



April 2019

THE CWCA GAZETTE

A Newsletter for the Residents of Canterbury Woods

CWCA President's Letter

Dale Johnson, President

Hello Canterbury Woods Residents! My name is Dale Johnson and I have had the honor to be the Canterbury Woods Civic Association President since May of 2015. My family and I have been living in Canterbury Woods since July of 2011 and are active on the Civic Association, the Canterbury Woods swim team, and in the Fairfax County School System. I have a wonderful wife, Monica Johnson, and two children who are attending Frost Middle School and Woodson High School. I am a retired United States Navy Officer and work full-time for a Defense contractor.

One of the hardest things to do within the Canterbury Woods community is to maintain good communication and transparency of information about how the CW Civic Association works on your behalf. We have several ways in which we try to get information to everyone. This includes the following:

1. The Canterbury Woods Civic Association website at <http://cwcivic.org>
2. The Canterbury Woods Yahoo Group at: <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/canterburywoodsca/info>
3. The Canterbury Woods Facebook Page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CanterburyWoodsCivicAssociation>
4. The Canterbury Woods Gazette—our community newsletter.
5. The “Sandwich Board” signs. If you see the signs out but didn’t get a chance to read the sign or understand what it was saying, then all you have to do is to go to the website <http://cwcivic.org>

We are looking for a volunteer to store 1 of the 4 sandwich board signs that we place in strategic locations. Lisa Warden has volunteered to store and update the sign that is placed at the intersection of Woodland and QE. Mihee Corey has volunteered to store and update the sign that is normally placed at the intersection of Wakefield Chapel and QE. Kim Sandino has volunteered to handle the sign for the location at Southampton and Canterbury Drive, leaving 1 sign that needs a volunteer. We need someone to store, place messages on, and place the sandwich board at the intersection of Woodland and Fleming. Please contact the board if you are interested. Thomas Ball will still be the overall manager of the sandwich board signs and ensure that they are placed in their locations when needed.

Please turn the page for a few upcoming events in our community that deserve your attention so that you don’t miss out on them.

I look forward to meeting you and serving any needs that may potentially arise within our fine community.

Sincerely, Dale Johnson



**SPRING TIME
is
DUES TIME!**

**Help support all of the amazing activities
in our neighborhood and pay your dues!
The envelope is included inside.**

Neighborhood News

**SAVE
THE
DATES**
page

April — **please pay your CWCA dues!**
 May 4 — CWES Fun Fair, 11am—3pm
 May 11 — Community Yard Sale, 8am
 May 16 — CWCA Annual Meeting, 7pm
 May 18 — **TENTATIVE** Bulk Trash Pick Up
 May 25 — CW Pool season opening, 11:30am
 August 11 — Long Branch Stream Valley Triathlon

CWES Fun Fair (May 4)

Mark your calendar for this year's 'MAY THE FOURTH' FUN FAIR on Saturday, May 4th from 11 am to 3 pm! This annual event has something for everyone - carnival games, space themed moon bounces, laser tag, face painting, awesome raffle prizes, pizza, shaved ice, cotton candy, a bake sale, and much more!

Yard Sale (May 11)

The Canterbury Woods Community Yard Sale is on May 11th 8am—2pm. We will advertise that there will be a Community Yard Sale with signs at the entrance, and on social media websites. This would be a great day to have your yard sale. We will post more information on our website, so look for updates. You are more than welcome to put signs on your own property or advertise your specific address, however the Civic Association will neither list each individual address, nor have a combined location.

Annual CWCA Meeting (May 16)

The annual CWCA meeting will be at the Canterbury Woods Elementary School library at 7pm. Most of our meetings throughout the year are attended by only the board members, but at the annual meeting we invite all residents to attend. We are looking to book speaker(s) on the following subjects: 1. Trash Recycling 2. School epidemic of Vaping/Juuling and 3. Community Crime. This is a great chance to learn what the CWCA does on your behalf, meet some of your neighbors, and to hear about current issues affecting your community. Please attend.

TENTATIVE Bulk Trash Pick Up (May 18)

The board is currently working with ADS for verification of a May 18th Bulk Trash Pick Up for ADS customers. More info to follow—watch Facebook, the website and the Yahoo Group for details once confirmed.

Pool Opening (May 25)

Looking forward to seeing you at the official pool opening on May 25 at 11:30am! Don't forget to pay your dues—remember Early Bird discounted member pricing ends May 1. More information about Canterbury Woods Swim and Tennis Club can be found on page 4 of this newsletter or online at <https://cwpool.wildapricot.org> or email cwspool@gmail.com.

Let's Talk Trash

The trash rates have increased for the majority of the residents in Canterbury Woods this year and it didn't matter if your collection company was ADS or Republic. So, what gives? There was a lot of "chatter" on the CWCA Facebook page, Yahoo Group, and other social sites about what the Board was doing to combat the increase. I can assure you that the board was active in communication with both ADS and Republic about getting to the bottom of the increases.

I would like to thank Carol Fagnani for undertaking market research to determine if the story that we were being told by ADS and Republic about their rising costs was actually grounded in truth. A quick summary of Carol's market research is below:

Waste disposal – increased costs due to -

1. A projected increase of 6% by the year 2021
2. Increased waste generation per capita
3. Decreased approvals of new landfill sites and to increase capacity at existing sites. Most landfills are at end of life status
4. National shortage of qualified commercial truck drivers has increased shipping costs of waste from transfer stations to the landfill.
5. Northeast is much more densely settled, which makes new landfill sites all but impossible.

As you can see there are a lot of factors that potentially caused an increase in our rates. The bottom line is the following:

1. The new customer rates for households requesting service for the first time is \$34.95/month from ADS and \$36/month from Republic with a \$25.00 deposit and a container delivery fee of \$60.00. Their rates go up to \$40.00/month starting in year 2.

2. The CWCA Board was able to get negotiated rates from ADS for:

- \$25/month for once a week pickup
- \$27/month for twice a week pickup
- Save the \$3 paper billing fee by signing up for electronic statements
- Sign up for email notifications so you are informed immediately when there are delays or other changes to service

NOTE: Republic no longer negotiates rates with the CW Civic Association, so you are on your own with this company.

3. The CWCA Board no longer requires a "Code" to get the discounted rate, but please **pay your dues**. All you need to do is to call ADS and let them know that you are part of the Canterbury Woods Civic Association and you will receive the above rates until January 2020. The CWCA needs to negotiate with ADS again in the fall to receive similar, but not guaranteed rates for the following years.

4. You are not required to use our rate, you can negotiate your own rate.

I hope that this clarifies the CWCA Board on why your rates most likely increased this year and will probably increase again in the near future. We have limited bargaining power with ADS, but were able to reduce the rate by \$9-\$11/month. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely, Dale Johnson

BBQ AND FIREPLACE ASHES

Be sure not to throw away fireplace and BBQ ashes immediately. Allow them to cool away from the trash for several days. Transfer them to a metal container and wet them down. NEVER dispose of ashes in a plastic, paper or cardboard. NEVER use a vacuum to pick up ashes.



PAINTS, CLEANERS AND OTHER CHEMICALS

Leftover household products can catch fire, react or explode under certain circumstances. To avoid potential risks associated with household hazardous waste, it is important to monitor their use, storage and proper disposal.



ELECTRONICS AND RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES

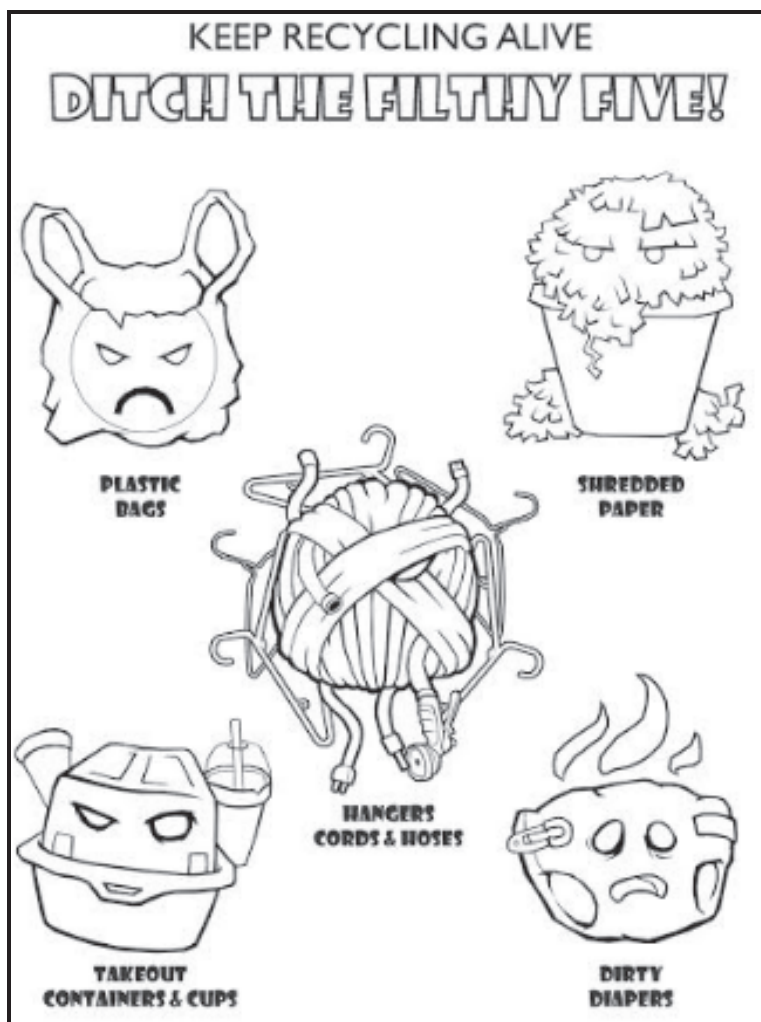
Electronics often contain rechargeable batteries and should never be thrown away. Specifically lithium-ion batteries are now used in many new products due to their ability to store energy in a compact form. However, when damaged or exposed to different conditions, they can create a fire hazard.

Read About Recycling...

Did you know:

1. Recycling companies are no longer having a healthy revenue stream selling recyclable material.
2. In the past, 3/4 of recycling material was shipped out of the country.
3. Effective January 1, 2018, China stopped accepting recycled materials. China used to import more than \$5.6 billion worth of recyclables from the U.S., but is now refusing to take any recycled materials from the United States.
4. Prices have plunged for recycled materials.
5. Municipalities are authorizing thousands of tons of stockpiled paper to be burned as there is no market for the paper.
6. US trade wars with China and other potential recycling-import nations are also now “hurting aluminum prices” for recycled cans
7. US tariffs on steel is causing price increases in the critical machinery needed for sorting recyclables.
8. 20% of recycled material hauled is actually trash that needs to be removed at the recycling center.
9. In 2016, old newspaper may have earned a recycling company \$170 a ton; and now it earns \$30 a ton (2018).
10. There are no longer any markets for low-grade plastics.
11. On a positive note, high-grade plastics like milk jugs, water bottles and soda containers continue to be saleable.

**BEFORE YOU GET RID
OF IT—
CAN YOU...
IS IT...
COULD YOU...**



Dive Into Summer at CWST!



Join the Canterbury Woods Swim and Tennis Club



2019 Pool Operating Hours

School in Session:

Mon-Fri: 1:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Sat: 11:30 am - 9:00 pm

Sun: 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Summer Hours:

Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 9:00 pm

Sat-Sun: 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Canterbury Woods Swim and Tennis Club is the place to be this summer! From swimming and playing tennis, to raft nights and wine downs... there's enough fun for everyone—and no better way to cool off during the dog days of summer!

May 18—Spring Clean Up

May 24—Pool Opening Party for Adults

May 25—the pool officially opens for the season!

2019 Dues are as follows:

- Early-Bird Discounted Member Dues: \$470 (if received or postmarked on or before May 1, 2019)
- Regular Member Dues: \$495 (if received or postmarked between May 2 and May 25, 2019)
- Late-Payment Member Dues: \$520 (if received or postmarked on or after May 25, 2019)
- Summer Memberships (for non-bond holders, and for non-bond holding military/fed govt members): \$500
- Inactive Dues: \$100

For more information, visit <https://cwpool.wildapricot.org> or email cwscpool@gmail.com.

Adults swim 250m, bike 8 miles, run 2 miles

Children 12 and under swim 100 or 200m, bike 1.2 miles, run 1 mile

Teams welcome!



Details to follow this spring

Questions? Contact Beth Byron—
beth.byron@yahoo.com

11th Annual Long Branch Stream Valley Triathlon

Sunday August 11, 2019

Great community event for adults and children 6 and older!

Canterbury Woods C-Serpents Swim Team

Pool season may be a couple months away, but the excitement for summer swimming has already begun! Many of our swimmers have been practicing all winter long and are looking forward to friends, fun, sunshine and some friendly competition! The Canterbury Woods Swim and Tennis Club "C-Serpents" welcomes you to become part of the swim team; and we accept swimmers from ages 5 through 18 of different experience levels. You could be a beginner swimmer or a junior Olympian... the "C-Serpents" will embrace you as one of our own!

In order to participate, swimmers must be registered members of the Canterbury Woods Swim and Tennis Club. This year the "C-Serpents" will be in Division 13 out of 18 Divisions in the Northern Virginia Swim League (NVSL).



For A meets this year, we will compete against Stratford, Fox Hunt, Shouse Village, Forest Hollow and Brookfield.

For our B meets, we remain in the Woodson League, and will compete with local pools, Ilda, Rutherford and Fairfax. For more information to Register, you can visit the Canterbury Woods Swim Team webpage

<https://cserpents.swimtopia.com/> or you can send a question to cswimteam@gmail.com.

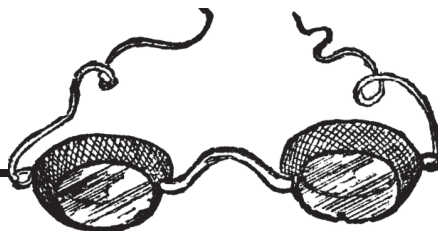
We are very excited to have Coaches Tessa and Nathan on our team. See below for their bios!

Welcome Coach Tessa and Coach Nathan!

We are proud to announce our new Head coach—Tessa Weghorst. Coach Tessa has spent most of her life in a pool, on a pool deck, or in a classroom. Most recently, she has enjoyed the opportunity to be Varsity Assistant Coach for the Woodson Cavaliers, helping lead them to a division title, a regional title, and a runner-up state title. Tessa's love for coaching stems from a passion for the sport that was cultivated over 14 years of club swimming and four years as a Division 1 scholarship distance swimmer for Western Kentucky University (Go Hilltoppers!). She feels that swimming is the perfect platform to build character, confidence, and teamwork, all while having fun in a positive, energetic, environment.

When she isn't at the pool, you will find her in the classroom teaching high school English, preparing students for SOLs, and relentlessly trying to convince 16 year-olds that poetry is fun.

In addition to getting Tessa Weghorst as the new Head Coach, we have been very fortunate to land a very talented **Assistant Coach Nathan Pawlowicz!** He grew up in Northern Virginia and has been swimming since he was 6 years old. He swam competitively for the Hunter Mill Sharks, the Nations Capital Swim Club, and as a member of the Oakton High school team that won the State Championships. He was also a Division 1 college athlete for Virginia Tech where he was selected for the conference team twice and scored points for VA Tech at the ACC championships!





Volunteers are needed to organize and host the First Ever Canterbury Woods Parade of Homes!

There has been much interest in planning a Parade of Homes within the Canterbury Woods neighborhood. What is a Parade of Homes? It's a showcase of homes to demonstrate new additions, designs and construction ideas. There are seven different styles of homes within Canterbury Woods, and ideally, there will be homes of each style for touring within the Parade of Homes. It's a great way to get ideas for any plans you may have to improve your own home.

The Parade of Homes would only be open to the residents of Canterbury Woods, Red Fox and Stonehaven. Tickets will be purchased in order to tour the homes. The homeowner would choose which parts of their home can be toured and which parts would be off limits. This is a great opportunity for residents considering updating their homes to see your remodeled bathroom, kitchen, outdoor patio, basement, laundry room, or any other part of your home. We already have 10 homeowners who are interested in opening up their homes, and we are looking for more volunteers to join them.

In addition, we are looking for one or more volunteers to coordinate the whole effort. If you would like to volunteer to open up your home or help coordinate the event, please contact Lanee Reuther at Lanees@aol.com or any Civic Association board member.

A Note From the Architecture Committee

The Architecture Committee is here to help you with understanding a homeowners responsibility for home maintenance and home improvements. Please email us with questions and observations from the neighborhood. A lot of times issues go unnoticed or unreported in the neighborhood, we are happy to look into something if you bring it to our attention.

We mostly use the Fairfax County code compliance resources to help find the best path forward for anything that comes to our attention. See the helpful links below on the Fairfax County website for more information.

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/code/flyers>

https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/FIDO/complaints/comp_submit.aspx

If these resources do not address your concerns, please let us know.

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