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The Newsletter of the Country Club Hills Civic Association



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*President's Message****Happy Spring!***

As we impatiently await more spring-like temperatures, I am reassured by the blooms on the dogwoods that winter must be about done! I'm looking forward to CCH Sunday Strolls starting up this month, from 5pm to 7pm each Sunday, a great time to see neighbors and enjoy the spring blossoms.

Please be sure and attend our neighborhood Spring Social and Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 21, at 7 pm. We will elect our Board of Directors and provide a brief overview of the past year. Pizza is at 6:30. Hildie Carney has offered to lead a tour of the historic Blenheim home as well. The busi-

ness meeting will start at 7 with guest speaker Brooke Hardin, the City of Fairfax Director of Planning and Community Development. Brooke will update us on the many interesting projects around town, including the Fairfax Circle mixed-use project that is due to start construction this year.

If you are interested in learning more about redevelopment in the City a great group to know about is the Fairfax City Citizens for Smarter Growth. The group is a relative newcomer to the scene, getting its start in 2012. Members of the group share an interest in promoting redevelopment that will create a walkable, economically and environmentally sound city.

The group's meetings, open to all, are held at the library on the third Wednesday of each month.

In CCH we have many events coming up this spring, from yard sales and plant sales to dog nail clipping and our ever popular ice cream social. You will find out more about those and other events in this newsletter and through our email group. But we'd like to do even more! We are looking for volunteers to lead individual events. Bring your ideas and enthusiasm - we'd love your help!

Best to you all,

Judy Fraser

Upcoming Events—Mark Your Calendars!

Event	Location	Date/Time
Dog Nail Clipping	The Common Area	Sunday, April 17th, 11am-2pm
Spring Social and Annual Meeting	Historic Blenheim	Thursday, April 21st, 6:30/7pm
ODB Artful Living	Stacy C. Sherwood Center	Saturday, April 23rd, 7pm-10pm
Creek Clean Up	The Common Area	Sunday, May 1st, 2pm-4pm
Yard and Plant Sale	CCH and OLH	Saturday, May 7th, 9am-2pm
Ice Cream Social	The Common Area	Friday, June 17th, 4pm-6pm



Membership Message

A HUGE THANK YOU TO THOSE RESTAURANTS WHO DONATED GIFT CARDS AND CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WINNERS!!



Thank you to all who participated in the 2016 Membership Drive! As of April 1, we have 142 households who are paid members in our neighborhood association.

We appreciate everyone who made the effort to promptly pay their 2016 dues.

Each week during the month of January we randomly chose one of our 2016 members to receive a gift card to a local restaurant. The gift cards were generously donated by these establishments. Congratulations to these lucky neighbors:

Elva C. -- Great American Restaurants
(thank you to Natalie Miller)

George and Maria D. -- Coyote Grille
(thanks to the Manager, Coyote Grille)

Ken and Amy W. -- Bollywood Bistro

Aaron and Susan K. -- Red Lobster
(thank you to Steve McGlynn, Manager)

If you haven't yet paid your 2016 dues, or are not sure whether you are paid up, please check the membership list on our web site: www.cchca.org, or contact Stephanie Justen, CCHCA membership vice president at: membership@cchca.org or at 703-273-5249.

Do You Know Your Block Captain?



The Wise Family—Amy (block captain), Ken, Andrew, and James

Amy Wise (3409 Andover Dr) Route 4E – 10007, 10008, 10009, 10010, 10012, 10014, 10015, 10016, 10018, 10019, 10020 Morningside Court

Amy and husband Ken have lived in Country Club Hills since 1999. Amy knew the Fairfax area because she had lived in Mosby Woods before marrying Ken. Also they were members of the St. Leos congregation so when they were looking for a home, they came to CCH and fell in love with the house they decided to buy. They have two sons, Andrew (10) and James (8) who attend Daniels Run.

Amy has been a Block Captain for at least 5 years. She feels like CCH is like a small village in this large DC metropolitan area with shopping and other amenities nearby. They have many friends here and enjoy all the events at the Commons. And it is great that the boys can walk to school.

A big thank you to Amy for her service to the CCH community!

Block Captain's Corner



Spring is just around the corner; I can't wait! Our daffodils and forsythia are blooming, and tulips are almost open. I look forward to seeing everyone out in the neighborhood as we deliver newsletters and other CCH flyers in the coming months.

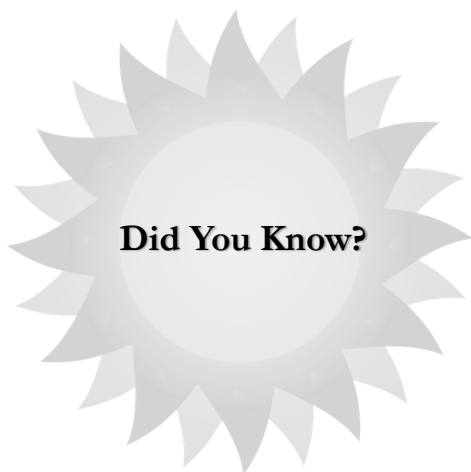
A huge *Thank You* to all our wonderful Block Captains who come out rain or shine to deliver all your newsletters and notices of events, even if they have to climb over piles of snow!

If any new residents of CCH would like to be put on the list to volunteer for a Block Captain spot or as a substitute, please let me know. And if you know you are going to be out of town for a while, please send me an e-mail or call me so I can arrange for a substitute.

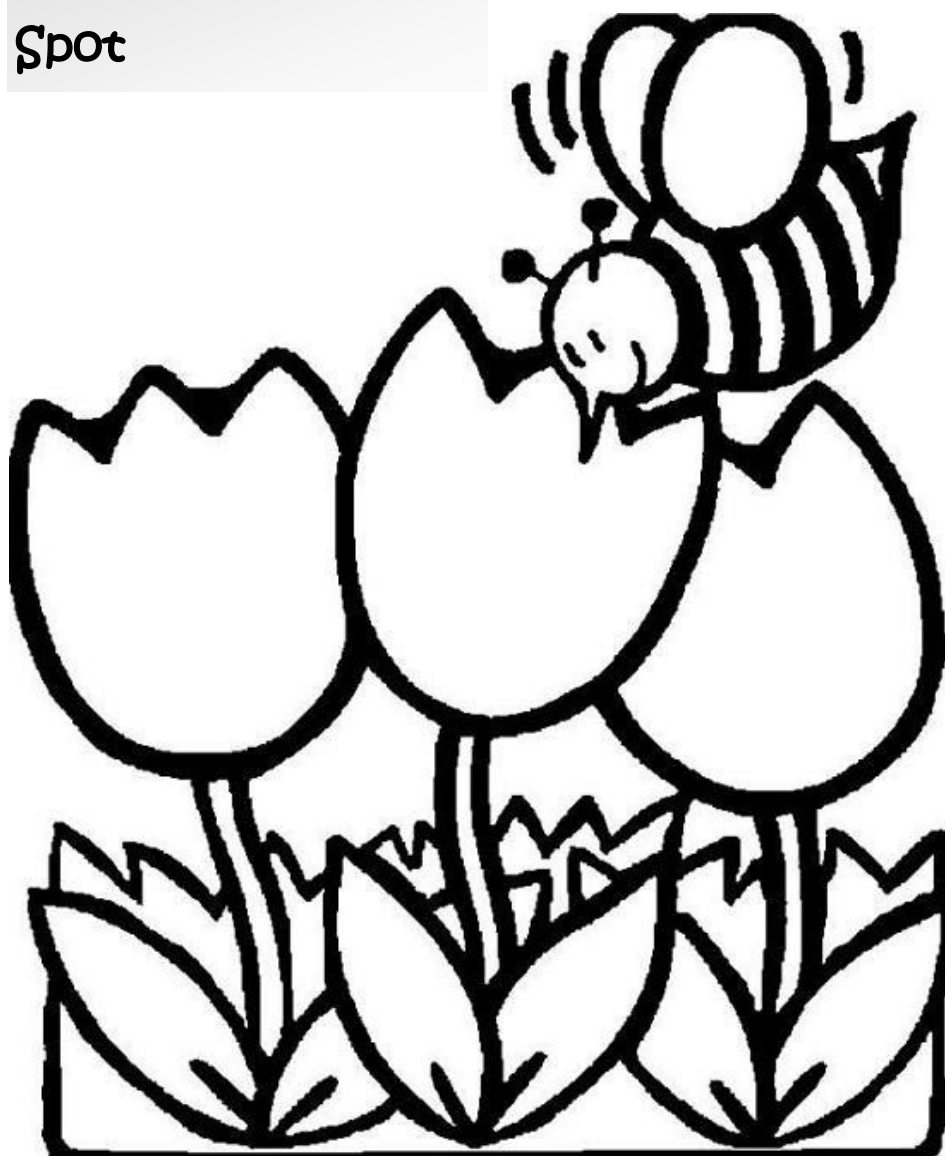
You can reach me at 703-383-1272 or verad.0001@gmail.com

Vera Daniels

Kids' Coloring Spot



A polar vortex is a persistent large-scale cyclone circling the planet's geographical poles. When the vortex is at its strongest, it is actually less likely that cold air will plunge into North America. A strong vortex effectively helps to wall off cold arctic air. Decreasing arctic sea ice and melting spring snow are weakening the polar vortex. Brrrrrr!



CCH and OLH Community Yard Sale

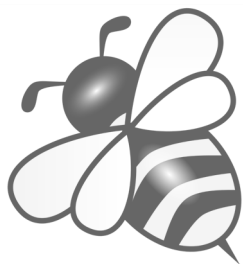
Saturday, May 7th, from 9am to 1pm

Ever wonder why you bought that unusual vase – or that blouse – or that yard tool you have never used?!?! This is your chance to get rid of it – make some money – and make someone else happy!

You can either take your things to The Commons and set up your booth OR you can put your things out in front of your house. We suggest you get together with your neighbors so customers will have fewer stops – and bring the merchandise down as close to the street as possible. If you have it at your house, put out balloons or a sale sign.

And – once it's out you don't have to bring it back in. Our Chair, Leslie Daniels, has arranged with AmVets to have the leftovers picked up. Please email or call her by the 2nd of May with your address and phone number if you wish to be included in the pickup (lesdan001@verizon.net or 703-383-1272). And please have it bagged or boxed and labeled for pickup to make it easier for AmVets.

Good luck – and don't forget to visit your neighbor's booth – you know you'll find something you really need!



Yahoo/Google Post Reminder

When posting a message on our CCH Yahoo or Google-Newsgroups, address your message to groups@cchca.org in order to reach both groups and reach all subscribers. By posting merely on cchca@yahoogroups.com you'll reach approximately 200 subscribers and on cchca@googlegroups.com only about 100.

Any questions? Contact ggmoderator@cchca.org

Report Potholes to Pothole Repair Hotline

See a pesky pothole?
Report it to the City of Fairfax Pothole Hotline at 703-385-7810 or e-mail, WeCare@fairfaxva.gov!

Fairfax City Citizens for Smarter Growth

Say "Yes" to a forward-looking vision for Fairfax City!

A local organization, *Fairfax City Citizens for Smarter Growth*, has embraced principles to help guide future development in the City of Fairfax. The group believes these principles will both protect the city's sense of community and provide for the kind of economic development that will meet the city's goals of a walkable, bike-able, and attractive community. The principles emphasize neighborhood preservation; transportation options which include biking and walking; housing options available to residents with a range of incomes; support for parks, recreation and arts; protection and preservation of the natural environment; and continued efforts to strengthen an ongoing relationship with George Mason University.

Fairfax City Citizens for Smarter Growth will be asking candidates for local offices to "endorse" these principles in the upcoming May local election and are encouraging city residents to "sign-on" to indicate their support as well at <http://wp.me/p2fCWR-9c> or by email at smartergrowthfairfaxcity@gmail.com.

Contact: *Fairfax City Citizens for Smarter Growth*

D. Thomas Ross

202-329-8641, Tom62646@gmail.com

CCH COMMUNITY YARD AND PLANT SALE MAY 7, 9AM TO 2PM



**YOUR JUNK IS SOMEONE ELSE'S TREASURE!!
SET UP YOUR SALE EITHER IN YOUR YARD – OR AT THE COMMON AREA
(ON SPRING LAKE TERRACE)**

FLAG YOUR SALE BY PUTTING UP BALLOONS

For your convenience, an AmVets truck will collect any unwanted items but you must e-mail Leslie at lesdan001@verizon.net by May 2nd with your name/address/phone number if you would like your items picked up.

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Mom's Group

Are you expecting a baby or looking forward to welcoming a child? In need of some friends and a good support network?

Please join the Neighborhood Moms' Group!

<http://www.cchca.org/moms-group/>

A great way to meet friends and build up your "village," whether you're from around here or not. We offer:

- Monthly "kid-free" evening meetings for friendship, support, and refreshments.
- Meals for families wel-

coming new children.

- Google Group for sharing information and crowdsourcing ideas and questions.
- Weekend freeplay standing appointment at My Gym Burke for our small kiddos (great for getting out the weekend/winter wiggles).
- December Holiday Cookie Exchange and End-- of-- Year June/July Picnic.
- Shared support of a family in need through Our Daily Bread's Holiday Program.

To join or for more information, please contact:

Lindsay Barry

President

Old Lee Hills resident

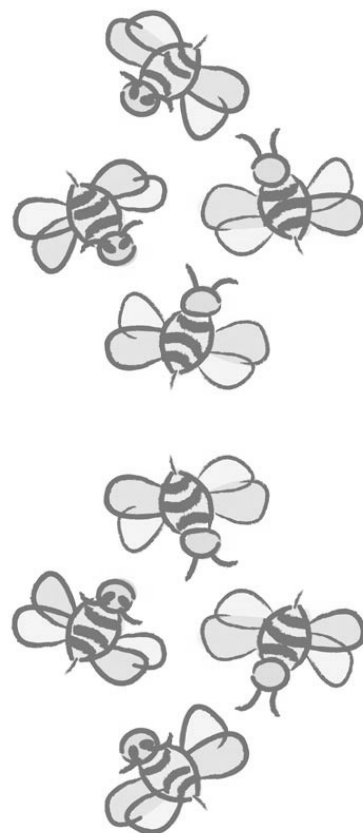
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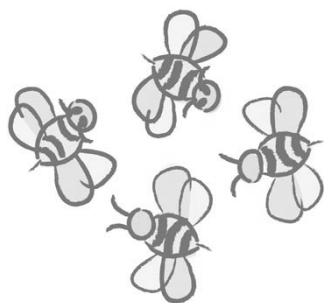
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CCHCA Dog Nail Clipping Day

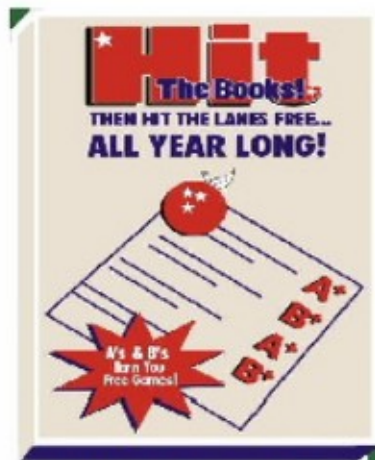
**Sunday, April 17****11 a.m. to 2 p.m.****At The Common Area**

Come on down to the Common Area on Sunday, April 17, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and conveniently get your dog's nails clipped for only \$5! There is a Sign Up Genius available on the website with limited slots so sign up soon. If you would like us to sign you up, please call Leslie at 703-383-1272 or email lesdan001@verizon.net.

This event was a great success last October with 27 dogs getting their nails clipped. All dogs must have proof of rabies vaccination, either a tag or the certificate.

Country Club Hills Civic Association has arranged for a dog groomer from VCA Commonwealth Pet Hospital to come with grooming table, clippers, and various size muzzles. She will clip your dog's nails without the hassle of loading him or her into the car or even leaving the neighborhood!

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*Sue and Colin McKenzie, 3408 Brookwood, 703-
 399-0300*

CCH ADOPT-A-SPOT ACCOTINK CREEK CLEANUP



WHEN: Sunday, May 1, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

WHAT: Meet fellow CCH cleaner-uppers at the
 Commons

Wear clothes that you don't mind getting dirty and
 shoes that you don't mind getting wet. Please wear
 gloves if you have them.

WHY: Help improve our community's appearance!

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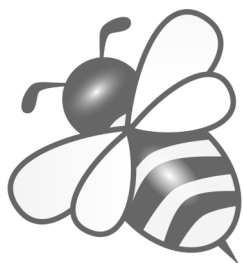
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Visit us online!

www.cchca.org*CCHCA Sunday Strolls****Sunday Strolls are Back!***

Step out and enjoy the spring-time in CCH! Sunday Strolls is one of the newer CCH traditions. Every Sunday from 5-7pm neighbors are encouraged to spend some time strolling or just outside in the yard. It makes a great time to catch up with neighbors, meet some new ones, and let the kids enjoy some "unscheduled" play time.

This year we're upping the game with desserts at the Common Area during some Sunday Strolls. Our first dessert night will be in honor of mothers on May 8, Mother's Day, from 5-7

at the Common Area. Bring a dessert to share (homemade or store bought, no judginess!) or just stop by and say hi and enjoy a sweet treat!

Yoga at the Commons!***Sundays at 4:30pm***

From Sunday, May 8th through Sunday, June 26th, we will meet on the grass at the Common Area to stretch, relax, and unwind. Our neighborhood sessions will last about 20 minutes and are suited for everyone! We will have natural bug repellent and water on-hand. Bring a towel, blan-

ket, or yoga mat! And grab a friend!

See you there!

Namaste!



Country Club Hills Civic Association

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

Your membership strengthens our community!

Membership year: January 1 - December 31, 2016 Dues: \$15/year/household

Members are allowed to post messages on our CCH-Yahoo-Group and have access to the online CCH Directory

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Would you or any member of your household like to offer any of the following in the next CCH Directory:

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☐ Other services you or your business offer (please provide name and type of service):

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Please let us know if you are interested in any of the following:

☐ Volunteering your services for the CCH Civic Association Board and / or committees

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