

Towson High School presents The Election

Towson High School's production of The Election will be performed November 17, 18, and 19 at 7p.m. This hilarious and timely satire on the contemporary political scene is a must see. Tickets are \$12 online (towsonhs.bcps.org) and \$15 at the door.

WIA Board Meeting

The next WIA Board meeting will be Tuesday, November 8, 2016 in the Luther Room at Ascension Lutheran Church. If you are interested in knowing what was discussed at the last board meeting, minutes from the meetings are always available to interested residents. Please send requests to secretary@wiltondale.org.

WOW Meeting November 17

Please join the Women of Wiltondale on Thursday, November 17th at 7pm. We will meet at Kelly Sage's home located at 14 Aintree Road. Spread the word, invite new neighbors, and join us for an evening of friends, libations, and great food! Please bring an appetizer, dessert, or bottle of wine to share. Don't forget your annual dues of \$25 if you haven't already paid. Please email mandyward2@yahoo.com if you would like to be added to the email distribution list.

Santa's Visit to Triangle December 3

Join us at the triangle for the annual Christmas tree lighting and Santa's arrival on a Lutherville Fire Department fire engine on Saturday December 3rd at 4pm.

Come a little early and enjoy some hot chocolate and cookies. Kids, make sure to bring your Christmas list for Santa! Questions? Contact: Events@Wiltondale.org

The Fall Party and Chili Cook Off It was another great year for the Fall Chili Cook-Off. Several neighbors

came together to socialize, eat chili and other great snacks. The kids bake sale raised money for the Maryland Food Bank. The neighborhood children had a great time playing the games/relay races and winning fun prizes! Thanks to all who came out to this fun event.



Wiltondale Snow Emergency Plans Coming

Everyone probably remembers the frustrating days that followed the big snow storm last year. The WIA is working on a snow emergency plan that we will put into effect any time there is six or more inches of snow in the forecast. The specific details are still being worked out and will be communicated via the Info/Events e-mail list as well as the December newsletter. In the meantime, here are a few of the broad points:

- Ensure all vehicles are parked on only one side of the street to enable plowing
- · Compile a list of neighborhood kids willing to shovel for people who need it
- Educate residents about not piling snow into streets which compounded our problem last year
- Ensure fire hydrants and storm drains are cleared
- Identify paths that need to be cleared for safe routes to schools
- Determine how to improve communication within the community during and following the event

Additional more comprehensive actions have been discussed, but our priority this year is to prevent the dangerous situation that not only resulted in residents not being able to exit the neighborhood, but also prevented emergency vehicles from getting into most parts of our neighborhood for several days. If anyone has children who would like to put their names on a list of those willing to shovel snow, please e-mail the name(s), address and phone number to snow@wiltondale.org

Thank you from WIA

Fall Park Cleanup November 12

The annual fall cleanup at Greenwood Park is scheduled for Saturday, November 12th starting at 8:30 a.m. This is a great opportunity for those who use the playground--children and their parents--to help maintain it. Wear your work clothes and bring your yard tools.



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Announcements

Congratulations to Joe and Kelly Stelmack, along with big brothers Ryder and Alden! We are so excited to hear about your new addition, **Cecelia Joyce**, born on Friday, September 23rd, weighing 8 lbs, 10oz.

Our Condolences...

Frank W. Simcik who was born October 1, 1927, passed away on September 29, 2016. Frank, his wife Shirley and their daughter Stephanie, lived in Wiltondale on Yarmouth Road for 20 years. They have lived in Lynchburg, Virginia for the past 24 years. Frank played "Santa Claus" and rode the fire engine for a number of years, as well as being involved in the pool committee and community association. Neighbors referred to him as the "mayor" of Yarmouth Road.

New to Wiltondale?

Please email <u>secretary@wiltondale.org</u> if you are new to the neighborhood or if you know of any new neighbors who have recently moved in so that they may be welcomed by the hospitality committee.

Updates to your directory information can be sent to <u>directory@wiltondale.org</u>.

Towson Community Events

The Towson Farmers Market

Three more weeks left to get organic, locally grown foods and hand crafted products. Thursdays, November 3, 10 and 17 from 10:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The farmers market moves to Washington Avenue between the W. Chesapeake Avenue and W. Pennsylvania Avenue for November.

Baltimore County Tree Lighting & Parade

On Friday, December 2nd from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Olympic Park, near Towson Circle. Festivities include a tree lighting ceremony, opening of Santa's workshop and Santa's arrival by fire truck.

Black Friday Promotions in Downtown Towson

Take advantage of special discounts and promotions offered all day on November 25th by locally-owned shops and restaurants in the Towson area.

Happy Thanksgiving!

EDITOR'S NOTE

If you have any exciting news (and/or photos) you would like to share with your neighbors such as births, weddings, graduations, etc., please send it to <u>newsletter@</u> <u>wiltondale.org</u> and it may be included in the next issue of the newsletter.

Submissions, changes, deletions and additions should be submitted by **Wednesday**, **November 30th.**

Thanks! Kelley Battaglia, Editor

Wiltondale Citizens On Patrol

"The eyes and ears of the Police"

Join and support us any way you can! -Sign up for patrol weeks -call or email for any concerns. -consider giving to Towson Area Citizens on Patrol (TACOP)

"Remember if you see something, say something!"

Call **911** if emergency Call **410-887-2222** if non emergency Call or email for concerns or questions Kate Wendt or Karen Sorensen <u>cop@wiltondale.org</u>

WIA President's Letter

HOA Fees:

As of this date approximately 100 of the Wiltondale homeowners have not paid their meager \$40 annual dues. If behind, please bring your account to date and avoid the need for further administrative work.

It's Autumn in Wiltondale:

Perhaps the face of a new born baby or maybe the USA's grand canyon can compare to the beauty of the Middle Atlantic States, specifically Maryland and in particular Wiltondale in the apex of autumn. Then again, Spring-time might be nicer, for in the spring we can enjoy the sprouting leaves knowing they will stay stuck on their respective trees for the next six months. For Wiltondale's autumn as pretty as it is; is followed by the assembling then removing leaves upon leaves.

Each year I consider several strategies, do I rake a little each week and face the prospect of my Monday morning property walk revealing little evidence that any weekend raking at all was done. Or waiting until the last leave drops then rake, bag and stage for removal an entire fall's foliage that fell in one work session. A third option, that I have only dreamed of, is buying a huge fan and blowing all the leaves from my property to those properties east, as it sometimes feels those west of me have done.

Some Tree Jokes:

How do trees access the internet? They log on.

What did the tree do when the bank closed? It started its own branch.

Why did the pine tree get in trouble? Because it was being knotty.

Do you want a brief explanation of an acorn? In a nutshell, it's an oak tree.

Eddie Watt Wiltondale - We Love It!



What did the beaver say to the tree? It's been nice gnawing you!

Where do saplings go to learn? Elementree school.

What is green, has leaves, and a trunk? A houseplant going on vacation.

Can you help me identify this weeping tree? Yes, but you willow me one.

Did you know that I can cut down a dead tree just by looking at it? It's true. I saw it with my own eyes!



Waste Collection Schedule

Trash: every Monday, November 7, 14, 21 & 28 Recycling: Thursdays except Thanksgiving, November 3, 10 & 17 Yard waste: Thursday, November 10 and Friday, November 25



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