

# The ECHO

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## Zika is coming; prepare yourself! Zika está por venir. Prepararse.

By Mark Nensel

With the onset of springtime, sadly also comes the annual onslaught of mosquitoes. And in 2016, we will have an additional worry as the dreaded Zika virus will inevitably make its way from the tropics into the general United States, our area included. Montgomery County government is already stepping up its awareness campaign. Below, we reproduce some of the county government's advice and recommendations for avoiding catching the virus, which, most ominously, can cause birth defects for pregnant women.

Zika virus is spread to people through bites of Aedes mosquitoes. The symptoms of Zika virus infection are fever, rash, muscle and joint pain and conjunctivitis (red eyes) Symptoms are usually mild and can last from several days to a week.

Outbreaks of the Zika virus infection have occurred in countries in Central and South America, several islands in the Caribbean, Southeast Asia and Pacific islands such as American Samoa. In the United States, Zika cases have been reported in travelers returning from Zika-affected areas and there has been documented spread of the virus through sexual transmission as well.

If you are traveling to a Zika-affected area, you could be at risk for infection. You should take steps to avoid mosquito bites when traveling. Pregnant women planning to travel to affected areas should consult with their health care provider before traveling.

Take steps to avoid mosquito bites and if you think you  
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## Montrose Townhouse Development Community Presentation on May 19

By Brian Hooker

Neighbors, please save the evening of May 19th for a community presentation by the developers of the Montrose Church property. This meeting is being organized by the developers for the public to come and review their development plans and to provide comments. This is a great opportunity to ask questions regarding the the proposed layout of the development, the timing of construction, and potential positive and negative impacts to RCA-land.

This meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held at the Veirs Mill Rec Center where the RCA holds its meet-

ings. Please check the RCA listserv and Facebook page for any updates regarding the meeting time and location. I'm sure the developer will be posting public notices as well.

In the newest concept plan for the townhouse project, the number of units has been decreased from 109 to 104 and the orientation of a few homes along Macon Road has changed.

It's that time of year.

# FIGHT THE BITE

Protect you and  
your family against

# ZIKA

If you have any questions regarding the history of this project including the RCA covenant with the developer limiting the number of units, please contact Brian Hooker at [director1@randolphcivic.org](mailto:director1@randolphcivic.org).

According to Andrew Brown from Stanford Properties, the black and white sketch drawing (see page 8) is the latest concept plan. The prior concept plan is also shown.

"As you can clearly see, we have reduced the number of houses from 109 to 104," Brown said. "This is largely  
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## Upcoming Events

**Montrose Church Townhouse Plan meeting:** Thursday, May 19, Veirs Mill Rec Ctr Time:TBD

**Tour of Wheaton High School for RCA Community:** Monday, May 23, Wheaton HS 7pm

**RCF Annual Community Meeting/Spaghetti Dinner:** Thursday, June 2, 6pm-8pm Veirs Mill Rec Ctr

**RCA General Meeting:** Thursday, June 2, immediately following RCF meeting/dinner, Veirs Mill Rec Ctr

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## RCA President's Message May 2016

by Matthew Tifford

Well, here we go again! After a six-year hiatus, I'm back for a second stint as RCA President. Things have changed quite a bit since my last go-round, and these next couple years the civic will be busier than ever- and more than ever in need of the community's support!

Since taking over a few weeks ago, the biggest surprise for me has been realization of truly how massive the turnover has been in our neighborhood's population over the last six years- and how astonishingly out of date our database has become.

Over the years, our Civic has relied heavily on the loyalty of longtime residents, particularly original owners who have understood the value of the organization from their long residency. But each year there have been fewer and fewer of them, and now we have a much younger demographic, many of whom haven't fully discovered what the civic association (and our sister foundation) brings to our community.

While we do go through periods of relative quiet in this neighborhood, now really isn't one of those times. If you thought the first White Flint Sector Plan and all the Rockville Pike development that came along with it was a big change for us, then you better fasten your seatbelts! We now have three high-impact changes coming that will directly affect our community.

Soon, the Montrose Church and School will be demolished and likely replaced with townhouses. The Montrose Parkway East project continues to move forward, and White Flint Sector Plan Two, which covers the possible redevelopment of both Randolph Hills Shopping Center and Loehmann's Plaza, is fully underway.

It's times like these that we all truly need a civic association looking out for the community's interests. And most importantly, we need your participation and input.

Having a civic association board of officers doesn't mean a handful of people make potentially life-changing decisions for the residents of 1340 homes on their own. Our purpose is to represent your interests, and we can only do that with your much-needed feedback.

As always, the Hotline is there for you to call or email. But if you really want to be heard, come to a general meeting. Our next meeting, and the last before the

summer break, is coming up on June 2. The June meeting is always extra special, as we start things off with the Randolph Civic Foundation spaghetti dinner at 6 PM. There will be a magic show for the kids, and as always this is a free event. The RCA meeting will begin immediately afterwards.

In particular, for those of you who are relatively new to the neighborhood and who have never joined, we hope you will come take a look and see what we are all about.

Lastly, a big thanks are due to the folks at 7 Locks Brewery for agreeing to host this year's MusicFest. We did have a few hiccups. The food truck didn't show up and the root beer kegs proved to be empty! However, there were plenty of carry-out and delivery options nearby and Past-President Brian Hooker ran out to the store for soft drinks and popcorn for the kids.

As always, the music was terrific. A big thanks goes out to Christiana Drapkin performing as "Organ Grinder Lola," "Son Jarocho" with Zenen Zeferino and Ian Nigh, "Flor de Maracuja" with Bebel Delgado, Erik Turkman, Gordie Shaw, and Bruce Bond, and lastly Nell Rumbaugh with Jonas Bernstein, Nick Whiting, and "Sal."

Have a great Spring, and hope to see you around the neighborhood!

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## Exclusive Wheaton High School Tour for RCA-Land Residents May 23rd

By Brian Hooker

Neighbors, do you have questions about Wheaton High School academy programs (bioscience & engineering)? Just interested in seeing the new H.S?

Then please save the date for Monday, May 23rd at 7pm for a special RCA-only tour with Wheaton's principal Debra Mugge.

This visit is a great opportunity to ask Wheaton's principal all your burning questions from the graduation rates and college acceptance to when the new athletic fields are going to be complete.

If you are interested please RSVP to [info@randolphcivic.org](mailto:info@randolphcivic.org). This will allow us to make sure you receive specific information regarding the event and give us a good head count of who might be attending.

Lastly, I'd like to thank George Gadbois, for making this opportunity possible.

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The Randolph Civic Association was formed in 1955 and incorporated in 1958. As stated in the original Articles of Incorporation, the purposes of the RCA are "to stimulate interest in all community problems and improvements that will better the general welfare of the community [and] to pay strict attention to any attempt to lessen the value of property within its borders..."

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# Randolph Hills Sales

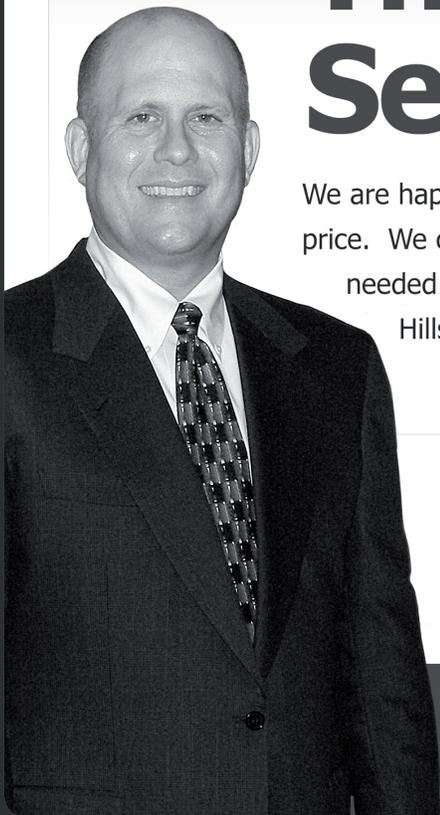
May 2016 Update

## Last 10 Sales

| Status | Address                 | Beds | Baths | Listed    | Sold      | Sold Date | Seller Help |
|--------|-------------------------|------|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Sold   | 5101 Macon Rd           | 4    | 2     | \$409,900 | \$410,000 | 3/30/2016 | \$10,000    |
| Sold   | 4600 Stoneleigh Ct      | 4    | 3     | \$447,750 | \$447,750 | 3/24/2016 | \$0         |
| Sold   | 4817 Boiling Brook Pkwy | 3    | 2     | \$359,900 | \$380,000 | 3/21/2016 | \$0         |
| Sold   | 4603 Creek Shore Dr     | 3    | 2     | \$327,600 | \$328,000 | 2/26/2016 | \$0         |
| Sold   | 11507 Patapsco Dr       | 3    | 2     | \$360,000 | \$360,000 | 2/26/2016 | \$9,000     |
| Sold   | 11809 Old Drovers Way   | 3    | 1.5   | \$343,990 | \$354,500 | 2/17/2016 | \$6,800     |
| Sold   | 12112 Lauderdale Dr     | 3    | 2     | \$435,000 | \$436,000 | 2/15/2016 | \$7,500     |
| Sold   | 5105 Randolph Rd        | 3    | 1.5   | \$365,000 | \$372,500 | 2/12/2016 | \$0         |
| Sold   | 11501 Ashley Dr         | 3    | 1.5   | \$320,000 | \$325,500 | 1/28/2016 | \$0         |
| Sold   | 10905 Troy Rd           | 4    | 3     | \$445,000 | \$440,000 | 1/15/2016 | \$0         |

## Thinking About Selling in 2016?

We are happy to view your home and advise you as the most likely selling price. We can help you with necessary updates and recommend contractors if needed to put your home in the condition needed to sell. We are Randolph Hills experts and we are happy to help you with your home sale.



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# RCA General Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 7, 2016 Veirs Mill Rec Center

By Diane LaGrega Bertocchi

## 1. Call to Order. 2. Special Guest Speakers:

a. Mr. Seth Adams, Director, Division of Construction for Montgomery County Public Schools: Regarding construction plans for the Rocking Horse Center. The expansion of the parking lot at Rocking Horse Center is a project within our capital improvement plans. Under the assumption that the funding is available, the parking lot will be expanded. Some neighbors of Rocking Horse Center have received notices regarding the new project in regards to storm water management. Mitigation was required on the

south part of the property. The concept plans have been submitted and the current concept plan would not cause any issues with storm water management. Community Meetings will be held once the concept plan is approved, but approval may take up to six months. Then permits will need to be issued and once all the permits are in place it will take six months for construction to begin. Questions and comments from the audience: Comment: RCA supports expanded parking in order to remove vehicles from the street where they currently cause traffic problems, let us know if the RCA can help with communicating with the county council to help get funding. Question: How many parking spaces would be lost if the curb cut in front of a homeowner's property was not done? Answer: The curb cut is not a given. From a transportation point of view, the curb cut may be too close to another street and cause more traffic issues. However, MCPS wants to avoid going through the community garden. Comment/Question: RCA will support the parking lot construction if more people use the parking lot and not park their cars on the street. Is there a way to limit street parking? Answer: We will look at the building and try to create a parking lot that will be well utilized. Comment/Question: The temporary buildings were an eye sore. The number of parking spots for the project is currently 116. How many of those spaces are street parking and how many are parking lot spaces? Answer: More information will be provided at the public meeting in regards to the number of parking spaces. Question: Could we possibly add some new landscaping along the border of the parking lot that faces the backyard

of the houses in the neighborhood so the residents do not have a view a of a parking lot from their rear windows? Answer: Yes that is a probable. Comment: The old elementary school has been converted into an office park and it was not well planned. Normally an office park would not be in a residential area like ours. Answer: This facility does serve families in the Montgomery county area. Even though it not a school it is beneficial to the community. Question: Wasn't there another area planned for the services that facility offers? Answer: It will depend on the approved budget. Question: If you want community support for the facility, why not open up the facility for local use? Since there is no one director who controls the facility it not easy for a community member to hold a meeting or event there. Answer: As mentioned before the center is there to provide services for the community.

b. Mr. Matt Covell, Sandy Spring Builders: Regarding home renovations for RCA-land homes. Home values are increasing in the neighborhood. The easy way to improve a home and increase value is to paint both inside and out. For brick issues, consult a mason. It is easier to change the floor plans now compared to previous years. There is a lot you can with the bathrooms and kitchen in our RCA homes to create open floor plans. Questions: Is it smart, resale-wise, to knock down walls in our brick homes to create bigger bedrooms? Does it make sense? Answer: Some homes have a bedroom in the walkout basement so you could still have a three bedroom house with two bedrooms upstairs and one downstairs. So it would make sense to have few but bigger bedrooms with more closet space upstairs and have a large bedroom downstairs. Question: When knocking down walls are their load bearing concerns?

Answer: These days you have more options with welding to help to support the ceiling and load of the house. Question: Is now the time to do major home improvements with the economy getting better or waiting a few years? Answer: It is really about finding the right people to do the work you want. It is difficult to predict what the economy will be like in five years. Question: Is the trend to build up (add a story) or out when adding an addition to the house in this neighborhood? Answer: There are several ways to add an addition and there is no particular way that is better than others. As one travels around the neighborhood there are many different type of additions.



Top photo: Seth Adams; Bottom photo: Matt Covell; guest speakers at the April 7 RCA general community meeting.

Answer: When knocking down walls are their load bearing concerns?

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It all depends on what the homeowner wants.

3. Old Business [none]

4. New Business:

a. Wheaton High School Tour – George has not heard anything yet, but will follow up with the school board. [EDITOR'S NOTE: The tour has been scheduled for Monday, May 23rd at 7pm].

b. Sign on Coachway and Ashley; We need to improve the sign by painting it and make it more attractive.

c. Bus Shelter on corner of Rocking Horse and Boiling Brook – Brian Hooker will reach out to MCDOT and find out more information.

RCA Board Elections – The Slate:

i. President – Matt Tifford

ii. Vice President 1 – Diane LaGrega Bertocchi

iii. Vice President 2 – Chad Salganik

iv. Director – Brian Hooker

v. Director – Mark Nensel

vi. Secretary – Colby Prevost

Motion passes by voice vote from all in attendance. Congratulations to all the candidates.

Standard Business and Reports

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes – Matt Tifford makes a motion to approve the minutes. Brian Hooker seconds. Passes.

Treasurer's Report (Mara Greengrass) – As of March 28, 2016 the RCA had about \$7,500 collected in the membership drive from 280 households. Of that approximately \$4,600 is RCA membership, \$1,460 is RCF donations, and \$1,350 is beautification funds. The RCA collected a little over \$4,500 from advertising in the ECHO, and additional funds are still expected from advertising. The RCA has over \$12,600 on hand.

Committee Chair Reports:

Environment Committee (Matt Tifford): 1. Dogtopia put in bags for scooping up doggie poo but has not replaced them by the sign. The sign is more of an advertisement for them. Tifford recommends having someone promote donating bags for people who walk dogs in the park to encourage picking up after the dog. Brian Hooker recommends a business like a Vet or Pet Store help with collecting bags. All dog walkers are reminded to pick up after dog. 2. Cleanup day will be on Saturday April 16, 2016. All are invite to help out. We will meet at the Randolph Hills Shopping Center at 9:00am.

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Safety Committee (Kenneth Kopczyk): They are adding five new officers to District 2. Auto theft is the biggest problem in Montgomery County. The police department wants to organize a community outreach and pass out flyers on June 20, 2016 regarding auto theft awareness to the neighborhood. Overall the crime in RCA-Land is low.

External Affairs: Music Fest will be on Sunday April 24, 2016 at Seven Locks Brewery from 5:30-7:30pm.

RCA Meeting Adjournment: Matt Tifford makes the motion to adjourn. Brian seconds at 9:25pm.

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when you have finished reading it!  
Thank you!**

## Zika (continued from p. 1)

may have Zika, contact your health care provider. As mosquito season begins, individuals who have been infected from other areas may transmit the virus. Local mosquitoes have the potential to become carriers if they bite a person who has the virus.

As we enter mosquito season locally, everyone should protect themselves against mosquito bites and work to eliminate mosquito breeding sites in and around homes.

### In English:

Aside from being itchy and annoying, the bite of an infected female mosquito (*Aedes aegypti* or *Aedes albopictus*) can spread dengue, chikungunya, or Zika viruses. People become infected with dengue, chikungunya, or Zika after being bitten by an infected mosquito.

Female mosquitoes will lay several hundred eggs on the walls of water-filled containers. Eggs stick to containers like glue and remain attached until they are scrubbed off. When water covers the eggs, they hatch and become adults in about a week. Adult mosquitoes live inside and outside. They prefer to bite during the day. A few infected mosquitoes can produce large outbreaks in a community and put your family at risk of becoming sick.

Protect Yourself, Your Family, and Community from Mosquitoes:

1. Eliminate standing water in and around your home: Once a week, empty and scrub, turn over, cover, or throw out items that hold water, such as tires, buckets, planters, toys, pools, birdbaths, flowerpots, or trash containers. Check inside and outside your home: tightly cover water storage containers (buckets, cisterns, rain barrels) so that mosquitoes cannot get inside to lay eggs. For containers without lids, use wire mesh with holes smaller than an adult mosquito.
2. If you have a septic tank, follow these steps: Repair cracks or gaps. Cover open vent or plumbing pipes. Use wire mesh with holes smaller than an adult mosquito.

3. Keep mosquitoes out of your home: Use screens on windows and doors. Repair holes in screens. Use air conditioning when available.

4. Prevent mosquito bites: Use an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellent with one of the following active ingredients. All EPA-registered insect repellents are evaluated to make sure they are safe and effective: DEET, as in Off!, Cutter, Sawyer, Ultrathon; Picaridin, also known as KBR 3023, Bayrepel, and icaridin, as available in Cutter Advanced, Skin So Soft Bug Guard Plus; IR3535, available in Skin So Soft Bug Guard Plus Expedition, SkinSmart; Oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE) or

para-menthane-diol (PMD), available in Repel.

Always follow the product label instructions. Reapply insect repellent every few hours, depending on which product and strength you choose. Do not spray repellent on the skin under clothing. If you are also using sunscreen, apply sunscreen first and insect repellent second. Treat clothing and gear (such as boots, pants, socks, and tents) with permethrin or purchase permethrin-treated clothing and gear. Treated clothing remains protective after multiple washings. See product information to find out how long the protection will last. If treating items yourself, follow the product instructions carefully. Do not use permethrin products, intended to treat clothing, directly on skin. Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants.

The image contains two CDC informational graphics. The top graphic is titled '¿Embarazada?' and 'Advertencia: El virus del Zika puede estar asociado a defectos congénitos. No existe una vacuna para prevenir la infección por el virus del Zika.' It features an illustration of a pregnant woman and a mosquito. Below this, it says '¡Protéjase de las picaduras de mosquitos!' and lists four key actions: 1. 'Durante el día es más peligroso' (Daytime is more dangerous) with a sun icon, explaining that mosquitoes are most active then. 2. 'Use repelente de insectos [funcional]' (Use effective insect repellent) with a spray can icon, listing active ingredients: DEET, Picaridina, and IR3535. 3. 'Utilice ropa que la proteja' (Use protective clothing) with an icon of a person in long sleeves and pants, advising to use permethrin-treated clothing. 4. 'Mantenga su hogar libre de mosquitos' (Keep your home mosquito-free) with a house icon, advising to use screens and eliminate standing water. The bottom graphic is titled 'Sick with chikungunya, dengue, or Zika?' and features an illustration of a sick person in bed. It lists symptoms to watch for: muscle or joint pain, headache or pain behind eyes, rash, and red eyes. Both graphics include the CDC logo and website information.

For additional information, go to: <http://montgomerycountymd.gov/mosquito/zika.html>

### En Español:

Además de causar picor y molestia, la picadura de un mosquito hembra infectado (*Aedes aegypti* o *Aedes albopictus*) puede propagar los virus del dengue, chikungunya (chikunguña) o Zika. Las personas se infectan con el virus del dengue, del chikungunya o Zika al ser picadas por un mosquito infectado. Los mosquitos hembras ponen varios cientos de huevos en las paredes de envases con agua. Estos huevos se pegan a los envases como pegamento y permanecerán allí a menos que esos envases sean

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## Townhouse Development *(continued from p. 1)*

the result of two changes: (i) creating a fairly substantial 'village green' towards the center of our project as a kind of community focal point and (ii) reorienting seven of the houses away from Macon Road and accessing them from within the community. Other than these two changes and shifting the community entrance a bit to the west along Randolph Road, the plan largely remains the same."

*Below left, Stanford Properties' Montrose Townhouse development plan original concept. Below right, the townhouse development's latest (April 2016) concept plan, with village green noted and reconfiguring of townhouses along Macon Road.*



## WJHS Long-Range Planning Update

by Ilana Brunner

On Wednesday, April 6, the Montgomery County Public Schools Division of Long-range Planning held its fifth roundtable meeting of the Walter Johnson Cluster Roundtable Discussion Group (hereinafter RDG). As before, the meeting was run by Deborah Szyfer, a Senior Planner in the Division of Long-range Planning, and her colleagues, Corinne Blackford and Julie Morris. The purpose of this meeting was to review and discuss the elementary school approaches and additional secondary school approaches that were raised at the discussion and brainstorming session on March 16 [I did not attend that meeting.] In addition to the RDG members, Dr. Sarah E. Sirgo, Director of Montgomery County Public Schools' Office of School Support and Improvement (and formerly Principal of Woodlin Elementary School), was on hand to offer her insights into the various approaches, as well as approximately a half dozen members of the public.

Ms. Szyfer began by explaining that there are six elementary school approaches as well as two additional secondary school approaches. With regard to the elementary school data, she explained that the Division of Long-range Planning is unable to disaggregate the long term projections by elementary school or make any projections beyond six years because no birth data is available yet. She reminded everyone present that the RDG's responsibility is to evaluate the different approaches, not to choose an approach. Moreover, this should be done with consideration for goals for the entire cluster, not for individual schools.

The elementary school approaches were each raised and discussed one at a time, and for each one, Dr. Sirgo provided her thoughts and insights, and roundtable members had the opportunity to ask questions and voice their opinions. Ms. Szyfer clarified that this meeting was not intended to be a listing of pros and cons for each approach, because that is part of the agenda for the next meeting set for April 21. [I was unable to attend the meeting on April 21st. The RDG calendar indicates that at that meeting RDG members would share pros and cons of the additional secondary school approaches as well as the elementary school approaches and determine if additional elementary school approaches are necessary.] Members of the public were permitted to submit written questions that were addressed by Ms. Szyfer at the end of the meeting.

The elementary school approaches are as follows: 1. Eventually open a new elementary school, either at a closed location or a new site. [The deficit is not high enough to recommend an additional elementary school at this time or within the 6-year CIP, but this would remain an option down the road when the demand is high enough. In addition, there was no discussion of location. Ms. Szyfer explained that that would require a site selection committee/process. Rather, the RDG is only discussing the option in terms of impact on the cluster.] 1A. Open a new elementary school and cancel the Ashburton Elementary School addition. [Cancelling the Ashburton addition would create enough deficit for a new elementary school in the next 6-10 years.] 2. Reorganize the elementary schools as k-4 schools in conjunction with secondary school approach #4 (reopen Woodward for grades 8-9). [This approach would

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## In Memoriam: Carmen

By Christopher Jorritsma

A dear friend of mine passed away a few months ago. She lived on Randolph Road, and had been there for quite some time. Her neighbors frequently stopped by her house and talked with her, and she was a fixture of the community. But you wouldn't have seen any eulogies or funeral announcements for her in the newspaper. You see, my friend's home was a bus stop. She sat there every day, attempting to shield herself from the elements and protecting the shopping cart that held the few earthly possessions she had. My friend's name was Carmen, and she was homeless. Since it's unlikely that Carmen will receive any kind of public tribute to her life, I'd like to tell you about who she was and the qualities she possessed that made her a very special lady and my friend.

I don't know much about Carmen's life or how she came to be homeless. All I know is that I first noticed her when I began working at the Loehmann's Plaza Safeway. A few months into my new job, I noticed her sleeping at the bus stop as I was leaving work one night. She had been sleeping there for a long while before this, but I had always "tuned her out", as if she was invisible. As I looked closely at her for the first time, I realized how isolated she seemed, alone and unprotected in the darkness. I resolved to bring her something to eat after my next shift. A few days later, I walked up to her and offered her two trail mix bars and a candy bar. She accepted the trail mix bars willingly and thanked me, but when I held out the candy bar, her eyes lit up as if I were offering her a million dollars. She eagerly accepted it and held it in her hands for a moment, then stuffed it into her cart for safekeeping. "Thank ya, baby," she said, beaming from ear to ear. From then on, I would bring Carmen trail mix bars, candy, and other snacks at the end of my shift. As summer turned into fall, I brought her blankets and other things she needed. Whenever I would see her, her face would brighten up, and she'd ask "How ya doin' baby?"

A few weeks before Christmas, Carmen made a request for a present: an AM/FM radio that she could listen to music on. I said I would look for one for her; it took me a while to order it, but it was scheduled to arrive on the evening of December 27th. I couldn't wait to see the look on Carmen's face when I would give it to her. That night, I hopped off the bus, ready to run home and bring the radio back to Carmen. To my surprise, I saw that she wasn't asleep on the bench like she usually was, though her cart and blankets were still there. Then I saw balloons and several bouquets of flowers sitting in her cart. As I was trying to figure out what was going on, I noticed a piece of paper taped to the side of bus stop. The first line read, "May God welcome Carmen with open arms". I walked home in a daze, only to be greeted with the sight of the radio when I entered my house. I had missed giving it to her to her by one precious day.

It's very easy to look at Carmen's story and call it a tragedy. As you might expect, life had not been kind to Carmen, and the physical evidence of this was obvious. Carmen was missing at least half of her teeth, and the remaining

ones were yellow and rotted. Her skin was wrinkled and chapped from exposure to the elements, and her hair was stringy and tangled. Carmen also had serious problems with addiction. She was an alcoholic, a gambling addict, and an excessive smoker. She would often ask me to get her some beer or cigarettes, which I would always refuse to do. I knew that I could never give her cash either, since it would go straight into buying more beer and cigarettes. Carmen's life was a mess,

but as I talked with her more, I realized that she didn't let her hardships define who she was. She was always happy to see me and others she knew, and she would often listen to me talk about my life while I was waiting for the bus. Even though she had every reason to be bitter and spend her days avoiding outside contact, she chose to make the most of her situation and rise above it.

In the weeks leading up to Christmas, Carmen made sure to remind me about the radio I had promised her. On several occasions, she said, "Don't forget about me, baby." That request is the reason I'm writing this article: to ensure that I remember my friend Carmen, and the joy she brought to the Loehmann's Plaza bus stop and to my life. Getting to know Carmen was a truly wonderful experience for me. Not only did she change my view of homeless individuals, but she was my friend. Even when I hadn't brought her anything, she was still happy to see me and more than willing to talk. On Thanksgiving Day I brought Carmen a platter of leftover cookies, and she was so grateful that she gave me a hug and a kiss on the cheek. Even though it was cold outside, that hug and kiss warmed me more than a roaring fireplace. Carmen will soon be forgotten by most, but I will hold on to my memories of her as long as I possibly can.

Unfortunately, Carmen isn't the only one in danger of being forgotten; thousands of homeless individuals throughout the DC metro area are in the same boat as Carmen, struggling to hang on to their lives and their sanity. The next time you see a homeless person begging, remember that they are likely alone, vulnerable, and afraid, even if they don't show it. Help them out if you can or sit and talk with them if you have time, but most importantly, don't forget about them. Bring some joy into their lives and get to know them; they just might surprise you.

### **NEXT RCA MEETINGS:**

**RCA Community General Meeting,  
Thursday June 2, 8pm**

**RCA Executive Board Meeting,  
Thursday, Sept. 8, 8pm**

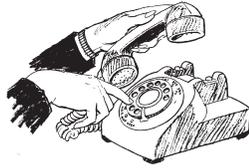
**RCA Meetings are held at the Veirs Mill Rec Center, near  
the corner of Garrett Park Road and Beach Drive.**

**Community members are welcome at all meetings.**

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## The RCA Hotline

240-668-4722 (4RCA), or  
info@randolphcivic.org



**Calls Received February 21, 2016  
through April 23, 2016.**

*General Note: The RCA gets a lot of calls about code violations (untagged cars, tall grass, etc). Please note that phone numbers for agencies that handle such matters are published on the website. You don't have to leave your name or phone number. The RCA reserves the right to not publish any calls that could be viewed as solicitations, personal attacks against neighbors or calls longer than 1.5 minutes due to the time it takes to transcribe and cost to publish. You can always email the RCA at info@randolphcivic.org or submit an article for publication to the Echo editor.*

**Feb. 23 (Tues) 10:56 AM; Not Anonymous:** Hi this is \*\*\*\*\* at 12xxx ashley drive. I just realized that I haven't received an Echo. The last issue I received was November-December. I don't know if that is the last issue but this is now the end of February. I thought there would be one since then. Anyway my number is 301-xxx-xxxx, thank you.  
**RCA response:** Thank you for letting us know, and if it happens again. There are eight issues of The Echo per year. November-December, January-February, and June-July-August are each combined into one issue.

**March 11 (Fri) 1:14 PM; Anonymous:** Hello. I live in the community and I would like to know how do I sign up to participate in the community bazaar yard sale on May 7th and what the fees are.

**RCA response:** Best to arrive between 7-8am, spots are first come first serve. Free for paid RCA members, others \$10. We realize this respnse will be printed after the Spring yard sale has occurred. The next one generally occurs in early October, possibly on Oct. 8. We will update this date as it gets closer on the calendar.

**March 21 (Mon) 4:20 PM; Not Anonymous:** Hello, sorry to bother you this is \*\*\*\*\* , 301-xxx-xxxx. I have been having difficulty with my mail, and I would like to know did you receive my Civic Association dues check. I mailed it to you on March 10th in the amount of \$10. I would appreciate you giving me a call to let me know whether you've received it or not again. Again, that's \*\*\*\*\* 301-xxx-xxxx, \$10 check mailed to you on March 10th. Thank you so much. Have a great one.

**April 4 (Mon) 12:23 PM; Non Anonymous:** Hello, This is \*\*\*\*\* . Back on March 21st I called you asking have you received my dues check number xxxx dated February 29th. I have yet to hear from you and today is April 4th. If you people expect to receive any further dues from this address, somebody better call me and answer my question very soon. This is inexcusable. Very poor business

conduct.

**RCA Response:** We returned the call. We are sorry for the delay in processing the membership dues checks. But we THANK YOU ALL very much for supporting your community association.

**April 23 (Sat) 2:27 PM; Anonymous:** I'll keep my message within a minute and a half like the rules used to print, said you had to. And, as I have been cut off before for bringing something to the attention that might not be politically correct, but nevertheless necessary to be said. This letter from Hal Cummings- nice letter but, it was a minute and a half. And the reason I called was because I found a body in the parking lot at Randolph Medical Center, and I called the police about it Thursday night this last week. So I'm sure if you can print Hal's letter, you can print mine. Thank you.

**RCA Response:** Thank you for the call, please provide a police report number. We have been unable to verify the incident.

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## RCF President's Message May 2016

by Ashley Salganik

I would like to send a thank you to everyone who helped clean up our neighborhood on April 16th. Also, thank you to George Gadbois and the Boy Scouts for their leadership in the event. Our neighborhood and park look great after the cleanup!

Here's a quick reminder about our Randolph Civic Foundation Annual Meeting and Pasta Dinner. This year's event will be on June 2nd at 6pm -- I hope you can join us to spend time with your neighbors and enjoy a delicious meal. The meeting and dinner will be held at the Viers Mill Recreation Center; please mark your calendar!

This month I will be coordinating the planting of flowers at our neighborhood signs. If you would like to help out and make your neighborhood sign look great by planting some colorful flowers, please send me an email at: ashleysalganik@gmail.com. A little help with planting, watering and weeding will be very much appreciated!

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At left, RCA-Land neighbors and Troop 1083 Scouts met at Randolph Hills Shopping Center on Saturday April 16 for the Spring Potomac Watershed cleanup of Boiling Brook, Winding Creek and the surrounding green areas in our neighborhood. Thank you to everyone who pitched in!

## Troop 1083 News

by Ben Pitkin, Assistant Scoutmaster

On April 16th, Troop 1083 coordinated RCA-Land's local contribution to the region-wide Alice B. Ferguson Potomac Watershed Cleanup, which takes place each year along streams and tributaries in four states and D.C. This year, two dozen RCA-Land volunteers—two-thirds of whom were Boy Scouts or Cub Scouts and their family members—climbed down the banks to the edge of the water on

Boiling Brook, at Waverly-Schuylkill Park, and at Winding Creek (near Gaynor Road) and hauled out 41 bags of trash and recyclables. Along with the usual assortment of bags, tires, and countless bottles and cans, this year's more interesting removals included a croquet ball, a traffic cone, a floor lamp, pipes and rebar, signage, and barbell weights.

The same weekend of the stream cleanup, three Troop 1083 Scouts—Jarrod Hackenberg, Nathaniel Harley,  
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## Troop 1083 *(continued from p. 12)*

and Noah Hotaling—were inducted into the Order of the Arrow, Scouting’s honor society. The induction ceremony, called the Ordeal, includes a service project. The new Arrowmen planted trees, spread mulch, and even hauled trash from a streambed at Little Bennett Regional Park in Clarksburg—so they got a double-dose of stream cleaning that weekend! In a separate ceremony, fellow Arrowman Matthew Kimball, who completed his own Ordeal in 2015, advanced to the Order’s second level, the Brotherhood.

On April 22-24, the Scouts headed to Calvert Cliffs State Park for a weekend campout on the shores of the Chesapeake Bay. In recent years, Calvert Cliffs has become one of the Troop’s favorite camping destinations. The location is scenic and rugged, with hiking trails that lead down to beaches that are famous for their abundance of fossils such as shark’s teeth, trilobites, and other ancient marine critters.

The Troop closed out the month activities by celebrating Devon Rappaport’s attainment of Scouting’s highest rank with an Eagle Court of Honor on April 30th. Most new Boy Scouts enter a local Troop directly from Cub Scouts at age 10 or 11. As a result, Scouts who strive for and achieve the Eagle rank (which they must do before they turn 18) typically do so over a span of many years. Devon is an exception: He joined Troop 1083 at age 14, well aware that if he was going to reach Eagle, he would have to hit the ground running and never let up. He tore through his rank advancements and merit badges, he served ably in the requisite leadership positions in the Troop, and he planned and carried out a service project, while also investing the time required to prepare for and go on a High Adventure trek at the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico in 2015. The Troop 1083 family proudly congratulates Devon, who joins his grandfather and two uncles in becoming an Eagle Scout.

If you are a boy who has finished the fifth grade you can join us. We meet Monday night at 7:30 at Viers Mill ES, or call Scoutmaster Dave Talbott at 301-933- 0048. Check out the Troop’s web page at [www.troop1083.org](http://www.troop1083.org).



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## RCA-Land siblings win 2016 Golden Shovel Award

*by Mark Nensel*

A pair of RCA-Land youngsters who live on Rock Road were winners of Montgomery County Council Member Nancy Floreen’s 2016 Safe Sidewalk Golden Shovel Award.

According to Floreen’s website: “Sofia and Nevan West of Rockville are 12-year-old twin siblings. They not only helped their mother shovel mountains of snow from their property, they also went to help a disabled neighbor

shovel their driveway and sidewalk. And when a snow plow became stuck, they helped the driver shovel out the truck and even brought him a soda.”

“It is always a pleasure to recognize our Montgomery County residents who have gone above and beyond to help their neighbors shovel out after a snowstorm,” Floreen said. “And this year, our heroes had a lot of work to do with snow totals ranging from 32.4 inches in the southern part of the County to 53.5 inches in northern areas of the County.”

Congratulations to our local heroes for a job very well done!

## Neighborhood Park Spotlight

By Ken Kopczyk

Without a doubt, one of the best features of our neighborhood is its proximity to Rock Creek Park, Rock Creek Trail, and Montgomery County's great local park system. Below is a rundown of all the parks within walking distance of RCA-land.

The following parks are located on Rock Creek Park, are accessible via the Rock Creek Trail, have parking lots, and have bathroom facilities:

**1. Winding Creek Local Park** – Includes two basketball courts, two multi-use fields, playground, park benches with pergola, and bike racks. Can be accessed near the corner of Hunters Ln and Gaynor Rd in Franklin Park.

**2. Randolph Hills Local Park** – Includes two tennis courts, two lighted basketball courts, two softball fields, a multi-use field, playground, and gazebo picnic area. Can be accessed near the corner of Ashley Dr and Macon Rd in Randolph Hills.

**3. Dewey Local Park** – Includes a multi-use field, playground, and picnic tables. The park's basketball and tennis courts are all currently in disrepair. Of all the parks on this list, this one requires the most maintenance. Can be accessed via Dewey Rd or Randolph Hills Local Park.

**4. Veirs Mill Local Park** – Includes two softball fields, a multi-use field, playground, picnic tables, and the activities building where RCA meetings are held. Can be accessed near the corner of Beach Dr and Garrett Park Rd.

**5. Ken-Gar Palisades Local Park** – Includes two tennis courts, a softball field, a multi-use field, two lighted basketball courts, playground, and activities building. This park is also a great place to watch for trains. Can be accessed via Beach Dr near the tunnel.

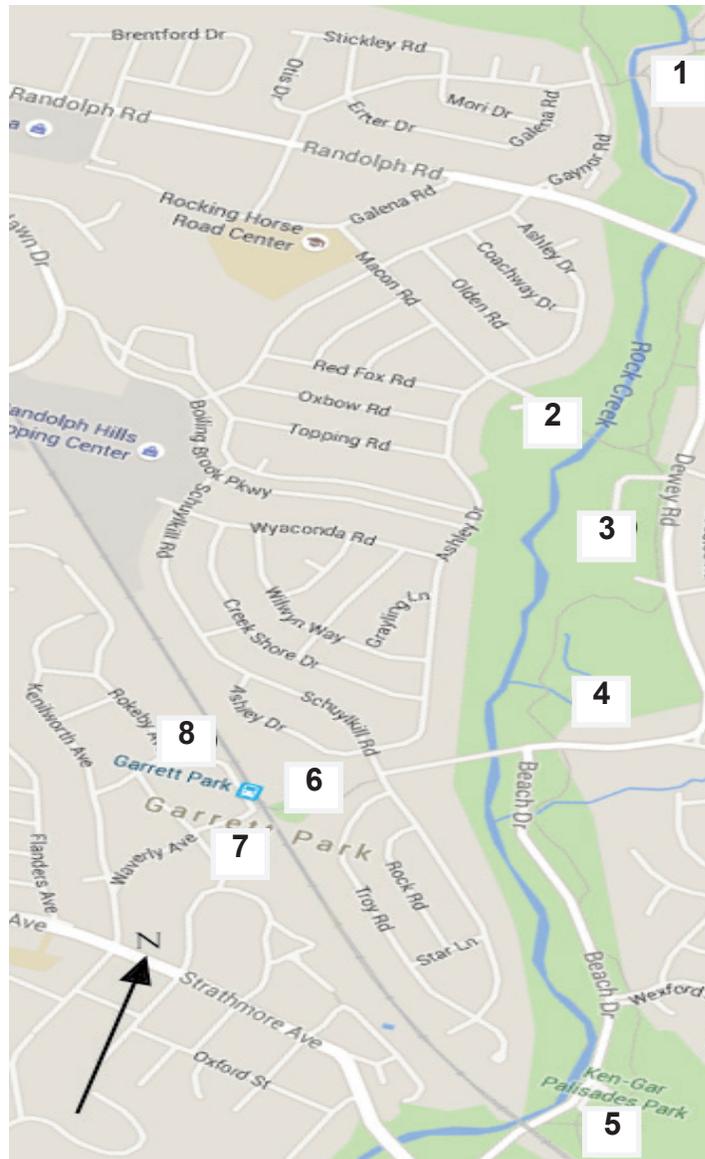
The following parks are located near the Garrett Park MARC station. These parks do not have dedicated parking lots, but parking is available on the surrounding streets as well as free weekend parking at the train station:

**6. Waverly-Schuylkill Neighborhood Park** – Includes a nature trail, park benches, picnic area, and lots of tree cover. This is probably our neighborhood's most beautiful park and is also a great spot for watching trains or relaxing after a meal at Black Market Bistro, located steps away. Can be accessed via the lighted trail at the corner of Schuylkill Rd and Garrett Park Rd in Randolph Hills. The park provides access to historic Garrett Park.

**7. Garrett-Waverly Neighborhood Park** – Includes two tennis courts, a basketball court, picnic area, and nature trail. This park is located just beyond Black Market Bistro in historic Garrett Park.

**8. Wells Neighborhood Park** – Includes a playground, picnic tables, and lots of tree cover. Located just north of the Garrett Park MARC station.

For more information, go to <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>.



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## **Zika** *(conectado a la página 6)*

restregados. La próxima vez que el nivel del agua suba y cubra los huevos, las larvas nacerán, se convertirán en pupas y luego en mosquitos adultos en aproximadamente una semana. Los mosquitos viven dentro y fuera del hogar. Prefieren picar durante el día. Unos pocos mosquitos infectados pueden producir grandes brotes en la comunidad y poner a su familia en riesgo de enfermarse.

Protéjase y proteja a su familia y a la comunidad de los mosquitos:

1. Elimine el agua acumulada en el interior y alrededor de su hogar: Una vez a la semana, vacíe y restriegue con un cepillo o esponja, dé vuelta, cubra o bote los recipientes que puedan acumular agua, tales como neumáticos, baldes, macetas, floreros, juguetes, piscinas, baños para pájaros, tiestos o contenedores de basura. Revise dentro y fuera del hogar. Coloque una tapa ajustada en los recipientes para el agua (baldes, cisternas, barriles para agua de lluvia) para que los mosquitos no puedan entrar a poner huevos. Use una malla o tela metálica con agujeros más pequeños que un mosquito para cubrir los recipientes sin tapa.
2. Si tiene un pozo séptico, tome estas medidas: Repare las grietas y los huecos. Cubra el tubo de ventilación o respiradero con una malla o tela metálica con agujeros más pequeños que un mosquito
3. Mantenga los mosquitos fuera de su hogar: Use una malla o tela metálica en las puertas y ventanas. Repare los orificios en la malla o tela metálica. Use el aire acondicionado si lo tiene disponible.
4. Evite las picaduras de mosquitos: Use repelentes de insectos registrados en la Agencia de Protección Ambiental de los EE. UU. (EPA, por sus siglas en inglés) con uno de los siguientes ingredientes activos. Todos los repelentes de insectos registrados en la EPA han sido estudiados para asegurarse de que sean seguros y eficaces: DEET, que se puede encontrar en Off!, Cutter, Sawyer, Ultrathon; Picaridina, también conocido como KBR 3023, Bayrepel e icaridina, disponible en Cutter Advanced, Skin So Soft Bug Guard Plus; IR3535, disponible en Skin So Soft Bug Guard Plus Expedition, SkinSmart; Aceite de eucalipto limón (OLE) o para-metano-diol (PMD) disponible en Repel. Siempre siga las instrucciones en la etiqueta del producto. Vuelva a aplicar el repelente de insectos cada cierta cantidad de horas, dependiendo del producto y la concentración que haya elegido. No ponga repelente en la piel debajo de la ropa. Si también usa un filtro solar, aplíquese primero y luego el repelente de insectos. Trate la ropa y el equipo (como botas, pantalones, medias y tiendas de campaña o carpas) con permetrina o compre ropa y equipo tratados con permetrina. La ropa tratada con permetrina continúa ofreciendo protección luego de varios lavados. Lea la información del producto para saber cuánto durará la protección. Si usted mismo va a tratar con permetrina los artículos, siga las instrucciones del producto cuidadosamente.

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Para información adicional, vaya a: <http://montgomery-countymd.gov/mosquito/zika.html>

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## **WJHS** *(continued from p. 8)*

entail a cluster-wide change such that elementary schools would become k-4, middle schools 5-7, grades 8-9 would be placed at Woodward, and 10-12 at Walter Johnson.] 3. Expand some of the elementary schools for a capacity of 850-890 students. 4. Open an early childhood center. [This approach would mean relocating the pre-k and k classes of some of the cluster's elementary schools – Ashburton, Lux Manor and Garrett Park – as well as the special needs pre-k classes all to one location. Projections show that an additional k-5 school would still be needed down the road.] 5. Open a new elementary school for grades k-2 and PEP programs and pair it with

Ashburton Elementary School that would serve grades 3-5. [The expansion at Ashburton Elementary would no longer be necessary. In addition, half of Garrett Park Elementary would be relocated to this new/paired school.]

There are two additional secondary school approaches that were discussed: 1. Collocate a new high school and middle school at Woodward. 2. Reassign grade 9 students to middle school and reopen Woodward as a middle school.

Additional information about the approaches and handouts from the April 6 meeting can be found at: [http://gis.mcpsmd.org/roundtablepdfs/WalterJohnsonCluster\\_Meeting5Handouts.pdf](http://gis.mcpsmd.org/roundtablepdfs/WalterJohnsonCluster_Meeting5Handouts.pdf).

Each school in the WJ cluster is responsible for holding another PTA meeting open to the public/community to discuss these approaches and gather any feedback. The meeting dates and locations (some not all) are listed at: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/roundtable.aspx>. You may contact your local PTA for additional information or if your school's meeting is not listed.

Another RDG meeting was held May 4 to discuss any additional elementary school approaches that may have been raised at the April 21 meeting, continue discussion of all the approaches, and review items to be included in the Roundtable report. The second public information meeting on approaches for the Walter Johnson Cluster Roundtable was set for May 11. The last RDG meeting is May 18 when the RDG will finalize what they want included in the report to the interim superintendent, and the report is supposed to be sent to the interim superintendent and the Board of Education on June 1. The full calendar can be found at: [http://gis.mcpsmd.org/roundtablepdfs/WalterJohnsonCluster\\_RoundtableRevised-ScheduledDates.pdf](http://gis.mcpsmd.org/roundtablepdfs/WalterJohnsonCluster_RoundtableRevised-ScheduledDates.pdf).

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| 4603 Creek Shore Drive   | \$327,600         | \$328,000         | 21         | \$0            | 26-Feb-16           |
| 11507 Patapsco Drive     | \$360,000         | \$360,000         | 162        | \$9,000        | 26-Feb-16           |
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