



## Traffic Survey Results Revealed

The Wiltondale Improvement Association's traffic committee distributed a traffic survey to Wiltondale residents in late 2008 with the goal of identifying areas of our neighborhood roads warranting improvement and gathering information about problems needing attention. Your comments from the 155 returned surveys provided the traffic committee with the following five areas on which to focus:

- Recommend to the county converting 2-way stop intersections into 4-way stops at all roads intersecting with Newberry
- Residents recommend improving signage as follows:
  - at all entry points into the neighborhood and around the pool and triangle
  - "Children at Play," "School Route," and/or "Drive 25: Children at Play" signage to be looked into for WIA purchase and installation throughout neighborhood
  - working with Stoneleigh Elem. PTA & Safe Routes to School program, which will be rolling out a sign campaign this spring
  - initiate an optional program in which residents can purchase signage subsidized by WIA
- Speeding issue within Wiltondale led to suggestions of purchasing and/or renting "Your Speed Is..." signs to post on Stevenson Lane and rotate throughout Wiltondale; residents provided mixed results regarding altering state laws to permit speed camera ticketing
- Speed humps were suggested by a majority of survey respondents who recommend placement of speed humps on Stevenson, at entrances to Wiltondale off of York Road, around the triangle and on Sussex, Wilton and Yarmouth
- Residents recommend adding striped crosswalks at all intersections that outline the neighborhood: Stevenson and Mitten, Stevenson and Newberry, York and Sussex, etc. - these are main school walking routes.

Other recommendations residents indicated need attention are TU and THS students and Ascension Lutheran affiliates parking and speeding within the neighborhood, shrubbery blocking traffic views, rolling stops, cars blocking traffic views on Mitten and Sussex, a lack of sidewalks on Newberry and parts of Sussex, and broken sidewalks throughout the neighborhood.

The traffic committee plans to invite a Baltimore County traffic expert to a 2009 monthly board meeting to detail how the WIA should proceed with any of the above recommendations.

## 5K/Fun Run T-Shirt Design Sought

Save the date for the 2009 Wiltondale/Overbrook three-mile race for Greenwood Park and the one-mile family fun run. It will take place Saturday, May 9, 2009.

All junior (kid) artists should submit a logo design to Kathleen Nuetzel at 636 Yarmouth Road. As in past years we will have a contest and the winning design will be featured on the race shirt.

Look for more information in next month's newsletter!



The WIA will meet Tuesday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the Luther room of Ascension Lutheran Church. All Wiltondale residents are invited to attend the monthly board meetings.

## WOW Meeting March 17

The next Women of Wiltondale meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at 7 p.m.

Please bring a bottle of wine or an appetizer to share. Watch your email for the location. This is a great way to meet neighbors and have a night out!

If you have any questions, please email Sue Ross at [susank92@msn.com](mailto:susank92@msn.com).

# WIA President's Letter

Wiltondale's location is both our blessing and our curse. Located in and surrounded by a vibrant metropolitan community, we need not travel far for education, employment, entertainment, and health care. But that same proximity breeds problems that, if not addressed, can diminish the quality of life we have come to expect. This is especially true when long-time local institutions begin to grow beyond their size as it existed when we made Wiltondale our home. Fortunately for all residents, the Wiltondale Improvement Association is addressing this issue.

Our association's Zoning and Long Range Planning Committee, under the direction of chairperson Chris Raborn, keeps a careful eye on local institutions and developers whose plans may impact our neighborhood. Through active participation in the Greater Towson Council of Community Associations as well as attendance at local and state planning, zoning, and legislative meetings and hearings, members of this committee make our voice heard when decisions are made that can permanently and irreversibly affect our neighborhood.

Recently, our neighbors in Rodgers Forge mounted a campaign against the placement of an addition to the Towson Center athletic facility. Through mass attendance at meetings on the subject, accompanied by a good dose of both publicity and behind the scenes negotiation, a resolution was reached which moved the addition away from the neighborhood and further into the campus. It is important to note that the outcome was not to stop the improvements to the Towson Center but to direct those improvements properly with due regard for its long-time neighbors. This was a major victory for the community as well as for the process.

The board of directors of your improvement association recognizes that opinions may differ as to the merits of any particular proposal for growth by our local institutions; indeed, many of us are employed by or use the services of these institutions. We also recognize that some growth and development is necessary and inevitable. But as Rodgers Forge recently showed us, we can shape our future as it affects our neighborhood providing that we are ever vigilant. Toward that end, we will continue to represent Wiltondale with a voice is not shrill, but reasoned; to be heard in the cacophony that accompanies grand plans of major players, however, our voice must be incessant.

Brian Murphy

## Attention, New Neighbors!

Please let **Ann Miller** know if you are a new Wiltondale resident or if you know of any new neighbors who have moved in so that they may be officially welcomed by a member of the hospitality committee. Ann Miller may be contacted by emailing [anncraigmiller@msn.com](mailto:anncraigmiller@msn.com) or by calling (410) 825-8557 .

Any updates and/or corrections to your directory information should be sent to **directory@wiltondale.org**.

## Community Photos Wanted

Newsletter editor Alison Mingo is interested in publishing photos of you and your family at community events to enhance the aesthetics of the Wiltondale newsletter.

Please send potentially printable photos to [newsletter@wiltondale.org](mailto:newsletter@wiltondale.org). Thank you!

## Significant Home Improvements Need OK

The Architecture Committee of the Wiltondale Improvement Association is requiring **45 days** for review of property changes. Please plan ahead. Submission of forms and approval by the committee is **required** for all exterior home improvements. In addition, you are required to review your plans with your immediate neighbors prior to submitting the form.

A "Proposed Improvement Review Form" can be downloaded from the Wiltondale website at [www.wiltondale.org](http://www.wiltondale.org). To have plans reviewed for approval, contact Kathleen Nuetzel, 636 Yarmouth Road, at (410) 821-1891.

# March 2009

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

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## Upcoming Wiltondale Events

<b>April</b>	Spring Park Cleanup; Easter Egg Hunt at the Park
<b>May</b>	Wiltondale/Overbrook Race & Fun Run
<b>June</b>	Triangle Happy Hour
<b>July</b>	Annual Shrimp Boil
<b>August</b>	Pool-Related Activities
<b>September</b>	Annual Party at the Pool; Golf Tournament
<b>October</b>	Fall Family Party & Chili Cook-off; Halloween Party
<b>November</b>	Fall Park Cleanup
<b>December</b>	Holiday Party; Santa Visit at the Coventry Triangle
<b>January</b>	WIA Annual Meeting
<b>February</b>	Annual Wiltondale Bowling Bash

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