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Cobbdale Civic Association Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as president and work with all of the continuing and new board members to support the interests of our neighborhood and bring us all together through community events. Thank you to past president Ray Girouard and board members Marianne Floyd, Ron Fowler, and Anup Hiranandani, for their service to the CCA. Ray will continue his tenure on the board as an ex-officio member. Following the November elections, Michelle McDonnell stepped down as treasurer and the board installed Stacy Hall as the new treasurer. Thank you Michelle for your service to our community.

The board has been busy since our last community meeting in November. We continue to engage city leadership about the Chain Bridge Road/Eaton Place project and hope we are having an impact on the decision making process.

Planning for events during the warmer months has begun, including our spring yard sale, potential new summer events, and National Night Out. I look forward to seeing as many people as possible at our community meeting in April.

-Ashley Rosenlund

GOING GREEN TO SAVE GREEN

We have begun moving toward the elimination of paper newsletters. We will continue to send our printed newsletter this year, with the goal of going paperless in 2024. Rather than one newsletter per quarter, we will send out two newsletters per year. Other updates will be posted to Facebook or sent out via email.



In addition to being more kind to our planet, we will also save a significant amount of money. We would rather spend our limited resources on fun events and community improvements instead of spending it on postage.

RESIDENT DATABASE

Please scan this QR code and share your email address with us. We have already begun sending many updates via email, and by 2024 we plan to exclusively use email and Facebook for our correspondence. You can also find the link to the database entry form on our Facebook page. If you do not have email access and will need a paper copy of newsletters once we transition to paperless, please drop a note in the mailbox at 3513 Wilson St. letting us know; please include your name and address.



MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$15/year due in January
pay online by following this QR code or mail to:
CCA Treasurer
10719 Oak Place
Fairfax, VA 22030



IMPORTANT DATES



LITTLE FREE LIBRARY RIBBON CUTTING AND STORY TIME

APRIL 1, 2023



COMMUNITY MEETING

APRIL 20, 2023



SPRING YARD SALE

MAY 20, 2023



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

AUGUST 1, 2023

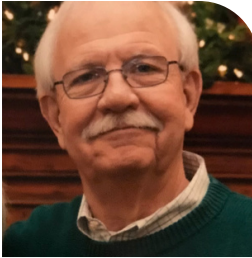


HALLOWEEN PARADE

OCT. 29, 2023



Ashley Rosenlund, President, moved to Northern VA, and Cobbdale, in 2012. She lives on Wilson Street with her husband Steve and two children. Ashley was an elementary school teacher with FCPS until 2022; she now works as a private reading and math tutor. She is looking forward to continuing the great work of past boards and bringing new ideas to our community.



Joe Odenthal, Member at Large, has lived on Norman Avenue since 1978. He retired from AT&T and the US Navy. Joe is the Cobbdale Representative to City Police Chief's Advisory Council.



Stephen Rosenlund, Member at Large, lives on Wilson Street with wife Ashley and two children and has been a member of the Board for the past several years. He is a licensed attorney and Certified Association Executive. He works in the international development field.



Linda Baringhaus, Vice President, is a founding member of Cobbdale Civic Association. She has been involved as President of Westmore Civic Association, President of city 4th of July parade, chair for the Chocolate Lovers Festival, chair of the Friends of Fairfax, and currently Secretary of Historic City of Fairfax.



Courtney Sims, Member at Large, moved to Cobbdale in 2017 with her then family of four. She has since welcomed two daughters and spends a lot of her time at Cobbdale Park and in their backyard garden. She teaches at George Mason's College of Public Health and supports a forest school co-op, enjoying the polarity of preschool and college aged students.



Stacy Hall, Treasurer & her husband, Russ, moved to Cobbdale in 2011 & have two boys. She has served as a Member at Large since 2012. Stacy works as a Controller in the private sector & is serving her first term as a City of Fairfax School Board member. Through new events & activities, Stacy aims to improve our community feel & connectivity.



Michael Tembrina, Member at Large, a Chicago native, married with 3 children, moved to Cobbdale in 2011. He has served on the CCA as both a member at large & treasurer. Michael previously served as President & VP of the Ridgetop Commons HOA. He has been active in FYPC, Fairfax Little League, Northern VA Girls Softball Association & St. Leo's Catholic Church.



Patricia Coates, Secretary, has lived in Cobbdale for 6 years with her husband, two boys and two dogs. She is excited to serve on the board and connect with her neighbors.



Chase Wiley, Member at Large, has called Cobbdale home since 2018. He loves solving cybersecurity challenges with his team at Capital One & takes pride in keeping clients' financial data secure. He serves as a business coach & mentor for current students at his alma mater, University of Florida. Chase enjoys traveling & exploring nature with his wife, Betsy & dog, Magic.



Sally Baghdassarian, Member at Large, is a first generation American & a Fairfax native who runs a family business in Washington DC. She enjoys the outdoors, photography, astronomy, cooking, home projects & spending time with her husband Dave & family. Sally looks forward to getting to know our residents & helping to nurture a safe & prosperous community.



Ray Girouard, Past President (ex-officio), has lived in Cobbdale for 30+ years with his wife Regina. He is a longtime member of the CCA, serving as: Newsletter Editor, Treasurer, VP & President. You can often find him at Cobbdale Park beautifying the flower beds. He retired in 2016 but remains active as a basketball official & works for H&R Block during the tax season.

CBR/EATON PLACE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



Thank you to everyone who attended the open house at Sherwood and/or submitted comments and emails to city leadership. The board is continuing to speak with council members, the mayor, and city staff, and we encourage you all to do the same. Even if you have already done so, please comment on the Engage section of the city website, and send emails to council members and our mayor. Email: wecare@fairfaxva.gov

As of March 6th, it is our understanding that city staff will give a presentation on this project at the Work Session on March 14th and there will be a Public Hearing on March 28th.



Link to Engage Website

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are seeking volunteers to lead, or support, the planning and implementation of National Night Out, our Halloween parade, and the holiday decorating contests. If you are interested, please email president@cobbdale.org

SPRING COMMUNITY MEETING



The CCA holds two community meetings each year. Our spring meeting will be on **Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 7:00pm**. Agenda items include an emergency preparedness presentation, annual budget review, update on our social media guidelines, and more. We will be inviting city and state leaders to attend. Please mark your calendar and join us.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY AND STORY TIME AT THE PARK



We are excited to announce that we will be installing a Little Free Library at the park! To celebrate, we are having a story time and ribbon cutting on **Saturday, April 1st at 3:00pm**. Please join us to hear some stories and stock the library. We welcome any book contributions and look forward to supporting a shared love of reading in our community.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES



CCA dues are \$15.00/calendar year with payments due in January. Pay online using the QR code on the first page of this newsletter or via check mailed to 10719 Oak Place. You **MUST** be dues paying member to participate in any vote held by the CCA. If you do not know if you have paid your dues, please email treasurer@cobbdale.org and Stacy will happily give you an update.

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COBBDALE CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Vice President: Linda Baringhaus; vice-president@cobbdale.org

Treasurer: Stacy Hall; treasurer@cobbdale.org

Secretary: Patti Coates; secretary@cobbdale.org

Members At Large: Sally Baghdassarian, Joe Odenthal, Stephen Rosenlund, Courtney Sims, Mike Tembrina, Chase Wiley

Past President (ex-officio): Ray Girouard

Cobbdale Spring Meeting



April 20, 2023
Henry Masonic Lodge
7:00 pm



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Or Current Resident