

# The Echo

*The Newsletter of the Randolph Civic Association and Randolph Civic Foundation*

Volume 47, Issue 2

November 2003

## In this Issue...

Pepco 2003: Where's the Outrage? . . . . .	1
President's Message . . . . .	3
Treasurer's Report . . . . .	5
Calls Received on the RCA Hotline . . . . .	6
Preventing Problems after Power Outages . . . . .	11
Parks To Remove All Trash Cans . . . . .	12
High Volume Recycling Bins Available . . . . .	12
News from Pack 1081 . . . . .	12
Troop 1083 News . . . . .	14
RCA-Land History . . . . .	16
Fall Leaves and Winter Snow: Here's Your Help . . . . .	17
Gardening Tips . . . . .	17
RCA Map . . . . .	18
Classifieds . . . . .	19

## Upcoming Events

**RCA Executive Meeting**  
Thursday, November 6, 2002  
8:00 p.m.

**RCA General Meeting**  
Thursday, December 4, 2002  
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.

## Pepco 2003: Where's the Outrage?

by Richard Zierdt

Where's the outrage about the outages that occurred not once, but twice in relatively quick succession this summer? Parts of RCA had no power for over a week. The lack of timely repairs by Pepco (our local electric utility provider) is now seemingly legendary, yet residents seem willing to accept it, RCA hotline calls on the subject notwithstanding.

At the general RCA membership meeting in October, the topic brought almost no reaction. "Trim the trees" was the sole recommendation. OK, fine. But who's taking responsibility for this? Is Pepco trying to save money by cutting back on its repair operations? Is electric deregulation a good idea? (Deregulation in Maryland is supposed to be complete by 2006; I can hardly wait for a California-like disaster).

If anything good is going to come from this, it is better if groups, such as the RCA, confront officials and Pepco with one, strong voice. I am going to write as an individual, but it only carries the weight of one "Harry Homeowner," not 1330 homeowners that comprise the RCA. Are RCAers content with week-long blackouts?

I do not accept the excuse that the storms we experienced this summer were so bad that Pepco should be given a bye on its poor performance. There certainly was fair notice: Hurricane Isabel went exactly as predicted. Note to Pepco: it rains and it storms in Washington. Pepco's counterpart in Virginia, Dominion Power, seemed able to line up repair crews \*in advance\* of the storm. Why couldn't Pepco? As the Washington Post editorialized: perhaps Dominion Power has a "better rolodex" than Pepco.

After all is said and (not) done about this, the bottom line is: the results speak for themselves.

The Washington Post on October 17, 2003 featured a front-page article on alleged cost-cutting in tree maintenance by area utility companies, including PEPCO. This action shows why this public utility should not be deregulated. California, here we come.

What can you do? Call or write our local County Council member, Howard Denis 240-777-7964 (email on page 2). Also, call Council member Nancy Floreen, who is supportive of our neighborhood. Call her at 240-777-7907.

Call the Maryland Public Service Commission at 410-767-8000 or MD Toll Free 800-492-0474. Call the Governor's Office at 410-974-3591 (sorry, no local number is available). And attend the RCA general membership meeting on December 4 and help pass a resolution expressing the concerns of the RCA.

## RCA Executive Committee for 2003-2004

### OFFICERS

#### President

Matthew Shore  
11230 Troy Road  
301-468-1225

#### Vice President

Mike Saunders  
12107 Hunters Lane  
301-468-9268

#### Secretary

Kevin Kline  
4808 Randolph Road  
301-230-1486

#### Treasurer

Richard Zierdt  
4707 Coachway Drive  
301-881-0283

#### Directors

Jack Stillwell  
5106 Macon Road  
301-231-4934

George Gadbois  
4718 Topping Road  
301-770-5386

Frank Shore  
11230 Troy Road  
301-468-1225

Frank Rossomondo  
11611 Ashley Drive  
301-770-7450

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

#### Echo Editor

Eileen White  
11225 Ashley Drive  
301-984-2579

#### Echo Advertising

Mauro Biondo  
11508 Monongahela Court  
301-770-7590

#### Membership

Patricia Longenecker  
4703 Wyaconda Road  
301-770-1927

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

(continued)

#### Environment

Jack Stillwell  
5106 Macon Road  
301-231-4934

#### Education

Elinor Walker  
12111 Galena Road  
301-468-6335

#### Yard Sale Signs

Shelby Hurt  
11133 Schuylkill Road  
301-770-1783

### COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

#### Scout Leader, Troop 1083

Dave Talbott  
4808 Oxbow Road  
301-881-6567

#### Cub Master, Pack 1081

George Gadbois  
4718 Topping Road  
301-770-5386

#### Scout Liaison

Frank Rossomondo  
11611 Ashley Drive  
301-770-7450

#### Scout Unit Commissioner

Mike Saunders  
12107 Hunters Lane  
301-468-9268

#### Girl Scout Leader, Troop 1487

Pat Hart  
4905 Randolph Road  
301-230-2740

### COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION DELEGATES

Montgomery County Civic Federation:

Kevin Kline, Mike Saunders, Matthew Shore, Richard Zierdt  
[www.montgomerycivic.org](http://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@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Councilmember.Denis@montgomerycountymd.gov)  
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

School Board Member for District 3  
(representing all of RCA):

Ms. Patricia O'Neill 301-320-7600

Maryland Legislative District 18

(representing all of RCA):

Senator: Sharon M. Grosfeld 301-858-3137

Delegates: Ana Sol Gutierrez 301-858-3028

John Hurson 301-858-3770

Richard Madaleno Jr. 301-858-3028

Montgomery County Delegation Office:

All Senators & Delegates: 301-858-3010

U.S. Congressional District 8:

Christopher Van Hollen 202-225-5341

email: [chris.vanhollen@mail.house.gov](mailto:chris.vanhollen@mail.house.gov)

U.S. Senate:

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](http://www.co.mo.md.us/services/elections)

Governor Robert L. Ehrlich

Office of the Governor

100 State Circle

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

410-974-3591

[governor@gov.state.md.us](mailto:governor@gov.state.md.us)

[www.gov.state.md.us](http://www.gov.state.md.us)



### 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.

The *Echo* is the official publication of the Randolph Civic Association, Inc., P.O. Box 2202, North Bethesda, Maryland 20852. The *Echo* is published 8 times a year and distributed free to all residents of Franklin Park, Hilltop Square, Montrose Park, Randolph Hills, Randolph Farms, and Westminster. Deadline for submission of articles varies; the next deadline is noted in each issue. Copy should be sent to the Editor, Eileen White, 11225 Ashley Drive, North Bethesda, Maryland 20852, 301-984-2579, email [eewhite@erols.com](mailto:eewhite@erols.com).

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)



*Detective Mary McDonnell addresses the RCA general meeting.*

## President's Message

*by Matt Shore*

Due to the numerous problems at the Randolph Hills Park on Ashley Drive, the RCA contacted Park Police Detective Mary McDonnell. She conducted an informative question and answer session at our October general meeting. Luckily, Detective McDonnell lives in Garrett Park and can respond quickly if future problems occur. If residents witness future violations, they should contact Detective McDonnell at 301-962-1697 or via e-mail at [mary.mcdonnell@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:mary.mcdonnell@mncppc-mc.org). The emergency number for the Park Police is 301-949-3010. Don't be afraid to use these numbers.

Unfortunately, problems at the park have escalated over time. The large pickup soccer games are often accompanied by public nudity, urination on lawns near the field, drinking, fighting, illegal parking, and selling food without required permits. The RCA first had police intervene to deal with these problems more than two years ago; however, this past September more than 300 people were involved in a soccer game that degenerated into a dangerous situation, with some individuals being arrested and other being transported to the hospital.

At the December general meeting we will discuss numerous proposals aimed at resolving these problems. The main proposal will be to post "youth and permit only" signs at the park entrances at Boiling Brook Parkway and Ashley Drive. These signs will put the community on notice that a permit is required to utilize the field for adult soccer games and will enhance residents' ability to police the park.

Please attend the general meeting on December 4 to express your views on this issue. I look forward to seeing all of you at the meeting.

***Comments on topics concerning the neighborhood? Call 301-881-2722***

**RCA Hotline – 24 hours**

## ***RCA Meetings***

RCA meetings are held the ***first Thursday of every month*** (except January, July and August) at the Randolph Hills Recreation Center at 8:00 p.m. Usually we alternate between General and Executive meetings. If you are unsure about meeting times and dates, please call the RCA Hotline (301-881-2722) or check the RCA website at [randolphcivic.org](http://randolphcivic.org) for verification. All are welcome at every meeting.

---

# Loehmann's Plaza



## Make Your Way Over to Loehmann's Today !!

**Loehmann's Plaza**  
5200- 5290 Randolph Road, Rockville, Maryland 20852

<b>Blockbuster Video</b>	<b>(301) 468-1096</b>
<b>Boat U.S.</b>	<b>(301) 230-0945</b>
<b>Boston Market</b>	<b>(301) 984-0990</b>
<b>Care Cleaners</b>	<b>(301) 816-2092</b>
<b>Chuck E. Cheese</b>	<b>(301) 468-2491</b>
<b>El Torito</b>	<b>(301) 770-0777</b>
<b>GNC</b>	<b>(301) 984-3363</b>
<b>Good Feet</b>	<b>(301) 816-4663</b>
<b>Hair Systems</b>	<b>(301) 881-0338</b>
<b>Kumon U.S.A.</b>	<b>(301) 231-6977</b>
<b>Loehmann's</b>	<b>(301) 770-0030</b>
<b>Parcel Plus</b>	<b>(301) 468-2177</b>
<b>Safeway</b>	<b>(301) 770-3665</b>
<b>SunTrust Bank</b>	<b>(301) 998-8580</b>
<b>Sherwin Williams</b>	<b>(301) 984-7124</b>
<b>Subway</b>	<b>(301) 881-2477</b>
<b>Urban Accents</b>	<b>(301) 881-4451</b>



7101 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1111, Bethesda, MD 20814  
Telephone: 301-657-0700; Facsimile: 301-657-9850  
[www.jbgr.com](http://www.jbgr.com)

# Treasurer's Report

by Richard Zierdt

As of October 9, 2003, combined RCA+RCF assets total \$17,840.14. This is higher than usual because our SAMs accounts have not been paid yet, which will total about \$4,000. Also, seven issues of the ECHO will be paid out of these monies.

RCA Checking Register					
8/18/2003 through 10/09/2003					
Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
<b>BALANCE 08/17/2003</b>					<b>8,503.05</b>
08/18	E-xfr	Verizon	Jul 22 phone	-23.19	8,506.86
08/22		RCAssociation	ad income	692.00	9,198.86
08/28		RCAssociation	ad income	476.00	9,674.86
08/29		RCAssociation	ad income	816.00	10,490.86
09/06	709	Postmaster	1350 stamps membership	-499.50	9,991.36
09/06	710	Staples	paper clips, bands	-21.48	9,969.88
09/08	708	Quick Printing		-1,144.50	8,825.38
		ECHO:printing	Sept 20 pgs; 1500	-1,024.50	
		envelopes	1500 envelopes	-120.00	
09/16	E-xfr	Verizon	Aug 22 phone	-23.10	8,802.28
09/16		RCAssociation	ad income	1,210.00	10,012.28
		Denise Szczur		1,200.00	
		classified (Seigel)		10.00	
09/24		Kim Williams	picnic concessions	-275.46	9,736.82
09/30		RCAssociation	—SPLIT—	626.00	10,362.82
		Shipley Plumbing	476.00		
		Parcel Plus	150.00		
09/30		RCAssociation	membership/Sams	1,148.00	11,510.82
09/30		RCAssociation	membership/Sams	1,522.00	13,032.82
09/30		RCAssociation	membership/Sams	1,851.00	14,883.82
09/30		RCAssociation	membership/Sams	830.00	15,713.82
09/30		RCAssociation	membership/Sams	621.00	16,334.82
10/04		RCAssociation	ad income	646.00	16,980.82
		Steve Kelley		408.00	
		Pizza Calzons		238.00	
<b>BALANCE 10/09/2003</b>					<b>16,980.82</b>
<i>RCA bank balance, Sept, 22, 2003: 10,012.28</i>					

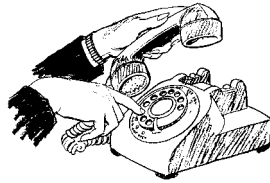
RCF Checking Register					
8/18/2003 through 10/09/2003					
Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
<b>BALANCE 08/17/2003</b>					<b>1,009.16</b>
08/29		interest	.10%	0.08	1,059.24
09/15		RCFoundation	donation	50.00	1,109.24
09/30		interest	.10%	0.08	1,109.32
09/30	1062	Erie Insurance	yard sale, Oct 4	250.00	859.32
<b>BALANCE 10/09/2003</b>					<b>859.32</b>
<i>RCF bank balance, Sept, 30, 2003: 1,009.32</i>					

<b>Total RCA+RCF cash assets</b>					<b>17,840.14</b>
----------------------------------	--	--	--	--	------------------

## Calls Received on the RCA Hotline

301-881-2722 (2RCA)

August 12, 2003 to  
October 12, 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.*

**2003-08-15 (Fri) 8:27 am** Question regarding a neighbor who sprayed caller's grass on caller's side of the fence, and is there something the caller can do about this so that it doesn't happen again; perhaps a light reprimand.

**2003-08-23 (Sat) 1:58 pm** Montrose Park. Caller has seen several panhandlers in the neighborhood lately; even some ringing the door asking for help in many different ways. Some people are staying in the tree area between

Parklawn and Randolph. This detracts from the neighborhood, and is there anything that can be done about it. [Call the police (301-279-8000) about any signs of people sleeping in the tree area at that intersection. There were some people basically living there a couple of years ago, and police did respond in that case and cleared the area. Panhandling is another problem, but its illegality is not clear. Door-to-door salesmen must have a license, but if someone knocks on a door asking for work, money, etc, this is probably not illegal. Of course, no one can be threatening or abusive. If they are, call the police.]

**2003-08-28 (Thu) 12:19 pm** Anonymous. Caller has not had power since August 26. The downed electric wire on a pole in caller's vicinity which caller believes connects power to caller's area in Randolph Hills has been visited by Pepco three times, once on Wednesday, and twice on Thursday. The linemen in the Pepco trucks have said they are the "secondary truck," and the linemen who fix the wire are the "primary truck." Does the RCA have any influence in this matter of restoring our electricity when the citizens of our neighborhood see exactly where the trouble lies, could call Pepco and direct their trucks if they cannot direct themselves.

**2003-08-29 (Fri) 7:54 am** Montrose Park. Today, we're on the fourth day of no electricity. This is all the result of not having trees pruned, severely pruned. Could the RCA

# SHIPLEY

## PLUMBING & HEATING, INC.

ATTENTION HOME OWNERS:

*No other plumber in the Washington Metro Area makes you this bold guarantee...*

### "My Plumber Will Smell Good And Show Up On Time Or I'll Pay You!"

Listen. It's disgusting how some plumbers treat you when you have a problem. When you call you end up talking to an answering machine...or worse, "voice mail".

And when you do talk to a live person they don't want to give you a real appointment. They say "We'll be there between 10 and 4". Even at that, a lot of them don't show up at all.

But that's not all. When you are lucky enough to get a plumber to show up he can talk rude, smell like a goat, leave your house in a mess, charge you "an arm and a leg"...and as a final insult, act like he's doing you a favor. I believe...

**Enough is Enough**

I'm fed up with the bad image some plumbers are giving the rest of us.

That's why, 12 years ago, I started a "one company revolution" to give picky Washington Metro Area home owners the opportunity to call a plumber who will treat you with courtesy and respect. In fact, over 1,000 of the pickiest people in the Washington Metro Area have already discovered how to solve their...

- dripping faucet
- water leak
- stopped drain
- no hot water

...problems with ease and comfort.

**Hidden Sewer Odors?**  
SMOKEY, OUR ODOR DETECTOR FINDS THE PROBLEM.

**Blockages?**  
OUR HYDRAJET WASHES & FLUSHES THE PROBLEMS AWAY!

**SEWER PROBLEMS?**  
LET US SHOW YOU THE PROBLEM ON CLOSED CIRCUIT TV AND FIX IT!

**One More Thing**

You have a busy schedule, you value your time, and you hate to waste a day waiting for a service man to show up.

Now there is a new way to get plumbing service...save money, and more importantly, get a **GUARANTEED APPOINTMENT TIME** so you don't have to waste time waiting!

Doesn't it just make sense to call Shipley Plumbing & Heating now for a **FREE** appointment time?

**CALL NOW:** 24 Hours a day to talk to a LIVE service advisor, (not voice mail).

MD Lic. # 6822 • W.S.S.C. Reg. # 1013

## 301 468-6577 • 301 924-7200 • 301 317-0188

pressure Montgomery County to better prune trees? It's the trees that fall on the lines that cut the electricity.

**2003-08-29 (Fri) 10:03 am** Montrose Park. The Brentford Drive owner of the property whose County tree has fallen on electric lines called the County and offered to pay for its removal himself, but the County refused. Franklin Park has electricity and Village Square Apartments has electricity. What's wrong with Montrose Park? Are we so antiquated? In the "Ice Age" storm two or three years ago, we waited six days (for electricity); caller supposes that we now have to wait for snow to fall to take down more tree limbs. This is the second lot of refrigeration caller has lost, and it's still the trees that bring down the lines, and it's about time they put the lines underground.

**2003-08-31 (Sun) 4:41 pm** Anonymous. The train tracks on Randolph Road: if you cross them slowly, the car rocks; if one travels quickly over the tracks, it can damage one's car. This crossing needs repair now. *[The RCA was influential in getting the tracks repaired last time, a few years ago. The present rough condition of the track crossing was discussed at the October RCA meeting. We will bring this to CSX Railroad's attention again.]*

**2003-09-03 (Wed) 7:40 pm** Anonymous. Ashley Drive. A boy rides a moped late at night, disturbing the whole street. Please stop. Parents: control your children!

**2003-09-05 (Fri) 1:13 pm** Anonymous. Does the RCA have a list of girls who are willing to be mother's helpers or baby sitters? Caller notices the *Echo* publishes a list of boys willing to do yard work and snow shoveling. Is there a similar list for girls? *[The RCA currently has no such list, but is quite willing to start one if anyone is interested. There are privacy concerns about such a list, but the RCA might act as a "go-between" if a resident is interested in a baby sitter (by passing on the requestor's name/contact information to the parents of a prospective girl interested in sitting, and having the prospective sitter call the requestor. Sitters: call the RCA if you are interested in offering your services to the community. Your name/contact info will not be printed in the ECHO unless you approve. ]*

**2003-09-06 (Sat) 9:16 pm** Anonymous. Montrose Park. Caller has a very good Pele folding door that separates the kitchen from the hallway. Caller is happy to give it to anyone that wants it. Also, the RCA meeting sign has not been removed. Finally, the people on the corner of Montrose(?) and Brentford have an ad for their dentistry

(continued on page 8)

## HALLMARK WINDOWS AND SIDING, INC.

Meredith W. "Zeke" Hall

www.hallmarkwindows.com

8220 LARRY PLACE, STE. A-1  
BETHESDA, MD 20815  
301-585-2060

5732-D INDUSTRY LANE  
FREDERICK, MD 21704  
301-698-5090

WINDOWS ♦ SIDING ♦ ROOFING

## Rockville Automotive & Truck Service

Steve Caffi  
ASE Certified

Paul Kinkead  
ASE Master Technician

14716 Southlawn Lane  
Rockville, Maryland 20850  
(301) 251-7830

12221 Parklawn Drive  
Rockville, Maryland 20852  
(301) 881-3200



Rosa's  
Beauty Salon

We are also available  
for Weddings and Proms

Permanent Make Up  
Lip Liner - Eye Liner  
Eyebrows  
Colors - Perms  
Highlights  
Pedicure - Manicure  
Curling Lashes  
Hair Cuts

Randolph Hill Center  
4826 Boiling Brook Parkway  
Rockville, MD 20852  
No Appointment Necessary

New Customers  
Only

Tues. & Wed.  
20% OFF  
with ad

Open Mon - Sat  
(301) 770-7171



Need a Plumber?  
**PAUL FRIEDMAN**  
Plumbing and Heating

**881-8660**

Repairs  
New Work  
Remodeling  
Radio Dispatched Trucks  
WSSD 603

VISA  
MCARD  
CHOICE

## RCA Hotline

(continued from page 7)

service using paper cups stuck into their fence. Caller would like to see that removed.

**2003-09-08 (Mon) 3:45 pm** Boiling Brook Parkway. No more speed bumps. No more speed bumps. Caller wants no more speed bumps, especially like the ones installed in the middle of the night when they were snuck through with no warning in the *Echo*. Thank you.

**2003-09-12 (Fri) 6:50 pm** Anonymous. 47xx and 48xx Creek Shore Drive did not receive their *Echos*.

**2003-09-14 (Sun) 9:43 pm** Anonymous. Caller walks the neighborhood and notices a lot of dog feces. This is illegal, and might subject the owner to a ticket. Also, some parked cars are blocking sidewalks which caller believes is also illegal. *[It is.]*

**2003-09-16 (Tue) 7:33 am** Anonymous. Caller is responding to the comment left on 2003-07-19 (Sept *Echo*) about the undesirability of homeless men in the wooded area at Parklawn and Randolph Road. Caller

believes these are homeless men and women living at the shelter off of Parklawn Drive. Caller wanted to ask the caller of 07-19 what neighborhood would they like them to stay in? They have to live too, and we are fortunate that we have homes to live in; they don't. We should be grateful we are not in their shoes.

**2003-09-17 (Wed) 8:50 am** Franklin Park. Caller's son would like to be listed as one of the boys willing to do yard work and grass moving.

**2003-09-20 (Sat) 2:41 pm** 11424 Schuylkill Road. Caller reports a theft, last night (Friday), of a police scanner and a digital camera from caller's car, which was parked in front of caller's home. Caller filed a Police report. Caller wanted to let the RCA know what happened so that all the other residents can make sure their vehicles are secured.

**2003-09-21 (Sun) 6:57 pm** Anonymous. We need to get a no-parking sign on one side or the other of Hunters Lane (close to Randolph Road). We had an elderly lady pedestrian hit by a Mercedes last night just after sunset. An elderly, oriental, lady trying to cross the road. Caller saw the lady writhing in pain in the gutter. No person should ever have to lie in the gutter in pain. This is a dangerous situation. You can not get in and out of Hunters Lane when both sides have parked cars.

**2003-09-23 (Tue) 2:16 pm** Anonymous. Ashley Drive. Still no electricity in this section. This is ridiculous. The whole neighborhood has electricity except for caller's section. Caller is seriously considering moving out of this area. You can get some renters in here. Bye.

**2003-09-25 (Thu) 9:52 am** Anonymous. Calling about 112xx Rock Road. The house has a playground in the front yard, and it's unsightly. The house has too many toys in the front yard, and it's very distracting. Is there any way these can be moved to the back yard? Thank you.

**2003-09-25 (Thu) 3:03 pm** Anonymous. Caller calling about 120xx block of Rock Road. Almost looks like a day care center. Could the RCA look itself? It brings the neighborhood down.

**2003-09-29 (Mon) 10:32 am** Montrose Park. Calling about a home across the road from Safeway on Lauderdale Drive that has an email address stuck through owner's fence with paper cups. Is there anything we can do to take it off? Owner removed it once, but now it's back up. *[Yes, call housing code enforcement at 240-777-3600. This is likely an illegal sign.]*

**Exclusively**  
**Honda & Acura**  
Service & Repair

**Oil & Filter Service**  
\$29.95 (excludes taxes & fluids)  
Call for an appointment  
Expires 10/31/03

**301-424-2800**  
[www.motor-works.com](http://www.motor-works.com)

**Still the one...  
Still in Rockville**

**R.C.A. Special**

Includes:

- Honda brand oil filter
- Up to 5 quarts of Castrol GTX
- Drain plug washer
- Inspect & fill underhood fluids
- Inspect & reset tire pressures
- Basic systems safety inspection

**2003-09-30 (Tue) 6:01 pm** Anonymous. Thank you to an Ashley Drive resident at 119xx for all of the hard work he has done about park property. And cleaning up the park after Hurricane Isabel. And thinning out some of the trees so that passersby will have more light and better protection from loiterers.

**2003-10-07 (Tue) 5:32 pm** Franklin Park. Caller has gone to Wendy's on Nicholson Lane. On caller's way back home, caller's soda went all over the car when caller crossed the railroad tracks on Randolph Road. Is there anything the RCA can do to get the track crossing repaired? The RCA's call would probably carry more weight than a single resident. *[The RCA is working on this.]*

**2003-10-10 (Fri) 5:54 pm** Anonymous. Is there going to be a yard sale Oct 11? *[There was a nice one on Oct. 4th, as it turned out.]*

## **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.

## ***RCA Yard Sale a Big Success!***

*RCA's Community Yard Sale on October 4th was a success, and lots of fun too. Despite a rainy start, plenty of shoppers showed up.*



*A sampling of the fine goods offered for sale.*



*A balloon artist, above, entertains the kids, while Mike Saunders, below, cooks up burgers and hot dogs.*





## Steve Kelley

REALTOR



*"I have worked with several real estate agents over the years both as buyer and seller. I can truthfully say that you are among the very best, a true professional of the highest character and integrity."*

John C. Colgain, Creek Shore Dr., Rockville, MD

*"Thank you for the excellent job you did selling our home! Thanks to your efforts we got a very good price, the settlement date we wanted and a painless home inspection. Everything went very smoothly at a time when we needed them to."*

Joan Gregory, Wyaconda Rd., Rockville, MD

*"Throughout the entire process of selling my home, Steve did everything he said he would and then some. He was always straightforward, honest and professional. It was a relief knowing that I was being counseled by someone I could trust. He is very good at what he does."*

Denise Williams, Otis Dr., Rockville, MD

If you are serious about buying or selling a home, let Steve's knowledge of the business and the area work for you.

Call him at:

**301.424.6364**

or E-mail at:

[SteveKelley@mrisc.com](mailto:SteveKelley@mrisc.com)

### **Llewellyn, Realtors®**

795 Rockville Pike  
Rockville, MD 20852  
301.424.0900

[www.LlewellynRealtors.com](http://www.LlewellynRealtors.com)



## Preventing Problems after Power Outages

by Margaret Dikel

Snow – ice – thunderstorms – hurricanes. Is it me or are we just having a bad weather year where our power is concerned? After my section of Ashley Drive went 6 days and 23 hours without power, we were all thrilled to get our power back...or were we.

Several houses in the region experienced fires as power was restored following the storm, including 6 homes in Montgomery County. In some cases, stoves were left on when power was lost, heating up and catching fire when power was then restored. In other cases, electric surges were the problem.

In light of this situation, the following recommendations were offered by various fire and rescue organizations as well as the power companies to help you better protect yourself and your home when power goes out.

When the power goes out, make sure all appliances and lights are turned off. Unplug as many of them as you can, but leave one lamp plugged in and turned on to alert you when power is restored.

Leave your front porch light turned on so workers can easily verify that power has been restored to your house when your neighborhood is restored.

Have at least one non-cordless phone in your house for times like these. This is important not just for you to make calls but also so others can check on you. Unplug cordless phones from the phone jack. A Verizon technician told me that many cordless phones still try to "answer" incoming calls, disconnecting them in the process and causing problems.

Flashlights are safer than candles, but if you must use candles, make sure they are in holders large enough to catch drips and stable enough to keep the candles from tipping over. Keep them away from curtains, papers, and other flammables, and keep them out of reach of children and pets.

If your smoke detectors are hard-wired into your electrical system, buy one or two battery-operated smoke detectors as back-ups. Change those batteries every 6 months when you change the clocks. If you don't have any smoke detectors, get some. If you can't afford them, contact Montgomery County Fire and Rescue for assistance.

Many residents in our neighborhood used gasoline-operated portable generators during the outage. While they should never be operated indoors or in attached garages, they also must be set far enough from your house to insure proper ventilation and to prevent fumes from being drawn into the house. (One resident noticed

fumes entering his basement after setting up his generator just outside the door, prompting him to relocate it immediately.) Use heavy-duty extension cords rated for outdoor use to bring power into the house, and consider shutting down your generator overnight to let it cool down and to give your neighbors a break from the noise. Your refrigerator will be fine for 7 hours if you don't open the door.

The next time a power outage occurs in our neighborhood, everyone affected should call Pepco at 1-877-PEPCO-62 (1-877-737-2662). Don't figure someone else will report it! The more houses reporting an outage in one area, the more important the outage becomes. If you see a downed wire, call Pepco's emergency line at 202-872-3432. If there is a fire, or if someone's life is in danger, call 911.

And if you have power but the house behind you or next to you doesn't, consider offering your neighbor a heavy-duty outdoor-rated extension cord so he or she can keep the refrigerator going. I'm eternally grateful to my backyard neighbor for helping me out in this way in August and again in September, making the outages much more bearable, but I'm surprised I didn't see more of this happening. We are a community and should support one another. Besides, next time it may be you who goes an extra 4 days in the dark.

**PARCEL PLUS**  
Your Shipping & Mailing Provider  
**Open 7 Days a Week**  
during Holiday Season  
Custom Packaging and Crating, Electronics China  
Crystal, Antiques Services, High Volume Copies,  
24-Hour Fax Receiving, Private Mailbox Rentals with  
Street Address, Moving and Packaging Supplies,  
**Loehmann's Plaza**  
In Back of "Boston Market"  
5284 Randolph Road - Rockville  
Phone : (301) 468-2177 Fax : (301) 816-0491  
Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 7 pm  
Saturday 10 am - 4 pm  
<http://www.plusparcel.com>  
Family Owned and Operated - Established 1996  
Authorized FedEx ShipCenter | **\$3.00 Off** | Authorized UPS Shipping Outlet  
UPS or FedEx Shipping | Expires - 01/30/2004

## Parks To Remove All Trash Cans

On December 1, 2003, all trash cans will be removed from Rock Creek Park. The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's (M-NCPPC) press release states "By bringing bags or other containers to carry their trash out of the park after visiting, park users will become partners with park management in sharing responsibility for managing solid waste and improving the park environment. By reducing the amount of trash collected and hauled to a landfill site, the department is reducing its dumping costs, redirecting limited personnel into other work, and removing a source of litter by birds and other animals. The result will be a safer, healthier, more pleasurable experience for all park visitors." The RCA execs think this policy, and this justification, is unrealistic. Call Carolyn Wainwright at 301-495-2572 and complain!

## High Volume Recycling Bins Available

Montgomery County is offering a limited number of bins made specifically for recycling paper and cardboard. As you can see in the photo, these bins are quite large and are intended for people who dispose of large amounts. Although the bins are not scheduled to be distributed in our area in the near future, RCA resident and County employee Patty Palomino has gotten permission to offer them to our neighborhood. If you feel you can use one, please call Patty by November 21 at 301/770-0743 and put your name on her list.

*Montgomery County's standard blue recycling bin is on the left; the larger bin is on the right.*



## News from Pack 1081

*by George Gadbois*



Leaders and scouts from Pack 1081 were visible recruiting at the Open House and two Back-to-School nights at Viers Mill encouraging interested families to attend our special Join Cub Scouting Night on September 18. Although hurricane Isabel unfortunately cancelled this important event, we're still excited to welcome six new Scouts so far, and hope by word of mouth that more will trickle in. Pack 1081 is happy to have the new boys and their families on board for the adventure and fun! If you are interested in learning more about the Cub Scout program for your 1st to 5th grade son, please stop by Viers Mill ES any Monday evening at 6:30. It's never too late to join!

The Pack had a beautiful afternoon on September 28th for our annual Physical Fitness Day at Wheaton High School. Competing was new Tiger **Preston Polk**; Wolves **Tyler Bochniak**, **Alex Sanchez**, **Brad Gessford**; Bears **Matthew Best**, **Joshua Murtagh**, **Brenton Polk**, **Patrick Owen**, **Steve Hernandez**, **Matthew Luong**; Webelos I **Jason Beam**, **Kevin Benitez**, **Jake Blakely**, **Gregory Gadbois**, **Joshua Hart**, **Dwayne Remillard**; Webelos II **Kyle Blakely**, **Tony Caffi**, **Matthew Fieller**. As in previous years, the events included Long Jump, Softball Throw, Push Ups, Curl Ups, 50 Yard Dash and The President's Challenge Activity. Our first place medal winners for most points in their age group were: **Preston Polk**, **Alex Sanchez**, **Steve Hernandez**, **Joshua Hart** and **Tony Caffi**. All the boys received one or more ribbons for the various events. Many red, blue, and yellow ribbons for first, second, third & "Do Your Best" were distributed as darkness quickly came upon us. All the families enjoyed hot pizza and cold lemonade as awards were handed out. Our thanks to the many parents and leaders who helped make this event special. Special thanks to Den Chiefs **Scott Talbott**, **Bubba Hart**, **Ed Huggins**, **John Pitkin** and **Anthony Gadbois** from Troop 1083 for assisting.

We had our first Pack meeting of the year on Thursday, September 25th. Our Webelos shared their Camp Tuckahoe experience with other scouts while all worked on a gathering activity before the meeting. Webelos Scouts **Kyle Blakely**, **Tony Caffi**, **Jason Beam**, **Kevin Benitez**, **Jake Blakely**, **Alan Costas**, **Gregory Gadbois**, **Josh Hart**, **Sasha Hevey**, **Dwayne Remillard**, **Alex Taylor** and **Diego Vallejos** received their participation patches for attending Camp Tuckahoe 2003. Special thanks to leaders **Mr. Bill Blakely**, **Mr. Fred Beam**, **Ms. Sharon Barbee**, **Mr. Matt Taylor**, **Mr. Moses Hart** and **Mr. George Gadbois** for giving a week of their time to spend with our Scouts at Camp Tuckahoe. The 1st Year

Webelos earned the following Activity Pins over the summer: Aquanaut: **Jason Beam, Jake Blakely, Alan Costas, Dwayne Remillard, Alex Taylor Diego Vallejos**; Outdoorsman: **Jason Beam, Kevin Benitez, Jake Blakely, Alan Costas, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart, Sasha Hevey, Dwayne Remillard, Alex Taylor and Diego Vallejos**; Sports & Academic Pins: Sports: Swimming Pin: **Jason Beam, Kevin Benitez, Jake Blakely, Alan Costas, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart, Sasha Hevey, Dwayne Remillard, Alex Taylor and Diego Vallejos**; BB Shooting Pin: **Jason Beam, Kevin Benitez, Jake Blakely, Alan Costas, Gregory Gadbois, Josh Hart, Sasha Hevey, Dwayne Remillard, Alex Taylor and Diego Vallejos**; 2nd Year Webelos earned: Sports & Academic Pins: Sports: BB Shooting Pin: **Kyle Blakely, Tony Caffi**. Webelos I & II boys earning the Polar Bear Swim patch at Tuckahoe were **Kyle Blakely, Tony Caffi, Kevin Benitez, Alan Costas, Gregory Gadbois, Dwayne Remillard and Alex Taylor**.

The Pack enjoyed a fun and educational fall family campout at the Rorhbach Campground at Antietam Battlefield on October 10-12. We had representation from all five dens, with pup-tents to personal house-tents scattered about our group area. Boy Scouts from Troop 1083 shared the group site next door and took in a little history as well. Our three-boy Webelos II contingent, had the opportunity to see what's ahead for them in Boy Scouting by observing a few activities, learning about Patrol teamwork, cooking and cleanup. The campground was a short



*A few Cubs and siblings pose at Antietam while dinner is cooking.*

distance down the road from the main historic area and visitor's center, where many took a short hike to Burnside Bridge to see where the Union Army crossed Antietam Creek. Scouts learned that although the Confederacy pushed them back to the other side, the Union eventually stopped the South's invasion onto Northern soil on one of the bloodiest days in American history and possibly the turning point of the Civil War. After dinner on Saturday, many of the boys played "capture the flag" and then enjoyed toasted marshmallows and other treats around the campfire. Cub Scouts attending the Antietam trip included

**DJ Terry, Tyler Bochniak, Joshua Murtagh, Steve Hernandez, Jake Blakely, Gregory Gadbois, AJ Taylor, Joshua Hart, Matt Fieller, Kyle Blakely and Tony Caffi.**

Our Popcorn fall fundraiser is in full swing. Look for our Cub Scouts in your neighborhood selling popcorn. Proceeds support our Pack and District activities. Also note that Scouting for Food bags are delivered with this *Echo* edition and food pickup will be done by Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts on Saturday morning, November 15. Please be generous. Your food donations go to help Manna of Montgomery County. Visit our new website location for more Pack 1081 news: <http://hometown.aol.com/pack1081>



*Some campers enjoying the last of the breakfast campfire before packing to leave Antietam.*



**We are building a restaurant  
to serve you better!  
Restaurant will be open in  
November 2003.**

**Call today for carry-out or delivery  
of Armand's Original  
Deep Dish & Thin Crust Pizza**  
20 Toppings to choose from  
as well as 8" Philly Style Subs and Salads!

**Free Delivery**  
or if you pick-up, a free slice or soda for the road

**301-231-5000**  
190 Halpine Road • Rockville, MD  
Open: Sun - Thurs 11am - 9:30pm  
Fri & Sat 11am - 10:30pm  
\*\*\* \$10.00 minimum Delivery order \*\*\*

---



**\$2<sup>00</sup> OFF**



**Any deep dish or  
thin crust pizza**  
**301-231-5000**

 Congressional Village formerly Congressional Plaza South  
Not valid with any other offer, \$10.00 minimum delivery 

## Troop 1083 News

by *Brian McGahey*

This summer Boy Scout Troop 1083 went to summer camp two times and earned a LOT of merit badges. The Merit Badges and other awards were presented at our Fall Court of Honor and Barbecue feast. It was held at Little Bennett Regional Park, at the primitive camping area. The Scouts were camping there and their families and adult leaders from Troop 495, which camped with Troop 1083 at Heritage Reservation, joined them. After a great meal put on by **Moses Hart Sr.**, food coordinators **Janete Soares**, **Lydia Taghavi**, **Anne Stidham** and the families of the troop, we presented awards.

COPE is an outdoor adventure involving group building, self-confidence and towers ropes and helmets. Earning the Heritage COPE award were **Jacob Bolt** and **Hafez Taghavi**. Earning the Goshen COPE award were **Jacob Bolt**, **Matt Binsted**, **Alex Cassel**, **Chris Soares**, **Timothy Tao** and **Scott Talbott**.

Many different Merit Badges were earned at the two camps. This is the most Merit Badges Troop 1083 has presented in a long time! Archery - **John Pitkin**, **Scott Talbott**. Basketry - **Edwin Fuentes**, **Bubba Hart**, **Johnny Hilderbrand**, **Joseph Owen**, **Hafez Taghavi**. Canoeing - **Anthony Gadbois**, **John Pitkin**. Camping - **Jacob Bolt**, **Mark Bushong**, **Anthony Gadbois**, **Bubba Hart**, **Edward Huggins**, **Galen Miley**, **Chris Soares**, **Andy Wood**. Electricity - **Anthony Gadbois**, **Steven Santos**. Electronics - **Steven Santos**. Engineering - **Jacob Bolt**, **Mark Bushong**, **Alex Cassel**, **Edward Huggins**, **John Pitkin**, **Steven Santos**, **Andy Wood**. Environmental Science - **Jacob Bolt**, **Mark Bushong**, **Anthony Gadbois**, **Scott Talbott**, **Andy Wood**. Fingerprinting - **Edwin Fuentes**. Fishing - **Jacob Bolt**, **John Pitkin**. Leatherwork - **Steven Santos**, **Chris Soares**. Lifesaving - **Mark Bushong**, **Anthony Gadbois**, **Edward Huggins**, **Andy Wood**. Mammal Study - **Jacob Bolt**, **Edwin Fuentes**, **Johnny Hilderbrand**, **Joseph Owen**. Motorboating - **Jacob Bolt**, **Scott Talbott**. Nature - **Anthony Gadbois**. Orienteering - **John Pitkin**. Pioneering - **Mark Bushong**, **Edward Huggins**, **Andy Wood**. Public Speaking - **Edwin Fuentes**. Reptile and Amphibian Study - **John Pitkin**. Rifle Shooting - **Matt Binsted**, **Bubba Hart**, **Hafez Taghavi**, **Scott Talbott**. Rowing - **Edward Huggins**, **John Pitkin**, **Chris Soares**, **AJ Tao**, **Andy Wood**. Small Boat Sailing - **AJ Tao**. Sports - **Steven Santos**. Swimming - **Anthony Gadbois**, **Joseph Owen**. Whitewater - **Scott Talbott**. Wilderness Survival - **Mark Bushong**, **Edward Huggins**, **Andy Wood**. Wood Carving - **Anthony Gadbois**, **John Pitkin**, **Chris Soares**. And last but not least **Jacob Bolt** finished the paper work and got Snow Sports Merit Badge.

Four Scouts advanced to Life rank, the last big step before Eagle. They were: **Jacob Bolt, Mark Bushong, Edward Huggins, Andy Wood.** It is a long trip from Life to Eagle, and these Scouts have a great start.

**Andrew Tao** got his last Scout recognition, the Silver Palm. This is given to mark earning 15 merit badges past the 21 required for Eagle. AJ is currently away at college.

The Walker Award for outstanding advancement went to the Bat Patrol.

On October 18, 2003 we will recognize **Nachi Roper's** Eagle Award, at an Eagle Court of Honor. Details in the next *Echo*.

Upcoming events include hiking, camping, the Klondike Derby and skiing. 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 Elem. School. Or call Scoutmaster Dave Talbott at 301-881-6567. Check out the troop web page at [www.troop1083.org](http://www.troop1083.org).

Come see us in December for your Christmas Tree at Knowles and Beach Drive at the Masonic Lodge, weekends only in December.

To find more RCA information go to  
<http://www.randolphcivic.org>  
designed by

**EWebAvenue.com**



A Custom Web Site Designer  
(web site hosting also available)

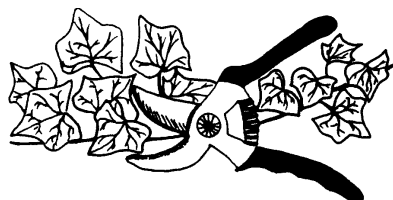
Lori L. Teachum  
[ewebavenue.com](http://ewebavenue.com) or 301-540-1106

## Weed Warriors Wanted!

Want to get outside, get some exercise, and help our parks, all at the same time?

**Join the Weed Warriors!** Help us control invasive non-native plants in our parks.

For more information, call Carol Bergmann at 301-949-2818 or email her at [bergmann@mncppc.state.md.us](mailto:bergmann@mncppc.state.md.us)



DAVID S. SCHLUTZ, D.M.D.



4618 Randolph Road  
Rockville, MD 20852  
(301) 770-7369  
Fax: (301) 770-7631

DENTIST

4921 Wyaconda Road  
North Bethesda, MD 20852

Plumbing, Heating & Cooling



Ph: (301) 881-2370

Fax: (301) 881-8852



VERA TSAGURIYA  
Licensed Esthetician  
TEMUR TSAGURIYA  
Massage Therapist Nat. Certified

## VITAL SKIN CARE

Facial, Massage, Waxing, Reflexology  
Body Treatments, Lash Tint

301 775-7481  
11402 Schuykill Rd.  
Rockville, MD 20852

By Appointment Only  
We Use and Recommend  
Dermologica



Phone 301-933-2155  
Fax 301-933-8099

## E and H Home Improvement Co.

Remodeling & Repairs  
Handyman Services

David Efird  
Kensington, MD

MD HIC #76950  
Licensed and Bonded

## RCA-Land History

For most of its history, the land your house sits on was merely a passageway between Georgetown and Rockville, and points West. The Rockville-Georgetown Pike was at one time an Indian Trail, and in the 1750's was used by General Braddock's army on its way to attack the French and Indians in Pittsburgh. By 1800, "the Pike" carried a stage line twice a week between Frederick and Georgetown. During the War of 1812, the Pike was used by government officials fleeing the British invasion of Washington City.

In 1806, the Rockville Turnpike began. In 1829, toll booths were erected along its length, and a booth was built at the present-day Strathmore Avenue. In the early 1800's tobacco was a staple crop grown in RCA-land. A former slave inspired Harriet Beecher Stowe's novel, Uncle Tom's Cabin. That former slave, Josiah Henson, lived in a cabin at 11420 Old Georgetown Road, which is attached to an 18th century house (a private residence).

In the 1860's, the small town of Montrose was located near Rockville Pike and Old Georgetown Rd. All that remains is the two-room school house located at 5721 Randolph Road.

In 1873, the Metropolitan Branch of the Baltimore and Ohio (B&O) Railroad was completed through North Bethesda, with train stations at Twinbrook (Halpine Road) and Randolph Road (at the present-day intersection of the RR tracks and Randolph Rd).

In 1919, Georgetown Prep moved from its original site in Old Georgetown Heights, where it was established in 1789, to its present location at Rockville Pike and Strathmore Ave. In 1920, Strathmore Hall was built, as the estate of Charles Corby, who was prominent in the baking industry.

During the 1950's RCA-land was developed from farmland. Our area developed slowly in the 1960's, and then increased rapidly in the 1970's.

## Did You Get Your Echo?

In the event you do not receive your copy of *The Echo*, please call the RCA hotline (301-881-2722)

and one will be delivered to you.

The next *Echo* will be the December 2003 issue. Look for it in early December.

Current and back issues of the *Echo* are also available at the RCA Web site, [www.randolphcivic.org](http://www.randolphcivic.org).



**PIZZA CALZONE'S**  
Nobody Offers Better  
We Deliver The Best!

**ROCKVILLE**  
11612 Boiling Brook Place  
**301-231-6500**

Se Habla Español  
**OPEN 7 DAYS**  
Mon-Thurs 10am-10pm  
Fri-Sat 10am-Midnight  
Sunday 11am-10pm

Minimum order for Credit Cards \$12.00

**FREE DELIVERY**  
All items subject to sales tax.  
Minimum order \$6.99 within 2 mile radius.

**NOW OFFERING DEEP DISH PIZZAS**

**REMEMBER US FOR YOUR NEXT CATERING ORDER, PIZZA PARTY, POOL PARTY, BIRTHDAY PARTY, ETC.**

**We Use Halal Meats**

*Now Introducing Chicken Time!*  
**FRIED CHICKEN DINNERS**

2-Piece Dinner (white meat)	\$4.25
2-Piece Dinner (dark meat)	\$3.95
3-Piece Dinner (white or dark meat)	\$4.95
4-Piece Dinner	\$5.65
5-Piece Dinner	\$7.25
Wings & Thighs (4 wings)	\$4.00
Beest Strip Dinner (5 strips)	\$5.99

All above served with Cole Slaw, French Fries, & Dinner Rolls. 99¢ extra for Onion Rings with any dinner.

**SANDWICHES & OVERSTUFFED SUBS**

SANDWICHES	SUBS
Chicken Break	\$3.75
Hamburger	\$3.75
Cheeseburger	\$3.75
Italian Cold Cut	\$3.75
Italian Hot Cut	\$3.75
Ham & Cheese	\$3.75
Tuna Salad (White Chunk)	\$3.75

**PLUS MANY MORE!**

**\$6.99**  
6 Jumbo Size Chicken Fingers or Shrimp in a Basket with French Fries and a Soda  
Not valid in combination with other offers.

**FREE PIZZA**  
Buy Any X-Large 16" or XXL 18" Pizza with two or more toppings at regular price & Receive a Medium 12" Cheese Pizza  
**FREE**  
Not valid in combination with other offers.

**X-LARGE PIZZA DEAL**  
X-Large 16" Two Topping Pizza (Add Any 12 oz. Soda for \$0.00) **\$10.19** + Tax  
Each additional pizza for only **\$6.99** + Tax  
Not valid in combination with other offers.

**PIZZA 2 FOR 1**  
2 Large 14" Pizzas w/ 2 Toppings **\$11.99**  
2 X-Large 16" Pizzas w/ 2 Toppings **\$16.99**  
2 X-Large 18" Pizzas w/ 2 Toppings **\$19.99**  
Add additional same size pizza for only \$5.99 each!  
(Deep Dish Pizza Extra)  
Not valid in combination with other offers.

**PARTY SPECIAL**  
**THIN 'N CRISPY PIZZA**  
Minimum order of 3 pizzas  
Med. Pizza, 1 topping each **\$6.50** EACH  
Large Pizzas, 1 topping each **\$7.80** EACH  
XLRG Pizzas, 1 topping each **\$8.60** EACH  
XXLRG Pizzas, 1 topping each **\$9.99** EACH  
ADD 20 PARTY WINGS FOR \$5.99  
Cappas sold for limited time only. Not valid with any other offers.

**TOPPED YOUR WAY**  
Pizza with up to 5 toppings  
Medium 12" Pizza **\$10.99** + Tax  
Large 14" Pizza **\$11.99** + Tax  
X-Large 16" Pizza **\$12.99** + Tax  
XXL 18" Pizza **\$15.99** + Tax  
(Deep Dish Pizza Extra)  
Not valid in combination with other offers.

**PICK-UP ONLY**  
XXL 18" One Topping Pizza **\$13.99** + Tax  
X-Large 16" One Topping Pizza **\$11.99** + Tax  
Large 14" One Topping Pizza **\$9.99** + Tax  
1 Medium 12" One Topping Pizza **\$6.99** + Tax  
(Deep Dish Pizza Extra)  
Shrimp Basket w/ Fries **\$13.99** + Tax  
2 Piece Fried Chicken w/ Fries **\$12.99** + Tax  
Not valid in combination with other offers.

**SUB/GYRO**  
Two 8" Subs or Two Lamb or Chicken Gyros Includes Two Bags of Chips & Two 12 oz Sodas add 99¢ for Fries or Onion Rings  
**\$9.99** + Tax  
Not valid in combination with other offers.

## Fall Leaves and Winter Snow: Here's Your Help

Here's a list of boys willing to perform leaf raking, grass mowing, snow shoveling, general yard work, etc. The RCA always receives a few calls every year, sometimes from adult children of elderly residents, asking for yard help. So here are some resources. Negotiate cost and payment with each boy. By the way, we have received no calls from girls offering to perform yard work, but their names will be listed if they offer. Another useful list would be for those willing to babysit. Call the RCA (301-881-2722) if interested.

**Andrew Souder** 301-770-7632 Ashley Drive

**Matt Bebawy** 301-881-4698 Red Fox

**Brett Valenta** 301-816-0293 Ashley Drive

**Alex Cassel** 301-770-8757 Macon Road

**Mike Couture** 301-984-8647 Creekshore Drive

**Steven Santos** 301-468-1756 Wilwyn Way

**Chris Geerman** 301-230-1386 Ashley Drive

## Gardening Tips

Before the first frost, dig up Elephant's Ear and Calla Lily and store for winter. After

Hostas have yellowed and browned,

cut stalks to the

ground. Prune

peonies to the

ground and throw

leaves & canes

away. Do not mulch

peonies.



**Nominated As  
#1 Shop In America**

**LUBE, OIL & FILTER \$14.95 (most vehicles)**  
**10% Off Any Repair up to \$30**  
**One Discount Per Vehicle**  
\*\*Offer Expires 06/30/03

12356 Wilkins Avenue  
Rockville, MD 20852

Phone: 301-881-8530

Fax: 301-881-2249

[www.preferredautomotive.com](http://www.preferredautomotive.com)



MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL  
PARK POLICE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY DIVISION

**SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY ?  
DRUG USE ?**

**CALL THE PARK POLICE**  
**EMERGENCY: (301) 949-3010**  
**NON-EMERGENCY: (301) 949-8010**

## Ford's Paper Hanging and Painting, Inc.

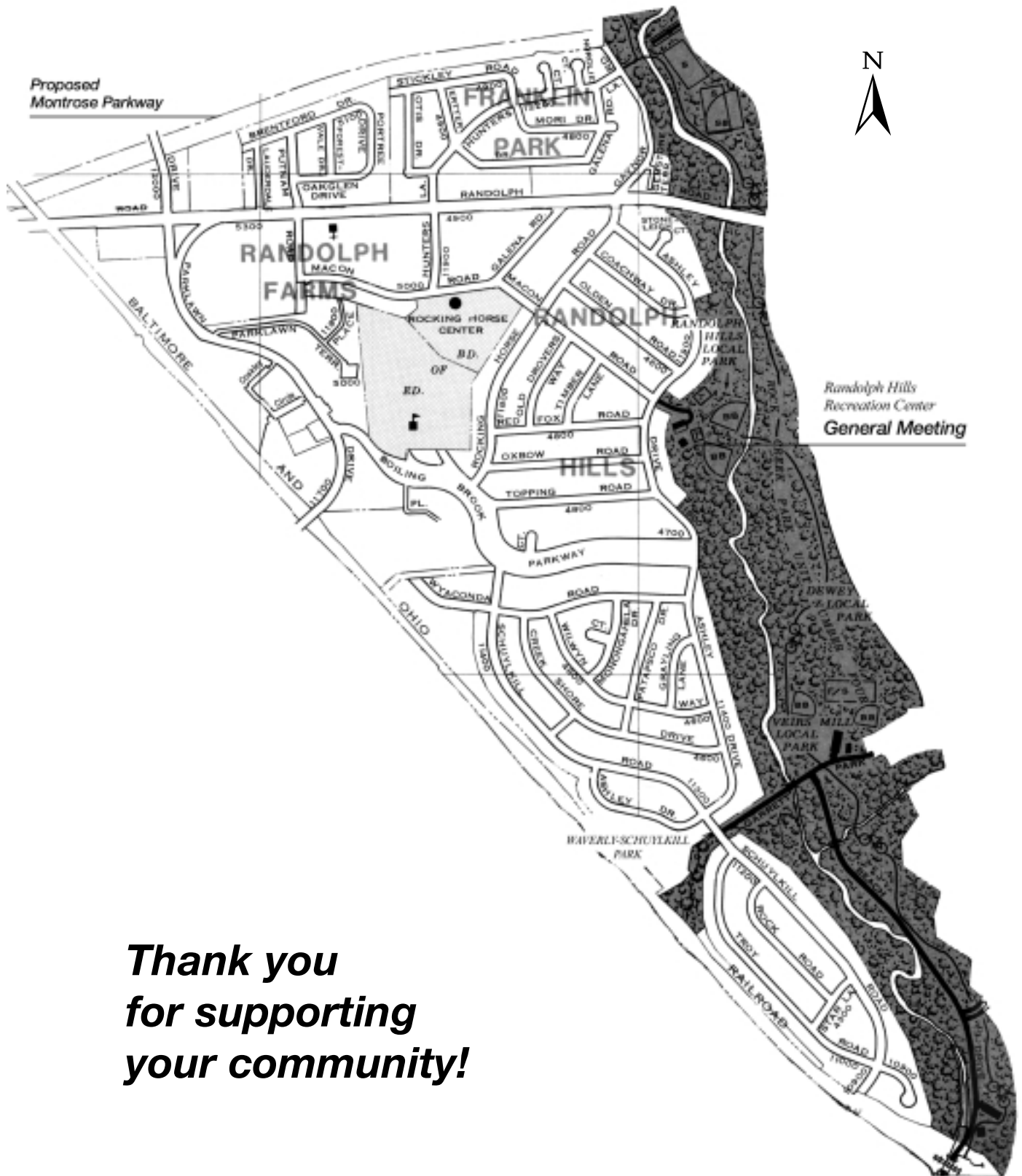
Residential • Commercial • Insured • Licensed • Bonded • Interior/Exterior

David Ford  
13512 Stockbridge Ct.  
Silver Spring, MD 20906  
Over 25 Years Experience

(301) 460-0400

Fax (301) 871-7408





***Thank you  
for supporting  
your community!***

## CLASSIFIEDS

The Echo publishes classified ads free for community members, to a maximum of one ad per year per household. Additional ads may be purchased for \$5.00. The Echo makes every effort to ensure the quality of goods or services offered.

**LICENSED CHILDCARE.** Excellent references, 25 years experience. Ages 6 weeks to 12 years, M-F. Call Kathy, 301-816-0189.

**MISS THE SNOW EVERY WINTER!** Buy a lovely home in Central Florida.

**Location:** Rolling Greens Park, Ocala, FL

**Home:** 56' x 24'; Florida Room 20' x 10'

3 BRs, walk-in closets, large living and dining rooms, central heating and AC

Kitchen: GE fridge, Maytag dishwasher, breakfast bar/chairs

Carport: 30' x 14' (2 cars)

**Rolling Greens Park:** 3 clubhouses, golf course, swimming pools (3), shuffleboard, etc.

**Price:** Upper 40s

For more information please call 301-770-7468.

**PORTRAITS.** Professional artist, Robert LeMar, with 30+ years experience paints portraits of your loved ones, best friend, or favorite pet. Oil or pastel. Reasonable rates. Examples and references available. Call 301-962-7451. Website: [www.rleamar.com/portraits](http://www.rleamar.com/portraits)

**FALL WATERCOLOR CLASSES.** Learn to paint in nearby Garrett Park! Small, informal classes for adults. All levels welcome, including complete beginners. Held in teacher's Victorian home. Martha Seigel, MFA, the American University, 22 years experience. Call 301-946-5388.

Have you seen RCA's Web site at  
**[www.randolphcivic.org](http://www.randolphcivic.org)**

Can't wait for the next *Echo*? You can download the latest issue, which is usually available a week or so before the printed *Echo* is delivered. Back issues are also available.

**Note to Contributors:**  
The deadline for the December issue of  
The Echo is November 8th.



## Important Phone Numbers



Police: Non-Emergency . . . . .301-279-8000  
(Police Reporting Areas (PRA): Franklin, Montrose Park: #306;  
Westminster, Randolph Farms: #308; Randolph Hills 1st & 2nd sections  
#308; Randolph Hills 3rd section: #309)

Police: Non-Emergency (Rockville Station) . . . .301-279-1591

Police: Emergency . . . . .911

Park Police . . . . .301-949-3010  
(for Randolph Hills and Waverly-Schuylkill Parks)

Abandoned Cars (on private property) . . . . .240-777-3600

Animal Control . . . . .240-773-5960

Building Permits . . . . .240-777-6200

Consumer Affairs . . . . .240-777-3636

Crisis Hotline (24 hours) . . . . .301-315-4000

Department of Natural Resources . . . . .800-442-0708  
(wildlife nuisance problems)

Disability Resources . . . . .240-777-1246

Fire Non-Emergency . . . . .240-777-0744

Housing Code Violations . . . . .240-777-3600  
(for calls about tall grass, broken windows, trash in yard, etc.)

Large Item Pick-up . . . . .240-777-6410

Libraries: Hours, etc. . . . .240-777-0002  
Telephone Reference . . . . .240-777-0001

Metrarail and Metrobus schedules & info. . . . .202-637-7000

Montgomery County Humane Society . . . . .240-773-5960  
Emergencies only . . . . .240-773-5900  
Licensing Dept. . . . .240-773-5946

Motor Vehicle Administration . . . . .1-800-950-1682

Office of Environmental Policy & Compliance . .240-777-7700  
(noise, burning leaves, hazardous materials, spilled/leaking motor oil)

Parking Tickets . . . . .240-453-0113

Parks: Information & Permits . . . . .301-495-2525

PEPCO: Power Out . . . . . toll free 1-877-737-2662  
Emergency/Life Threatening . . . . .202-872-3432

Post Office, Rollins Ave., Rockville . . . . .301-231-5973

Rat Control Unit (Health Dept.) . . . . .240-777-3986

RCA Hotline . . . . .301-881-2722

Recycling Info ([www.mcrcycles.org](http://www.mcrcycles.org)) . . . . .240-777-6400

Recreation Information . . . . .240-777-6804

School Information . . . . .301-279-3391

Senior Citizens (Holiday Park) . . . . .301-468-4448

Street Light Out . . . . .240-777-2190

Transportation (Highway Services) . . . . .240-777-7623  
(to report traffic signals out, street sign damage, potholes, graffiti, etc.)

Transit Information Center ([www.dtwp.com](http://www.dtwp.com)) . . . .240-777-7433

Trash Collection . . . . .240-777-6410

Tree Maintenance (ask for county arborist) . . .240-777-7623

Voter Registration . . . . .240-777-8500

Water and Sewer (WSSC) . . . . .301-206-8000

Weeds/Rubbish Complaints . . . . .240-777-6400

# Randolph Hills, Randolph Farms, Franklin Park and Montrose Park Market Update...

## Neighborhood Home Sales Settled Since August 2003

Address	Orig Price	List Price	Sold Price	Subsidy	DOM
4614 Olden Road	\$249,000	\$249,000	\$280,000	\$0	8
11809 Rocking Horse Road	\$299,000	\$275,000	\$275,000	\$0	13
4607 Creek Shore Drive	\$299,000	\$289,000	\$285,000	\$0	49
11908 Hunters Lane	\$298,000	\$298,000	\$311,000	\$0	4
11206 Ashley Drive	\$299,900	\$299,900	\$289,000	\$0	78
12103 Porttree Drive	\$319,500	\$319,500	\$332,000	\$0	6
11205 Schuylkill Road	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$318,000	\$1,000	78
5003 Macon Road	\$325,000	\$331,500	\$331,500	\$0	7
12011 Galena Road	\$329,500	\$346,750	\$347,000	\$0	9



*"Your Neighborhood Realtor..."*

*Celebrating 15 years  
of helping families in the neighborhood  
realize their real estate dreams.*

*If I can assist you  
in selling your home  
or finding a new one,  
please give me a call.*

**Denise  
SZCZUR**

**301-452-5544**

Email: [denise.szczur@longandfoster.com](mailto:denise.szczur@longandfoster.com)