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General Meeting – March 4th
7:30 pm at the School

Come meet the three candidates for Braddock District Supervisor and hear their positions. All residents are encouraged to attend and ask questions of the candidates.

Being a good neighbor means:

Take care of your property. We’re all feeling the economic strain but don’t let that be an excuse to not do what you can to keep up the appearances of your home and yard. Most of the tasks only take time and effort; not money. Everyone feels a little better when they have a neat and clean neighborhood to come home to every night.

Get Connected and Stay Informed!!!!
Sign up for e-mail alerts and notices at www.nscivic.org/EMailNotification.htm
or visit www.nscivic.org for current community information
President’s Message
Scott Pratt

The March 4th General Meeting will give you the opportunity to meet and ask questions of the three candidates for Braddock district supervisor. Please come and participate.

Please vote March 10th. In these difficult financial times it is important that every citizen voice their opinion. The candidates for the Braddock District Supervisor to replace Sharon Bulova are Carey Campbell (I), John Cook (R) and Ilryong Moon (D).

The Cub Scout newspaper drives have been suspended while they find a new recycler. Due to falling commodity prices their prior recycler is unable to provide the monthly collection trailer. Please do not put your papers out for them to collect until you see the signs announcing newspaper collection has resumed.

Want to keep up with all the happenings in Fairfax County? Check out the county website for the latest - www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news.

Beltway Hot Lanes

Everyone should be aware that construction on the VDOT project to add Hot Lanes (toll lanes) to the 495 beltway from the Springfield interchange to Tyson’s has begun; for information visit www.virginiadot.org & www.virginiahotlanes.com.

Yard Sale and Clean-Up Day

Our annual community yard sale is scheduled for May 9, 2009; Clean-Up Day is scheduled for May 16, 2009. On that day the County of Fairfax will provide trash trucks to haul away your debris. Clean-Up Day will take place from 8am - noon at the North Springfield Elementary School parking lot. Dangerous materials, paint, yard debris and excessive amounts of logs are not permitted. We will be publishing further instructions in April and May.

Neighborhood Watch
Ron & Kathy Kinzer

We are seeking volunteers and old friends for the positions of observer, scheduler, captain, and co-director. If you would like more information or to volunteer please call us at 703-941-6415 or email Ron at RKinzer@fairfaxva.gov

BSA Boy Scout Troop 990
Skip Chaples

In March we will be taking BSA Snorkeling and Scuba classes and in April competing against other troops at the Spring Camporee. Weekly scout meetings address various scout skills and Eagle rank required merit badges.

We have a list of house number to paint on the curb and will be around as soon as the weather is warm enough.

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

BSA Venture Crew 990

For those not familiar with the term, Venture Crew 990 is a group of young adults that do a wide variety of fun social, outdoor, and service activities. Our membership is male and female young adults, ages 14 to 20, and adult advisors. The Crew young adults plan, schedule, arrange, and lead the activities. We are always ready to welcome new members. We are based in the North Springfield and Annandale areas. We are chartered by American Legion Post 1976 and are part of the National Capital Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. For more information on the Crew or how to contact a Crew young adult, please contact Mike or Molly Stumpf at (703) 642-0982.

Cub Scout Pack 890
Bill Wilson

Last month, we celebrated the birthday of Cub Scouting with our annual Blue and Gold Banquet. In March we will honor the Scouts as some graduate to the next level in scouting.
Kindergarten age boys become eligible to join Cub Scouts on June 1st. Plan now to visit our Pack and see what all the Fun is about. Our Pack meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 pm in the North Springfield Elementary School Cafeteria. If you are interested, please join us at a pack meeting or contact our Cubmaster, Dwight Sheppard at 703-912-6397.

Beautification
Ed Stock

I like to think of March as a transition period where we go from the freezing to thawing. The old, “in like a lion and out like a lamb.”

Around this time of year, I’m reminded of the NS beautification project of a few years back when we decided to plant crabapple trees on Leesville to replace the ones we had lost. Many people remembered seeing the blossoms from years past and an outpouring of donations came from the community. We were able to plant 28 crabapple trees. There are still a few remaining trees from the original group, planted by the developer, that continue to bloom. Some, however, are dead and need to be removed. We have been in touch with VDOT and hopefully they will accomplish that this year. Now, after several years we should see a renewed blossom display as we make our way up and down Leesville Blvd. this spring.

Our tulip man, Cal Salch, has been hard at work. He has been planting more tulips for us to enjoy in the area around Leesville and Appomattox Court. Thank you Cal!

The Ravensworth entrance area was pretty well torn up a number of times this winter by groups installing the new traffic light stanchions for the intersection with Braddock Rd. We have been promised by VDOT that the grassy areas will be restored to their original condition when the work is completed.

The Ferndale entrance received some major fall pruning of the overgrown shrubs and we will be planting grass in that area along with some tree pruning on the west side of the entrance.

Our “Adopt a Highway” groups continue to keep our main thoroughfares cleaned up. Diane Bartkowski has Braddock Road and the Mike Lauler Realty group has Heming Avenue and Leesville Boulevard. Thank you!

The side streets however, are up to us and our neighbors. If you have the time and energy grab a bag and pick up the trash scattered along your path as you walk. It’s good exercise and helps keep our community looking good. It is also that kind of spirit that continues to keep North Springfield prospering and such a great place to live.

NSCA Website
Skip Chaples

Our website contains the newsletter as well as valuable information about the community and local government. You can submit your e-mail address to us and we will automatically notify you every time something new is added to the website or if there is important information that should be disseminated between newsletters.

We’re added a Rideshare posting section to the website. If you are looking to carpool send us your name, phone number, destination, and time of commute.

Membership
Tricia Barnes

Thank you to all the residents who have sent in your $15 dues. The Civic Association appreciates your involvement and support of our community.

Please check off an area you are interested in helping with or any program topics you would like for a future meeting. None of the offices or committees takes a big amount of time, but it would be nice to have more people involved.

North Springfield Elementary School
Christina Hayashida

Committee Chairs: There are several PTA Committee Chair opportunities available for the upcoming school year. Our Current Committee Chairs would like the opportunity to train the new person before departing the positions. If you are interested please contact us. Information about these positions can be found on the NSES PTA website at http://nsespta.googlepages.com/links. Contact the PTA President if there is no contact listed. If you are interested in the Civic Association Newsletter
Committee Chair or the SACC Committee Chair please contact me.

**NSES Upcoming PTA Calendar Events**

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<td>Grace Arts in School Portfolio Program - 8:30-9:30 a.m.</td>
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**Fund Raising**

If you have not already done so, please re-register your Giant Bonus card (earns 4% of every dollar purchased), Harris Teeter VIC card, and Safeway Card so that North Springfield Elementary can receive credit through these very successful fund raising programs. Visit the stores’ website or register at your local store.

- [Giantfood.com](http://www.giantfood.com) NSES ID No. 02079 www.giantfood.com
  *Note*: Giant Gift Card Purchase forms (available in English and Spanish) can be printed off by going to the NSES website at: http://nsespta.googlepages.com/links
- [HarrisTeeter.com](http://www.harristeeter.com) NSES ID No. 4530
- [Escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) (Safeway) NSES ID No. 6608321

The school is also collecting several items for the current school year: General Mills Box Tops for Education, Campbell’s Food Labels for Education and any and all ink jet and laser jet cartridges. These programs allow the school to buy computers, software and other helpful things. There is a box in the lobby where you may drop off your box tops, labels and ink jets. (Please put ink jets in a plastic bag). Additionally, if you shop at Target, please register your target card and record us as your school. We will then receive 1% of all purchases.

**School Age Child Care (SACC)**

NSES SACC is a wonderful program conveniently located on the school grounds. It offers a safe environment and a place the children have to participate in many fun activities. The trained staff assists the children with any homework needs and they team lead the numerous game activities. If you are in need of before and after school, spring break and/or summer camp feel free to contact the SACC administration office at (703) 449-8989.

**Newsletter Advertising**

Take advantage of our low prices and your ad will be seen in print and on our website by over 2,200 households in October, November, February, March, April or May.

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Mail your business card or camera-ready proof with a check for the appropriate amount by February 19th 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:

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**Telephone Numbers to Report Complaints**

Sponsored by a concerned NSCA resident

The following telephone numbers are for Fairfax County departments responsible for resolving the listed complaints. By law, the callers name and address are held in confidence and will not be divulged to anyone. Become part of the solution; if you see a problem report it.

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<td>Building codes violations such as unsafe basement bedrooms, unsanitary living conditions, etc</td>
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**Association Officers**

**President**  
Scott Pratt (703) 256-2011

**Vice President**  
Norma Heck (703) 256-1332

**Secretary**  
John Osipchak (703) 200-6400

**Treasurer**  
Skip Chaples (703) 644-1311

** Beautification**  
Ed Stock (703) 256-8174

**Federation of Citizens Associations**  
Carey Campbell (703) 916-0945

**Legal/Registered Agent**  
Dorene Haney (703) 256-1688

**Membership**  
Patricia Barnes (703) 354-0134

**Neighborhood Watch**  
Ron Kinzer (703) 941-6415

**Newsletter**  
Sherry Chaples (703) 644-1311

** Parks**  
Chet McLaren (703) 866-6494

**Planning and Zoning**  
Mike Dannholtz (703) 941-9250

**Braddock District Council**  
Carey Campbell (703) 916-0945

**Political Liaison**  
Norma Heck (703) 256-1332
Jean Smith (703) 256-5895

**PTA Liaison**  
Christina Hayashida (703) 582-3608

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**Braddock Road Westbound Bridge Demolition**

The Virginia Department of Transportation is replacing the overpass at the Braddock Road and I-495 interchange which will require traffic shifts and ramp reconfigurations as part of the I-495 High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes project.

Starting on or about Feb. 24, the westbound bridge will be demolished and traffic will be shifted to the eastbound bridge, which will have two lanes of traffic in each direction. To make room for the additional lane, the sidewalk will be demolished and pedestrians will be directed to use the Wakefield Park bridge over I-495. The ramp from I-495 north, which is the inner loop of the Capital Beltway, will be reconfigured with a temporary traffic signal onto Braddock Road west.

The exit ramp from I-495 south to Braddock Road east will be reconfigured and outfitted with another temporary traffic signal at the top of the ramp for eastbound traffic.

Motorists should expect eastbound delays of about six to eight minutes in the a.m. peak hours, and westbound delays of about 10-20 minutes in the p.m. peak hours.

The demolition of the Braddock Road westbound bridge will last approximately six weeks. During this period, the two right lanes on I-495 north or south will be closed during week nights from 9:30 p.m. to 5 a.m.

The new westbound bridge will be completed in approximately one year, weather permitting. Once completed, all traffic will be shifted from the eastbound bridge to the new westbound Braddock Road bridge. The Capital Beltway HOT Lanes construction will be completed in 2012.

Braddock Road Fact Sheet  

Pedestrian Detour Map (Pedestrians can also use Metrobus 17A, 17G, and 17M)  
ddock_Road_Ped_Detour_Route_Map.pdf
NORTH SPRINGFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE  
Calendar Year January – December 2009  
NSCA, P.O. Box 1007, Springfield, VA 22151  
$15.00 Membership – Contributions Welcome

Name: ____________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________
Phone #: ____________________ Date: ____________ Amount Paid: __________________
E-Mail: ____________________________________________

NORTH SPRINGFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER DRIVE  
NSCA, P.O. Box 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: __________________________________________

- Circle committee(s) or position of interest -

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