COUNTRY CLUB VIEW

Civic Association Newsletter

March 2022

President's Message

Amye Lee Rheault, CCVCA President

Welcome CCVCA Members for the year 2022! Your CCVCA Board is happy to share this first newsletter of the new year with our members. It forecasts an exciting year ahead and hopefully serves as the first reminder of the many benefits afforded to our members. This organization exists solely to further the "welfare and wellbeing of its members and its community", and we rely on your generosity and participation to fulfill that mission.

Some of you may have renewed your membership for yet another year—and we sincerely thank you for continuing to believe in this work. Others may be brand-new members, new neighbors, and to you we say "Welcome!" CCVCA is here to help you find your footing here in this great community. Whether you are a veteran neighbor or a fresh face, please let us know how we can best serve you and in turn our neighborhood overall.

You can always submit ideas, concerns, or kudos to ccvcafx@gmail.com; on our website countryclubview.org (a wealth of information!); or on NextDoor or the CCV Facebook group. The options for communication seem limitless these days! Still you may prefer to meet in-person, and so we invite you to mingle with the Board and fellow Members at the Spring Membership Meeting: details below. Meetings follow a typical agenda, but also allow time for fellowship. I hope to see you there; please come and say hello!

Sincerely,

Amye

Spring Yard Sale 8am-12pm on Saturday, April 23 Location: your driveway We do the advertising; you bring out your treasures! Add your address to our CCV Yard Sale Map using our NEW online form at countryclubview.org (No

identifying information will be published.)

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Did your newsletter arrive in a plastic bag? CCVCA encourages the reuse or recycling of delivery bags in order to minimize our environmental impact, along with recycling this paper. All recent CCVCA newsletters can be
found on our website, countryclubview.org/documents/newsletters, if you need to reference content in the future.
THANK YOU!

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All-Members Meeting

All CCVCA Members (that's you!) are invited to join current Board Members for the CCVCA Spring Membership Meeting. During our annual Spring meeting we conduct **officer elections**, as well as share **updates** on current agenda items and hear from a to-be-announced **guest speaker**. See past Spring Meeting minutes at countryclubview.org.

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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.

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Thank You Volunteers!

They say it takes a village, and we are lucky to have a great one!

- > 15 leadership volunteers serving on the Board of Directors.
- Over 60 households serving and observing with Neighborhood Watch
- More than 40 Block Captains and Section Leaders creating micro communities.
- An annual review committee for our Paul Maltagliati Memorial College Scholarship
- Dozens of Scouts clocking service hours, for which CCVCA is the charter organization
- The Women's Club represented by **16** members from CCV, KPW and beyond enriching the community
- Over 40 volunteers behind the success of our annual Ice Cream Social.
- And neighbors like **YOU** who care about CCV and the people who live here.

Thank you for making our neighborhood a great place to live!

Interested in supporting any of the roles listed above, or volunteering in another capacity? Email ccvcafx@gmail.com to share your time and talent. It takes a village!

Successful Membership Drive

Diana Michel, 2nd Vice President

Thank you very much to all of the CCV residents who have joined CCVCA for 2022! The board set a goal of 250 member households for this year, and so far we have 226 households and counting. While our official membership drive is over, we will happily accept members all year. If any of your neighbors forgot to join, please tell them it is never too late.

Through your support, we are able to fund all the fun activities for the coming year. (See page 4 for the calendar.) Thank you again and see you around the neighborhood!

The Case for Fairfax County's New Glass Recycling Program Becomes Clear

Marion Plummer, Fairfax County Government

Glass is a wonderful material: It can be recycled repeatedly without significant degradation. Glass bottles and jars collected for recycling can be made into new glass bottles and jars, providing the option for a perfectly closed-loop system. The glass collected for recycling is normally put to secondary uses, such as landfill cover or as a substitute for sand and gravel in construction material. Unfortunately, it is estimated that only 10 percent of glass containers in Virginia are being recycled.

Why does this happen? The typical process to recover glass from curbside recycling simply cannot produce the high-quality glass needed to manufacture new glass food and beverage containers which require the recycled glass to be separated by color and free of contaminants. Thus, glass is both difficult to collect and to transport. When collected curbside, glass is often broken during the collection process, and this broken glass can contaminate other collected recyclables. Broken glass also imposes significant wear and tear on collection and recyclables processing equipment.

To address these obstacles, Fairfax County's Solid Waste Management Program invested in glass processing equipment and created a strategic partnership with neighboring jurisdictions to recover and recycle glass through a regional drop-off program. The partnership has placed over 40 drop-off containers throughout the Northern Virginia region for residents to deposit their used glass bottles and jars. This new enterprise is called the Purple Can Club after its eye-catching, large purple dumpsters. Since the program's inception two years ago, over 7,000 tons of glass have been collected for recycling. Due to the high quality glass collected through the Purple Can Club, glass is currently being recycled into new glass as a glass manufacturing feedstock, with only a fraction being set aside for use as construction material.

Despite COVID restrictions/stressors and the need for the public to self-haul their glass to the closest drop-off spot, the Purple Can Club continues to grow and has been praised by other municipalities nationwide.

Find your nearest Purple Can location at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/recycling-trash/glass to start recycling your glass the best way!



Spring into Action 2022

Sherrie Brady, Events Chair



CCV has indeed become a community of action! Attendance at monthly Board meetings is bursting with inspired leadership, and participation at neighborhood events is overflowing with enthusiastic participants. We are well on our way to another banner year!

- ✓ **Do you have a suggestion or comment about CCV Events?** Make yourself heard by attending a CCV board meeting or contact Sherrie at sherrie.brady@gmail.com.
- ✓ Would you like to get involved with the planning of an event? Contact Sherrie at sherrie.brady@gmail.com.
- ✓ Would you like to know the dates and times of CCV Events? See the 2022 CCVCA Calendar (on the following page) and refer to the CCV Facebook page or the CCV Nextdoor page.
- ✓ **Do you know the best place to retrieve CCV information?** Our own outstanding website of course! www.countryclubview.org

The next CCV Event involves work gloves and sturdy boots. You WILL get dirty! Gear up for the mighty **Sideburn Run Stream Clean-up** as residents and scouts tackle the trash cluttering the waters throughout CCV Park. Many hands are needed for this big job organized by our very own Aileen Winquist. Look for a date to be announced early April. **Every address a success!**

2022 Calendar - Country Club View*

	MEETINGS AND NEWSLETTERS	EVENTS AND DEADLINES*
JANUARY	31 - Board Meeting	1 - Kickoff Membership Campaign Submit scholarship applications
FEBRUARY	28 - Board Meeting	deadline Membership Campaign
MARCH	28 - Board Meeting Newsletter #1	15 - deadline scholarship applications Begin scholarship interviews
April	25 - All-Membership Meeting	Complete scholarship interviews 23 -Stream Clean-up and Spring Yard Sale
MAY	23 - Board Meeting	Scholarship winners announced Memorial Day Ceremony
JUNE	No Board Meeting Newsletter #2	5 – Sideburn Run Pool Open House
JULY	25 - Board Meeting	TBD Fireworks display by Fairfax Country Club (not a CCV sponsored event)
AUGUST	29 - Board Meeting	2 - National Night Out
SEPTEMBER	26 - All-Membership Meeting Newsletter #3	18 - Ice Cream Social and Cash Raffle
OCTOBER	24 - Board Meeting	30 - Halloween Spooky Trail 31 - Trick or Treat
NOVEMBER	No Board Meeting	
DECEMBER	5 - Board Meeting Newsletter #4	Holiday Home Decoration Contest

^{*}Check CCV FACEBOOK and CCV NEXTDOOR for dates and times. Also, if you wish to address the Board with an idea or concern, email ccvcafx@gmail.com for our rotating monthly meeting locations.

Sit Down with a Cup of Tea: Meet Bob Mizer

Laura E. Mayer, Newsletter Editor



"Dad! Are we moving to a farm?!" a girl exclaimed looking out the car window as the vehicle passed a cow pasture while driving on a then two-lane Braddock Road.

"No, we now live in Country Club View."

Bob Mizer, his wife Pat, and their three children moved from Monterey, California to the four-bedroom colonial on Concordia in January 1980. He had been applying to new positions in the Navy—"two of which I did not want" he chuckled, "but one of them I got. So I guess it was by chance that I moved here." He called a friend, a former Naval Commanding Officer, who lived on Sideburn Road across from St. Mary's, asking him where he should live once stationed in Washington, DC. "'Here' was the reply. 'We have everything: A church, schools, shopping, transportation.' Of course, that was before the VRE, and University Mall looked very, very different," Bob added. On an afternoon visit, he

bought his Country Club View house in a matter of hours—without even looking inside! Little did Bob know that after sixteen moves for the Navy, this would be his last move. "It turned out [the family] fell in love with the area, and circumstances made it possible to stay. Hard to believe I've been here now over half my life."

Originally hailing from Detroit, Michigan, Bob attended an all-boys Catholic school and met Pat who attended an all-girls Catholic school during his senior year. "We were high school sweethearts; a mutual friend introduced us, and the rest is history." Bob explained his courtship and marriage with soft, damp eyes and a tiny tremble in his voice. "We married after I graduated from the Naval Academy and were together for fifty-two years. I can't believe it's been five years since she died."

Bob naturally has plenty to talk about, a sign of a life well-lived, but the most prominent quality about him isn't actually overt: it's his groundedness. Speaking to him is like holding a mug of tea, warm and nurturing. "I was brought up to give back," his eyes smiled. "So I've always been involved wherever I live." Bob joined the Neighborhood Watch of Country Club View in 1981, a year after moving to the neighborhood and became its leader several years following (in the late 1980s). In addition to volunteering as the Public Safety Chair in the Country Club View Civic Association, Bob also participated as the Scholarship Chair during a time it was a joint effort between our sibling neighborhoods of Bonnie Brae, Middle Ridge, and Woodbury Woods. Adding a cube of sugar (to the metaphorical tea), Bob concluded: "Did that until Bob [Coffin] took over a few years ago. Really enjoyed the Scholarship Committee. It was a joy to meet so many young people who were doing so much."

When I asked him if there was a single neighborhood event in his long-standing volunteer tenure that stood out, he replied, "Hard to pick out a single event. I'm a people person and working with other individuals is always a pleasure."

In addition to serving his neighborhood (as a CCVCA volunteer) and his country (as a Naval Officer), Bob also has served his faith as an usher at St. Mary's and served the greater community as the volunteer coordinator for Fairfax County Fire and Rescue and an EMT with the Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue.

Now living solo in his home, his grown children—now a federal law officer, a nurse practitioner, and a song writer/lyricist—and his five grandchildren—two in college—ask him, "When are you going to move?"

"Probably when I can't get around anymore," he said plainly. Bob may just have entered his eighth decade, but to me he looks freshly retired. "Nope. Longevity runs in my family— but at my age I regretfully have had to give up driving the [fire] engine or ambulance."

Thank you for nourishing our community, Bob, with your eyes on service and safety. May the knowledge and joy you have and continue to share seep into the heart of Country Club View so that your wish comes true: "the community continues to stay strong and work[s] together to resolve any issue."

Spring Safety Tips

Bob Mizer, Public Safety & Neighborhood Watch Chair

Outdoor Fire Safety

Spring is here, and summer is just around the corner. Many of us will be thinking about starting up the grill to enjoy a good cookout or using our fire pit to spend more time outside. But before you ignite the grill or fire pit for the first time, think about doing it safely. Here are a few 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 grill connections to be sure they are tight and you have no leaks. Rub dish soap at the connection 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 and fire pits 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.
- Whether you use a fire pit or charcoal grill these 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.

Remember that most house fires in the warmer months are caused by the improper disposal of ashes. Ashes stay warm long after the fire appears to be out. Dispose of ashes in a closed <u>metal</u> container and keep them away from your home. Don't leave them on your deck or you may have an unplanned visit from the fire department that could ruin your day. Stay safe.



Safe Driving Tip

As the days grow longer and as Covid's impact diminishes (hopefully), you can expect to see more people out on the streets. Slow down as you drive through CCV. It is easy to become complacent because you live here and have travelled the same route hundreds of times. But now is not the time to drop your guard. Watch for children playing and expect the unexpected!

Be CERTain this Spring

Tony Teolis, CCV Resident

Spring is upon us! As we welcome the change from winter, remember how unpredictable spring weather can be. Planning for thunderstorms in our area is not to be taken lightly as are neighborhood is prone to power loss. In addition, lightning, tornadoes, and floods require awareness and preparation. You can follow many of the same steps to plan for all extreme weather events here: https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/index.html

Do not delay! Prepare and keep an emergency kit on hand. Contact me if you are interested in a virtual chat on preparing your emergency kit and learning more about our community emergency plans: tonyteolis@tonyteolis.com

Why me? Because I am CERTified. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is a free training program administered through the Fairfax County's Fire and Rescue Department. The training prepares residents to help themselves, their families, and their neighbors in the event of a disaster in their community. Through CERT, residents can learn about disaster preparedness and receive training in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, some search and rescue, and disaster medical operations. With this training, volunteers can provide critical support by giving immediate assistance to victims before emergency first responders arrive on scene.

To sign up for CERT training, contact Jeffrey Katz (Volunteer Liaison) at fire.cert@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-246-3926.



New Zoning Ordinance May Require Your Attention

Bill Barfield, 1st Vice President

Spring is soon here, and we all start working on outside home improvement jobs. Several CCV residents are concerned about fences and sheds, so here is an update on the new modernized Fairfax County Zoning ordinance nicknamed zMOD. Released last spring, this internally hyperlinked 691 page document has become more relevant in governing how we use our property. You may want to peruse zMOD if you plan to legally build a shed, put up a fence or flag pole, install a garden or trellis, or expand a garage or an existing shed. All these improvements are called Accessory Uses on residential property and are extensively described in the zMOD now on-line at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-development/sites/planning-development/sites/planning-development/files/assets/documents/zmod/zmod-adopted-ordinance-footnotes.pdf.

In particular, the accessory uses mentioned above are located in subsection 4102.7.A. Each numbered and lettered paragraph in the below outline from zMOD contains respective detailed text and diagrams. Have fun looking through all the rules governing how we live in communities. (FYI, a search in zMOD on the word "fence" yields 125 hits!)

4102. Use Standards (starting on page 293)

- 7. Accessory Uses
 - A. General Standards for Accessory Uses and Structures
 - (1) Generally Permitted
 - (2) Relation to Principal Use (a) thru (c)
 - (3) Must Comply with District Use Standards
 - (4) Height
 - (5) Rear Setback Coverage Limitations (a) thru (e)
 - (6) General Standards for Freestanding

Accessory Structures

- (a) Location in Front Yard
- (b) Location in Side or Rear Yard
- (c) Maximum Height
- (d) Maximum Cumulative Square Footage
- (7) Fences and Walls (page 301)
 - (a) Materials
 - (b) Height
 - (c) Allowed Increases in Height
- (8) Gates and Gateposts (a) thru (c)
- (9) Trellises
- (10) Solid Waste and Recycling Storage

Containers

(11) Limitation on Motor Vehicle Fuel Storage

Tanks

- (12) Shipping Containers (a) thru (b)
- (13) Vehicle Storage (a) thru (c)
- (14) Television and Satellite Dish Antennas -
- (a) thru (b)
- (15) Amateur Radio Antenna Structures (a)
- thru (b)
- (16) Flags and Flagpoles (a) thru (d) (page

307)

(17) Swimming Pools - (a) thru (b)