

# REVELLATIONS

March, 2002

A Newsletter for Revell Downs Community Members

## Board President Thompson Envisions a Kinder, Gentler Community

There's an old saying that if you want to get something done, ask a busy person to help. Board President Holly Thompson gives proof to the proverb. Holly is a wife, mother of two daughters, and works full time in Crofton. Outside of work, she spends much of her time shuttling the kids to dance lessons and teaches CCD classes at St. Andrews by the Bay Catholic Church. During her rare moments of spare time, Holly and her husband enjoy riding their Harley and attending bikers' activities.

Topping Holly's wish list for Revell Downs is the formation of a Welcoming Committee. Holly would like to have a committee who would find out when a new family arrives in the community and present them with a welcome basket. The basket would include a current Revellations newsletter and an assortment of small gifts and coupons from area merchants. Committee volunteers would be responsible

for contacting area merchants to ask for such donations.

Holly would also like to have some special event at the end of the school year for all school age young folks. She envisions some sort of picnic or amusement, and welcomes any and all ideas and help for this project.

Holly says that a common misconception is that the Board doesn't care what the community would like to do. "We do care. That's why I like to have people on committees. If someone comes in with an idea or a complaint, we'll get a committee going and they can be on it."

Holly's a believer in community responsibility. For example, one complaint that occurs quite regularly is about neighbors making too much noise. Many residents expect the Board can do something about it, such as speak to the offender or send a letter. But that isn't the Board's responsibility. If a resident has spoken to his neighbor about the problem and it persists, the resident should call the police and report a disturbance of the peace.

What are Holly's pet peeves? The number of drivers who don't stop at the stop sign entering the community, and those who violate the speed limit. In fact, one thing she'd like to do during her term as President is to investigate having speed bumps installed throughout the community to slow down dangerous drivers.

When asked what her vision for Revell Downs is for the coming year, Holly replies, "I would love to see more involvement from the community. I have a lot of good ideas for us, but whether or not they're really going to happen depends on whether we get volunteers."



## Attention!

### Community Association Meetings Have Moved!

When: the 1st Monday of every month

Where: Broadneck H.S. Cafeteria

Mark your calendar!

April 1st, 2002, at 7:30pm

May 6th, 2002, at 7:30pm



# Board Notes

*The Board met on Monday evening, March 4. Below are some highlights from that meeting, drafted by Kathy Preston. Please note that these minutes have not been finalized and approved.*

Treasurer's Report. Lisa Arellano gave the Treasurer's Report. The checking account balance is \$13,926.34 and the savings account balance is \$11,865.60.

Old Business. Patti Engelberth said the county will provide dumpsters to the community May 28 - 30. There was discussion about the date of the spring clean up. It was felt there may be too much competition with Earth Day festivities so the date was moved to April 27. The community yard sale was set for May 18. Patti requested a new monthly meeting sign for the back entrance to the community. She agreed to contact the sign maker to find out how much he will charge for a second sign. She will also ask him how much it will cost to fix our current sign to reflect the proper meeting day.

Lisa Arellano (treasurer) asked about filing a federal return for the community. She agreed to call Cathy Thomas to get further information.

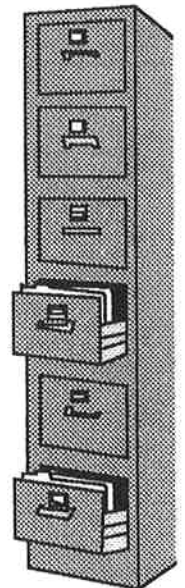
Patti E. talked about the Easter Egg Hunt plans. The date was March 23 with a rain date of March 30. The total cost for the Good Time Amusement entertainment was \$756.xx This would include a slide, moon bounce and ponies. Patti hoped to have Sparky the Firedog (?) as well as other entertainment. There were no plans for an Easter Bunny this year. Patti agreed to make some calls to locate the bunny sign from last year. Patti discussed the cost of various gifts and supplies as well as hot dogs, sodas and chips. There was a motion to allocate a \$1,100 budget for the Easter Egg Hunt. The motion was seconded and passed.

Arthur Doss (Revell Downs resident) raised the issue of the condominium/townhome community plans behind the bank. There was an article in the Sat., 3/4/02 *Capital* indicating the projected had slowed.

Holly Thompson (president) mentioned that the Annapolis Harley Davidson business would not be moving across the highway to the Jamal Plaza.

Debbie Doss (Revell Downs resident) asked again about the vines at the edge of the community. She would like to know what is used to kill them. There are other trees that have not been treated and the vines are threatening to kill the trees. It is difficult to find out who is responsible for the area along East College Parkway. The county, state and Revell Downs all deny responsibility at different times. Debbie agreed to call County Executive Janet Owens to ask about the vines and also to invite her to the Easter Egg Hunt.

New Business. Art Doss asked about sound barriers for our community to block noise from Route 50. Barry Lazar (member at large) talked about the process and that it would require the involvement of the community as a whole. He said we, as a community, would need to start making noise about the issue frequently. We should start at the county level but it may escalate to a state issue. Barry said he would bring it up at the next Lower Broadneck Federation meeting.

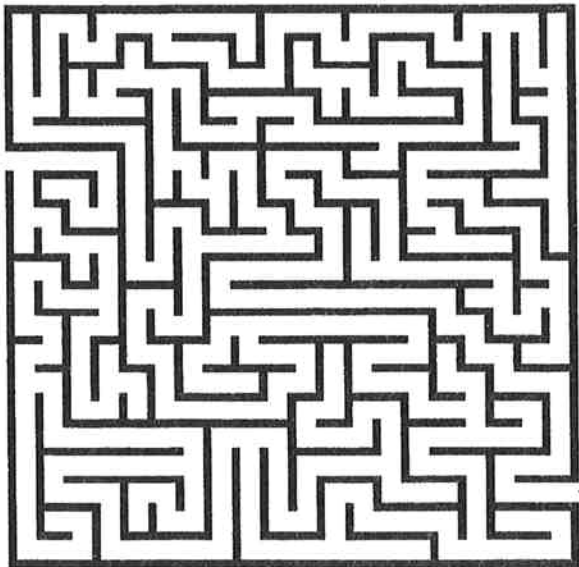


## Help Wanted!

Please consider giving of your time to one or more of the following Revell Downs activities.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Easter Egg Hunt/Family Day scheduled for March 23rd. Helpers are needed on March 22nd to help fill the plastic eggs. Volunteers are also needed to proctor the hunts for the various age groups at 3:30pm on the 23rd. Please call Patti Engelberth at (410) 757-8236 if you can help with either of these jobs.

Volunteers are wanted to form a neighborhood Welcoming Committee. Committee members would ask area merchants for small gift items and discount coupons to place in welcome baskets, and would present welcome baskets to new residents. Please call Holly Thompson at (410) 757-8721 if you would like to help.



Happy St. Patrick's Day!



## Business Owner's Spotlight

### Ruffian Court Residents Offer a Clean Sweep

For those pesky but necessary tasks of cleaning air ducts and chimneys, you need look no further than around the corner. Air Gott Services, Inc., owned by Revell Downs resident Duane Gottschalk, offers a variety of duct-cleaning services at affordable prices. Duane and his wife Pam, along with their 9-year old son Duane Jr., have lived in Revell Downs for six years.

Three years ago, after gaining expertise working in the field, Duane opened up his own business. Duane and three employees serve all of the greater Anne Arundel County area, including Kent Island, Queen Anne's County, Annapolis, Crofton, Bowie, Pasadena, and Glen Burnie.

Air Gott Services, Inc. serves both business and residential customers. The business offers air duct and dryer vent cleaning, chimney sweeping, gutter cleaning, and air handler and furnace cleaning. Much of their work involves fire and water restoration work.

Wife Pam runs the office single-handedly, scheduling the appointments and handling the billing and payroll.

Duane and Pam take pride in the fact that they are a small family-owned and operated business. Low overhead allows them to offer reasonable prices on all their services.

If you mention that you saw this article in the Revellations, Air Gott Services will honor the \$65 discount on air duct cleaning normally available only through a coupon found in the Val Pak.

Locals can call (410) 349-3152; if you're out of the area, call toll-free at 1-877-468-8247. Air Gott Services, Inc., is a member of the Better Business Bureau of Maryland.

If you are a Revell Downs resident and own a business, either home-based or at another location serving the Broadneck Peninsula, full time or part time, let your neighbors know about it! Contact the newsletter editor, Eileen Coale, and she may feature a story about your business in an upcoming newsletter. You can reach her at (410) 757-0821 or by email at [encouragingwords@usa.net](mailto:encouragingwords@usa.net).

## Homes Sold in Revell Downs 2001

Address	Sold Price	Type	Days on Market	Address	Sold Price	Type	Days on Market
1605 Agitate Court	\$209,900	Detached	2	1606 Agitate Court	\$179,925	Detached	13
1619 Cananaro Drive	\$166,500	Detached	0	1640 Cananaro Drive	\$179,900	Detached	4
1643 Cananaro Drive	\$179,900	Detached	7	1665 Cananaro Drive	\$175,900	Detached	20
1666 Cananaro Drive	\$125,300	Duplex	22	523 Little Current Drive	\$155,100	Detached	5 (Apr. '01)
514 Majestic Prince	\$173,500	Detached	61	523 Little Current Drive	\$206,000	Detached	0 (Jan. '02)
517 Majestic Prince	\$165,539	Detached	0	463 Man O' War Court	\$117,000	Duplex	41
465 Man O' War Court	\$119,900	Duplex	7	411 Master Derby Court	\$117,900	Duplex	151
415 Master Derby Court	\$117,000	Duplex	15	422 Master Derby Court	\$117,000	Duplex	138
1576 Native Dancer Court	\$120,000	Duplex	18	1577 Native Dancer Court	\$127,000	Duplex	1
1591 Native Dancer Court	\$100,000	Duplex	8	1597 Native Dancer Court	\$129,100	Duplex	2
1608 Pincay Court	\$175,000	Detached	7	1603 Revell Downs Drive	\$127,000	Duplex	8
1612 Revell Downs Drive	\$135,000	Duplex	28	466 Ruffian Court	\$129,000	Duplex	7
482 Ruffian Court	\$120,000	Duplex	8	483 Ruffian Court	\$130,000	Duplex	2
1640 Secretariat Drive	\$112,000	Duplex	65	1655 Secretariat Drive	\$119,900	Duplex	34
1688 Secretariat Drive	\$119,000	Duplex	7	1663 Sham Court	\$169,900	Detached	24

Special Thanks to Lisa Arellano, Realtor  
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