# On The Road

# THE NEWSLETTER OF THE HANOVER ROAD ASSOCIATION, INC.

# **June 2007**

### **U.S 30 – Proposed Development**

We will discuss the seven lot development proposed along Route 30 (Hanover Pike) just south of the Weywood Drive Community. A community input meeting will be held June 6, 2007 at the Reisterstown Library. Several Board Members of the HRA will be in attendance. This 100 acre farm will be divided into seven lots that are from 10.5 acres to 16.5 acres. A covenant agreement between the HRA and landowner was agreed upon several years ago limiting the number of lots and restrictions to usage in the future. Safety in gaining access to and from the property and onto the Hanover Pike will be a challenge for the developer and the SHA.

## **Quadrennial Comprehensive Rezoning Process**

Every four years Baltimore County opens <u>all</u> properties for rezoning consideration. Petitions for change can be presented by owners, neighbors, and community organizations, or can be proposed by the Planning Department, Planning Board, or the County Council.

The process involves filing a petition for the change, then having the rezoning change considered by the public. A public hearing is held before the Zoning Board and later the County Council where all are invited to offer written and/or oral testimony regarding the proposed changes. Typically, a copy of the testimony is provided in writing to the Zoning Board with a copy to the respective county council person.

In addition to wealth transfer, the zoning changes can change the character of a community. Our community is generally regarded as being focused on rural conservation, and is so designated in the County Master Plan. Since the Plan is not sacrosanct, it can

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#### ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING

of the Hanover Road Association

Wednesday, June. 13th, 7:30

Location:

Mt. Gilead United Methodist Church Hanover Road at Glen Falls Road, Woodensburg

## "Boring Volunteer Fire Company Celebrates 100 Years of Service"

In 2007 the Boring Volunteer Fire Company is celebrating 100 years of service to the community.

On March 29, 1907, after the occurrence of several disastrous fires in the



neighborhood, a group of men, led by Andrew W. Armacost, created the Boring Volunteer Fire Company.

The fire company was started with 12 buckets, 6 lanterns, 1 ladder, some rope and a group of dedicated volunteers.

A new horse-drawn truck was purchased on 1909. The truck contained a 65 gallon chemical tank that was donated by the Baltimore County Commissioners.

The first formal fire house was constructed in 1915 on land donated by Andrew Armacost. It included an engine room that when empty could seat 250 people. In 1946 an addition was made to the building that greatly expanded the engine room and included a large kitchen. This structure was razed in 1967 to make room for the current large brick building that continues to serve as the home of the Boring Volunteer Fire Company.

Today the fire company consists of a modern fire house, a medical assist unit, a brush unit, a floodlight truck, and two pumpers. The newest engine, a 2001 Pierce Quantum Pumper, is equipped with a 2,000 gallon per minute pump and a 1,000 gallon water tank. The company responds to an average of 225 fire and emergency calls in our community each year.

The one thing that has not changed over the past 100 years is the dedication of the volunteers. Throughout these many years the talented and hard working volunteer firemen and women have been an inspiration. Their selfless commitment to maintaining a high level of skill and training to better protect our lives and property is truly admirable.

The fire company would like to invite the community to join the 100th anniversary celebration by attending a free "old fashioned" community picnic on Saturday July 14, 2007. The picnic will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the fire hall located at 14711 Old Hanover Road Boring, Maryland. There will be picnic food, games, entertainment and give-aways.

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#### **MEETING SCHEDULE**

The association holds public meetings on the second Wednesday of every even-numbered month at 7:30 p.m. at Mt. Gilead United Methodist Church, Woodensburg.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Open to anyone interested in preserving the quality of life in the Hanover Road area and promoting cooperation between the residential, business and agricultural communities. Annual Dues: \$20.00

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change with changes in the zoning.

The point of the above is that there are limited means of protecting the land. There will be some risk for development regardless of our efforts. We must be vigilant. We need to study each proposed change, discuss the potential ramifications, and then act with our voices and letters to the Planning Department, Planning Board, and our councilman.

HRA will be tracking all proposed changes. We will work with our county planning representative and Councilman McIntire. We will present oral and written testimony on all proposed changes.

## **Guest Speaker**

Mr. Richard Klein from the Community & Environmental Defense Services will be our guest speaker for the June HRA meeting.

#### **Hanover Road Association Picnic**

Our Picnic this year will be held on Saturday. <u>September 22, 2007 at Spring Meadow Farm</u>. We will have displays from local businesses and information on changes in our area. Hamburgers, hot dogs, corn on the cob and other food will be provided. Rides and other entertainment will be provided for the children. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to attend.