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June 2006

This Sunday in the Park! 2006 Annual Copenhaver Picnic

Date: Sunday, June 4, 2006

Time: 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Where: Copenhaver Park by the Basketball Court

Come join your neighbors and friends for a fun-filled afternoon. There will be great food, music, games, pony rides, moon bounce, face painting, and Good Humor Ice Cream.

The Copenhaver board will provide hot dogs with all the fixings, drinks, plates, napkins, and eating utensils.

Please bring two of your favorite side dishes and/or desserts to share with your neighbors. Make sure to label your dishes and serving pieces.

We need volunteers!! Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated!!
We will need tables, chairs, people to grill, moon bounce monitors, people to give out ice cream tickets, etc.

If you have any questions please contact:

Lisa Tilley (301) 762- 5807 - lisadianetilley@worldnet.att.net Sherry Kinikin (301) 424- 3844 - sherrykinikin@hotmail.com



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Neighbors,

This year we scheduled our spring cleanup on April Fools Day and were we fooled. We expected at least an average turnout of 20 to 25 residents. In addition, Board member, Cindy Burns, arranged for Cabin John and Wootton students to receive service hours for helping out. Finally, we added two hours in the afternoon to supplement our usual three morning hours. The result: Residents, about 10, students 0.

We realize that scheduling cleanups on Saturdays makes them compete with a variety of sports and other activities. However, by any measure, participation this year was disappointing, probably the worst in memory. Given these results, we are looking into expanding the cleanup work of our park contractor, EAH Landscaping. Currently, the EAH contract includes funds for certain support services. We will identify items that might be added, the cost of those items, and their impact on the budget. We will keep you advised.

On a more positive note, please join your neighbors for the Copenhaver picnic on Sunday, June 4 from 1 to 4 pm. Enjoy good food and lots of activities for the kids.

Sincerely,

Guy Chamberlin CHC President



Treasurer's Report

The collection of our annual dues is mostly completed. We have collected from 90% of the homes. Thank you for your prompt payment. These dues are the means by which our park and neighborhood entrances are kept in such great condition. For the remaining 10% of the homeowners, please remit payment as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or issues with your dues, please contact me so that it can be resolved.

Thanks again.

Larry Waugh Copenhaver Home Corp. Treasurer 301-928-8091

Copenhaver Neighborhood Notes

Welcome New Neighbors!

David Rogers & Anamika Krishna 12440 Over Ridge Rd 301-838-0074

e-mail: krishnarogers@verizon.net

Children: Maya Krishna-Rogers '96, Simran Krishna-Rogers '99, Sachin Krishna-Rogers '04

David: Internist-Physician, Anamika: Lactation Consultant

MONTGOMERY SQUARE-COPENHAVER SWIM CLUB

Join your friends and neighbors for fun in the pool and sun this summer!

- Seven lane, 25-meter pool and fenced baby pool
- Diving well with two boards
- ◆ Basketball, Volleyball, and Table Tennis
- Toddler Playground
- Sun and Shade Lounge Areas
- Picnic Area & Grill
- Swim Team great for children; swimming and socializing
- Private Swim Lessons Available

Located on Falls Road near the Montrose Road intersection For questions and membership information, call 301-424-0423 or visit

www.mscswimclub.com



Copenhaver Teens Ready to Work

Pet Sitting

Kibbie Barkley '90 12405 Copenhaver Terrace 301-340-8380

David Baydush '91 8816 Copenhaver Drive 301-424-2051

<u>Babysitting</u>

David Baydush '91 8816 Copenhaver Drive 301-424-2051

Sarah Baydush '94 8816 Copenhaver Drive 301-424-2051

If you are a Copenhaver teen and would like to be added to our "Teens Ready to Work" list (we're also looking for kids who do yard work)
please contact Jane Burns by email at janeburns@mindspring.com.

Park Notes

- Should you be dividing hostas, ferns, liriope, etc., or should you be removing plants/trees/ bushes, please think of our park and our circles and call Veronica Mason. Thank you all!
- Coyote Sightings—Coyotes have been living in our area of Maryland for about 20 years. There have been at least two recent sightings of a coyote in Hadley Park; none reported in our park. If you see a coyote, do not run; instead make yourself big, mean, and loud. You can raise your hands over your head, put on a fierce face, and shout as loud as you can, "Go away, coyote!" For more information, the April 24th, 2006 edition of the Washington Post Magazine had a long article on coyotes in our area.

Tennis Notes

- If the weather is making you feel like tennis and if you haven't gotten your key, remember that you will have to contact **Helene and Al Grant** and they will arrange for you to get your key.
- Please remember, after you enter or leave the court, to shut the doors! Sometimes the lock sticks a bit, and so if you would shake the door to make sure it is locked, that would be great!
- The tennis courts can be used only for tennis and tennis players must be wearing tennis shoes. Our court surface is one of the best available and it is easily harmed by inappropriate footwear and roller skate/blades, skate boards, scooters, bikes, etc. And no pets on the courts!

Reminders

- Please drive at 25 miles/hour! Spring into summer is such a busy time. Our many children are now playing out of doors. Please drive at the speed limit! Please watch for children!
- Please clean up after your dogs.
- Look to your fences and please make necessary repairs and replacements. Some of our fences are thirty-five years old!
- Please keep your grass cut, your yard trash free, and your mail box in good repair.
- When making improvements to the outside of your home, consult your Architectural Control

Guidelines. Copies are available on our website, www.copenhaverhomes.com. If your home improvement involves any change, say a new paint color or a redesigned backyard, you will need to submit an ACC application. Please mail or deliver your application to **Mickey Bolmer** or e-mail it to ACC@copenhaverhomes.com. If your contractors are pressing you to get work started, consider two ways to help the ACC do its work as quickly as possible: 1. make your application as complete as possible being sure to get your neighbors' signatures 2. make four copies of the application and deliver the original and the copies directly to Mickey Bolmer (8909 Wooden Bridge Rd.).

Street Trees

We've been doing a great job at contacting the county about our Street Trees and the county has cared for many of our trees. Unfortunately, we must keep up the good work because each step in the process, pruning, removal, stump digging, and planting a new tree requires one more call or letter to the county. It should be easier than this but it isn't. All of our pin oaks are dying (five to eight years left!); a few of our oaks are not pin oaks and they may not be dying. Pruning will keep the pin oaks alive a bit longer, but there is no cure for bacterial leaf scorch. When a tree is dead, the sooner it is taken down, the sooner we will have a new tree growing. You can request a new tree as soon as the old one is taken down, i.e. before stump removal. Guy Tureen, Tree Maintenance Program Manager, is now recommending the we ask the county to plant the swamp white oak, *Quercus bicolor.* You will find a form letter for street tree care included in this *Chronicle*.

Date:
Name:
Address:
Phone Number:
Guy N. Tureen Highway Maintenance Department of Public Works and Transportation 101 Orchard Ridge Drive Gaithersburg, MD 20878 240-777-6000 Fax: 240-777-7670
Dear Mr. Tureen:
My pin oak street trees need care.
pin oak(s) need(s) to be pruned
pin oak(s) need(s) to be taken down.
stump(s) need(s) to be removed.
new tree(s), swamp white oak, Quercus bicolor , need(s) to be planted.
Thank you for your help.
Sincerely,



Guy N. Tureen
Highway Maintenance
Department of Public Works and Transportation
101 Orchard Ridge Drive
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878

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