

WEST LANHAM HILLS CITIZEN

April 2023

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 6 at 7 PM at Park Building

President's Corner: Lan Tsubata

Spring has Sprung

We are entering the week of many celebrations (Passover, Easter and Ramadan) as well as spring break for our kids. We are very excited to see the beauty of our neighborhood and as the days are getting longer, many more neighbors are outside enjoying the park, working in their yards and taking walks.

A few reminders. Please get rid of standing water as those are breeding grounds for mosquitos. Drive slowly as many more children and elderly are walking the neighborhood due to the nice weather. Leash your dogs. Many neighbors have reached out about lost dogs over the last few weeks. Pick up trash and put it in a proper bin.

Thanks to those who braved the rain to clean up the community; let's all try to keep it nice for everyone's enjoyment.

Please come out and attend our upcoming meeting on Thursday, April 6th at 7 PM. We have invited our county permitting department and our local police department to answer questions our neighbors have had. See you then!

Discover the History of Maryland

For those who are home during the daytime, please come to a presentation and discussion on Maryland's history by our neighbor, park ranger and historian, Joseph Mohr, on Tuesday May 16th at 11 AM. Mr. Mohr has both the education and the passion to present about the history of our great state. Teens, adults and senior citizens are sure to find some fascinating new information. Refreshments will be served. For any further questions please email lantsubata@gmail.com.

Urgent Community Updates are Online!

In addition to the once monthly printed newsletter, check www.westlanhamhills.com for announcements or alerts, as well as service providers in the community. The Facebook page, West Lanham Hills Neighborhood, also has breaking news and urgent information.



The Community Clean Up

Despite heavy rain, blustery winds and chilly temperatures, 30 hardy neighbors came out to clean on Saturday, March 25.

Some were soaked to the skin as they worked, and one family focused on clearing out the stream in the woods near the park.

Together, people pulled shopping carts and tires from the wooded areas, and litter from the gutters and sidewalks.

Two dumpsters were provided by the county to use for the bags of trash and for people to add to after from their own properties.

A number of youth volunteered, earning community service hours for school purposes.

After, people shared the warm Domino's Pizza, snacks and drinks, and shared jokes and stories about their adventures. The day's events were organized by Michael Chodos and Alicia Denning, who kept positive despite the weather and other challenges. These hardy neighbors deserve a standing ovation for coming out in wet and chilly weather to make our community a cleaner, better place to live!

If you can help with the **Health and Resource Fair on Saturday, May 20**, contact Kate Tsubata: katetsubata@gmail.com