Dear Friends,

The next meeting of the GCFCG will be held on Saturday, July 26, 2003 at the home of Marvin and Kathy Bryant. This is our election meeting. I apologize to everyone for the lateness of this notice. According to our bylaws the election notice should have been in the mail last weekend. Our Vice President and Parliamentarian, Marvin Bryant, has made the decision to go ahead with the election as scheduled. If any member has an objection to this, please contact President Ann Stephens or Vice President Marvin Bryant, and the election will be re-scheduled. I am very sorry, I got caught up in the holiday weekend and didn't realize the notices should have been sent out on July 5th.

We will be having a summer social prior to the meeting. Please come anytime after 4 PM. Food and drink will be provided. Food contributions are not necessary but you can bring something if you would like. The meeting will start at 7:30 PM. If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to vote please follow the enclosed instructions for sending in an absentee ballot. If you have any questions please contact one of the officers by phone or guild e-mail (gcfcg@yahoo.com).

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Huntingtown, MD 20639

phone: 410-414-9061

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DIRECTIONS:

- -- Take 95 South to Exit 11, Rt. 4
- -- Continue on Rt. 4 for about 25 miles to Prince Frederick
- -- Turn left on Rt. 402 (Dares Beach Road)

Landmarks-just passed shopping center on left with McDonalds and Taco Bell. Street at light with movie theater & Safeway on the right.

- --Continue on Dares Beach Road for about 3 miles to Wilson Road on left. Turn left on Wilson Road. Landmarks-pass Calvert School on left & SMECO on right. We are the third street with a passing lane. Small green sign on right before the left-hand turn.
- --Continue on Wilson, it will make a 90-degree turn to the right. (if you continue straight the road turns into Emmanuel Church-wrong way).

Landmark-Large white house with white fence on corner. (Lama and Goat in yard)

--Follow Wilson to the first street on the left. This will be Oak. We are the third house on the left.

Thank you, Sharon Landrum, Treasurer

President-Ann Stephens 301-445-1849 Vice President-Marvin Bryant 410-414-9061 Secretary-Amanda Allen 410-257-7948 Treasurer-Sharon Landrum 410-744-0316

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PROCEDURE FOR VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

ABSENTEE BALLOTS: All active members have the right to provide absentee ballots for Elections where they will not be physically present.

- (a) All Absentee Ballots must be received in The Corporation Post Office Box by one (1) full week immediately prior to the day of the Election. Only Active Members of the Corporation whose dues are current at the time of the election, or may be paid on the day of the election as long as said members have not fallen into Lapsed status. Lapsed members must renew their memberships according to the By-Laws, and are not eligible to vote for or run for office.
- (b) The Absentee Ballot shall consist of a plain piece of 8 1/2 x 11" Paper, listing the issues or name of the offices, followed by a yes, no, abstention, or the name of Active Members for whom one is voting. If the ballot is for an Election, one need not vote for all the offfices.
- (c) The Absentee Ballot must be mailed inside a sealed envelope with each voting member's name and address printed in the upper left hand corner, and the words "ABSENTEE BALLOT" printed on the envelope. The legal signature(s) of the voting member(s) must appear on the reverse (flap) side of the envelope.
- (d) More than one (1) Absentee Ballot may be mailed in a single envelope, but there must be only one (1) ballot (member's vote) per piece of paper. The names and signatures of all members whose ballots are contained inside the envelope must appear on the outside of the envelope. The ballot envelope must NOT contain anything except for the Absentee Ballot(s).
- (e) Envelopes containing all Absentee Ballots received by the cut-off date, will be opened at the election meeting after the Treasurer and Vice President (Parliamentarian) certify that the names and signatures that appear on the outside are those of current Active Members. All ballots will be removed from their envelopes and will be turned over to the elections committee still folded and in such a fashion as to maintain confidentiality.