

**Minutes**  
**Springfield Civic Association Meeting**  
**September 21, 2010**  
**Grace Presbyterian Church**

**OPENING:** Pending the arrival of President Tawny Hammond from Frying Pan Farm Park, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Bruce Waggoner opened the meeting at 7:20 PM. Tonight's meeting was held at Grace Presbyterian Church because Crestwood School was unavailable due to Back-to-School Night.

**Board of Directors Officers Present for the Meeting:**

President Tawny Hammond  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Bruce Waggoner  
2d Vice President Jennifer Moody  
Director at Large Gail Nittle  
Director at Large Bonnie Pritchard

**Also Present:**

Hospitality Chair Sandy Frieswyk  
Door Prize Chair Maureen Gibson  
Newsletter Chair Lee Paulson  
Past President Rick Renninger  
Sign-in Volunteer Floyd (Fred) Cline  
Ron Paulson

**Board of Directors Officers Absent:** Secretary Alice Merrill and Treasurer Bill Gaylord.

**ATTENDANCE.** About 65. (Newsletter announcing change of venue got hung-up at USPS, not delivered in time.)

**NEW BUSINESS.**

Keith Fimian, Republican running for the House of Representatives for the VA-11th District had to leave for another meeting, so the Civic Association agreed to starting the meeting early in order to give Mr. Fimian an opportunity to make a statement and answer questions. Mr. Fimian spoke for about 10 minutes and then took two questions.

James Walkinshaw represented Gerald Connolly, Democrat incumbent for the VA-11th District. Mr. Walkinshaw spoke for 10 minutes and then took questions.

Some of the questions the audience asked were about the economy, the budget deficit, taxes, Medicare, illegal immigration, health-care, and the alternative minimum tax. The candidates' time ended about 8 pm.

Rebuild Warehouse sponsored the meeting's hospitality and had a display table as well. Paul Hughes of Rebuild spoke to the gathering about what Rebuild is all about and highlighted its workshops on sustainability issues. Rebuild is very much a community organization.

President Tawny Hammond circulated an e-mail list for everyone to check and correct. She announced that SCA has decided to use Constant Contact to send communications to as many members as possible electronically vs. via postal service in its continuing effort to conserve resources (paper/printing/postage) and "go green."

The SCA Newsletter that Lee Paulson took to the post office over a week ago is still sitting at Merrifield. A complaint will be lodged and a refund for postage requested.

Bonnie Pritchard and Scott Hammond are chairing/working together on the Biz Fair which will be held on Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm at the lower level of the Springfield Mall.

Bonnie Pritchard made an announcement about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Walk to stop human slave trafficking. The money raised stays in the local area. Team Springfield will be walking 3 miles on the D.C. Mall on October 23, 2010 at 9am in the "DC Stop Modern Slavery Walk." Go to <http://walk.stopmodernslavery.org> for more information or call Bonnie at 703-569-9298.

On September 22, 2010 at 7:30 pm in the Franconia Government Center, the Lee District Civic Associations will be discussing: "What's Under Construction in Lee District Park" and "Pedestrian and Bike Safety in Lee District."

Bruce Waggoner attended an informational briefing on the possibility of a hotel being built in the Chi-Chi's location. It is thought to be a "Homeward Suites" construction. There will be more information coming from Lynne Strobel at a presentation given at Richard Byrd Library on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in October at 7:30pm. See Bruce Waggoner for more information.

Diane Boughton made an announcement that her daughter has coupon books for sale to benefit Key Middle School.

Tawny Hammond will send a framed certificate of appreciation to Officer Allie Eggers from the SCA. Officer Eggers was unable to attend the SCA meeting.

The Beautiful Homes Contest winners were announced and prizes listed below, generously donation by SCA's business sponsors, were awarded. With meeting minutes posted on the internet, full names and addresses are excluded for security reasons.

**Honorable Mention**, awarded a framed SCA certificate: The Gonzalez, Hussain, Page, Talero and Wade homes.

**Winners**, awarded a framed SCA certificate, a Beautiful Home Contest Winner yard sign, plus prizes shown below:

**Springfield Star Award for most improved home due to increased curb appeal:** The Basa home.

One-night weekend stay at Springfield's new Marriott Residence Inn and  
\$75 gift certificate for paint from Jerry's Paint & Wallpaper.

**Springfield Star Award for most improved home due to major construction:** The Simmons home.

One-night weekend stay at the Marriott noted above and  
\$75 gift certificate for paint from Jerry's Paint & Wallpaper

**Springfield Beauty Award for most consistently beautiful and well-maintained home:** The Whitfield home.

Two-night weekend stay at the Marriott noted above and  
\$100 gift certificate for paint from Jerry's Paint & Wallpaper

The door-prize drawings were held. Winners were:

Bonnie P. – a gift certificate for a massage by Lorraine Hancock

Greg K. – a \$25 gift certificate from Springfield Butcher

Sylvia W. – a \$25 gift certificate from Springfield Butcher

An announcement was made that annual membership dues are being collected. Please give them to Jennifer Moody.

**ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Nittle  
Secretary pro-tem