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#### **Compton Village HOA**

14401 Compton Village Dr. Centreville, VA 20121

#### Website Address:

www.comptonvillage.org

#### Office Phone:

703-815-0014

#### **Email Address:**

comptonvillage@verizon.net

#### **On-site Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday, 9am - 2pm

Closed: Friday - Sunday

#### Message from the Board

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

On behalf of the Board, I hope you and your family had a happy holiday season.

During the January 25 open session of the board meeting, a homeowner expressed concern about what seems to be an increase in area-wide criminal activity and what steps the board can take to make our community safer.

The board is in the process of setting up a meeting in our Community Center with homeowners and a representative of the FCPD Sully Station Crime Prevention Division. More specific information will be emailed to homeowners as it becomes available.

The board also discussed the feasibility of implementing such measures as additional lighting and cameras, and whether residents would support the costs associated with these options. After consulting with the Crime Prevention Officer and listening to the residents who attend the community meeting, the Board will develop a plan to increase safety.

In the meantime, there are some simple steps all residents can take:

- LIGHT IS THE ENEMY OF CRIME. Individual homeowners can be proactive by installing Motion Sensing Light Bulbs. The bulbs are readily available at Lowe's, Home Depot, Best Buy, Walmart, Target and Amazon in all price ranges.
- Motion-sensing cameras and home security systems are also readily available, although at a higher cost, Check out the internet for more specific info.
- A no-cost way to prevent crime is simply knowing your neighbors and looking out for each other.

Most importantly, if you see suspicious activity please call the police at 703-691-2131 and please attend the Crime Prevention meeting at the CVHOA Community Center with FCPD coming soon. Watch for announcements.

By working together, we can make Compton Village safer.

Best Regards,

Renate Stocker

Director, Compton Village HOA

# Winter Activities in Fairfax County!

There is ice skating in <u>Reston</u> and other areas around the <u>region</u>.



Ice-Travaganza - February 4



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#### **Board of Directors**

#### Meeting Dates - The Board meets every fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM

January 25, 2023	July 26, 2023		
February 22, 2023	August 23, 2023		
March 22, 2023	September 27, 2023		
April 26, 2023	October 25, 2023		
May 24, 2023	November 15, 2023 - Annual Meeting		
June 28, 2023	December 2023 - No Meeting During Holidays		

Sometimes Board members may not be able to meet at the scheduled time and date. If you are interested in attending a BOD meeting, please confirm your attendance in advance by calling the office at (703) 815-0014 or sending an e-mail to <a href="mailto:comptonvillage@verizon.net">comptonvillage@verizon.net</a>. in order to be placed on the agenda. Homeowners may address the Board during the open session at the start of the meeting. Homeowner addresses are limited to five minutes.

#### Officers and Staff

<b>President</b> Govenor Grant	Senior Community Manager Todd Taylor		
<b>Vice President</b> Justin Ebersole	<b>On-Site Manager</b> Bob Smith		
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>ARB Chair</b>		
Frank Avila	James Zarakas		
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>ARB Member</b>		
Kathy Gugliuzza	Mark Bevilacqua		
<b>Director</b>	<b>ARB Member</b>		
Terry Angelotti	Mike Gordon		
<b>Director</b>	ARB Member		
Tom Berkley	Vacancy		
<b>Director</b>	ARB Member		
Renate Stocker	Vacancy		

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#### **Architectural Review Board**

If you are planning to make an exterior alteration to your property; such as adding a deck, changing a paint color, adding a tree or a shed, or removing a tree; submission of a completed Exterior Alteration Application is required prior to beginning the change. Exterior Alteration Applications must be completely filled out according to the instructions included on the application and mailed or dropped off at the HOA office by the day before the meeting. If you have any questions please contact the on-site office. Both the Exterior Alteration Application and the Architectural Guidelines can be downloaded from: <a href="http://www.comptonvillage.org/pages/arb.html">http://www.comptonvillage.org/pages/arb.html</a>

If you are interested in serving the ARB please contact the on-site office for additional information at 703-815-0014 or email: <a href="mailto:comptonvillage@verizon.net">comptonvillage@verizon.net</a>.

#### Meeting Dates - The Board meets every first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM

January 3, 2023 - Cancelled	July 4, 2023
February 7, 2023	August 1, 2023
March 7, 2023	September 5, 2023
April 4, 2023	October 3, 2023
May 2, 2023	November 7, 2023
June 6, 2023	December 5, 2023

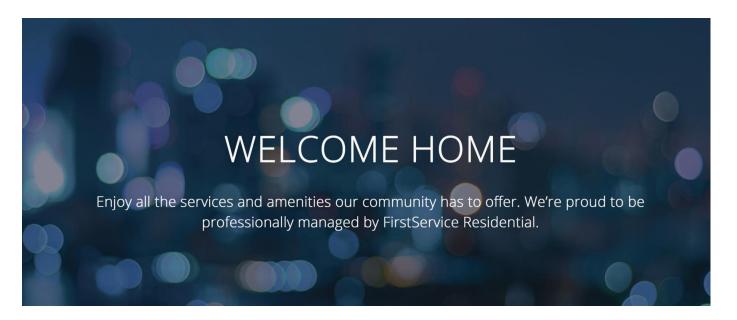
Sometimes Board members may not be able to meet at the scheduled time and date. If you are interested in attending an ARB meeting, please confirm your attendance in advance by calling the office at (703) 815-0014 or sending an e-mail to comptonvillage@verizon.net.



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"What needs an ARB approval?" Pretty much any exterior alteration of your house, or landscaping. Think about what could happen without your hard working ARB.

"What doesn't need an ARB approval?" Adding a "Full View" storm door to your front door doesn't need approval. If a tree is immediately endangering your property, or people, it can be removed without an approval. Of course, the HOA would like you to replace the tree as soon as possible.





### You're invited to register to Connect™!

FirstService Residential is excited to present FirstService Residential Connect™ Resident Portal, a tool that makes it easy to stay connected to your community association – anytime (24 hours a day/7 days a week), from anywhere. With just a few clicks, you can:

- ► Communicate with your property manager, board members and neighbors
- ► Access community forms and documents
- ► Pay association fees
- ► And so much more!

We've built in additional security safeguards to make sure your information is secure, so all residents must register to use the new FirstService Residential Connect Resident Portal. Register today!



- Step 1: Log onto https://comptonvillage.connectresident.com
- Step 2: Click Resident Access and select the option to Register
- Step 3: Register with both your mobile phone number and email address

FirstService Residential Connect™ is another way that FirstService Residential makes a difference, every day, in the communities we manage.

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please call our FirstService Residential Customer Care Center at 800.870.0010.

Download the app today!







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#### From Ruth, to Finch, to Soto, to your child - Let the tradition continue!

SYA Little League Baseball and Softball which serves the Centreville/Clifton and parts of Fairfax areas, announces the opening of spring registration. To earn an early registration discount, please register your child before **January 31, 2023**. Spring registration ends in late February for most levels. Registration can be easily accomplished on-line at **https://www.syasports.org/little-league.** 

SYA Little League Baseball is open to all children ages 4 to 12 years old and is based on a player's age as of August 31, 2023. SYA Little League Softball is open to all girls age 7-16, based on their age as of December 31, 2022. Girls 4-6 years old will play baseball at the tee-ball/coach pitch levels. Depending on age and skill level, children can participate in various levels of baseball including: tee-ball, coach pitch, machine pitch, multiple levels of kid pitch, and challenger. For Softball, Minors (Machine/Player Pitch), Majors, and Senior levels are available. Detailed information on the optimal level of play are available during the registration process or on our website. Still have questions? Please contact the league registrar at registrar@syabaseball.org for further information.

SYA Little League softball all-stars claimed the District 10 Championship this past Spring season. Your child can continue to experience the fun, instruction, success, and tradition that have become synonymous with SYA Little League. Register today!

# Vehicles with Expired Tags and/or Inspections

Please note that vehicles with expired tags and/or state inspections parked on private streets within the community will be subject to immediate towing, per Section III.A.13 of the Parking Towing Guidelines for Compton Village Homeowners Association.

Fairfax County Police are also authorized to enforce Fairfax County laws on the private streets within the association, including vehicles with expired tags and/or inspections.



Psst! It's over there. Please clean up my waste. It's so easy to use the community supplied bags!

(By MichaelMcPhee - Own work, CC BY 3.0, https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=7179352)

Send us a picture of **your** pet for posting here! <u>comptonvillage@verizon.net</u>.

#### **Dog Owners**

Please pick after your

Dogs & Keep them on their Leash!!

it is your responsibility as a dog owner.

Get caught and risk being

charged a hefty fine.

#### IT'S THE LAW

Animal care and control regulations for Fairfax County - See Section 41.1-2-4.

Click on the link above to access the pertinant information for pets in Fairfax County.

#### **Avoid Getting Towed!**

#### Visitor's Spots or Designated Spots

Visitor Parking spaces are only for visitors, not for residents.

Residents parking in visitor's spaces will be at risk for getting towed. Townhomes and Condos have designated parking spaces. Please do not park in another owner's designated parking space. Vehicles parked illegally in a designated spot will be towed away.

Please become familiar with the Parking and Towing Guidelines on our webpage for more information.

Visit: <a href="http://www.comptonvillage.org/pages/park-ing.html">http://www.comptonvillage.org/pages/park-ing.html</a>



Tuesday – Household Trash and Yard Waste

**Wednesday** - *Recycling* - Recycling includes newspaper, mixed paper, cardboard, and metal food and beverage containers, plastic bottles, jugs and containers.

Friday – Household Trash and Yard Waste

Separate Yard Waste pickup will resume in late April.

**NOTE:** Large items that do not fit in your trash can such as: construction materials, lawn mowers, grills, appliances, etc...are prohibited in common areas or at the dumpster near the pool. This is an additional cost to your neighbors. Please call Patriot Disposal to schedule a pickup. If you know of anyone that is leaving "bulk pickup" items in the common areas or pool dumpster, please contact Management directly with the resident's address. Again this cost is coming out of your pocket. Thank you for your cooperation.

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#### COMPTON VILLAGE COMMUNITY CENTER AVAILABLE FOR RENT

Planning a birthday party or a special event? The Compton Village community center is available for rent to all Association owners. For reservations, please contact the HOA office at 703-815-0014 to discuss available dates. The contract and deposit are required for reserving the center, the Community Center Room Rental Permit and Community Center Operating Guidelines can be found on our website: <a href="www.comptonvillage.org">www.comptonvillage.org</a> under the link "Community Center Rental."

#### **Rental Rates**

Days	Times	Rates
Monday - Friday	7:00 AM - 5:00 PM	\$30.00 per hour
Weekends and Holidays	7:00 AM - 1:00 AM	\$35.00 per hour

The above rates are for <u>homeowners</u> only; renters and non-residents, please call the on-site office for information.

A security deposit of \$150.00 is required at the time the Room Rental Permit is submitted and will be refunded to the user less any damage costs over and above the normal fees. A maintenance/clean-up fee of \$105.00 to \$175.00 will be charged to all groups required to pay rental fees.

The center is  $37' \times 37'$  has a full kitchen, white vinyl chairs, and rectangular tables (2.5'  $\times$  6').

Do not delay! Be sure to book the community center well in advance. Contact the HOA Office at: <a href="mailto:comptonvillage@verizon.net">comptonvillage@verizon.net</a> or call 703-815-0014.

#### ASSESSMENT REMINDER

Please mark your calendars and remember that quarterly assessments are due:

January 1 April 1 July 1 October 1

Quarterly assessments are to be mailed to the following address:

Compton Village HOA c/o FirstService Residential P.O. Box 30403 Tampa, FL 33630-3403

<u>Payment</u> is due by the 1st of the corresponding month.

Article 5, Section 5.8 of the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions states that any payment received after the 15th of the month due incurs a late fee. To avoid this late fee (\$25) and reminder notice (\$12) owners are encouraged to mail their payments well in advance of the due date. Also, additional fees may be added after the 60 day period for delinquencies.

The Association is not responsible for checks lost in the mail. The Association does not accept post-dated checks. Please sign checks before mailing.

Dues checks cannot be accepted at the HOA Office.

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## **On-Site Manager's Corner**

1. Visitor Parking Spaces - Vehicles are being towed. If you see resident vehicles regularly parked in visitor's spaces, please send me a picture with the license plate and the closest street address at <a href="mailto:comptonvillage@verizon.net">comptonvillage@verizon.net</a> so that I can pass it along to the towing company. This helps target any particularly egregious violations. Copies of the <a href="mailto:towing policies">towing policies</a> are available on our website. Note that, once a vehicle has been tagged for a violation, it can be <a href="mailto:towed without further warning">towed without further warning</a> if it is in a visitor parking place again. Please make sure neither you, nor your tenants, are parking in visitors' spaces. I don't want to see any resident suffer the embarrasement, inconvenience, and expense of having their vehicle towed.

Please note that while "open" spaces are not restricted in the way that visitor spaces are, the HOA requests that homeowners keep in mind that sharing these spaces is to the benefit of the entire community.

- **2.** Updated information on the **I-66 and Route 28 construction projects** is available via links on our website. Click <u>here</u> for that page.
- 3. Illegal Parking in Compton Village. Illegal parking is parking practice that violates not just HOA regulations, but Fairfax County regulations. Examples of this would be vehicles parked in fire lanes, or across sidewalks. Compton Village maintains a relationship with the Fairfax County Police Department to allow FCPD to enforce traffic regulations on our private property. If you observe a vehicle parked illegally, you may call the police non-emergency number (703-691-2131) to report the issue.

Fairfax County Police are stepping up enforcment of the restricted, non-commercial parking areas in Compton Village particularly along Compton Village Drive. Commercial vehicles are being ticketed and may be subject to towing. If you know someone parking a commercial vehicle in our community, please let them know about this as I don't want see anyone ticketed.

- **4.** New Fairfax County Bamboo Regulations. A new Fairfax County ordinance that prohibits bamboo spreading to neighboring yards took effect on January first. Read more about it here.
- **6. Covid Information** It's still out there and the Delta and Omicron Varients are apparently more contagious. Please get vaccinated and help keep our community safe.

Fairfax County Vaccination Information

Information from the Fairfax County Government on Covid 19

https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/novel-coronavirus

Information from the U.S. CDC - www.cdc.gov/COVID

**7. HOA Dues** - The fiscal year for Compton Village runs from April 1 to March 31. Dues booklets are mailed out to all owners not using Click Pay in time for the April 1 payment due date. There is no word yet on any changes to dues for the coming fiscal year, but that would be announced before April.

Please e-mail or call if you have any questions, or to update your contact information in our database.

comptonvillage@verizon.net - 703-815-0014
Bob Smith, On-Site Manager



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### **Keep our Community Safe!**

Fairfax County Police Department urges residents to call the non-emergency number, 703-691-2131,

to report any form of vandalism within the community and please notify the CVHOA office as well.

Contact: CVHOA Office: 703-815-0014, or e-mail: comptonvillage@verizon.net

For extra home security, please turn on your outside lights and make sure your cars are locked.



## In a world of changes...

some are good, and others are baffling or disappointing

## But there are things which are constant.

The love and caring of God. The Scripture reminds us that Jesus is the same: yesterday, today, and forever (Heb 13:8). He provides true certainty in an uncertain world.

### We invite you to come experience Him.

We're here every Sunday. Ours is a church beyond time, from a time before denominations. Ours is the Church of the Book of Acts. We are the Church of Antioch, where the faithful were first called Christians (Acts 11:26), and our headquarters is in Damascus, on the Street Called Straight (Acts 9:11).

### Come and see! (John 4:20)



# St. Raphael of Brooklyn Orthodox Church



A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

Meeting at Compton Village Community Center, 14401 Compton Village Drive

10:30 AM Sundays StRaphaelVA.org (703)303-3047