The Inverness "I"

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From The Editor

The change of seasons is always exciting, offering us new experiences and opportunities. And this fall will be no different. I recently read a quotation by Robert Kennedy, in a speech in 1966, at the University of Capetown, in Capetown, South Africa. He said, "Like it or not we live in interesting times. They are times of danger and uncertainty, but they are also more open to the creative energy of men than any other time in history." We can relate to Robert Kennedy's assessment of his times, for we know that we are living in times of COVID-19 and uncertainty, but look at how creative we have been.

From early spring and through the summer, we have proven our creativity as we have found ways to entertain ourselves at home and to socialize safely. We've organized parking-lot happy hours, potluck suppers on the porch, wine on the deck, car picnics, and Zoom conversations. We've taken daytrips, gone to vacation homes, and even managed to travel to annual vacation spots.

Now we will use our creativity to enjoy these beautiful days of autumn while remaining safe. An August CBS television poll showed that over 64% of those polled were ready for the fall season - an unusual finding since most people want the summer to go on and on and on.

I recently read a poem by Alora Knight which sums up the coming season. The poem begins, "Looking out my window In October's golden light, I see a beauty unsurpassed, A truly lovely sight." Autumn here is beautiful with cool days and crisp nights, with the red, orange, and golden hues of the falling leaves, and the sunsets which rival the Northern Lights. So, we'll continue our walks and our daytrips, and maybe visit a farmer's market as we enjoy the season.

When the holidays approach, how will we celebrate? We'll do what we have been doing -

From The Village President

Changes continue with the Inverness Council! With the results of the May Council election and the resignations of Tom Delaney and Barbara Atmore from the Council, the new Council has been formed. It is comprised of: Boyd Mackleer (#698) as President; Ed Isselmann (#715) as Vice-President; Penny Zimmerman (#729) as Secretary; Bob Cella (#761) as Treasurer; and Marilyn Foley (#716) as Council Coordinator. Penny and Bob were appointed to fulfill the terms of Tom and Barbara until the election in May 2021. Tom Delaney served on Council from May 1999 and Barbara served on Council from September 2008. I would personally like to thank them for their service to Inverness Village over the years.

The garage project is moving on schedule to finish no later than mid-December 2020. The discussions on the home wood replacement are still in the talking phase as well as a time schedule.

Items for the Council in the future include a discussion on roofs and roads.

The Council had planned to have a special open meeting on October, 7, 2020, but that seems not to be likely. A Zoom meeting would be difficult to administer due to the numbers of participants. The next scheduled open meeting is the annual budget meeting scheduled for December 8, 2020.

Most Village residents have made the first \$1,400.00 assessment payment which was due July 31. Thank you for being on time, and a special thank you to those Village members who paid the entire \$2,800.00 assessment. Remember that the second payment is due October 31 at the latest. The \$1,675.00 quarterly fee is due October 1, 2020.

From The Editor (Cont'd)

be creative. We'll decorate and bake and share with neighbors, send cards and Zoom, take quick walks, drive and look at Christmas lights, order presents online, and invite a friend or two for coffee. Perhaps we'll socialize safely with family and friends. Throughout it all, we will use our creativity to enjoy the festivities and know that we are thinking of others as we wear masks and distance ourselves.

We are a resourceful group here in Inverness, so, in the meantime, I shall look forward to January, when I'll learn about the creative and imaginative ways in which we all celebrated the holidays.

Carol Ellis

Message from Marilyn Foley Council Coordinator

The summer has been very productive here in Inverness Village.

Each day as I walk or drive out of the village, I can see the progress with the garage door project. I also see neighbors out inspecting the work. Interest has never been higher. It's great to see.

As we continue with the renovations, I encourage residents to take an active role in our beautiful community. Once the garages are finished, hopefully, by the end of the year, planning will begin for the residing of the houses. This will be a huge undertaking. I know we, the residents and council, are up to the task. I invite you to use your time and talents to join us in completing the project.

We are creating a Resource Committee to support the council. If you have a financial background, banking expertise, construction experience, are familiar with contracts, have mechanical talents, we invite you to volunteer your services.

This is an exciting time in Inverness. With your participation it will be inclusive and transparent.

From The Village President (Cont'd)

It is important that all pay the assessment and the quarterly fee on time. Thank you in advance!

News from the Master Association Board of Directors includes the completion of the elevator project in the Community Center. Also discussed was a report by President Karl Grentz that the Board and the Master Association were continuing to follow CDC and Governor Wolf guidelines. Treasurer Bob Bronner reported on a request by Bible study groups that included non-residents being able to resume. The Board will continue to be consistent as with all other amenities about being able to resume. The Board decided that until further notice, no nonresident participation is permitted. The groups may resume with just HM resident involvement so long as they observe CDC guidelines regarding masks and social distancing.

A final plea for volunteers! Call any Council member to volunteer!!

Boyd Mackleer

Meet Our Newest Council Members



Penny Zimmerman Secretary



Bob Cella Treasurer

Getting to Know You



My husband and I spent a lovely evening with our new neighbors Sam and Barbara Crispin (703), learning about their fascinating backgrounds. Sam and Barbara

met in high school in the school band. Sam played the baritone and Barbara played the bass clarinet. They've been making beautiful music together ever since!

After high school, they attended Towson University, marrying in their junior year. Besides classes, Sam played in a band for various events. Thanks to his father, Sam also had learned the construction business and enjoyed renovating "fixer-uppers." They actually have moved 18 times finding new homes to renovate! His work in construction led to his working for the Army Corp of Engineers. He was based in Washington, and traveled to various locations wherever he was needed.

Barbara graduated from Towson, and went on to get her MFA in Creative Writing for Children. She and Sam raised three children. Barbara enjoyed staying home with them, being a part of Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts as well as volunteering at their schools. When the children were in school, Barbara spent a lot of time in the local library. She spent so much time reading and doing research there, she was asked to join the staff and spent the next 20 years working in the library. Barbara still found time to enjoy gardening, becoming a Master Gardener.

About five years ago, a position in the Army Corp of Engineers opened up in Weisbaden, Germany. Soon the Crispins were headed off to Europe. They lived in Eltville, in the Rheingau area of Germany. They explored the many small towns around them, spent Christmases in Saltzburg and learned to ski in Austria. But meanwhile, their children back in the

USA were having families of their own. Sam and Barbara wanted to be a part of their grand-children's lives. When a position became available in Philadelphia, they decided to move back. That brings us to trying to move internationally during a pandemic. That is a story for another day!

Barbara traveled here in March and chose a home in HM to be close to her daughter and grandchildren in Havertown. They arrived here in May with only a duffle bag full of kitchen utensils. Their furniture didn't arrive until late July! Now that they have settled in, the Crispins have become a part of the community; taking care of a garden plot, playing golf and taking walks meeting their new neighbors. We hope they will be very happy in our village!

Pat Aubry

Overview of Inverness Village

There are five different styles of units in Inverness Village as shown here:

<u>Style</u>	Number	Sq. Ft.
Bradford	7	1600
Donegal	36	1315
Goshen	19	1460
Marlborough	14	2170
Thornbury	21	1516

Most units have been modified over time, so no two units of the same type are necessarily identical. Unit ownership turns over rapidly once a unit is on the market.

As of Sept. 15 there were 35 couples, 46 single females and 9 single males living here. Five units were unoccupied and/or in transition.

George Colby

REMEMBER TO VOTE !!!
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Getting to Know You



We are happy to welcome Joe Strode and Mary Cairns (708) who recently moved here from Kennett Square.

They were attracted by the location, amenities, and the lifestyle of Hershey's Mill. Joe's sister and brother-in-law live in Princeton Village and encouraged them to purchase a home in the community based on their positive experience.

Joe is President of an insurance agency specializing in student, athletic and special risk insurance. He has four daughters, all in their 20's. Beyond his work, Joe keeps active participating in golf, tennis, pickleball and photography.

Mary has been self employed since 1995 as an interior decorator, and is still working.

She has two children, a son and his wife who live in Boulder and have three of her grand-children, ages 5 years down to 8 months. Mary's daughter and her husband live in Mt. Joy, Pa, with two children, one age 6 years and a little one at just 7 weeks.

Mary has many varied interests, including her grandchildren, golf, hiking, kayaking, travel and her work in India. Since 2010, she has been to India 12 times, volunteering at a girls' school in rural Uttar Pradesh, where she started a health and hygiene program. She and Joe were to go over to Dubai, Vietnam and India in March, but Covid cancelled that trip. Mary has been doing development work for the school stateside, raising funds to build a health center for 1600 girls, and a medical clinic, purchase a medical van, begin an Immunization program, and recruit US medical volunteers.

Joe and Mary have a vacation house in Buck Hill Falls, PA. They are looking forward to traveling again after Covid-19. And Mary looks forward to the world opening up again, so she can get back to her work in India, as well as all of the other places on her bucket list.

Joe and Mary appreciate the warm reception they have received from residents of our Village and the Hershey's Mill community.

Mary Lou Perry

Overview of Hershey's Mill Villages

For the history of Hershey's Mill see the article in the July 2020 "I" by Mary Lou Perry. The Mill was started by Freyberger, continued by Crockett, and followed by Wooldridge and Hovnanian as described in the referenced article.

There are 25 villages in Hershey's Mill, all named for golf courses. There is no "X" village so far.

Since Heatherton, Lincoln, and Newbury combine administratively, there are effectively only 23 Home Owners Associations (HOAs). Six are headed by a female president. CSK is the managing agent for 15 village HOAs, Penco 7, and one is self-managed.

At least 8 village HOAs have announced monthly council meetings. Eleven have online newsletters or announcements, usually with some financial information. At least 5 have council minutes posted online.

George Colby

Getting to Know You



Inverness
Village once
again welcomes delightful new
residents
(756) Bud
(Lester) and
Lorna Kauffman. They
have long
been familiar
with Her-

shey's Mill as residents of Willistown Township and Lorna's mother, Olive Lockington, has been living in Ashton Village since 1978. They have been coming here for 42 years and always assumed they would one day become residents themselves.

When their daughter and son-in-law decided to purchase their family home, the move was made, which was somewhat complicated in the middle of this pandemic.

Lorna and Bud have been married 55 years and have 2 daughters and 5 grandchildren, all of Willistown.

After college, Bud joined the Marines, followed by the Army Reserves. He is retired owner of Campbell Business Forms, the family printing company begun by his grandfather. Lorna was an RN but retired many years ago.

In good weather they enjoy spending time on their sailboat at Great Oak Landing on Fairlee Creek off the Chesapeake Bay, near Chestertown, MD. Lorna and Bud have given up skiing but enjoy traveling, especially through Europe, and are frequent visitors to County Cavan, Ireland, where Lorna's sister and her family live on the original family farm.

Bud likes photography but his other favorite hobby is model railroading. He is looking forward to starting over to construct a new HO train layout. Lorna enjoys playing the piano and especially being with her grandchildren. They are both active at their church in Wayne, Bud as an Elder and Lorna as a choir member. Also they organize monthly adult luncheons, including entertainment.

Meanwhile, they are happy to be part of Inverness Village and look forward to meeting their neighbors. Interestingly, Iris Fairbarn and Eileen Gradwell (759) are Lorna's cousins.

Barbara Colby

Bylaws, Rules and Regulations

While living here it pays to educate ourselves. When one speaks of rules and regulations for Inverness Village, there is some possible confusion, as each household should have two different documents.

- A tabulated three-ring binder titled "Rules and Regulations of Inverness Village" was prepared in 2017 by the Village council and distributed to each household.
- (2) A much larger document titled "Association Documents/By Laws/ Rules and Regulations" (1985 and amendments) should have been supplied to you at the time you bought your unit. This document covers in more detail the administrative aspects of Inverness Village.

To spur your interest in reading the larger of these documents, we quote a few interesting statements from it.

Bylaws: Article 5. Meetings of the Membership

5.2 Special meetings of the membershipmust be called by the Village Council upon written demand therefore by at least fifteen (15) of its members.........

Article 6. The Village Council

6.5 Vacancies in the Village Council shall be filled temporarily until the next meeting of the Homeowners by a vote of a majority of the remaining members of the Village Council promptly after the occurrence thereof......

Barbara and George Colby

Inverness Bocce Social

On Friday evening, September 11, approximately 20 Inverness residents gathered for this year's first (and only) neighborhood bocce party. In spite of threatening weather all day, everything stayed dry, and our socializing and bocce play went off without a hitch.

We all had a chance to meet our newest neighbors, Bud and Lorna Kauffman (756).

Given the Covid virus, this year's event was a bit more subdued than previous years, but a good time was had by all, nonetheless.

We thank Joe and Tre Carrone for making this event happen, and we are all looking forward to next year when we will hopefully have more than one Inverness Bocce Night!



Front: Pat Aubry, Marge Brolly; Back: Joe Carrone, Ed Isselmann, Tre Carrone, Bud & Lorna Kauffman

Jim Aubry

Photography by Joyce Cadwallader (sister of Jean Norsworthy, #700). Thank you Joyce!



Judy Klanderman, Jim Aubry



Eileen Isselmann, B.J. Rodgers



Jim & Pat Aubry, Joyce Cadwallader, Joe Carrone



Dodie Galbusera, Marilyn Foley, Bev Filler



Lydia Voigt, Chris Genther, Penny Zimmerman

Letters to the Editor

To The Editor: August 9, 2020

Tuesday power outage. Tried to open garage door with emergency cable system. It did not work: the key to the assembly did not turn completely and I could not release the cylinder for the cable. Several phone calls to Nask Doors are unsuccessful. Either they say "we will call you back," which they did not do or "call Mr. Filler he will come immediately" but Tim Filler cannot be reached.

Wednesday I called Nask again and asked for emergency service: "we don't have it" (!!!) I tried again the garage door, perhaps juggling the key will work. Wrong! Richard Hammock across the street saw us struggling with key. He came over and tried the key, no luck, Maggi and Gresham O'Malley and Ann Latoff came too, nothing to do. Bill Henderson drove by and we all tried to figure out what was wrong. Rumor was that the outage would last until Sunday.

Anxiety grew: the telephone did not work, the cell phone batteries were very low, we could not get our car, what could we do in an emergency?

Thursday we finally reached Tim Filler, he was no longer with the project but would get some technician to the job. Our son picked us up so we could charge the cell phones. While at his home we got a call from a technician, everything fixed. Cause? Unknown, perhaps defective equipment.

Well, outage finished in the afternoon. We are greatly grateful for our good neighbors Richard, Maggi, Gresham, Ann and Bill for their concern and for trying so hard to open an unyielding garage door. We thank Tim Filler for getting it open.

Our feelings for Nask Doors can be easily imagined.

Kathy and Giuseppe Pietra #757		
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To The Editor:		August 26, 2020

Storms and no power!

Looking out the window on August 4th the rain soon became very heavy and the trees were bending and moving in many directions! My plans were to travel to the beach that morning. I drove my car from the garage to a parking spot close to my Inverness home. I quickly took my suitcase, computer, lpad and bags of groceries (I didn't want to forget the Brussel Sprouts!) Then I put my car back in the garage. A big mistake! We lost power at 1:15 PM.

I called Hershey's Mill Security several times over a period of four hours. They said they were on another line and not to leave a message. Then I turned to the Nask garage company. Meanwhile the skies were getting brighter and the storm was moving away. The Nask company sent a man to free my car. Driving to the beach I realized it had been a long day, but I was on my way.

Virginia Kettenring #707

Good Neighbors Helped with Garage Doors in August - Some Reports

On August 4th the power went out in Inverness Village and stayed out for two days, leaving garage door openers inoperable. Attempts to open the doors using the emergency keys were too often unsuccessful. We found that Inverness neighbors were quick to help, reflecting the neighborliness of our village. Kudos to all who helped!!

Hi, Barbara and George, Yes I had difficulty opening my garage door during the lack of electricity. Doug Smith, next door at 774, Chris Genther at 733, lent a hook with a long pole to snag the metal line that went to the garage keyhole and Sam Crispin at 703 all tried to help and finally Doug and Sam figured out that the lock had to be removed entirely to get the door open and the car out. That done, I did get my car out.

Judith Klanderman

My door 719 unlocked with ease but Carl Griffin 730 raised it for me!

B.J. Rodgers

I was fortunate that my garage key worked. I pulled out the lock, but still couldn't get the door to open. Larry Green saved the day again. I hadn't pulled hard enough to disengage the mechanism. He opened the door for me.

Janet L. Emanuel

I don't know if she will let you know, and Lee Shiffer doesn't use the internet, but Judy Nestel was extremely helpful in getting Lee's garage door open.

Barbara Gorham

Dear Barbara and George,

I live at 753 Inverness. My neighbor Tim Widdowson (752) was a great help to me by demonstrating how to open the garage door using the key.

He is so generous with his time and know-how.

Thank you for this opportunity to inform others of his help and thank you for the Inverness "I". Peace.

Helen O'Grady

Yes, I had problems trying to open my garage at 695 Inverness Drive
It took part of two days with knowledgeable men working on it before it worked properly. Neighbors
David Baker and George Colby actually had to remove the lock and make adjustments to make it
work. They were knowledgeable enough to do the work. I sincerely thank both good neighbors

Dorrie Ritchie

We were unable to get into our garage when the power was out. The key did not work. Our neighbor Tim Filler managed to climb up a ladder in his garage (attached to ours) and climb over to our side to open the door from the inside.

Thank you Tim!

Cheryl and Bob Shelderfer

Garage Door Stories (cont'd)

Hi George/Barbara,

Carl Griffin climbed over the wall between our garages, not once, but twice to release the opener in Penny Zimmerman my garage.

Larry Green showed me how to open the garage door with the key! Thank you Larry!!

Eileen Gradwell

Hi Barbara

Shirley Marengo #745 helped me #746 and Judy Pedrick #750 open our garages.

Hope you're doing well. Regards

Theresa DeCosta

Dave Baker was kind enough to open my garage door after I broke off the key trying to open up myself. Thanks Dave Janet Nichols

Tim came and helped after George Colby worked with me on trying to open it.

Carol Ellis

Good Morning, Dave Baker (779) repaired my garage door emergency release lock yesterday. He was so willing to help me. I can't thank him enough! PS: I am glad he will be recognized for his good deeds. Jini Pettijohn at (740)

Dave Baker helped many folks pop the lock and gain access to the inside of their garage. There was no incentive for him to perform this act of kindness. He is just a good caring human being.

Joe Strode (708)

Joe Scaperotto was my savior!! He arrived with a tall ladder, climbed up and over an adjoining garage wall (Nancy Schwab's) and with the aid of a flashlight and a broom stick disengaged my garage door opener!! An act of courage and resourcefulness. He is a wizard!! And I nominate him "Inverness Person of the Year". Joanne O'Connor



JoAnn & Paul Kincade, Lydia Voigt, Jan Nichols, Eileen Gradwell at the door



George & Barbara Colby, Judy Klanderman, Pat Aubry, Jim Aubry at the door

Unadvertised Display

When not busy with communicating, reading, writing, or following local and national politics, your co-editor, **George Colby**, enjoys artistic expression, an avocation pursued for many years. He has no interest in a commercial aspect, giving works only to family members on request. Most of the art in the Colby home is his, and a small changing exhibit is maintained in his lower level studio. (To enjoy these in color, look for Inverness Village newsletters at HersheysMill.org.)

Barbara Colby



















Live and Learn about FIOS

Like many of the male persuasion, I do not tend to devote much (any) time to reading instructions or other informational material. Most of the time this does not lead to significant problems, but there are occasions when it would have been helpful to know some background of what you are dealing with. The recent power outage was such an occasion.

Knowing that I had taken Verizon's advice and purchased a battery backup unit for our Fios installation, I assumed that this would afford me some limited phone service during the outage. I did indeed find I had a dial tone initially, so I did what seemed natural to me, I called PECO. I also called my daughter to see what shape she was in. All calls were of short duration.

When attempting a phone call the next day I found I had no dial tone and the phone was dead. So much for backup power.

Upon restoration of power I sent an e-mail to the HM Technology Committee, co-chaired by Sherry and Bill Kane, to inquire about the status of the alarm system during a power outage, and the length of time one could expect the backup power to last. Their reply stated that the backup power pack is only designed to support the alarm system, and not phone calls. Talking on the phone would deplete the batteries faster. They referred me to the HM website where one can find Fios information under the "Mill" tab.

I have since pursued this information path and found that the battery backup pack is expected to last for 30 to 35 hours, assuming no phone calls. This is disappointing in view of the recent outage which extended for a good 48 hours. In view of this the Kanes' recommended changing the batteries in the backup unit. This means replacing 12 D cells.

The Kanes also make the following observation: "If you have in-house cordless phones, you will not have a dial tone because such phones are plugged into a wall outlet. When the power is out, the wall outlet has no power. If you have an 'old fashioned' type phone that plugs directly into the wall with no electric power needed, then you will have dial tone" (as long as the backup batteries last.)

Here is my summary of the power outage situation:

- If you do not have a backup unit you have no alarm system when power is out.
- If you have a backup battery pack installed you will have a dial tone, and alarm system operational, as long as the batteries last (estimated 30 -35 hours.)
- Talking on the phone will significantly reduce this time.
- When there is no dial tone there is no alarm system.
- Your in-house cordless phone will not work when the power is out.

Significantly more information, including how to replace batteries in a backup unit, is available on the web at hersheysmill.org in the Fios section under the Mill tab.

https://hersheysmill.org/the-mill/telecommunications-update/

Inner Turmoil

Based on the writings of Deepak Chopra MD

If the world seems to be in turmoil, this doesn't mean you live in unique times. The world out there has always been a source of trouble and never the source of peace. The real issue is how to relate to such a world.

Inner Turmoil is a broad term. There are many ways that people can feel worried, agitated, anxious, and depressed. But if you look inward, certain elements are generally present.

- Troubling thoughts keep repeating themselves.
- It feels as if these thoughts are in control.
- You experience an element of fear.
- A way out of turmoil seems impossible.

How to escape inner turmoil:

- Reduce external stresses. Stay away from disturbing conversations and people who dwell on bad news and worst case scenarios.
- Limit exposure to the 24-7 news cycle on TV and the internet.
- Experience the calmness of being centered in yourself through regular meditation.
- When worried, take a few minutes by yourself in a quiet place and take deep breaths with eyes closed to become centered again.

May you find peace in these trying times.

Barbara Colby



Inverness Directory Updates

John & Mary McCarthy - #725

Becky Tunnell - #788

Email: beckytunnell@yahoo.com

Please contact Mary Lou Perry if you have any changes to your Inverness directory listing.

In Memoriam

Lorna Binder (#755)

July 8, 2020

Russell Cullen (#724)

August 19, 2020

Our sincere condolences to their families.

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