



Camp Springs Civic Association Community Informer

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

2013 CSCA Meetings

2nd Wednesday

- Sep. 11
- Nov. 6

May 2013 Community Meeting

The next Community meeting will be held on May 8 at Thurgood Marshall Middle School, 4909 Brinkley Rd., Camp Springs, MD

Agenda: Board Candidate Remarks will begin at 7:15 p.m. Legislative Wrap Up will begin at 7:30 p.m. **Please arrive by 7 p.m.**

Feature Topics: We will hold Elections for CSCA Executive Officer positions followed by a Legislative Wrap Up. Our representatives in the Maryland General Assembly will update us on the bills they worked on this legislative session. Please join us to hear from Senator C. Anthony Muse (D-26), Senator Ulysses Currie (D-25), Del. Veronica Turner (D-25), Del. Jay Walker and Prince George's County Councilman Obie Patterson (D-8).

CSCA Momentum

The May meeting is the final Community Meeting until September. We've had a productive year with numerous accomplishments: there is movement on the Pyles Lumber Yard with a commitment from DER to demolish the building; our work with the County Police Dept. and Councilman Obie Patterson's office, who joined forces for a special meeting on crime and strategies to keep our community safe. True to our mission, the Board will continue to provide a voice for those who cannot speak for themselves (see article entitled Civic Duty at Work, page 3). The neighborhood watch groups are certainly doing their part and deserve credit for helping to keep our communities safe. Neighbors have, on numerous occasions, called police to report suspicious activity. That action enabled police to stop a crime or apprehend a suspect.

Finally, you all make the difference by paying your dues, attending meetings, and voicing your opinions. You give us the impetus to hold our government accountable. I encourage you to stay involved. Let's continue to build a beautiful and thriving community with successful schools and respectable and quality businesses. We look forward to seeing you in August for National Night Out Against Crime. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you.

Tammy Jones, Acting President

Update on Pyles Lumber

As you know, the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) has issued a notice to demolish the old Pyles Lumber Yard building. The CSCA Board continues to support DER's work toward eliminating this blight from our community. We must also inform you that Attorney Matthew C. Tedesco has filed a detailed site plan to the Maryland National Capital

Park and Planning Commission to raze Pyles Lumber and replace it with a Royal Farms. Mr. Tedesco and other representatives met with the CSCA Board on April 17 to discuss the plan. The representatives reported that their plan would create between 35-40 local jobs and about 75 construction jobs.



Royal Farms

Royal Farms is a convenience store similar to a WAWA. It is most known for its fried chicken. The plan also calls for a gas station and a car wash. Please share your thoughts about this plan with the CSCA Board at campspringsca@gmail.com.



The CSCA presented a gift to the Freeman family to demonstrate the community's appreciation for their mother and wife, Mary Freeman. Ms. Freeman gave selflessly of her time as "Winnie the Clown" at National Night Out events, and she worked tirelessly as a Neighborhood Watch captain. Ms. Freeman transitioned in 2012. We will miss Ms. Freeman.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KNOW

Prince George's County	
Police Non-Emergency	301-352-1200
Bulky Items	301-952-7600
Community Standards	301-883-6100
Leaf Collection	301-499-8576
Refuse Collection	301-952-7630
Animal Control/Management	301-780-7200
Property Standards	301-883-6100
District IV Police Station	301-749-4900
(Non-Emergency # --Eastover)	
District V Police Station	301-856-3130
Potholes	301-499-8520

CSCA is in need of volunteers to help with National Night Out Against Crime; please email: Campspringsca@gmail.com



Annie's Art Gallery Poetry Open Mic Family Night

- ✓ A free arts event with a focus on poetry and visual art takes place at Annie's Art Gallery from 6-9 pm each 3rd Thursday. This free-to-the-community poetry and arts series, which is now in its 5th year and hosted by gallery Poet-in-Residence, Sistah Joy, will maintain a particular, but not exclusive, focus throughout 2013 on youth and teen poets and artists. Annie's Art Gallery is located at 5814 Allentown Way, in Camp Springs. All are invited to attend this family-friendly Open Mic event. Contact Poet-in-Residence, Sistah Joy at Poetsistahjoy@aol.com for more information.

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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, 2012 – August 31, 2013

Membership Dues: \$10.00 (per residential household)

Name _____ **Date** _____

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

Phone: _____ **Email** _____

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