

On The Road

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE HANOVER ROAD ASSOCIATION, INC.

April 2009

Message from the New President

Hello, I am the recently elected President of your association. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your confidence and to assure you that the character and mission of the organization will continue during my term.

The Hanover Road Association has effectively performed its primary mission of preserving the rural character of our area under several Presidents. It will continue to assist in representing the area with governmental actions for code enforcement, individual zoning and the periodic zoning process.

As an organization, we have always tried to employ quiet, thoughtful compromise to achieve our goals. However, when direct action is required we have responded as needed to protect and preserve the community. Going forward, the Board, other Officers and I will attempt to continue this record of achievement.

The board and I look forward to working with you, the community at large; to maintain and enhance the sense of community and pride we share in the Hanover Road area.

Bob Slaterbeck

Zoning Issue:

The property owner at 14821 Hanover Pike made Petition for a Special Hearing and Special Exception Case No. 2009-0042 to allow for the following. The petitioner requested a special hearing, pursuant to Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, to approve a modified parking plan which allowed for additional parking spaces. In addition, special exception relief was requested to use existing buildings for religious worship, school and camp as a spiritual religious retreat center.

The Hanover Road Association spoke in opposition to this zoning request for a number of reasons. The subject property is rectangle shaped parcel (147' wide x 871' deep) containing 2.95 acres. One of the buildings on the property was granted a variance in the past to allow a garage to be constructed 3' from the property line in lieu of the minimum required 35 feet. Part of the front yard is

ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING

of the Hanover Road Association
Wednesday, April. 22nd, 7:30

Location:
Pearlstone Conference Center
5425 Mt. Gilead Road

April Spotlight

Woodensburg Nursery - 13127 Old Hanover Rd

Woodensburg Nursery was started in January 1996 at one of the oldest greenhouse establishments in Maryland (Welsh Greenhouses, 1902). Their nursery is operated with one concept in mind – to grow and sell bedding plants, potted plants and holiday poinsettias of the highest quality possible anywhere. This is not an easy task. With the changing plant world and growing techniques today, as well as newer and bigger marketing strategies by the larger chain stores, so many of the smaller nurseries are selling out and giving way to big business “plant factories”. Not at Woodensburg Nursery! They are still growing their products one plant at a time, with the expertise and care of people who really love their work. Woodensburg Nursery now has 12 greenhouses and 3 outdoor growing area (corrals, they call them) totaling about 1 ½ acres of nothing but beautiful flowering plants!

As of 2008, they have decided to “take it to the streets” and invite the public to buy directly from them the same way their many wholesale customers do. Here, you will find lush, healthy garden annuals and holiday plants that are fed as carefully and regularly as you or I. Garden plants being nurtured and sold by professional growers – not just someone with a hose and a cash register.

Visit them on the web: <http://woodensburgnursery.com>



Congratulations

Across the Sky, ridden by Fritz Boniface, owned by Holbrook Hollow Farm, Cliff Sullivan Rd. Woodensburg MD.

Winner of the Greenspring Valley Hunt Cup on March 28, 2009 and entered in the 113th Running of the Maryland Hunt Cup, Saturday, April 25, 2009. Good luck to the Wooden family, may your dreams come true.



in the 100 year flood plan. Activities on the property would infringe on the privacy of neighboring property owners and is in conflict with the intent of the Hanover Road Master Plan.

After two mornings of hearing the Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner DENIED the request for Special

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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 Pearlstone Conference Center 5425 Mt. Gilead Road.

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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Exception. We believe the decision will be appealed and we will continue to oppose the request.

Highway Improvements:

As many of you have noticed there has been survey crews working along the Hanover Pike in the area of Route 91. Engineering work to identify wetlands and the locations for storm water ponds has been ongoing. We also understand there are plans to grade down the bank along the Hanover Pike and Bortner Road. We will try to arrange for someone from the State Highway Administration to attend a future meeting to bring us up to date with accurate information.

Issues on the Meeting Agenda:

- Speaker - Dick Goldman - Pearlstone Conference Center expansion
- Proposed 4 - Lot subdivision - Pleasant Grove Road
- Update on 14517 Hanover Pike

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