

# The President's Corner

## The Anneslie Times

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There are few things I like writing about less than crime. It's a difficult balancing act between informing neighbors of pressing issues and trends, and creating a panic. It's no secret that crime has taken a noticeable uptick over this past Spring and the early weeks of Summer. It's hard to say if the Arctic winter kept criminals OUT of our community, as much as it kept us trapped IN it, but we're seeing a definite surge of incidents in recent months. Three recent incidents are worthy of note:

In May, an 11-year old resident of Murdock was assaulted at the corner of Dunkirk and Edgewood Roads, with the assailants taking off with his bike. In the middle of a Wednesday afternoon! Thankfully, a quick thinking Good Samaritan (Mr. Joe Wilson, of Wilson & Son Builders) witnessed the incident and followed the suspects, leading to an arrest. Other neighbors assisted the boy, who was fine, but now, I suspect, a bit more wary. Taking a bike is one thing, but the innocence of a child is irreplaceable.

Last week, the Chipotle on York Road was robbed at gunpoint at 8:30 in the morning.

And just a few days ago, a home on Murdock was broken into and cleaned of electronics, jewelry, and cash. Again, this happened sometime between 8:30

AM and 3 PM, on a Friday. A saddened next-door neighbor saw and heard nothing, although she was home the entire time.

What these incidents should tell us is that the criminals are getting bolder and braver, and that we must become more clever to outwit them. In all of these cases, the police have been very responsive and professional, AFTER the fact. But they cannot be here 24/7 to protect our community. We must be the first line of defense and make Anneslie less of an easy mark.

So, PLEASE, lock your doors and windows, keep property secured and out of sight, and be on the watch for ANYTHING suspicious. Call 911 and call your neighbors. Also call your local delegate and State senator to let them know that reinstating police budgets is a priority. Remember, it's an election year!

I'd also like to suggest that more people get involved in our Citizens-on-Patrol program. Although we've got a great COP program that provides volunteer coverage of our streets on Friday and Saturday evenings, these recent incidents serve as stark reminders that criminals don't restrict themselves to certain hours. Whenever you're on a walk, or a bike ride, or pushing that

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### Events Calendar

**Crab Feast July 31**

**Annual Picnic September 25**



**Don't forget to pay your Anneslie dues!**

Editor Julie Kromkowski  
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stroller, day or night, take a cell phone with you and report suspect behavior. We always need residents to fill the Friday and Saturday slots, but I'd like for more people to consider taking on daytime shifts. While many of us are at work, this could be a great opportunity for retirees, stay-at-home Moms and Dads, or others with more flexible schedules. If you can help with this enhanced effort, please email [cop@anneslie.org](mailto:cop@anneslie.org).

Just today I received an email from a private security company, offering services to Anneslie. No doubt they read the police blotter and thought there might be a chance to make a few bucks. Protection packages start at \$100 a month and head steeply up from there. I'd rather spend precious community association funds on community activities and streetscape beautification than security, if we can show we can do this ourselves, together with the police and elected officials.

While this has been a less-than-pleasant *President's Corner* to write, I felt it important to stress the obvious.

I'd also like to remind everyone that we're not alone. Personal property crimes are on the increase in adjacent neighborhoods, in Baltimore City, and out "in the Counties". It shouldn't reflect poorly on Anneslie. Instead, our community spirit and resolve in dealing with it should serve as a positive and make us all proud of our neighborhood.

As always, your thoughts and comments are welcome at [president@anneslie.org](mailto:president@anneslie.org). Thanks.

**Scott A. McGovern, AIA**  
**President, Anneslie Community Association**

*E-mail Scott with questions, concerns or feedback at [president@anneslie.org](mailto:president@anneslie.org)*



# Mark your Calendar for the Annual Picnic!

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The Annual Anneslie Picnic is scheduled for **Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> from 4 PM to 8 PM** (rain date is Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup>) on the 600 block of Anneslie Road.

There will be a moon bounce and games for the kids and great food, drink and conversation for the adults! The Mudrocks, a local band featuring Anneslie residents, will be performing live!



Residents should bring their own "grillables" to grill on the communal grill along with one dish to share. Odd numbered houses should bring a side dish and even numbered houses should bring a dessert. The Anneslie Community Association will provide the condiments, hamburger and hotdog rolls, utensils, paper goods and beverages (water and juice for the kids and soda and beer for the adults).

**Volunteers are needed** to help with set-up, clean up, staffing the grill, and organizing the children's activities. If you can help in any way, please contact **Michele Cline 410-377-9244 or [scotia628@yahoo.com](mailto:scotia628@yahoo.com) or Dana Dalton 410-377-6089 or [ddalton@loyola.edu](mailto:ddalton@loyola.edu)**. This annual tradition is a terrific way to meet other Anneslie neighbors and catch up with the neighbors you already know. Please plan to be a part of the tradition and have some fun!

# How your Anneslie Dues is Used

As Anneslie Treasurer, it's my job to present a budget each year for approval by the Board, collect dues and other income, and manage payments as expenses are submitted. The Board thought Anneslie residents might be interested in knowing how the money is budgeted and spent each year. While details for this are distributed at each monthly Board meeting and available to anyone who asks, this article provides a general overview of the Association's yearly spending and income. It is by paying your dues that you become a member of the Anneslie Community Association.

## Approximate Annual Budget for Expenses

Summer Picnic	\$ 2,000
Crab Feast	\$ 2,000
Newsletter Printing	\$ 1,000
Street Banners	\$ 1,000
Liability Insurance	\$ 900
Website	\$ 350
Yard Sale	\$ 250
Halloween Party	\$ 250
New Neighbor Gifts	\$ 200
Cash Reserves	\$ 1,200
Others	\$ 1,750
Total	\$10,900

## Approximate Annual Income

Annual Dues	\$ 7,600
Summer Picnic	\$ 400
Crab Feast	\$ 1,800
Realtor Contributions	\$ 500
Others	\$ 600
Total	\$10,900

As you can see, the vast majority of the budget for the community comes from members of the Community Association. However, only about 70% of homes in the community pay their dues (\$25 regular and \$10 for seniors) each year.

Everyone in the community can join in on most any of the events we organize. The Board members hope those in your home have taken advantage of one or more of these events and we encourage you to increase your participation. These activities help bring your neighbors out of their homes, and provide an opportunity for you to chat with long time residents and meet new ones. So check this and future newsletters for announcements of upcoming event. Then come out and join us!

- Rick Kiegel

# Baltimore Reads Books for Kids Day—Thanks!

I am pleased to report that on Saturday, May 1, I delivered over 800 books donated by residents of our community to the Baltimore Reads Books For Kids Day event. This was almost 300 more books than last year! Our donation contributed to the almost 18,000 books that were collected and sorted that day.

A special thanks goes out to the many neighbors who made such generous donations and to the community association for their commitment to this great cause. Without your support, the Book Bank would not be able to get books into the hands of children and families who need them.

We look forward to your participation again next year!!! Please visit the Baltimore Reads Booth at the Farmers'

Market & Bazaar downtown under the Jones Falls Expressway on Sunday mornings between now and December! The booth will take book donations, and you can also buy used adult books (great for stocking up on your summer reading materials!!!) and Baltimore Reads T-Shirts (new this year!). Proceeds support the operation of the Baltimore Reads Book Bank.

Thanks again!  
Kate and Mark Feiring



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# Block News

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Block Captain changeover—Board Member Michele Cline has handed over the reins of 500 block Dunkirk to Michael and Jean Smith (501). Their correct phone number is 410-372-0519. Thanks, Michele!

700 block Dunkirk — Gail Vernick notes that Sarah Thierer (721) graduated from Loyola University. Sarah will be attending Graduate School for her Masters in Special Education at Loyola this Fall.

Luke Lees (706) graduated from Boys Latin and Elizabeth Ward (720) graduated from Towson High. Elizabeth will attend Goucher College and Luke will be going to the University of South Carolina.

Chelsea Andrews (711) graduated from Carver Center and will be attending MICA in the Fall.

Leah Balkowski (718) and Noah Burchard (723) graduated from Dumbarton Middle School. Leah will attend the Carver Center in the Fall and Noah is headed for Towson High. Way to go GRADS!!!

Helen Kennedy reports that the 500 block Anneslie is saluting its Towson High grads—

Jordan Garvin  
K.C. Thompson  
Henry Tabling

Sue McGovern is pleased to report new neighbors at 601 Regester. We welcome Jurgens and Christie Bauer, formerly of Canton, to Anneslie. Jurgens is in medical equipment sales and Christie is an elementary school teacher, currently on a long sabbatical, as they await the arrival of a baby daughter this fall. Welcome and Best of Luck!

There's a lot of summer left!  
Visit BGE's website:  
[www.bge.com/summerready](http://www.bge.com/summerready)  
to learn how you can conserve energy in your home.

**Going on vacation?** Be sure to stop mail and newspapers while you're gone, ask a neighbor to pick up flyers and the Towson Times, and don't publicize the fact that you will be away. Have fun!

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## Anneslie Word Search

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ANNESLIE  
OVERBROOK  
SPRINKLER  
WIGGLYS

DUNKIRK  
REGESTER  
SUMMER  
WINDWOOD

MURDOCK  
RITAS  
VACATION  
YORK

# Beers of Summer

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Okay so it's now 90 degrees, 90 percent humidity, BGE is having a stellar week, and all of us are in our annual "too much fun zone" due to our annual weather pattern. So what kind of beer should we have in the fridge? Understanding that I am not a believer in "lite" beer – less filling to me means less taste – there are a couple of beer styles that lend themselves perfectly to this time of year and still deliver full flavor and complexity.

Number one, real pilsners (or golden lagers in general). A true pilsner, a style of lager beer originally produced in the Czech region called Plzen, should be medium gold in color, about 5% alcohol by volume, and should have a crisp, clean, slightly bitter finish that perks up the palate and refreshes. If you are looking for the perfect beer to pair with your steamed crabs, this would be the one. Interestingly enough, the subtle bitter tang in the finish really helps "cleanse" the palate and allows you to taste crab instead of just pepper and Old Bay seafood seasoning. For my money these days, I want to taste crab. We make

two beers that loosely fall into this category – Heavy Seas Classic Lager (my choice for crabs) and a more robust Heavy Seas Small Craft Warning Uber Pils.

Number two on the list – Bavarian style wheat beers. This unique style – available in unfiltered (hefeweizen) or filtered form – is a perfect summer quencher. While wheat beers are also available in an American style, I think the Bavarian style is more interesting, having a slightly spicy, clove like character that is derived from the special yeast used in the beer. You can serve this fairly cold, sometimes with a slice of lemon, and it will pair well with cold summer soups and grilled veal sausages. Experiment and you will find this is an extremely versatile and pleasing summer refresher. I am a personal fan either the Paulaner or Spaten Franziskaner wheat beers.

Number three; many breweries now release "summer" ales. These are typically slightly lower in alcohol and with more delicate flavor profiles that still deliver a good

amount of character. At Clipper City we just released our Summer Ale, and there are a number of other good examples available commercially. Take a stroll thru your local store's beer aisle and you will likely see quite a few.

So there you have it, your summer beer homework. I know it's a tough job, but... As with most things food and beverage, exploring new things is part of the fun. Be adventurous and I am sure you will be rewarded.

**Hugh Sisson**  
**General Partner for Clipper City**  
**Brewing Co, LP**  
**Brewers of Heavy Seas Beers**  
**Co-host of Cellar Notes on WYPR**  
**88.1 FM**



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## Anneslie Times Format Change

You may notice this issue of the Anneslie Times is in color, and has advertising at the back. These changes are part of an agreement made between the Community Association and FATA. Anneslie will save approximately \$1,000 yearly in printing costs under this agreement.

Please patronize the businesses that advertise here if you can. They are helping to support our community!

If you would like to place an ad, contact FATA at:

**Phil Maher**  
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(410) 578-3600 Work  
pmaher@fataonline.com

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# Replacement Page for 2010 Anneslie Directory (rev. 6/10)

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500 Kelly Shay/Jim Pannebecker, 377-8424  
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700 Emma Pyle, 616-9108

#### Dunkirk Road

500 Jean/Michael Smith, 372-0519  
600 Tom Aberle, 377-9268  
700 Gail Vernick, 377-2541

#### Regester Avenue

500 Ellen/Jim Sheridan, 377-3066  
600 Sue McGovern, 377-7948  
700 Wendy Faraone, 377-0296

#### Murdock Road

500 Chris/Mark Hartstein, 372-0528  
600 Lori Terceira, 377-3069  
707 Jen Hudak, 868-6100

#### Windwood Road

500 Mary Carol/Bob Venanzi, 377-4918  
600 Stephanie Dieter, 377-5168

# Home & Garden Tour Showcases Beautiful Anneslie

On June 12 we conducted the Diane Schatz Home and Garden Tour. Fifteen of your fellow neighbors opened their homes and gardens to share their renovations, decorations and unique style. The day started with Darin Crew of the Herring Run Watershed, who gave a walking tour of the Villa gardens. Plant lovers were in heaven! With the help of volunteers and our generous sponsors, we had over 50 people attending and we earned over \$500 for the Homeowners Association. The proceeds will be slated for the community's beautification projects, such as street tree planting.



Thank you to the volunteers, participants and neighbors for making this event such a success!

- Shari Depasquale, event chair

(pictured, Danelle and Tim Heimbach, 514 Anneslie)

Special thanks to our hosts for this event at Villa Anneslie, Roger Chylinski and Dan Dewberry!



THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS:

*These local merchants support our community. Please support them and help them succeed by patronizing them when you can, and recommending them to friends and neighbors.*

- Atwater's of Belvedere Square** — for their excellent lemon and coconut bites
- Ayd Hardware** — Our Neighborhood Hardware Store--- for the flamingo markers
- Balloon Bouquet Delivery and Decorating** — for helium balloons to mark the tour homes
- Giant Foods** — for mini-muffin snacks
- Nancy Hofmann, Realtor** — for help in advertising



**Dumpster Day  
Photos  
Courtesy of Ted Hull**



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# Would you like to make a difference in our community?

If you would like to volunteer, please send an email message to [contactCOP@verizon.net](mailto:contactCOP@verizon.net).

Our Citizens On Patrol coordinator will contact you and add you to the schedule.

## VOLUNTEER FOR CITIZENS ON PATROL!

This is a great way to get involved with a worthwhile community initiative having a **very minimal time commitment.**

Volunteers are asked to participate in one 1.5 hour shift approximately every 7 weeks.

These shifts take place on Friday and Saturday nights.

There is an early shift (9:30 PM—11 PM) and a late shift (11 PM—12:30 AM).

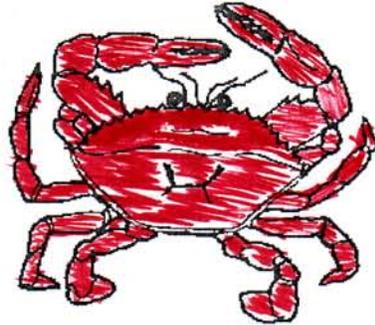
**Request the shift you prefer.**

If you prefer a daytime, weekday shift, let us know.

Volunteer with your spouse or another neighbor/friend! What a nice way to help the community and spend some time together!



# Anneslie Adult Crab Feast 2010



**When:** Saturday **July 31<sup>st</sup>** at 6:00 PM -- **Rain or Shine**

**Where:** 700 Block of Murdock Road

**Cost:** \$50 for Crab Pickers or \$20 for Land Lovers before 7/23.  
Cost will increase to \$55 for crabs and \$25 for land thereafter.

This **adult only** party will include all the crabs, Andy Nelson's BBQ, beer, wine, and soda you can consume.

We ask that everyone who attends please bring either a side dish (odd number houses) or a dessert (even number houses).

As always volunteers are needed for set-up and clean-up.

Checks should be made out to the Anneslie Community Association and dropped off at 711 Murdock by July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Please Call Justin Gerbereux @ 410-800-2729 with questions

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Name:

Address:

Number of Crab Pickers:

Number of Land Lovers:

(Please Return with Money)

Willing to Help with Set-Up:

Phone Number: