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## Cicadas Invade RCA-Land!

They're Baaacckkkk! Those ugly cicadas! Millions of 'em! Despite all the political cartoons using them as backdrops, they actually perform some useful functions: they aerate the soil, help trim the trees, and provide nutrients for the soil. What a deal! And all they have to do is sleep for 17 years, wake up and make love, then die! Not too much different from us, eh?

## Upcoming Events

**RCA General Meeting**  
Thursday, June 3, 2004  
8:00 p.m.

**RCA Executive Meeting**  
Thursday, September 2, 2004  
8:00 p.m.

***Have a great summer!***

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.

## RCA Yard Sale a Big Success

*Pictures on pages 10-11!*



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### 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](http://www.randolphcivic.org)

## President's Message

by Matt Shore

With summer approaching and our last meeting coming in June, I was thinking of some good advice to tell RCA residents. Since the RCA does not meet over the summer I remind everyone to remember that on the last page of every *Echo* there are very helpful numbers for many Montgomery County services. If you are concerned about things in the community you need to report them to the County at all levels of the Government. For example, Police and Fire non-emergency, Animal Control, Housing Code Violations, MVA and Trash Collection are some of the services you might need during the summer.

The Police non-emergency number is 301-279-8000. This number is very important to use for your safety and the well being of the entire community. You don't have to be afraid to call and feel that you are required to give various information about yourself. Often the police will only ask where the problem is and then send out an officer to take care of the situation. If you don't call it will allow the problem to remain the same or become worse. It is always better to nip things in the bud. Remember that the squeaky wheel gets the grease.

Have a great summer!

## Neighborhood Watch

by Adreon Ensor

Three months ago, I asked for volunteers to help as block captains on our streets. So far 12 of your friends have responded. We still need over 80 more block captains. We need YOU to cover the street you live on. The only way this works is if YOU step up and volunteer. We always think "SOMEONE ELSE" will step forward but that hasn't happened, so we need YOU. Please volunteer your eyes and ears for your community. It's almost impossible to contact each and every person living in Randolph Hills to ask for their help, so please pick up the phone and call me and let me explain how little time YOU need to give to help protect your friends and neighbors. Help keep our homes and your neighborhood safer. It's YOUR responsibility. Thank you.

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## Treasurer's Report *by Richard Zierdt*

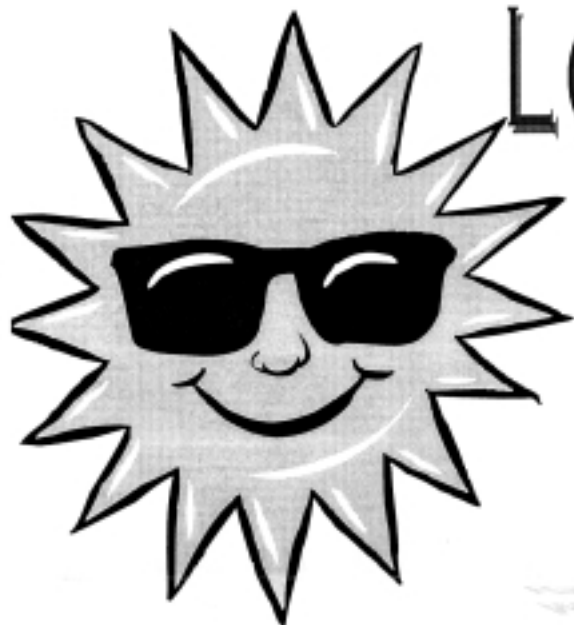
As of May 17, 2004, combined RCA+RCF assets total \$12,707.47. We initiated a new annual expense this month: general corporate insurance, costing \$728 annually. This covers the RCA for all typical injuries that might occur during the year (banana peels, etc.), the annual picnic, and the two yard sales. Previously, the RCA purchased one-day event insurance for the yard sales only. That cost \$250 per event, or \$500 per year. Starting in 2004, Erie Insurance, RCA's insurance carrier, stopped selling individual event insurance, but instead offered to cover the RCA through general corporate insurance (for \$228 more than what we were paying). So we're paying more, but we also are getting more: 24x7 coverage. Personally, I believe most insurance is a waste, but we must have it to offer yard sales at Loehmann's.

Another check we cut this month via the Foundation is \$400 to support Girl Scout Troop 1487, ably lead by Patricia Hart. This amount covers the period from 2002 through 2004.

RCA Checking Register					
04/08/2004 through 05/17/2004					
Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
		<b>BALANCE 04/08/2004</b>			<b>13,213.53</b>
04/08		RCAssociation	Brizendine inc:member	10.00	13,218.53
04/16	E-xfr	Verizon	Mar 22 pho Telephone	-22.90	13,195.63
04/22	726	Erie Insurance	RCA corporate Insurance	-728.00	12,467.63
04/26	727	Quick Printing	May ECHO	-997.50	11,470.13
05/13		RCAssociation	- Split -	45.00	11,515.13
		inc:advertising	Seigel	5.00	
		inc:membership	5 members	25.00	
		inc:donation	2 donations	15.00	
05/14	728	Sam's Club	Concessions: RCA Yard Sale	-147.83	11,367.30
		<b>BALANCE 05/17/2004</b>			<b>11,367.30</b>
		<i>RCA bank balance, April 22, 2004: 13,195.63</i>			

RCF Checking Register					
04/08/2004 through 05/17/2004					
Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
		<b>BALANCE 04/08/2004</b>			<b>1,740.04</b>
04/30		interest received	.10%	0.13	1,740.17
05/06	1067	Girl Scout Troop	donation	-400.00	1,340.17
		<b>BALANCE 05/17/2004</b>			<b>1,340.17</b>
		<i>RCF bank balance, April 30, 2004: 1,740.17</i>			

<b>Total RCA+RCF cash assets</b>					<b>12,707.47</b>
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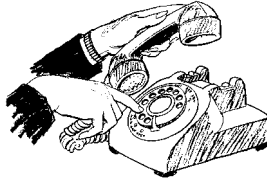


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## Calls Received on the RCA Hotline

301-881-2722 (2RCA)

April 19, 2004 to  
May 19, 2004



*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.*

**2004-04-19 (Mon) 10:44 am** Anonymous. This is caller's 3rd message; caller will give the RCA the benefit of the doubt and assume it didn't receive caller's previous messages on this subject. Right now, there are four roofing trucks in front of 200xx Galena Road. The latest thing is there is a tar machine in their driveway, and they are making tar! This is disgusting. Caller knows the RCA doesn't care, but could it please call someone who can deal with this. The household has set up a roofing business in a residential neighborhood. RCA doesn't care about Galena Road, but the people who live here do.

Please do not ignore this problem. *[Richard Zierdt here. Yes, the RCA has received caller's two previous messages, and they were published in the ECHO. Both times, we wrote that caller should call 240-777-3600 first (housing code violations), then call the RCA if the problem is not resolved. You do not have to give your phone number.]*

**2004-04-21 (Wed) 10:45 am** Anonymous. Caller called last week about teenagers putting something on the railroad tracks and throwing rocks at passing trains. One of them lives at 1142x Schuylkill Road. Caller thought RCA would want to know. Caller will call police the next time it happens.

**2004-04-25 (Sun) 7:04 pm** Ashley Drive. RCA's outgoing message is outdated. The main reason caller is calling is about the loud music from the Randolph Hills Park. Residents should not have to be subjected to this. If groups are going to have parties there, residents should be notified, and the groups should keep the volume down. Caller is interested in Neighborhood Watch. *[Call park police at 301-949-3010 about excessive noise. Call Adreon Ensor about Neighborhood Watch, 301-770-7236.]*

**2004-04-29 (Thu) 12:50 pm** The residents at 121xx Hunters Lane do not keep the trash picked up. Caller does not know what to do about it. *[Call trash collection at 240-777-6410]*



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**2004-05-02 (Sun) 11:13 am** Anonymous. Randolph Hills. Caller noticed that in the Randolph Hills Shopping Center (Katz, etc.), there is a sign that reads "U.S. Nuclear Regulation Committee Warehouse." Caller wonders what is in those buildings? Has the RCA heard anything? Caller is concerned about the neighborhood being exposed to dangerous substances. *[The RCA has received no reports so far.]*

**2004-05-05 (Wed) 2:22 pm** solicitor.

**2004-05-05 (Wed) 7:17 pm** Anonymous. Franklin Park. Caller reminds parents that it is the law that children must wear helmets when riding bicycles around in the streets. One of caller's childhood friends sustained permanent brain damage when caller was a child. He never was the same growing up. The law is intended to keep this from happening. We should obey the law to protect our children. Children will be much safer. Helmets are much cheaper than serious injuries.

**2004-05-06 (Thu) 4:17 pm** Anonymous, but caller left a phone number. Can a family member be added to a Sam's Club card? *[Yes, if the person lives at the same address. There is a limit of two persons per Sam's card in any event.]*

**2004-05-06 (Thu) 5:55 pm** Anonymous. How can caller get the police to monitor the 4-way stop signs at the intersection of Boiling Brook Parkway and Rocking Horse Road? Caller has almost been broadsided twice because people coming down Boiling Brook are not stopping at the stop sign before making a left turn. Also, how can we get a stop sign or a traffic light at the intersection where the school is? There have been numerous accidents already, and it's creating a bottleneck throughout the neighborhood. *[The RCA is studying placing rush-hour turning restrictions on Rocking Horse Road.]*

**2004-05-06 (Thu) 8:08 pm** Anonymous on Ashley Drive, but caller left a phone number. Caller wants to report a great big truck that parks in front of caller's house or across the street. *[Read on, three down.]*

**2004-05-06 (Thu) 9:35 pm** Anonymous. This message is for the president of the RCA. The May issue of the *Echo* brings the caller a lot of negatives about the neighborhood: break-ins, disputes between neighbors, too many cars, too much destruction. RCA can do nothing except print these messages. This is not enough. The RCA president and vice-presidents work is to notify those areas that are mismanaged. A lot of cars are double-parked, and the RCA cannot do anything. RCA needs to help us correct these problems. Thank you.

*(continued on page 8)*



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(continued from page 7)

**2004-05-07 (Fri) 2:53 pm** 120xx Galena Road did not receive May *Echo*.

**2004-05-08 (Sat) 1:08 pm** Anonymous. This is the caller who called about the truck on Ashley Drive. It was taken care of last night. The police came out and said the owner would have to move it by 12 midnight, which the owner did. Thank you. Bye bye. *[Way to go, caller. See what one homeowner can do by simply picking up the phone and calling the appropriate agency?]*

**2004-05-09 (Sun) 11:03 am** Patapsco Drive. Caller is reporting that caller's dog was seriously mauled by a vicious pit bull mix that lives at 1152x Patapsco Drive. Caller's spouse was knocked to the ground (while trying to rescue caller's dog). Caller has called Animal Control, but also want residents to be aware of this dog.

**2004-05-10 (Mon) 8:15 am** 111xx Rock Road did not receive May *Echo*.

**2004-05-10 (Mon) 3:55 pm** Caller reports several commercial vehicles that park on caller's street. Also, a group home has four or five cars every night. Caller reports not being able to contact anyone about this. *[Call housing code enforcement at 240-777-3600]*

**2004-05-10 (Mon) 5:29 pm** 114xx Schuykill Road. There has been some vandalism in the neighborhood. Truck's window was busted, as well as a car. Several other cars have been damaged as well. Someone is obviously going around the neighborhood with a BB gun shooting out car windows. Also, most of the boys listed in the *Echo* as willing to do grass mowing are not doing it anymore, and should be removed from the list.

**2004-05-11 (Tue) 8:24 am** Anonymous. Ashley Drive. Caller had WSSC (water utility) test caller's tap water, and found no traces of lead. So, this is good news for Randolph Hills.

**2004-05-11 (Tue) 11:01 am** Rocking Horse Road. Caller lost a grey male cat named Billy. If anyone knows anything about this cat, please call its owner at 301-881-3636. Thank you.

**2004-05-19 (Tue) 12:33 pm** Anonymous on Galena Road. Caller is calling in reference to the anonymous resident on Galena Road regarding the roofing trucks, loud music, etc. Caller begs to differ. These people have



only lived on Galena for approximately two months now. They are renters. The neighborhood complained about their neon light and they took it down. The neighborhood also complained about the tar machine in the front yard with the American flag; they complied and removed it *[not sure if caller meant the flag or the tar machine]*. They do park the trucks on the street at night but they are gone in the morning. Yes, they are commercial trucks, but given the amount of vandalism going around, you can't park commercial vehicles down at the shopping center or at the medical center. Unfortunately, that is an invitation for vandalism. People need to make a decent living in order to reside in RCA-land. The amount of rent and mortgages paid here are much higher than a quote unquote slum of Montgomery County. If you want decent and hard-working people in your neighborhood and as your neighbors, then something is going to have to give regarding commercial vehicle enforcement. It sounds as if RCA-land considers blue-collar workers beneath everyone else, and that is just not the case. These people on Galena Road do not, and I repeat, do not play loud music, Mexican or any other kind; they have kept their yard up very nice, both front and back, and are nothing but pleasant. And I would suggest that people in RCA-land should consider talking to their neighbors instead of complaining about them. It might make a big difference. Thanks. *[Richard Zierdt here. This is it. Unless overridden by the RCA General Membership, no more calls will be published about the subject house on Galena. The anonymous callers know what their situation is. Either call the County for code enforcement, or work with your neighbors, or live with it.]*

**2004-05-19 (Tue) 6:22 pm** Anonymous. We really need a No Parking sign on one side or the other of Hunters Lane at Randolph Road. With the excessive speeds on Randolph, this is even more important. Also, if drivers are uncomfortable making a turn at this intersection, please use the traffic signal at Gaynor Road and Randolph.

**2004-05-19 (Thu) 5:58 pm** solicitation.

### **RCA Hotline – 24 hours** **Call 301-881-2722**

The RCA invites you to call the RCA Hotline at any time and leave your comments on topics concerning the neighborhood. The Executive Committee is notified of each message left on the answering machine. Be assured your calls are heard and that we appreciate your input.



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# *Lots of fun at the RCA Community Yard Sale!*

*Saturday, May 15, 2004*



*Jack Stillwell and  
Mike Saunders man the  
grill, as Richard Zierdt  
checks the mustard  
supply.*

*Despite the heat and the cicadas,  
the RCA had a great turnout for  
the Spring Yard Sale on May 15th.*



*Lots to see at the RCA Yard Sale!*





*Our clown/balloon artist offers a balloon...*

*...while our face painter decorates a young guest.*



***See you at the  
Fall Yard Sale!***



*A wide variety of goods were for sale.*

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*In case you missed it, the following article appeared in the Washington Post's "Where We Live" section on Saturday, May 8.*

## Randolph Hills Tries To Assert Its Identity

By BARBARA RUBEN  
*Special to The Washington Post*

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With Metro and MARC train stations less than a mile away, and Interstate 270 and the Capital Beltway just a little farther, the Montgomery County neighborhood of Randolph Hills is a commuter's dream, residents say.

"We don't have a heliport here, but we've got nearly every other way to get around," said Frank Shore, who has lived in the 800-home community of brick ramblers since 1960, just after the neighborhood was built.

The ease of transportation and the nearby strip shopping centers and White Flint Mall made the neighborhood convenient for raising five children, said Shore, who was a member of the Maryland General Assembly from 1971 to 1990.

"The houses are well built. We have a lot of parkland. It's a pleasant neighborhood," said George Gadbois, who has lived in the neighborhood for about 20 years, and is a leader of the neighborhood's Cub Scout pack.

Long & Foster agent Denise Szczur agrees. She lived in the neighborhood for 10 years before moving to Rockville. She said houses, which generally have three bedrooms and two baths, sell for \$300,000 to \$400,000.

"We loved it there. The houses may look small on the outside, but they have good-size dining rooms and huge basements. A lot of people have put on additions or added garages," she said. "What I really like about Randolph Hills is that it's nice and secluded; no one knows it's back there."

That is partly because Rock Creek Park curves along the eastern border of the neighborhood, which is sandwiched between Rockville, Bethesda and Wheaton. That has led to a bit of split personality for Randolph Hills.

"We've had kind of an identity problem," Gadbois said. "We have some folks with a Kensington phone exchange, a Rockville Zip code and schools in Wheaton."

The neighborhood and others nearby took on the postal address of North Bethesda about 10 years ago. Previously, Randolph Hills had been classified solely as Rockville.

"That didn't make sense. The center of Rockville is eight miles away," Shore said. "You'd say 'Rockville,' and people would think you were way north of here."

Residents say the school cluster to which children are assigned has compounded identity concerns. Those in Randolph Hills attend the Wheaton High School cluster, while neighboring Montrose Park children attend schools in the Walter Johnson High School cluster. Both neighborhoods are part of the Randolph Civic Association.

Civic Association President Matthew Shore, Frank Shore's son, would like all the children to attend the same schools.

"I would say the most frustrating thing about living here is the school boundaries. They make no sense. We are not in Wheaton," he said. Shore and other civic association members have asked the Montgomery County board of education to consider putting Randolph Hills into the Walter Johnson cluster, but the board won't change the boundaries, he said.

At issue is the perception by some residents that the Wheaton cluster of schools is inferior to Walter Johnson. For example, the average combined verbal and math SAT scores at Wheaton High School are 886, while they are 1,153 at Walter Johnson High School, which draws most of its students from Bethesda, Garrett Park and Kensington.

But not everyone is ready to jump. Gadbois, who has sons in the fourth and seventh grades, said that he has high hopes for high school in the area. Wheaton, with four other high schools, will be part of what's called the Downcounty Consortium, in which students can choose high schools based on their specialty programs. For example, one specialty program being planned for Wheaton High School is engineering. The consortium begins this fall.

"There's one school of thought that you ought to try to fix what you've got," he said. "The opportunities with the Downcounty Consortium may be better than in another cluster."

Schools in the Wheaton cluster are overcrowded. The county plans to reopen a nearby elementary school and middle school as part of the Wheaton cluster. It has not yet been decided if Randolph Hills students would move to those schools.

As with the schools, residents have split opinions about the community's parks. In addition to the acres of Rock Creek Park abutting the neighborhood, residents also have easy access to Randolph Hills Local Park, with its playground, community building and ball field.

Matthew Shore helped lead the way to preserving a three-acre parcel of tree-covered land eyed by developers next to Rock Creek Park; the county bought the land three years ago. "It was a great accomplishment. It's great to look out the window and see nothing but nature rather than new houses," Shore said.

But concerns have arisen over use of Randolph Hills Local Park's soccer field. Because of the shortage of fields, soccer players from all around the region come to the park to play, Gadbois said, adding that parked cars and trash left by the players are a problem. The civic association is working to find out if there is a way to restrict access to the park.

"We don't want the kids who usually bike and play in the park to have to deal with this type of thing," Gadbois said. "In the end, we hope to get something firmly in place that's enforceable. We want Randolph Hills to remain safe for everyone."





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## News from Pack 1081

by George Gadbois



Our April pack meeting brought our annual Native American "PowWow" ceremony, and an array of awards. After Medicine Man, **Mr. Taylor**, presented ceremonial names upon our newest members in the Pack, the Order of the Arrow American Indian Ceremonial Team performed their always-impressive ceremony for our Webelos II scouts earning the highest award in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light. Congratulations to our hard-working Webelos IIs who earned this award: **Matt Fieller, Kyle Blakely** and **Tony Caffi**. The final Webelos Activity Pins earned by these boys were: Craftsman & Artist to **Matt Fieller** and Craftsman to **Kyle Blakely** and **Tony Caffi**. **Matt, Kyle** and **Tony** also earned an additional Compass Point. The Compass Point patch and associated "point" pins are given to Webelos scouts as they earn increments of Activity Pins.

The Webelos I scouts have been working on additions to their Native American costumes along with each scout taking turns to lead in a den flag ceremony at the last several den meetings. They are also working on a den community service food-collection project for Manna, which will also fulfill one of their Citizen Activity Pin requirements.

Our Bear scouts also were busy this month preparing Pow Wow costumes and working on several Bear electives for Bear Badge Arrow Points.

*Cub Scouts ready to embark on the Rock Creek hiker-biker path.*



*Rope bridge challenge at Scouting on the Mall (Ellipse).*

The Wolf scouts this month were finishing up requirements toward their Wolf Rank. **Tyler Bochniak, Brad Gessford, Sawyer Kibbe** and **Alex Sanchez** proudly accepted their Wolf Badge. A Wolf Gold Arrow Point and a Wolf Silver Arrow Point were each earned by **Tyler Bochniak, Brad Gessford** and **Sawyer Kibbe**.

Our Tigers earning Sports & Academics Belt Loops were **DJ Terry** for Badminton, Bicycling & Computers and **Aidan Gibbons & Chris Mulcahy** for Golf.

Our April meeting ended with the traditional bridging ceremony where Pack 1081 says good-bye to our graduating Webelos II scouts. **Matt Fieller, Kyle Blakely** and **Tony Caffi** crossed the bridge with their parents and became the newest members of Boy Scout Troop 1083. **Scoutmaster Talbott** and other leaders and

troop members welcomed them with new insignia and Scout manuals, hearty handshakes and a follow up reception. Thanks also went out to our "graduating" Webelos II leader and helpful others for their hard work: **Richard Fieller** for Webelos Den Leader, **Bill Blakely**, Richard's unofficial assistant and **Scott Talbott** for Den Chief.

We had great weather this year on the morning of April 24th for our Pack bike ride where we peddled from the Veirs Mill Rec Center to Connecticut Avenue and back. In attendance were **Jason Beam, Matthew Best, Steve Hernandez** and **Patrick Owen**.

Webelos scout **Gregory Gadbois** walked a rope bridge and dug for "artifacts" at two of the events at the biannual Scouting-on-the-Mall event held this time on the downtown Ellipse on May 1st. Tiger **Chris Mulcahy** was the only scout reported this year who hiked the strenuous 4 miles of woods and boulders of the Billy Goat Trail on May 8th.

We are again looking forward to the rest of our Pack members graduating at the May Pack meeting, camping at Pinecliff Park in Frederick also in May, as well as many summer activities including day camp and overnight camp, a picnic, a mother/son softball game, a carwash and pro baseball games with special scout or kid promotions. We're looking for all interested 1st to 5th grade boys to come join the fun, learning and adventure of Cub Scouting! Contact us at the numbers listed in the front of this *Echo* edition for more information. Have a great summer and remember to check out our website at: <http://hometown.aol.com/pack1081>.

Correction from the May edition: We got the First Place Cake Bake-Off purchasers switched with the bakers. **Sawyer Kibbe** (DJ purchased) won First Place for the best looking cake (SpongeBob) and **Brenton Polk** (Steve purchased) received First for the best tasting one (Berry Cake). Sorry for the mix-up.

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## Girl Scouts Troop 1487

by Pat Hart

The girls of Troop 1487 would like to thank the Randolph Civic Association for their generous support. The money you donated will be put to good use in helping to shape young girls to be hard-working, responsible members of their schools and communities.

On May 2nd, several of our girls returned to Riley's Lock House. They again dressed in period costumes and gave tours of the house. The girls were asked to pose for a picture to appear in a book about life on the C & O Canal. Congratulations to the girls and co-leader **Amy Hixenbaugh** on a wonderful job!

May 15th found some of us not at the RCA Community Yard Sale, but on our way to the USO at BWI Airport. The USO conducts tours of their facilities for scouts 3 times a year. **Abby Taylor, Stacey Johnson** and **Aimee Hart** learned about the founding of the USO during WWII and the great job the hundreds of volunteers do to make sure that our military receives all the comforts of home while traveling to duty assignments in this country and abroad.

Our trip to Hershey Park is still in the planning stages and is scheduled for the weekend of June 12th.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my husband, **Moses Hart**, and my daughter, **Aimee**, for attending the May meeting of the RCA and talking about what the Girls Scouts are doing in our community. I work nights and am rarely able to attend the meetings. The RCA has always worked hard at supporting all the youth organizations in our area, boys as well as girls.



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The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club will be sponsoring a walk on Saturday, July 10, 2004. The Walk will begin at Montrose Baptist Church. You may start any-time between 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and finish by 12 Noon. The walk is 10 KM (6.2 miles) but there is an option of 5 KM.

Half of the trail is on the Hiker/Biker path on the Rock Creek Trail. Then there is a lovely walk through the charming town of Garrett Park with its beautiful gardens and distinctive homes. The remainder of the walk is through the Randolph Hills development.

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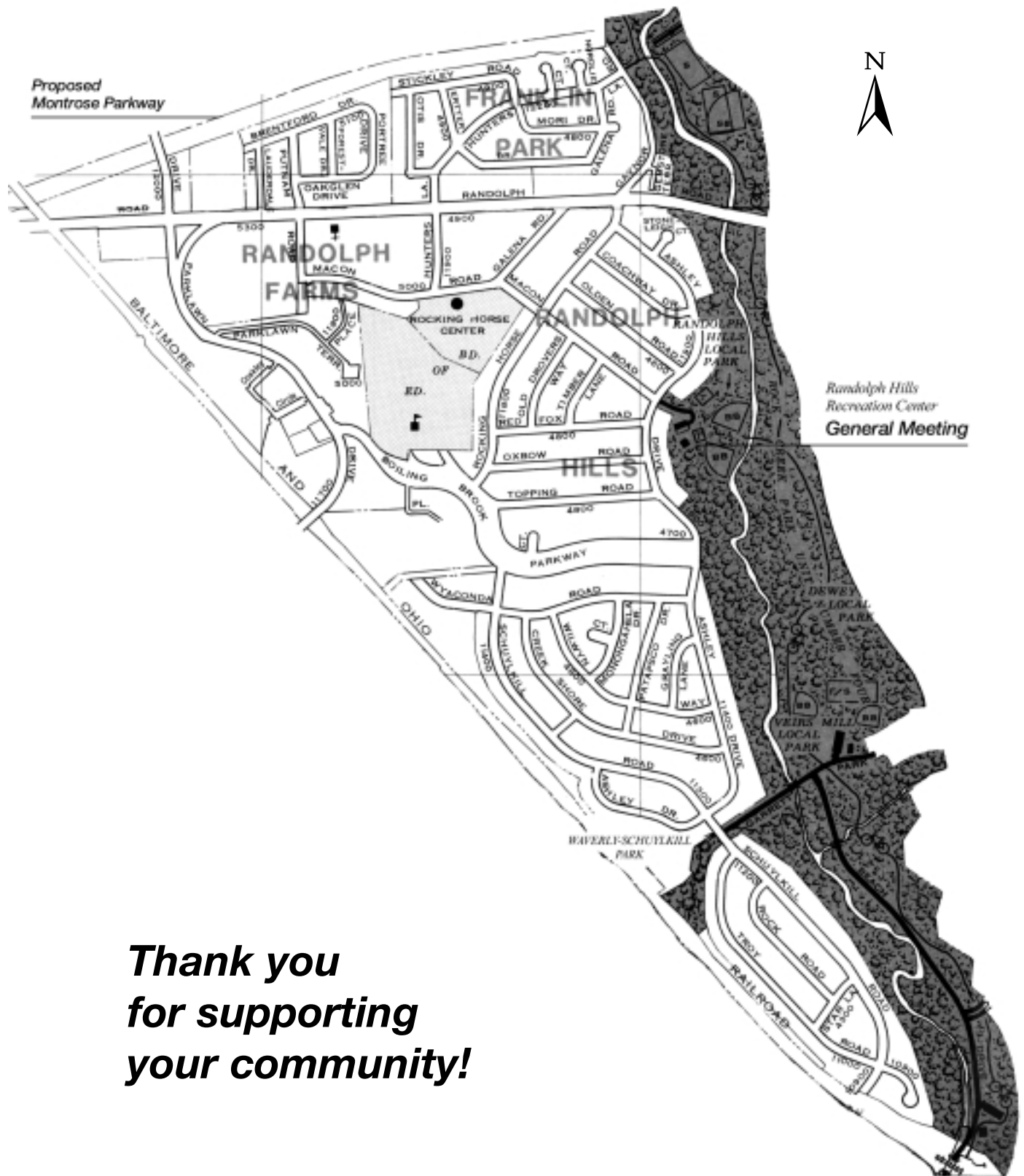
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11119 Rock Road	\$339,000	\$329,000	\$330,000	\$0	32
11012 Troy Road	\$334,900	\$334,900	\$345,000	\$0	12
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