

OCGS

/ Newsletter

Old Court / Greenspring
Improvement Association, Inc.

Spring 2021

Current OCGS Officers

Mical Carton, President; Ayme Lederman, Vice President; Joanne Warres, Treasurer; Larry Carton, Secretary

OCGS Annual Meeting

The 2021 OCGS Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday April 21, 2021 on Zoom. OCGS will send an email link to all members who have shared their email address and confirmed their interest to attend. If we do not have your email address and you wish to participate in this meeting, please phone 410-486-6420 or email <ocgshoa@aol.com> and share a one time email address so we can send you the link this meeting. We elect Officers for the coming year, discuss financial items such as our costs, take questions and complaints from members, and vote on Baltimore County Rule 8 as required by the County at each Annual Meeting. Rule 8 allows selected members to speak for OCGS at government meetings, hearings, etc. You do not have to be a dues paying member to attend, but only dues paying members may vote on the election of officers and expenditures of funds.

“Our” Corner - Old Court Road and East Side Branchwood Court

A number of years ago the corner of Old Court Road and Branchwood Court (east side) was threatened with a housing development. Many people in our community opposed this, among them our good neighbors Erika and Lew Schon. To preserve this corner Erika and Lew purchased the lot. This lovely wooded lot supports wildlife and buffers us from yet more intensive development. But Erika and Lew have a problem. The lot seems to attract people who, for whatever reason, think of it as a dumping ground for trash and organic matter. The Schon's work diligently to keep the woods clear of debris, but it seems to just attract detritus that needs to be laboriously cleared out especially at this time of year. Two requests: #1 - Please do not dump on this property! #2 - Weather permitting, we would like to schedule a neighborhood clear-out on Saturday, April 10, 2021 from 10 am - 12 pm. Please email <ocgshoa@aol.com> if you are able to join us in this endeavor.>>

Vaccine Frustration

As shared recently by Councilman Izzy Patoka: While many folks have understandably expressed frustrations with the state's rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine, Reisterstown native Mathew Steininger has launched <<https://mdvax.info/>> to automatically monitor the online booking portals for major hospitals, retail pharmacies and state-run vaccine sites.

When appointments become available, Mathew's system automatically sends out alerts on the Twitter feed [@MDVaxAlerts](https://twitter.com/MDVaxAlerts). His website displays when appointment times are available, which are then tweeted to followers.

A Carver Center for Arts and Technology graduate and University of Maryland, College Park student, Mathew has been working with state officials on how his alert system works.

Items of note: It is recommended that you go for your vaccine shot(s) hydrated and having recently eaten. It takes two weeks after your final vaccine shot to be fully protected against COVID-19. BUT: this does not mean that you are 'immune,' just that you should not get a life-threatening case of COVID. You can still pass the virus to others, so please continue to wear a mask, wash hands, and socially distance from others.

Hidden Waters and 3 Old Court Gardens Lots Off Greenspring Avenue

Development at The Courts of Hidden Waters is scheduled to begin early this summer. La Terra Homes, the current developer, has posted info on the internet: <<https://laterrahomes.com/in-the-works/f/the-courts-of-hidden-waters>>

The 3 Old Court Gardens lots off Greenspring Avenue still have no building permits filed or granted so far as we can tell. Grading permits have been approved. This will be an expensive project and small houses. It will also require some road changes on Greenspring Avenue.



Welcome to our newest neighbors. We encourage you to join with us in helping maintain the Old Court - Greenspring area, and we invite you to participate in local affairs. If you would like to join in OCGS activities, please contact OCGS at <OCGSHOA@aol.com> or phone 410 486-6420 and ask for Larry Carton (Secretary).

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OCGS and PGCC Websites

OCGS is a founding member of the Pikesville-Greenspring Community Coalition, Inc. (PGCC) which consists of 15 neighborhood associations. **Both groups have web sites which include contact information for County, State and Federal webs sites.** In addition, the OCGS website has a running blog where many items of interest to our area are commented upon including accident reports, proposed developments, past newsletters, and tax assessment information. We also forward Baltimore County notices by email.

OCGS: <http://ocgshoa.org>. See past issues of the newsletter for Association Boundaries, history, and more.
PGCC -- <http://pgccinc.org> - See the Greenspring-East Pikesville Community Action Plan (CAP).

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*2021 Annual INDIVIDUAL Membership Dues - \$50**

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