

President's Message

Amye Lee Rheault, CCVCA President

Our second daughter was nine months old as we searched for the home where she and her sister would grow up. On that grey November day in 2018 we stood for the first time in a home wherein we could see that future - set in a community with great schools, parks, and most importantly neighbors who were committed to the safety and care of the surrounding community. But the housing market was moving fast, and by the end of that day our initial prospects of living in Country Club View (CCV) were squelched. So we continued - fruitlessly - to search for our first family home outside of the city-living constraints of Washington, DC.

When our realtor contacted us in January 2019 with the opportunity to purchase the home we fell in love with back in November, it took only moments for my husband and I to say "yes." Since moving in, CCV has been everything we could have hoped for our family: From the warm welcome we received when Sherrie came to our door as we were still trying to sort through the mountains of packed boxes to the neighbors who delivered care packages of bubbles and books during the pandemic. In those and many more moments we were the grateful recipients of the generous spirit of CCV residents.

As a way to give back and invest in the community, we joined the Civic Association as Members and contributed to the scholarship fund. My husband joined the Neighborhood Watch. I tuned in to Facebook and NextDoor and connected with other parents of young children. We met many neighbors at the Ice Cream Social our first year living in CCV and as I became more involved—and invested in—the growth and improvements of our neighborhood, I was honored to be elected President of the CCVCA last spring.

Ask your neighbors who have lived here and been CCVCA members for decades or those who have recently joined and you will find a shared sense of connection, pride, and desire to improve the neighborhood. As we look toward the future, we welcome all residents to join the Civic Association, volunteer for leadership opportunities, and contribute in whatever ways you are able to maintain and make better our generous, civic-minded CCV community.

Over 200 annual Civic Association members, dozens upon dozens of volunteers and elected representatives who love, live, and serve here are what make CCV such a vibrant and desirable community. Look for the familiar names of your neighbors—or perhaps your own!—on the Thank You Volunteers page within this newsletter. We are grateful to show our children first-hand these examples of civic service among our neighbors, and hope you'll join us as member this year and for many years to come.

Thank you,

Amye

About the CCVCA Newsletter

The CCVCA Newsletter is published a few times per year. To submit articles, contact the Newsletter Editor. CCVCA reserves the right to not publish any material.

Contact members of the Board and Executive Committee via email at CCVCA@countryclubview.org.

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Last Chance to be in the CCVCA Membership Directory

Diana Michel, CCVCA 2nd Vice President

While the CCVCA membership drive for 2021 ended on February 28, it is never too late to join the Civic Association! However, a new directory is planned for this spring and if you wish to be included in the directory, please have your membership application in by **April 24th**. Forms and payment can be:

- ✓ given to your block captain
- ✓ mailed to the PO Box on the bottom of the application form
- ✓ placed in the silver envelope on the front of my house, 5131 Portsmouth Road.
 - If it is very windy, we sometimes have to take the envelope down; just ring the doorbell if that is the case.
- ✓ filled out online and paid through PayPal. Hold up your smartphone on camera mode to scan this QR code to visit the membership form on our website:

If you are not sure if you have joined for this year, email me at ccvca2ndvp@gmail.com and I will let you know.



Spring CCV Yard Sale!

May 1st

8 am – noon

Location - Your driveway

We do the advertising.

You bring out your treasures!

Thank You Volunteers!

Our gratitude and thanks to all those listed below who generously volunteer their time and talent for the benefit of our entire neighborhood.



Burt Allman	Paul D'Alessandro	Margaret Kondracki	Veldon Newtonson
Michelle Augustyn	Patricia Daniel	Andy Kondracki	Kevin O'Brien
Bill Barfield	Fran Del Vecchio	Emily Krisko	Sunny O'Brien
Bob Bassford	Steve Del Vecchio	John Krisko	Ruth O'Hara
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Barbara Beatty	Adele Dolansky	Betty MacKenzie	Emily Petty
Larry Beatty	Alex Dominguez	Laura E. Mayer	George Petty
Michelle Belisle	Beti Dominguez	Jean Luc Maysounave	Nancy Ragland
Stephen Belisle	Bruce Edwards	Laure Maysounave	Robert Ragland
Barbara Bernero	Mindy Edwards	Mindy McAllister	Amye Rheault
Paul Bernstein	Bernie Fructuoso	Bertha McClintock	Greg Rheault
Charles Bohman	Karen Fructuoso	Peter McClintock	Linwood Rhodes
Thayne Bohman	Nelda Funkhouser	TJ McCurdy	Lori Rodriguez
Sally Bohman	Ginger Gould	Susan Mekenney	Michael Rossi
Fanny Bonilla	Anne Marie Grim	Charles Meyer	Debbie Rossie
Jeane Bothe	Ren Hafner	Shannon Michael	Jennifer Sackett
Steven Bothe	Donna Haines-Williams	Thad Michael	Becky Shade
Frank Brady	Carl Hampton	Diana Michel	Paula Skrable
Sherrie Brady	Fred Hanshaw	Doug Michel	Cara Snow
Mary Bresnahan	Rita Hanshaw	Melody Miller	Derick Snow
Jean Brewer	Bonnie Harmon	Nicki Miller	Bea Stephenson
Kevin Briggs	Bryan Harmon	John Milton	Ann Stingle
Laura Briggs	Ann Hartmann	Renate Milton	Ed Sujecki
Agnes Brown	Dan Hartmann	Charlie Minesinger	Marc Tang
Cathy Burdette	Dave Hauck	Melanie Minesinger	Atsuko Teolis
Peggy Caldwell	Karen Hauck	Robert Mizer	Tony Teolis
Chris Carnahan	Dan Heck	Bunny Monroe	Amy Tomasco
Diane Carnahan	Nancy Heck	Ken Monroe	Louise Turner
Renee Carnahan	Robert Henry	Carol Moore	Steven Turner
Tom Carnahan	Thi Hoang	Kathy Moore	Ric Van Antwerp
Felicia Carretta	Elsbeth Hoff	Kathy Morris	Jackie Vessal
Michelle Choffel	Hana Idilbi	Catherine Mortensen	Robert Wade
Mike Choffel	Lee Jorde	Greg Mortensen	Sherrie Ward
Bob Coffin	Julie Jutras	Lesley Mullery	Corinne Wetzel
Sheila Coffin	Pierre Jutras	Beth Murphy	Howard Wetzel
Linda Creighton	Christine Kania	Christine Murphy	Lorenda Wieder
Mark Creighton	Michael Kania	Jim Murphy	Steve Wieder
Jackie Cummings	Jay Kessler	Todd Murphy	Aileen Winquist
Kevin Cummings	Theresa Kessler	John Nash	Bill Wolf
Michelle Cummings	Nancy Kettlehut	Patricia Nash	Jan Wolf
Scott Cummings	Susan Klemmer	Maria Newtonson	Celene Wyman

2021 Calendar – Country Club View

	MEETINGS and NEWSLETTERS	EVENTS and DEADLINES
JANUARY	25 - Board meeting	Kickoff Membership Campaign Begin Scholarship Application process
FEBRUARY	22 - Board meeting	29 - Deadline Membership Campaign
MARCH	22 - Board meeting Newsletter #1	15 - Deadline Scholarship Applications
APRIL	26 - All-Membership Meeting #1	TBA - Scholarship Interviews TBA - Scholarship winners announced 10 - Stream Clean up
MAY	24 - Board meeting	1 - Spring Yard Sale 31 - Memorial Day Celebration
JUNE	28 - Board meeting Newsletter #2	
JULY	26 - Board meeting	
AUGUST	23 - Board meeting Newsletter #3	6 - National Night Out
SEPTEMBER	27 - All-Membership Meeting #2	18 - Ice Cream Social
OCTOBER	25 - Board meeting	Fall Yard Sale Halloween Haunted Trail
NOVEMBER		
DECEMBER	6 - Board meeting Newsletter #4	Home Decoration Contest

Behind the Scenes of CCV Events

Sherrie Brady, Events

You are surely wondering how it is the CCV Civic Association can plan and execute so many wonderful activities—have you seen the calendar? Wonder no more, for you are about to be inspired to join the fun of planning and presenting a CCV event. Creative and enthusiastic people make it all happen, and there's always room for more people! The Chair of the Events Committee (that's me) is excited to invite CCV residents—young/long-lived, newly arrived/established, experienced/beginner—to work behind the scenes for events in 2021.

Here are the events and their short time commitments:

Memorial Day Celebration	Committee meets 1-2 times early May to plan activities.
National Night Out	Committee of several Block Captains and Section Leaders meets once in July to discuss ideas.
Ice Cream Social	Committee meets 1-2 times July/August to plan activities.
Halloween Haunted Trail	Committee meets 1-2 times September/October to discuss ideas.

The more the merrier! Make a short-term commitment to help behind the scenes ensuring our CCV events to be even more outstanding and fun. Questions? Ask me at sherrie.brady@gmail.com

Help Update Our Neighborhood Playground!

Cara Snow, Ad-hoc Playground Committee

The CCV Park is the heart of our community, a gathering space for everyone—during a time safe outdoor gathering areas are more important than ever! Our neighborhood playground was built in 1999 and is maintained by the Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA). Rated as a D and in poor condition, it would not be considered for an equipment update until the next bond cycle in 2024 and if approved that update would occur in 8-10 years.



With our playground in poor condition and in an isolated location (thereby attracting nefarious activities), many families in our community are choosing to use the local elementary school playgrounds, opting to drive to another playground rather than walk to our neighborhood one.

Seeing this need in our community, a group of moms has formed the CCV Playground Committee with the goal of updating our park. We have been working with the FCPA and a professional playground designer to determine what equipment would work best for our space. With fundraising, community involvement, and matching grants offered by FCPA we can have a new playground in the next couple years!

Playgrounds help improve the social skills, cognitive development, physical activity and emotional health of kids. A new playground can help attract more families, discourage crime, build community, and even raise property values. We hope to have your support in the coming year as we start fundraising for our new CCV Playground.

INTERNSHIPS & SERVICE HOURS AVAILABLE WITH CCVCA

As a 501-4(c) non-profit organization, CCVCA can work with youth to fulfill their service hours. We have needs for both physical (outdoors) and administrative tasks in the coming months for self-motivated, energetic and detail-oriented volunteers. Or maybe your teenager is interested in gaining experience with local civic involvement and the nonprofit world as a summer intern?

STUDENTS PLEASE EMAIL CCVCAF@GMAIL.COM TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITIES ALIGNED WITH YOUR INTERESTS AND SKILLS.

APRIL 26

CCVCA Spring Meeting

Featuring remarks and Q&A with Hana Newcomb, local farmer with Potomac Vegetable Farms which has served the region for over 50 years - and for the first time this year we have a dedicated CCV pickup site for their CSA. Learn more and ask all of your questions!

Login at 7:30pm EST
Monday, April 26

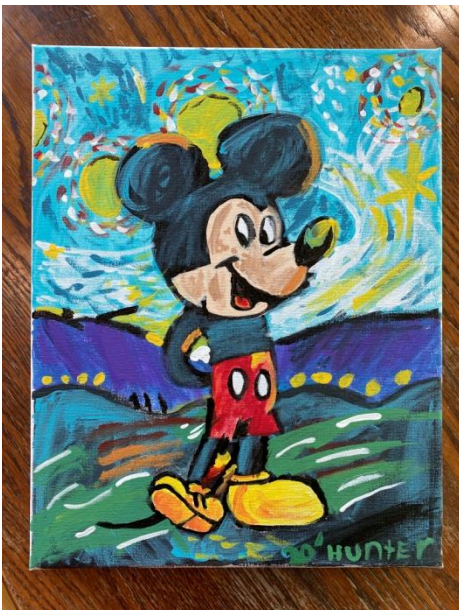


[HTTP://TINYURL.COM/SPRING21CCV](http://tinyurl.com/spring21ccv)

Resident Show and Tell

Mindy McAllister, Robinson Liaison

Hunter Fields, a Robinson student who lives on Marlborough Street, proudly shows his colorful artwork!



Safety Tips

Bob Mizer, CCVCA Public Service, Neighborhood Watch



SAFETY
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Crime Prevention Tip

If you park on the street or in your driveway, don't leave valuables in your vehicle. In fact, don't leave anything in your vehicle that can be seen from the outside. Don't tempt a thief. The best solution is to park in your garage if possible.

Fire Safety Tips

Spring is almost here so it is not too early to think about preparing for some outdoor activities and starting up the grill to enjoy a good cookout. But before you ignite the grill for the first time, think about doing it safely. Here are some tips that will keep you, your family, and your home safe.

- Clean the grill and check for bugs and other debris that may have collected during the winter.
- Check all connection to be sure they are tight and you have no leaks. Rub a dish soap solution at the joints to check. If you see bubbles, turn everything off and have repairs made. If the leak does not stop, clear the area and call 911.
- Place grills well away from siding, deck rails and out from under eaves and overhanging tree branches.
- Never use a grill indoors or under a tent.
- Use only UL approved grills and cylinders and never store propane cylinders in the home or garage.
- If you use a fire pit the same rules apply. Keep the fire a manageable size, away from any flammable materials, and have a hose or fire extinguisher handy.
- Dispose of any ashes properly in a metal container in a location away from your deck and home. Remember ashes may seem cold to the touch but with a little oxygen and some time they can reignite.

Fairfax Launches Residential Food Scrap Drop-off Program

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Fairfax County recently opened two drop-off locations to kick off its new Food Scrap Composting Pilot Program. Food scraps account for up to one-third of the trash that we generate daily. Converting this material into compost is a more sustainable approach to managing this portion of the waste stream. County staff are excited to introduce this program and hope to demonstrate how food scraps can be readily diverted from disposal and made into high-quality compost. The drop-off locations are at the I-95 Landfill Complex and the I-66 Transfer Station, and both locations are open from 7 am to 4 pm, seven days a week. The drop-off locations can be found behind the following sign:



Fairfax County Energy and Climate Action Plan

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Did you know 68 percent of Fairfax County residents believe that individual citizens should do more to address climate change? Climate change is a global problem, but it also stands to impact us locally, and we have a responsibility to address it head on. That's why CCV is pleased to share some information with you about Fairfax County's efforts to create a Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan, or CECAP.

Fairfax County is not immune to the effects of climate change; we already experience stronger storms related to climatic shifts. A single severe storm in 2019 cost Fairfax County taxpayers \$14 million. That is money that could have been spent on other county services, programs, and projects. Extreme weather events pose a risk to life and property as well. Many residents stand to lose personal property and real estate as the result of flooding and other weather impacts.

The good news is no action is too small to make a difference. From changing a light bulb, to choosing to drive an electric vehicle, to weatherizing a home or business, we can all participate in climate action in multiple ways. There is no guarantee that our individual actions will directly alter our experience of climate change here in Fairfax County in the short term, but inaction is not an option if we want to see positive change in the long term. The CECAP is our path forward—a roadmap for our community, showing us how to start to address climate change locally.

For more information: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/environment-energy-coordination/climate-planning-action>

Kick COVID Out of our Neighborhood

Bill Barfield, CCVCA 1st Vice President

The Fairfax County Federation of Citizen Associations seeks your participation in conducting a voluntary effort within Country Club View to reach out and help our eligible neighbors successfully participate in Fairfax County's Covid-19 vaccination process.

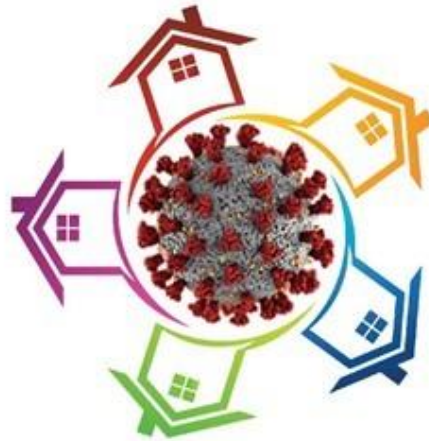
Fairfax County has done an outstanding job in developing, implementing, and spreading the word about the Covid-19 vaccination program. However, unfortunately, many residents still remain uninformed or may struggle to negotiate this process.

The Federation believes that citizen associations are in a good position to address this gap by providing neighbor-to-neighbor help to those who are struggling to get appointments because of technical challenges or because they have limited transportation options to vaccination sites.

Appropriately, I pass on to you the Federation's initiative to establish a network of neighborhood volunteers or navigators to help these challenged individuals obtain their Covid-19 vaccinations. The flyer on the following page lists some of the key County connections that you can share with your neighbors. Over the next few months, by sharing this information and checking in on our neighbors, we can help successfully help Fairfax County move out of this pandemic.



Help Kick COVID Out of Our Neighborhoods



Let's help our neighbors who are struggling to get appointments because of technical challenges or because they have limited transportation options to vaccination sites



Have questions about signing up for vaccinations?

Phone the Fairfax County Health Department Call Center at: **703-324-7404**, TTY 711, *Registrarse en español: 703-324-7404*

Email questions to : ffxcovid@fairfaxcounty.gov or Register online at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/novel-coronavirus/vaccine>



Need help with transportation to the vaccination site? Contact The Fairfax County Health Department Call Center at: **703-324-7404**, TTY 711



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