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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear CCH Neighbors,

HILLS

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COUNTRY

I hope you are surviving the heat!

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SPECIAL POINTS Of Interest:

- Labor Day Picnic September 1
- CCHCA Membership
- CCHCA Beauty Spot
- Accotink Creek Clean
 Up October 5

Blenheim Museum opening October 26 we have all members renew during the month of May. We need to know your \$10 dues will contribute to our annual events. This will help us budget and plan for the year's activities. The Labor Day Potluck at the Common Area is a guaranteed good time and worth more than your entire dues for the year. If your dues are not paid by Sept 1, please bring either cash or a check to the picnic. We will gladly accept it at that time.

Please make sure your membership is current. We are really trying to make sure

We have selected a bylaws review committee to update and reevaluate the current bylaws. We voted in some changes at the last General Meeting, but on a closer review we noticed we did not catch all of the issues. Please see inside the website for the new proposed changes. If you would like a paper copy of the proposed changes please let me know. We will have another vote at the next General Meeting in October.

On the topic of the General Meeting, please know that the purpose of these meetings is to address and discuss issues related to all of in CCH. We would love to see more participation at these meetings. Please let me know if you have any concerns or suggestions about the General Meetings that either prevent you from attending or might allure you to come to the gathering.

We will be establishing an audit committee to review our financial records at the end of this fiscal year (January). Please tell me or one of the board members if you are interested in helping with this task.

Please know that our website is regularly updated and maintained. We post our board of director meeting minutes there. In addition, the website offers a wealth of information and links to resources in the City. Check it out <u>www.cchca.org</u>. In this ever changing time of digital communication, the Internet has offered CCH the ability to keep everyone posted and in touch with events and information. Please consider joining our Yahoo Group email list if you are not already a participant.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and see you at the Labor Day Potluck soon!

~Katie Baxter-Gagen

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LABOR DAY PICNIC SEPTEMBER 1

Thanks to all who came out for the Ice Cream Social! About 40 people gathered in the commons for this annual CCHCA event. Dave from Oasis Bikes joined us once again offering free bike tune ups to get us ready for summer. We had ice cream with delicious toppings, kids playing, and most importantly, friends and neighbors enjoying the evening together. Check out the pictures on our community website.

If you missed out on the fun, have no fear. Our Labor Day Block Party is just around the corner, on Monday, September 1st from 4-7 P.M. Lots of food and fun are planned, including the always popular recipe contest with prizes. Will your side dish or dessert win you bragging rights this year?

Volunteers are needed to make this event great. Do you have contacts with a local business that might give us a good deal? Do you have a talent to share (face painting? caricatures? music? other ideas?) Are you available to help set-up or clean-up? Please contact Stephanie Uttenweiler, Social Activities Co-Chair, (703) 543-4957 or suttenweiler@yahoo.com. -Stephanie Uttenweiler

WE'VE PICKED IT UP!

That's right. Your neighbors appreciate it when you make an effort to pick up strewn trash that litters our streets and gutters. We are fortunate to live in a very good community and one of the reasons it is so nice is because many homeowners and renters take the initiative to make time to pick up around their property. Some even sweep neighbors' curbs to maintain clean streets. While we all have busy work schedules, taking a few minutes to pick up around our property can make a real difference in our neighborhood's appearance.

We've all heard that

real estate values are based on location and that we have by being so close to the Metro and D.C..

Curb appeal also plays a big part in maintaining those values. If you're one of the neighbors who takes pride in maintaining our neighborhood, a huge thanks and keep up the great work! ... OR, if after you read this. you take a few minutes to walk outside and help out, it will greatly be appreciated . . . your street will look a little better . . . and your neighbors will be appreciative.

Thanks neighbor.

- Ernie Klimonda

TREES, VALUABLE TREES

Country Club Hills residents realize that trees are vital to our community. Trees produce oxygen and help diminish carbon dioxide produced by our burning of fossil fuels. Trees control run-off of storm water and pollutants into the Chesapeake Bay, and trees help reduce the need for air conditioning by providing shade during the hot summer months.

Our homes are more attractive and valuable when complemented with shade and flowering trees. Due to residential development we are losing mature trees that help define our neighborhood.

- Ernie Klimonda

CCHCA.ORG WEB SITE UPDATES

NEW CCHCA.ORG WEB FEATURES

Have you noticed the new feature on the Country Club Hills web page? Double-click on any word in any text to learn more about that word. Try it out!

"The investigation of the meaning of words is the beginning of education"

Antisthenes

You can now see some of our beautiful homes in County Club Hills online at the Country Club Hills website.

Our home page should be a community affair. While the City is pursuing upgrades to allow for a more interactive experience, we think it would be nice to post some pictures of our community. We are looking for photos that depict the special qualities of the life and environment that Country Club Hills provides for its residents. Pictures of events, people, places, houses, trees,

and pets are welcome. Please send your scanned photo file along with a brief description of its contents to <u>ekli-</u>

monda@gmail.com

and we will publish a few each month. If we get an overwhelming response, please be patient as it may take us some time to include everyone's submissions.

CCHCA-YAHOO-GROUP GUIDELINES TO POSTING & REPLY-ING TO GROUP MES-SAGES

In order to reduce the inappropriate posting of and replying to group messages, here are some important guidelines.

Posting of a group

message is a privilege; it should be used sensibly and with restraint.

Only post messages that concern residents of CCH. Garage/yard sales, entertainment, events, and alike, are limited to locations in CCH. Some events in Fairfax City qualify. Use your good judgment.

In most cases one message per event is sufficient.

Please add your email address and/or telephone number to your signature at the end of the message and invite the readers to email or call you directly.

Replying to a posted

message. This is where most of the abuse occurs. In most cases a reply to the sender or a mere handful of residents is sufficient

Click on "Reply", and ascertain that your reply is addressed to the sender only, or send emails.

Please help keeping our CCHCA-Yahoo-Group a useful tool, and preventing it from becoming a source of clutter. At present we have over 200 household members in the group.

If you know some residents of CCH who are not yet members of our Yahoo-Group, please invite them to join, free of charge, of course.

If in doubt, contact the moderator.

Thanks for your cooperation!

Do you own a digital camera? Do you like to take pictures? We would like to talk to you.

Please let us know if you have any suggestions about further improving our website.

Any questions or comments, please contact Ernie Klimonda CCHCA-Yahoo-Group moderator

eklimonda@gmail.com 703.591.0696

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NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES

Babysitting

Johns, Melinda (1992)	3411 Spring Lake Terr.	<u>sixm1@hotmail.com</u>	703-278-0035
Stefano, Krystina (1990)	9910 Broadview Drive	info4usa@aol.com	703-278-9090
McGrane, Allison (1988)	3407 Park Hill Place	<u>mmcgrane@verizon.net</u>	703-352-2962
Friedrichs, Gore (1990)	3416 Country Hill Drive	kalsbrooks@lasercard.con	<u>1</u> 703-383-9830
Friedrichs, Olivia (1992) 3	3416 Country Hill Drive	kalsbrooks@lasercard.com	703-383-9830
Dowd, Frances (1990)	10111 Cornwall Road	<u>donnad18@aol.com</u>	703-273-9129
Royer, Abigail (1992) 3	505 Spring Lake Terr.	royerfamily@gmail.com	703-278-8777
Lamb, Rebecca (1991)	9916 Broadview Drive	<u>sandy.lamb@fcps.edu</u>	703-273-6543
Lamb÷, Jenna (1994)	9916 Broadview Drive	<u>sandy.lamb@fcps.edu</u>	703-273-6543
Castro, Monica 9	9928 Pinehurst Avenue	<u>dwcas@hotmail.com</u>	703-273-0851
Canzani, Vanessa (1986)	10102 Spring Lake Terr.	vanis_sweetie@hotmail.co	<u>om</u> 703-278-1008
Earley*, Mary Ellen (1988	3) 3502 Old Post Road	pmwinter54@yahoo.com	703-385-9817
Mustafa**, Nasrin	10146 Spring Lake Terr.	<u>barzanmustafa@yahoo.cor</u>	<u>m</u> 703-278-8033
(*) summers and holidays	s only (**) holding day c	are permit (+) completed R	ed Cross babysitting course.

Pet Sitting

Dowd, Kevin (1992)	10111 Cornwall Road	donnad18@aol.com	703-273-9129
Lamb, Rebecca (1991)	9916 Broadview Drive	<u>sandy.lamb@fcps.edu</u>	703-273-6543
Lamb, Jenna (1994)	9916 Broadview Drive	<u>sandy.lamb@fcps.edu</u>	703-273-6543
McGrane, Allison (1988) 3407 Park Hill Place	<u>mmcgrane@verizon.net</u>	703-352-2962
Royer, Abigail (1992)	3505 Spring Lake Terr.	royerfamily@gmail.com	703-278-8777
Friedrichs, Olivia (1992)	3416 Country Hill Drive	kalsbrooks@lasercard.com	703-383-9830
Lane, Miles (2001)	10019 Morningside Court	lane.link@verizon.net	703 352-6217
Lane, Alex (1999)	10019 Morningside Court	lane.link@verizon.net	703 352-6217
Johns, Melinda (1992)	3411 Spring Lake Terr.	<u>sixm1@hotmail.com</u>	703-278-0035
Johns*, Marissa (1997)	3411 Spring Lake Terr.	<u>sixm1@hotmail.com</u>	703-278-0035
Hurley*, Sam (1997)	10124 Spring Lake Terr.	<u>chadhurley@verizon.net</u>	703 278-0428
Hurley*, Jonah (1999)	10124 Spring Lake Terr.	<u>chadhurley@verizon.net</u>	703 278-0428
Drummey**, Jenny	9933 Pinehurst Avenue	<u>drummey@mindspring.com</u>	703-218-1572
Miller***, Patty	10113 Spring Lake Terr.	teddybear@redjellyfish.net	703-273-6152
(*) plant and small pet s	sitter (cats, etc.)		

(**) bird sitter (parrots, etc.)

 $(\underline{^{***})}$ pet walker & sitter

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2008-2009 CCHCA MEMBERSHIP

Did you forget? It's not too late to send in your dues.



Please complete the membership application at the end of this newsletter and return it with your \$10 dues payment to Katy Sidwell, 3412 Andover Drive. Questions, corrections or changes may be sent to <u>Katy_Sidwell@hotmail</u>

Thank you to the residents listed below for joining or renewing 2008-2009 CCHCA Membership.

.com.

Current Members

Alexis and Scott Adamson Cathy and Ron Almeter Ann Marie Augustine Ann Marie and Michael Bartholme Katie Baxter-Gagen Jamuna and Anand Benjamin Jean and Bob Benneche Sarah Bennett Patricia and Harry Bonnes Nancy Boush Rhonda Bowen Joann and Steve Burton Ed and Michael Bush Elva Card **Timothy Carney Hildie Carney** Loren and James Carson Jerry M. Carter Elvesia and John Cesarini Teresina and Paul Christy John and Christy Clukey Karen and Richard Cole Cathy Crawford Bill and Betty Crawford Leslie Daniels Lois and Donald Darnell John Davenport Jodie and Steve Dean Irene and Bob Denhardt Margarita and Roman Diaz Peggy Dilley David Dotson Lee and Robert Faber **Hugh Farrell** Brett and Gypsi Feeney Joanne and Philip Ferraro Amy and Morris Fitzgerald Marianne Ford Maryanna and William Fournier Judy and Douglas Fraser Candi and Rick Freeman Christoper Gagen Dianet Giraldo Madeline Greninger Polly Haecker John Haid Steven Haywood Joe Herrmann Chad Hurlev Yanji Lama Lena Landau Ivan Ilijoski **Timothy Jacobs**

Madelyn and Mike Johns Livingston Johnson Nancy and Al Jones **Doug Jones** Marge Jordan Kathleen Keitt Jeanne Kelly Kristin Wilson Keppler and Christopher Keppler Cynthia and Richard Kibbev Dolores and Ernest Klimonda Allen Kohn Alisa and Patrick Kyle Jean Lach Rita Lamb Jill Lamb-King Debbie and Steven Lane Marilyn Larsen Nancy B Lebow Nancy and Patrick Lee Nasrin and Steve Lescure Colleen and Allen Lewis **Charlene MacVicar** Bonnie Roberts Markham and Stafford Markham Alice and Charles McDonald Marsha and Bob McGrane Jobe and Patrick McGrane Sue and Colin McKenzie Jill and Lon McNeil Kathleen Miller Patty and Tony Miller Susan and Kirk Miller Lanell and Lvnn Moore Judy and Chris Mullen Nasrin and Abdul Mustafa Marie and Qui Nguyen Teresa Peduzzi Thomas Perazzoli Joan Phillips **Emily and Randall Poulin Robert Pratt** Nina and Dennis Prescott

Diane and Ed Preston Matthew and John Prestone Dot and Bob Pritz Keith Proudfoot Dia and Martin Pullen Catherine and Jeffrey Rogers Kristin and Dave Romero Lisa and Roger Rosenberger Karen and Kyle Royer **David Scango** Stephanie and Pat Schneider **Cindy Sebring** Jeff Seffens Katy and Clint Sidwell Joyce and Leonard Skoglund Toby and John Slonina Ann and Bill Smith Alison Wellington William So Pamela Spraker Doris Taylor Yvonne and Peter Tharp Jean Thompson Patty and Paul Thompson Carol.Towse Armistice Turtora Stephanie and Chris Uttenweiler Lauren and Joseph Valentino Joe and Marta Vamosi Pegi Wells **Ruth and Matthew West** Jean and Darrel Westbrook Lisa and Jay Whetzel

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MISSING SIGNS LOOKING BACK-NEWSLETTERS AND DIRECTORIES

In case you've noticed, two of the five signs in the neighborhood have disappeared. The Corporation will replace them but we need volunteers to take care of displaying them.

Do you have a talent and some time to spare to help out? Please contact Katie Baxter-Gagen at 703.385.7737 or <u>katiepbg@yahoo.com</u> Our CCH Historian is reaching out to our residents to find old ECCHO Newsletters and CCH Directories.

The items needed span the years 1954 to 1999. If you have *any* old directories or Newsletter issues and would be willing to donate them, please contact our resident Historian, Steve Lescure at

703.591.2452 or

<u>stephen.lescure@cgi.</u> <u>com</u>

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 alexisadamson@ vahoo.com

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City of Fairfax Democratic Committee

Be Informed!

www.FairfaxCityDemocrats.org

703.385.8500



PAID FOR AND AUTHORIZED BY THE CITY OF FAIRFAX DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

BEAUTY SPOT OF THE MONTH

Bill and Ann Smith, of 9919 Farr Drive, have received the Beauty Spot for August from the Country Hills Garden Club.

Flowers line their driveway and make quite an impression. At least it did for Kathy Keitt and Polly Haecker, cochairs for the Beauty Spot of the Month Committee for the Garden Club.

Thanks, Bill and Ann, for contributing to the beauty of Country Club Hills! What a great place to live.

- Country Hills Garden Club



Your input needed!

Please contact any CCH Civic Association board member to share your concerns for our neighborhood, and any ideas you have to improve our quality of life. We're in it together!

CCHCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2007-2008

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Katie Baxter-Gagen, 703-385-7737

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Community Appearance Committee OPEN **Community Emergency Re**sponse Team Matthew West, 703-359-4652 **E-Communications Committee** (co-chairs) Marty Pullen, 703-352-8670 Ernie Klimonda, 703-591-0696 Historian Steve Lescure, 703-591-2452 Publicity (co-chairs) Dia Pullen, 703-352-8670 Lee Faber. 703-273-0829 Welcoming Committee (cochairs) Yanji Lama, 703-395-3693

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 20	BOD Meeting at 7:00 P.M. Dia and Marty Pullen 10004 Boxford Court 703.352.8670 <u>diapullen@hotmail.com</u>
September 1	LABOR DAY PICNIC from 4 P.M. to dusk The Commons Spring Lake Terrace between Brookwood and Andover Drives
	Nina Prescott 703.278.1008 <u>ninaprescott@verizon.net</u> Stephanie Uttenweiler 703.543.4957 <u>suttenweiler@yahoo.com</u>
October 5	AUTUMN ACCOTINK CREEK CLEAN
	From 1 PM to 4PM For more details see: <u>www.cchc.org</u> or contact:
	Steve Caruso <a "="" href="mailto:smcestop@smcestop">mscestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop@smcestop"
	or Call 703-273-3085 (H) / 703-477-3216 (C)
October 15	SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - CCHCA at 7:00 P.M. for more information contact:
	Katie Baxter-Gagen 703.385.7737 <u>katiepbg@yahoo.com</u>
	Dia Pullen 703.352.8670 diapullen@hotmail.com
October 31	HALLOWEEN PARTY from 5:30 P.M. to nightfall The Commons For details please contact
	Nina Prescott 703.278.1008 <u>ninaprescott@verizon.net</u> Stephanie Uttenweiler 703.543.4957 <u>suttenweiler@yahoo.com</u>
Late December*	SANTA CLAUS visits CCH from 6 to 8 P.M. (*) dates to be reconfirmed For details please contact:
	Jill Toth 703.383.1965 jilltoth@yahoo.com
December 20	HOLIDAY DECORATION CONTEST
	Awards will be given to the six most beautifully decorated homes
	For more information please contact:
	Ernie Klimonda, 703.591.0696 <u>eklimonda@gmail.com</u> Katie Baxter-Gagen 703.385.7737 <u>katiepbg@yahoo.com</u> Dia Pullen 703.352.8670 <u>diapullen@hotmail.com</u>

AUTUMN ACCOTINK CREEK CLEAN

(PLEASE COME AND BE GREEN WITH YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS)

When: Sunday: October 5th 1pm – 4pm

Where: CCHCA Commons Picnic Shelter, (at intersection of Spring Lake, Park Hill, and Andover)

Who: Junior/ Senior High School Students (in need of) Service Hours

* Boy Scout / Cub Scout groups Service Hours towards Advancement

* Those concerned about pollution in their own neighborhood

* Neighbors seeking a friendly connection activity

* Exercisers

* No age limits

Special Treat: Pizza / Gatorade (free for workers) celebrating our help in cleaning the earth's circulatory system.

(Hand washing will be available)

Contact: Steve Caruso: smcestop@yahoo.com / smcestop@msn.com

Or Call 703-273-3085 (H) / 703-477-3216 (C)

FROM OUR VP, CIVIC AFFAIRS, HILDIE CARNEY

With the swearing in of the Council on May 30, the City has 3 new Councilpersons. Please update your contact list with the new emails so that you can stay active in communicating with them. (See Cityscene)

An update about the Van Dyke site for the Community Center: I was informed that the site will NOT take away any of the existing areas; it will be in an open area. Please let your Councilpersons know what your ideas are.

All the activity at the Blenheim site is a result of (FINALLY) the electric company moving the telephone post so that the electricity work and sewer work can be completed. The work is in full force and the opening date is finalized for October 26th. As Chair of the Blenheim Committee of HFCI, I am soliciting members for the "opening" committee. I think members of CCH would be a wonderful contribution! Call me at 703 591 5305 to volunteer. It will be a big event.

Have you been downtown to "Old Town" to try out the new stores and restaurants? It's beginning to boom.

If you would like to

learn more about the City's rich history, come to the City Tour: every Saturday at 7PM; meet at the Moore House (Sweet Life Cafe).

As usual, do not hesitate to call me with any questions or issues you may have pertaining to the City.

- Hildie Carney





Welcome, New Neighbors!

Hector and Karen Ponciano Marilyn Dowler 3512 Pinehurst Avenue

Roderick and Marta Anderson 10103 Capeway Court

John and Christa Clukey 10105 Cornwall Rd

2008 Beach House Rentals

Two Houses on the Outer Banks, NC

"Beach Crab" in Kill Devil Hills, on the Beach Road

4 Bedrooms; 2 Baths; washer and dryer; central air; cable TV (6); beautiful views; walk to the beach; sleeps 9. Take a virtual tour @ www.crabsobxvacations.com

"Sound Crab" in Kill Devil Hills, on the Sound

4 Bedrooms; 2 1/2 Baths; washer and dryer; central air; cable TV(5); beautiful sunsets; on the water; sleeps eight. Take a virtual tour @ www.crabsobxvacations.com

Rental Fees (Includes all taxes and fees except optional cleaning)

January 1 to May 25 = \$840 / week

May 25 to June 8 = \$1,020 / week

June 8 to September 7 = \$1,495 / week

September 28–December 31 = \$840 / week

Country Club Hills Civic Association Membership Application / Renewal for 2008- 2009

Membership is about building our community!

Please let us know if we can count on you to:

□Renew your CCH Membership, □Become a new member

Membership year: May 1, 2008 to April 30, 2009

Name of Primary Resident(s):		
Names and Years of Birth of Children to age 18:	If you do not wan	t your children's names published, check box
Street Address		Home Phone Number:
CCH Resident Since (Year):		
Email 1	Email 2	

Please indicate if you – or any member of your household wish to be listed in a future CCH Directory for personal or business services for free.

□Babysitting/petsitting/yard work:(Please give provider's year of birth)

□Services you/or your business offer:

Name and type of service:

□Lessons you provide: i. e. music/instrument/language/other:

Please let us know if you are interested in one or more of the following:

□Volunteering your services for the CCH Civic Association Board or committees; and / or,

□Joining or forming a special club or group;

□Would you like to advertise a business or service in our CCH Directory for a fee? If so, search the website **for rates.**

Dues: \$10 per family for 2008/2009 Make checks payable to: Treasurer, CCHCA

Please return form and payment to: VP, Membership, Katy Sidwell, 3412 Andover Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

FOR CCH USE:		
RECEIVED PAYMENT ON:	PAID CASH	DIRECTORY DELIVERED
	PAID CHECK #	MEMBERSHIP RECORDS UPDATED