THE PRESERVE AT ROCK CREEK

A STANLEY MARTIN & WINCHESTER HOMES COMMUNITY

HOA NEWSLETTER

AUG & SEPT 2016

We're in the home stretch...

We are down to the last FIVE sites to be built! WHERE did the time go?

The recent HOA Board of Director's meeting on 8/1/2016 @ the Gaithersburg Library was well attended. The 2 hours was packed with information that will be the focus of this shortened newsletter to emphasize their importance.

Montgomery County Police Commander Dinesh Patil was at the meeting to introduce himself. He addressed concerns, and gave the community reasonable expectations regarding service. Many concerns will be taken care as the county assumes control of our neighborhood roads, such as speed limit signs, ticketing & enforcement. Until then, we are asked to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious behavior. There were several car breakins of unlocked vehicles that occurred this week during the late evening/early morning. As we are on the outer edge of the Gaithersburg District, most police resources are concentrated towards the northern part of the district closer to the city. We received his assurance for more future cruiser drive byes to increase awareness and visibility.

Speeding, parking on the grass areas & directly behind driveways, road debris, enforcement of Covenants rules, dry pond responsibility, and the walking trail status were all discussed. Please note and review in the "News" section of the website the parts regarding fencing requirements, partial rentals, and procedures for architectural changes that must be followed.

Enjoy the rest of summer!

-Jim Liaw- Heartwood Drive

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Community Website

www.preserverockcreek.org

** Please note that future editions will be in electronic format**

Noteworthy Stuff from the HOA Board of Director's & Management

We have our OWN community website! (www.preserverockcreek.org)

Thanks to John Scheck – VP, and the rest of the HOA for setting up a fantastic website for our community! The website was created at ZERO cost to the community and going forward, you'll be able to find information such as:

- Upcoming Meetings & Location
- Documents
- HOA Guidelines
- Committee News
- Community Board Links
- > Old Newsletters

Howard Roth – Treasurer, reported that our expenses were in line, with reserves expected to be sound as we finish out the neighborhood.

The takeaways from the recent meeting:

- I submitted a possible reason why there are those that use our neighborhood as a "cut-through" is because of the timing of the lights at Muncaster/Needwood & Muncaster/Bowie Mill, which currently is responsible for causing the enormous traffic back up. Commander Patil took note and will keep us updated.
- Enforcement of speeding in the neighborhood? Again, he emphasized that there isn't much enforcement he is allowed to do until the county assumes control of the neighborhood roads. We are hopeful that future speed limit signs will help alleviate this ongoing problem.
- The road debris has caused some residents to experience tire damage. We asked Jennifer Rohdi, (now Green! Congrats!!) to see if SFMC can get Stanley Martin to have the roads swept more frequently.
- The maintenance of the walking trail & dry ponds will be the responsibility of the HOA, not the county. We are looking into a new landscaping company that will hopefully better maintain the common areas.



Courtesy Reminder: Did you know that you can be cited for blocking the sidewalk in your driveway by blocking it with your car? Please avoid blocking the sidewalk right of way. We would like to encourage everyone to use the sidewalks rather than the road while taking their walks, thus it would be great if everyone would take care when parking to leave the sidewalk area clear. Also please remember to "mow the ditch" as it is your responsibility!

Social Committee Event

The Social Committee/HOA picnic will be held on <u>Saturday, 9/10/2016 from 12:00noon –</u> <u>4:00pm</u> behind the tot lot. There will be food, drinks, tent/tables/chairs, lawn games, and a bouncy house set up.

Hope to see EVERYONE there!



Calendar of Events

Mon, Aug 29		FIRST day of School – Montgomery County
Mon, Sept 5		Labor Day – Federal Holiday – No School
Sat, Sept 10	12:00-4:00pm	Social Committee/HOA – Fall Picnic – behind Tot Lot
Mon, Sept 12		Professional Day- Teachers – No School
Fri, Sept 30		1/2 Day School – Planning/Grades/Interims
Mon, Oct 3		No School
Weds, Oct 12		No School
Mon, Nov 7		Professional Day – Teachers - No School
	7:00-9:00pm	Next HOA Board of Director's Meeting – Olney Re-Max Office
Tues, Nov 8		Election Day – No School
Mon, Feb 6	7:00-9:00pm	February 2017 – HOA Board of Director's Meeting

Thanks to Commander Patil for the useful info below!

Montgomery County Department of Police 6th District Community Resources Commander Dinesh R. Patil

Contact Information 6th District Address- 45A West Watkins Mill Rd Gaithersburg, MD 20878 Non Emergency Line – 301-279-8000 For police dispatch. 6th District Station – 240-773-5700 For general information Request for County Services / Information - 311 District Commander email – 6DCommander@montgomerycountymd.gov District Commander Twitter - @MCPD6DCommander 6th District Community Services Officer – POIII Scott Zimmerman / 240.773.5700 / 6DCSO@montgomerycountymd.gov MCPD News – www.mymcpnews.com About MCPD / Crime Stats / Info - http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/pol/index.html

Online Resources

How to get a copy of a police report https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/pol/howto/obtain.html How to report a county street light outage http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-streetlight/Index.aspx Montgomery County Open Data – Detailed Crime Information https://data.montgomerycountymd.gov/Public-Safety/Crime/icn6-v9z3 Maryland Court Case Search – Search court records http://casesearch.courts.state.md.us/casesearch/ Montgomery County Speed / Red Light Camera Ticket Payments https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/pol/howto/pay.html Montgomery County Pay a Parking Ticket http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Parking/faq/pay-ticket.html

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I get a repair order signed?

2 Any police officer in the State of Maryland can sign off on an Safety Equipment Repair Order.

I Go to the 6th District station to meet with an officer.

How can I get fingerprinted?

² Fingerprinting is offered at the 6th District station for XX \$ on XX days. There are times due to staffing that these services will not be available. Please call before coming.

What Police Beat / Police Reporting Area do I live in?

http://mcpd-md.maps.arcgis.com/apps/Viewer/index.html?appid=725e6c0ca4464d79b15b93ba93e50481 FAQ – Montgomery County Parking Regulations https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/goodneighbors/faqs.html