



# THE DOCK LINE

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## MAY PREVIEW

### MAY 14th GENERAL MEETING:

A BGE representative will address community concerns about outages in the area and tree maintenance. Several residents have shared concerns about how outages are a major grinder pump issue, impacting sewerage removal from homes. If we are not proactive this could be a major issue during a severe storm. If you have had significant outages, please report these to President



Proud Momma submitted by Chuck Taylor

Vivirito. The Bowley's Quarters peninsula is not scheduled for tree maintenance this year. However, if there are concerns, BGE will investigate to see if immediate branch removal is warranted.

The Director of DEPREM, Jonas Jacobson, and Candy Crosswell will address water quality and Middle River waterways issues.

**NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE MAY 14TH GENERAL MEETING.** Offices include President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, as well as Board of Directors' positions. The slate will be presented by the nominating committee and nominations will be accepted from the floor.

## APRIL MEETING NOTES

**APRIL 9th GENERAL MEETING:** Due to the earlier FEMA meeting, no guest speaker was scheduled for the April meeting. Several important issues were addressed.

Kitty Blythe (Secretary) and Phil Blythe (Vice President) asked to resign as BQIA officers due to other personal responsibilities. President Vivirito appointed Board members Jim Hock (Vice President) and Robbi Duncan (Secretary) to fulfill the remainder of their terms. With the appointing of the new secretary and vice president, there were two vacancies on the Board. President Vivirito appointed Ray Schaferbien and Dave Steedman to fill those until the end of the term. These appointments must be voted on and approved by the general membership. Since there was not a quorum at this meeting, the vote will take place at the May meeting.

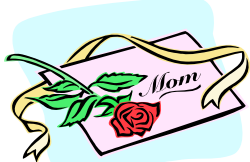
## Mother's Day

### Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast

May 10, 2009 9 AM-12 PM

Start the day celebrating our moms by joining us in this BQIA tradition! The men are cooking pancakes, eggs, sausage, and more! Ymmmm Craft tables, plants, face painting for kids.

Cost \$5.00 Mom's eat for free!!



## APRIL MEETING NOTES CONTINUED!

Street Lighters graciously installed new lighting around the building. The estimate for the job was \$9,500.00. The owner of Street Lighters, Chris Johnson, donated this much needed service. **THANK YOU CHRIS JOHNSON AND STREET LIGHTERS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN MAKING OUR COMMUNITY A BRIGHTER PLACE!!**



Flood insurance, new flood zone designations, and mortgage company requirements were discussed at last month's special meeting. We hope all in attendance found the information useful.

Bowley's Quarters Variances:

- The Royal Farms on Bowleys Quarters Road is requesting to build an addition to the store. No hearing date has been set
- A hearing for the 1636 Bowleys Quarters Road variance has already occurred. Appeals can always be filed within 30 days of hearings.
- The Tregore Property located on Clarks Point Rd. has applied for lot line readjustment. No hearing date has been set.

Salt Peter Manor has the necessary permits to build. There are five homes planned for that location.

Beacon Light Marina is removing old trees on their property and will be re-planting in the fall. The marina intends to expand the business in the future.

Bengies Welding is exploring options for its property and will keep the Association informed.

The Board of Appeals has denied the Condos project. The denial was due to a technicality involving a record of the process **not** the project. The process is being revisited.

Problems with wide turns by MTA buses at the Bowley's Quarters and Carroll Island intersection were discussed. President Vivirito will look into the concern but the intersection will not see any change until the corner is developed. The food store proposal at that corner is still pending.

Lack of heat at the FEMA meeting was discussed. The problem has since been fixed. The indicator on the oil tank was broken allowing water to get into the tank. Hoffberger Oil took care of the problem. **THANK YOU!!**

Tony Reale won the 50/50. Congratulations Tony!!

**SPEAKERS:** Please help us make our meetings more beneficial by suggesting issues to address that would be valuable to our community. Direct all speaker suggestions to [editor@bqia.org](mailto:editor@bqia.org)

**HALL RENTALS:** \$500 non-members, \$450 members Catering Available.

Please contact John Ambrosi 410-284-1336 for additional information

**FRONT PAGE SCENES:** Email your favorite scene (no people please) of our peninsula and it might be published in a future bulletin. Email [editor@bqia.org](mailto:editor@bqia.org) (jpg. format please)

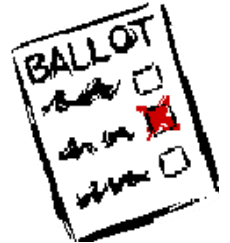
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Mother's Day Breakfast May 10<sup>th</sup> 9- 12. Free for mothers and small children! All others \$5.00. Plant and flower sales will take place at the breakfast. Come celebrate with us!

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to Bengies Drive In for posting the FEMA meeting on the marquee. Thank you for all of your support in keeping the community informed!!

Elections are to be held at the June meeting. All Officers and eleven Board of Directors positions will need to be filled. Please attend, your support is needed for a successful election.



In the latest issue of the *Preserving Communities* newsletter you can see the results of a national survey of citizen groups regarding neighborhood nuisances and the most effective methods for resolving issues which degrade residential quality of life. This issue has been posted at... <http://ceds.org/pc.html> The site also has past articles regarding watershed growth and development. This newsletter is provided by the Community Environmental and



Phil and Kitty Blythe have been of exceptional service to the Bowleys Quarters Improvement Association and we thank them for their work in making our community a better place. Their leadership support and Kitty's exceptional secretarial work will be sorely missed. Thank you both for your years of dedication.

**Errant Mail Delivery:** If you receive someone else's mail call Mr. Clinton Matthews of the Middle River Post Office, 410-687-5568.

**APG Artillery Concerns:** Contact George Mercer, 800-688-8705, regarding unacceptable noise or damage from bombing frequency

**Marshy Point Nature Center:** The center has wonderful programs for families and nature buffs. For more information check out [www.marshypoint.org](http://www.marshypoint.org)

**Bowley's Quarters History Trivia:** Answer to last month's question- Today, Goeller's the popular 1930's watering hole is now Long Beach Restaurant! The fun times continue! This month's question: What long time BQ family changed from chicken farming to the restaurant business after a 1933 flood made them rethink their livelihood?

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