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A Message from the President

Hello Neighbors,

Hard to believe the end of the year is approaching, and in a couple of weeks we will be welcoming 2017. With this year's membership drive behind us, SHWCA residents should have already received the latest copy of our community directory. Please take a moment to look over the directory—aside from the directory of names, also provided are helpful phone numbers for community services, our community covenants and by-laws, as well as service providers who work in the community and have paid to advertise. Next time you need work done around your home, don't forget to give our advertisers a shot at completing your next job. Supporting the membership drive is important as it helps defray many of the costs we incur over the course of the year. Items such as landscape and entry maintenance, the SHWCA Website, and the publication of this newsletter *The Lamplighter*, are all paid for from funds that are received through the annual membership drive. Additionally,



this year, monies collected paid for the refurbishment of the brick at lantern entrances at both Moss Dr. and Columbia Pike, and Fern Lane and Sleepy Hollow Rd.

As December continues on, and the days get shorter, I hope you will all take time to enjoy this holiday season with friends and family. On behalf of the SHWCA Executive Committee, we wish you a joyous holiday season and a prosperous and healthy New Year!

Tim Koczanski
SHWCA President

VDOT Expands Resources this Winter

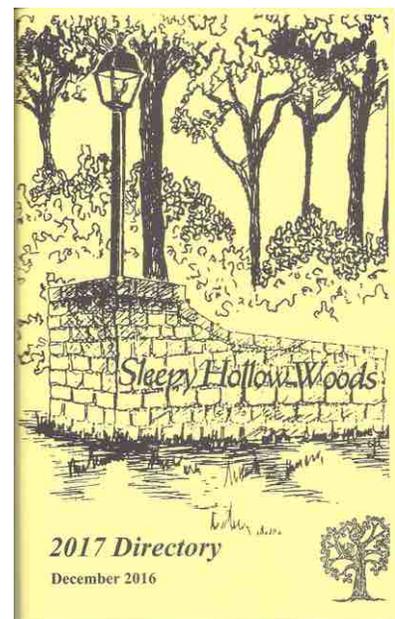
The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is ready for snow season with plow-tracking technology, an expanded monitor program, and a new one-stop shop for online resources that are available for residents to use. VDOT has budgeted \$82.7 million for snow removal in Northern Virginia this winter, and the agency's state and contracted fleet is ready with more than 4,500 pieces of equipment.

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2017 SHWCA Directories are now available...



Committee to Rename J.E.B. Stuart H.S.

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This year, 180 VDOT employees will ride the roads to monitor road conditions and snowplow progress, and more than 30 employees will monitor remotely via the automatic vehicle locator (AVL) equipment.

Remember, all SHWCA Roads (with the exception of pipe-stem drive like that off Sprucedale Lane) belong to VDOT. Should you need to contact someone in reference to a road not plowed after snowfall, please contact 800-FOR-ROAD (367-7623). Other ways you can stay connected include:

- www.511virginia.org for road conditions
- www.vdotplows.org for neighborhood status and locations of plows
- @vadotnova on Twitter
- <http://my.vdot.virginia.gov> or 800-FOR-ROAD (367-7623) to report issues.

SHWCA Upcoming Meetings*

January 25, 2017

March 8, 2017

April 12, 2017

September 13, 2017

November 8, 2017

** All meetings held at the Mason District Govt. Center and begin at 7:30 pm*

During its July 28 regular meeting, the Fairfax County School Board passed a motion to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to consider renaming J.E.B. Stuart High School. The committee will consist of students, parents, alumni, and business and community leaders to be chosen by the Superintendent in consultation with the Board. This committee will weigh the pros and cons of a name change and to determine the extent of support for a change. It will also explore public-private partnerships to finance any name change; ways to prevent added burdens on the school's booster clubs, PTSA and Stuart school administration; the best

method for transitioning from an old name to a new one; and the best timing for such a change, if such a change is approved by the Board. Those interested in participating in this Ad Hoc Committee are encouraged to volunteer. The time commitment would extend until April, when the results of the committee's work will be presented to the School Board for review and action. Those interested should contact Marty Smith at mksmith@fcps.edu with a copy to Tracey Skahen at tlskahen@fcps.edu.

A Big Round of Applause, Please.....

We owe a debt of gratitude to our block captains who tirelessly knocked on your doors to collect annual membership dues for our civic association and information for publication in our directory. The effort would not have been possible without the help of the following dedicated volunteers: Lesli Bailey, Barbara Boots, Mike Brady, Joe Burrus, Ann Cartright, Phil Centini, Jim Councilor, Nancy Donahue, Skip Dye, Lucia Francisco, John Gilmore, Rebecca Harrigal, Kathye Hamilton, Courtenay Pekkala, Carol Irons, Madeline Lawson, Carl Novak, Liza Pringle, Paul Przedpelski, Tara Rethore, Susan Ronkainen, Beth Schreiner, Dara Singh, Mary Stapchuck, Sally Storr, Anne-Marie Toure, George Utting, Donna

Vasilakos and Flora Wack. Some folks are new, some are veterans, but their help provides the glue that holds the civic association together. We are also very grateful for the help of Robert and Annie Lee for being block captain coordinators who distributed and collected all 33 packets from the block captains, to Paul Przedpelski for printing and distribution assistance, to Bob Schreiner for painstakingly proofreading drafts, to Tom Boots for obtaining company sponsors for advertising, to Beth Schreiner for her capable handling of banking duties, and to Lillie Tobash for coordinating the publishing. The 2017 directory has been delivered to each home.

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SHWCA OFFICERS (2016-2017)

Tim Koczanski.....President
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Open.....Social

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Follow us on twitter
(@SHW_CA)

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

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

Next SHWCA Meeting is
January 25, 2017 at the
Mason District
Government Center
7:30 p.m.

It's Not Too Late to Volunteer.....

Do you have the knack for entertaining? Are you the type that likes to organize and lead? Or do you prefer offering assistance but not overseeing a project? Are you more social or business minded? Whatever your talents might be, there are always opportunities to get involved with the Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association (SHWCA). As we get closer to the New Year, why not make volunteering in the association one of your New Year's resolutions. To discuss participating on committees, or how to run for a leadership position on the SHWCA ExCom, contact Tim Koczanski at Tim.Koczanski@gmail.com or call 703-941-0815.

Hypothermia Prevention Program in Progress...

Because of the successful public-private partnerships that serve the critical needs of chronically homeless persons, the 2016-2017 Fairfax-Falls Church emergency hypothermia shelters are open under a "no turn-away" status from now until March 31, 2017, at all emergency shelters—based on freezing temperatures. If you see someone at night who is unsheltered and could be at risk of hypothermia, call the county's non-emergency phone line at 703-691-2131 (TTY 711). Information about the Hypothermia Prevention Program is available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/homeless/hypothermia-prevention/.

SHW News Briefs

SleepyNet –Sleepynet, SHWCA's Listserv is one of the best ways to get information on community happenings as well as notifications. If you are not currently receiving Sleepynet emails and would like to receive them, please contact Beth Schreiner at bobeth@cox.net to get added.

Mason News and Updates – If you would like to receive news and updates about Fairfax County services and events in Mason District, send an e-mail to masonbosinfo@fairfaxcounty.gov to subscribe. To remove yourself from the Mason District Newsletter, send an e-mail and include unsubscribe in the subject line to remove your e-mail address from the subscription list.

Need Documents Notarized?

Notary Services are available in the office of Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information about what you need to bring, or to schedule an appointment with one of the two notaries, please call the office at 703-256-7717, or send an e-mail to mason@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Sleepy Hollow Woods Market Report

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| <u>Status</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Style</u> | <u>List Price</u> | <u>Close Price</u> | <u>Close Date</u> | <u>BR</u> | <u>BA</u> | <u>DOM</u> |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Act | 3710 Moss Dr | Rambler | \$675,000 | | | 3 | 3.5 | 5 |
| Act | 3915 Oak Hill Dr | Colonial | \$649,900 | | | 4 | 2.5 | 20 |
| Act | 3907 Moss Dr | Raised Rambler | \$2,650 | | | 3 | 2 | 26 |
| Cnko | 3909 Forest Grove Dr | Bilevel | \$535,000 | | 16-Dec-16 | 4 | 2.5 | 4 |
| Cnko | 3716 Moss Dr | Bilevel | \$570,000 | | 1-Dec-16 | 4 | 2.5 | 1 |
| Cnko | 3811 Tall Oak Ct | Rambler | \$450,000 | | 17-May-16 | 4 | 3 | 18 |
| Rntd | 3910 Forest Grove Dr | Rambler | \$2,400 | \$2,300 | 23-Jul-16 | 4 | 3 | 39 |
| Rntd | 3712 Moss Dr | Split Level | \$2,595 | \$3,000 | 23-Nov-16 | 4 | 2.5 | 20 |

Data is for the Last 30 days

Source: Metropolitan Regional Information System, Inc. 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 as a solicitation of that listing.



Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association (SHWCA)

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 resident 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.