



# The Lamplighter

Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association



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## A Message from the President

Greetings  
Neighbors,



Just a year ago, I became President of the Sleepy Hollow Woods Civic Association and although it seemed like Spring would never arrive, the past year has quickly flown by. In keeping with the tradition established by former President Tim Koczanski, I will remain President for one more term. I would also like to thank the 2017-2018 members of the Executive Committee (EXCOM) - Beth Schreiner (Treasurer), Charles Becker (1st Vice President), and Todd Moulder (2nd Vice President), who continue to serve in their respective positions, and Debra Becker, who will serve as Secretary for the upcoming year. In addition to their EXCOM roles, these individuals have been instrumental in organizing many of the social activities - Thank you for your service! At this time, I wanted to provide a brief overview concerning the upcoming 2018 Membership Drive beginning this fall. In recent years, revenue from the membership drive and advertisements has not been able to cover all expenses of the SHWCA utilities

and services. The issue of rising costs has been discussed for numerous years at the SHWCA meetings, but the most recent budget report clearly identified a need to increase the membership dues to sustain these services. At the SHWCA meeting on April 25th, members voted and approved an increase of annual membership dues from \$20 to \$30. As part of this effort, the Executive Committee will look into other revenue sources as well as cost savings measures to ensure we maintain a balanced budget. More information regarding the services covered by your SHWCA membership dues will be provided later this summer in preparation for the 2018 Membership Drive. We appreciate your continued commitment and support of the Sleepy Hollow Woods Community. Any questions or feedback can be submitted via the website at [sleepyhollowwoods.org](http://sleepyhollowwoods.org)

**Mike Wisniewski**  
**SHWCA President**

### *It's Coming....*

*clean out your closets,  
empty the attic, and  
hone your bartering skills*

*Are you ready?*

*#yardalereadiness #shwyardsale2018*

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**PHOTO BY KIM GRUTZIK**  
*Lillie Tobash and Kim Grutzik pose for a photo in front of the 123 Junk Truck on March 17th- See story page 2*

## National Night Out

This year we recognize National Night Out (NNO) on Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Neighbors are invited to turn on their outdoor lights and hold front porch vigils as a way to show neighborhood spirit and recognize police-community partnerships. NNO was started 34 years ago as a way to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness and to generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs. NNO is also an opportunity to meet those new folks down the street and renew acquaintances. The more people we know by face and name, the stronger our community will be. Our partnership with Fairfax County Police is best known by our Neighborhood Watch Teams, which conduct citizen patrols throughout our neighborhood each and every day. A short training session is all you need to join one of our Neighborhood Watch Teams. Contact Don Johnson (703-750-3448) for more information.

## SHW Residents Get a Head Start on Spring Cleaning

Thank you to all the neighbors that took advantage of the recent 123 Junk Day Truck, sponsored by Lillie Tobash & Kim Grutzik. It was a chilly St. Patrick's Day but neighbors came out in full force and the truck filled up very quickly. Those who participated enjoyed St. Patrick's Day themed snacks and neighborly fun while staying warm under a couple of much needed heat lamps.

While some late comers were turned away, there is an easy option for unloading your unwanted items via Fairfax County Special Trash Pick-Up. County residents are allowed five collections per fiscal year (July 1 -

## Wine and Cheese Social a Smashing Success

More than 60 of our Sleepy Hollow Woods neighbors and friends gathered on Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> for the Annual Wine and Cheese Social at St. Alban's Church.

The event—which was a smashing success—is our community's annual kick off to the spring/summer season. The event featured pairings of wine and cheese from all around the world. This year's cheese selections included: a blue cheese from Vermont, a cow's milk cheese from the Switzerland, a Garrotxa from Spain, a Gouda from Holland, and a Tallegio from Italy. White wines sampled included: a Sauvignon Blanc from New Zealand, a Viognier from Australia, and a Bordeaux Blanc from France. Red wines included a Classic Tawney from Australia, a Languedoc from France, a Primitivo from Italy, and a

Zinfandel from California just to name a few. BIG THANKS to Bob and Beth Schreiner for organizing such a great event.



PHOTO BY TIM KOCZANSKI

*A view from behind the table at this years Wine and Cheese Social, held, Saturday, April 21st.*

### SHW Annual Spring Picnic

Please RSVP to the Evite or Sleepynet message  
Saturday, May 19, 2018  
3-7 p.m.

St. Alban's Church  
6800 Columbia Pike  
Please bring a dish to share

June 30) as part of your annual trash service. The County website has guidelines for what is permitted and how to prepare for pick-up. Go to <https://specialpickup.fairfaxcounty.gov> or call (703) 802-3322, TTY 771 to schedule a brush, bulk, metal or refrigerant (coolant) collection. Thanks to all who participated and got an early start on their spring cleaning. We hope to see more of you at next year's Junk and Recycle Day!

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## SHWCA OFFICERS (2018-2019)

- Mike Wisniewski.....President
- Charles Becker.....1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
- Todd Moulder.....2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President
- Beth Schreiner.....Treasurer
- Debra Becker.....Secretary
- Tim Koczanski.....Past President
- Tom Boots.....Advertising
- Lou Wack.....Archivist
- Jim Councilor.....Covenants
- Tobash/Petersky.....Directory
- Barry & Phil Centini.....Hospitality
- Tobash/Koczanski.....Lamplighter
- Koczanski/ Suziedelis-Bogle.....Website
- Don Johnson.....Neighborhood Watch
- Beth Schreiner.....Sleepynet
- Open.....Social

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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.

Next SHWCA Meeting is  
September 12, 2018 at  
the Mason District  
Government Center  
7:30 p.m.

## SHW Community Yard Sale Set for Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The annual Sleepy Hollow Woods Community Yard Sale will take place on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. The civic association will advertise the yard sale in the Washington Post, Nextdoor.com, Yardsales.net, and on the community Facebook Page. If you plan to hold a yard sale on the 19<sup>th</sup> and want your home included on

this year's Yard Sale Map, please email [mikewisniewski9@gmail.com](mailto:mikewisniewski9@gmail.com) with the following information: your name, address, and email. A Yard Sale Map will be emailed to those participating on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Each household may then print copies of the map for distribution to customers and neighbors. Happy Selling!

## SHWCA Spring Picnic at St. Alban's Church, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Come out and meet your neighbors at the Sleepy Hollow Woods Spring Picnic. This is our annual get-together for everyone—kids & parents, young & old, if you've lived here since the neighborhood began or just moved in yesterday, EVERYONE is welcome! Hot dogs, hamburgers, chips & drinks will be provided. Please fill in the rest of the menu by bringing something to share—appetizers, salads, desserts, etc.

We'll enjoy music, dancing, games, moon bounces, and more. This is a lot of fun and all neighbors are welcome!

It takes a lot of energy to throw a party for 377 households! Please step up to help before, during, and after the picnic, email Mike Wisniewski at [mikewisniewski9@gmail.com](mailto:mikewisniewski9@gmail.com)

## 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](mailto:bobeth@cox.net) to get added.

**37th Annual Celebrate Fairfax** – Northern Virginia's largest community-wide celebration will return to the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway in Fairfax, June 8 - 10, 2018. Bring your family and friends to enjoy a fun filled experience with more than 300 food vendors, exhibitors, and interactive activities, plus live concerts, carnival rides, a petting zoo, a Karaoke Championship, nightly fireworks, and more! To get tickets, additional information, and schedules, visit <http://celebratefairfax.com/>.

<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>
ACTIVE	3808 Tall Oak Ct	Split Level	\$580,000			4	3	4
ACTIVE	3811 Forest Grove Dr	Split Level	\$2,850			3	2.5	21
CONTRACT	6741 Fern Ln	Split Level	\$580,000		29-Jun-18	3	2.5	2
CONTRACT	6823 Murray Ln	Raised Rambler	\$629,900		16-May-18	5	3	4
CONTRACT	3910 Moss Dr	Bilevel	\$599,900		9-May-18	5	3.5	3
SOLD	6824 Murray Ln	Split Level	\$589,000	\$590,000	26-Apr-18	4	2.5	5
SOLD	6802 Rosewood St	Rambler	\$525,000	\$535,000	20-Apr-18	4	2.5	5
SOLD	3907 Oak Hill Dr	Split Level	\$605,000	\$620,000	16-Apr-18	3	2.5	6
SOLD	6800 Murray Ln	Split Level	\$629,000	\$665,000	12-Apr-18	4	2.5	6
SOLD	3618 Sprucedale Dr	Split Level	\$524,700	\$520,000	12-Apr-18	4	2.5	46
SOLD	3807 Forest Grove Dr	Split Level	\$485,000	\$465,000	5-Apr-18	4	2.5	4
RENTED	3910 Forest Grove Dr	Rambler	\$2,400	\$2,300	23-Jul-20	4	3	39
RENTED	3704 Sprucedale Dr	Split Level	\$2,995	\$2,995	14-Apr-18	6	3.5	43

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 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.