

THE DRUM

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Our September General Meeting presents two topics vitally important to the future of Kingsville—the preservation of our rural character and our legacy of historic structures. The GKCA's commitment to rural protection led us to battle against a proposed dump on Raphel Road during the 1970s and to support the designation of Franklinville village as an Historic District in the 1990s.

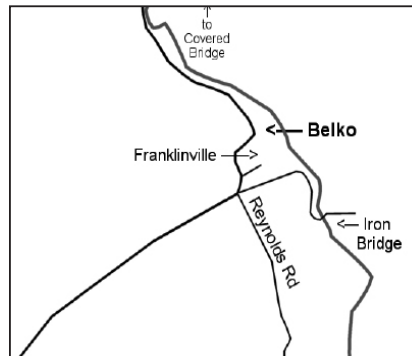
A structure that became part of the Belko factory in Franklinville, on the banks of the Little Gunpowder Falls, was landmarked in recent years. Over 150 years ago its original product was canvas for sailing vessels. Sadly, this historic building was severely dam

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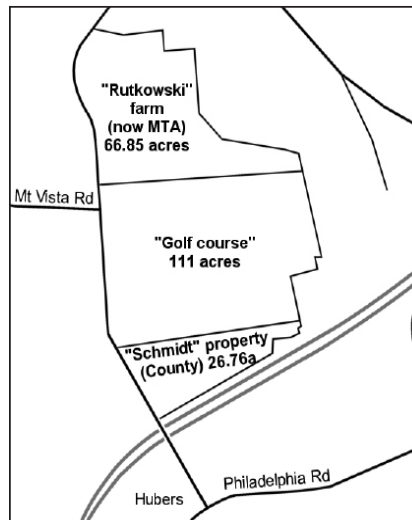
A THOUGHTFUL LEGACY TO HIS COMMUNITY

Chesapeake Bay pilot Captain Douglas G. Howlett, a lifelong resident of Kingsville, passed away on July 17, 2010. In his will Doug left a bequest to GKCA with the “hope that GKCA will use this money to preserve the historic sites and rural heritage of our area.” He recognized that the small community feeling here needs and deserves the support of all residents. Our Board was greatly moved by his generosity and his love and support for our community.

Sites to be discussed at the September meeting (see president's letter):



Location of the Belko site



Location of the Raphel Road land

**Semi-Annual Meeting—
Wed., Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m.
Kingsville Elementary
School
All are welcome!**

NEW ORAL HISTORY PROJECT— TELLING THE STORY

The GKCA is seeking volunteers to assist in a new Kingsville oral history project. The mission of the project is to help keep Kingsville history alive through the interviewing of longtime Kingsville residents about their experiences. If you are interested in taking part in this project, please come to our September meeting for more information. If we receive sufficient interest, we hope to organize a training workshop for volunteers, which could include an overview on oral history, and advice on interviewing techniques.

SLATE OF GKCA BOARD & OFFICERS FOR 2011-12

This slate will be voted on in September. For more information on the nomination process see Article V, Section 4 in the constitution of the GKCA on www.gkca.info.

Officers

Charlie Wolpoff—*President*
Dottie Foos—*1st Vice President*
Robin Beers—*2nd Vice President*
Lee Pine—*Recording Secretary*
Doug Behr—*Corresponding Secretary*
Tom Kneeshaw—*Treasurer*
Ila Christenbury—*Past President*

Board

Nominated for 2 year terms
Donna Kuhn, Laverne Laubach,
Pat Schmidt, Sally Wagner
Continuing members:
Pat Garner, Joy Keller, Mike Pierce

THE 2011 PARADE

This year marked the 31st consecutive year of the Kingsville parade.

The parade is one of our community's proudest events and there are always so many to thank—really a countless number. The businesses (and individuals) who purchase ad space in the book, the patron ad sponsors, and the band sponsors who underwrite large expenses have helped to make the parade bigger and better every year. The volunteers who serve on the committee, who help set up and take down, who seek advertisers and band sponsors, who schedule the fly-by, who deal with the massive numbers of details that need to be addressed have, too, been integral in the parade's development. The participants—the people who willingly march or ride on a July morning each year—are truly the centerpiece of the day. The folks along the parade route who cheer on the marchers and cars and trucks are what makes the work worthwhile. Thanks to EVERYONE! But none more so than to Linda Alexander who has served—and WORKED!!—as chairman once again.

Category #1 - Marching Units

1st - Company A 37th Regiment
North Carolina Vol. Troops –
John C. Houck

Category #2 – Bands/Musical

BUD HUSON AMERICAN
PRIDE AWARD “TIED”

1st - C. Milton Wright Marching
Band – *Mary Lynn Twentey*,
Director

1st - Westminster Municipal Band –
Greg Wantz, Director

Category #3 – Antique Vehicles

1st - *Scott J. Sykes* – 1929 Model A
Roadster P.U.

2nd – *Elmer and Kathleen Smith*,
1926 Buick Sedan, 1931 Ford
Roadster, 1948 John Deere B and
1949 John Deere B

3rd – *Mike Alban* – 1923 Model T
Fruit Truck “TIED”

3rd – *Mike Cappy* – 1950 Dodge
Panel Truck

Category #4 – Equestrian – Individual

1st – *Lucille Rice* – Shining Eye
Percherons

Category #5 – Equestrian – Group

1st - Fallston Riders
2nd - *Carlie Hopkins & Abigail Johnson* representing Hawks Hollow
Farm

Category #6 – Family, Group or Individual Entry

1st – Friends of Jerusalem Mill –
Joan Scovill
2nd – St. Paul's Lutheran Church
and School – *Linda Huber*
3rd – Baltimore Vipers All Star
Cheer & Dance – *Angela Hartman*

Category #7 – Young Set

1st – *Lisa Eisemann* - Kingsville
Elementary School

Category #8 – Commercial Entries

1st – Hall's Septic Services & Hall's
Honey Pots – *Jerry Scarboro*
2nd – Madison Square Federal Sav-
ings Bank-*Les Horn* 1952 Buick
“Super”
3rd - Ann's JES Grooming –
Ann Schultz

Category #9 – Floats

1st – Boy Scout Troop 788 & Cub
Scout Pack 788 – *Bonita Burrs*
2nd – The Community of St. John's
Episcopal Church –
Mtr. Sue Oldfather

Category #10 – Fire Apparatus

Melvin C. Neuman Award for Best
Company in Parade –
White Marsh VFC

Best Appearing Engine –

Bel Air VFC

2nd Best Appearing Engine –

Rosedale VFC

Best Appearing Truck Company –

Joppa Magnolia VFC

Best Appearing Ambulance –

Fallston VFC

Category #11 – Recreational Vehicles

1st – *Tristan Price* - Motorcycle w/
sidecar

Judges Awards for BEST

INTERPRETATION OF THEME

“Honor The Stars, Be Proud of Our
Stripes, Wave Your Flag”

1st Place \$150 – Hubers Stand

2nd Place \$100 – Kingsville

Elementary School -

Lisa Eisemann

3rd Place \$50 – Ann's JES

Grooming – *Ann Schultz*

10th Annual Mary Frances

Sheppard Award - \$150 for

BEST ENTRY IN PARADE -

Friends of Jerusalem Mill –

Joan Scovill

Judges – Mary Jo Button, Mark
Fleagle, Nancy Moran, Michael
Trush and Richard Eyre, Captain of
Long Green VFC

Grand Marshal – Steve Huber

Theme Winners – Vincent and
Domenic Maria

Opening Ceremonies was honored
by a “Fly By” from the Maryland
Air National Guard. Colonel Sean
M. Casey, Chief of Staff of the
Maryland National Guard along
with Mrs. Casey was in attendance
at Judges Viewing Stand, lead the
Pledge to the Flag. The National
Anthem was performed by Susie
Rising and John Carroll H.S. Band
with Mark Bouldon, Director.

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Dear Neighbor,

Thank you once again for all of your past encouragement and support. It seems as each year passes we get even busier, but thankfully, we are seeing some of the fruit of our efforts. The GKCA has been involved in some very positive legislative changes and resolved many community concerns. As always, there is a delicate balance between the changes that we know will occur and our very persistent efforts to protect our precious environmental and aesthetical assets. We must be vigilant in safeguarding our existing community's well and septic resources and always seek new methods of preserving the scenic and historic character that defines us.

We believe that the majority of our community still treasures those qualities that attracted most of us to this area...the pleasure of being surrounded by natural beauty and pastoral landscapes...enjoying the historic sites that link us to our past as we travel our winding roads. This special area is worth all the time, money and effort to preserve and protect it! This is why we come to you annually for your participation and financial support.

A vital GKCA includes a board with some very experienced, knowledgeable volunteers dedicated to preserving the rural heritage of our area. The number of hours spent by them as they attend meetings and hearings and do research on community issues is considerable.

It's important for you to know that our board members are willing to volunteer long hours, but we *need your support* for our continued effectiveness. Your donations are a worthy investment and we try to make the most judicious use of those donations. Postage is quite expensive for these mailers, but we want to keep the community as informed and involved as possible. We try to keep legal expenses to a bare minimum by doing most of the research and "legwork" ourselves. Please continue to support the GKCA as we strive to maintain our community's quality of life and preserve the cherished character of our area.

Thank you!

The Board of the GKCA

PLEASE JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

2011-12 MEMBERSHIP—\$20 PER HOUSEHOLD

Help us preserve our community and make it even better.

Of course we are grateful for additional contributions, as well!

Name: _____

Address: _____

We appreciate additional contributions to the Rural Protection Fund!

\$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 Other _____

Please return this with your donation.

Make checks payable to GKCA, P.O. Box 221, Kingsville, MD 21087

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Membership

Date: _____

Amount: _____

Check No.: _____

Retain this portion for records.

THE 2011 PARADE

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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aged by fires, and the site has some contamination issues and is currently being cleaned up by Brownfield Associates, environmental consultants. William Fischer, their principal hydrogeologist, will update us on what has transpired at this facility over the past two years and what is to take place in the near future.

Property along Raphael Road runs through the history of GKCA from our founding in 1974 to the present. In the 1970s GKCA was formed to lead the fight against a County dump on Raphael Rd. In the 1980s GKCA signed a covenant with the developer of the Mt. Vista executive golf course which we supported with certain conditions agreed to by both parties. When the owner built a clubhouse much larger than the size approved, GKCA was thrown into another Raphael Rd. controversy. Once again, just recently, GKCA and the community rallied to fight a proposed school bus depot on the Schmidt property which is located between I-95 and the golf course. Within the last 2 years,

the golf course has been closed by the county which has not yet revealed plans for the future of the golf course or the Schmidt property. However, the County Department of Recreation is operating the property as a "passive" use park and soccer practice field. Finally, in 2010 the Maryland Transportation Authority bought the Rutkowski property which is on the other side of the golf course. Since then rumors have circulated about the uses to which the County and State might choose to commit for this very large section of our community.

If you are interested in learning about the future of these Raphael Road properties, come to the September GKCA meeting. Fifth District councilman David Marks has arranged for Melissa Williams of the MTA, State Senator JB Jennings, and State Delegate Kathy Szeliga to discuss the state's plans for the future of the Rutkowski and Schmidt parcels.

—*Ila Christenbury*

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 GKCA.info**

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