

#### President's Message

Hello, my name is Steve Lescure and I was voted in as the new CCHCA President at the January Board Meeting. My wife Nasrin and I moved to CCH in 1991. We raised our three boys here and really love the neighborhood. We have been active in CCHCA for a long time. Nasrin led the effort to establish the garden in the Common Area and still helps with the maintenance. I have served as both Historian and Webmaster.

A lot of effort is put into CCHCA, by many people. I wanted to take a moment to recognize some of it.

I am taking over for Leslie Daniels. Leslie not only presided over the board meetings and led numerous social activities, but also spearheaded several efforts to improve our neighborhood. During her tenure new downspouts and rain barrels were installed at the shelter, the entrance signs were repaired, and an evaluation of playground equipment for the Common Area was completed, just to name a few endeavors. Many thanks to Leslie for her great efforts.

CCHCA has sponsored many activities since our last newsletter, largely thanks to the efforts of Jason Gray, our Director of Social Activities. The events included the summertime visit by the KONA Ice Cream Truck, a big hit with both children and adults. The annual Labor Day Picnic, a fun way to connect with neighbors. And the always popular Halloween Party. Leslie Woods once again coordinated the Santa visits to children in the neighborhood.

Many of you know our neighbor Ernie Klimonda. There's a reason a bench in the Common Area is dedicated to him. He has been very active in CCHCA for decades, and continues to this day. He just published the 2019 CCH Directory, helps maintain the web site, and serves, alongside Renee Gokey, on the Welcoming Committee.

Sue Mochinski has continued her work as Director of Membership, keeping track of all activity in that area. Donna Sabo has continued to handle advertising. Toby Sorensen is our Director of Finance, keeping track of the money collected from memberships and advertising and how it is spent to fund CCHCA activities. Kon Gokey is the Director of Block Captains, ensuring all CCHCA publications are distributed in a timely manner. Miguel Castro takes the meeting minutes at each board meeting and David Stearman has continued his work with the Neighbor-to-Neighbor Committee. The CCH Garden Club has continued its backbreaking work at the Commons. The Garden Club also handled the Holiday Decorations Contest and the monthly Beauty Spot.

We have a new person on the Board. Leslie Cullen has agreed to take over the production of the newsletter, in addition to the work she does with signage. Leslie will be taking over from Heather Gray, who has done a truly outstanding job for quite some time. Many thanks to Heather.

I'm sure I've left out some things, but the point is that a lot of effort goes into making CCHCA happen. We could definitely use additional hands. The more people that get involved the more that can be done. There are many ways to help. Come up with a good idea for the neighborhood. Participate in social activities. Help care for the Commons. Run an event. Keep each other informed of issues of importance for the neighborhood via Google Groups and Facebook. Your involvement helps to make CCHCA a great place it is to live.

Until next time.....

Steve Lescure president@cchca.org

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#### **NEIGHBORHOOD HISTORY**

Ever wonder why so many things are named "Daniels" around our neighborhood?

OK, probably not. I was curious though, so I asked some



questions at the Virginia Room at the Fairfax City Library. Elaine McRey kindly provided a wealth of information.

The library has maps back to 1760 that document the landowners in the County. Highlighted in yellow below is the land parcel owned by John O'Daniel, who probably inherited or bought it from William O'Daniel. This parcel would eventually become Fairfax City. (Or at least a good bit of it. It seem Frances Summers owned a piece too, but that's a story for another day.) So why isn't everything named

"O'Daniel"? According to a video posted on the *Daniels Run* Elementary School's website, William's ancestors dropped the Celtic "O" from the name in the early 1800's.

So – shouldn't all the signs around town read Daniel's (with an apostrophe)?





Looking to beautify where you live? Come and help celebrate Earth day 2019 by picking up trash from our creek. We will provide trash bags and refreshments.

When: April 27th Saturday from 9 to 11am Where: CCH part of the Accotink Creek. (We will start and end at the Commons)

#### <u>Website</u>

The CCHCA website was given a facelift recently. The original site was established by neighbor Marty Pullen, and has since been taken over by myself and Ernie Klimonda. The site contains a lot of stuff: information on upcoming and recent events, the on-line membership application, items on the history of the neighborhood and surrounding area, the CCHCA Directory, write-ups on each month's Beauty Spot, photo galleries going back decades, and much more. Check it out sometime: www.cchca.org.

#### Are you a member of CCHCA?

To check your membership status visit our web site: www.cchca.org and go to the Membership Lists tab. If you find you have not yet paid your neighborhood dues you may do so online by going to the Membership Application tab and paying through the PayPal option.

CCHCA membership dues are just \$15 and help pay for events such as our Labor Day picnic, Halloween Party and End-of-School Ice Cream Social as well as our quarterly newsletters, yearly updated CCH Directory, the care and upkeep of the Common Area, Santa Claus's visits, Holiday Decorations Contest, Easter Egg-Hunt and more!

If you have any questions about your membership status, or if you would rather pay your dues by check instead of online, please contact Sue Mochinski.

# Upcoming Events!

Event	Location	Date/Time
Bowling	Fairfax Bowl	2/24/19, 1pm
Easter Egg Hunt	CCH Commons	4/20/19, 10am
Accotink Clean-up	CCH Commons	4/27/19, 9-11am

Do you have ideas for additional activities? Please contact Jason Gray, VP of Social Activities, at social@cchca.org and/or 703-691-4163

Members. Are you planning a yard sale? Let your neighborhood know by posting a message on our CCH-Google-Newsgroup; send your communication to: groups@cchca.org

# Welcoming New Residents: (Renee Gokey, Welcoming

Committee)

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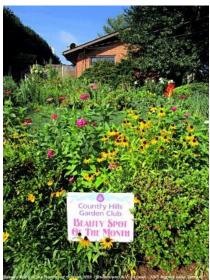


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#### Winter 2019

#### August, 2018 Beauty Spot of the Month

The Country Hills Garden Club has selected the flower garden at the Presad home at 3513 Spring Lake Terrace as the August, 2018 Beauty Spot of the Month. It is easy to find the cottage-style garden. Look for the gently graded front yard covered with mass plantings of annuals and perennials all the way from the wooden lattice fence at the home entrance to the sidewalk edge. The sun-drenched hillside is rich with cheerful colors. Dense jade green holly trees and azaleas form natural frames around lush flower beds and private garden paths. Pastel flowers dot rose of Sharon, crepe myrtle, hydrangea, butterfly, and hibiscus bushes. Brilliant blossoms top the slim stems of black-eyed Susans, marigolds, zinnias, gladioli, and cannas. Now at mid-summer, the bright white of the trumpet lily stands out midst the surrounding riot of color. Many more flower varieties await your discovery. What will you choose as your favorite in this splendid floral mix?



Respectfully submitted,

Anita Johnson and Joyce Skoglund

#### September, 2018 Beauty Spot of the Month

This September the Country Hills Garden Club has chosen the attractive landscape at the Clukey house at 10105 Cornwall Road as the Beauty Spot of the Month. The curb appeal of this ranch-style house is enhanced by a



blend of trees, shrubs, flowers, and garden accents of complementary scale. At the front wall of the house is a row of alternating azalea and rhododendron shrubs. During this late summer season, visual excitement comes at the row's end where fuchsia pink blossoms cover a tall, bushy crepe myrtle. A pretty grapevine wreath attached to the brick wall brings a touch of country charm to the landscape. Two ornamental cherry trees, different in size and shape, are prominently positioned in the foreground. One with weeping branches serves as the focal point in the right side yard. To the left, an upright cherry tree shades a wide flower bed. Purple petunias and red and white impatiens spread over the dark mulch with their funnel-shaped flowers turned toward the

afternoon sun. Long stemmed pastel roses grow nearby as their companion plants. Across the landscape, summer -themed garden stakes, flags, and flower baskets extend a cheery welcome to visitors. When you stop to admire this CCH yard, don't be surprised if you catch sight of a fluttering hummingbird or butterfly!

Respectfully submitted, Anita Johnson and Joyce Skoglund Country Hills Garden Club

#### October, 2018 Beauty Spot of the Month

#### The Pumpkin

BY JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER

Oh, greenly and fair in the lands of the sun, The vines of the gourd and the rich melon run, And the rock and the tree and the cottage enfold, With broad leaves all greenness and blossoms all gold,...

The Country Hills Garden Club has chosen Susan and David Pepin's unique yard at 3413 Park Hill Place as the October, 2018 Beauty Spot of the Month. A change of seasons makes an exciting show at this address. Throughout the summer,



holly and azalea shrubs along the house walls provided a verdant green backdrop to lavender and pink floral sprays filling blue containers. Although September's weekly rains have strengthened stems and coaxed new growth, harbingers of the fall harvest season are the main attractions of this October garden. Mother Nature has applied bold brush strokes from her rich autumn palette. Dogwood leaves are edged claret red. Branches of a stately spruce tree are laden with glossy green needles and umber cones. Orange ribbed pumpkins and yellow star-shaped flowers peek from a tree skirt of curling vines and leaves. Susan claims she does little to nurture the prolific "Pepin Pumpkin Patch." She credits luck with favorable soil and weather. Whatever the charm for garden success, this colorful yard puts us in the mood for family fun at Oktoberfests and Halloween celebrations!

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Johnson and Joyce Skoglund

Country Hills Garden Club



#### November, 2018 Beauty Spot of the Month

The Country Hills Garden Club is pleased to honor Joyce and Len Skoglund's landscape at 3415 Country Hill Drive as the November, 2018 Beauty Spot of the Month. As a Gardening Consultant, Joyce is familiar with the elements of good landscape design and the plants compatible with Virginia soil and climate. The Skoglunds have used this knowledge to create spectacular year-round views of flowers and foliage outside their windows. At the end of the growing season, curving garden beds bordering house walls and walkways feature dramatic differences between plant forms and textures. Prickly needles of upright cactus and conifers are juxtaposed with delicate arching fern fronds. Symmetrical evergreens overlook shape-shifting ornamental grass. Silvery green sword-like blades of iris and yucca contrast sharply with dark green, oval leaves of camellia and azalea. Nighttime chills followed by daylight warm ups bring the panoply of autumn color to the yard. Dogwoods with ruby red leaves shimmering on gracefully posed limbs lure visitors nearer for a close look at garden accents and seasonal transformations. Arbor arches and yard art harmonize with natural shapes and shades. Reddish -purple pods hang from a hyacinth bean vine. Gold-brushed leaves glow on a witch hazel shrub. Bronzed florets crown sedum stems and Joe-Pye Weed stalks. Yellow and copper chrysanthemums,

ornamental cabbages, and pied pansies will brighten urns and borders through the Thanksgiving holiday. Does this striking landscape inspire you to consider adding something new to your garden? It's not too late to display a fall-themed wreath or to plant spring flowering bulbs!

Respectfully submitted, Anita Johnson



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual CCH Fun Bowl



We're holding our 2nd Annual Fun Bowl

Sunday, 24 February 2019, at 1pm At Fairfax Bowl Bowling will cost \$12 per person for two games with shoes

If your family is a paid up CCH member, your cost will be \$5 per person

(if you would like to join CCH, please contact Sue <u>Mochinski</u> at membership@cchca.org)

Please RSVP to Leslie Daniels (<u>lesdan001@verizon.net</u>) by 17 February if you plan to attend and include bowler headcount

# CCHCA Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

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Publications: Leslie Cullen/Heather Gray

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Social Activities: Jason Gray

Community Safety: Matt Eddy

Director, Website: Stephen Lescure, Ernie Klimonda (co-chair)

Director, Google-group: Ernie Klimonda, Judy Fraser (co-chair)

### **Standing Committees**

Welcoming: Renee Gokey, Ernie Klimonda (cochair)

Historian: Steve Lane

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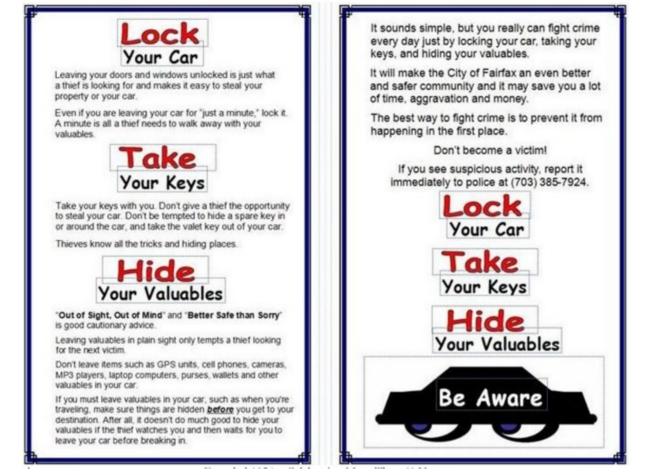
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