



NORTH CROSSING

The North Crossing News

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Greetings... to the North Crossing community! We are excited to bring you the first revamped edition of a much anticipated and long-awaited newsletter! Starting in October, we plan to issue a bi-monthly newsletter to help keep the community better informed of news and events happening in and around our beautiful neighborhood. Some of the topics that will be discussed in our newsletters are a community calendar, construction updates, committee plans and events, school news and maybe even a classified section. If there are any topics you would like to see covered in our newsletter, please do not hesitate to let us know by contacting Stephanie Keller at (301) 662-4357, Angie Toms at (301) 694-6827, or Heidi Hume at (301) 695-1060.



Parents have expressed concern about speeders in our community, especially in the townhouse section and along Christopher's Crossing.

PLEASE drive slowly in our community and watch for children playing!!

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Community Calendar

September 20 – 7:00pm Board Meeting @ Frederick Gas Co., 1800 N. Market St.

October 1 - Deadline for submissions to October newsletter

October 18 – 7:00pm Board Meeting @ Frederick Gas Co., 1800 N. Market St.

School Scoop



In order to help parents, students and neighbors become more aware of their school's upcoming events, here are some things to be aware of during the next few weeks...

Monocacy Elementary School

- Aug. 31: PTA Fall Fundraiser begins
- Sept. 25: Pictures to be taken

Monocacy Middle School

- Sept. 14: Back to School Night for Grades 7&8 at 7:00pm
- Sept. 14: PTA Fundraiser starts (type of fundraiser TBA)
- Sept. 26 & 27: Pictures to be taken

Governor Thomas Johnson High School

- No events to report at this time

Applies to all schools

- Sept. 22: Schools closed for The Great Frederick Fair

If your children attend a private school or are home schooled and you would like to have events posted here, please contact the Newsletter Committee.

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

As we approach the last days of summer and head into fall, the cooler weather is welcomed not only by us, but also by our lawns. Cooler nights, heavier dews, and more rainfall create ideal lawn care conditions. Fall is the single best time of the year to fertilize your lawn. Why? During the fall the top growth of the leaves slows, but the growth of the roots increases. The Scotts Company recommends fertilizing in September and then using a winterizing fertilizer about 8 weeks later. If you miss the September feeding or just want to do one application, you can apply the winterizing fertilizer anytime during fall.

Fertilizing your lawn isn't the only way to care for your lawn in the fall, over-seeding and controlling broadleaf weeds is recommended as well.

- Hints for over-seeding are: use top-quality grass seed, properly prepare the area, fertilize the same day, and water regularly to keep the seeded area moist.
- To control broadleaf weeds (such as dandelions) apply a weed control to eliminate them now, as they won't be killed by frost and will reappear in the Spring!

One final tip, lower the cutting height on your mower a notch (to a height of 2 to 2 1/2 inches) when daytime temperatures drop below 60 degrees. This allows more sunlight to get to the crown of the grass, and there will be less leaf to turn brown over winter. However, just remember the rule of thumb for mowing: *Never remove more than 1/3 the height of the grass blades at once.*

Source: <http://www.scottscompany.com>

Other Fun Events

24th Annual Maryl and Renaissance Festival

For those who have never visited the Renaissance Festival, it is a re-creation of a 16th Century English village. It's on a 125-acre wooded site, with 85-acres of FREE parking, located in Crownsville, Maryland. The village includes craft and food booths, several pubs and stages, a jousting arena, and lots of fun and games for all ages!!

This year's event will take place on:
August 26 & 27
September 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24 & 30
October 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 & 22

For more information, visit their web site at www.rennfest.com/mrf

COMING SOON... Construction News



Committee Corner...

Interested in volunteering to help out in one of our community committees? So far, our committees are:

- **Architectural Guidelines** – reviews submittals for architectural changes and, currently, establishing a set of architectural guidelines for our community
- **City Relations** – attends City of Frederick Board meetings when changes could affect our community
- **Grounds & Facilities** – helps keep our community beautiful by contacting contractors to maintain common landscaping areas
- **Newsletter** – creates and distributes our community newsletter
- **Pool** – helps maintain our pool by establishing the pool rules and hiring pool maintenance companies
- **Social** – coordinates social events in our community
- **Website** – designs and maintains our website

Please contact Nick Kourilo at (301) 662-1278 if you are interested in volunteering for a committee.

Frederick Events

September 15-23

The Great Frederick Fair at the Frederick Fairgrounds from 9:00am to 10:00pm (except Friday, Sept. 15 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm).

October 7

In the Street on Market Street from 8:30am to 9:00pm. The Parade starts at 10:30am, beginning at T.J. High School.

CLASSIFIEDS

- Attention babysitters, lawncare helpers, etc. – post your availability here!
- **Business Owners...** place your next advertisement in our newsletter for a small fee.
- Items for sale??? Yard sales?? List them here!
- **WEBMASTER NEEDED!** Our website needs a master – if you are web savvy and have a few hours each month, volunteer TODAY by contacting Nick Kourilo at nick@njkinc.com

For all classified inserts, please contact Angie Toms at (301) 694-6827.