



CROFTON CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2018

Dear Crofton Resident:

General Membership Meeting

The General Membership Meeting will be held at Crofton Elementary School on September 17th at 7:30 PM.

Festival on the Green

The Greater Crofton Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the Fall Festival on the Green on Saturday, September 29th from 10 AM until 4 PM. The Festival will be held at the Crofton Country Club parking lot, rain or shine.

Roadway Rehabilitation Projects

The Department of Public Works continues to conduct operations in the Tax District to upgrade sidewalks, particularly to ensure that access ramps are ADA compliant, and to complete road re-paving projects. This summer a contractor for DPW repaved the roadways in the “S” and “T” sections. The initial component of the process was a “hot-in-place” asphalt recycling process. Later a final coating was installed. While the re-paving was a success there was an unexpected problem. The extreme heat generated during the process caused many trees to have sections of leaves that turned brown and shriveled. A letter was sent to DPW on June 19th expressing our concerns. As of this writing we have not received an official reply. The hope is that the damaged leaves will drop off and that the spring will bring new growth. If we receive any further specific information from the County we will send it on the listserv and publish it on the website.

Generally, after the re-paving project last year, Crofton Parkway is in good shape. However, there are some locations on the Parkway between Knightsbridge Turn and Lang Drive that are plagued by significant and chronic potholes. In mid-July a letter was sent to DPW requesting that permanent patching be carried out to prevent the re-appearance of those potholes. Hopefully they will be able to do so before the cold weather sets in.

New Traffic Pattern at Crofton Parkway and Duke of Kent Drive

When last school year began, we all had to adjust to the new crosswalks and the four-way stop at Crofton Parkway and Duke of Kent Drive. So far the new crosswalks, with the addition of a second crossing guard, have worked to get the students and parents back and forth to school safely. However, despite the many warnings and citations issued by the Crofton Police and the County Police, when crossing guards are not present flagrant violations of the stop signs continue, not only by operators of motor vehicles, but by virtually all bicyclists. Eventually, this situation is going to result in a serious accident. Please obey the stop signs! Also please obey the No Parking signs and the new lane markings on Duke of Kent Drive which were installed by the County because of the significant traffic problems occurring at arrival and dismissal of school.

The Leaves of Fall

Soon the green leaves will be turning to their gorgeous fall colors. Unfortunately, those leaves will then fall and blanket the community. When that happens, we will receive phone calls from residents complaining that their neighbors don't clean up their leaves which then blow into others' yards or that other residents just rake their leaves into the gutter. Please be considerate and make arrangements for the removal of leaves from your yard in an appropriate manner. Remember that County Public Works will take your leaves away if you place them in reusable containers clearly marked with an "X" or into biodegradable paper yard waste bags. More information on solid waste management is available on the County's website aacounty.org.

Other Upcoming Events

The CCA Ice Cream Social is scheduled for September 15th from 2-4 PM at Town Hall. The CSCBD budget process begins soon. If you are interested in attending the budget meetings, the first one is scheduled for Monday, October 15 at 7 PM at the 1st Baptist Church. For more information, contact Town Hall (410-721-2301) or check our website. The Kiwanis Halloween Parade and the CCA Halloween Party are scheduled for Saturday, October 27th, starting at 11 AM.

The Enclave

Town Hall sends out information regarding The Enclave project as we receive it from the Architectural Review Committee and the Board of Directors. That information is sent out on the listserv and posted on our website CroftonCommunity.org. Contact ccatownhall@comcast.net to be added to the listserv.