



Camp Springs Civic Association Community News

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

CSCA Meetings

2nd Wednesday

- May 8, 2019
- Sept 11, 2019
- Nov 13, 2019

Web Site: Campspringsca.org

March Community Meeting

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE MARCH COMMUNITY MEETING

Date: Wednesday March 13, 2019
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 on the meeting date, go to the CSCA website or contact a Board of Director listed on the newsletter, for an update on the scheduled meetings.

Feature Topic: You don't want to miss the March meeting. We will hear from experts from health care to land development, as well as our local police and fire departments. Special guests include Dr. Chiledum Ahaghotu, Vice President of Medical Affairs for MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital Center. He will discuss the progress at MedStar Southern Maryland as well as other important health information. We will get an update on commercial and residential development in Camp Springs by Brandon Bellamy, CEO of Velocity Capital. Teresa Crisman with the Prince George's Fire Department will demonstrate the proper way to use a fire extinguisher and we will get updates from our COPs officers. Please spread the word about this important community meeting.

Warm Nights

By Nancy Ernest & Titania Bailey

Warm Nights is a Community Crisis Service Program that partners with the Prince George's County Hypothermia Unit and local churches. The program attempts to meet the needs of single men, women and families that are experiencing homelessness. During the week of February 3 – 10, First Baptist Church (FBC) of Camp Springs welcomed approximately 28 people each night. In addition to providing a warm, safe, and clean place to sleep, each person received three meals a

day and kits with essentials and toiletries.

During the week, special services such as showers, a trip to the laundromat, resume workshop, haircuts and seated massages were offered to the guests. Local vendors, restaurants, churches and individuals from the community participated. Members from the Camp Springs Civic Association volunteered their time and talents to this wonderful cause, contributing delicious food as well as their gracious, compassionate spirits to the clients.

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Volunteers at FBC Warm Nights



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While this was my first experience volunteering with Warm Nights and FBC, it certainly will not be my last. The guests of Warm Nights are a part of our community and we need to take care of them. Each of us has been blessed to be a blessing to someone. So many people take for granted things that others are praying for. Being able to share a smile, conversation and a great meal with great people was an amazing feeling. We are looking forward to making this an annual event and providing more opportunities for our community members in need.

Titania Bailey

Are You Prepared for an Emergency?

The Prince George's County Office of Emergency Management is offering a free Basic Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training class. The Basic CERT classes cover: Disaster Preparedness, Fire Suppression, Medical Operations, Light Search and Rescue Operations, Psychological First Aid, Team Organization, and will end with a Disaster Simulation. You will receive lunch, a CERT backpack, a helmet, wrench, flashlight and batteries, gloves, and other items to start you off with making your personal emergency response bag. If you've taken the class before, you can always take it again. Classes are held at the Office of Emergency Management, 6912 Anchor Street, Landover, MD 20785

Saturday, Apr 6 & Sunday, Apr 7
<http://bit.ly/BasicCertApril19>



CSCA'S Call for Nominations

The Camp Springs Civic Association is accepting nominations for officers. The election will be held at the May meeting. We will accept eligible nominees for the following positions: President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary. The duties of each position are contained in the By-Laws, found on the CSCA website. All nominees must: Be a member in good standing, not hold a political office, and live in Camp Springs as defined by the By-Laws. It also helps if the nominees have community leadership experience, good computer skills and are available to attend regular Board and membership meetings.

CERT offers many volunteer opportunities in our area. Contact Paula M. Hughes, Master Continuity Practitioner. 443-474-3239
PGCERT.pmhughes@gmail.com

Resource Guide for Senior Citizens in Prince George's County

The Prince George's County, Department of Family Services, Aging and Disabilities Resource Center (ADRC) has partnered with the Prince George's County Provider Network to announce the 2019 Senior Resource Guide. The guide will serve as a reference tool, including a listing of services provided by county agencies, businesses and non-profits serving older adults.

Look for the guide at the Aging and Disability Resource Center, senior activity centers, public libraries and various community partners. Resource information within the guide will include:

- A Senior Transportation Guide
- A Listing of Subsidized, Affordable Senior Housing
- An Overview of Senior Program and Services
- A Listing of Support Groups
- Recreational Opportunities, and more.

For more information about services, programs, or activities for older adults and persons with disabilities, please call 301-265-8450 or Maryland Relay 711.



<https://dst-fwac-youthsummit.eventbrite.com>

Get into the Game 2019 Spring Sports Offerings

The Camp Springs Boys and Girls Club, which provides Prince George's County youth ages 4-18 a platform for after school and summer programs is offering the following sports activities for the 2019 Spring Sports Season from late March to mid June. Please check the website for practice start dates, registration, and contact information: www.csbgc.org

| Sports Program | Player Age | Practice Days | Time Location |
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| Tackle Football Reg. \$125 | 9-10 | Mon, Wed, Fri 3 dys/wk | 6:30-8:00 PM Auth Village Park |
| Flag Football Reg. \$100 | 4-8 | Mon, Wed, Fri 3 dys/wk | 6:30-8:00 PM Auth Village Park |
| Heads-up Tackle Clinic Reg. \$65 (6 Sessions) | 5-10 | Sat | 10:00-12:00 Noon Auth Village Park |
| TBall Reg. \$130 | 5-7 | Mon, Wed, Fri 3 dys/wk | 6:30-8:00 PM Auth Village Park or Henson Creek Park |
| Track Reg. \$120 | 5-14 | Tue, Thur 3 dys/wk | 6:30-8:00 PM Crossland HS |
| Basketball Reg. \$120 | 7-9 | Mon, Wed 2 dys/wk | 6:00-9:00 PM James Randall Ryder ES |

Prince George's County
Poet Laureate © J. Joy "Sistah Joy"
Matthews Alford
Offers the following poem in honor
of Women's History Month

Coming into Focus

As I wipe the steam from my mirror
In the morning of my years
The blurred vision of youth
Captures a luminescent illusion of perfection
As I wipe the steam from my mirror
Truth, previously concealed
Reveals a time-tarnished image
Blemished by broken dreams
And promises of passions yet fulfilled
As I wipe the steam from my mirror
I erase the slate of yesterday's disappointments
Undaunted, my vision of tomorrow
Glistens with crystal clarity
As I wipe the steam from my mirror
I marvel at the magnificence of persistence
And smile as a picture perfect reality
Finally comes into focus



Fellow Poets and Poetry Enthusiasts

Please **SAVE THE DATE** and join us for the seventh celebration of "A Splendid Wake" from **2:00 - 3:30 pm, Sunday, March 24** at George Washington University. I am honored, both as a native Washingtonian and as a poet, to be included as one of this year's Featured Guest Presenters. Our theme is *Spirituality Meets Social Justice*.
Sistah Joy

Care for our Veterans

Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks named James "Doc" Dula, USAF Retired, to the position of Veteran Affairs Officer for Prince George's County. Dr. Dula will represent county veterans, their families, and community-based veteran organizations.

"One of our ambitions is to incorporate an aggressive outreach and awareness program. As you may know, Prince George's County has the largest concentration of veterans in the State of Maryland with over 65,000 veterans and families residing in the county," said Dula.

<https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/709/Commission-for-Veterans>



IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KNOW

Prince George's County **311** for general PG Gov. info
 Police Non-Emergency **301-352-1200**
 Emergencies only..... **9-1-1**
 Police, Fire, EMS or Sheriff
 9-1-1- is **NOT** equipped to accept text messages.
 District IV Police Station **301-749-4900**
 District V Police Station **301-856-3130**
 WSSC Emergency **301-206-4002**

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Check out the CSCA Website for county and community news & events, to volunteer and to renew your membership:
<http://www.Campspringsca.org>.

Renew your membership now! Select membership, enter your debit or credit card information along with your home address. It's that easy!

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IF WE HAD YOU WE COULD DO MORE FOR A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE. JOIN A COMMITTEE TODAY!!
\$15 PER HOUSEHOLD
\$25 PER BUSINESS

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, 2018 – August 31, 2019

Membership Dues: \$15.00 (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.

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| 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 | |