



Have a Great Summer!

# GW Times

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## President's Message

Summer is a time for fun, family and lots of outdoors activities. We hope that the flooding rains will continue to yield to more evenly tempered showers and that your bar-be-que will be graced with clear weather. Summer is also a time to take care of your home, so be sure to read this newsletter for some tips that will help keep your home in excellent condition.

The month of July brings us reminders including those of the freedoms we enjoy as Americans. Please remember that it is incumbent upon each one of us to make our dreams happen, protect our freedoms and take a stand for what is right. It's all about the choices we make everyday and how those choices set us on a journey throughout our lives. Make the right choices and remember that we are the ones who make it happen. I wish you a happy Fourth of July, a good summer and may God Bless America!

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*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

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|------------------|-----------------------|
| Gene Wesolowski  | President of GW Homes |
| Joyce Wesolowski | Sales Director        |
| Harold Veasel    | Construction Manager  |
| Tiffany Hunt     | Executive Assistant   |
| Daniel Palmer    | Office Assistant      |



## Construction News

A Warm Welcome to all of our new homeowners!

Congratulations to **Greg Wilson & Katima Salter!** They are about to move into their beautiful home in the Greenwood Community. We wish them the best of luck!

**Mary Matlock** moved into her very impressive and beautifully decorated home in April, she is sure to make her neighbors jealous! Thanks for inviting us to your house warming party.

### Continuing Progress

**Allee & Tina Ramadhan's** home construction continues in the third phase of the Greenwood Community. We can't wait to see their cozy home!

Construction of 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!

### New Projects !!!!!

We are beginning new homes on lots 107 & 108 in the Greenwood Community.

### Parklands

This beautiful enclave of homes will be on large lots and have mature tall trees throughout. This property adjoins the county park for lots of family fun! We are taking lot reservations for Parklands in now! Call Joyce today to reserve your lot! (See Page 2 for more details)

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# PARKLANDS



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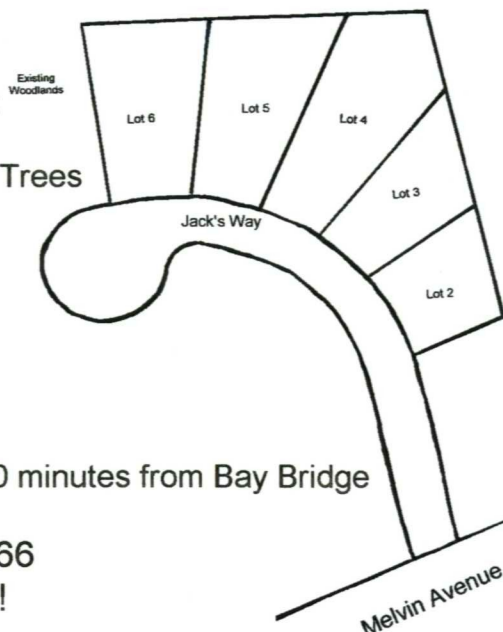
Many house plans available

Spacious Lots up to 1/2 Acre

Cozy Community

Convenient to Route 50 and 10 minutes from Bay Bridge

Call Joyce at (443) 496-0466  
to reserve your lot today!



## Exciting Client News !!

**Birthdays! Birthdays! Birthdays!**

**Michelle Burack**

**June 25th**

**Anniversaries! Anniversaries!**

**Jon & Tabitha Osman**

**July 27th**

**Jeff & Janet Messing**

**August 18th**

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## SUMMER REMINDERS

1. Open all crawl space vents
2. Fix loose or cracked caulking around tiles, sinks, toilets and showers
3. Inspect appliance hoses and ventilation according to owners manuals - clean or replace
4. Lubricate door hinges and tracks
5. Silicone spray garage door locks
6. Patch driveway and other concrete or seal coat asphalt
7. Check air conditioner & water filters
8. Clean dryer duct and filter
9. Test smoke detectors & CO detectors
10. If you have a dehumidifier in a crawl space, turn it on now, leave crawl space vents closed



After a heavy rain,

- Check the soil surrounding your home to ensure water is directed away from the foundation
- Repair Landscaping
- Inspect your drainage system and repair or adjust gutter and downspouts as necessary
- Check any spillways off driveway for erosion control





# Find A Word

By: Tiffany Hunt



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## Words to Find:

1. America
2. Baseball
3. Beach
4. Cookout
5. Crabs
6. Dad
7. Father's Day
8. Fireworks
9. Fishing
10. Hiking
11. Hot
12. Ice Cream
13. Lawncare
14. Pool
15. Sailing
16. Sun
17. Sunburn
18. Swim
19. Tan
20. Weddings

### Warning!

Words may be diagonal or backwards.



## Style For the Summer

By: Joyce Wesolowski

*With all the rain we've had it's hard to believe that summer has arrived. But with the advent of the sun, our thoughts turn to the great outdoors. What better way to express one's style than in the garden? Appeal starts at the street. Observe your existing conditions. Does your home have the curb appeal you desire? Is there a welcoming path to the door? Is it adequately lit? Is the front door freshly painted? Analyze what is good and what needs improving. Plant the path to your front door with seasonal plants for accent color. Remember that evergreens and deciduous trees are the foundation plants that give your garden year round structure. "Islands" in the landscape are raised-mulched beds with plants such as azalea, rhododendron, and/or other colorful blooming species designed to give accent and definition within the yard.*



*Not everyone can live on the water or near a stream. But almost anyone can incorporate a water feature in their yard. It could be as elaborate as three-tiered foundation or as simple as a birdbath. The sight of water has a cooling effect on a hot day, and the sound of running water attracts birds in any garden. And for that private space in the backyard, think of it as an extension of your home's rooms. Barbecue kitchen for the outdoor chef, open space for family games or putting green, herb and/or flower garden for color and fragrance, and maybe even a footpath, to a quiet forest (a couple of trees will do) where one can relax in the shade to read or meditate. Any of these features will add charm, appeal and style to your special home!*







## Gardening & Lawncare Tips

By: Harold Veasel

Summer has come on hard and suddenly and things are starting to dry out. Keep in mind during these scorching days that the ground water level is still very high. Your lawns should be stable for some time but it is a good idea to start watering once a week to prevent any damage that may occur. Your planting beds are usually higher than your lawn so you will need to water them more often, two - three times a week is an appropriate amount. It is very important to water you hanging plants and flowers everyday as they have no access to ground water and dry out much quicker.

You should continue to weed and feed your lawns once a month either early in the morning or late in the evening so that the blazing sun does not burn up the fertilizer and, in turn, burn the grass. It is important to water your lawn after you weed and feed to disperse the fertilizer. When cutting you lawns, cut it on one of the higher settings because your grass will thicken drastically and will not burn up from the sun. It also gives it a plush and pleasing appearance.

In the spring when we have had as much rain as we have this year it is good to re-mulch your mulch beds with a thin layer to hold moisture in your gardens. Also don't forget your fertilizer spikes for your new trees.

On small trees cut off your suckers (small branches growing low on the trunk). Good luck with you outdoor projects this summer!



## Summer Safety

By: Tammy Wesolowski

So you're settled in your house. Your pool or hot tub is installed and you're ready to relax. The kids are at college or you don't have any so what's to worry about. Not so fast...here are a few reminders to ensure peace of mind during the dipping season.

- Keep all doors leading to your pool, hot tub or waterfront locked at all times.
- Consider installing an electronic bell to signal when those doors are in use.
- Fence in your pool or hot tub and gate your pier.
- Inform neighbors with children and pets of your new addition and don't be shy about the rules (We have a new pool so please for your children/pets keep them away from our yard, p.s. can I borrow a cup of sugar).
- When visitors with children are visiting lay down the rules. Parents must be present at all times and lifejackets are recommended.
- Limit the amount of pool toys to a few. Too many and you can't account for the number of guests in your pool. Small children or pets can easily be hidden behind lounge rafts and too many beach balls.
- Last but not least always use your common sense, get the family CPR certified, bring a cordless phone and lifesaver to the poolside and never leave guests unattended.



Grab a beach towel and a cool drink now it's okay to relax!

## Upcoming Events



### July

#### Talbot County (Easton)

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Oxford Fireworks       | 410-226-5269 |
| St. Michaels Fireworks | 410-770-8000 |
| Talbot County Fair     | 410-822-8007 |

#### Anne Arundel

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| Wednesday Sailboat Races                  | 410-263-9279 |
| Dinner Theatre "Oliver"                   | 800-406-0306 |
| Red, White & Blue 4th of July Celebration | 410-267-7619 |
| Star Spangled 4th Family Celebration      | 410-923-7600 |
| Independence Day Fireworks                | 410-268-7601 |
| Archaeology Dig Day                       | 410-222-1919 |
| Celebrate Summer Crab Feast               | 410-974-4473 |
| 3rd Annual Pyrates Cruise                 | 410-268-8553 |

#### Queen Anne's County

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| Kent Island Volunteer Fire Dept Carnival | 410-643-5638 |
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### August

#### Anne Arundel

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| Annapolis Rotary Club Crab Feast | <a href="http://www.annapolisrotary.com">www.annapolisrotary.com</a> |
| Governor's Cup Regatta           | 240-895-3039   |
| Kunta Kinte Heritage Festival    | 410-349-0338   |
| Annapolis Art Walk               | 410-267-7077   |
| MD Renaissance Festival          | 800-296-7304   |

#### Queen Anne's County

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| 9th Annual Peach Festival | 410-643-1650 |
| Thunder on the Narrows    | 410-758-3130 |
| Queen's Anne County Fair  | 410-758-0267 |
| Member's Best Exhibit     | 410-758-2520 |





## QA COUNTY 300 YEARS OLD !!!

By: Tiffany Hunt

In just three years (July 6th 2006) Queen Anne's County will turn 300 years old.! It may seem early to even mention this but it takes years of planning to make large celebrations, as this will be perfect. An anniversary coordinating committee, made up of representatives of various local organizations is being formed to make up a program with events to mark this occasion. Some suggest that there should be a year long celebration to climax on July 6, 2006. Some of the events in our rich history that are on the table to be celebrated are:

- William Claiborne and the first English settlement in MD on Kent Island in 1631
- Charles Willson Peale, the artist born near Centreville, who painted portraits of our founding fathers
- Wye Grist & Museum
- The Stevensville & Sudlersville train stations
- The Queenstown Courthouse was the first courthouse built for Queen Anne's County in 1708
- During the war of 1812 the British occupied Kent Island

The Historic Sites Consortium of QA County hope that a comprehensive book on the architectural history will be done in time for the anniversary. There has also been some discussion on a possible parade as well as boats to re-create the days of the ferries. I can't wait to see this landmark celebration!



## Cutting Vacation Costs

If you are vacationing this summer here are a couple of tips you can use to save money & energy while you are away.



Raise your thermostat, but keep it at or slightly lower than 80 degrees. A higher temperature may cause damage to items and to your home.

Unplug equipment such as televisions, videocassette recorders, DVD players, microwaves, stereo equipment and computers, which draw power even when they are turned off. This step also lessens the risk of the equipment being damaged by a lightning strike or power surge.

For trips longer than a week, turn off your water heater. It will need a few hours to heat up again when you come home, but you will save a bundle in the mean time. Only after turning off your water heater, you may even consider shutting off your well or water main.



Don't forget to have your mail and your newspapers held until your return!

## Favorite Vacation Spots!

The Osman's enjoy the variety of restaurants in the outer banks in North Carolina, the clear blue waters of Puerto Rico but most of all their master bath whirlpool tub!



The Messings love the relaxing whale watching and marine life of Maine. They also enjoy the tasty lobsters!



The Burack's and Messings's both love fun in the sun in Key West Florida!

Here at GW Homes we also have our own favorite spots!

Tiffany's favorite vacationing spot is in New Orleans. She loves the mystical ambiance and rich architecture of the homes, especially in the French Quarter (although not in summer!).

Danny prefers the Historic charm of Gettysburg.

Harold shares the Burack's and Messings love for sizzling sun in Key West.

Gene enjoys a skiing getaway on the slopes of Vermont or Wyoming.

Joyce prefers to be on the water instead of stuck on land! She loves the leisure of cruises.





## ConGRADulations !!

By: Daniel Palmer

THOUGHTS FOR THOSE WHO ARE JUST  
STARTING ON THEIR JOURNEY IN LIFE...

AND FOR THOSE OF US WHO NEED SOME  
REMINDERS.

Looking back on my last four years of High School, I remember when it seemed like school would never end. Now that graduation has come and passed, I can reflect on all the lessons I've learned during that time. It really puts into perspective the past, the present, and the future.

Some call the road that lays ahead "The Real World". With a full time job replacing school, and supervisors replacing teachers, our goal now is not to shoot for the "A", but to shoot for our dreams. "The Real World" is not "9 to 5", or going out to live on your own. It doesn't have to be hard, or scary. "The Real World" is what you make of it.

Whatever happens graduating students will remember this moment for the rest of their life, as I am sure many of you still do. So with that let us congratulate the class of 2003 for all their accomplishments and wish them a wonderful future to come.

## Spotlight !!

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