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A House Worth Loving

THOMAS AND ANNE DUGGAN FOUND A RETREAT IN A MID-CENTURY MODERN HOME—AN UNEXPECTED FIND IN GUILFORD. THEIR RENOVATION BECAME A LABOR OF LOVE, HONORING ITS ARCHITECTURE WHILE MAKING IT THEIR OWN.

EMILY BRENNAN

Every house in Guilford has a story. Some stories begin with the architect who drew the first lines on a page; others unfold over generations of families who have cared for, changed, and loved the house as their own. The story of the Duggan home is both.

Designed and built in 1959 by architect E.S. Altreith as his personal residence, the house was something of a departure for Guilford at the time. Its mid-century modern design incorporated features that were remarkably forward-thinking, including radiant floor heating. Its expansive windows, vaulted ceilings, generous use of stone, broad eaves and connection between the indoors and outdoors gave it a character all its own.

But not everyone was convinced. A nearby neighbor was so opposed to the construction of a mid-century modern house in Guilford that, when she could not prevent it from being built, she planted bamboo along the hillside to block her view of the home. That bamboo would remain for decades—and eventually become part of the story of the house itself.

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I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and that you are settling into the cooler weather and familiar rhythm of fall. Despite the summer break, your Guilford Association has been hard at work, advancing several initiatives on behalf of our neighborhood.

Loyola Triangle. After considerable discussion and negotiation, the Guilford Association has reached a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Loyola University concerning the triangular parcel adjacent to Guilford that Loyola has been using as a parking lot since the reservoir conversion.

Under the MOU, Loyola will use the property as a private parking lot, primarily for student parking. This agreement follows an extensive consultation process between Loyola and the Guilford Association regarding the design, landscaping, traffic flow and operation of the lot. The goal is to provide Loyola with additional parking while helping reduce student parking pressure on the surrounding residential streets.

The MOU also provides important protections for Guilford. The Triangle must be developed and maintained according to plans reviewed by the Guilford Association, including landscaping and screening designed to be compatible with the surrounding neighborhood. Loyola must obtain the Association's written approval before making changes to the approved plans or the permitted use of the property. In addition, the agreement permanently prohibits a number of potential future uses of the Triangle—including housing, fraternities and sororities, restaurants, retail, offices, a parking garage and other commercial or institutional uses—unless Guilford agrees otherwise. These protections continue after the initial 12-year term of the MOU.

Parking enforcement is another important component. Loyola has committed to enhanced efforts to prevent students from illegally or improperly parking on surrounding residential streets, including Millbrook Road, Underwood Road and Greenway. This includes monitoring and citing violations, directing students to alternative parking, addressing repeat violations and educating students about the rules. As part of the agreement, Guilford and Loyola will also jointly request that the City remove the parking restrictions added to the west side of Millbrook Road in March 2026, while preserving the longstanding parking restrictions that were already in place. The agreement therefore establishes a long-term framework for the Triangle that addresses both Loyola's parking needs and Guilford's interest in protecting the character, appearance and livability of our neighborhood.

This has been an important issue for Guilford for some time, and reaching this agreement represents a meaningful step forward. We appreciate the time and effort contributed by Bill King, Tim Chriss and other board members who worked on the MOU.

Greenway/Northway/Millbrook Traffic Island. Another long-awaited project is finally becoming a reality. The plans have been finalized; we are thrilled to announce that construction on the new traffic islands and green space at the intersection of Greenway, Northway and Millbrook Road will be underway by year end!

This intersection has been an unusually large expanse of pavement and a challenging point of traffic flow. The traffic islands will provide traffic calming while transforming the center of the intersection into an attractive landscaped green space that is an updated version of the original Olmsted plan, and is much more consistent with the character of Guilford.

This project is the result of years of advocacy by the Guilford Association and cooperation with city and state officials. We are excited to finally see the work underway.

An Important Issue: Accessory Dwelling Units. There is an issue before the Baltimore City Council that deserves every Guilford homeowner's attention.

Baltimore City Council Bill 26-0195, currently under consideration, would expand the City's rules governing Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Maryland's statewide ADU legislation—HB 1466/SB 891—requires local governments to authorize ADUs on properties with existing single-family detached homes. The state law took effect October 1, 2025.

Bill 26-0195 goes further. It would permit an ADU on a property with a principal dwelling unit and, importantly for Guilford, would extend the opportunity beyond detached single-family homes to include semi-detached homes and townhouses throughout Baltimore City. The proposed ordinance defines an ADU as a separate dwelling on the same lot as a principal dwelling and permits either attached or detached configurations.

Why does this matter to Guilford? Guilford's historic character is one of the reasons we all chose to live here. Our neighborhood was carefully planned, and our homes, streetscapes, setbacks, landscaping and open spaces collectively create the character that makes Guilford unique.

Expanding ADU eligibility to additional housing types could potentially mean more residential units, additional building activity, changes to existing homes and lots, and increased pressure on the physical character of properties within the neighborhood. The Association believes it is important for Guilford homeowners to understand what this legislation could mean and to make sure that the protections afforded by our existing Deed & Agreement remain meaningful.

As such, I want to make an urgent request of every Guilford homeowner who has not yet signed the Deed & Agreement renewal: please do so now.

Our Deed & Agreement is the framework that helps preserve the character of Guilford, and as a private covenant, will protect our neighborhood from this legislation, if passed. If we do not renew the Deed & Agreement, we will be exposed to this (and future) Baltimore zoning legislation.

If you have not yet signed, please make this a priority. You may reach out directly to *officemanager@guilfordassociation.org* to set up a time to come to the association office, located at the Second Presbyterian Church, to sign, There will be an opportunity to sign at the Guilford Annual Meeting on November 11th, and a final opportunity at the holiday party on December 6th.

Please make an effort to sign the D&A renewal so we can guarantee that Guilford remains the gem that it is. Thank you for everything you do to make Guilford such a wonderful place to live.

Warmly,
Emily Brennan, President

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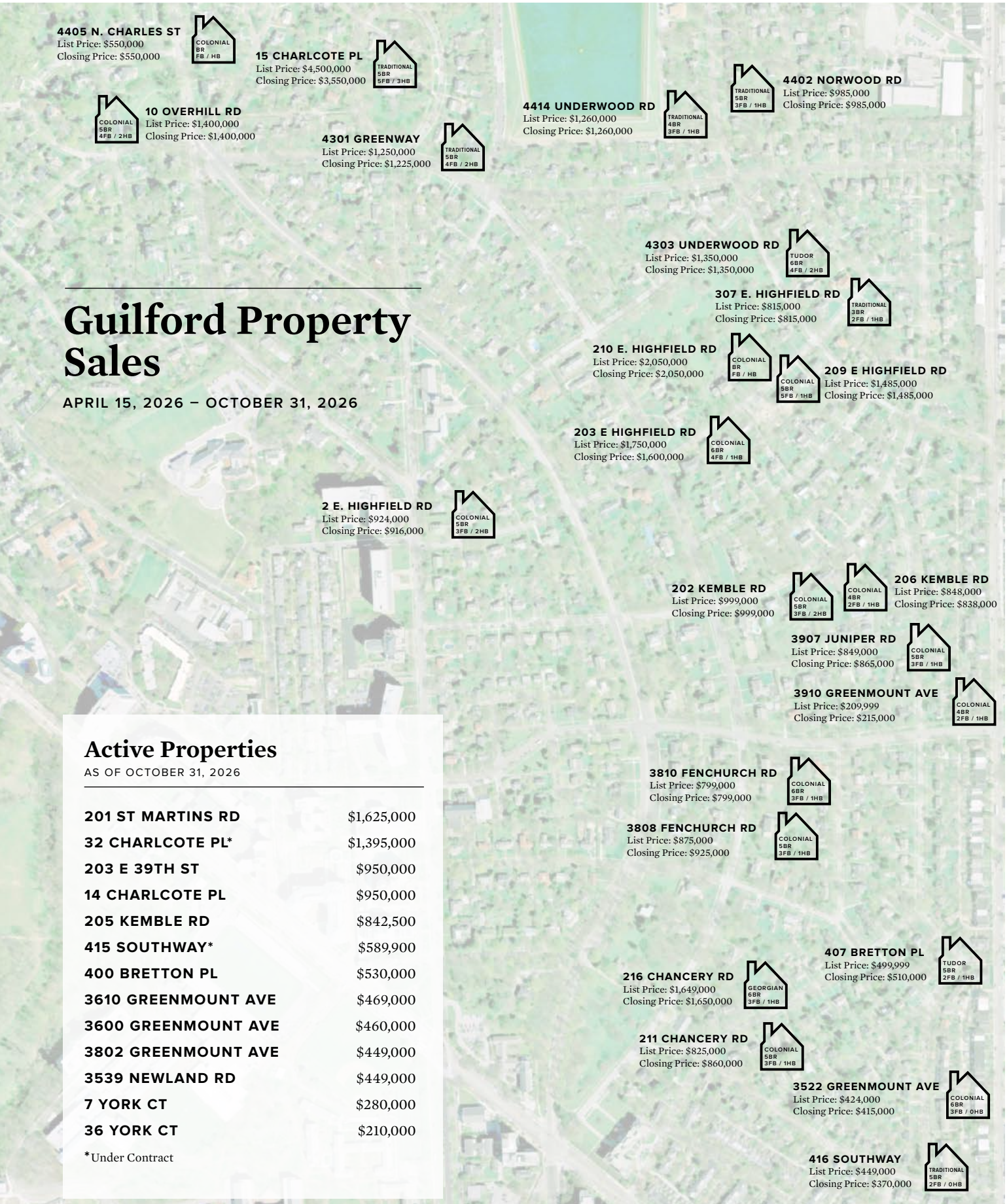

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AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2026

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32 CHARLCOTE PL*	$1,395,000
203 E 39TH ST	$950,000
14 CHARLCOTE PL	$950,000
205 KEMBLE RD	$842,500
415 SOUTHWAY*	$589,900
400 BRETTON PL	$530,000
3610 GREENMOUNT AVE	$469,000
3600 GREENMOUNT AVE	$460,000
3802 GREENMOUNT AVE	$449,000
3539 NEWLAND RD	$449,000
7 YORK CT	$280,000
36 YORK CT	$210,000

*Under Contract

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A view from the kitchen reveals the damage caused by the enormous tree that fell onto the house in 2019.

Temporary supports brace the damaged main beam after the tree's impact.

A tarp covers the roof following the extensive damage sustained in 2019.

MID-CENTURY, *From page 1*

The house suffered a devastating blow in 2019 when an enormous tree fell onto it, damaging the roof and its main supporting beam. The owners of 20 years replaced the damaged beam, added another for additional support, tarped the roof and ultimately put the house on the market.

A young couple purchased the property and undertook the difficult work of completing the repairs, along with renovations to the lower level that had been underway when the tree fell. When their second child arrived, they transformed the large primary bedroom into two smaller bedrooms. Eventually, changes in their work lives brought increasingly long commutes and they decided it was time for the house to find its next owners. Those owners would be the Duggans.

For decades, the Duggans had lived in their "forever home" in Bellona-Gittings, a house they had lovingly restored and renovated into the home of their dreams. But by 2020, a home with all of its bedrooms on the second floor was becoming increasingly impractical for Mr. Duggan. So the search began.

Each day, they searched online listings for a home that was not too large, was in Baltimore City or nearby, and offered the possibility of single-story living. At the same time, they prepared their Bellona-Gittings home for sale, determined to be ready when the right opportunity appeared. That opportunity arrived in March of 2023.

The house in Guilford checked all their boxes. They toured it by appointment on a Friday, returned for the open houses that weekend, and submitted their offer by noon on Monday. There were nine bids. After negotiations, the house became theirs.

The primary bedroom in 2019, before the engineered bamboo flooring was replaced.

The renovated master bedroom features solid white oak flooring, with alternating board widths and a stain color modeled after the house's original floors.

Interestingly, they had never set out to buy a mid-century modern house. Instead, they were surprised—and delighted—by how much they loved it.

"It has the feel of a vacation home," Mrs. Duggan recalls, describing the vaulted ceilings, stone walls, expansive windows, broad eaves and seamless flow between the house and the wooded landscape beyond. Most of all, they loved the feeling of being surrounded by nature while still being very much at home in Guilford.

The Duggans knew they had one more renovation adventure ahead of them. Over the years, they had accumulated considerable experience renovating homes for themselves and their son. They had also assembled a trusted team of professionals whose work they admired: architect Andy Niazy, contractor Memo Ramirez of CRMD, and landscapers Maripat Neff and Mark Sullivan of Fieldstone Nursery. Together, they developed a master plan for the house.

The Duggans knew from the beginning that they wanted to take their time. Their vision would unfold over approximately four years, allowing them to thoughtfully consider each change rather than simply renovate for renovation's sake.

As so often happens with old houses, the house had a few ideas of its own. Before the master plan could fully get underway, substantial problems with the roof, gutters and HVAC system demanded attention. All three were ultimately replaced—none part of the original renovation plan, but all essential to preserving the home for the future. Then the real adventure began.

The bedroom wing was renovated first. Engineered bamboo flooring was replaced with solid white oak, using alternating two- and three-inch boards modeled after the flooring originally installed when the house was built. The oak was stained to match the original color.

The Duggans also recreated the home's single primary bedroom, restoring a particularly special feature: French doors opening onto a patio on one side and windows overlooking the main patio on the other. A redundant bedroom entryway became a powder room, while a small section of wall was removed at the beginning of the bedroom hallway, opening the sightline and creating a graceful view toward the stone wall and artwork at the opposite end.

The lower level received an even more dramatic transformation, including new windows and doors, porcelain tile flooring, a reconfigured ensuite bedroom and a relocated laundry room.

But perhaps the most significant changes came in the heart of the home. In the main living spaces, the new white oak flooring now flows throughout, with marble tile defining the entry hall. The gas fireplace insert was removed, returning the stone fireplace to its original wood-burning function.

The kitchen was completely reimagined with custom cabinetry, new appliances and a soapstone countertop. A window was replaced and repositioned to make the most of the view. The aisle along the island was widened to improve the flow of the room. The sink moved from the island to beneath the window, the gas cooktop was replaced with induction, and a high-mounted exhaust fan was installed above it. Microwave and freezer

The kitchen as it appeared in 2023, before the Duggans undertook its transformation.

Custom cabinetry, soapstone countertops and open shelving give the renovated kitchen a welcoming, open feel.

drawers, along with open shelving, helped preserve the feeling of openness that is so integral to the architecture.

Throughout the house, white walls gave way to a carefully considered palette of Farrow & Ball neutrals, blues and terra cotta. The colors highlight the home's vaulted ceilings, complement the stone and create a visual connection between the rooms and the natural landscape outside.

Outside, the Duggans continued their effort to honor what made the house special in the first place. The exterior was repainted to emphasize the windows and doors, while the front entrance was enhanced with an expanded stone porch and a mahogany screen and storm door.

And then there was the bamboo. After decades, the bamboo that had once been planted to hide the house was removed. An underground barrier was installed to keep bamboo from neighboring properties from returning. In its place, the Duggans began restoring the hillside with specimen and native trees, including crape myrtles, Japanese maples, magnolias, Persian pear, weeping Serbian spruce and dogwoods.

Flower beds throughout the front and side yards were expanded as well. Some areas are deeply shaded; others receive full sun. For the Duggans, selecting the right plants for each setting has become part of the pleasure of the house.

The result is a landscape that feels less like a traditional suburban yard and more like the wooded retreat that drew them to the property in the first place.

Sadly, Mr. Duggan passed away in late 2025. Today, the house carries an even deeper meaning for Anne Duggan. It is not simply the home they purchased together or the renovation project they undertook together. It is a physical reminder of their shared vision, their love of beautiful spaces and the joy they found in embarking on one last home renovation adventure together.

There is comfort in living among the choices they made side by side—the oak floors, the stone, the colors, the garden, the views. And there is comfort in knowing how much Mr. Duggan loved the house.

The Duggans did not set out to become the caretakers of a mid-century modern home in Guilford. They simply found a house that surprised them, delighted them and ultimately captured their hearts.

In renovating it, they have done something particularly meaningful: they have preserved the spirit of a distinctive piece of Guilford's architectural history while creating a home that reflects the people who live—or lived—within its walls. And perhaps that is what makes a house truly special.

A house can be beautifully designed. It can have remarkable architectural details. It can sit on a beautiful piece of land. But it becomes a home when someone loves it enough to care for it.

Terra cotta walls complement the stonework and highlight the vaulted ceilings in the renovated living space.

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Autumn Gutter Maintenance

JOHN BOLTON

While we all know that keeping the sidewalks in front of our homes clear is part of being a good neighbor, did you know that our responsibility actually extends past the curb and into the street? Under Baltimore City Code Health Article § 5-901, property owners are required to keep both the sidewalks and the street gutters bounding their premises open, clean, and free from debris at all times. While the city sweeps major thoroughfares, managing the buildup right against our individual curbs is up to us.

Clearing these gutters is our best defense against local flooding, as piled-up leaves quickly wash into storm drains and cause drainage problems during heavy rains. When doing leaf clean-up this year, please take a few extra minutes to clear the gutter in front of your home and consider lending a hand to your neighbors who might need help clearing their curb.

A Message from Baltimore City Department of Public Works

Leaf Collection has Started

Help us keep leaves out of the trash. This year's leaf collection is plastic-free!

Leaf collection season has officially started, and DPW is asking residents to do things differently this year. Place your leaves in brown paper lawn and leaf bags and call 311 to schedule a pickup. ***Plastic bags will not be accepted.***

We're moving away from treating leaves and yard waste like trash. Properly bagged leaves will be repurposed through DPW's landfill operations instead of being sent to the incinerator.

What Residents Need to Know

- Use brown paper lawn and leaf bags. Plastic bags will not be accepted.
- Call 311 to schedule a pickup. Let us know how many bags you have.
- Prepare leaves to be collected on your scheduled date.
- Get up to five free paper lawn and leaf bags at DPW Residential Recycling Centers while supplies last.

DPW will collect up to 20 bags and bundles per scheduled pickup. This is the first step toward a new approach to managing yard waste in Baltimore. Stay tuned for more information and updates as this effort evolves.

Rooted in Trust, Building on Relationships

KEVIN CREAMER

There is a lot to be excited about along York Road right now. For decades, the York Road Partnership (YRP) has been the primary leading voice for neighborhood revitalization and community-building across the economic and racial divides that separate the east-west sides of York Road and Greenmount Avenue. Since 1995, YRP has brought together volunteers, businesses, and organizational partners for such efforts as community beautification projects, addressing the concentration of vacant homes along the corridor, and securing over $2M in state revitalization funds to foster community development projects along the corridor.

Once completely volunteer-run, the York Road Partnership (YRP) has taken steps to formalize their organizational structure through the onboarding of a Community Organizing Manager in March of 2026. This development is just one of several new pieces of a rich fabric of community support that has been coming together long the corridor over the past few years.

After years of advocacy stemming from the adoption of the 2015 York Road Commercial Corridor Vision & Action Plan, the York Road Improvement District was officially launched in September of 2022. Over the past few years, the Improvement District has worked alongside YRP and taken a leading role in commercial property improvement efforts, cultivating safety and security along the corridor, and fostering economic growth and community flourishing.

Now, a brand-new initiative has been launched that seeks to coordinate and deepen the efforts of these partners. This past May, Loyola University was awarded a $500,000 grant from the Aspen Institute to launch what they are calling the “Rooted in Trust” program. Loyola has convened the York Road Partnership, the York Road Business Improvement District, and the Govans-Boundary United Methodist Church to serve as key partners in this new initiative, which will train a network of community leaders of all ages to serve as advocates and leaders in their neighborhoods. Following a series of community listening sessions that will run through the Fall, “Rooted in Trust” trainings will be offered to cohorts of community residents in the areas of project management, community activism, and field skills. With the recent launch of the Loyola University Community Center just this October, decades-worth of community partnerships and relationship building will find new and exciting avenues of expression, with new locations to house expanding partnership efforts.

For those interested in learning more about these initiatives or ways to get involved, please reach out to Kevin Creamer, chair of the Guilford Association Greenmount Avenue and York Road Committee, at *kcreamer7@gmail.com*.

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1. Preservation of the Guilford residential properties for single family residential use only. No apartments, group homes, room rentals, or similar uses are permitted.

2. Preservation and maintenance of Guilford's historic and unique architectural integrity and scheme.

3. Preservation and maintenance of Guilford's parks and green spaces.

Please arrange for your signing of the Guilford Deed and Agreement Renewal as soon as possible.

Flags and Pie

A NEW GUILFORD TRADITION TAKES ROOT AS NEIGHBORS GATHER AT SHERWOOD GARDENS FOR A FLAG DAY CELEBRATION WITH A SPIRITED PIE-BAKING CONTEST.

HILLARY WILLIAMS

Mid-Summer, June 14th, Sherwood Gardens transformed into a vibrant sea of red, white, and blue as neighbors gathered for the Guilford Association's first annual Flag Day Celebration in celebration of America's 250th birthday. Blessed with brilliant sunshine and late-spring blooms, the afternoon was a picture-perfect showcase of community spirit, friendly competition, and timeless summer fun.

Live ragtime music set a festive tone, inviting families to settle in on the lawn with picnic blankets and lawn chairs. Everywhere you looked, handheld flags fluttered in the breeze, creating an enchanting backdrop against the park's lush green canopy.

One of the highlights of the afternoon was undoubtedly the first-ever (and sure to be legendary) Guilford Pie Baking Contest. The competition brought out the neighborhood's finest bakers, who submitted a mouthwatering array of sweet and savory creations. From classic lattice-topped double-crust apples and tart summer berries to rich, silky chocolate peanut butter custards, the judges had their work cut out for them! After careful deliberation, and plenty of enthusiastic tasting, bragging rights and prizes were awarded to our top neighborhood bakers, most notably to the Chocolate Peanut Butter Pie which came in first place. Thank you to everyone who baked and shared their culinary talents!

Across the green, neighbors of all ages took part in classic lawn games. Children and adults alike challenged one another to friendly games of cornhole, filling the air with laughter and cheerful banter. It was a wonderful sight to see old friends catching up and new residents receiving a warm Guilford welcome.

Events like this remind us how special Sherwood Gardens truly is. The Gardens not only serve as a breathtaking botanical treasure in Baltimore City, but also acts as the heart of our community and a gathering place where memories are made.

The Guilford Association extends a heartfelt thank you to our hardworking event volunteers, organizers, talented musicians, enthusiastic bakers, and everyone who came out to make the day such a resounding success.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our next neighborhood gathering—our Annual Guilford Holiday Party on December 6th! More details to come.

Neighbors gathered in Sherwood Gardens for Guilford's first annual Flag Day Celebration, where live music, homemade pies, and lawn games marked the start of a new community tradition.

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Neighbors and Brunch

A CHERISHED GUILFORD TRADITION RETURNS AS THE NEW NEIGHBOR WELCOME BRUNCH BRINGS NEWCOMERS AND LONGTIME RESIDENTS TOGETHER.

PAUL FOWLER & FRANK MCNEIL

New neighbors, longtime residents, and Guilford's City Council representatives gathered for the return of the New Neighbor Welcome Brunch, reviving a cherished tradition of connection and community.

In 1999, Frank McNeil and Paul Fowler moved to Guilford and were delighted beyond belief when they were invited to a New Neighbor Welcome Brunch hosted by the Guilford Welcoming Committee. The gathering included longtime Guilford residents as well as newer neighbors like themselves who had just moved to the community.

Traditionally held in late winter or early spring, the brunch featured a lovely array of food and beverages. More importantly, it provided a warm welcome and an opportunity to meet new neighbors, learn about the community, and discover ways to participate in neighborhood activities.

The following year, Paul and Frank were asked to join the Welcoming Committee, which thrilled them immensely. The annual tradition continued until the pandemic, when it was discontinued for health and safety reasons.

Earlier this year, they were delighted to resume the tradition by hosting the brunch at their home on Lambeth Road, with approximately 50 people attending. Among those present were a portion of the newer residents who had moved to Guilford during the past few years, along with members of the Welcoming Committee.

The committee dates back to 1974 and was, at least in part, funded through the publication of a neighborhood recipe book. Over the years, the brunches continued annually, and sometimes twice a year when there was a particularly large influx of new neighbors. The gatherings were catered, organized and hosted by the Welcome Committee members.

As the years have passed, the committee's membership has naturally changed as people have moved away or transitioned elsewhere. At the same time, many members have remained joyfully involved for years, including Paul and Sharon Smith, Ralph and Jeanette Parlow, Ken and Margo Bates, Allen and Lisa Garten, and Frank McNeil and Paul Fowler. Just before the pandemic, the committee welcomed new members, Sherry and Vince DeFrancisci, Dale Cantone, and Doug MacLean. Unfortunately, the pandemic interrupted the annual gathering and prevented the committee from holding the brunch again until this year.

As hosts this year, Paul and Frank are elated that the New Neighbor Welcome Brunch tradition has now resumed and that both longtime and newer committee members are charged and ready to carry it forward. May this wonderful Guilford tradition continue for many years to come! The Guilford Welcoming Committee looks forward to hosting another brunch next year and continuing the important custom of helping us connect as a community and making new neighbors feel welcomed!

The Guilford Association and Social Committee are very appreciative of our gracious hosts and all who worked to bring this event back to life. We look forward to many more as we continue to welcome new members into our lovely Guilford community. Please reach out to officemanager@guilfordassociation.org if you are interested in hosting a brunch, event, or joining the Social Committee!

New Neighbors

We recently reached out to some of Guilford's newest residents to learn a little about their families, what brought them here, and what they've enjoyed so far.

Clifford Sheckter and Cassandra Gaedt-Sheckter

15 Charlcote Place

Cliff is a surgeon and chief/director of burn at Johns Hopkins, with degrees from UCLA, USC, and Stanford. Cassandra is an attorney specializing in AI and privacy law at Gibson Dunn & Crutcher. Their 10-year-old twins, Jake and Charlie, attend Calvert School, and the family includes Freddy, a Goldendoodle, and Mila, a Siamese cat. Guilford's charm and convenient access to Hopkins and the train station drew them here, but the neighbors' extraordinary warmth has made the biggest impression. They enjoy neighborhood jogs, Sherwood Gardens, breakfast at La Maison, and exploring Hampden's restaurants.

Mandy Grove and Greg Frailey

407 Bretton Place

Mandy and Greg are Towson alumni who moved to Station North in 2017, drawn by their love of Baltimore and easy access to MARC for daily commutes to Washington. After a multiyear house hunt, they found their home in Guilford. Mandy works in cybersecurity, while Greg works in harm reduction and holds a master's in public anthropology from American University. They enjoy walking the neighborhood, admiring each home's distinctive character, and spotting wildlife—from squirrels to the occasional fox or deer. Their favorite local stops include Ekiben, La Maison, Kajiken, Motzi Bread, and The Charmery.

Fatimah Ndiaye

3910 Greenmount Avenue

A lifelong Baltimorean, Fatimah moved to Guilford from the Catonsville area after falling in love with her home at first sight in July. An English professor and marketing manager with a master's in education, she shares her home with Keiko, a reticent, three-year-old black-and-white cat. Fatimah was drawn to the charm, character, and history of older homes. Since arriving, she has especially enjoyed Guilford's active, well-connected community and appreciates the care and effort neighbors put into preserving the neighborhood's history and distinctive personality.

C. Clinton Stieff and Elizabeth Fialkowski Stieff

211 Chancery Road

Clinton and Elizabeth moved to Guilford from Federal Hill in mid-September with their daughters, Blair and Sloane, who both attend prekindergarten at Friends School. Their dog, RJ, is a mixed-breed rescue adopted from Kuwait. Both parents are lawyers: Clinton works at the SEC, and Elizabeth at Venable. The couple have strong local educational ties. Clinton attended Boys' Latin and earned his undergraduate and law degrees at the University of Maryland, followed by a master's at UVA. Elizabeth attended Johns Hopkins and Georgetown Law. A favorite destination for a family meal is the Ambassador.

Roberto Machado and Caitriona Buckley

10 Overhill Road

Roberto and Caitriona are both physicians whose move to Baltimore followed recruitment to the University of Maryland Medical Center. Their two sons are university students: Patrick attends the University of California San Diego, and Peter attends the University of Chicago. For Roberto and Caitriona, Guilford offers an appealing combination of suburban atmosphere and city convenience, keeping them close to work and everything Baltimore has to offer. Their dining favorites include Petit Louis Bistro, Cece's, and Seppia, with Johnny's a favorite for breakfast.

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Got a Pond?

We're planning a future article about garden ponds in Guilford. Popular in early 20th-century garden design, ponds graced many Guilford homes built between the 1910s and 1930s. Does your garden still have an original concrete pond—or perhaps a contemporary water feature? Let us know.