



Camp Springs Civic Association Community News

P. O. Box 1071, Camp Springs, MD 20757

CSCA Meetings

2nd Wednesday

- Sept 9, 2015
- Nov 11 meeting rescheduled for Nov 18, 2015

Web Site: Campspringsca.org

September 2015 Community Meeting

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE SEPTEMBER COMMUNITY MEETING

Date: Wednesday September 9, 2015
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Thurgood Marshall Middle School
 4909 Brinkley Road, Camp Springs, MD 20748

Note: If Prince George's County Public Schools are closed for any reason, the meeting will be cancelled.

FEATURE TOPIC: *By Wilmarie McKoy*

Buying a home is one of the largest investments many of us will make. Having knowledge of zoning laws is one way of protecting that investment. Zoning is the way the governments control the physical development of land and the ways the land can be used. Do you know the zoning codes and the procedures for reporting violations? If not, attend the Sept. 9 Community Meeting. Our guests will be Karyn Crichton, Planner Coordinator, Community Planning Division, PG Planning Dept.; Ruby Sherrod, Assoc. Director of the Depart. of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE); Brandon Wright, DPIE Senior Inspector, and Corp. Garner, District IV, Police Dept. They will discuss the zoning codes and procedures for reporting code violations. Please attend to learn about zoning and enforcement, and most importantly, how to protect your investment. By working together, we can make Camp Springs a more viable community for everyone.

Your Civic Association at Work

By Monique C. Taylor

The Camp Spring Civic Association is comprised of concerned and involved citizens who promote the development, improvement and safety of Camp Springs. We volunteer our time to help build a better community. Check out our year in review:

- Annual Clean-up & Green-up Day
- Free Shred Day
- Bi-monthly meetings (hot topics included: the Department of Permitting, Inspection & Enforcement (DPIE) discussed property standards, abandoned

- properties (your rights), parked vehicles including boats on properties, number of people living in single family homes, sign ordinances and permits, State's Attorney Alsobrooks' discussion on how to stop domestic violence and how to help individuals deal with various forms of abuse.
- Police Reports for Districts IV & V
- Hosted National Night Out- "America's Night Out Against Crime"
- Met with Business Owners regularly to discuss how they

can support the community and help foster better living conditions.

- Kept citizens informed of issues and changes in the County via newsletters and website.
- Hosted Legislative Wrap Up to hear about the work that our elected officials are doing for the community.
- Attended meetings on behalf of the community (zoning, transportation, education, senior citizens,

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CSCA at Work

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public safety, environment, and many others).

- Worked with Neighborhood Watch organizations
- Instrumental in Royal Farms coming to our area

We could do so much more but



JOIN YOUR CIVIC ASSOCIATION TODAY!! AND JOIN A COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP IS ONLY \$10 PER HOUSEHOLD & \$25 FOR BUSINESSES



Board Members working at National Night Out 2016.

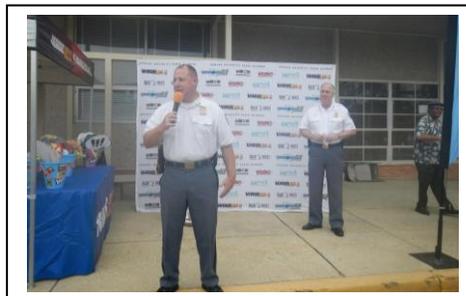


National Night Out,

By Leon Turner

The heavens held back the rainstorm and allowed for a very successful 32nd annual National Night Out (NNO) event held Aug 4. The Camp Springs Civic Association (CSCA) held its 2015 NNO at Thurgood Marshall Middle School (its adopted school) and was perhaps its biggest ever. NNO is “America’s Night Out Against Crime” and communities throughout the nation take this opportunity to raise awareness on crime prevention and public safety.

Major Douglas Garrett, Prince George’s County District IV Police Commander, joined in NNO and remarked, “The partnership between the citizens of Camp Springs and the police department is crucial to reduce crime and increase the quality of life within our community. The successful NNO event sponsored annually by the CSCA continually displays their commitment to public safety. In these somewhat turbulent times, concerning police/community relations nationally, the residents of this community continue to recognize our fundamental relationship, the



Major Douglas Garrett



Biggest Ever



Taylor Thomas, WHUR



constitutional policing we strive to provide, and the accomplishments we have achieved together. As the Commander of District IV, I am honored and privileged to have such valuable partners.”

The CSCA 2015 NNO Planning Committee, led by Claudia Poole and Leon Turner, would like to thank the many volunteers and supporters who helped make this event a big

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success: Kyisha Jones, Christina Johnson, Patricia Spradlin, Cops officer Mike Garner, local/County Police, Police Explorers, Canine Units, Boy Scouts, Boys/Girls Clubs, County agencies/leaders, Neighborhood Watch Groups, Concerned Black Men, Classic Vehicles, Line Dancers, Zumba Workout, etc. We want to pay a special thanks to Thurgood Marshall Middle School principal, DeMarco Clark, who was present, for hosting us.

Additionally, we pay special thanks to our sponsors: Royal Farms, Roy's Car Wash, Red Nelson Trophy World, Giant Foods, Norgetown Cleaners, Midas, Aldi Grocery, Topolinos, Primerica Financial Servs., and Solid State Systems. We want to particularly recognize WHUR-Radio (96.3 FM) for their strong support, advertising and music entertainment, particularly Renee Nash, Director of News & Public Affairs, and Taylor Thomas, radio broadcaster and journalist.

NNO is an excellent chance for the public to meet and get acquainted with the police and vice versa, especially in these difficult times with shootings and violence. Police Chief Mark Magaw, who attended NNO, stated "It is important that we work together as one community because there is power in unity. A strong relationship with Camp Springs will help us provide even better service to the community and we're only as good as the relationship."

The CSCA raffled off prizes and provided free refreshments, had games and fun for all ages. Erica Walker was the special grand prize winner of \$200 donated by CSCA Board member, James Randolph,

Information You Can Use

Need a meal?

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Washington is giving away free meals in Camp Springs as part of its St. Maria's Dinner Service. Volunteers started serving hot dinners to people in need on July 14 in the parking lot of the Catholic Charities – Susan D Mona Center, which is located at 5859 Allentown Way. That's the location of what was previously known as Tradewinds. The free meals are distributed every Tuesday from 5:30 – 6:30 pm.

Looking for a job?

Congresswoman Donna Edwards is hosting a 2015 Job Fair on **Sept. 9**, 10 am to 2 pm at the Prince George's County Sports & Learning Complex Field House, 8001 Sheriff Rd in Landover. Dress for success, have resume in hand and be prepared with a 30-second pitch about yourself. Federal, state, and local agencies as well as non-profits will be there to talk about positions and training opportunities. For more info., call 301-516-7601.

Convoy of Hope

This big community event will be held at Evangel Assembly on **September 11 & 12**. A volunteer rally will be held on Sept. 11 at 6 pm. The community event takes place on the 12th at 10 am. The Convoy of Hope is a collaborative effort between people and organizations to inspire compassion and service. They will provide free groceries, health screenings, job

and the CSCA. We look forward to your continued support of the CSCA. Please plan to join our organization at the Sept. 9 membership meeting.

services, family portraits, haircuts, prayer and activities for children. For more information, call 301-899-5940 Ext. 230.

Check Your Numbers

The Prince George's County Council District 8 Community Health Fair, sponsored by Council Member Obie Patterson, will be held on **Sept. 26**, 10 am – 2 pm at the Southern Regional Technology and Recreation Complex, 7007 Bock Road. The fair will provide free flu shots, health screenings, fitness activities and free produce.

Million Man March 20th Anniversary

It's hard to believe that it's been 20 years since that remarkable event in 1995. The anniversary celebration will be Oct. 10, 5 am – 7 pm, on the National Mall, 900 Ohio Dr., SW, Washington, DC. This anniversary's theme is around demanding justice in Washington.

Looking to serve your country?

Congresswoman Donna Edward's office is accepting applications from people who are interested in applying to one of the U.S. Service Academies and seeking a congressional nomination. The application to a service academy is due on Oct. 9. Qualified applicants will be interviewed by Congresswoman Edwards' Service Academy Review Board on Nov. 14 & 15 and nominations will be announced in December. The academies include: West Point, Naval Academy, Air Force, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine. For questions, call Corey Daniels 301-516-7601.

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Dream Big, Shape Your World



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Let's Clean Up Green Up

The Prince George's county-wide clean-up will be held on **Oct. 17**. Give back by helping the Camp Springs Civic Association clean up our neighborhoods and plant flowers or trees. Meet us in the parking lot of the Village Thrift Store, 6307 Allentown Road at 8 am. For more info., call Arlene Wilson, 301-899-3903. Take pride in your community.

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KNOW

Prince George's County
 Police Non-Emergency **301-352-1200**
 District IV Police Station **301-749-4900**
 District V Police Station **301-856-3130**
 WSSC Emergency **301-206-4002**



County Click 311 - If you need service from a County department or have questions, just dial *311*. County Click 311 was created as a one stop call center. If you are outside of the County, call 301-883-4748. County Click 311 operates Monday through Friday from 7 am to 7 pm. You can also go online at <http://countyclick.princegeorgescountymd.gov/>

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Zumba with Ky at 10 AM on Saturday's at Potomac Landing Community Center, 12500 Ft. Wash Rd, Fort Washington, MD
 Bar Code: 1635474 * 301-203-9206

Check out the CSCA Website for county and community news & events and to volunteer:

<http://www.Campspringsca.org>

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MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL

Please complete the following membership form and send it along with your check payable to the Camp Springs Civic Association, Inc. Attention Membership Chair, P.O. Box 1071, Camp Springs, Maryland 20757.

Membership Period: September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016

Membership Dues: \$10.00 (per residential household)

Name _____ **Date** _____

Address _____ **Camp Springs, MD Zip** _____

Phone: _____ **Email** _____

If you would prefer an electronic version of the newsletter (improving our eco-friendly efforts) please check the yes box.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I am already a member but would like to volunteer for one of the committees: Yes ___ No ___

I am interested in volunteering for one or more of the standing committees or activities listed below (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works/Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Svcs | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizen Concerns | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt-A-Road | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter/Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution of Flyers | <input type="checkbox"/> IT/Social Media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Watch | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Business/Economic | <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Watch | |