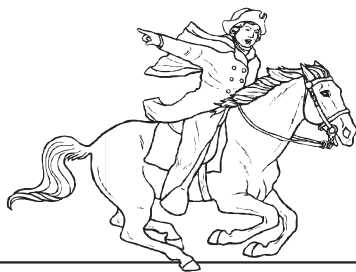


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The Associates of Loch Raven Village, Inc. publish The VILLAGE CRIER monthly (except August). We also have a web site, block captains, and monthly meetings where you can find out what is happening in your community.

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Room 102 of the former Loch Raven Elementary School on Glen Keith Boulevard. They are open to the public. Residents are encouraged to attend, and to help in our ongoing work “to protect, maintain, and enhance the property values of Loch Raven Village homes, and the quality of life of Loch Raven Village residents.”

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President's Message

I would like to thank all of you who attended the Oct 4th meeting concerning the property at 1400 Taylor Avenue. There was a very good turn out. I hope that all of your questions were answered. If anyone has any other questions, you may call me or a Board member and we will help you the best we can.

Mark you calendars for December 7th and 8th as these are the dates that Santa will be arriving and riding throughout the Village. On Saturday after the ride, Santa will be at Babcock Church where there will be a party so look for more information in the Crier.

Remember to make a call to your County Councilman and let him know that we want the Old Loch Raven Elementary School put on the Historic Registry. If we work together on this we can get it done.

We are trying to work on some other things to do for our Residents. If you have any suggestions, please give me a call. Some things that were discussed were a Bull Roast, a Village block Party or a dance. If you can think of anything else let us know.

I hope everyone will enjoy their Thanksgiving Holiday.

Sincerely,
Francis Cullen
President

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Community News



Loch Raven Elementary Historic Landmark Update

The Landmark Preservation Committee will have met on November 8th to listen to community input and vote on whether to recommend that the old Loch Raven Elementary School be designated a Historic Landmark. They will pass their recommendation to the County Council which will then vote whether to accept that recommendation.

If we make it to the County Council, we will need continued community support. Please check the community website at www.lochravenvillage.com for updates or call Leslea Knauff for more information. An email, call, or FAX to Councilman Gardina to express your support for historic status for Loch Raven Elementary School would be helpful. His office number is 410-8877-3384, (FAX) 410-887-5791, and email is bccdistrict5@comcast.net.

1400 Taylor Avenue: County Council Work Session on November 13th!

On October 15, Councilman Gardina introduced Resolution 100-7 to review and approve a PUD (Planned Unit Development) Plan on behalf of the developers of the old Allied Signal property on Taylor Avenue. **THE ONLY TIME FOR COMMUNITY INPUT WILL BE AT THE COUNTY COUNCIL WORKSESSION ON NOVEMBER 13 WHICH BEGINS AT 2PM (at the old County Courthouse Building, 400 Washington Avenue, 2nd Floor.)** The County Council will vote on the resolution on November 19th at which time there is NO citizen input.

Thanks to everyone who attended the meeting regarding 1400 Taylor Avenue on October 4th. The new owner, Stevenson Taylor Investments LLC, is proposing to demolish the existing building and build a “big box” store to be leased to Lowe’s —plus a pad site for a bank. He is planning to



Over The Fence

Dear Loch Raven Neighbors,

I just wanted to send a heartfelt thank you to everyone in the Village who was so generous with their time and concern during Peg Kloes' last few years and months. One of her greatest pleasures was being able to serve the Village on the Board, and then later, as the President. She believed in community and always strove to make the Village a better place to live. Peg moved to Loch Raven with her parents when the Village was initially built, and later moved back as an adult to live just two doors down from her mom. It was with deep regret that we decided to move from the Village for health reasons so she could enjoy one-level living, but she always kept abreast of the Village through our many friends in the neighborhood.

Contributions may be made in her memory to Gilchrist Hospice of Baltimore, or Hopewell Cancer Support. Or better yet, she would encourage you to step up and join in the process that keeps the Village one of the best places to live in Baltimore. Join a committee, help plan an event or deliver flyers, pick up trash, THANK a Board member, and commit yourself to meeting your neighbors, and enjoy your community.

In friendship,
Beth Seeley
Lutherville, MD

Community News continued

accomplish this via a PUD plan which will sidestep the usual rezoning process. However, the developer has also filed a request to rezone the property from Manufacturing, Light (ML) to Business Major (BM) “just in case” the PUD avenue does not work out. The change to BM zoning would allow by right: all uses permitted in BL (which includes retail sales) plus service garages, hotel/motel, theatres, warehouses, automobile sales, and night clubs.

Vince Gardina attended the meeting and stated that he felt the Lowe’s project was the best use for the property since there had been no other interest when the previous owners had it on the market. The developer stated that there was no lease agreement with Lowes at this time and did not answer the question as to what would happen with the property if the rezoning to BM was accomplished if there was still no lease with Lowes.

Community members who attended the meeting voiced many concerns about the destruction of the character and peace and quiet of our neighborhood with the extended store hours and the increased traffic on Loch Raven Boulevard and Taylor Avenue including delivery trucks. Many felt that this project is out of scale with the surrounding communities.

PLEASE contact a Loch Raven Village board member to let us know what you think and what suggestions you might have for this property. If you can attend the Council Work Session, please let us know! (Speakers must sign up before the session begins and have only two minutes to speak.)

Leslea Knauff

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The LRVA acknowledges with gratitude the few volunteers who worked at the neighborhood cleanup site on Saturday, October 20, 2007. The following devoted their time and effort to the operation:

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Wayne Skinner
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**Darrell Krushensky
Steve Meador
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Dave King**

This activity benefits the whole neighborhood as well as the individual resident. It allows us to dispose of the clutter and unwanted items from our back yards and alleys.

The community association is tentatively planning a future cleanup in the spring of 2008 for your convenience. More info will follow in future Criers.

Loch Raven Village Book Club

In November, the Loch Raven Village Book Club will be reading two short stories that have holiday themes— **“A Thanksgiving Visitor”** and **“A Christmas Memory”**—both by



Truman Capote. We will take a break in December and resume in January with a poetry meeting. (More details on that next month.) In February, we will be reading **“A Thousand Splendid Suns”** by Khaled Hosseini, the author of **“The Kite Runner”**; which was a well-liked early book club selection.

The Book Club meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at the old Loch Raven Elementary School on Glen Keith Boulevard. Any changes to location and time will be announced in the CRIER and by email to anyone who wishes to be on the email list. Call Leslea at 410-823-0648 or email her at lesleak@aol.com for more information.

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Maryland Sex Offender.	www.dpscs.state.md.us

A more complete listing can be found on the Baltimore County site, www.baltimorecountyonline.info

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