

#### **CALENDAR**

#### Nov 2011

- 2 NSCA General Meeting
- 5 Boy Scout Scouting For Food collection bag drop off
- 8 Election Day
- 12 Boy Scout Scouting For Food filled collection bag pick up

#### Dec 2011

18 Judging Holiday Decorations

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

# Neighborhood Wildlife:

Wild animals are in our back yards and residents are befuddled as to what to do about them. These human/animal encounters are times when a wildlife biologist's expertise comes to the rescue. Victoria Monroe is the newly hired county wildlife biologist; she'll be our guest speaker to provide some tips on what to do and answer your questions.

#### Being a good neighbor means:

Keeping our public space presentable and not piling up our trash and yard waste at the curb days before our service comes to pick it up. County regulations specify it should not be put out until the night before pickup.

**Please vote on November 8th**. There are a number of important issues ranging from health care and taxes to education and transportation under consideration. Those we elect will make the decisions that affect each of us and our children so make sure your voice is heard.

# **Get Connected and Stay Informed!!!!**

Sign up for e-mail alerts and notices at <a href="https://www.nscivic.org/EMailNotification.htm">www.nscivic.org/EMailNotification.htm</a> or visit <a href="https://www.nscivic.org">www.nscivic.org</a> for current community information

#### President's Message

Norma Heck

A number of residents have commented on the number of deer and other wild animals roaming our neighborhood these days. They're eating our plants, endangering our pets and they can be a health concern. Our November speaker will provide us some insight into why we're seeing the increase, what the county is doing about it and what can we do about it in our neighborhood.

November 8th is Election Day; if you're 18 or older it is your privilege and obligation to vote. Virginia is facing spending decisions on a number of difficult issues and the new legislature will make them; the new school board will choose the new Superintendent of Schools. It is important that each of us know the candidates and vote for those we believe will act in our best interest during these difficult times.

The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts will be conducting their annual Scouting for Food Drive in November. Collection bags will be distributed November 5th and collection will be between 9 and 11 am on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Our community has always been a generous supporter of this important event. The need is greater than ever and we hope everyone will support our scouts' efforts this year.

#### **Soundwall Construction:**

The soundwall relocation along Leesville Boulevard is complete and Long Pine Drive section should be completed in early November. We will be replanting along Leesville Boulevard in November. Our goal is to make the area attractive throughout the year and require as little maintenance as possible.

The reforestation effort will require volunteers to groom the area before new vegetation is planted. This involves some raking and removing stones and other debris that the construction process leaves behind. This will occur on a weekend shortly after the construction is finished. Please let us know if you are available to assist with this effort.

# **Judging Holiday Decorations**

The civic association officers will be judging your Holiday decorations again this year. We'll be

around between 7 & 10 pm on Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> so please have your lights on that evening. What we look for are creative displays that reflect the true meaning of the holiday season; presentation is more important to us than the number of lights and figures you can place in your yard.

To ensure fairness, homes will be eligible for award once in a three year period. Prior year awardees who continue to enhance our community with their displays will also be recognized annually for their continued excellence

Awardees will be listed on our website so residents can see our choices before the season is over and the displays are taken down.

#### **Candidates**

The October meeting with the candidates was well attended and a great success. Representatives from each of the state and local races were there to give us their positions and answer our questions. Here's the list of candidates.

Member, Virginia Senate, District 35:

Robert C. Sarvis - R robert.c.sarvis@gmail.com

Richard L. "Dick" Saslaw – D (Incumbent) vasenate35@aol.com

Katherine Ann Pettigrew - IG kapettigrew@gmail.com

Member, House of Delegates, 39<sup>th</sup> District:

Vivian E. Watts – D (Incumbent) <a href="www.watts@erols.com">www.watts@erols.com</a>

Dimitris A. Kolazas - I dkolazas@yahoo.com

Chairman, Board of Supervisors:

Mike J. "Spike" Williams - R michael@vote4williams.com

Sharon S. Bulova – D (Incumbent) <a href="mailto:sharon@sharonbulova.com">sharon@sharonbulova.com</a>

Christopher F. DeCarlo - I cdecarlo@fairfaxpropane.com

A. Will Radle, Jr. - I fairfaxadvocates@gmail.com

**Braddock District Supervisor:** 

John C. Cook – R (Incumbent) jcook@cookkitts.com

Janet S. Oleszek - D janet.oleszek@gmail.com

Carey C. Campbell - I novagreen@prodigy.net

Member, School Board At Large: (Vote for not more than three)

Sheree A. Brown-Kaplan - I <u>shereebrownkaplan4schoolboard@verizon.net</u>

Lin-Dai Y. Kendall - I lindai4schoolboard@gmail.com

Lolita I. Mancheno-Smoak - I lolitamanchenoforschoolboard@verizon.net

Ryan L. McElveen - I ryan.mcelveen@gmail.com

Ilryong Moon – I (Incumbent) ilryongmoon@gmail.com

Steven M. F. Stuban - I stubanforschoolboard@gmail.com
Theodore J. "Ted" Velkoff - I ted.velkoff@tv4sb.org

Member, School Board Braddock District:

Nell J. Hurley - I nellhurley4sb@gmail.com

Megan O. McLaughlin - I megan@mclaughlinforschoolboard.com

#### North Springfield Elementary School

The school is in need of volunteers and mentors for the students. If you have some free time during the day and would like to help please contact the school at (703) 658-5500.

In an effort to increase children's interest in science, this January the North Springfield PTA will begin sponsoring a new after school enrichment opportunity called Mad Science. Mad Science is designed to spark the imagination and curiosity of children by providing them with fun, interactive, hands-on and educational programs that instill a clear understanding of what science is really about and how it affects their world. The program will run once a week for an hour and will last for eight weeks. Registration will begin in November and a small tuition discount will be given to PTA members.

#### **Teen Job List**

The Fall and Winter Teen job list is published in this newsletter and is available on our website.

#### Membership

Tricia Barnes

This newsletter is the last one this year; the next one will be in February 2012. The membership form in this newsletter is for the new 2012 membership year so please send in your \$15 dues.

The Civic Association is for both homeowners and renters. Here are some highlights of what the Civic Association does with the dues for the residents and our community:

- In the last 2 years the association has been actively involved working with Transurban, VDOD, and our local Government representatives to make sure areas of our neighborhood affected by the Hot Lane construction are repaired, replanted, and brought back to pre-construction standards. The civic association treasurer wrote grants that awarded our community with \$10,000 to use for landscaping along the Leesville Blvd sound wall.
- Six newsletters are printed and delivered to all the homes and we have six civic association meetings to keep residents informed about community changes and events
- Entrance ways are planted, mulched, grass cut, bushes and trees trimmed and pruned.

The hills at Leesville and Heming are maintained.

- The association arranges for a community clean up day each May when residents can bring oversized trash for free disposal.
- Maintains a web site with community information www.nscivic.org
- Donations are made to the North Springfield Scouts and to the Annandale HS all night Grad Party.

The membership form has a place for you to give suggestions of possible topics for upcoming meetings and a list of committees that you may want to be a part of. We need your support to keep North Springfield a well maintained and active community.

## **NSCA Website**

Skip Chaples

Our website contains the newsletter as well as valuable information about the community and local government. We've also added a photo gallery to the website. Send us your favorite picture of North Springfield.

# **BSA Boy Scout Troop 990**

Skip Chaples

We continue to offer an exciting and active program for boys between the ages of  $10\frac{1}{2}$  and 17. In October the Troop participated in the Fall Camporee at Camp Highroads in Middleburg. Our scouts won first place in a competition against 48 other patrols in our district. If you are interested in the Troop you can learn more about our programs by contacting Skip Chaples at (703) 644-1311 or by dropping by one of our Wednesday night scout meetings - 7:30 PM at North Springfield Elementary School. No prior experience required.

# Cub Scout Pack 890

Any boys currently in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade interested in joining Cub Scouts are welcome to come and see all the great things we are doing! Our Pack Meetings are at 7 pm in the North Springfield Elementary School Cafeteria on the third Thursday of each month. If your son is interested in Scouting or you have any questions please contact Evan Farris at (703) 256-2775.

## Newsletter Advertising

Take advantage of our low prices and your ad will be seen in print <u>and</u> on our website by over 2,200 households in October, November, February, March, April or May. Prices are per newsletter issue.

Business Card	\$25 (3.5" x 2")
Quarter Page	\$45 (3.75" x 5")
Half Page	\$90 (7.5" x 5")
Full Page	\$180 (7.5" x 10")

Mail your business card or camera-ready proof with a check for the appropriate amount by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month to:

N.S.C.A. Newsletter P.O. Box 1007 Springfield, VA 22151

Now you can have your ad posted on our website during those months that we do not publish a newsletter. The monthly rates for this service are:

Business Card	\$5 (3.5" x 2")
Quarter Page	\$10 (3.75" x 5")
Half Page	\$20 (7.5" x 5")
Full Page	\$40 (7.5" x 10")

Please note that this service is only available to those who have advertised in the newsletter.

#### **TEEN WINTER JOB LIST**

Name	Phone -703	Age	Snow Removal	Yard Work	Baby Sitting	House Sitting	Pet Care
Gabrielle Casey	750-1486	15	Х	Х			
Brittani Gonzales	571-221-0131	16			Х	Х	Х
Nina Jamialahmadi	571-839-5790	15			Х	Х	Х
Noah Nelson	256-3065	13				Х	Х

# NORTH SPRINGFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Calendar Year January – December 2012 NSCA, P.O. Box 1007, Springfield, VA 22151 \$15.00 Membership – Contributions Welcome

Name:						
Address:						
Phone #: Date:	Amount Paid:					
E-Mail:	New Resident? Y N					
	VIC ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER DRIVE x 1007, Springfield, VA 22151					
We are always in need of volunteers for the various committees of the North Springfield Civic Association. If you would be interested in serving on a committee, or have suggestions for topics of upcoming General Meetings or programs, please fill out the form below and mail it to the above address.						
Name:	Phone #:					
Address:						
E-Mail:						
- Circle commit	ttee(s) or position of interest -					
BEAUTIFICATION	SUGGESTIONS FOR:					
FEDERATION OF CITIZEN ASSOCIATIONS MEMBERSHIP	Other Committees:					
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH						
PLANNING & ZONING COMMUNITY SOCIALS	Topics for upcoming programs:					
SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS						

Debbie Dogrul