## Minutes from CCHCA Meeting June 7, 2006

An apology e-mail was distributed regarding a joke from the June 10, 2006 edition of the ECCHO.

Thanks to Ernie Klimonda for acquiring and distributing much of the mulch.

Ernie Klimonda, VP: Block Captains and Historian,

- We will consider asking the city to deliver 40 cubic yards of mulch for the Commons next year and for and any residents who are interested. Next year the delivery of mulch will be advertised.
- Ernie is the new Yahoo group moderator.
- A plan to officially thank the Garden Club members who maintain the plantings around the three signs at the entrances to the neighborhood was discussed.
- We currently have 98 members in the CCHCA, approximately 33%, which is considered a success for this time of year. We will initially concentrate on recruiting members among those who joined the previous year.

Ana Alanso, VP: Publications,

• The ECCHO newsletter will be published and distributed on September 1, 2006, December 1, 2006, March 1, 2007, and June 1, 2007. August 15, 2006 is the deadline to submit for the September 2006 issue.

Social Activities,

- An <u>Ice Cream Social and Bicycle Workshop</u> is scheduled for June 20, 2006 from 6:30-8:30 at the commons.
- A <u>Songs and S'more</u> event is tentatively scheduled for July 2006.
- The <u>Labor Day Pot Luck Picnic</u> will be held Monday, September 4, 2006 from 4:00-7:00.
- Amy Wise is willing to assist Katie with the social events.

Paul Sullivan, VP: Civic Affairs,

 After the Annual Meeting a letter was sent to the Mayor, the City Manager, the School Board, and the principal of FHS regarding concerns about FHS students parking in CCH. Additional flyers were promptly distributed to parked cars. A minimal decrease was noted in the number of parked cars. Parked cars made exiting from Paul's cul-de-sac difficult one day. Trash on Pinehurst was noted. However, no more phone calls have been received from residents. The issue will be reassessed in September if no improvement is noted.

- Downtown traffic continues to be heavy.
- The Mosby Woods neighborhood is expected to agree to five story high condos being built at the entrance to the neighborhood. The buildings are expected to be high density. CCHCA may soon be in a similar situation as Captain Pell's Restaurant is for sale. The property could be developed from the Captain Pell's lot up to the fire station. CCHCA will need to decide on a position. Would we prefer residences, residences plus commercial, commercial, office space, etc. Each option would create different traffic patterns. Concerns were voiced that the Commons remain a park. The Commons goes from the street to the creek. The City of Fairfax owns the land from the creek to the fence behind the office building. That land is a water shed that can not be developed.
- The City of Fairfax is considering a McMansion ban, which has ironically
  prompted an increase in McMansion construction in an attempt to build before the
  ban begins. CCHCA should decide our position on McMansions in our
  neighborhood. Only one call of concern regarding the new McMansion was
  received.

Lisa Whetzel, President,

Dates for the General Meetings and Board Meetings were set for the year:

- General Meeting: Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at 7:00 in the cafeteria of Daniels Run ES. A flyer announcing the General Meeting and the Halloween Kickoff Event and Costume Contest at 5:00 at the Commons on October 31, 2006 will be distributed in early October.
- General Meeting: Wednesday, May 16, 2007 at 7:00 in the cafeteria of Daniels Run ES.

## Board Meetings:

- Wednesday, August 16, 2006 at 7:00 at Lisa Whetzel's house.
- Wednesday, January 24, 2007 at 7:00.
- Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 7:00.

## All are welcome to attend the Board Meetings.

• A tentative Commons area cleaning and weeding is scheduled for August 2206.

- A plan was discussed for the immediate weeding and spreading of mulch in the Commons. Lisa will attempt to recruit students to weed and spread mulch, possibly from 9:00-12:00am on July 1, 2006. Students would be paid \$10.00 an hour and lunch would be provided. The need for help will also be advertised on the Yahoo group. The cost would be approximately \$300.00-500.00 and would come from the grant money from the city for maintaining the Commons.
- A possible plan to widen the path leading from the Commons to the creek, with stepping stones placed across the creek, was discussed.