

## Minutes from CCHCA Meeting August 16, 2006

*Lisa Whetzel, President,*

- Nasrin Lescure is the new Commons Area Committee Chair. A suggestion was made to ask the CCH Garden Club for assistance and guidance with planting in the Commons. Sunday, October 1, 2006 at 2:00 was set as a tentative date and time for weeding and planting at the Commons. Nasrin had also suggested spraying the weeds with an herbicide in the fall to remove them permanently. A suggestion was also made to plant bulbs for the spring.
- Results from the City of Fairfax Police Department's traffic program revealed an average speed of 23mph for cars driving on Brookwood.
- The deadline to submit items to Ana Alanso, VP: Publications, for the ECCHO newsletter is Friday, August 18, 2006. The newsletter will be published and distributed on September 1, 2006.
- A suggestion was made to ask residents to cut back vegetation from sidewalks so that children can safely walk to school.

*Social Activities,*

- The Labor Day picnic has been planned. The moon bounce has been rented and flyers have been prepared. Signs will be posted around August 31, 2006. Tables will be set up as part of the membership drive. Hildie will send out an e-mail asking for volunteers to man the tables. David Bulova has asked to attend the picnic. We will request the fire department to attend once again. Lee has offered to do face painting again this year.
- A 5:00 start time for the Trick-or-Treating kickoff and costume contest on Halloween was discussed.
- Dia volunteered to organize a S'more and Pumpkin Painting party in early October. Apple bobbing was also suggested.

*Ernie Klimonda, VP: Block Captains and Historian,*

- We currently have 179 members in the CCHCA, approximately 56%, which is considered a success for this time of year.

*Dia Pullen, Treasurer,*

- The CCHCA has a balance of \$7179.71. Approximately \$3300.00 is grant money from the City of Fairfax and \$3800.00 is open money. \$2760.00 was deposited this year with only \$287.72 withdrawn. Withdrawals included \$122.57 for

entertainment, \$95.90 for landscaping, and \$69.25 for administrative costs. A \$1000.00 grant was recently received to fund the clearing and creating of paths from the Commons to the creek. Options for the type of path to be installed were discussed and it was agreed that the path should be simple and that a bridge would not be placed across the creek.

- A suggestion for putting a path in behind the Saint Leo's baseball field to Van Dyke Park was made. Joe collected information and created a design for this proposed path and submitted it to the City Council approximately 10 to 15 years ago. However, the plan was not approved. Joe also suggested asking the City to improve the informal footpath created by children over the years that runs along the creek in between the footbridge at the end of Spring Lake Terrace and Van Dyke Park.
- Dia will contact the City via e-mail to ask for advice on how to clear and create the paths and for suggestions on contractors. She will also ask about the City creating a path behind Saint Leo's.

**The next General Meeting is Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at 7:00 in the cafeteria of Daniels Run ES. Lisa will ask for the fire department to speak about chimney and electrical safety at the meeting.**