CALENDAR

April 2014

- 2 NSCA General Meeting
- 20 Easter

May 2014

- 7 NSCA General Meeting
- 24 Community Cleanup Day Community Day at the Pool

Automobile Registration:

New residents are reminded that they are required to properly register their vehicles within 30 days of moving into the neighborhood; the only exception is military. There is an increasing number of vehicles parked in our neighborhood that are not properly registered with the state or county. This is illegal and poses a safety risk in that they are not known locally. If there is a car near you that is not properly registered in Virginia report it to the police at (703) 691-2131.

WHAT'S INSIDE

President's Message, Neighborhood Watch Community Events, School Events Membership and Boy Scout Information, Summer Job Signup, Advertisements

General Meeting – April 2nd 7:30 pm at the School

Our April meeting will address what's happening with the Fairfax County Schools. Our speakers are School Board Chairman Llryong Moon and Braddock District School Board member Megan McLaughlin. Come learn about how our schools are doing, the school budget, what's in the future and get your questions answered.

Being a good neighbor means:

Engaging in your community. Do you want to take an active role in making your neighborhood better? If the answer is yes and you have paid your association dues then consider joining a civic association committee. A full listing of who to contact can be found in this newsletter or on our website. Click on the "Officers" link on the menu to the right on the home page.

If you're not already a member of our Facebook group, search for "North Springfield Civic Association" and request to join. It's a great place to get updates and learn about other important community information.

Get Connected and Stay Informed!!!!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/425706394208940/ www.nscivic.org/EMailNotification.htm or visit www.nscivic.org for current community information

President's Message

Norma Heck

School Board Chairman Llryong Moon and Braddock District School Board member Megan McLaughlin will be our guest speakers; they'll bring us up to date on what's happening with our school system. Understanding the status and needs of the school system is important since we are now in the annual budget cycle. Over the next few weeks the Board of Supervisors will finalize their spending plan and set the tax rates and fees for FY15 which begins July 1, 2014.

The dates have been set for the Community Cleanup and Community Social so let's all include those dates in our spring cleaning plans.

- Community Clean Up Day: Pile up all those items that your normal trash service won't take (no glass or hazardous items please) and plan on bringing them to the school for disposal on the May 24th. Help will be available for those who can't or don't have the means to transport items.
- Community Social: The Community Social will be at the pool May 24th from 11:00 3:00. There will be food, games and entertainment for all ages and the pool will be open for swimming. The event is free; we hope to see all of you there this year.

We need helpers for the Community Cleanup Day from 8-12 to assist in unloading, traffic control, collecting membership dues, and overseeing the trash to treasure area as well as people with pickup trucks to assist neighbors needing help to get larger items to the school.

If you can help that day please email Tricia Barnes <u>tbarnesva@cox.net</u> or Ron Kinzer <u>thunder287@aol.com</u> to let us know what you would like to do. Part time helpers are welcome; you need not commit for the full 4 hours.

We have not set a specific date for yard sales this year. Residents who like to include them as part of their spring cleaning should plan to conduct one before May 24th.

The form to sign up for the summer teen job list is in this newsletter or you can do it online.

Membership

Tricia Barnes

January was the start of the New Year for your North Springfield Civic Association. The association is for everyone whether you are an owner or renter. The civic association's mission is to keep North Springfield a safe, well-kept community by serving as a liaison between residents and county government. Residents are kept informed through our newsletters, website and Facebook page.

Association membership dues are \$15 per household; the membership year goes from January 1 to December 31, 2014. If you are not yet a 2014 member there is a membership form in the newsletter.

Thank you to those who have already joined.

Upgrade Bus Stops

Awhile back we got the Heming Avenue and Braddock Road bus stop locations added to the list for upgrade. The work started in March. A bus shelter is being added to the north side of Braddock Road and a bus shelter and sidewalk is being added to the south side.

The next step will be to talk with VDOT to see if we can get a curb put in on the south side of Braddock as well as connect the Heming sidewalk with the new bus stop sidewalk.

BSA Boy Scout Troop 990

Skip Chaples

Weekly scout meetings address various scout skills and Eagle rank required merit badges.

To learn more about our program contact Skip Chaples at (703) 644-1311.

Entrance Signs

We're looking for ideas on how to update the entrances to our community to make them more attractive and welcoming; we'd like yours. So far we've only heard from a few residents. If you have ideas you can e-mail them to skipchaples@cox.net or mail them to NSCA, PO Box 1007, Springfield VA 22151.

North Springfield Cleanup Day

Ron Kinzer

Fairfax County will provide refuge trucks in the North Springfield Elementary School main parking lot between 8:00 am and 11:30; please do not drop off any item before the trucks arrive. The trucks leave promptly at noon so please be there no later than 11:30 am. This is a great opportunity to get rid of old appliances, sheds, tires, lawn mowers, lumber and other kinds of junk. The County will not accept explosive materials, business construction materials, paint, or any dangerous items. The County usually does not accept yard waste, dirt, glass or wood used in fire places and reserves the right to reject any item. Contractors with unusually large loads must unload their own vehicles and are subject to County approval.

Check <u>www.rbrc.org</u> for the locations of local stores that will recycle your used rechargeable batteries. Some of the stores near us are Home Depot, Sears, Radio Shack, and Office Depot. You can take old/unwanted cell phones to the nearest police station. The phones are given to potential abuse victims for emergency use.

To learn about Hazardous Waste disposal you can listen to a recording at (703) 324-5068 or check the website www.fairfaxcounty.gov and click on environment on the right hand side of the screen.

Summer Camps Offer Many Options

From performing arts to sports to high adventure, Fairfax County camps offer a wide range of summertime fun activities for ages 3 through teens. Check out the opportunities at Neighborhood and Community Services at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ncs/ or the Parks and Recreation at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/.

Older youth can find county job opportunities for councilors and other seasonal needs at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hr/jobs.htm#Seasonal

Free Summer Meals for Kids — Nutritious meals served to school-age children up to age 18 who qualify for free or reduced price school

meals. You can learn more at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ncs/summermeals.htm

School Age Child Care - SACC's Camp Discovery - Weekly sessions offer an adventure-filled summer to appeal to the artist, performer and athlete in every child. Offered at 26 sites throughout the county from June 30 (closed July 4) to Aug. 15, Monday – Friday, 7:15 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. To enroll children who will enter first through seventh grade this fall, call SACC registration, 703-449-8989. More information at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ofc/saccsummer.htm.

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NORTH SPRINGFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Calendar Year January – December 2014 NSCA, P.O. Box 1007, Springfield, VA 22151 \$15.00 Membership – Contributions Welcome

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PLANNING & ZONING COMMUNITY SOCIALS		Topics for upcoming programs:	
SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS			
		SPRING/SUMMER TEEN JOB NSCA, P.O. Box 1007, Spring	
Name:			
Address:			
Phone #:	Age:	Availability Dates: _	
Check jobs of interest:	Babysitting House Sitting	Yard Work Pet Care	Mowing

Or you can sign up on line at www.nscivic.org; click on "Community Services" "Teen Job Sign Up"



Community Easter Egg Hunt! Saturday, April 12, 2014 10:00 – 11:30 AM

Ravensworth Baptist Church, 5100 Ravensworth Road

The families of the North Springfield community are invited to join us for a community Easter Egg Hunt. The Egg Hunt will begin at 10 AM, on the back field of the church property, which is along Kalorama. After the Egg Hunt, you are invited to take part in some crafts and activities on the front patio and lawn of the church. Join us for a morning of old-fashioned fun!

If you come to the Egg Hunt, you are invited to bring a donation of canned goods, to help stock the ACCA food pantry. The food pantry serves families in need in the Annandale Community.

Questions? Call Cathy at 703-941-4113; or email cathy@ravensworthbaptist.org.