

### The Glen Echo

#### **Newsletter of Fairlington Glen**

**April 2013** 

#### FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

This month we celebrate Earth Day (April 22 officially). You'll find information in this month's *Glen Echo* that pertains to a recycling event, an Earth week fair, and even details for the Glen's 2013 landscape calendar.

This is also a perfect time for me to share a recent observation. As you know, we are darn lucky to call Fairlington Glen our home. We live in a community that will soon celebrate its 70th anniversary. Our streets are lined with many tall, mature, and beautiful trees, some of which have lived longer than each of us has. Our yards and common areas are filled with shrubs and flowers that make our visitors green with envy. I often take walks or runs throughout the community and use those opportunities to soak in the beauty of Fairlington. But lately, I've noticed some of the beauty is a bit tarnished by litter.

I always stop along the way when I'm out for a walk to pick up litter. Nobody told me that I have to do that, but I do it because I have pride in my neighborhood. I know you have pride too, that's why I'm asking you to pitch in and pick up any stray trash that you may find in your court or in the Glen.

In Court 12 someone recently put a box out for trash pickup that was full of those Styrofoam packing peanuts. It didn't take long for the wind to knock over that box and scatter the foam peanuts. I've been picking them up one by one ever since. I've also picked up countless cigarette butts in my travels through the neighborhood. And I even disposed of half a lemon that was found in a Ziplock bag.

My point is simple—sometimes despite our best efforts to properly dispose of trash, it ends up scattered in our courts and in our grass. Please don't be afraid to follow my example and pick up what you see out there. There are plenty of trash cans located throughout the Glen to throw everything away. And if you see a contractor, a visitor, or even a friend toss out a cigarette in our neighborhood, please tell them that's not how we roll in Fairlington Glen. Many thanks! *Jay Yianilos / Board President* 

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### **Arlington E-CARE Spring Recycling**



Arlington County's spring Environmental Collection and Recycling Event (E-CARE) is set for Saturday, April 20 from 8:30am to 3:00pm—rain or shine. This is a chance for county residents to safely dispose of hazardous household materials (HHM) and recycle bikes, small metal items, shoes, clothing, bed frames and more.

It all happens at Thomas Jefferson Middle School at 125 S. Old Glebe Road (one block east of Glebe Road and one block south of route 50). Please bring your ID in order to verify county residency.

Dispose of old or expired HHM's such as small metal items (pots, pans, tools, pipes, Venetian blinds, and small appliances), electronics (computers, printers, keyboards, scanners,

copiers, and cell phones), and TV's & computer monitors. There is a \$15 fee for each computer monitor and a \$20 fee for each TV containing cathode ray tubes. However, LED or LCD monitors and TV's are free. All fees are payable by cash or checks only.

Covanta Energy will provide a \$5 gift card to residents who drop off household devices containing Mercury, such as thermostats, thermometers, etc.

Art For Humanity will collect gently used but functional clothing (especially winter clothing items), linens, shoes, microwaves, air conditioners rugs, mattresses, bed frames, and kitchen items.



Bikes For The World will accept serviceable and repairable bicycles to be sent to countries where they are needed for basic transportation. A \$10 donation per bike is requested to help with shipping costs.

You can also donate eyeglasses and durable medical equipment like hearing aids, wheel-chairs, walkers, canes, crutches, braces, and strollers. These items will be cleaned and sent to overseas clinics run by volunteers.

For more information, call 703-228-6832 or visit www.arlingtonva.us and search "HHM."

#### CELEBRATE EARTH DAY

Earth Day is officially Monday, April 22, but in Arlington County you can celebrate one day sooner at the Arlington Earth Week Community Fair.

This year's event will be Sunday, April 21 from noon to 4:30pm at Founders Hall, 3351 Fairfax Drive on the Arlington campus of George Mason University. Admission is FREE.

The fair features a green living expo with eco-friendly exhibits showcasing ways to live a more green lifestyle. Learn about energy conservation, sustainable food, eco-friendly transportation, and more.

Get more information by calling 703-993-8984.

## HOME ENERGY ASSESSMENT REBATES OFFERED

Arlington County and the non-profit Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP) is offering a \$250 rebate off the cost of a home energy assessment, which is an in-depth examination of your house as a system. This assessment can pinpoint where your home is wasting energy and can provide suggestions for improving efficiency, comfort, and the health of your home.

These in-home inspections normally cost \$300-500, according to the county's *The Citizen* newspaper. To get started, please follow these steps:

- 1. Visit <a href="https://www.leap.energysavvy.com/start-your-project">www.leap.energysavvy.com/start-your-project</a>.
- 2. Fill out the form and in the coupon code box at the bottom of the page enter "ARLREBATE" to receive your discount.
- 3. A LEAP representative will contact you to schedule the assessment.

#### ARLINGTON COUNTY ONLINE SERVICES

Did you know how many services are available through the county's website? There are numerous things you can do at <a href="https://www.arlingtonva.us">www.arlingtonva.us</a>.

Here are just a few: Pay bills and manage your county accounts, subscribe to Arlington Alerts and e-newsletters, apply for country jobs, look up your closest fire station or polling place, register your bicycle, report pothole problems, report broken streetlights, and even connect to county volunteer opportunities.

## PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPERS HELP TO BEAUTIFY THE GLEN



Maintaining common areas in the Glen is one of the Board's most basic responsibilities. To fulfill that responsibility, the Board has contracted with Environmental Enhancements (EE) to be our professional landscaping company.

These fees may seem like an added, or even unnecessary, expense to some. But in the long run, the additional cost will be less than the losses we would face without professional help. And besides, Fred Peratt and his staff at EE have been doing a terrific job in the Glen for several years now.

It takes more than a green thumb to maintain attractive and functional landscaping. Our contractor employs a professional staff and trained labor crews to help keep the Glen looking great.

On the next page of this month's *Glen Echo* (page 5), Fred has provided a color-coded chart that details EE's services to the Glen for 2013. We've all seen the crews in our courts and heard the whirl of the mowers and the leaf blowers, but if you spend a few minutes glancing at the chart you'll have a better appreciation for what EE provides to us on an annual basis.

Landscaping is very important to the community's quality of life, its image, its value, and even its resale value. Maintaining it can be expensive, but it's well worth it.

In addition to EE and Thrive, Inc. (a tree contractor that we also work with), our landscape committee chaired by volunteer Corey Love is doing an excellent job to keep the Glen groomed, green, and looking its best. Corey still needs volunteers to serve on the committee. Find out more by e-mailing him at <a href="mailto:glenlandscaping@gmail.com">glenlandscaping@gmail.com</a>.

#### **BOARD NOTES**

- At the March 12, 2013 meeting of the Fairlington Glen Board of Directors, two of the Board members agreed to swap positions. Susan Hunchar was named Secretary and Laura Knapp Chadwick was named to the At Large position.
- The Board voted in February to move forward with the roof work scheduled for Court 2 this
  year. Roofs will be replaced on units 3535-3541 and 3549-3555. The Glen's professional engineers will design the specifications and conduct the bidding. After bidding, the Board will
  vote on a contract. Work will likely begin in the fall.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS** 

FAIRLINGTON GLEN - 2013		Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	Nov October ber	·em-	Decem- ber
Mowing/Trimming/Blowing	26x				1ST							10TH	
Edging	17x				1ST							10TH	
Aeration	1x								15TH		15TH		
Overseeding	1×								15TH	,	15TH		
Turf Fertilization	3x												
Crevice Control	8x				1ST							30ТН	
Liming-Optional	1x											1ST- 30TH	
Weed Control Beds	8x				1ST							30TH	
Mulching-Spring & Touch up Key areas Fall	X			1ST	15TH								
Bed/Tree edging	1x		20TH		1ST								
Tree Pruning	1×	1ST	30TH										
Shrub Pruning	×e												
rtilization Applica-	×		1ST		15TH								
Insect Inspection	7x												
Leaf Removal includes Oak Pol- len C/U	3x												
Spring Clean Up	1×			1ST- 31ST									

Notes: 1st leaf removal will be completed between October 20th - November 5th. 2nd removal will be 3 weeks after first removal before Thanksgiving - 3rd removal between December 15th and the 20th before Christmas.

#### IT'S ALMOST POOL TIME

The 2013 pool season is right around the corner. In fact, mark your calendar for Saturday, May 25th for the pool's opening day. There will be more information in next month's *Glen Echo* about the pool's summer hours and how to obtain recreation passes, in case you have lost yours or are in need of one for the very first time.



The Fairlington Glen pool committee is looking for volunteers to join the committee this year. Many of our community's groups are not represented on the committee. How about some hip young singles or some cool retired seniors or some parents of little kids or some parents of big kids or even lap lane swimmers. The pool committee wants to hear your voices, your concerns, and your desires for the pool. For more information on volunteering, please contact committee cochair Kearsley Walsh by e-mail at <a href="mailto:krrrww@comcast.net">krrrww@comcast.net</a>.



#### IDENTITY THIEVES MAY FIND TREASURE IN YOUR TRASH

Most, but not all, identity theft now occurs electronically. But your identity can still be easily scored by thieves who make use of what you toss in your waste basket and trash bags too.

Trash facilities and recycling centers can be gold mines of personal information for enterprising dumpster divers. That is, unless you shred documents that contain identifying information such as credit/debit receipts, credit applications, insurance forms, physician statements, canceled checks, bank statements, and even expired credit cards.

Beware also of those bothersome credit offers that you get in the mail and toss unopened into the trash, particularly the pre-approved variety. Clever scammers can complete those blank applications, obtain a credit card in your name, charge it to the limit, and close the account often before you receive the first billing statement. To protect yourself, all you have to do is tear the unopened envelope in half once or twice before throwing it all away. Better yet, open the envelope and shred the contents. When in doubt, shred it to protect your identity!

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# April 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Board Meeting 7p @FCC	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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## May 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Fairlington Home & Garden Tour
12	13	14  Board  Meeting 7p  @FCC	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Pool open 10a-9p
26 Pool open 10a-9p	Pool open 10a-9p	28	29	30	31	