## Chestnut Hill Association Newsletter April 2007

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## Greetings to all neighbors:

It is that time of year when our thoughts turn from ice and snow to spring flowers, lawn mowing, and tending the garden. All in all, we have had a mild winter, the recent cold spells notwithstanding.

Our first item is to report on a series of meetings that have taken this spring regarding chemical treatment of Leonard Mill Pond. As most of you know, Rick D. Konrad, Superintendent of Wicomico Parks has worked with various Maryland state agencies and country residents to coordinate steps regarding this year's program as well as to initiate the development of a long-term stewardship plan.

The most recent meeting was held at the Wicomico County Tourist Center on April 12<sup>th</sup>, at which Rick shared the most recent information with the some 100 residents in attendance. Rick has called for volunteers from each of the five neighborhood associations to join in the formation of a steering committee what would work on the development of a strategic plan for the pond. Some of our Chestnut Hill Association members already have volunteered. If you also would like to be involved, please get in touch with Rick Konrad, who will be sending out an email to move the organization process forward. Rick's contact information is given on the business card image at the end of this newsletter.

Another item is the status of neighborhood streetlights. From several lights a few years ago we are down to one at last count. As many of you know, Delmarva Power will install a street lamp for a fee, and charge something on the order of \$3.50 a month for power. While it is understandable that some of you are stargazers, complete darkness is not always the best for neighborhood security.

Our **spring yard sale** will be held on **Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**. Donald and Debra Cooper again have kindly agreed to let us use Lot B-26, where we have held our picnic for the past several years. In addition, Preston Tawes has kindly agreed to prepare the newspaper ad and sign on behalf of the Association to publicize the yard sale. Our **annual picnic** will be held on **Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**, beginning at 4:00 p.m. As usual, we will have a great selection of food and members are invited to bring a specialty dish of their choosing to add to the festivities.

We close this year's newsletter with a reminder to please renew your **membership** in the **Chestnut Hill Association** for the 2007 year. As noted in our Bylaws, the dues are \$15.00. Checks should be made out to the Chestnut Hill Association, and delivered to Barbara White, secretary of the Association, at 30275 Mallard Drive. As you know, Association dues are used to cover the expenses of our summer picnic, the mosquito-spraying program, and for miscellaneous expenses such as cards and flowers for those who may be ill or have passed on.

With best wishes.

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