

CWCA Newsletter, March 2009

SECURITY UPDATE

Details below from a neighbor on Copely Lane re: the intrusion and police report they filed recently:

Copely Lane- Tuesday, February 24, 9:50 pm: A male was seen trespassing and peering into a ground floor bathroom window while a resident was showering. The homeowner chased the suspect, who ran between two houses near the woods between Copely Lane and Maddux Lane. Police responded and a police report was filed. Please be vigilant, keep doors locked, turn on outside lights at night and report any suspicious activity to the police immediately.

Additionally, neighbors sent us this email below that Bill Denk, President of the **El Nido Civic Association** sent to his membership recently. The El Nido Civic Association (ENCA) area of membership is bounded by Kent Gardens Park, Old Dominion Drive, Kirby Road and Westmoreland Street in McLean. (Click [HERE](http://elnidoca.org/index.html) for more info: <http://elnidoca.org/index.html>)

Dear Neighbors,

I have been contacted by the spouse of an El Nido neighbor. Her husband was attacked near East and Valley Avenues (which intersect with Old Chesterbrook Rd)in the early morning hours of Friday March 6.

She reports that he was attacked by three young black men. One tackled him from behind and the other two searched his pockets and kicked him in his back. She reported that her husband's description of one of the assailants was that he was tall and that another wore a dark ski mask. She reports her husband is going to need surgery.

She asks the neighbors to be watchful for their own safety and if anyone has any clue who these men are or sees anyone who seems out of place matching that description to please phone Fairfax County Police (McLean - 703-556-7750).

I called the Fairfax Police today. They would only verify that an attack at that approximate location and time had been reported and that the victim sustained injury and that they were investigating.

Please inform your neighbors.

Bill Denk
President, El Nido Civic Association

ANNUAL CWCA MEETING

Our **Annual Meeting** for this fiscal year (April 1, 2008 - March 31, 2009) is set for:

Monday, March 23rd

6:30pm - 9:00pm

(6:30pm - 7:00pm will be social time, with meeting starting at 7:00pm)

Cheserbrook Elementary School (on Kirby Road)

If you have any topics that you would like to see covered in this annual meeting, please send them to ChesterbrookWoods@gmail.com.

AGENDA

- 1) **Guest Speaker - Terry Atkins**, volunteer Public Information Officer (PIO) for Fairfax County CERT (see details below)

- 2) **Security - John Glowacki**, Security Director

- 3) **Snow Removal - David Stevens**, Snow Removal Chair

- 4) **McLean Citizens Association (MCA) - Tom Stoll**, MCA Rep

- 5) **New Environmental Committee Proposal - Jessi**, a junior at McLean High School and her mom, **Betty Ende** present a project to put markers on storm drains in neighborhood

- 6) **Budget & Dues - Charles Hoyt**, Treasurer

- 7) **Topics from the Floor** - requests submitted from residents so far include:
 - a) Paving of Woodley Road, particularly from 6018 - 6028 (as patching of pot holes from last summer did not last)
 - b) Adding stop sign for the intersection of Oakdale Road/Forest Lane

- 8) **New CWCA Officers - Arnold Braswell**, Head of 2009 Nominating Committee

Thanks to neighbor **Jim Talens** for setting up this valuable Guest Speaker from CERT for our meeting: "We will have at our meeting a representative of the Fairfax County Government who will give us a summary of a safety and

preparedness course that we can all take to protect our families and the community in case of an emergency. It's part of a nationwide effort to help all of us and it's called **CERT - Community Emergency Response Team**. Everyone should attend this meeting to find out how you can enhance your family's safety."

This year's Nominating Committee for the new CWCA Officers is headed up by **Arnold Braswell** along with committee members **Tom Stoll** and **Roger Nucho**. **Charles Hoyt**, current CWCA Treasurer, for MANY years and **Lori Boerner**, current CWCA President for the past two years, have both decided to step down so that new residents may come on board.

The Nominating Committee is recommending the following **CWCA Officers** for the next fiscal year (April 1, 2009 - March 31, 2010):

President: **Nicki Watts**

Vice-President: **Kevin Connelly**

Secretary: **Patty Craley**

Treasurer: **Greg Hood**

Any other nominations will be accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting on March 23rd. Hope to see you there!

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAYDATES

See Group description below and for more information or to join Neighborhood PlayDates, please contact **Lori Boerner**, lboerner@yahoo.com, 703.475.6456.

Neighborhood PlayDates began in July 2004 with five families from Chesterbrook Woods and one from Chain Bridge Forest, meeting at a home for a baby playdate. Over the past 5 years, we have grown to 175+ members with both moms and dads (and even two grandmothers), comprising of families with newborns through college

age kids.

As members told their friends and neighbors, the group expanded to other families in nearby McLean, Arlington, Falls Church and Vienna neighborhoods (i.e., Potomac Hills, Franklin Park and Country Club Hills, to name a few).

One of the main uses of this group is as a listserv resource for family and neighborhood-related questions with anything from child care issues to finding a good house painter, hairdresser, pet sitter, recommended doctor, etc.

This PlayDates group has held various events over the years including weekday nanny/mom/kid playdates and weekend events such as parent/kid gatherings at local parks, coffee shops and book readings, taking classes together like music/dance and a summer Family Swim with BBQ at Highlands Swim & Tennis Club in McLean.

Additionally, we have many Spin-Off Groups including Mommy/Kid Wednesday afternoon gatherings, a Spanish-speaking playgroup, Spring/Fall Saturday morning toddler/kid Soccer classes, quarterly weeknight Moms Night Out Dinners, a weekend Moms Running Club and a weeknight Parents Book Club.

The Neighborhood PlayDates group continues to evolve and thrive as word of mouth spreads! Feel free to tell your friends and neighbors of this fun community group and valuable resource for Moms and Dads (and other relatives) of children with newborns through college grads.

FAIRFAX COUNTY BUDGET

(McLEAN, VA. March 4, 2009)—Dranesville Supervisor John Foust has scheduled three town hall meetings in March to give the public an opportunity to learn about and discuss the proposed Fiscal Year 2010 Budget for Fairfax County. County Management and Budget staff will be present to make a summary presentation of the budget and answer questions. The three sessions are:

Thursday, March 19 at 7:30 pm
Great Falls Grange
9818 Georgetown Pike
Great Falls, VA 22066

Tuesday, March 24 at 7:30 pm
McLean Community Center
1234 Ingleside Avenue
McLean, VA 22101

Wednesday, March 25 at 7:30 pm
Herndon Town Council Chambers
765 Lynn Street
Herndon, VA 20170

County Executive Anthony H. Griffin presented his proposed FY 2010 Advertised Budget Plan to the Board of Supervisors on February 23, 2009. Public Hearings will be held in the Board Auditorium at the Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax VA 22035) on March 30 and 31 and on April 1. The Board of Supervisors will adopt a final budget on April 27.

For further information on the FY 2010 Advertised Budget Plan, access the budget website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/budget/fy2010>. The entire budget is also available on CD-ROM. Reference copies of the FY 2010 Advertised Budget Plan are available at all County libraries. A reference copy will also be available in the Office of the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. In addition, the public is encouraged to share their thoughts on the budget through the online forum on the County's website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/survey/fy10suggestions.htm> and/or the telephone hotline, 703-324-9400.

For more information on these public meetings contact Wes Callender in Supervisor Foust's Dranesville District office at 703-356-0551, TTY 711 or email Dranesville@fairfaxcounty.gov.