



The Lamplighter

Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association



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A Message from the President

Greetings Neighbors,

It's hard to believe another summer has come and gone, and with so many new families moving into the Woods, it's a shame we've been unable to hold our community meetings and social events. I hope as we get through the upcoming year, COVID case numbers will start to wane and we can once again return to normal. The community events are a great way to reconnect with old friends and make new ones. While we were unable to hold our Fall events, this year, I am optimistic we will be able to hold our Spring events.



membership drive. If you have questions about membership, feel free to email me at beckerc58703@yahoo.com.

Thanks again for your membership in the community and stay safe until we can all get together again.

Charles Becker
SHWCA President

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Reading in the Woods

As the temperatures start cooling, many of you may look forward to spending a crisp fall afternoon reading in your beautiful Sleepy Hollow Woods backyard. If you're looking for something new to read, you may not need to leave the neighborhood! Have you visited one of the Little Free Libraries around our community? These 'book boxes' are part a non-profit organization called Little Free Library. It is a book-sharing movement that encourages free book exchanges in community spaces. These libraries can be officially chartered with the organization and placed on the worldwide map of libraries. Currently, there are over 100,000 chartered Little Free Libraries worldwide!



By Jennifer Lukas

Here's how it works. The individual who decides to set up a library is called a steward. The process starts when a steward decides to either purchase a library box through Little Free Library or builds his or her own. The organization is based out of Wisconsin, and the boxes they sell are hand-crafted by local Amish communities. Once installed, stewards take on the responsibility for overall management of the box. They will initially stock their library. From there, the library is open to the community. Visitors are welcome to take any book they find interesting. Books don't necessarily need to be returned and stewards encourage

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It's also time again to conduct our membership drive. Your \$30 pledge of membership to SHWCA helps pay for the publication of the *Lamplighter*, maintenance of entrances and gas lamps, funding of future social events, and the continuation of such activities as the community yard sale and the holiday decorations contest. We won't be doing door-to-door visits this year, so in this edition of the *Lamplighter* you will find information on our contactless

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Like to write? Have something you want to share with the community?

Comments, articles, and letters are welcome. Please contact Tim Koczanski for the deadline. Editor reserves the right to edit submissions.

SHWCA Meetings are canceled until further notice.

The Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association (SHWCA) got a late start this year due to the coronavirus. Normally, our block captains, your fellow “Woods” neighbors, would be stopping by throughout the month of September, armed with pre-filled membership forms with your information to be published in our directory. Due to the pandemic, we will be handling the membership differently this year. This year we will be instituting a contactless format for collecting information and receiving annual dues. You will notice a blank form for membership for the Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association (SHWCA) on page 3 of this newsletter. Like last year, **We are asking everyone to complete a new form this year**—whether or not you've completed one in the past, since we are unable to print and mail prefilled membership forms as part of the newsletter. Along with the completed form, a \$30.00 payment (Make checks payable to SHWCA) for SHWCA

yearly dues is required. Paying your membership dues provides revenue for many expenses and activities, including: our Neighborhood Watch Program, The Lamplighter newsletter, our community website, our annual yard sale and picnic, entrance maintenance—including gas for the lanterns—and social activities for both adults and children throughout the year. The membership form lists various ways you can send your form and dues to SHWCA, including mailing and hand delivering. For those that don't want to write a check, there will once again be an electronic method for residents to pay their membership dues using Zelle. For more information on using Zelle in order to pay your annual SHWCA dues, consult your financial institution and follow instructions on the membership form. For those of you who have been members in the past, we thank you for your continued support. For those just joining us, we welcome you!

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(and anticipate) that visitors will start leaving books as well. The goal is community engagement! As one of the stewards in Sleepy Hollow Woods, I was motivated to share my love of reading with neighbors. Family legend has it that my first word was ‘book’ and that pretty much says it all. I’ve been a voracious reader ever since and love nothing more than relaxing with a good fiction novel. I tend to stock my library with adult fiction of all genres, with a personal tendency towards historical fiction and mysteries. Visitors have recently contributed great non-fiction selections and some children’s books. In Sleepy Hollow Woods, there are currently two libraries on Fern Lane, one on Ivydale Drive and one on Sprucedale Drive. Visit one of our neighborhood libraries and join the Little Free Library community! To identify more libraries in the area, visit littlefreelibrary.org to search their world map.

SHWCA Membership Application

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Dues pay for the maintenance of the three entrances and more!
If you do not want your information published in the directory, please indicate this on the form.

**Please return your annual dues of \$30
AND THIS FORM with any changes to:**

1) By Mail: SHWCA P.O. Box 384, Annandale, VA 22003
2) In Person Drop-Off: 6722 Rosewood Street, Annandale
3) Payment via Zelle*: SHWPayments@gmail.com

*With Zelle payment, indicate your house number and street name in the memo field and follow-up by mailing or dropping off the form

Please turn in your form and dues payment not later than Nov. 15, 2021

Checks should be made payable to SHWCA

If you need a receipt, cut along this line and keep the top portion

Last Name: _____
First Names: _____
Address: _____
Children (name and year born): _____
Year you moved into the "Woods": _____ Phone: _____
Email Address: _____ (Required to receive important email updates)
Indicate Payment Type:
Cash ___ Check # _____ Zelle* to SHWPayments@gmail.com _____
*Indicate your house number and street name in the memo field

Adults providing services on a volunteer basis and/or youth services that you or your family members would like to offer the community can be listed in the directory for free. **Services offered by Adults for a fee can be listed for \$5.00.** Please list them below.

Service description: _____ Offered by: _____

We need volunteers for our committees and to help with special events.

If you or one of your family members would be interested in helping, please let us know by checking an item below.

Block Captain _____ Neighborhood Watch (1 hour per month) _____ Officer _____
Membership Directory _____ Newsletter and Website _____ Social Events _____

**Sleepy Hollow Woods
Market Report**



**Kim Grutzik 703.851.3942
Sleepy Hollow Woods Expert**

Status	Address	Beds	Baths	Close Date	DOM	Sale Price
ACT	3713 Moss Dr	4	2/1		9	\$720,000
ACT	3918 Moss Dr	4	3/1		16	\$779,500
A/C	3714 Forest Grove	4	3		14	\$700,000
A/C	6738 Fern Ln	4	3		38	\$750,000
CLS	6716 Capstan Dr	4	2/1	9/16/21	5	\$630,000
CLS	6832 Columbia Pike	4	3/1	9/17/21	13	\$660,000
CLS	6814 Rosewood St	4	2/1	9/3/21	22	\$715,000
CLS	3917 Forest Grove Dr	4	2/1	9/3/21	25	\$738,000
CLS	3903 Ivydale Dr	4	3	8/10/21	43	\$745,000
CLS	3700 Forest Grove Dr	4	3	7/20/21	6	\$786,000

Data is for last 90 days

Source: Bright MLS. Information believed to be accurate but should not be relied upon without verification. Information obtained is not the exclusive listings of the agent. If your property is currently listed with a broker, this is not intended to be a solicitation of that listing.



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The Civic Association is a successful and worthwhile activity. If you are not a member, please join! If you are a member, come to the meetings, meet your neighbors, volunteer a little time, and help make Sleepy Hollow Woods an even better place to live.

The Civic Association is a volunteer organization. It was established to protect and benefit the residents of Sleepy Hollow Woods. For a small annual fee, residents can join the association. The association prints an annual directory of members and additionally provides a wealth of other useful information. In order to help defray the cost of publishing the directory, advertisements in the directory are accepted.

Our main functions: Represent the community in various Fairfax County related matters; Publish and distribute the annual directory; Sponsor various community and social activities; Coordinate and provide information to residents through newsletters and other means; Maintain the entrances and sponsor neighborhood improvement projects; Provide a forum for discussion of local issues; Sponsor the Neighborhood Watch Program; and Encourage compliance with the covenant.