rank resident awareness and engagement as the most effective deterrents to crime. In Guilford, many of our neighbors know one another and are keen to report suspicious activity promptly. Whether you are in your home, out walking, or driving through Guilford, you are the eyes and ears of the security patrol and our neighborhood watch. We encourage all residents to report any suspicious activity to our security patrol at (443) 677-9103 or to Baltimore Police directly through 911.

The Guilford security patrol is on active almost 24x7 serving as a deterrent and as a rapid responder for all security issues. The private patrol service is handled by Securitas and is paid for with voluntary incremental contributions from Guilford residents. The funds are 100% contributed toward increasing our patrol coverage.

A crime prevention approach that we need your help with is that of ensuring criminals that target Guilford, particularly repeat offenders, are prosecuted effectively and hopefully removed from the streets. As a neighborhood, we have the ability to influence the application of justice by communicating to city and state officials and representatives our intolerance of overly light sentencing or other soft-handed tactics that enable some criminals to repeatedly cause trouble and reduce the deterrent value of prosecution. Numbers matter, and as a unit Guilford is listened to; so on occasion, the Board may ask all Guilford residents to assist in making our message heard via letters, emails, or phone calls.

It's important to know that there has been a direct and visible deterrence effect from our patrol's presence. If you have not paid your 2010 security dues, we encourage you to do so. If you have already paid them, we would like to thank you for your contribution toward keeping Guilford a secure neighborhood. If you would like to make an additional contribution toward security services, contact Felix Dawson at felix@guilfordnews.com

Thank you again for your financial generosity and continued vigilance. If you have any comments or questions about Guilford's security program, email felix@guilfordnews.com or Steve Trauner at steve@guilfordnews.com



### Winter Storm Damage

The roof, gutter and shutter damage to Guilford homes caused by the record winter storms is considerable. The Architectural Committee urges residents to have roof and gutter repair and replacement as soon as possible to avoid interior water damage. The standards for Guilford roof and gutter repair and replacement are found on the Guilford web page under the tab "Architectural Covenants" at: http://www.guilfordnews.com/architecture/

Damaged shutters must be repaired and re-hung. Guilford design guidelines, also found on the web page, require that shutters be retained on all street visible facades if shutters were part of the original design of the house.

#### SHERWOOD GARDENS

### Adopt-a-Plot

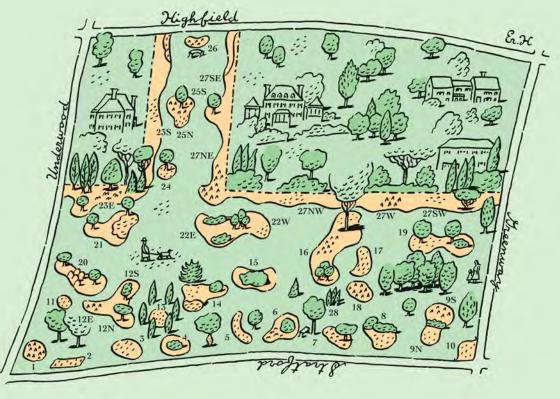
JUNE 1 – OCT 15

The Sherwood Gardens Adopt-a-Plot program needs additional volunteers to help make Sherwood Gardens beautiful from June 1 to October 15. In Adopt-a-Plot, a neighbor or family "adopts" one of the tulip beds after the Tulip Dig on Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, 29 May 2010, plants annuals and cares for the plot through the summer. The Guilford Association supplies rototillers, fertilizer, weed retardant, mulch, irrigation water and perhaps even some student helpers for the planting. The "parent" decides what to plant and supplies the flowers or seeds and looks after the flowers during the summer as appropriate.

This program started in back in 1990 and prior to then the Gardens lay barren throughout the summer. Many of the original adopt-a-plot "parents" are getting older and retiring so we need younger, newer neighbors to take over for them.

This is a great way to have some fun, contribute to the neighborhood, make a lot of new friends and participate in a couple of adopt-a-plot parties.

For more information please contact Amy or Bruce Barnett at 410-243-5820 or bab@jhu.edu



#### **Tulip Dig MAY 29**

The annual Tulip Dig will take place Saturday, May 29, starting at 7:00 a.m., where tulips can be dug from the beds for 30 cents each. Bring your own shovel and bag and take some of Sherwood Garden's beauty home to your garden.

### 2009 Stratford Green **Donations Recognized**

LYNDA RILEY

The following people and businesses have made donations totaling over \$38,000 through the special tulip donation, the annual appeal, donations for trees, bushes and shrubs at the wine tasting and sponsorship of Sherwood Gardens tulip beds throughout 2009. We are grateful for the generosity of our neighbors and friends for the total of \$38,368. Unfortunately this is a 30% decline of what was donated in 2008. Many people who gave money in the past did not donate this year and many people who routinely donate money to Sherwood Gardens donated less in 2009.

Because we believe that the annual appeal letter for donations typically sent in December may have been lost in the holiday chaos, we are changing the timing of the annual appeal to late spring when the beauty of the tulips is fresh in everyone's thoughts.

If there are any errors in names, amount donated or omissions, please let me know by e-mail Lynda@guilfordnews.com or phone 410-435-3752.

#### SHERWOOD GARDENS DONATIONS

If you would like to make a tax deductible donation to Sherwood Gardens, please send a check made payable to "Stratford Green"

c/o Yolanda Cash Brodie Management Inc. P.O. Box 529 Timonium, MD 21094

#### \$5,000 - 9,999 Dana DiCarlo and Scott Plank Women's Civic League

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Amy and Bruce Barnett CANUSA Deborah and Felix Dawson Joan and Howard Friedel Ann and David Giroux Jane Simpson Hahn Lee and Claire Miller Legacy Restorations Miller Wood Products Joseph Mullan Company The Pennyghael Foundation

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# 14th Annual Wine Tasting

ANN TYLER

A light rain didn't dampen the festive spirits at last year's 14th annual Wine Tasting, held on October 17th. An enthusiastic crowd of approximately 110 guests dined on sumptuous Mediterranean fare prepared by Beej Flamholz and complimented with regional wines provided by Seth Stevens of The Mount Washington Wine Company.

The evening began at Anne and Ron Heaton's beautifully appointed English Tutor home on Highfield Road. While admiring Anne Heaton's paintings guests sampled tzatziki, local tomato gazpacho, shrimp gambas and duck confit pizettas. To compliment the appetizers Seth poured Casteller Brut Rose Cava from Spain and Fondo Antico 2008 Nero D'Avola from Sicily.

Guests then proceeded to the stately Georgian home of Chang Woo Lee and Kirk Laughton at St. Paul and 39th streets where the couple had recently completed an extensive renovation with Chang Woo Lee, Associate Principal Cellist with the BSO, overseeing the interior design herself. Partygoers enjoyed a dinner of Basque braised short ribs and Marcona almond crusted salmon with roasted Sicilian potatoes and saffron paella. Wine pairings included Santa Maria 2008 Aragosta from Sardinia, Chateau de Roquefort 2008 Rose from France, Mirabile 2005 Syrah from Sicily and Abanico 2008 Las Colinas from Spain.

The festivities came to a close at the stunning Mediterranean style home of Barbara and Ed Brody on Stratford at St. Paul's. Guests were delightfully surprised with flambéed crepes and mini canollis and enjoyed savoring Tsantali 2008 Mavrodaphne from Greece and Buccianera 2004 Vin Santo from Tuscany.

Throughout the evening Ali Royals, Caroline and Alex Meek and Michael Perry sold raffle tickets and guests had the chance to win the following donated items: a Under Armour duffle filled with athletic goodies from Dana DiCarlo and Scott Plank; a rabbit ears wine opener given by the Royals; a Millie Bag from Ann Tyler; a case of the evening's wines from Seth Stevens; tulips from Sherwood Gardens; and a gift basket from Dogma, Life With Your Pet. Our caterer, Beej Flamholz, kindly donated dinner for eight, which was auctioned off and won by the Dawson family.

In addition to ticket sales and the generous donations from our guests and Guilford residents who were unable to attend, the event raised approximately \$10,000 for Sherwood Gardens.

Thank you to everyone, especially our wonderful volunteers and hosts who made the event such a success. We'd also like to thank Calvert Wholesale Florist who kindly donated the flowers, which adorned all three homes.

### 2009 Holiday Party

Many thanks to our 2009 Holiday Party hosts, Tom and Bari Fore, who were kind hosts of last years holiday party. Beverly Quinones, on behalf of the Womens Civic League and the Holiday Party Committee, presented the Guilford Association with a check for \$5,000. Thank you to all volunteers and guests who made the evening a smashing success.

# **Movies in the Park**

THE 4TH ANNUAL MOVIE PRESENTATION MAY 20TH AND AUGUST 19TH

The Guilford Association and Loyola University will once again join together to present two movies in the Sunken Park this summer at the corner of N. Charles Street and Overhill Road. The Sunken Park was designed by the Olmsted's for outdoor performances of music and drama. For this event the Olmsted's' amphitheater layout is set in reverse to minimize the glare of headlights from Charles Street but the original objective of using entertainment to promote good neighbors and community remain unchanged. In keeping with this spirit of community, our neighbors in Roland Park, Homeland and Tuscany/Canterbury are invited too.

The movies are FREE. Beverages and snacks are sold and donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to maintaining Guilford's common spaces and parks, other than Sherwood Gardens.

# Waverly Library

The Waverly Branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library serves as the primary library branch for Guilford, Oakenshawe, Waverly and surrounding neighborhoods. Located opposite the Waverly Farmer's Market, at 400 E. 33rd Street.

The branch is in need a few dedicated and reliable volunteers who can give time each week to help staff with essential library work. Did you know that although the Waverly Branch has one of the smallest footprints in the Enoch Pratt Free Library System, it is one of the busiest? The librarians must shelve books, check-out patrons, answer phones, monitor teens at computer terminals and help children find resources for school reports.

If you are interested contact: Ann Marie Lalmansingh, Waverly Branch Manager by e-mail amlalman@prattlibrary. org with the subject line WAVERLY FRIENDS VOLUNTEER or phone 410-396-6053

#### WAVERLY BOOKFEST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2010

This annual day-long book-centric event attracts approximately a thousand people each year. People come from all over the city to browse the used book tables, purchase baked goods, bid on silent auction items and to get their books appraised for free. This event has been organized from its inception by a Guilford resident and has been supported by Guilford families through sponsorships and contributions of books and silent auction items.

To donate funds, books or auction items or to volunteer contact Ann Giroux, Waverly BookFest Organizer by email aggiroux@girouxdevelopment.com or phone 410-889-6484

The Waverly Friends is an all-volunteer group composed of area residents who care about the Waverly Branch. Waverly Friends has 501 (c) 3 status through affiliation with parent group City-Wide Friends of the Enoch Pratt Free Library. The Waverly Friends holds regular meetings, organizes the Waverly BookFest and other events and generally works to promote library user ship and to support the branch staff. To find out about meeting schedules, to become a member of the Waverly Friends, or to make tax-deductible contributions to Waverly Friends to support the Waverly Branch contact: Lydia Obeng Dowlath, Waverly Friends Treasurer, at Idowlath@yahoo.com or 19 N. Duncan Street, Baltimore MD 21231.

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 25	Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage
May 20	Movies in the Park
May 29	Sherwood Gardens Tulip Dig
June 6	Dinner at Dusk
August 19	Movies in the Park
August 29	Area 6 Residential Parking Permit Distribution
September	15th Annual Wine Tasting
October	Halloween in the Park

#### VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We're looking for volunteers to help with our upcoming neighborhood events—Dinner at Dusk and the Wine Tasting. Please contact Ann Tyler at anntyler@guilfordnews.com



#### CALL FOR OLD PHOTOS

The Guilford Association is creating an archive of historic community photographs. If you have early photos of life in Guilford or Guilford development and are willing to share them please contact Ann Giroux at ann@guilfordnews.com

The Association will have photos copied and return originals. We are hoping to assemble a photo history for the 100th anniversary of the start of Guilford in 1913.

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