

# Playground Renovations Underway

Greenwood Park restoration began September 25 and will continue until updates are complete. This phase of work focuses on revitalizing the playground surface and retaining compliance with playground safety guidelines.

Park renovations include managing storm water drainage, resurfacing the entire playground area, installing a fence between the playground and the parking lot, repairing rotted timbers and securing picnic tables from relocation or removal from the site.

A "Fall Clean Up Day" will be instituted following the project's completion to reduce overgrowth and to clean the playground equipment and surrounding areas.

Please be aware that the old, decayed mulch will be available free to Wiltondale residents. This material is extremely rich in nutrients and makes great soil for landscape projects. Feel free to go to the playground and take what you need from the con-

### Women of Wiltondale Meeting October 16

The next Women of Wiltondale meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 16 at 7pm.

We will be meeting at Barbara Lund's home: 510 Wilton Rd.

Please bring a bottle of wine or an appetizer to share. This is a great way to meet neighbors and have a night out!

If you have any questions please e-mail Marsha Sullivan at tmksulli @comcast.net.

# Halloween Party October 20

The annual Halloween costume party will be held in the great hall of Ascension Lutheran Church Saturday, October 20, from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Many children will remember participating in last year's magical, musical entertainment with magician Mr. Dave Thomen, who will be reappearing this year with his rabbit, Donatello, to present his Halloween "Tricks and Treats" comedy magic show promptly at 1:30.

There will be snacks, activities and treats for everyone, so please join us for an eerily good time!

## Wiltondale Directory Updated

The new Wiltondale community directory has been compiled, printed and delivered to every resident.

Thanks to our wonderful advertisers, this directory was produced at no expense to the community. Also, special thanks to JH Furst (John & Robbin) for their continued help in producing our directory. Please direct any changes or questions to directory@wiltondale.org.

# Fall Family Party October 21

The seventh annual Wiltondale/Overbrook fall family party and chili cook-off will occur in the pool parking lot Sunday, October 21, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Burgers, hot dogs, chicken tenders, french fries, snowballs, popcorn, chips and juice boxes will be provided by "Chuck's Wagon." If you prefer soda or alcoholic beverages, please bring your own.

Bring your famous chili to compete in our cook-off contest.

The cost for an evening of food, games and socializing is \$9 for adults and children 3 and over, and free for children 2 and under.

Please RSVP by October 14 by dropping off payment to Terry Grothmann at 524 Wilton Road or Katie Kuhn at 508 Wilton Road.

Cash or checks made payable to Katie Kuhn are accepted forms of payment. Please call Katie at (410) 847-9026 or Terry at (410) 825-9513 with any questions.

# President's Letter

Dear Neighbors,

For years, tree-lined neighborhoods have been highly desirable. Mature trees offer numerous benefits, both aesthetic and ecological. For decades, homebuyers have fallen in love with Wiltondale because of its age, proximity and community characteristics. Clearly, the sheer number of mature trees strongly shapes one's image of the neighborhood while shielding its homes from Mother Nature's elements. As homeowners, we are stewards responsible for maintaining that which best characterizes Wiltondale, and this includes our mature trees.

This year was another extremely difficult year for our aging tree population. The extended drought expedited deterioration that leads to the failure of many trees throughout the neighborhood. When compared to today, aerial photos take ten years ago point out that Wiltondale, like so many other older neighborhoods, has rapidly lost its valuable tree canopy. It's not a stretch to say that during this period Wiltondale has lost 30%+ of its canopy. This shows no sign of slowing and we must take action if we wish to reverse the trend and protect the value and appeal of Wiltondale.

Working in conjunction with Herring Run Watershed Association (HRWA), Maryland Department of Natural Resources, local nurseries and the Community Association, we're very excited to present our 2007 Fall Shade Tree Planting Program. We are looking for volunteers wishing to plant a shade tree within twelve (12') feet of the curb. The program will pay for the purchase of the tree. The homeowner has the option to either plant the tree or pay (~\$100) to have it planted professionally. Eight different species of shade trees will be offered for the homeowner to select from. Each tree will be approximately 1 ½" in diameter and measure 6'-8' tall. Actual delivery and/or planting of trees will occur in mid-November. To get more information, contact Andy Evans at (410) 583-7355 or at.evans@comcast.net. As the particulars of the program are finalized, all details will be posted at www.wiltondale.org. We really hope many homeowners participate in this program. Action needs to be taken quickly if we're to slow and reverse the current pattern of tree loss in our neighborhood.

Please consider participating in this valuable program.

See you around the neighborhood, Phyllis Gray

#### Significant Home Improvements Need OK

Wiltondale residents are reminded that all substantial improvements and changes to their property must be approved in advance by the architectural committee of the Wiltondale Improvement Association.

A "Proposed Improvement Review Form" can be downloaded from the Wiltondale website at www.wiltondale.org. This process should be initiated by the homeowner(s) sufficiently early so that approval can be given before groundbreaking.

To have plans reviewed for approval, contact Brian Murphy, 614 Coventry Road, at (410) 828-4227.

# October 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 trash pickup	2	3	4 paper recycling	5	6
7	8 trash pickup	9 WIA meeting 7:30 pm	10	11 bottles & cans/ yard waste recycling	12	13
14	15 trash pickup	16 WOW meeting 7pm	17	18 paper recycling	19	20 Halloween Party 1-3:30 pm
21 Fall Family Party 4-7 pm	22 trash pickup	23	24	25 bottles & cans/ yard waste recycling	26	27
28	29 trash pickup	30	31			



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Mother's helper available. Experienced with children. Age 13. **Mary Caroline Mades** (410) 823-0996 or mades7@hotmail.com

Pet sitting and dog walking. Age 12. **Teo Walker** (410) 823-5425

Lawn-cutting services, pet sitting and dog walking. Age 14. Jimmy Walker (410) 823-5425

Nanny/babysitter services. Available weekdays. Anna White, 624 Stevenson, (410) 337-8965 Experienced former day-care provider now working in preschool can help with children evenings, weekends and two afternoons. References. **Holly Gunts** (410) 337-7382

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Kiawah Island, SC, house for rent: 4BR, 3 ½ Baths Short walk or bike ride to beach. **Martha Haile** (410) 494-1162 or mhaile@comcast.net

Please submit changes, deletions and additions to the Wiltondale Community Newsletter to

Alison Mingo at newsletter@wiltondale.org. The deadline for submissions for the

October-issue newsletter is October 24. Thank you!