

WEST LANHAM HILLS CITIZEN

March 2024

Next Meeting: Thursday March 7 at 7 PM at Park Building

President's Corner: Lan Tsubata

Our first meeting of the year was a great start to all there is to come! We had representatives attend our meeting to discuss concerns and issues affecting our community.

County Council member Eric Olson listened to and discussed community concerns about safety, litter, and local development. Community police Officers Loben and Nguyen discussed issues pertaining to neighborhood parking, unleashed/free roaming dogs, and speeding vehicles in our neighborhood. Crystal Washington from Parks and Planning attended and reported on park issues and park safety. We were grateful to hear from so many community representatives and are excited to work closely with them to continue develop our community.

I am very excited to see the number of neighborhood committees that started over the last few months. A *Senior activities committee* led by Andy Arnold, *Gardening Committee* led by Jillian Nowlin and a *Fun and Games committee* led by Michael Chodos. If you are interested in joining any of these committees or are interested in starting a committee, we welcome your passion, ideas, and efforts!

At our upcoming March meeting members of the Department of Public Works and Transportation will be sharing with us their new transit initiative, the "Transit Vision Plan." I encourage you to attend the meeting and hear what development is happening and how it may affect you and our community.

Community Clean-up

Saturday, March 23rd 9:30 am -12 noon

Let's get this neighborhood ready for a beautiful spring! Join us on Saturday, March 23rd from 9:30 am to 12 pm for our bi-annual community clean up. We will have two dumpsters available to residents after the clean up is complete.

Bring your family out and take pride in helping create a clean and beautiful neighborhood. Contact Sarah Tsubata, sarahsubata@gmail.com or 785-341-5042 if you need community service hours. Lunch and snacks will be provided afterward. See you then!

Code Enforcement Notice

Please be aware that it is *illegal* to use orange cones to reserve parking spaces in front of your residences.

From now on, Community Police officers will remove and dispose of any cones on our streets. If your vehicles don't fit in front of your home, you may park in the areas near the fire station, park, or church. Please respect your neighbors and let's keep our streets clean and clear.





Fun & Games Night

Around 15 folks of all ages attended last month's board game night on February 7th, so the Fun and Games Committee has decided to make it a regular monthly event! We provide snacks, drinks, and around 20 different games, including legos for the budding architects. Grab your favorite game and come to the community center on **March 13th from 6:30-9pm!** If you have any questions, reach out to Michael at michael.w.chodos@gmail.com.

Upcoming Dates:

Thursday, **March 7 @ 7 PM:**

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, **March 13 @ 6:30 PM:**

Fun & Game Night:

Wednesday, **March 20 @ 7 PM:**

Spring Seed, Bulb, & Root Exchange

Saturday, **March 23 @ 9:30 AM:** Community Clean Up

Seed Exchange

On **Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 7pm**, the Garden Committee will host a Seed, Root, And Bulb Exchange at the community building. All neighbors who have extra seeds, bulbs, or roots from their garden are invited to stop by to exchange these items with each other. Those who do not yet have gardens, but would like seeds, bulbs, and roots to start gardens of their own, are also invited to join. Participants are asked to bring their own containers, bags, and envelopes to contain any seeds they take. We hope to see you there!

Pet Safety Reminders

It is *against the law* for any animal in Prince George's County to roam outside their property.

Dogs must be on leash when walking and either on leash in the yard or properly contained by fencing. Leashing your pet ensures they are protected from traffic and other animals.

Additionally, all pet waste must be collected and properly disposed of. Feces left around the neighborhood is a health hazard for humans and other pets and animals.

People who fail to follow these county laws may be cited or have their animal taken away from them.

To report a bite or aggressive behavior by a dog or other pet, please call 911 or 301-352-1200.

For additional information on pet care & education, please visit: <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov>.

Speeding

Speeding vehicles are a continued complaint by all neighbors. Please, Everyone, slow down and please don't put others in danger so you can get home two seconds faster. It's up to each of us to keep our neighborhood safe. Also, our roads are not zoned for any commercial vehicles, please report if you see any commercial vehicles in the neighborhood as they ruin our roads.