



P.O. Box 1007
Springfield, VA 22151

NORTH SPRINGFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

May 2010

- 5 NSCA General Meeting
- 15 Community Yard Sale
- 22 Community Day - Cleanup
Community Day - Social

We are seeking volunteers for Cleanup day to help those people who are unable to bring items to the school due to physical impairments or transportation issues. If you have a vehicle and can help please contact us. If you need assistance please contact us; we can't guarantee service but we'll try if volunteers are available.

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General Meeting – May 5th
7:30 pm at the School

Fairfax County Police Crime Prevention Unit

Officer Allie Eggers of the Crime Prevention Unit, Franconia District Station, will provide us the trends in our community and give us some tips on how you can protect yourself from becoming a victim.

Being a good neighbor means:

Be considerate of your neighbor's view of what constitutes a well maintained home and yard. If you have your own style and enjoy it that's fine but don't neglect to do things simply because you can. Spend a little time organizing that pile of stuff stored outside, clean the gutters, take down your Christmas lights, etc. It costs nothing to put a smile on your neighbor's face; showing you care can ease the burdens we all feel from time to time.

Get Connected and Stay Informed!!!!

Sign up for e-mail alerts and notices at
www.nscivic.org/EMailNotification.htm
or visit [Hwww.nscivic.orgH](http://www.nscivic.org) for current community information

President's Message

Norma Heck

The Fairfax County Police will be our guest speaker at our May meeting. They'll bring us up to date on activity in our community and the surrounding area as well as give us some tips on how to avoid becoming a victim.

May 15th is our community yard sale; if you have unwanted items that are still in good condition it's an excellent time to turn them into cash. Not up to a yard sale? Perhaps you could interest a neighbor who is in unloading some of your stuff as well.

May 22nd is our Community Day; two events are planned.

From 8 am to noon is our annual community cleanup; see Ron Kinzer' article for details.

From 11 am to 3 pm will be our first community social at the pool. It will be a great time to meet some of your neighbors, enjoy some food and learn about the various community organizations serving North Springfield. There will be games and activities for kids, a fire truck and police car, and the Civic Association will be serving hot dogs and drinks to everyone; if you'd like to add some chips, cookies or other dessert to the mix please bring them.

North Springfield Cleanup Day

Ron Kinzer

Cleanup day this year is scheduled for May 22, 2010 at the North Springfield Elementary School main parking lot between 8am and Noon. Fairfax County will provide refuse trucks. Note that the refuse trucks leave at promptly at noon, so please be there no later than 11:45 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, 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 will be expected to

unload their own vehicles and their loads are subject to County approval.

Please do not drop off any item before the trucks actually arrive.

Check www.rbrc.org 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.

We need a few volunteers with trucks who can assist neighbors who are physically challenged and need help getting materials to the school. We also need volunteers to help unload the cars at the school. To volunteer with either task or if you have questions please call Ron Kinzer at (703) 941-6415.

Neighborhood Watch

Maryann Germaine

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 email Maryann at mgermaine@cox.net

BSA Boy Scout Troop 990

Skip Chaples

In May and June the older scouts will be getting their scuba diving certification; the younger ones will be working on advancement.

Boys between the ages of 10½ and 17 interested in the Troop 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 4th grade interested in joining Cub Scouts are welcome to come and see all the great things we are doing! Our Pack Meetings are at 7pm 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 Andy Butler at (571) 436-4292.

All are welcome to be a part of the Scouting experience! Join the fun!

Beautification

Ed Stock

To report yards with overgrown grass, the limit is 12", call (703) 324-1937 and select option #2 environmental issues or visit their website www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/environmental/grass_height.htm.

The VDOT number to call for POT HOLE repairs and to pick up washers, sofas etc someone else left at the curb is (703) 971-6677. VDOT is not in the trash hauling business but sometimes they "do what they can."

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 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

We will be collecting civic association dues at Cleanup Day on May 22nd. If you haven't already joined the Civic Association, this is

your chance. Checks can be made out to NSCA or you can pay cash. Dues are \$15 for the year. Please fill out the membership form in this newsletter and bring it with you.

Be sure to check out our "Treasures Area" on Cleanup Day. Everything is free. Even if you are not coming to drop off items, come by and you may find just the item you want. We usually have kid's toys, household items, chairs, bikes and lawnmowers.

Spring and summer brings new owners and renters to North Springfield. The Civic Association is looking for volunteers who will greet new residents on their block and take them information provided by the association about our community. If you are interested please circle Welcome on the volunteer form in the newsletter or contact me at tbarnesva@cox.net or (703) 354-0134.

AAA Recycling and Trash Contract Rates

If you have trash service with AAA our community contract rate comes up for renewal this summer. AAA will be sending out an information letter with details on the 12 month contract rates in late May.

Homes in North Springfield are free to choose any private trash and recycling contractor they wish. Contact information for companies serving North Springfield is listed on the website.

Post Office Relocation

The post office in the Ravensworth shopping center will be moving in approximately 18-24 months. The reason for the change is to save money; the current location has more space than needed. There are no plans to eliminate our post office; it will simply move to a smaller, less costly space. There are several locations being looked at in the 22151 zip code area including a move to a smaller space within the same shopping center. The move is too far in the future to know what appropriate spaces will be available to rent.

Association Officers

President

Norma Heck (703) 256-1332

Vice President

Scott Pratt (703) 256-2011

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

Maryann Germaine (703) 534-5427

Community Service Projects

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

Ivan Carrasco (703) 462-9474

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. Prices are per newsletter issue.

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

Mail your business card or camera-ready proof with a check for the appropriate amount by the 15th 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
Full Page	\$40

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

Boy Scout Fundraiser

Need your House Number
painted on your curb?

Call Boy Scout Troop 990
(703) 644-1311

North Springfield Elementary School PTA Fundraiser

Do you shop at Giant? If so, you can help NSES PTA fund school activities by purchasing Giant grocery cards.

Use the cards like cash at Giant. The school gets 4% from Giant for every dollar purchased. Buy \$20, \$50, or \$100 cards. They never expire.

Contact **Beth Buckreis at 703-913-7115** to purchase the cards. We will deliver them to your door.

TEEN SUMMER JOB LIST – MAY 2010

Name	Phone -703	Age	Lawn Mowing	Yard Work	Baby Sitting	House Sitting	Pet Care
Rachel Bergen	907-9773	16			X	X	X
Sarah Bergen	907-9773	15			X	X	X
Dylan Buras	941-7216	11	X	X			X
Jessie Diroll	354-0078	17				X	X
Kelly Dwyer	569-8108	16			X	X	X
Caroline Dunleavy	(571) 481-1181	18			X		X
Caroline Edwards	658-0972	14			X	X	X
Ethan Edwards	658-0972	16	X	X			
Megan Flynn	866-7905	15			X		X
Sean Flynn	866-7905	14	X				X
Megan Guglielmo	923-0840	15			X	X	X
Phillip Guglielmo	923-0840	16	X	X			X
Katherine Haber	644-2975	13			X	X	X
Betsy Kruse	354-1732	15			X	X	X
Camron Mahboob	866-2433	17		X	X	X	
Zac Mahboob	866-2433	14	X		X	X	X
Carly Potts	642-1459	14			X	X	X
Ashby Nelson	256-3065 256-5280	16			X	X	X
Noah Nelson	256-3065 256-5280	12				X	X
Rowan Shartel	642-6371	15			X	X	X
Jose Urzua	(571) 278-5740	14	X	X			X
Jennifer Villarroel	992-6098	14			X	X	

NORTH SPRINGFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
Calendar Year January – December 2010
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: _____

E-Mail: _____

- Circle committee(s) or position of interest -

BEAUTIFICATION
MEMBERSHIP
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
PLANNING & ZONING
SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS
WELCOME

SUGGESTIONS FOR:
Other Committees: _____

Topics for upcoming programs:

