

# E C C H O

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT, HILDIE CARNEY - HILCARN31@AOL.COM

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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**Labor Day Picnic**

Thank you for giving me the honor of being your CCHCA President for the upcoming year. Country Club Hills has been my home for 44 years so I am here to stay! I do remember that Spring day when the real estate person asked if we wanted to see a house "out in the Country". We saw it - it was perfect for our growing family - we signed the contract for our Country home that day! (\$26,000 - not a bad deal). I still hear those kinds of stories about how quickly new residents fall in love with our locality.

Our new Board is a wonderful mix of experienced Board members and new ones. I look forward to working with them and I hope residents will feel free to talk to each one of us about the issues we face in Fairfax and CCH. I can assure you they are all eager to take on the responsibilities of their office. As a way of introducing them to you, I plan to feature Board members in an article called "Getting to Know You".

I've been an interested member of our association most of the 44 years I have lived here and I would like to encourage all of you to become a member by paying your dues for 2009. Our VP's Social Activities have some wonderful events planned for the upcoming year and we welcome all to attend: thanks go to our VP Publications who publish this informative newsletter; to the VP Block Captains and all the block captains who so dutifully bring news to your door; and all the other VP's and Committee Chairs who work hard to keep our neighborhood informed, safe and protected.

Please feel free to call us with any information or suggestions you have to make CCH a better place to live. (we are all listed in this newsletter with information on how to reach us).

My mantra for the year will be to "get involved" with your neighbors. There is much to be done and everyone has an expertise that can be used. Each one of us will be keeping in touch through this newsletter and soliciting your help.

"What lies behind us, and what lies ahead of us, are tiny matters compared to what lies within us". Oliver Wendall Holmes.

**CCHCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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## GETTING TO KNOW YOU—FEATURED BOARD MEMBERS

Making a decision to feature Jackie and Andy Pachuta in this quarter's newsletter was easy. They are a young, newly moved in couple that want to "get involved". I met Andy and Jackie at a yard sale and asked them if they would be interested in joining the CCH Board this year. Their immediate answer was "yes". Andy was elected CCH's Treasurer and Jackie accepted the very important VP Publications slot. At our first Board meeting, we were all impressed with the fresh ideas they bring to us.

Andy hails from the Fairfax area and after shuffling around the globe with his Air Force family, attended Virginia Tech and graduated in 2002 - then decided to settle here. Jackie is from Brazil and came to work here as an Au Pair in 2006. When they began to look to purchase their first home their agent brought them to CCH. Although it was pouring rain, they fell in love with the charm of Country Club Hills and their "perfect" house on Broadview Drive.

Besides her job Jackie is taking evening nursing classes at NOVA and Andy works as a technology consultant for the Department of Education.

Andy and Jackie told me they look forward to many happy years as active participants in the community and civic activities.

-Hildie Carney



**CIVIC AFFAIRS VP, JUDY FRASER - [FRASERFAMILY@COX.NET](mailto:FRASERFAMILY@COX.NET)**

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**City Ends Mail Delivery of CityScene**

The June issue of the City of Fairfax CityScene was the last issue the city plans to send by mail to every household. While the city encourages everybody to access the CityScene on its website, individuals may request future mail delivery by calling 703-385-7855. The current issue and previous issues are available online through the city's website. To receive an email notification from the City when the latest issue is posted, sign up for the eMAS service offered on the city's website. You can *always* access the latest CityScene on OUR website [www.cchca.org](http://www.cchca.org) by clicking on the CityScene link; it's faster and easier than going to the City of Fairfax website!

**New Storm Drain Markers**

The City has supplied us with additional storm drain markers for any unmarked storm inlets in our neighborhood. The markers are important reminders that everything that goes into the storm inlets ends up in our creek and can potentially harm the plant and animal life of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. If you know of any inlets that are missing their markers email the closest street address to the address above or call Judy Fraser at 703-825-7022 and we'll get a new one installed.

**Cue Bus Info**

Every Cue bus is now outfitted with bike racks. CUE Bus schedules can be downloaded to your handheld device at [www.commuterpage.com/handheld](http://www.commuterpage.com/handheld) and are on the City's website. Riders can pay their fare with Metro SmarTrip cards, as well as with cash (exact change is required) or by purchasing a book of 10 tickets. The current fare is \$1.35, GMU students, staff and faculty with a valid ID ride free, and children age 3 and younger ride free. Elementary, intermediate and high school students, senior citizens (age 60 and older), and persons with disabilities with a valid ID ride for 65¢. Also note that on Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup> the bus will run on a Saturday schedule and there will be no bus service on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Independence Day Schedule**

City offices and the Senior Center will be closed on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, and the Civil War Interpretive Center will be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup>. County libraries will be closed both days. Check the City's website for details.

**No More Valet Trash Service**

As of June 30<sup>th</sup> the city is no longer going to bring homeowner's trash cans to the curb as part of its regular service. The city, however, will provide special set-out service for those who are physically unable to carry their bins to the curb. To receive this service call 703-385-7995.

**Community Appearance Award**

The winner of the Fairfax City 2009 Community Appearance Award goes to: Albert and Anita Johnson of 3301 Spring Lake Court.

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**BLOCK CAPTAINS VP, STEVE CARUSO - SMCESTOP@MSN.COM**

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Let me start by complimenting all of you for your dedication to your duties. Whether you have to dust off the walking shoes or you have them sitting by the door just waiting for an excuse for a jaunt your efforts are appreciated. Thank you for making your deliveries in a timely manner and especially for returning those envelopes for recycling.

I appreciate any and all communications via e-mail or direct phone call. So please (as some of you have already done very pleasantly) voice any concerns, comments, or suggestions. Or if you catch me during a delivery I'll lower the headphones and we can chat it up.

Occasionally we will need a new participant to fill the ranks. So I'm asking anyone interested to drop me an e-mail or call me at (703) 273-3085.

There are only upsides to becoming a Block Captain:

Helping your community in a small way

Getting to know a few of your neighbors

Raising that heart beat a few times a year

Being one of the first to receive neighborhood news/announcements

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**PUBLICATIONS VP, JACKIE PACHUTA - JAQUELINESANTANA\_7@HOTMAIL.COM**

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### **ECCHO Newsletter Needs a Marketing Volunteer**

Many thanks to Ernie Klimonda for taking responsibility for maintaining our CCH Directory. We're still looking for someone to help with marketing efforts for the advertising section of this newsletter. If you'd like to get involved in this important part of our publication please email the address above.

### **ECCHO Newsletter Moving to Electronic Delivery**

In an effort to conserve resources and contain cost, the CCHCA board is considering changing how we communicate with you. Before we make any changes, we would like to hear your preferences. Please give us your opinion by filling out the CCHCA Communication Media Survey available online at:

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=YgJ6gSOwNL1rc1Kex3ck6w\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=YgJ6gSOwNL1rc1Kex3ck6w_3d_3d)

If you are not able to respond to this survey online, please send your handwritten survey to Nina Prescott at 10102 Spring Lake Terrace.

### **Advertising rates for the ECCHO Newsletter**

Full-page ad = \$100 for 4 issues

Half-page ad = \$50 for 4 issues

Quarter-page ad = \$25 for 4 issues

## CCHCA Communication Media Survey (*Your Preferences*)

The CCHCA board is considering changing how we communicate with you, in an effort to conserve resources and contain costs. We currently host a website, post community events signs, distribute printed quarterly newsletters (and post the newsletters on the website), send event flyers, and send Yahoo Group e-mail messages. Before we make any changes, we would like to hear your preferences.

**NOTE:** If at all possible please respond to this survey online at [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=YgJ6gSOwNL1rc1Kex3ck6w\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=YgJ6gSOwNL1rc1Kex3ck6w_3d_3d). If you are not able to respond to this survey online, please send this survey to Nina Prescott at 10102 Spring Lake Terrace.

### 1. How useful do you find the following media of communications?

	Very useful to me	Somewhat useful to me	Not useful to me
CCHCA website	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neighborhood community events signs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quarterly newsletters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flyers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yahoo Group e-mails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 2. What should we do about the quarterly newsletters and flyers?

	Continue hand delivering it to my home (if so, enter your name in the comment field below)	Discontinue hand delivering it to my home (continue sending an e-mail with a hyper-link to the electronic newsletter)
Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flyers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 3. OPTIONAL: Please enter any comments or suggestions below

If you want PRINTED newsletters and/or flyers sent to you, please enter your name and address below. If you'd like to be added to the CCHCA listserv, please include your email address:

\_\_\_\_\_ To go electronic and stay informed up to the minute, please visit our website [www.cchca.org](http://www.cchca.org) and click on 'yahoo newsgroup'.

**MEMBERSHIP VP, TANIA DEDHAM - TANIA.DEDHAM@GMAIL.COM**

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Hello Neighbors. Did you know we have a community association that you can join and be a part of? Joining doesn't mean we will be beating down your door asking you to volunteer for anything – we won't. It just means you can become more involved in your community – have a voice in what happens in your neighborhood.

Our membership is currently at 23% and there's still time to join.

We would welcome having you as an added member of the Country Club Hills Civic Association and you will love the advantages.

**How many membership advantages in this list might benefit YOU?**

- ▶ CCH WEBSITE: ([www.cchca.org](http://www.cchca.org))
- ▶ Calendar of City and CCH Events
- ▶ CCHCA Officer and Committee Contacts
- ▶ Community Improvement Projects
- ▶ Recommended Services and Suppliers (used by CCH residents)
- ▶ Maps
- ▶ City Council contacts
- ▶ The latest updates on issues concerning CCH, the surrounding area and the City
- ▶ NEWSLETTER: (Published and delivered to your home four times a year)
- ▶ Timely news from all the CCHCA committees, report from the President, and issues affecting CCH and area
- ▶ Biographical Feature of a Distinguished Resident
- ▶ Sales and Listings Reports
- ▶ YOUR input on issues that interest YOU
- ▶ Yahoo Newsgroup (Quick access to over 150 of other CCHCA Members)
- ▶ Increased Influence (When CCHCA officers appear on your behalf before the
- ▶ Fairfax City Council);
- ▶ Constant Safety Awareness
- ▶ Social Functions with your Neighbors
- ▶ Improving the Comfort, Attractiveness and Value of Your Home through various
- ▶ CCHCA initiatives and projects
- ▶ Few investments offer this much return on your \$10.00 annual dues.

Start enjoying our community to the fullest now. Join (or renew) today all it takes is \$10. Applications are available on our website at <http://www.cchca.org/>, and attached as a form at the end of this newsletter for your convenience.

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**SOCIAL ACTIVITIES VPS, NINA PRESCOTT - [NINAPRESCOTT@VERIZON.NET](mailto:NINAPRESCOTT@VERIZON.NET)  
STEPHANIE UTTENWEILER - [SUTTENWEILER@YAHOO.COM](mailto:SUTTENWEILER@YAHOO.COM)**

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**Yard Sale - Contact Leslie Daniels at: [lesdan001@verizon.net](mailto:lesdan001@verizon.net)**

On Saturday, July 18 from 9:00-1:00 p.m. Country Club Hills and Old Lee Hills will be having a joint community yard sale. The yard sale will be announced in the Washington Post. If you would like to sell some of your unwanted items, please place your items on your drive or at The Commons by 8:30 a.m. We will be placing large signs at entrances, you can add your own signs pointing down your side streets. Leslie Daniels is trying to find a charity to collect any leftover and unwanted items by the end of the event. Additional information to follow via Yahoo Groups.

**CCHCA Board of Directors Meeting**

The next CCH Board meeting will be held on August 13th. Contact Hildie Carney at [Hilcarn31@aol.com](mailto:Hilcarn31@aol.com) for details

**Labor Day Picnic**

On Monday, September 7 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Country Club Hills will be having its famous Labor Day Picnic. Expect live entertainment, great barbecue from Famous Dave's, our neighborhood's own side dishes, and great company. Additional information to follow. See you there!

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**VP COMMUNITY SAFETY, ALICIA THOMAS - [THE5THOMASES@COX.NET](mailto:THE5THOMASES@COX.NET)**

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The recent car break-ins were a concern for our neighborhood. The good news is that it was not "kids" from the neighborhood but a person staying at a motel on Route 50 from Maryland. The report from the City police stated that the persons that were arrested confessed to all the activity that was reported in CCH. Hopefully, we all can feel safer now.

The CCH Board would like your views on starting a block watch program with the idea that anything suspicious would be reported to the police immediately. Any volunteers?? The number to call to report a theft or suspicious behavior is 703 385 7924. Continue to be diligent about contractors soliciting in the neighborhood. Ask the contractor for a license and check them out with the City's building inspector. Call Detective Vaughn at 703 385 7954 if you feel they are not legitimate.

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**COMMONS COMMITTEE, NASRIN LESCURE - [TONASRIN@YAHOO.COM](mailto:TONASRIN@YAHOO.COM)**

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"Gardens, scholars say, are the first sign of commitment to a community. When people plant corn they are saying, let's stay here. And by their connection to the land, they are connected to one another.",  
Anne Raver

We need your help to maintain the Commons, our beautiful serene garden. We are proposing that interested neighbors adopt a small portion of the area (20' plots). Ask your neighbors, your scout group, your children and pick a spot! Thank you to the Fairfax Ferns Garden Club CCH members that have volunteered for a spot. (The Green team) Pick a color and your spot and compete for a prize at the Labor Day picnic.

On Saturday, June 27 we need brave workers with heavy duty tools to "fight back" the growth from the woody area behind our garden plantings. Come any time beginning at 8:00 am. Coffee and snacks will be provided. Please respond to my email above.



**ELECTRONIC MEDIA COMMITTEE, ERNIE KLIMONDA -**EKLIMONDA@GMAIL.COM**MARTY PULLEN -** MPULLEN2@HOTMAIL.COM**CCHCA-Yahoo-Newsgroup**

We are happy to inform you that our CCH Yahoo group just celebrated its 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The group was founded on May 24, 2002 by the then President of the CCH Civic Association, Jill Toth. Thanks to Jill we have been able to stay in touch with regularly with most of our residents, keeping them informed about events and activities in our neighborhood.

We are also proud to advise you that this group has been growing constantly and the count is 291 members; some households have two email addresses and we therefore estimate that we reach some 275 households with each posted message.

Please visit Yahoo-NewsGroup on our website [www.cchca.org](http://www.cchca.org) and click on "Guidelines" to familiarize yourself with our posting and replying guidelines. Thank you.

**WWW.CCHCA.ORG**

Our website is being updated every day or other day. Can you spare ten minutes to visit it, click around and let us have your comments and ideas on how to further improve it?

Want to know how many homes are for sale in CCH? CCH map? Street Listings? Fairfax Weather? Swimming Pool? Garden Clubs? Moms' Group & Babysitters? Pet sitters? Upcoming Events in CCH? Board of directors (showing the bunch of volunteers who give their time and knowhow to make life more pleasant in our community?) – and scores of more informative web pages.

## Stay Connected

# City of Fairfax Democratic Committee

## Be Informed!

# [www.FairfaxCityDemocrats.org](http://www.FairfaxCityDemocrats.org)

## 703.385.8500



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Welcome to our new residents, Jae and Kilku Lee of 3306 Spring Lake Court © 202-714-4223  
java6262@yahoo.com

We hope you'll enjoy living in Country Club Hills, we are looking forward to meeting you.

If you have a new neighbor move in on your street please call Yanji or Ernie so that we can take them their "move-in" package.

**Homes for Sale in CCH (as of June 1):**

10111 Spring Lake Terrace	3400 Andover Drive
10110 Farmington Drive	9916 Farr Drive
3403 Andover Drive	3425 Brookwood Drive
3416 Park Hill Place	10139 Spring Lake Terrace
3412 Andover Drive	

**COMMUNITY APPEARANCE, ADOPT-A-SPOT, TOM HORN** (EMAIL  
[HILCARN31@AOL.COM](mailto:HILCARN31@AOL.COM) WITH ANY QUESTIONS)

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County Club Hills is a beautiful neighborhood and a lot of hard work goes into keeping it beautiful. But -- do you know a neighbor that needs some help with keeping up their yard? This Committee is ready and willing to help! Call us with your questions or requests. We have also been contacted by the Helping Hands Ministry from the Fairfax Community Church. They have formed a Committee to help with such practical services as painting, simple repair, plumbing, electrical and yard work for those in need. They have offered to help our Committee with this mission and we are most appreciative for their help. Let's help our neighbor's in need.

**HISTORIAN, STEVE LESCURE - [STEPHEN.LESCURE@CGI.COM](mailto:STEPHEN.LESCURE@CGI.COM)**

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The CCHCA historian tries to collect items that might one day be of interest to our neighbors. The current collection includes pictures dating back to the neighborhood's beginning, newsletters from the fifties, meeting minutes, civic association rules and regulations, and other miscellanea. This collection is sometimes available for viewing at the CCHCA general meetings. The historian occasionally writes articles for the newsletter about some aspect of the history of the neighborhood or surrounding community. If anybody has any ideas for future articles please forward them to me at the email address above. Thanks in advance!

## **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY COMMITTEE, MATTHEW WEST -** MATTHEW.WEST@BAKERBOTTSCOM

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With start of summer, the days are longer, the kids are out of school and outdoor activities abound. But summer also brings some of the most active weather of the year for our region. One of the most common weather events that we have in the summer are thunderstorms. Here are a few steps you can take to make you and your family prepared for these events:

### When a Storm Approaches:

- Find shelter in a building or car. Keep car windows closed and avoid convertibles.
- Telephone lines and metal pipes can conduct electricity. Avoid using the telephone or any electrical appliances. (Leaving electric lights on, however, does not increase the chances of your home being struck by lightning.)
- Avoid taking a bath or shower, or running water for any other purpose.
- Turn off the air conditioner. Power surges from lightning can overload the compressor, resulting in a costly repair job!
- Draw blinds and shades over windows. If windows break due to objects blown by the wind, the shades will prevent glass from shattering into your home.

### If You are Caught Outside:

- Seek shelter in a structure if you can.
- If not, go to a low-lying, open place away from trees, poles, or metal objects.
- Make sure the place you pick is not subject to flooding.
- Be a very small target! Squat low to the ground. Place your hands on your knees with your head between them. Make yourself the smallest target possible.
- Do not lie flat on the ground–this will make you a larger target!

In some cases, storms can be severe and are accompanied by high winds or tornadoes that can cause significant damage and result in blackouts and the loss of other basic services. In order to be prepared for summer storms, here are a few things you should have in your disaster supply kit in your home:

- First aid kit and essential medications.
- Canned food and can opener.
- At least three gallons of water per person.
- Protective clothing, bedding, or sleeping bags.
- Battery-powered radio, flashlight, and extra batteries. Due to the extreme risk of fire, do not use candles during a power outage.
- Special items for infant, elderly, or disabled family members.
- Written instructions on how to turn off electricity, gas, and water if authorities advise you to do so.

Also remember to keep your car fuel tank at least half full because gas stations rely on electricity to power their pumps. For more information from the Red Cross on how to deal with power outages, please see the CCHCA website at : [www.cchca.org](http://www.cchca.org) (under the Community Emergency Response tab). Have a Great and a Safe Summer!

**RECYCLING COMMITTEE, KATIE BAXTER-GAGEN - [KATIEPBG@YAHOO.COM](mailto:KATIEPBG@YAHOO.COM)**

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Check the City website for rules for recycling in the City. If your bin is overflowing, you can get another one by calling Public Works at 703 385 7995.

Thank you to Ernie Klimonda for sharing these tips with us. Do YOU have recycling tips you would like to share?

**Recycle:** One recycled aluminum can saves as much energy as it takes to run a TV set for four hours or the equivalent of ½ gallon of gasoline. Recycling aluminum cans reduces the need for raw material by 95% and reduces the energy needed to produce aluminum by 90%.

**Light bulbs:** “It's actually less energy efficient to turn them off if you're gone for only a few minutes. They require a "start-up" time to reach their full brightness (~15 minutes) which requires more energy than simply maintaining them. They literally need to warm up. That's why CFLs aren't recommended for use in locations like bathrooms or utility sheds. As with all energy concerns, there is no silver bullet - incandescents in some places, CFLs in others and LEDs in others yet. . .” says Michael Lawrence (antisthenes@gmail.com) - CFL's use lot of energy getting started, and frequently switching the light on and off will shorten the lamp's life efficiency. They are energy-efficient only if used for an hour or more.

One 18-watt CFL provides the light of a 75-watt incandescent bulb (ILB) and last 10 times as long; over its useful life it saves 80 pounds of coal, translating into 250 pounds less of carbon dioxide released into the Earth's atmosphere.

**Automobiles:** Most automobiles get about 28% more miles per gallon of fuel at 50 mph than at 70 mph, and about 21% more at 55 mph than at 70 mph. Underinflated tires waste one gallon out of every 20 gallons of gasoline. To save fuel, follow that automaker's guidelines on recommended air pressure levels for the tires. Greater fuel economy can be achieved by inflating tires to the maximum air pressure listed on the sidewall of the tire, resulting in less rolling resistance. It's more economical to turn the engine off rather than let it idle if the idle time would exceed 60 seconds. At speeds greater than 40 mph, less fuel is used in driving a car with the air conditioner on and the windows up than with the windows rolled down, due to the air drag effect. The faster one drives (within the speed limits) the more fuel is saved with the windows up.

**TREASURER, ANDY PACHUTA - [MR.PACHUTA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MR.PACHUTA@GMAIL.COM)**

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The current total balance of the CCHCA account is \$4,498.28. This is comprised of \$1,563.67 in 'Restricted' funds, and \$3,149.11 in 'Unrestricted funds. Restricted funds are provided by grants, and are therefore to be used for specific community initiatives, such as the landscaping of public areas. Your membership dues supply the Unrestricted balance, which goes towards food and supplies for wonderful CCH events such as the Ice Cream Social and upcoming Labor Day Picnic.

**COUNTRY HILLS GARDEN CLUB PRESIDENT, JOYCE SKOGLUND -**  
[JESKOGLUND@VERIZON.NET](mailto:JESKOGLUND@VERIZON.NET)

The Country Hills Garden Club (CHGC) has been active for 52 years. We promote beautiful lawns and gardens within Country Club Hills through our "Beauty Spot of the Month" award. Our Beauty Spot committee spends a significant amount of time in determining our monthly award. The winner is announced in the Yahoo Group.

The CHGC is a member of the National Capitol Area of Garden Clubs, Inc. We have completed many projects over the years and continue to seek out new challenges. A review of the activities of CHGC over the years is part of our CCHCA web page.

We have 20 active members, and invite interested neighbors to attend any of our meetings which are held on the second Tuesday of each month. I would be more than happy to answer any questions you might have regarding our club.

**Beauty Spots for May and June**

Marilyn Larsen's beautiful array of red azaleas against the white brick is stunning. Addition of bright flowers in pots and window boxes completes the picture to merit the MAY award. See it at 3406 Country Hill Drive.

JUNE's award goes to Charlene MacVicar and Kathleen Miller of 10006 Boxford Court. The sage green grass swaying across the white brick house front makes us think the ocean must be close by.

Congratulations Charlene and Kathleen for a beautiful addition to the neighborhood!

**CCHCA Does Not Endorse**

We can not endorse or investigate advertised services or products in this newsletter. We assume no responsibility for ad accuracy or services/products provided. If you would like to advertise in this newsletter, please contact Jackie Pachuta at: (703) 277-1064 or [jaquelinesantana\\_7@hotmail.com](mailto:jaquelinesantana_7@hotmail.com)

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## BLENHEIM NEWS



You are cordially invited to the  
*Historic Blenheim (Willcoxon Farm)*  
*Virginia Civil War Trails Marker Dedication*  
**June 27, 2009**

**12 p.m.** Marker Dedication Ceremony

**1 p.m.** House and Site Tour

**11 a.m.-4 p.m.** Living History

presentations by the 17<sup>th</sup> Virginia Infantry, Co. D, *Fairfax Rifles*;

firearms exhibit by the 83<sup>rd</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry, Co. K

additional activities

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[www.fairfaxracquetclub.com](http://www.fairfaxracquetclub.com)

### Lessons in Guitar and Saxophone

Offering summer rates for CCH residents. All ages are welcome. Call Tim fortimes and rates:

Tim Carney at 703 383 4902 or [timcarney1@cox.net](mailto:timcarney1@cox.net).

Tim is a composer, arranger, guitarist, vocalist and saxophonist who has taught at Georgetown University, Melody Music and is currently teaching at The Foxes Music Company and has been there for 8 years. Tim received his bachelor's degree in music composition from VCU and his graduate degree from California Institute of The Arts, where he studied with renowned contemporary classical composers Morton Subotnick,



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