



The Lamplighter

Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association



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A Message from the President

Greetings
Neighbors,



Although summer is almost over, I first want to look back a few months and thank all those who participated in the Spring Yard Sale and Picnic. Although we always seem to pick the rainiest day for these events, the weather cleared up so that we could have a cool, but dry picnic. Thanks to all volunteers who helped setup, cleanup, and prepare the food. As we wind down these final weeks of summer, The Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association (SHWCA) community meetings and fall events begin to ramp up. More information will be available on the SHWCA website and be distributed via the Sleepynet, but I wanted to highlight some of the upcoming events. The next SHWCA meeting will be held at Mason District Govt. Center on September 13th, at 7:30 pm. Also, mark your calendars for our annual Oktoberfest celebration, scheduled on October 21 at St. Alban's Frizzell Hall. These meetings and events are a great way to learn what's going on in the community - we look forward to seeing you there.

In our last newsletter, I mentioned our revamped community website, but I would also like to mention our Facebook page. Whether you are looking to share or organize activities, wishing to offload household items, or seeking recommendations for commercial services, the Facebook page is a great way to engage with other neighbors. If you are new to the community or not already a member, please like and share our Facebook page - "Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association. "

Mike Wisniewski
SHWCA President

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SHWCA Membership Drive Begins September 1st

The annual membership drive for the Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association (SHWCA) will be underway soon. Our block captains, your fellow "Woods" neighbors, will be stopping by with a form with information to be published in our directory. When the block captains knock on your door, please review your information for accuracy. If they have left the form in your door, review and return to your block captain with the \$20 in dues.

Paying your membership dues provides revenue for many expenses and activities, including: our Neighborhood Watch Program, *The Lamplighter* newsletter, our yard sale and picnic, entrance maintenance, and social activities for adults and children. 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!

Taste of Annandale October 14th

If you missed the Taste of Annandale last year, you'll have another chance to take part in a community celebration featuring great food and entertainment from a variety of cultures. The inaugural Taste of Annandale, which took place on June 2015, drew thousands of residents to an all-day family-friendly festival showcasing local restaurants and talent. Dozens of restaurants and businesses participated. The 2017 Taste of Annandale will take place on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017, and will be held on Tom Davis Drive. The event will kick off with a 5K Run that will begin and end in the Kmart parking lot. For more information and updates go to: <https://tasteofannandale.com>.

SHWCA Oktoberfest Celebration, October 21st, 5pm-9pm -Alles Willkommen

Munich comes to Sleepy Hollow Woods with the Oktoberfest Celebration—one of the Woods' most popular and highly attended events. The world's greatest celebration of beer, music, and autumn will take place on Saturday, October 21st from 5pm - 9pm at St. Alban's Frizzell Hall. SHWCA will provide the brats, hot dogs, sauerkraut, and beer and wine. There will be music and dancing for adults and activities for kids.

The cost is \$15 per person or \$15 per family if you bring a side dish. It takes a lot of energy to throw a party for 377 households! Please step up to help before, during, and after the event. Call Mike Wisniewski (703) 967-0096 or email mikewisniewski9@gmail.com to assist.

SHWCA Oktoberfest Celebration
Date: Saturday, October 21, 2017
Time: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Place: St. Alban's Church
6800 Columbia Pike

SHW Neighbor Publishes Debut Novel

When a catastrophic solar storm brings about the collapse of technological civilization, an Amish community in Pennsylvania is caught up in the devastating aftermath. Such is the setting for

Sleepy Hollow Woods resident David Williams' debut novel *When the English Fall* (Algonquin Books). As Mr. Williams portrays the story, nothing works, planes
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School Board Votes to Change Name of J.E.B. Stuart H.S.

Community Meeting and Voting Scheduled for September

On July 27, 2017, the Fairfax County School Board voted to change the name of J.E.B. Stuart High School no later than the start of the 2019 School Year. The renaming process will start this fall. As part of the process, and in recognition of the need to minimize costs, the School Board requests the Stuart community consider "Stuart High School" as the new name. The Board has directed staff to create a mechanism for private funding

with the expectation that private funding will pay for a substantial portion of the costs. An open public meeting will be held on **Saturday, September 9**, at 10 a.m., at J.E.B. Stuart High School to gather names for consideration along with the opportunity for presentations, questions, and discussion. Voting for the school name will be limited to those participants residing in the school's attendance area. Voting will take place on **Saturday**,

September 16, at J.E.B. Stuart High School and will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. After review of the community's recommendations, the Division Superintendent will formulate a recommendation consisting of one or more of the most popular choices according to community input. The Division Superintendent will transmit the recommendations to the School Board for consideration and action.
(Source <https://www.fcps.edu/renaming>)

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(@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.

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the Mason District
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7:30 p.m.

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have plummeted to the ground, and our systems of modern life have crumbled. The Amish, with their stocked larders and stores of supplies, are at first unaffected. But as the English (what the Amish call all non-Amish) become more and more desperate, they begin to invade Amish farms, taking whatever they want from the peaceable community. Though the novel (written as journal entries by an Amishman) has an intentionally patient, gentle, "plain" pace, it's been getting some great reviews. It was elected as one of Amazon's 10

SHW News Briefs

SleepyNet –Sleepynet, SHWCA's email distribution list 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.

The Quick 411 –I heard that there are some notable new state laws that recently took effect. Is there a place I can learn about them? Yes! July 1st marks when new laws and new budgets become effective in Virginia and our county. To learn more, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news2/8-notable-new-state-laws-effective-july-1-2017/
(Source Mason District News).

Oak Tree Owners Watch for Seasonal Defoliators – The orange striped oakworm (*Anisota senatoria*) is a native moth that feeds on oak trees in late summer and early fall. Diagnostic: Leaves will be stripped except for mid-ribs (or "veins"), usually isolated to specific branches or sections of the tree. This may occur in late summer/early fall, but does not pose much threat to the trees because trees are preparing to lose their leaves for winter and are not depending on them as heavily for food as they would in the spring or early summer. Treatment isn't warranted usually for this pest because it occurs later in the year when trees are not as stressed by defoliation. Affected branches may be pruned if unsightly. More information about trees is available by visiting the Fairfax County Urban Forest Management Division Web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/environmental/ufmdmain.htm or by calling 703-324-1770, TTY 711 (Source Mason District News).

Best Books of July. The Boston Globe called it: "Entrancing..... holding, at times, the power of prayer." The L.A. Times said: "It's rare to find a debut novel so finely crafted." So if you're interested in an end of the summer read by a Sleepy Hollow Woods resident, give it a try. It's available on Amazon, at Barnes and Noble, at locally owned independent bookstores, and wherever books are sold.

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Sleepy Hollow Woods Market Report



Lillie Tobash & Kim Grutzik
Your Neighborhood Realtors

Status	Address	Style	List Price	Close Price	Subsidy	Close Date	BR	BA	DOM
Act	3908 Moss Dr	Split Level	\$500,000				3	2.5	3
Act	3924 Forest Grove Dr	Rambler	\$650,000				4	3	39
Act	3907 Moss Dr	Rambler	\$2,600				3	2	42
Act	6814 Maplecrest Dr	Bilevel	\$599,900				4	2.5	53
Cont	6704 Capstan Dr	Split Level	\$599,900			31-Aug-17	4	2.5	11
Sold	4005 Moss Dr	Colonial	\$589,000	\$585,000	\$9,250	11-Aug-17	4	2.5	71

Data is for the last 30 days
Aug-17



MLS

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.

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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.