## Franklin News



Franklin Area Citizens Association

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# Welcome tothe Franklin Area!

#### Notes from the President of the Franklin Area Citizens Association

#### Dear Neighbor:

On behalf of the nearly 1,400 families that live in the Franklin Area, I wish to extend a very warm welcome to you and all your family. We hope that you find the Franklin Area a very pleasant and happy place to live.

More than one hundred years ago, the Franklin Area Citizens Association was established to represent the interests of the residents of the Franklin Area. Membership is automatic to all residents and dues are voluntary. FACA funds a number of activities and special events and we would appreciate your support.

Since its establishment in 1909, FACA, a voluntary organization has served to promote the preservation and protection of our environment, safe streets and to provide a forum to resolve community issues. FACA helps neighbors in a variety of ways such as planning and zoning, land use, community services and interacting with the county and state government as well as our elected officials. FACA's projects are determined by its Board Members based on the needs of the community.

The FACA Board is composed of volunteers and always welcomes new members. Additional information, including an Association directory by name and street address, as well as an excellent history of the Franklin Area and other useful information can be found at www.franklinarea.org.

Please become an active FACA Sponsor or Advertising Sponsor. We need your help in continuing to serve and represent the best interests of our community. Membership is only \$20 a year per family. And local businesses can sponsor an advertisement on our web site for just \$100 per year.

In the past, FACA on behalf of its 1,400 families has served our community. For example, we have:

- ✓ Worked with county and state officials to preserve our environment, mitigate storm water runoff and flooding damage.
- ✓ Promoted neighborhood communications to disseminate official information and support community resiliency efforts in the event of an emergency.
- ✓ Gone green by posting FACA News, community and meeting notes, and a comprehensive Neighbors Directory on the FACA website at <a href="https://www.franklinarea.org">www.franklinarea.org</a>
- ✓ Proposed various legislative initiatives regarding tree and zoning ordinance reform, storm water mitigation, the establishment of an independent Inspector General and contractor reform.
- ✓ Implemented traffic calming measures for greater safety on our streets.
- ✓ Funded a subsidy program to encourage the planting of trees to renew our urban forest.
- ✓ Reconstituted a Neighborhood Watch with the Fairfax Police in an effort to raise safety awareness and eliminate crime.

I hope that you will join your neighbors and become an active FACA Sponsor and or Advertising Sponsor. If you have any questions or I can help in any way please e-mail me at <a href="mailto:sansonew@verizon.net">sansonew@verizon.net</a>.

With best wishes and thanks for all you do,

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#### **Become a FACA Sponsor**

We need your help. Support your fellow neighbors in continuing the work of the Franklin Area Citizens Association. Please join together with us as we work to represent the best interests of our unique and special community.

We are not asking for much. Just annual sponsorship participation of \$20 per household. This gives us enough of a budget to work for the greater good of our community.

What does FACA do for you? We serve the community by:

- ✓ Acting as a collective voice in addressing zoning, safety and other issues affecting our community.
- ✓ Organizing events that bring us together as a neighborhood such as our 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration.
- ✓ Working together to maintain the unique features of our special neighborhood as our sign says, we are proud to be known as "an urban forest."

#### Please support your community

Annual Dues: Just \$20 a Year per Household.	
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