

# ***THE BROOKDALE BUGLE***

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## **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS**

We were pleased to complete a major task in September, namely creating a new directory for Brookdale. You should have received your copy of the Brookdale Directory with your September *Bugle*. Getting each new directory into the hands of all Brookdale residents is a major project. I want to thank everyone involved in gathering, checking, and entering information and in distributing directories. My special thanks go to Abigail Grossman, who made the final updates, organized, and published the directory for the Association.

For the record, your Executive Committee acted on behalf of the Association in supporting the Westbrook PTA in its request for a sidewalk on Glen Cove Parkway leading to the school. Until the sidewalk is installed, children who walk to Westbrook (including those of Brookdale families) must compete with vehicles using the street. After environmental concerns over the initial proposal were raised with the County, DPWT has now designed a new proposal that, it says, will have no impact on the creek or the surrounding environment.

Last year, the Association supported legislation introduced by our representative, Howie Denis, in the County Council to limit the height of residential construction. This fall, I reiterated that support to Councilmembers, urging the defeat of last-minute amendments that would have crippled the intent. The Council did, finally, enact limits that should help avoid some degree of "Mansionization" although compromises prevented all that might have been accomplished. (And the action is too late to affect some construction.)

Your Executive Committee has been giving serious attention to the issue of traffic within the borders of Brookdale. The County loaned us its "speed trailer" for a week on Cortland Road and another week on Merivale. Use of the trailer is supposed to raise drivers' awareness of just how fast they are going. I intend to make a more complete report on traffic in the next *Bugle*.

I continue to meet with the "Wisconsin Place" Neighborhood Center Ad Hoc Committee as it advises the County Recreation Department on the programming for the Center. At this time, I am guessing that our Center (to be on Friendship Boulevard) will be similar to the Leland Center (east of downtown Bethesda). It is not too late for you to give me comments on how the Center can serve your needs.

Dave Montgomery

#### **A MESSAGE FROM YOUR TREASURER**

Thank you to everyone who has paid the 2005/2006 dues. It is not too late for others to sent in payments. Please send a \$20 check, made payable to the Brookdale Citizens' Association, to 4712 Overbrook Road, Bethesda, MD.

If you have any expenses incurred from working on Brookdale related activities, send your receipts and information to me at the above address to be promptly reimbursed. Thank you for your support of our wonderful neighborhood.

Suzanne Richman, Treasurer

#### **Brookdale Halloween Party--Bill Geary**

The annual Brookdale Halloween party was held on Saturday, October 29, on a pretty but chilly and blustery day. The chill didn't scare away the many monsters, fairies, and witches that showed up for the party at Brookdale Park.

The donut eating contest is always a big hit, as the kids tried to eat donuts hanging from a string using only their mouths – no hands allowed. The other snacks and desserts included rice krispy treats, brownies with spider decorations, candy corn, popcorn and apples. I think that the only grownups who eat candy corn are the ones that mistakenly try a bite, having forgotten the taste from last year's Halloween. But maybe that's just me.

There were two piñatas appropriately decorated as pumpkins – one for the little monsters and the other for the big monsters. Steve Heyman organized the pinata game, getting the kids to line up, waiting their turns to whack the pumpkins until they spilled their goodies on the ground.

The costumes were great and it's best to let the photos [in the paper edition] tell the story of the successful party.

Thanks to Ellie Shorb for organizing the Halloween party and obtaining pinatas and donuts!

### **BROOKDALE HOME SALES, 4th QUARTER 2005–Kathleen McElroy**

As of 1/4/05 there are no houses for sale in our neighborhood.

4817 Park Ave. was listed on 12/29/05 and sold 1/4/06.

4811 Park sold before being listed in the multiple listing service. Both were priced at \$1,275,000.

Since my late August report, only one house was listed and sold:

4704 Dover Rd was listed on 11/19 and sold in 37 days for \$706,000 with \$995 credits from the seller to the buyer. However, this was part of a relocation package and the actual amount paid to the sellers by the Relo company was the appraised value of \$725,000.

There were two private transfers in Brookdale:

5326 Saratoga Av. sold for \$625,000 and settled April 6, 2005.

4510 Dalton Rd. sold for \$830,000 and settled May 9, 2005.

The search of public records for private sales is difficult. If you are aware of a house you think or know has sold, please let me know; I will attempt to get the information and include it in the next Bugle report.

As the market changes I thought I would keep track of houses that were removed from the market unsold.

5020 Park Pl. listed for \$1,600,000 was withdrawn in October after 67 days.

The house on Overbrook Rd. which has caused such furor in the neighborhood is not yet on the open market. It is now sheathed and doesn't look as threatening as it did from the street. Its impact on the adjoining houses, of course, is great. The demand for new houses of this kind has been enormous. It is interesting to note that the builder on Park was able to build in the very popular price range of \$1.275 million (and a much less intrusive house as a result) because he paid \$475,000 for both lots in 2003. Of course, it cost him quite a lot to subdivide the lot. The builder on Overbrook Rd. paid \$636,000 earlier this year.

The vast majority of houses over \$1 million are new or "virtually new" houses. The latter basically retain only the basement and a tiny fraction of the original house walls—even at times only a fraction of one wall—and are technically renovations under zoning laws.

There is, of course, considerable debate over these McMansions. I recall that my parents on Dalton Rd. were enormously upset by the, at the time, huge extension immediately to their right. As Bethesda and Chevy Chase have become more urban, these buyers do not want large lots but do want a house with all the modern amenities, including enormous closets, lots of light, much higher ceilings, more open designs than what has been generally available since the 1930s, and all the technology that can't be retrofitted easily in most older houses.

At the moment, there are 152 houses for sale in all of Bethesda/Chevy Chase inside the beltway plus parts of Kensington and Cabin John. The supply in early 2005 was as

low as 96 houses for sale in the early part of the year. I remember that in the early 1980s the number of listings in this same area had shot up suddenly to around 800 houses. At that time, if a house sold for more than a million dollars it made the newspapers and magazines.

Also to be noted is that a huge part of the inventory is made up of these new or virtually new homes for sale. Because of the increasing price builders have been paying for the tear downs, the listing price of the new houses shot up from the very low \$1 million to what appears to be a starting price of around \$1.8 million.

Of the 152 active listings, 49 are under \$1 million, and 69 or so of the rest of the houses (from \$1 million to \$5.795 million) are new houses with a small number of re-sales of houses built in the early years of our new century.

Kathleen McElroy is a resident of Brookdale and a real estate agent who provides this information as a service to Brookdale.

### **Remaining Original Residents of Brookdale – Gwen Lewis**

Have you ever wondered how many of Brookdale's original residents still live here? While we may not have the definitive answer, we know it is "more than you might expect." Because the neighborhood was built by developers and individuals in spurts (late 30's, post World War II, and mid-to-late 60's, not including the original farm houses), the homes' first residents moved in over a very long time span. To keep this piece historical, I have not included residents of houses built in the last few years. Information on the original owners and families identified to date follows.

Margaret (Peg) Fisher moved into the recently constructed 4601 Merivale along with her husband and his four children in 1938. Thus, she is the resident with the very longest tenure in Brookdale. Stanley Lightbown, the seller, suggested the Fishers rent the house (at a very low fee) until they could sell their house in Wesley Heights, which they did. Their house cost \$13,200. At that time, more Cooper Lightbown houses were being constructed around them.

Hedy Foellmer, 5305 Willard Ave., a resident since March 1939, comes in for a close second in her tenure in Brookdale. The 11 houses on Willard from the corner of River Rd. northeastward were built in 1938-9. When the Foellmers moved in, the Shoemaker farm was behind them, River Rd. was 2-lane, and Willard was a country lane climbing a fairly large hill. The hill was later removed when the road was widened. Mr. Foellmer walked up Willard for 30 years to take the streetcar on Wisconsin to his work at the Government Printing Office. Mrs. Foellmer earned community gratitude for her 29 years of service (~1955-84) as the Westbrook School crossing guard at Baltimore and River Road.

The Husics moved to 5333 Saratoga in approximately 1947. Madelaine Husic reports it was an especially attractive location because of the apple orchard on the adjacent land. About 10-12 years later GEICO made this land into a parking lot, loudly protested by the neighbors.

Charles B. Davison, Jr. (Bucky) and his wife Gayle, moved to 5305 Baltimore Av. in 1947. This house, along with two others nearby, was built by Mrs. Davison's father.

Kathleen Lear and her family began residing at 5300 Baltimore Av. in 1947, when her husband John finished building their home. John, an electrician who had also worked on the houses constructed in Brookdale in the 1930s, designed and built their home with the assistance of family and friends in the building industry.

Robert Silverthorn is an original resident of 4711 Dover Rd., where he moved as a child in 1949. After his parents passed away, he chose to bring his family to live in the house.

Frances Gaist, 5323 Saratoga, lives in a home built in 1950 by her husband and two other men from a design taken from a magazine. Before building they had to tear down a barn in which another builder on the street stored kitchen appliances. They borrowed electricity and water from the Gordons who had just moved into the old Shoemaker farm house at 5305.

Jack Hirose, 5008 Westport, resident since 1950, relates a most interesting history.

His house, along with several others, was built by Tom Rixey, who lived across River Road from his constructions. Later Rixey moved his family and business to Potomac, where he reportedly build mansions. Mr. Hirose, originally a native of Santa Monica, CA, as a Japanese American was interned during World War II at Manzanar in CA, along with his mother and sister. He was released early to come to Washington to seek work as a graphic artist, which he obtained at the Washington Post Co. Some of this history later was in a book called "When the World Was Young" by Barbara Holland. Jack reports that the then short street on which he lived was called Merivale Place (prior to the construction of the rest of Westport Rd. and homes by Wohlfarth), which caused great confusion in mail delivery. As a result, he became closely acquainted with his counterpart on Merivale Rd., a U.S. Senator from Utah.

Virginia Woodfield, 4803 Park Ave., along with her family, moved into their home in 1954. While her husband, a contractor, was building the home, the family lived in a little house on the same lot. Later they trucked away the little house. Many houses on Park Ave. were already built, although a lot have been remodeled since then.

The Abdow family were the first residents of 4715 River in 1966. Victor Abdow, the current owner, moved into the house with his parents when he was 5 years old. When he succeeded his mother as owner, his own son was exactly 5. Several other Brookdale houses have been owned by at least two generations of a family, a tribute to love of the neighborhood.

Milly Imirie, 4709 River, reports that her family requested Jay Wohlfarth, the builder of Wohlshire, in 1966 to construct for them a home similar to one he had already built on Westport. They moved into it in January 1967.

Sissy and Frank Rothwell, 5019 Westport, have resided in their home since 1967. Prior to this they lived on River Road, across from Brookdale in Green Acres.

In 1967 Nancy Hervey and her husband became the first owners of 4705 River Road. The house had been used as the office of Jay Wohlfarth. In 1976 the family moved to her current home of 5103 Westport. They bought it from the original owners, the Donohoes, who designed it themselves and had Wohlfarth build in 1967. Nancy has

yet other connections to the neighborhood. She lived on Overbrook 1965-67, and her parents were the original owners of 5105 Westport.

Anne Sloan has resided at 4707 River since 1969, when her family moved into the last home built in Wohlshire.

While extensive networking went into learning about these individual owners, some others may have been missed. I hope I have correctly reported the information given. I would like to continue in the April issue to identify early residents and expand to include reminiscences about earlier times in all parts of Brookdale—Brookdale North and South, Wohlshire, and Orchardale. Please contact me with information and pictures.

### **COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES—CCCFH PERSPECTIVE—*Ron Tripp***

From Brookdale, it's pretty easy to follow the progress of the development on the Hecht's site, especially now that steel is rising skyward. Further up Wisconsin Avenue the stores known as 'The Collection' were open in time for our Christmas shopping. Some of the real news regarding development though, involves projects that are not being built ... yet.

At the Hecht's site (or should we say Bloomingdale's site), watching the construction over the past year while work was below grade, has been much like watching grass grow. But steel started arriving in early December and the buildings there have been growing at a steady pace ever since. Work on the underground garage has progressed pretty close to the developer's original schedule. Now they are finalizing the construction schedule for the new (now) Bloomingdale's store. Across Wisconsin, Clyde's Restaurant and The Collection are both open, and the new Giant Grocery should open later this year, followed by street level retail shops and the office building on Wisconsin Circle. We wish Wisconsin Circle and the bus terminal would reopen. Getting the buses off the road will greatly relieve traffic congestion on Wisconsin, north of Western.

Another project that could significantly impact Wisconsin Avenue and the Friendship

Heights skyline was recently proposed for 5500 Wisconsin. This site is a single parcel that includes everything from the former Tiffany's store, up to and including the Holiday Inn. The new owner/developer of the property came up with a novel approach to redevelopment. Right now that parcel has close to the density that rules at the time would permit. The new owner sought to place most of the density allowed under current zoning onto the southern part of the property, which is presently single story retail. The project would have included a seventy-unit condominium with ground floor retail. Of course, if most of the allowed density goes on the south end of the lot, then the north end, where the Holiday Inn is situated, would have far less density than it has now. They wanted to address that end of the property as phase two of the project, some 30 years later. In the meantime they would have the density of both large buildings. Needless to say, CCCFH and Friendship Heights Village opposed this scheme, as did county planners. The developer's application has since been withdrawn. We should expect them to return in the future with other ideas for the parcel.

Yet another site with potential to change the face of Wisconsin Avenue is the WMATA (Metro bus garage property) parcel on the D.C. side of the line. In recent months WMATA has received several development proposals for this two-block parcel, some calling for rather extensive development, including one from the owner of the car dealership site. That would give him a much larger parcel to work with, considerably more frontage on Wisconsin, and greater density. With help from our neighbors in D.C., CCCFH will continue to follow this project.

For the past eight years we've eagerly awaited the outcome of one project that would improve the looks of the River Road commercial strip with a park, but to date not one shovelful of dirt has been turned. After years of negotiations, the county signed an agreement with the Minkoff Co. in which Minkoff agreed to make landscape improvements to county owned property along the Capital Crescent Trail at River Road (next to the bridge). A pleasant tree-lined rest area along the trail was envisioned. In exchange Minkoff was given a 40-year license to park company trucks on the property. After years of foot dragging, Minkoff recently announced plans to redevelop their property and a need to reevaluate the agreement. The Coalition for the Capital Crescent Trail (CCCT) and CCCFH have both asked the County to notify

Minkoff that they are in default of the license and terminate the agreement (<http://www.cctrail.org/CCCFH-Minkoff.pdf> , <http://www.cctrail.org/CCCT-Minkoff.pdf>). CCCT & CCCFH have proposed an alternative public-private project to develop this park. We have jointly written to County Executive, Doug Duncan and Planning Board Chair, Derick Berlage, offering to make substantial contributions to develop the trail right-of-way as a park instead of as a park and parking lot as the Minkoff agreement called for. That letter, and more information on this project can be found on the 'News & Events' page on the CCCT website (<http://www.cctrail.org/>). CCCT keeps their website current, so it's a good place to find current information on this project.

Ron Tripp is one of Brookdale's representatives to the Citizens Coordinating Committee on Friendship Heights and serves as Chair of that body.

### **Permit Parking Clarified**

Questions about the system of permit parking have prompted this brief reminder.

If you have a Brookdale permit on your car, you are allowed to park on any street within the borders of the Brookdale association subject to any restrictions on that street. That is, you do not have to park in front of your house, but you do have to obey the laws. A permit does not give permission to park in a no-parking zone, and it does not give permission to park longer than the time permitted by signs.

Commercial vehicles, e.g. delivery vans and construction trucks labeled with their business, are allowed to park in a permit-only zone. They too must obey no-parking signs.

It is advisable to read any signs that call for no parking. Some cover business hours only while others prohibit parking at any time. If the sign does not specify hours, it means "all the time."

If the current specification of when and where parking is permitted on your block is unsatisfactory, you may petition to have the rules changed. If you want permit

parking or want to change the rules, talk with your neighbors to sound out whether two-thirds agree with you. Look at more details on our web site, namely, [parking.htm](#) and an elaboration in the *Bugle*, saved as [bugle0904.htm#permits](#).

On narrow streets, it makes sense to me to restrict parking to one side. If vehicles were prohibited from one side, it would ease trash pick-up and snow removal, as well as assure access by emergency vehicles. (I have nightmares about fire trucks not being able to get to a burning house because parked cars have not left enough space to get by.) It is up to the residents, however, to decide whether they want to request that one side be designated as "No Parking."

*Dave Montgomery*

## **SELECTIVE HISTORY OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS OF BROOKDALE**

These dates and events have been gathered primarily by word of mouth. If any reader has alternative information or can fill in gaps in the record, please let me know. – *Dave Montgomery*

1938-43	Cooper Lightbown built 150 Brookdale homes. It is believed that the first two homes built were at 4612 Harrison Street and 4606 Merivale Road.
1942-45	During World War II the area next to Cortland Road, now the GEICO parking lot, was a Victory Garden
1946	Two separate sections of Overbrook Road were joined. About four houses were built on the new piece between Newport and Keokuk.
1947-48	Dover Court was built, with its homes.
1950	Lord & Taylor and "Woodie's" (Woodward & Lothrop) opened.
1957	In a letter from a GEICO senior VP to Paul Hawkins, Esq., President of the Brookdale Citizens Association, GEICO made a series of promises in return for Brookdale's support of GEICO's application for limited development. Letter promised an 85-foot

"green" buffer for Brookdale and said, "The Company has no intention of disposing of any of this land." GEICO was granted commercial rezoning for the land under its building (only). Parking lots were allowed under special exception.

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| 1958        | <i>Brookdale Citizens Association was incorporated by Paul Hawkins, Edward Nicholson, Jr., and Mary Murray.</i>   |
| Early '60s  | Jay Wohlfarth developed Wohlshire   |
| 1962        | River Road widened from two to four lanes   |
| 1964        | Saks 5th Ave. opened  |
| 1964        | West Chevy Chase Master Plan adopted: All the GEICO site was allowed to be commercial except for an 85-foot strip along Cortland Road. GEICO did not apply for the rezoning.  |
| 1965-67     | <i>Brookdale President, Campbell Graeub; Orchardale President, Sam Gordon</i>   |
| 1966        | Construction on the Highland House, the Irene, the Willoughby.<br>GEICO petitioned for additional parking lots, leading to controversy in January 1967 when GEICO cut its trees although approval had not been given. |
| 1969-70     | <i>Brookdale President, George Hill</i>   |
| 1970-72     | <i>Brookdale President, Sterling Ivison; Orchardale President, John Bartolomeo</i>  |
| 1971        | GEICO requested an extension of the Central Business District (CBD) to include its site (with zoning implications)  |
| 1971 (Nov.) | The Orchardale Association was merged into the Brookdale Association, then referred to as the Tri-Community (with Wohlshire). (This created the borders of Brookdale known today.)                                    |
| 1972-73     | <i>President, Norm Knopf</i>  |
| 1973-74     | <i>President, Ed Aikman</i>   |

1974	Sector Plan adopted: Recommended a scale-back of development related to the ability of feeder roads to serve the businesses. It removed 24 acres from the CBD and recommended no further development on the GEICO site.
1974-76	<i>President, Lynn Sheridan</i>
1977	Neiman Marcus/Mazza Gallerie opened
1984	Friendship Heights Metro station opened (originally scheduled for 1976)
1990	Chevy Chase Pavilion opened
1992-94	<i>President, Bob Cope</i>
1994-95	<i>President, Marty Weigand</i>
1995-97	<i>President, Jim Norton</i>
1997-98	<i>President, Dave Montgomery</i>
1998	Friendship Heights Sector Plan was adopted, dominated by a policy that growth is encouraged around Metro Stations. Development was approved on three major sites: GEICO, "Wisconsin Place" on Hecht's site (by New England Development), and "Chevy Chase Center," east of Wisconsin Avenue (by Chevy Chase Land Company).
1998-2000	<i>President, Allison Fultz</i>
2000-02	<i>President, Gwen Lewis</i>
2002-03	<i>President, William Geiger</i>
2003, 2004	Construction began on "Chevy Chase Center," then on "Wisconsin Place."
2004-06	<i>President, Dave Montgomery</i>

## **TRANSITIONS – Hal Wolman**

### **NEWCOMERS:**

Ernesto and Nuria Revilla moved to 5005 Westport Rd. last fall. Ernesto is an economist with the World Bank and Nuria is a pediatrician at Georgetown University Hospital.

Edward McMahon and Francesca Franchi moved into 4603 Harrison St. this summer with their twin daughters, Kiara and Mikela McMahon. The 7 year old twins attend Westbrook.

Mark and Paola Luther just moved into 4606 Merivale Road.

Alex and Elena Gontcharov have moved into 4704 Dover Road.

#### BIRTHS:

Deborah Kalb and David Levitt, 4604 Merivale Rd., welcomed Aaron Kalb Levitt on Aug. 25, 2005.

Ernesto and Nuria Revilla announce their new baby (Ernesto Jr.), born September 9th, 2005.

John James Lively IV ("Jack") was born on October 11, 2005 to John and Susie Lively, 5316 Baltimore.

Marina and Matthew Bowsher, and son Kent, 5329 Saratoga, welcomed the birth of Zaida Madeline on November 4.

Mike Adlin and Helene Krasnoff, 4600 Dalton, have a new family member - Rebecca Felice was born on November 9.

#### DEATHS:

Michael Interdonato, 21, of Cooper Lane, died November 3 from a rare neuromuscular disorder. He had been fighting the disease for three years. Our deepest sympathy goes to the Interdonato family.

Gail DeLozier died unexpectedly at her home, 5200 Westport Road, on December 5, 2005, at the age of 59. Her parents, who built the house in 1948, lived there until they died 9 years ago, at which time Gail moved back to the home where she had grown up. Gail graduated from Walt Whitman HS, then went to work for GEICO. In the more than 30 years of employment she missed only one day of work due to illness. She is survived by four aunts, an uncle, and many cousins living in the Washington area.

Irwin Manning of 4506 Dalton Road passed away on December 9 at the age of 76, surrounded by his family. His first wife, Amelia Young, died in 1988, but he is survived by his wife Shirley and daughters Susan and Sarah. A physicist who worked at the Naval Research Lab and taught university courses prior to his retirement, he has been in Brookdale since 1985 and was a familiar figure in recent years as an inveterate walker with his headphones and backpack. A memorial service was held in his home on January 3 for family and friends. Our condolences to his wife Shirley and his daughters Susan and Sarah.

### **THANK YOU TO ELLIE SHORB**

We all owe a great debt of gratitude to Ellie Shorb for organizing Brookdale parties, parades, yard sales, and all manner of good things for the last several years. Starting in 1999 Ellie initiated the annual July 4th parade, complete with fire engine. In 2003-4 Ellie took on the task of Coordinator of Events for the Executive Committee of the Brookdale Association, a role she has occupied ever since. We really appreciate her energetic social leadership. But, Ellie must move on to other demands in her life. So, we say THANKS, ELLIE!

### **NOTICES**

#### **Events Coordinator Needed**

With Ellie Shorb's "retirement" the Executive Committee is seeking a volunteer to lead social activities for the association. If you can help, please call Dave Montgomery 301-215-9224

#### ***Bugle* Deadline**

The deadline to submit articles, notices, and ads for the April 2006 issue of the ***Brookdale Bugle*** is 9 p.m. March 23.

#### **Neighborhood New Moms' Group**

Previously, the neighborhood had an ongoing, daytime group of new and experienced mothers who met to bounce ideas off each other and to make new friends. Past members' children have aged and gone to school. If you are interested

in learning about the benefits of reactivating such a group, contact Laurie Sparling (301-907-4392) for details.

### **Weed Warriors Wanted**

Do you have an interest in plants, especially those native to our area? Join the Weed Warriors volunteers and help monitor and remove non-native invasive plant species from Montgomery County parks. To learn more call the M-NCPPC Volunteer Services Office at 301-495-2464 or go to the web at [amended 08/15/09] [http://www.montgomeryparks.org/PPSD/Natural\\_Resources\\_Stewardship/Veg\\_Management/weed\\_warriors/certified\\_weedwarriors.shtm](http://www.montgomeryparks.org/PPSD/Natural_Resources_Stewardship/Veg_Management/weed_warriors/certified_weedwarriors.shtm) .

### **TREES – Gwen Lewis**

The County Division of Highway Services will plant trees at the curbside of homes upon request and a judgment of sufficient space. Such trees are free. Want to enhance your yard and the neighborhood through this program? Look on the Brookdale website for information (check the links to "local resources"), and contact one of the Brookdale Tree Committee members: Fiona Carson (301-986-0574), Pearl Becnel (301-654-1991), or me (301-215-9224) if you would like for us to "place your order." We anticipate a number of plantings in Brookdale this spring. It may not be too late to get a new tree in spring if you call right away.

### **New Leash Law in Montgomery County**

The new leash law states that a dog must be leashed in public places unless the area is designated as a dog exercise area or the dog is participating in a supervised activity such as a dog show. Fines for dogs off leash begin at \$100 for the first offense and go up to \$500. (Courtesy of the *Chevy Chase Village Crier*, Nov. 2005)

### **Brookdale Electronic Bulletin Board**

Join the secure electronic bulletin board established for Brookdale eyes only. Become a member of the group by going to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Brookdalecitizens/> and following instructions. If you join the group, you will be able to share e-mail addresses and read posted messages from other members.

## **Brookdale Listserv**

The Brookdale Citizens' Association Listserv is another way to communicate. Simply send an e-mail with "subscribe" (no quotes) in the subject line to: [Brookdale-request@comjet.com](mailto:Brookdale-request@comjet.com) to join.

[Block Captains for Orchardale are listed on this page](#) along with those for other areas.

## **ADS**

### **Neighborhood Yoga Class Available in Spring**

Brookdale Yoga resumes this spring after studio renovation is completed. All levels welcome. All equipment provided. Please call Suzanne Oliwa at 301-951-3635 or e-mail [swoliwa @@ mac.com](mailto:swoliwa@@mac.com) for more details. Watch for more information in the April *Bugle*.

### **Teens Seek Work**

Annika Glennon, 12, babysitting and pet sitting. 301-718-1621

Ian Glennon, 14, any kind of yardwork/dog walking/pet sitting. 301-718-1621

Harriet Carson, 13, babysitting/dog walking/pet sitting. 301-986-0574

Emily Carson, 16, babysitting/dog walking/pet sitting. 301-986-0574

Josephina Silva-Lopez, 13, babysitting/dog walking/pet sitting; babysitting certificate. 301-654-0313

### **Help with Housework**

Reliable, meticulous, experienced housekeeper available now. Brookdale references; all papers in order. Could also give cooking and/or cleaning services part-time in exchange for room. Please call Margarita at 301-498-9846.

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