

GW Times

420 Butler's Landing Stevensville MD 21666

The BIG Spring Issue 2003



Construction News

A Warm Welcome to all of our new homeowners!

Congratulations to Jon & Tabitha Osman! They have moved into their beautiful home in the Greenwood Community. We wish them the best of luck!



Mary Matlock will settle on her impressive home at the end of March!

Congratulations to our new members of the GW Family!

Greg Wilson and Katima Salter have begun building their new exquisite GW Home in the Greenwood Community!

Allee & Tina Ramadhan's home has begun construction in the third phase of the Greenwood Community.

New Projects !!!!!

We will begin a new home in the Greenwood Community on lot 108 in the third phase of the Greenwood Community.

Construction on our new office building is coming along well and we hope to move in by the end of this year! We are leasing professional office space on the first and second floors. Call today for more information!

President's Message

I hope that you enjoyed the holidays and you are energized about Spring 2003. Just as you perform spring-cleaning tasks and maintain your cars, your home, too, needs special attention. Be sure to look for handy tips inside this newsletter to keep your home in top shape. I would like to extend a warm welcome to GW Homes Inc's newest staff member, Daniel Palmer. He will be completing tasks in the administrative area.

We are beginning construction on our commercial project in the Village of Benton's Crossing. If you or someone you know wishes to lease professional office space, please tell them about us. We have a 5,000 square foot building underway with one to three tenant spaces available for lease. As well, I'd like to welcome the newest members of the GW Homes family; our soonto-be new homeowners. Wishing you the best.

GW Homes Inc.

Family tradition and value along with beautiful craftsmanship are what set GW Homes Inc apart from the ordinary. As a finer builder of the Eastern and Western Shores, we pride ourselves on happy customers that becomes part of our GW Homes' Family.

We are a member of the National Association of Home Builders are well as Builder 20 and offer a 10 year warranty on all of our new homes! It's hard to compare with GW Homes Inc.

GW Homes Inc Staff

Gene Wesolowski Joyce Wesolowski Harold Veasel Tiffany Hunt Daniel Palmer

President of GW Homes Sales Director Construction Manager Executive Assistant Office Assistant

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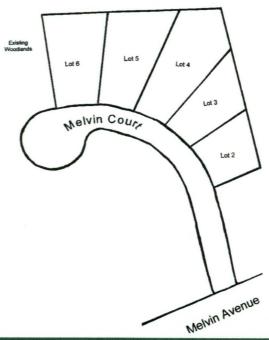
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- Future GW Homes Development
- Wooded Lots with Tall Mature Trees
- Property Adjoins County Park
- Spacious Lots up to 1/2 Acre
- Cozy Community
- Convenient to Route 50 and 10 minutes from Bay Bridge
- Call (410) 643-6300 to reserve your lot today!





Exciting Client News!!

Birthdays! Birthdays! Birthdays!

Gene Burack Janet Messing

May 1st May 5th

New Babies! Births! Olivia Maria McMillan born February 3, 2003 to Joe & Athena McMillan



Submit your Birthday Dates to be featured in our newsletter.



Welcome New Employees

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the newest member of the GW Homes Staff Daniel

Palmer. He comes to us from Queen Anne's County High School. He began his employment with us in January and has quickly become an asset to our team!



POSITIVE FEED BACK!

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An Organization Built on the Principles of Service, Dependability, Good Materials and Fair Price will stay in business for many years

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410-643-6300 / 410-643-9131 fax

Attention: Gene Wesolowski

Deer ceene,
Thank you for sending us a copy of your recent GW Times. What a great way to stay
in contact with your customers, get information out that you need to (crawl space
vents), and maybe get new sales leads. You truly have created the small community
closeness everyone desires to have.

We wish you and yours a very blessed Holiday Season

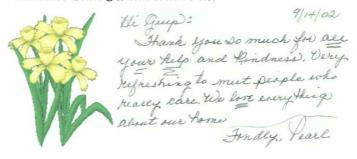






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This is a excerpt from a short note that our wonderful customer Pearl Swann sent to us.

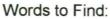




Find A Word

By: Tiffany Hunt





1. Allergies 16. Leprechaun 2. Bloom 17. Passover 3. Bunny 18. Pot of Gold 4. Clean 19. Rain 5. Clover

6. Cross

7. Daylight Savings

8. Easter 9. Eggs 10. Flowers

11. Good Friday

12. Green

13. Insects

14. Irish

15. Jesus

20. Warm

Warning!

Words may be diagonal or backwards.





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Talbot County (Easton) Twilight Dinner Concerts 410-822-2787 Winter Ball 410-822-0773

Anne Arundel County

Fat Tuesday 410-280-0445 x10 Maya Ceramics 410-626-2556 (from the Palmer Collection)

Queen Anne's County

"Lend me a Tenor" Play 410-758-1331 Calvary United Methodist 410-827-7113 (Ham & Oyster Dinner)

April

Talbot County (Easton)

Chesapeake Classic Car Show 410-770-8000 Oxford Day 410-770-8000

Anne Arundel County

"Hand Blown Glass" Exhibit 410-990-4540 1st Sunday Arts & Entertainment 410-990-4540



Queen Anne's County

The Secret Garden Play 410-827-5867 Chesapeake Bay Art Show & Auction 410-758-2520 Eggstravaganza 410-758-0835 Easter Egg Hunt 410-820-1668 Eastern Shore Poetry Contest 410-758-2520 Bay Bridge 410-268-8828 Spring Festival 410-758-0979 Earth Day Celebration 410-758-0883

May

Talbot County (Easton)

Greensboro Founder's Day 410-241-8661 Mid-Atlantic Maritime Festival 410-770-8000

Anne Arundel County

"Shona Stone Sculpture Exhibit 410-990-4540 1st Sunday Arts & Entertainment 410-990-4540 Tawes Garden 25th Celebration 410-260-8183

Queen Anne's County

Historic Sites Open House	410-604-2100
May Fair	410-827-8484
Bay Bridge Walk	877-223-7726
Spring Fling Golf Tournament	410-643-8530
Kent Island Day	410-643-5969
KIFA's Outdoor Art Fair	410-643-7424
Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Concert	410-758-2343



Gardening & Lawncare Tips

By: Harold Veasel

Rake last years mulch into the top soil but be careful not to rake too deep so there will be no damage to your perennials. Add top soil, a thin layer to enrich and help with your new plantings. Add fertilizing/weed killer to keep weeds down and to delay hand weeding for a while. Mulch after all new plantings are finished. Lowes on Old Love Point Road has

excellent pricing on top soil and mulch by the yard picked up. Fertilize your lawn with a good weed and feed to start the season and repeat monthly. Miracle Grow makes an excellent fertilizing spike for trees also. Happy gardening and keep hoping for a good moist year.



GW Times

This newsletter is published quarterly. Contributions, whether in the form of news, information or editorial comment are welcome and greatly appreciated.

Please submit articles or ads by the end of each month and it will be place in the appropriate newsletter. The articles or ads can be mailed to:

GW Homes, Inc. 420 Butlers Landing Stevensville MD 21666 Attn: Tiffany Hunt

Or call 410-643-6300 for more information. (space is limited)



Costs for ads per issue:
Business Card \$15.00
1/4 Page \$25.00
1/2 Page \$40.00
Full Page \$60.00

Spring Reminders



- 1. Open all crawl space vents, remove any temporary insulation to allow unrestricted ventilation of crawl spaces. Check and see that the ground vapor barrier is in place and covering the ground completely.
- 2. Check and clean all gutters, particularly at the bottom of downspouts. These can occasionally get blocked or damaged by snow removal they should be secured to the building, with the direction of water AWAY from the house basement wall. They make splash blocks to set on the ground beneath these to create an additional "spillway" to direct water farther away from the home or building.
- 3. Check around the home and adjust grade for any minor settling to ensure water is draining away from the home during the spring rainy season
- 4. Once overnight temperatures stay above freezing it's okay to reconnect water hoses and turn outside faucets back on.
- 5. Be sure to remove lint from the dryer vents, undo connection at the dryer, clean and reconnect.
- 6. Clean furnace filter monthly year round. Humidifiers must be turned off and cleaned.
- 7. If you have a dehumidifier in a crawl space turn it on now.

10 Reasons to Build with GW Homes



2. Reputation of GW Homes Inc.

3. Friendly, Knowledgeable and Efficient Staff

4. Member of NAHB

5. Wide selections of home styles

6. 10 year warranty

7. Expert Tradesmen

8. Organized Construction Process

9. Timely Delivery of Home

10. Conveniently located 5 Minutes from the Bay Bridge



SAFETY AND KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

TCHEN

By: Tammy Wesolowski

The Kitchen is the heart of the home. People gather there for food and conversation. Little people are especially curious creatures who are drawn to the kitchen. If you are a parent, grandparent or if you have a occasionally little visitor to your home; take the time to make your kitchen a safe and fun environment.

Now get on your hands and knees (okay, kneepads may be required). Observe your kitchen through the eyes of a little one. Remove any items that can be choking hazards. Small knobs on doorstoppers and dry pet food and water bowls for starters. Next be sure to secure cabinets with cleaning solutions (check you local hardware store for locks). Then create a drawer just for them. Measuring cups, wooden spatulas and age appropriate snacks can keep little hands occupied for a very long time. Be sure to safety proof your stovetop knobs with a guard (see hardware store) if within the child's reach. Start teaching them early about hot ovens and stoves. Even children to young to speak can begin to understand "HOT!". Most of all never, ever leave little ones unsupervised in the kitchen even for a moment or even if you think they know better.

In conclusion, use common sense and welcome your little ones in to the kitchen. A love for family, friends and cooking will be instilled in them always.

Jack's Easy Finger-paint Recipe Procedure

In a old plastic bowl combine flour and water a little at a time until it is the consistency of paint. Add food coloring if desired. Divide mixture into small bowls for additional colors. Cut paper grocery bags open and let them go wild. An adult T-Shirt makes a great paint smock. Join in the fun too! Be sure to clean up any food coloring from countertops, etc. to prevent staining. Don't forget to display the artwork and give praise to the little artist.

Jack's Easy Finger-paint Recipe

1 Cup flour
Water as needed
A dash of salt for texture (not required)
Food Coloring

Lasting impressions:

Sensation - Visual and Tactile, Creativity - Colors of the Rainbow, Self-Esteem - praise from adult.

Spring Cleaning & Maintenance Tips

With Winter almost behind us, many people will have the urge to start the "Spring Cleaning". Here are a few household cleaning tips.

Bathrooms:

- Enamel & Tile: CLR Cleaner or Clorox Clean-Up. Rinse with cold water and wear rubber gloves.
- · Cultured Marble: Use nonabrasive commercial cleaners.
- Chrome & Brass: Use glass cleaner or metal polish.
- Grout: Use stiff brush on grout. For heavy stains, use commercial grout cleaner. Tubs and showers should have old caulking removed and new installed whenever cracking appears. Re-Seal all grout.
- Make sure to clean toilet siphon jets.
- Re-Caulk all tubs and showers to prevent water damage.

Cleaning Walls:

- Painted Interiors: Clean with a damp soft cloth. Or check with your local duron dealer on cleaning the walls.
- Glazed Tile / Brick: Wash with soap and water solution. Remove discoloration with non-abrasive household cleaner.
- · Wood Paneling: Clean with commercial wood cleaner and treat with special wax.
- Mildew: To remove the fungus that causes it, use: CLR or Clorox Clean-Up.

Other Important Annual Chores:

- · Vacuum dust off smoke alarms & carbon monoxide detectors.
- Check and replace batteries in smoke detectors.
 - Repair insulation, in attic and crawl space weather-stripping & air leaks.
- Professionally inspect & clean fireplace and chimney.







Stress Management

By: Daniel Palmer

Building and owning a new home can be very stressful, especially for the first time homeowner. Below are some ways to deal with the stress in a healthy ways:

<u>Smile</u>. Smiling is a universal language that says, "I'm happy!" Take 3-5 minutes a day to smile at yourself in the mirror, and watch your day feel a tad bit brighter.

<u>Meditation</u>. I know what your saying, "I'm not sitting on the ground humming to myself." But actually, any sound repeated over and over again is a form of meditation. You may even find yourself doing it unintentionally. Find a quiet room and relax for five minuets. You'll find yourself calmer and better prepared to face the obstacles ahead of you.

<u>Change Your Stressors</u>. If you can't change your situation, change your attitude. Look at things in another perspective. By changing the things that create anxiety, you'll find situations will be easer to handle.



Remember, things are not always as bad as they seem. Look at things in a new way or tackling tasks with a new approach, not only will the stress ebb away, but you might find it refreshing as well.

Style Section

By: Joyce Wesolowski

"*Style*" I'd define it as extra special items in a house which transforms it into the customer's

unique and special home. Those items can be found in many a happy GW Customers' homes.

For instance, <u>Penny Runnels</u> absolutely raves about her *Convection Oven* and <u>Pearl and Dan Swann</u> couldn't think of a winter, especially this one, without their *Gas Fireplace*. <u>Mary Matlock</u> has chosen to install *Two Dishwashers*! Soft hands only for this lady who entertains a lot.

Joe and Athena McMillan had chosen a home with tall *Architectural Columns* and *Wide Mouldings* to express their sense of style. And to complete the look, they now have a new addition born Feb 3rd, Olivia Maria. Even GW Homes couldn't top that act!



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