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June 2012
On June 9th Springfield Christian Church, 5407 Backlick Road will be holding its annual yard sale from 8:00 am – 2:00 pm. Inside and out there will be lots of treasures, books and furniture. Food will be available for purchase. For information call (703) 354-4994.

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Be sure to check out our advertisers; they’re all local folks doing business in our community.

The Spring & Summer Teen job list is published in this newsletter and is always accessible on our website homepage.

General Meeting – May 2
7:30 pm at the School

Are you wondering what our mild winter and increased local deer population might mean for tick and other insect bites and the illnesses they cause? Please join us for a timely presentation by Biologist Joshua Smith, from Fairfax County Health Department’s Disease Carrying Insect Program (DCIP). He will fill us in on County efforts to reduce the incidence of Lyme disease, and share steps we can take now to keep our families safe while enjoying the great outdoors. Bring your questions and concerns.

Being a good neighbor means:

Properly disposing of our trash. No one enjoys this task but we must all be mindful of the rules. Items may not be put out more than 24 hours before pickup; only put out items you know your service will take; and make sure everything is in a secure container so that it will not blow around or be tipped over by animals. If your trash container does not do its job and there are items left behind on the street, please pick them up and dispose of them properly.

Get Connected and Stay Informed!!!!

Sign up for e-mail alerts and notices at www.nscivic.org/contactForms/EMailNotification.htm or visit www.nscivic.org for current community information
President’s Message
Norma Heck

April 23rd was Earth Day; on May 2nd our meeting addresses the issue of insect born diseases. Many enjoyed our mild winter but there is a price to pay. Cold winters help kill bugs; mild winters mean more bugs this year.

Our annual Community Yard Sale is set for the morning of May 12th. Gather up all those unused items that are in good condition and make them available to others.

Our annual Community Clean Up Day is set for May 19th from 8 am to 11:30; see Ron Kinzer’s article for details. Be sure to check out our "Trash to Treasure" area. 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 a variety of household items including furniture, bikes, toys, lawnmowers, etc. If you are bringing items that are in good condition let us know so we can put them in the “Trash to Treasure" area.

Our third annual Community Social is set for May 26th from 11 am to 3 pm at the pool. It will be a great time to meet some of your neighbors, go for a swim, and enjoy some free food and music. There will be more activities for the kids this year including a moon bounce, police car, fire truck and more games to play. There will also be a free raffle for the adults with gift certificates to several local merchants.

Membership
Tricia Barnes

Thank you to all those residents who have sent in their 2012 dues and those who also included donations. If you haven't already joined the Civic Association, this is your chance; we will be collecting dues at Clean Up Day on May 19th. 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.

Please check an area you are interested in helping with or suggest a program topic. None of the offices or committees take a lot of time.

AAA Recycling and Trash Contract

For those using AAA’s trash service our annual community contract comes up for renewal in September. AAA offers a discounted price to residents of our community. If you are interested in signing up or finding out the cost of their service, their number is (703) 818-8222. Please tell AAA you live in North Springfield and want to know/have our contract rate. NSCA does not endorse AAA; North Springfield residents may choose any private trash and recycling contractor they wish. A list and contact information for those companies serving North Springfield is on our website.

Volunteers Needed

The civic association is looking for volunteers to help with Clean Up Day and the Community Social. For the cleanup activities we need volunteers with pickup trucks and "a few good men or women" to provide a pickup service for residents that are unable to get their debris to the school. Call Ron Kinzer at (703) 941-6415 if you can assist with this.

We also need people to help collect dues, oversee the “Trash to Treasure” area, direct cars and unload cars. For the community social activities we need volunteers to greet neighbors, set up/clean up and monitor the kid’s games. Please call/email Tricia Barnes tbarnesva@cox.net (703) 354-0134 if you can help or need more information.

Accotink Watershed

Many of our residents don’t realize that the storm drains along are roads are not part of the sewer system; they are connected directly to Spring and summer always brings new owners and renters to North Springfield. If someone moves in on your block, please be a friendly neighbor and welcome them to the community. The membership chairman has extra copies of the newsletter and would be happy to give you a copy to take to the new residents or can drop off community information to the new neighbor directly. Contact tbarnes@cox.net .
Lake Accotink. Everything that enters these drains ends up in our waterways.

Using lawn and garden chemicals sparingly you can improve the health of Lake Accotink and the watershed. When it rains, runoff carries garden chemicals and other non-point pollution sources (non-point source pollutants include pet and yard waste, pesticides and herbicides, paint, and motor oil) straight into the storm drains on our neighborhood streets. These drains run directly into the Accotink watershed which drains into the Potomac River and eventually the Chesapeake Bay.

Here are some ways you can help to decrease pollution in our watershed:

- Replant bare areas to prevent soil erosion. When possible, plant native trees and bushes.
- Sweep, don’t wash fertilizer off of sidewalks and driveways. Try to decrease fertilizer use in general. If you are going to use fertilizer, use phosphorous-free types.
- Put pet waste and litter in garbage cans, and pick up trash off the road to keep it out of storm drains. Much street litter is plastic, which takes hundreds of years to break down, and is often mistaken for food by marine animals.
- Don’t blow or rake leaves into storm drains—this can cause drain backups and street or home flooding.
- Report storm drain dumping to the Hazardous Materials Division of the Fire Department, 703-246-4386.

**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 [www.rbrc.org](http://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](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov) and click on environment on the right hand side of the screen.

**AHS 5K Run/Walk**

This 6th annual event sponsored by the Athletic Boosters Club will be held on Saturday, May 19th at 8:30 a.m. at Annandale High School, 4500 Medford Drive. The certified course winds though the community and concludes at the school's track.

Registration before race day is $15 for students and faculty; $18 for general public; and $22 May 5 though race day. There are Free T-shirts and awards in 14 categories.

To register and for more information you can visit [www.annandaleatoms.com](http://www.annandaleatoms.com).

**Neighborhood Watch**  
Maryann Germaine

Participating in Neighborhood Watch is easy. All equipment is provided, and it’s completely up to you to decide when you do your patrol. You’ll be given a quick training when you pick up the equipment. Please check your calendar and select a week you’d like to help out. Email us at [NSNW@googlegroups.com](mailto:NSNW@googlegroups.com) or call 703-861-1849.

**NSES Cleanup**

Thank you to everyone who helped with our beautification cleanup at the school on April 16th. All the trees and shrubs were trimmed
and all the flower beds tidied up and mulched. Participants included volunteers from the PTA, Civic Association, teachers, parents and dozens of students from the school. The area really looks great; a job well done to all involved.

**Beautification**
Ed Stock

It was an energetic group that showed at 9 a.m. on March 31st to clean up the left over construction debris from the Leesville sound wall relocation. We pick up 32 bags of “stuff” and remove 6 piles of weeds and shrubs. VDOT and Fluor-Lane hauled away the bags and the shrub piles, plus many large rocks.

Volunteers included adults of all ages and many youngsters, some of whom received credit for much needed community hours. Refreshments were on hand thanks to Skip Chaples and it was a splendid time to get to know a few more of our North Springfield neighbors.

The weather cooperated which made the work “enjoyable” and allowed us to work for the planned two hours. A couple of real go-getters, when they found out what needed to be done, returned to their homes for the proper tools that would make the jobs easier.

A big “Thank You and Well Done” to William Martin, Cheri Brown, Don Neff, Maryanne Germaine with son Stan and neighbor Eva, Ivan Carrasco, Celeste Leyhe and son Ryan, and Earl Mitchell. Special thanks to Jeff Wagner, Fluor-Lane and Jamie Breme, VDOT for their assistance.

**Furniture Donations Needed**

There are families in our community who do not have enough furniture. If you would like to help you can donate your gently used furniture to ACCA (Annandale Christian Community for Action). Their volunteers will pick up your donation and take it to a family referred by county social workers. Items needed include mattresses and box springs (no king size please), kitchen and dining tables and chairs, sofas (no sleepers), living room chairs, coffee tables, end tables, and lamps.

For information and to schedule a pickup call (703) 256-9513.

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

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

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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: __________________________________________ Are you a new resident? Yes
Suggestions for program topics: __________________________

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 -

BEAUTIFICATION
MEMBERSHIP
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
PLANNING & ZONING
SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS

SUGGESTIONS FOR:
Other Committees: __________________________

Topics for upcoming programs:
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**Boy Scout Fundraiser**

Need your house number painted on your curb?

Call BSA Troop 990 at (703) 644-1311
$5 Donation Requested

**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.