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# VALLEY MEDE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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## New Phone Books Are Here

The morning of March 4<sup>th</sup> brought Boy Scout Troop 851 through the neighborhood delivering Verizon phone books. The scout troop, based out of Ellicott City, uses the phone book activity to raise funds for the troop's yearly events. This troop activity, which includes parent and sibling volunteers, totaled over 800 hours of service delivering over 36,000 books.



Christian Roper and Stephen Seo deliver phone books to Valley Mede

## It's "Pay Your Dues" Time

First, we want to thank all the families that paid dues for 2005. That number totaled 300 families. You don't know how exciting it is to see this turnout for this great neighborhood.

Again this year, the dues are still \$10.00. If you're reading this, go write a check right now, fill out the form in this newsletter, and send it to your newsletter editor.

Your dues will be spent on the newsletter, parades, picnics, parties, and this year - summer concert. Yes, we're gonna try to have an end of school Valley Mede Summer Fair. As most of this event is still smoke and mirrors, we really want to have a BIG annual fair right at our own Cypressmede Park.

If you are new to the neighborhood or new to paying your dues, update the information on page 3 of the newsletter and send it to me (the editor) with your \$10.00. I'll personally deliver to you a Valley Mede Phone Directory.

## Upcoming Events

April 29th - Community Yard Sale (8am-1pm)

June 17th - Valley Mede Summer Festival

June 18th - Summer Festival Rain Date

July 4<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

October 7th - Community Yard Sale (8-1pm)

October - Halloween Parade



Heather Wandell of Valley Mede

Heather Wandell, of Fawnwood Drive, taught us how to laugh and transform the way we look at life at our fall community meeting. Heather knows how to laugh, believe me. She provides this service through [www.anotherwaytoseeit.com](http://www.anotherwaytoseeit.com)

# Halloween Parade and Party

Allison Anderson

Again, the weather was perfect for the Annual Valley Mede Halloween Parade which was held on Sunday, October 23, 2005 at Cypressmede Park. The parade began with all the costumed children marching behind a Howard County Police car driven by neighbor, Officer Negro. The children paraded around the circle in the park and collected various items for trick-or-treating, then enjoyed Halloween music with a drink and snack for everyone.

Even a few of our four-legged neighbors arrived in costume. The children went home with Halloween crafts, pencils, spider rings, tattoos, and of course some candy. At the end, all the children got together for a large group picture. It was another fun family event at the Park. Join us in late October 2006 for our next Halloween Parade!

A huge thank you should go out to the volunteers who helped make this fun day happen including Allison Anderson, Carolyn Bodziak, Amy Carguilo, Lisa Higdon and Yvette Pruett. If you want to help with the 2006 Halloween Parade, just email [allison.anderson@comcast.net](mailto:allison.anderson@comcast.net).



# Mount Hebron High School

Presents Damn Yankees from Wednesday, March 29 through Saturday, April 1st. The show starts at 7:30pm, but doors open earlier. Tickets are \$9.00 each. Director Tom Sankey marks over 20 years service to Mt. Hebron directing over 50 shows in 23 years.

# Valley Mede Recent Sales

Everyone knows why Valley Mede is so popular a place to raise a family and retire. Our recent neighborhood sales are listed below and should give you a perspective on the value of your home and our neighborhood. This is why we, as a community group, care about covenants, building code violations, and the look of our neighborhood.

Sept '05	Greenway	\$520,000	Split Level
Oct. '05	Woodwick	\$419,500	Rancher
Oct. '05	Brookmede	\$400,000	Rancher
Oct. '05	Greenway	\$495,000	Colonial
Nov. '05	Joey	\$525,000	Colonial
Dec. '05	Pinewick	\$450,000	Rancher
Jan. '06	Helmwood	\$460,000	Rancher
Feb. '06	Ashmede	\$600,000	Colonial
Feb. '06	Old Fence	\$464,900	Rancher
Feb. '06	Hickory Mede	\$575,000	Colonial

# Community Yard Sale

April 29th - Community Yard Sale (8am-1pm). Please join your neighbors for this wonderful way to empty your house of junk (treasures). VMCA spent some real money to advertise this event. Have fun and meet your neighbors.

# Valley Mede Community Tent

We still have a beautiful 10 by 15 foot tent available for rental by VM residents. \$25.00 per day. Call 410-461-3026 for details. That graduation party is just around the corner.



Pay your dues of \$10.00 today. New VMCA members and new paying members will receive the Valley Mede Community Association Directory. Available NOW!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Call me so I can volunteer a few hours this year.

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