



THE DOCK LINE

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OCTOBER PREVIEW

October 8th GENERAL MEETING:

Lockheed Martin will present an update on ongoing and upcoming environmental cleanup activities at the Middle River complex and Martin State Airport sites. Tom Blackman is with the corporate Environment, Safety and Health Organization and is the project lead for this work. He will address contamination that may have resulted from predecessor company operations and disposal practices. Tom will provide this update and welcomes any questions neighbors might have. We look forward to hearing from him regarding environmental concerns being addressed by Lockheed Martin and the future of the Middle River complex.



Osprey submitted by Louie Sowers

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Bull and Oyster Roast: October 17, 2009

First come first served, these affairs have been a sell-out in the past!

7-12 p.m. Food 7-11 p.m., Music 8-12 p.m.

Tickets are \$35 each
See inside for details.



SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTES

Jonas Jacobson, DEPRM Director and David Riter, Wastewater Restoration Program Supervisor spoke. Mr. Jacobson shared his background and his vision for the department and explained its "hard side" which is regulatory and its "soft side" which involves environmental enhancement (stream restoration, shoreline preservation and dredging). Storm water; sediment control and grading; ground water (septic and wells); environmental health (including mosquito control); community pools; and even restaurant safety fall under his management. He spoke of programs such as the Growing Home Program through which citizens are provided a \$10 coupon to buy a tree and Watershed management and monitoring programs which provide the science of what goes on behind permits in attempting to restore the bay. DEPRM is expanding its Watershed Action Plan, that included the recent community clean up of Back River, to work with us in 2010 and 2011 on a watershed action plan for our community. The plan is to form a partnership between the community and government agencies regarding our watershed. Our input will be very important to the success of the plan. Mr. Jacobson provided his work number, 410-887-3776, and asked that people call if they have concerns related to anything under his jurisdiction. He then fielded questions and comments from attendees. Issues presented in-

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SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTES CONTINUED!

cluded:

- Whether Miami Beach was really “working” because of goose droppings all over the beach. This will be addressed with Recreation and Parks.
- Seneca Creek’s water is being polluted by the goose poop as well because people are feeding waterfowl. Are or will areas other than Miami Beach be tested for contamination?
- The Eurasian Milfoil is clogging the waterways, along with the algae bloom. It is very difficult for sailboats to get out. Many shared their frustration with this aquatic nuisance. David Riter who also monitors Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) as well as dredging shared that this is not the first year this has been a problem. They are looking into how to manage this better. There is a pilot study to harvest the milfoil and look at the outcome to determine how to address it.
- Channel markers in Seneca Creek that are not lit and posing a danger for skiers and boaters. One boater stated that he believed the channel had already filled in. Mr. Riter shared that depths will not be tested for 4-5 years.
- Whether DEPRM works with local law enforcement officials to address litterers in the watershed area. Mr. Jacobson shared that they coordinate with other agencies to solve many issues.

Code Enforcement– The suggestion was made to have a code enforcement officer speak at an upcoming meeting.

Dutch Ruppertsberger has been given copies of emails and lists of concerns provided by community members in reference to errant mail delivery. His office is looking into this.

Air National Guard—An official will be returning to speak with BQIA regarding new construction.

SEASONAL TIPS AND WATERSHED LIVING– CRYING “FOUL” WITH WATERFOWL

Don’t feed the waterfowl!! It is unhealthy for them and us. Bread, crackers, chips, popcorn and yes, donuts, are junk food to ducks. Bread can be fattening, making it harder for them to evade predators. It can cause ducklings to be malnourished since the easy food source also decreases their desire to learn to forage for natural foods. The handouts cause a loss in natural behavior, reducing their natural fear of humans and possibly interrupting their natural migration instincts. Carbohydrate rich diets increase the amount of “droppings”. Bird feces can contain bacteria which can be responsible for many diseases including avian botulism. Moldy bread can cause a fatal lung infection that can decimate entire flocks. So help them to live healthier lives by relying on their own natural food sources. If you still want to offer an occasional treat then try halved grapes, cracked grains such as corn, duck feed pellets, or defrosted frozen peas.



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

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

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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 (jpg. format please)

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COMMUNITY TACK BOARD

Carrollwood Area– Several weeks ago, teens were robbed at gunpoint after being followed from the Royal Farm Store at night. Please be careful when walking in the area.

The Sharp Street United Methodist Church located in Chase had a recent fire that caused intense damage to the building. The Association offered the congregation the use of our hall. As of now the hall is not needed by the church but it may take us up on our offer at a later date.

2010 Census Jobs– The U.S. Census Bureau will be establishing a local census office in the 2nd Congressional District of Maryland, located in Towson. This will provide countless local employment opportunities. Many office managerial positions will be available. Visit www.census.gov for more information and to begin the application process. Their toll free number is 1-866-564-5420.



Errant Mail Delivery: If you receive someone else's mail call the Middle River Post Office, 410-687-5568. If it is a constant problem, keep a record and let BQIA know about it.

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

Bowley's Quarters History Trivia: Do you know what business was originally in the Austen building on Eastern Blvd. near the turn onto Carroll Island Rd.?

Bowleys Quarters Improvement Association

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7 PM – 12 Midnight

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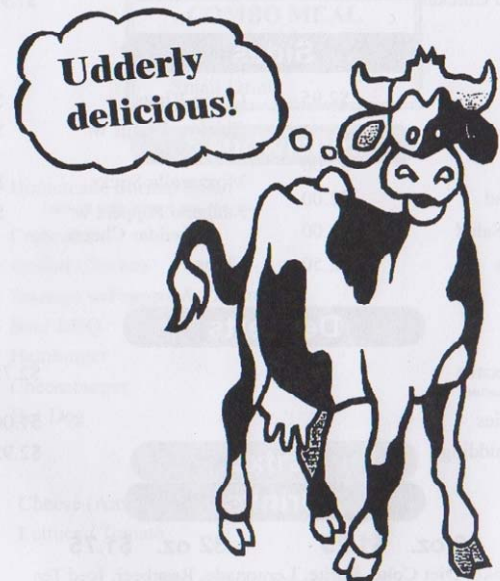
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Community Calendar

<u>October 2009</u>	Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	October 6, 2009 October 8, 2009 October 17, 2009	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-12:00 p.m.	Board Meeting General Membership Meeting BQIA Bull Roast
<u>November 2009</u>	Tuesday Thursday	November 3, 2009 November 12, 2009	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Board Meeting General Membership Meeting
<u>December 2009</u>	Tuesday Thursday	December 1, 2009 December 10, 2009	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Board Meeting General Membership Meeting



Complaints regarding excessive airport noise can be directed to:



Martin State Airport
8:30am-5:00pm- 410-682-8800
After hours- 410-682-8802
Air National Guard-410-918-6301
Noise Pollution Control- 410-859-7812

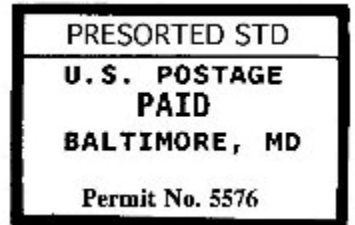
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