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Upcoming Events

RCA Executive Meeting
Thursday, February 6, 2003
8:00 p.m.

RCA General Meeting
Thursday, March 6, 2003
8:00 p.m.

Meetings are held at the Randolph Hills Recreation Center at the corner of Ashley Drive and Macon Road on the **first Thursday of every month at 8 p.m.**, except January, July, and August. Usually, we alternate between General and Executive meetings. All are welcome at every meeting.

Sam's Club Membership Update

by Richard Zierdt

OK – it's done. All **new** Sam's requests were finally fulfilled on January 21 (at 7 AM!). As I write this (January 22), not all new requestors have been notified, but I do a bunch every evening (email addresses help). I apologize for the delay. All **existing** RCA/SAM's cards were renewed in early November, 2002, so there should have been no problem with those. Let me know if you had any. (Some existing RCA/SAMers still have not paid for their Sam's renewal. When I had a doubt about a member, I did not delete their card – yet. Please pay up!)

As a goodwill gesture, since new card requestors did not have use of their cards for several months, new accounts issued this year will be good through October 31, 2004. Check the expiration date of your card(s) when you receive your RCA membership renewal form this September. If it's good through 2004, do not pay the \$30 Sam's fee. **However, RCA membership dues are still required.**

Why get a business Sam's Club card through the RCA? Because it's \$5 less than a regular Sam's membership, **and** you can shop Monday through Saturday during Sam's extended "business" hours of 7 AM - 10 AM. Regular hours begin at 10 am Monday through Friday, and 9:30 am Saturday. Sunday hours are the same (10am - 6 pm).

One important note about credit cards: Sam's does **not** take Mastercard, Visa, or American Express. I've heard it takes Discover. I know it takes cash, check, and ATM (debit) cards. The problem is exacerbated by the practice that the customer is not informed of this until check-out, when a cart full of merchandise has been collected!

County Proposes to Close VFD Station 21

The RCA has learned that the County proposes to close Kensington Volunteer Fire Department Station 21 on Veirs Mill Road. This firestation serves our own RCA-land in many ways. Please call 301-929-8030 for recorded information and action YOU can take.

The following public information flyer was issued by the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department.

County Planning Dangerous Changes to Fire and Rescue Service

The Kensington Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD) operates four fire stations in the greater Kensington, Wheaton, Veirs Mill and Leisure World areas. Together, these four stations protect a population of over two hun-

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Montgomery County Civic Federation:

Kevin Kline, Mike Saunders, Matthew Shore, Richard Zierdt
www.montgomerycivic.org

North Bethesda Congress: Matthew Shore, Richard Zierdt

MUNICIPAL AREAS FOR RCA

County Council District 1 (representing all of RCA):

Councilman: Howard Denis 240-777-7964

email: Councilmember.Denis@co.mo.md.us

Mr. Denis' aide: Ken Hartman

General County Council Offices: 240-777-7900

County Executive (all of RCA):

Douglas Duncan 240-777-2500

Montgomery County Public Schools: 301-279-3000

School Board Offices: 301-279-3617

School System Information: 301-279-3391

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(representing all of RCA):

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South of Randolph Road:

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Delegates: Kumar Barve 301-858-3001

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Delegates: Leon Billings 301-858-3028

Sharon Grosfeld 301-858-3028

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Montgomery County Delegation Office:

All Senators & Delegates: 301-858-3010

U.S. Congressional District 8 (all of RCA):

Constance Morella 202-225-5341

email: rep.morella@mail.house.gov

U.S. Senate (all of RCA):

Barbara Mikulski 202-224-4654

Paul Sarbanes 202-224-4524

Election Precinct:

04-15 Vote at Rockinghorse Center, 4910 Macon Road

Montgomery Co. Board of Elections: 240-777-8500

www.co.mo.md.us/services/elections



RCA Telephone Number: 301-881-2722 (881-2RCA).

Recorded announcements of community events, 24 hours a day. Callers may leave messages.

Membership in the RCA is \$5.00 per year.

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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..."

Web site: www.randolphcivic.org

VFD Station 21

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dred thousand residents and respond to greater than sixteen thousand emergency calls for service each year. The County Executive's appointed fire administrator, Gordon Aoyagi, has begun to make dangerous changes to the fire and rescue services provided throughout Montgomery County. KVFD will be adversely affected by the proposed changes.

In a move aimed at dismantling the community volunteer fire and rescue departments, the County Fire Administrator is proposing to close the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department's Station 21, cut fire and emergency medical services at several other community stations and strip away critical administrative operations support. These actions are being cast by the Fire Administrator as cost saving measures. However, his actions are deceiving, as the budget will actually increase by the creation of new and costly non-essential programs and job positions.

This betrays the trust and will of the community by manipulating the budget in order to seek complete organizational takeover, defeating the lawfully established public-private partnership that is already successfully in place. The Kensington Volunteer Fire Department condemns these proposals and asks for your assistance.

Here's how you can help . . .

Call the Montgomery County Executive, Douglas M. Duncan, at 240-777-2500, and the President of the Montgomery County Council, Michael Subin, at 240-777-7900. Tell them the following four things:

- First, closing stations in our community, or any community, is not an acceptable solution.
- Second, listen to our community fire officials; they have objective and unbiased ideas for savings.
- Third, do not permit the firing of critical administrative operations support staff; leave our community-based system intact.
- And finally, express your support for the public-private partnership and its continued growth and strength through community participation, with KVFD as a full partner in all levels of decision making.

Six years ago, citizen support defeated a referendum that sought to create a single government fire service. Your support now is critical to maintain this community-based system, intact and in place today.

President's Message

by Matt Shore

I hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday season. These are special times to spend with family and friends. Christmas seemed to come up on us a little quicker this year and now we are already in 2003! Time sure goes fast!

Thank you to all who came out to the dedication of the Mark Shore Memorial Bench on November 24th. We were blessed with good weather and about 75 people came to help my family celebrate my brother's memory. If you couldn't be there, come by the corner of Garrett Park and Schuylkill Roads and enjoy a good sit in the park.

The Mark Shore Memorial team will participate in the MS walk and bike races. The walk will be on Sunday, April 6th and start at Bullis School on Falls Road and finish at the C&O canal. The bike race will be on May 17 and 18 in Northern Virginia, riding from the Plains to Leesburg. See page 15 for more information. If you would like to do the bike or the walk call Frank Shore at 301-468-1225. All of the money raised goes to the National MS Society to help find a cure for Multiple Sclerosis.

On another note, don't forget that we have a guest speaker from LCOR coming to the March General Meeting. LCOR is the builder of the proposed massive development at White Flint Metro. LCOR will give a presentation and answer your questions. See you there!



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Treasurer's Report

by Richard Zierdt

As of January 24, 2003, combined RCA+RCF assets total \$12,209.54. Some RCAers did not renew their Sam's cards, so Sam's gave the RCA a refund (in cash!) for deleted accounts (see January 22 transaction below). We have 5 issues of the *Echo* left to pay for (~\$5000) and distribute (\$960). Donations to the Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Boy Scouts will total around \$800. By the end of the fiscal year, June 30, we should have about \$5000 left in the kitty, a nice start for the next fiscal year, 2003-04. Thanks again to Mauro Biondo for bringing home the (advertising) bacon, and to all RCA members whose dues and donations make this operation possible! See the Paid RCA Members List beginning on page 6.

RCA Checking Register 11/13/2002 through 1/24/2003

Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
BALANCE 11/13/2002					10,407.84
11/18		RCAssociation	ad income	100.00	10,507.84
11/18	E-xfr	Verizon	Oct 22 telephone	-21.63	10,486.21
11/25	692	Quick Printing	December ECHO	-965.00	9,521.21
12/02		RCAssociation	2 advertisers	589.00	10,110.21
12/17		Verizon	Nov 22 telephone	-21.64	10,088.57
01/22		RCA	cash deposit	390.00	10,478.57
		inc:membership	1 member	30.00	
		inc:Sams	12 Sams refunds	360.00	
BALANCE 01/24/2003					10,478.57
<i>RCA Bank balance, November 22 statement: 10,486.21</i>					
<i>RCA Bank balance, December 23 statement: 10,088.57</i>					

RCF Checking Register 11/13/2002 through 1/24/2003

Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
BALANCE 11/13/2002					1,580.57
11/15		RCFoundation	donation	50.00	1,630.57
11/29		interest	.18%	0.21	1,630.78
12/16		RCFoundation	donation	50.00	1,680.78
12/31		interest	.15%	0.19	1,680.97
01/15		RCFoundation	inc:donation	50.00	1,730.97
BALANCE 01/24/2003					1,730.97
<i>RCF Bank balance, November 30 statement: 1,630.78</i>					
<i>RCF Bank balance, December 31 statement: 1,680.97</i>					

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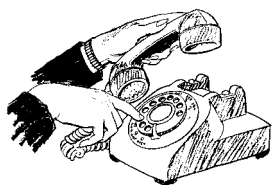
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January 22, 2003



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 in the ECHO almost every month. You don't have to leave your name or phone number. The RCA is here to help everyone keep our neighborhood as orderly as possible, so please use these numbers. Please call the RCA as well. We appreciate knowing and learning about our community.

2002-11-16 (Sat) 9:22 am Anonymous. The leaf raking and snow shoveling list needs to be revised because none of those boys appear to be available to do anything. *[Richard Zierdt here. I called, at random, one of the boys listed in the ECHO, and talked to his father. He reports that his son sometimes made \$200 a day shoveling snow, and is very willing to do work. I told the father that I then was going to quit my own job and start a new line of work! The caller mentioned no boy in particular, so it is unknown who was called. If the caller wants to provide more information, please call back. As far as I can tell, these boys will work.]*

2002-11-16 (Sat) 11:37 am Anonymous. What happened to the trash can at the entrance to the Waverly-Schuykill Park?

2002-11-29 (Fri) 1:41 pm Franklin Park, Hunters Lane. When a street light is out or not working properly, the County's Department of Transportation can be called at 240-777-2190. Happy Holiday!

2002-11-29 (Fri) 2:21 pm Anonymous. People leave anonymous messages because they want to get their thoughts out and questions answered without the possibility of retribution from an offended party. Have a good day.

2002-11-30 (Sat) 3:12 pm Officer John Polk. Would prefer to have his name removed as the Mobile Watch program. John is out all the time, especially in RCA-land. We're arresting a lot of people for drugs, alcohol, etc. We respond to lots of situations, but in an official police capacity. John thinks it best to remove his name as coordinator. *[We understand, and thank John for his efforts, and appreciate his continuing involvement with the RCA neighborhood.]*

2002-12-01 (Sun) 0:00 pm Franklin Park. May have missed the December *Echo*, especially in the Franklin Park area.

— Tape Ran Out (!) —

2002-12-27 (Fri) 9:50 am Macon Road. Has the RCA received any complaints of any sewer line ruptures after the County performed its sidewalk and road maintenance last year? Caller is experiencing sewer problems. Caller is a 28-year resident and has never had a problem until now, and it began after the County ran heavy equipment up and down the property. Caller can't prove it, but it's suspicious, as the problem started shortly after. Anyone else had a similar problem?

2002-12-28 (Sat) 11:51 am Randolph Hills, 2nd section. There is (still) a broken railing at Rocking Horse and Boiling Brook. An orange pylon and tape, placed there [as a temporary measure?] has since fallen into the creek. Can the RCA do something about this or provide caller with the correct number and caller will call. *[That would be the County's Department of Public Works and Transportation, Highway Services, 240-777-7623.]*

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RCA Hotline

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2002-12-31 (Tue) 6:06 pm Randolph Hills. How can caller get a copy of the Maryland sex offender list, mentioned in the December *Echo*? Caller wants to protect caller's children.

2002-01-06 (Mon) 10:44 am Boiling Brook Parkway. Caller cannot stress enough how horrible the trash service is. Three out of the last four Mondays, caller has had to call the County to get them to get the contractor to come back out because they don't pick up all the trash, or leave cans out in the road, which on days like today, Monday the 6th, the snowplows go and hit [them] because the contractor's workers are too lazy to place the cans back in the yard where they were. It's a shame that things cannot be the way they used to be. We bend over enough for the contractors. We used to be able keep our trash cans in our back yards, then the contractors got too lazy and now the cans have to be put out front. It's ridiculous that the contractor cannot even place the cans back in the yard. We need to change contractors. They are horrible. Caller has had repeated trash problems, and is tired of dealing with them. How do we get the situation changed? Petition? Caller is tired of calling the County, but will keep doing it. *[Richard Zierdt here. I don't think the contractor's workers are lazy, because they hustle. They practically run down the streets. The problem is that trash contractors bid on these jobs, and the more houses a contractor thinks it can service for the same price, the more likely it will get a contract. Then it*

In Memoriam

Sidney Martin Block, a 38 year resident of Montrose Park, died at his residence on December 13, 2002. His wife of 54 years, Judith, and sons Alan and Michael were at his bedside. Mr. Block worked many years in sales positions and retired from Sears in 1986. The family would like to thank the neighbors who provided love, comfort and much support during his lengthy illness.

comes down to the person driving and the persons collecting the trash: there are too many houses to service properly. As for back yard pickup which we used to have, County Executive Doug Duncan can be thanked for that. Rather than have a public debate about it, he made the change buried in the County budget he submitted to the County Council, which is several hundred pages long. No one would have noticed it, and no one did. We used to have twice-a-week pickup as well. However, our property taxes were reduced \$50/year. Was it worth it? Not in my opinion. Yes, the RCA could definitely hire its own contractor if it were a municipality (I won't discuss that further in this note!) and we might be able to do so even as an Association. Like many things in the County, there is a "process," but I'm not sure what that is right now. I invite anyone interested in this idea to pursue it. In the meantime, I appreciate the caller's tenacity and thank caller for caller's efforts.]

2003-01-06 (Mon) 12:29 pm 4700 Topping Road. Caller reports the theft of two sleds, one was an orange 2-seater, the other green, on Sunday evening January 5, or early Monday, January 6. These were Christmas presents. Caller asks for the return of these sleds; simply leave them at caller's property, over the fence, no questions asked.

2003-01-06 (Mon) 4:37 pm Boiling Brook Parkway. Trash pickup is a little better, that is, the cans were at least placed back on the property, but trash remains on the yards of 472x and 472y BBP. This does not make the neighborhood look good, and it makes food for rodents.

2003-01-09 (Thu) 11:20 am The residents at 47xx Creekshore Drive may not be aware of large-item pickup. They have left an appliance out for many weeks. Now they have mattresses out. Could the RCA get information to the residents so that they know how to dispose of large items like these? *[Household appliances need only be placed near the recycle bin, but you must call 240-777-6410 no later than 9:30 a.m. on the business day BEFORE your collection day to schedule a pickup. Since RCA-land is picked up on Monday, you must call BEFORE 9:30 AM on the previous FRIDAY (such as anytime on Thursday!). Now about mattresses. On one hand, the County's website (www.montgomerycountymd.gov) says "Sorry, our mattress recycling program has been discontinued." However, at another spot it describes "Special Collections" which do accept mattresses using the same method as just described: "call 240-777-6410 no later than 9:30 a.m. on the business day BEFORE your collection day to schedule a pickup."]*

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"Mark's Bench" Graces "Mark's Park"

by Margaret Dikel

Another bench has been installed in Waverly-Schuylkill Park, but it doesn't match the other benches already there. The new rosewood bench is a memorial to Mark Edward Shore from his parents, S. Frank and Josephine P. Shore of Troy Road, and the Shore family.

Mark died of complications from multiple sclerosis in 1998 at the age of 36, and his bench was dedicated on November 24, 2002, the eve of the fourth anniversary of Mark's death, in a short ceremony attended by about 75 friends, neighbors, and relatives of Mark and his family. The ceremony began with a blessing offered by Fr. Joseph Perkins, associate pastor at Holy Cross Church in Garrett Park, and was followed by a couple of short speeches and nice refreshments. It was a beautiful day and a very touching event.

It is fitting that Waverly-Schuylkill Park is the location for the bench as it really was Mark's park. He was frequently seen going up and down the trail in his wheelchair, and the establishment of the park can be credited to his family's efforts to make it easier for him to get out of the house. The bench sits at the Schuylkill Road entrance to the park where it gets sun in the early morning and late afternoon but shade in the middle of the day. The landscaping immediately around the bench was designed and installed by Dennis Hernandez of Troy Road, Patrick Gilchrist of Forest Glen, and Lester Bollinger of Ashley Drive, with the help of others.

Mark Shore was diagnosed with MS in 1982, but he did not allow the disease to hold him back. After graduating from Montgomery College in 1985, Mark served as commissioner of the Montgomery County Commission on People with Disabilities from 1988 to 1995. He also



Members of the Shore Family at the dedication ceremony: Gregory Shore, Mary Jo Shapiro, Josie Shore, Frank Shore, and RCA President Matt Shore.

worked with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for ten years. His family has continued to work with and support the society, organizing the Mark Shore Memorial Team to participate in society events. Frank Shore, a former state senator who represented District 17 from 1971 to 1990, was recently honored by the national capital chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for his efforts to raise awareness of this disease as well as funds to help find a cure.

This memorial bench was arranged through the Montgomery Parks Foundation, a public nonprofit organization founded in 1992 to help fund park and open space needs in Montgomery County working in cooperation with The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Montgomery County Department of Park and Planning. The foundation's memorial program allows anyone to dedicate a bench or tree to the memory of a loved one, and they work with you and the county to find an appropriate location for your memorial. Frank

learned about the program on Father's Day in 2002 when he picked up a copy of the foundation's newsletter while visiting the Black Hills Regional Park in Boyds, and he and Josie decided that this was the best way to honor their son's life. All of us who walk through the park will certainly appreciate their gift.

For more information on the Montgomery Parks Foundation and their memorial program, please call the foundation at 301-767-0002 or check their website at www.montgomeryparksfnd.org. If you want to learn more about MS or ways you can join the fight for a cure, check the National MS Society's website at www.nmss.org or call 1-800-Fight MS (1-800-344-4867).



"Mark's Bench" in Waverly-Schuylkill Park.

Fr. Perkins of Holy Cross Church in Garrett Park offers a blessing at the dedication ceremony for Mark's Bench in Waverly-Schuykill Park. The ceremony was attended by about 75 friends, neighbors, and relatives of Mark and his family.



Catch the Spirit and Join the Fun! Join the Annual MS Walk

This spring, RCA-land neighbors are getting fit and making a difference by participating in the annual MS Walk. The 8-mile walk takes place on Sunday morning, April 6 starting at Bullis School in Potomac, Maryland and continues along the scenic C&O canal, and ends with lunch at historic Glen Echo.

Join the **Mark Shore Memorial Team** and help find a cure for this debilitating disease. Help the team by walking or by pledging your support in the fight against MS. Call the Mark Shore Memorial Hotline today at (301) 468-1225 to become part of the team or send your tax-deductible contribution by April 6 to:

Frank Shore, 11230 Troy Road, Rockville, MD 20852
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Among last year's **MS Walk Team** participants were (from left to right): Michael Gresalfi, Frank Shore, Josie Shore, Mary Jo Shapiro, Bonnie Wahiba, Eileen White, Evelyn McClung, Richard Zierdt, Katie McClung, and Julie Stanish. ***Come join us this year!***

News from Pack 1081

by George Gadbois



November and December are always a busy time for Pack 1081 Cub Scouts. On November 9, along with Troop 1083 Boy Scouts, Scout leaders, and many parents, the following Cub Scouts from our Pack collected more than 80 crates of non-perishable food for the Manna Food Bank: **Sawyer Kibbe, Brad Gessford, Joshua Murtagh, Jason Beam, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart and AJ Taylor.**

Since our last *Echo* column, these scouts worked hard to earn the following advancement awards: Webelos II Pin - Citizen - **Johnny Hilderbrand, Fredis Mata, Joseph Owen;** Webelos I Pin - Fitness - **Kyle Blakely, Tony Caffi, Matthew Fieller, Derick Pineda;** Bear Awards: Whittlin' Chip Award - **Jason Beam, Kevin Benitez, Jake Blakely, Alan Costas, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart, Sasha Hevey, Dwayne Remillard, AJ Taylor, Diego Vallejos;** Swimming and Physical Fitness Sports Pins - **Dwayne Remillard;** Tiger Awards: Tiger Belt Totem - **Tyler Bochniak, Jose Gallardo, Brad Gessford, Gabriel Hernandez, Sawyer Kibbe, Alex Sanchez, Ben Weitzel.**

The annual trip to White Oak Lanes on November 24, where as usual, duckpins went flying with all the strikes and spares, was a great time enjoyed by **Jose Gallardo, Brad Gessford, Sawyer Kibbe, Alex Sanchez, Ben Weitzel, Matthew Best, Joshua Murtagh, Patrick Owen, Jason Beam, Kevin Benitez, Jake Blakely, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart, Sasha Hevey, Dwayne Remillard, AJ Taylor, Diego Vallejos, Kyle Blakely, Tony Caffi, Matthew Fieller, Derick Pineda, Johnny Hilderbrand and Joseph Owen.** On December 7th, **Brad Gessford, Jason Beam, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart, AJ Taylor, Diego Vallejos and Johnny Hilderbrand** braved the cold weather to visit Mt Vernon and participate in a solemn wreath laying ceremony at the gravesite of George Washington. Under the musical talent of **Mrs. Karen Wood,** a loyal scout parent, the Pack caroled for the seniors at the Randolph Hills Nursing Center on December 8th. Our holiday chorus for this event included **Brad Gessford, Devin Kenney, Joshua Murtagh, Patrick Owen, Brenton Polk, Kenneth Rodas, Ayinde Warren, Jason Beam, Jake Blakely, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart, Sasha Hevey, Dwayne Remillard, AJ Taylor, Diego**



Santa visits Pack 1081 at their Holiday Meeting.

Vallejos, Kyle Blakely, Tony Caffi, Matthew Fieller, Derick Pineda and Johnny Hilderbrand.

Our Holiday Pack meeting on December 19th featured music, a skit, caroling, decorations and a somewhat expected visit from Santa himself, who had gifts for all the kids. A couple of days later our Webelos II scouts, **Johnny Hilderbrand and Joseph Owen,** helped Santa hand out candy canes with the Troop 1083 Boy Scouts on a fire truck ride through the Randolph Hills neighborhood. After Christmas, several boys and parents spent some winter break time designing, cutting, filing and sanding Pinewood Derby cars at a couple of afternoon sessions at the Cubmaster's workshop. At press time, the Pack is looking forward to the Derby event as well as some skating and skiing outings. Happy New Year to all our readers! Please visit our website:

<http://hometown.aol.com/jph3190/1081.html>



Santa is assisted by the Kensington VFD, with Webelos Scouts and Boy Scouts delivering candy canes, in a holiday ride through RCA-land.



Photo by Adell Milne.

Troop 1083 News

by Brian McGahey

First of all, thanks to all who got their Christmas tree from us this year. Come back next year, and see our ad (at right) for delivered mulch in March.

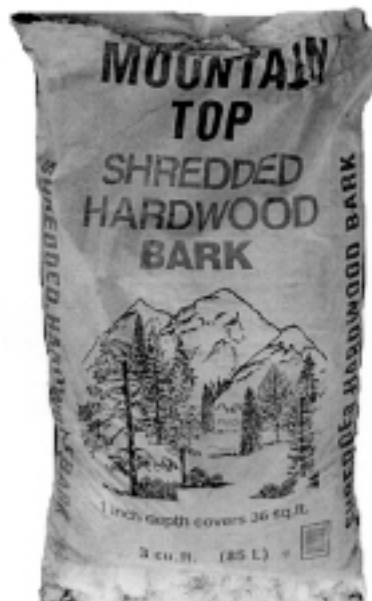
Troop 1083 once again took Santa Claus on the fire truck around RCA-land. This is a big event and requires many hands. Thanks to **Lynn Russell** and **Kensington Volunteer Fire Department** for the fire truck. Thanks to **Mr. Talbott, Mr. Saunders, Mr. Wood, and Mr. Tao** for guiding the fire truck. Scouts under the leadership of SPL **Chris Soares** included **Nachi Roper, Andrew Tao, Jake Bolt, Edwin Fuentes, Scott Talbott, Hafez Taghavi, John Pitkin, Andy Wood, Ed Huggins, Steven Santos, Anthony Gadbois, Hunter Wyatt, Moses Hart and Galen Miley**. Webelos included **Johnny Hildebrand** and **Joseph Owen**. Non-scout siblings included **David Santos** and **Jen Wood**. Afterwards we went to the Talbott's house to celebrate the season and enjoy pizza from Armands of Congressional Plaza and former 1083 Scout **John Deem**.

Several great traditions for Troop 1083, some old, and some new. Upcoming events include competing at the Klondike Derby at Little Bennett in January, near Clarksburg, Md. We will be skiing at Whitetail in February (one of the reasons we sell Christmas trees). And our annual Scout dinner, the Khaki and Green, will be in February.

Check the ad and buy some mulch!!

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Zoning News

White Flint Golf Park

Several civic associations, including Garrett Park Estates and the Parkwood Residents Association of Kensington, are opposed to Metro's plan to develop the White Flint Golf Park. Metro plans to allow a private company (LCOR) to develop the 32.4 acres around and over the White Flint Metro Station into a huge development \$625 million development.

The civic associations say that Rockville Pike is already gridlocked, and that the developer is assuming more commuters will take Metro than is reasonable. Also, there are not enough open spaces for pedestrians in the development.

Target comes to Montrose Crossing.

Target will build a "big box" store behind RCA-land's Giant food store, next to the railroad tracks. Nebel Road is also to be extended, north of Randolph Road along the RR tracks, and intersect with Bou Ave at the parking garage. Previously, a Home Depot was going to be built at this location, but they backed out of the deal.

Don't get us wrong, the RCA executives like Target – Home Depot, too. Our concern is that if this project were slightly to the north, within the Rockville city limits, it would be banned. In year 2000, Rockville enacted a "big box" ban of stores of more than 65,000 sq ft.

Now, Rockville councilmembers and Mayor Larry Giammo are steamed because this Target is being built right outside the city limits. Giammo said he is "phenomenally concerned" about increased traffic (and so is the RCA!).

Strathmore Road Narrows

The County Planning Board (MCPPC) has voted to narrow Strathmore Avenue in RCA-land's next door neighbor Garrett Park, from the present 28 ft wide to 24 ft. The purpose is to slow traffic. Mandatory Referral #02811-SHA-1 will construct 5-ft sidewalks and street trees on both sides of Strathmore. Crosswalks will be made of pavers, and some private parking pads and turn-arounds will be provided.

White Flint Conference Center

The White Flint Conference Center & Hotel is/was tentatively scheduled to start this spring. The 225-room hotel across from the White Flint Metro Station was held up in court for more than two years because of a resident's concern that the center will cause massive traffic on Rockville Pike.

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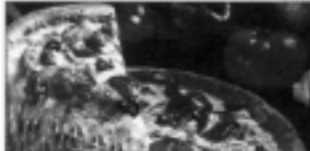
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Howard and Prince George's counties also have such laws. In Loudoun County, residents have six hours to shovel their walks after the snowfalls ends, or face a \$250 per day fine. Northern cities, like Pittsburgh, have had such laws for years. The parents of school-age children were the motivating force in getting this law enacted.

Is Your Landlord Neighbor Legal?

Montgomery County requires all property owners that rent out their houses (including those in RCA-land) to have licenses. Owners without licenses can be fined \$500. The license year runs from July 1 until June 30. Fees range from \$35 to \$95.

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Zoning News

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urbs and the third-largest in the area, says Kelly Groff, executive director of the Conference and Visitors Bureau of Montgomery County. Montgomery County's largest ballroom now is 7,000 square feet, at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda.

The development is a joint project of Montgomery County, the state of Maryland and D.C.-based Quadrangle Development Corp. It includes 36,000 square feet of walled meeting space, 20,000 square feet of public corridors for registration and exhibits, and the 225-room Marriott hotel, which is expandable to 450 rooms. Presently the 12-acre lot that will house the hotel and conference center is the White Flint Metro parking lot, on the eastside of Rockville Pike.

White Flint Office Development

The RCA executives have sent a letter to the County opposing a proposed 30% reduction in required parking spaces for the White Flint Office Development. This project is now to be built on the east side of Rockville Pike, just north of the White Flint Golf Park (driving range). We feel parking and traffic are bad enough in RCA-land, without loosening the zoning already in place.

RCA Treasurer Richard Zierdt wrote "There is currently insufficient parking within North Bethesda in general, and along Rockville Pike in particular, and yet the request seeks a 30% reduction in the amount of required parking capacity." RCA Exec George Gadbois attended a hearing on November 17th, and testified on behalf of the RCA against granting waiver loosening the parking space requirements.

Then a funny thing happened. The developers' lawyers called Richard, and said they were going to file a new "plan" that reduces the number of parking spaces they need.

The County's Department of Permitting Services (DPS), after hearing our testimony, did not decide the developer's zoning waiver request one way or another. Instead, they "punted" and returned the whole development package back to Park and Planning.

The RCA execs do not understand this action. Why did we bother to testify against the parking waiver, if no decision was going to be made? It appears to us that the DPS postponed the decision once they ran into community opposition. Returning the development package back to Park and Planning takes everything back to square one, and gives the developers a second chance, either to come up with a more acceptable plan, or to simply wear community activists like us down. The RCA may invite the developers to present their side at an upcoming RCA meeting.

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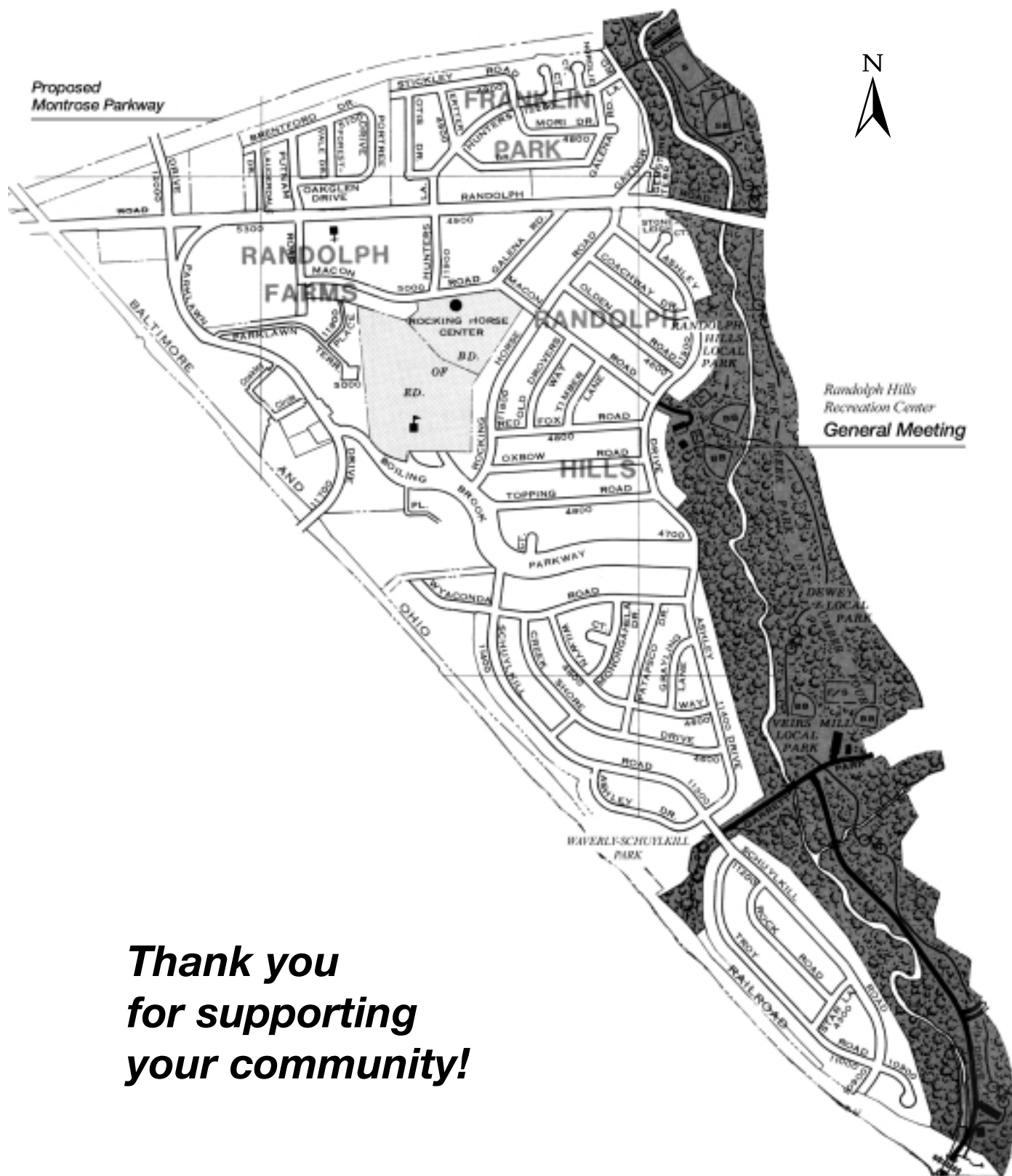
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*Randolph Hills, Randolph Farms, Franklin Park
And Montrose Park Market Update!*

Randolph Hills/Farms	1999	2000	2001	2002
Average List Price	\$169,756	\$178,652	\$197,414	\$251,604
Average Sale Price	\$167,950	\$178,080	\$198,087	\$251,781
Lowest Sale Price (RH)	\$102,000	\$149,900	\$125,000	\$165,000
Highest Sale Price (RH)	\$200,000	\$204,900	\$232,000	\$285,000
Sales per Year	47	43	42	42

Franklin Park	1999	2000	2001	2002
Average List Price	\$189,727	\$200,593	\$229,867	\$281,765
Average Sale Price	\$186,764	\$201,600	\$230,385	\$281,780
Lowest Sale Price	\$169,000	\$181,500	\$204,000	\$235,000
Highest Sale Price	\$204,000	\$249,000	\$282,000	\$340,000
Sales per Year	11	14	9	10

Montrose Park	1999	2000	2001	2002
Average List Price	\$189,300	\$203,983	\$233,225	\$274,700
Average Sale Price	\$183,333	\$205,000	\$228,750	\$279,271
Lowest Sale Price	\$171,000	\$180,000	\$218,000	\$245,000
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