



PCA Newsletter

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PCA MEETING DATES



Due to COVID-19, the monthly meetings will be held virtually until further notice. They will still be held on the second Monday of every month from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Reminder emails are sent to all residents who have provided an email to the PCA. The reminder emails are generally sent the day of the meeting and will include a Zoom access link and a phone number, if you prefer to call in. All are encouraged to participate.

Monday Jul 13

Monday Aug 10

Monday Sep 14



During the warmer months, many people like to sit around a fire in their yards. However, open burning is not allowed in Montgomery County. As defined by the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection, open burning is: “a fire where any material is burned on the ground or in an open receptacle other than a furnace, incinerator, or other equipment connected to a stack or chimney. Campfires are considered open burning.”

Recreational burning is allowed with restrictions. Please follow the link for information on store-bought fire pits, etc.

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/green/air/open-burning.html>



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Who wants their lawn mowed? I am a 12-year-old who lives in the neighborhood, and I am ready to cut it for you. If you are interested please visit <https://ctlawns.carrd.co/>

TJ Gottesman
CT Lawns

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Your ad reaches 406 homes! Ads are very affordable. Place an ad and watch your business grow, or sell unneeded items around the house! For more information, send an e-mail to: info@plantations1.org. The PCA newsletter is published in February, May, August, and November.

Business Card (or same size ad) - \$ 5.00
Quarter Page - \$ 9.00
Half Page - \$16.00
Full Page - \$28.00

JOBS FOR TEENAGERS

If your child would like to earn money doing work for neighbors, we will gladly publish their information. Contact the PCA, if you would like to have their name and service listed here free of charge. Applies to kids 17 and younger.

info@plantations1.org

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LOST PET RESOURCES



Visit one of the following:

- ❖ Facebook - Damascus MD Lost & Found Pets:
[facebook.com/DamascusLostAndFoundPets](https://www.facebook.com/DamascusLostAndFoundPets)
- ❖ Facebook - Montgomery County MD Lost Pets
<https://www.facebook.com/MCMDLostPets>
- ❖ If your pet is lost, try an alert service to help locate him or her:
www.findtoto.com/pet-alert-services



Banana Sour Cream Bread

Ingredients:

- 2 T sugar
- ½ tsp. cinnamon
- ¼ C, 2 T butter
- 1 ½ C sugar
- 2 eggs
- 3 very ripe bananas, mashed
- 8 oz. sour cream
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- ¼ tsp. salt
- 1 ½ tsps. baking soda
- 2 ¼ C flour
- 2/3 C, 1 T chopped walnuts, optional

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Grease 2 7x3 loaf pans. In a small bowl, combine the 2 T sugar and ½ tsp. cinnamon. Dust pans lightly with cinnamon sugar.
2. In a large bowl, cream butter and 1 ½ C sugar. Beat in eggs, bananas, sour cream, vanilla, and 1 tsp. cinnamon. Mix in salt, baking soda, and flour. Stir in nuts. Divide into prepared pans.
3. Bake for 1 hour or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.



COMMUNITY NEWS & GROUPS

The PCA sends out occasional e-mail notices, to keep you informed and to announce volunteer opportunities. We never share your e-mail address. Please send your e-mail address to:

info@plantations1.org

Facebook Users: There is a group for **Plantations I and II**. It is not affiliated with the PCA but is a nice way for everyone to communicate and see what's going on in the neighborhood.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/108739809260974>

There is also a Damascus group:

Damascus, MD Neighbors and Friends

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/799185880144769/>



Across

- 1. Lie poolside
- 5. "Coffee, ___ Me?" ('60s memoir)
- 10. Recipe amts.
- 14. Violist's clef
- 15. Berry of "Monster's Ball"
- 16. "You never know"
- 17. SLUG
- 20. Cry's companion
- 21. Fish-eating flier
- 22. Pizza place shout
- 23. Learning style
- 25. Ready to watch the movie
- 26. SLUG
- 31. Company dishes?
- 32. Ballerina Shearer
- 33. Pro ___
- 34. Author's choice
- 35. A follower?
- 39. ___ hasty retreat
- 40. Find repulsive
- 41. SLUG
- 44. "Yada, yada, yada ..."
- 46. Once, once upon a time
- 47. Aid recipient
- 49. Lemieux's milieu
- 50. San Diego landmark
- 53. SLUG
- 56. "___ where wide the golden sunlight flows": Gilder
- 57. Put off
- 58. Dick's partner
- 59. ___-Pei
- 60. Villainous look
- 61. Migrating fish

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Down

- 1. Composing family name
- 2. Baseball family name
- 3. "Pigskin Parade" costar
- 4. "___-Tiki"
- 5. 1994 Denis Leary comedy
- 6. Bring in
- 7. Politico Landon
- 8. Soft spread
- 9. Reduce the risk, in a way
- 10. Certs competitor
- 11. Even
- 12. Davis of "Trading Spaces"
- 13. Church council
- 18. Aquarium fish
- 19. "Lovergirl" vocalist ___ Marie
- 24. Cellar prefix
- 26. Hudson River polluter, initially
- 27. Cry of surprise
- 28. Inuit craft
- 29. Numbers game
- 30. Potato alternative
- 34. Old-time novel cost
- 35. Backyard events, briefly
- 36. Audacity
- 37. ___-wop
- 38. Blunder
- 39. Please, in Potsdam
- 40. C-SPAN, e.g.
- 41. Silver Spring, Md., is part of it
- 42. Hand down, as a verdict
- 43. Agent Starling's "advisor"
- 44. Pop-up breakfast fare
- 45. It's thrown out
- 48. Actor Richard
- 49. Cuba or Crete
- 51. Charlie's wife
- 52. Piggged out (on)
- 54. Broadway's Burrows
- 55. IHOP drinks

Solution on last page . . . 

NEIGHBORHOOD APPEARANCE REMINDER

Members of the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) have begun the annual property inspections. One issue that has been noticed quite a bit is the storage of trash and recycling containers in front of homes, and at the top of driveways. Article VIII, Section 11 of the PCA Covenants states that “**No material or refuse or any container for the same shall be placed or stored in the front of any house**”, and “**All trash and garbage shall be placed in covered trash cans.**” Containers must not be stored at the front of the house. The PCA asks that containers not be stored in a very visible location, such as at the top edge of the driveway. Storage behind the house is preferred.

With inspections beginning, now would be a good time to remedy issues like this, and other appearance concerns such as overgrown shrubs and grass, mold/dirt on siding, damaged or leaning fences, cluttered car ports, etc.

If you receive a maintenance violation letter, it will clearly describe the problem, explain what is required to clear the violation, and it will provide a deadline. **Please contact the PCA if you need more time to complete the project.**

The PCA’s purpose is not to be critical or punitive, but simply to encourage residents to complete needed maintenance and to keep the community looking attractive and welcoming, which is a primary responsibility of an HOA.

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HOUSING PRICES ARE UP/INVENTORY IS DOWN/IF YOU ARE THINKING OF SELLING . . .



NOW MAY BE THE TIME!

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