

The Glen Echo

Newsletter of Fairlington Glen

February 2014

Vandalism Continues In Fairlington

There's been another recent incident of vandalism in Fairlington involving a brick being tossed through the window of a home. This happened in the Meadows, where several similar incidents have taken place since last September. In some cases, some homes have been targeted more than once. And in some cases the residents have been home at the time. I cannot imagine how unsettling and terrifying that has to be for those involved.

At the December 2013 meeting of the Fairlington Citizens Association (FCA), Captain Brett Butler of the Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) reported that they have a person of interest, but no arrests have been made. FCA President Guy Land spoke to Capt. Butler following this most recent event and was told the ACPD continues to think they have a prime suspect, but await lab results before proceeding.

I'm not sure why this is taking so long to solve, but I do know the ACPD continues to focus on Fairlington. Capt. Butler had said his crews are working in our neighborhoods to catch those responsible for these heinous acts. Meantime, the ACPD encourages residents to call the police immediately to report anyone or anything suspicious. In an emergency, dial 911. Otherwise, the non-emergency number is 703-558-2222.

I'm not sure there is any one thing we as residents can do to prevent further acts from occurring; however, there is something we can all do to help deter crime in our neighborhood. It may cost us a little extra each month on the electric bill, but keeping our outdoor lights on throughout the evening and overnight remains a great idea. Let's show a united front against crime and keep the lights on in the Glen.

All residents in the Glen should keep their front porch lights on AND their patios lights on too each night. This is not going to stop someone from throwing rocks or bricks through our windows, but the ACPD says the lights may help to deter crime in general.

Jay Yianilos / Board President

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NEW BOARD MEMBER APPOINTED

At the January 14, 2014 meeting of the Fairlington Glen Board of Directors, the Board appointed Corey Love, landscape committee chair, to the Board to serve as Vice President following the resignation of Keith June, who resigned due to his deployment to Afghanistan.

Corey was an obvious and unanimous choice for Board members given the fact that he's been involved with landscape and has attended nearly every Board meeting for more than a year.

He will continue to chair the landscape committee and will serve on the Board until our Annual Meeting in November, when the remaining two years on Keith's term will be up for election.

Congratulations to Corey on his appointment to the Board. Learn more about him beginning on page 5 of this newsletter in this month's Glen 10 feature.

VOLUNTEERS STEP FORWARD IN COURT 3

Residents in Court 3 now have a new Court Rep, following the retirement of previous rep Hal Vorhies.

Thanks to Lauren Unger for volunteering to join the Court Representatives Group (CRG) and become Court 3's new rep. You'll find Lauren's contact information posted on our Fairlington Glen contact list.

Also, thanks to Bonnie Dehart for volunteering to be the Court 3 alternate rep. Not every court in the Glen has an alternate, but we're thankful to have both Lauren and Bonnie join a group of dedicated volunteers who make up the CRG.

The CRG will have its first meeting of 2014 on Tuesday, February 4.

COLD TEMPS, SNOW, AND THANKS

Have you had enough of the polar vortex? Hasn't it snowed enough already? Well, the groundhog says to expect six more weeks of winter.

Thanks goodness we haven't seen snowfall measured in feet this year, but several smaller storms have dumped 1-4 inches of snow on the Glen. Each time it snows, our on-site staff has done an outstanding job to clear the sidewalks around the Glen. Hats off and thanks to Nelson Ordonez and Maria Castro for putting in extra hours to spread ice melt and clear our walkways. We are thankful for their dedicated service to our community.



ROOFS - OUR CROWNING GLORY

The slate roofs of Fairlington Glen add considerable character and beauty to our neighborhood. They are a defining attribute of Fairlington and our largest infrastructure responsibility. Glen Boards over the years have focused on scheduling and financing the maintenance, repair, and replacement of our roofs, which were installed when the community was built in the early 1940's. Of the 56 original building roofs, 50 were slate and six were asbestos cement.



Different types of slate have very different expected service lives, with Fairlington Glen initially having a preponderance of the least durable Bangor slate, which is rated at 50 years. It often can be maintained well beyond that, which is lucky for us since a number of such roofs are now 70 years old. In 1993, at the 50-year mark, the Board adopted a long-term replacement plan based on a study conducted by the individual who later established Restoration Engineering, Inc. (REI), our engineering consulting firm. Replacement began in 1995.

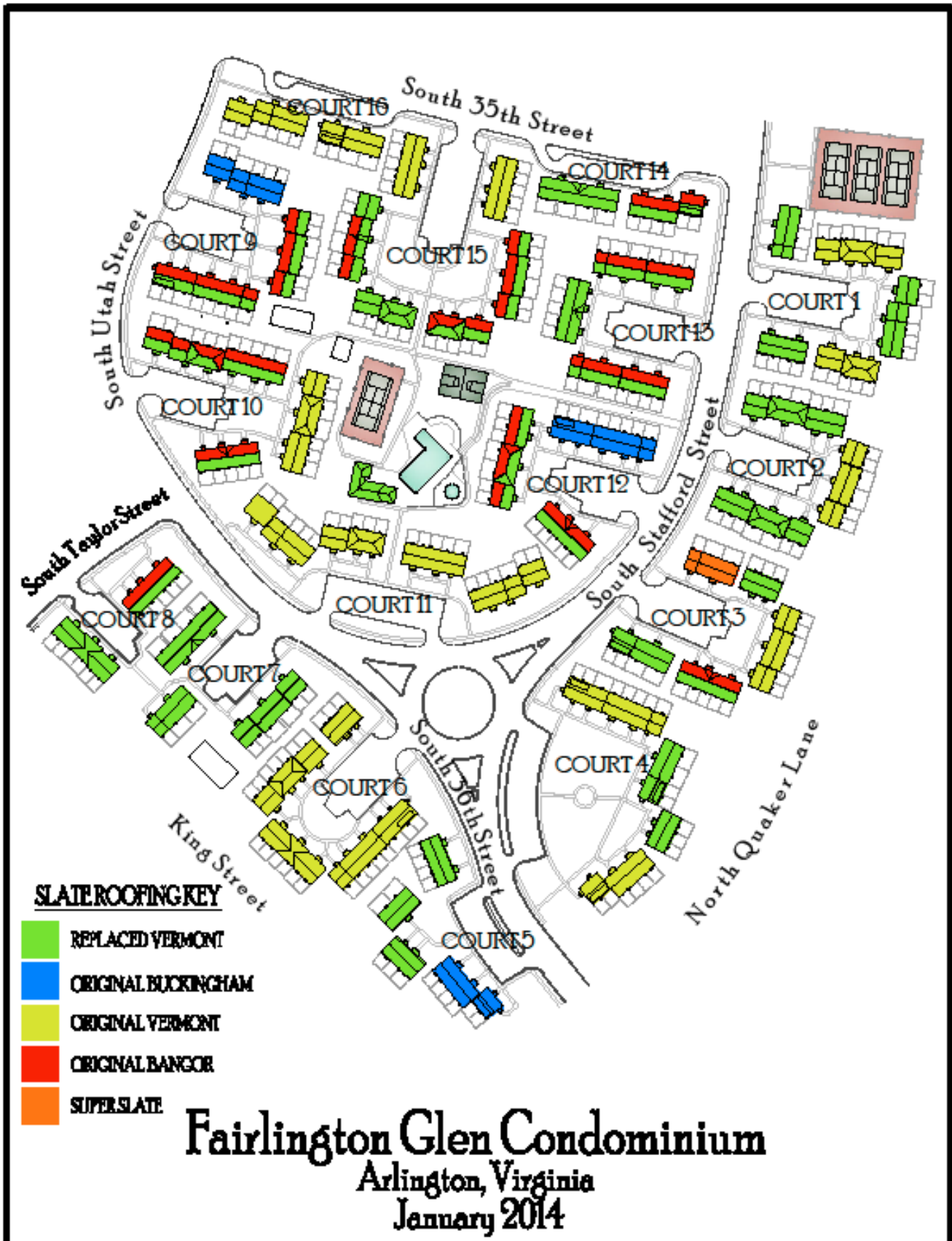
Because exposure to sun and to freezing and thawing cycles has considerable impact on the deterioration rates of Bangor slate, the roof tiles with southern and eastern exposure were in significantly worse repair, with considerable delamination (separation into constituent layers) and crumbling. Facing limited budgets, the Board placed its initial focus on replacing half-roofs with southern and eastern exposures. Later, as our savings for infrastructure increased, we began to replace whole roofs. Our replacement schedule is updated regularly based on experience and inspection.

Check the status of your roof on the chart found on page four. With completion of the two roofs now underway in Court 2, we will have replaced 18 full roofs and 14 half roofs, plus the roof on the new pool/maintenance building. Current plans are to complete replacement of the remaining Bangor roofs within the next five years. That includes 14 half roofs plus the Superslate roof in Court 3. This roof was installed in 1980 by our insurance company after a lightning fire destroyed an asbestos cement roof (the other five asbestos cement roofs have been replaced by the Glen with slate). With completion of the roof replacement project, the Glen will have replaced nearly two thirds of its roof area by square feet.

We will then have a breathing spell for a number of years, since the original and more durable Vermont and Buckingham slate roofs may last 100 years. However, we will continue to build our reserves so that, whether these roofs last to 2043, or earlier or later, there will be resources to start once again on roof replacement.

(Former Board member Margaret Windus contributed this story, the second in a series of articles on Glen infrastructure. Next month—sewers, our subterranean infrastructure.)

Updated Glen Roof Replacement Map





THE GLEN 10 - 10 Q's & A's with Corey Love

Get to know your neighbors in the Glen each month through this feature we call the Glen 10. It's 10 questions and 10 answers with a Glen resident, and this month it's our newest Board member Corey Love from Court 2.

1. Congratulations on being appointed to the Fairlington Glen Board of Directors. How do you feel about joining the Board and what expectations do you have? - "First, I would like to thank the Board for appointing me to fill Keith June's seat throughout 2014. I am excited for the opportunity to serve alongside the current Board, whom I have gotten to know over the past year as the chair of the landscape committee, and I look forward to assisting the Board and Glen residents to further improve the community."

2. You are going to serve both on the Board as vice president AND chair the landscape committee. Although it's been done before, do you anticipate any challenges having two key roles? - "Amanda Deringer previously did a terrific job serving in both capacities, so I hope to follow in her footsteps. As in the past, I think it will be beneficial to have a voice on the Board to support needed landscaping projects in the Glen. Although I do not anticipate any challenges, we are always looking for volunteers to help manage the landscape committee responsibilities. Feel free to contact me if you have an interest in helping to support the Glen's landscape goals."

3. Speaking of landscape, the Glen's 2014 landscape budget has a little more to work with than last year. What are your plans for discretionary landscape this year? - "The increased landscape budget will allow us to make a significant impact on the deteriorating buffer regions along King Street and Quaker Lane. Last year we began phase one of this effort on the King Street border behind Court 8. The increased funding this year will allow us to make a significant impact in improving the border areas. The goal in these areas is to remove the Eastern Red Cedars and Leyland Cypress that have reached the end of their lifespan. As many residents know, with each winter or summer storm comes the possibility of these trees being uprooted. New plantings, such as Arborvitae and Skip Laurels, will provide visual and sound barriers for residents along the Glen's borders. There are also other projects being considered to improve the common areas throughout the Glen."

4. The Glen has recently renewed a three-year contract with Environmental Enhancements, Inc. (EE). You have discussed approaching the spring and fall landscape walk-throughs with EE a bit differently. Can you share your ideas? - "Yes, we have developed a good relationship with EE over the span of the last contract. In addition to their duties outlined in our contract agreement, EE is also responsive to our landscape needs that arise between routine services. A little known fact is EE provides extra mowing and leaf removal (*continued on page 6*)

services in excess of those agreed upon in our contract. As with any relationship, there have been some bumps in the road mostly due to miscommunications. At our request, EE has greatly improved communication with respect to anticipated service dates and major pruning operations. It is my hope as landscape chair to also get this information from EE and our other landscape contractors to the Glen's residents in a timely manner. We've made significant improvements in this area with regards to tree removal in Courts 2, 3, 6 and 12.

In an effort to maximize the return on the Glen's landscape investment, we will take a different approach toward the landscape walk-through beginning this spring. Historically, residents have submitted 'spot' landscape requests for new plantings or pruning. Over the years, several courts have received more attention than others. In the process, problem areas have gotten overlooked. This year's walk-throughs will target specific courts which are in need of attention. This will help not only to bring these courts up to the Glen's standards, but also will provide continuity of the plantings in these courts, creating a 'planting pallet' for our community. To assist the landscape committee, we will hold a new contest, the 'Glen's Most Desperate Landscape.' During the spring walk-through we will consider the submissions (see the form on page 8) to see which areas residents are most concerned with. Our goal will be to fix landscape eyesores and bring these areas up to the Glen's standards. Spot landscape requests will still be considered, so I encourage residents to submit their requests also."

5. How long have you been interested in trees, plants and shrubs? And what led you to volunteer for landscape duties in the Glen? "I have always been interested in the outdoors and landscaping. I grew up on a large wooded property surrounded by farm land in a rural portion of Southern New Jersey. That's right, I said rural and New Jersey in the same sentence! One of my first jobs was working at a Christmas tree farm down the street from my home.

I first got involved in the Glen's landscaping by participating in several walk-throughs and was amazed to see and hear how passionate the residents of the Glen are about landscaping. Weighing competing requests while improving the appearance of the Glen and staying true to historical traditions is an interesting challenge, one I thought I could contribute towards."

6. Barbara Walters supposedly once asked someone if you could be a tree, what kind of tree would you be? Stealing that question, what kind of tree would you want to be and why? "Wow, tough question. I'd have to say either a Sugar Maple or White Ash. These are native to Virginia and their lumber is used to make major league baseball bats. That would be pretty cool to be used to hit home runs."

7. Let's learn a little about your background. Where are you originally from and what brought you to Arlington? "As I mentioned, I grew up in South Jersey. I moved to Arlington in 2008 to pursue a job in Southwest DC and lived in Clarendon for a year before buying my unit in the Glen. Fairlington was the only community I seriously considered when I was in the market for a home."

8. Where did you go to school and what did you study? "I received my undergraduate degree from Virginia Tech in Materials Science and Engineering in 2003 (mostly I 'studied' Hokie football). After that I moved to San Diego to pursue my PhD at the University of California, San Diego, again in Materials Science and Engineering. Materials science and engineering involves investigating the relationships that exist between the structures and (*continued on page 7*)


properties of materials and using these structure-property correlations to design or engineer materials to produce a predetermined set of properties. A short list of categories of materials are: metals, polymers, composites, ceramics and electronic materials. Recently, advances in materials science have revolutionized the sporting goods industries from carbon fiber golf club shaft and skis to moisture wicking technical fibers, to name a few. Not to mention all of the increased computing capabilities thanks to improved fabrication of semiconductor electronic materials.”

9. You and your wife both have interesting jobs. What is it that you both do for a living? My wife Gillian is a licensed structural engineer focusing on building design in the DC area. She has worked on some interesting projects over the years from the design of new homes and commercial buildings to the renovation and adaptive reuse of some of the area’s historic properties. In addition, she is also a certified Pilates instructor and teaches weekly classes at a studio in Dupont Circle. This has been a passion of hers for a long time, and she really enjoys helping others achieve their health and fitness goals.

I am a research engineer at the Naval Research Laboratory (NRL) in Southwest DC. NRL is the Navy’s corporate research laboratory which conducts a broad program of scientific research, technology and advanced development. My area of expertise is energy storage materials for battery technologies. I perform bench science and manage research programs that improve the energy capacity, efficiency and safety of lithium-ion batteries. I am involved in battery programs that span from portable electronics to large systems for electric vehicles for military and commercial applications.”

10. You and your wife are Court 2 residents. How long have you been in the Glen and what model do you own? “My wife Gillian and I have an interior Braddock unit that we purchased in the fall of 2009.”

(Editor’s Note: If you know someone that should be featured in the Glen 10, please let us know.)



PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND YOURSELF!

On January 28, a Glen resident posted a notice to dog walkers in our Yahoo group. It noted that the resident had discovered a “sad scenario of dog poops all around the swimming pool” area sidewalks. This person was kind enough to spend 10 minutes and clean up most of the dog waste around the pool and tennis court. The email writer also asked the rest of the dog walking community to do the same.

There is no excuse for dog poop to be left anywhere in the Glen. The Glen Handbook clearly says that “pet owners (or their agents) must clean up after their dogs at all times. Dog waste should be deposited with trash or in trash cans located in the Glen. Dog waste should never be dumped into a storm sewer because it then enters untreated into streams and rivers.” All dog walkers should carry plastic bags with them and must pick up after their dogs. Most dog walkers do in fact pick up after their pets, but a few have apparently not been doing so.

In addition to dog waste, it’s quite common to find cigarette butts tossed on our sidewalks and in our parking lots. This too is inexcusable. Cigarette smokers are asked to kindly deposit their extinguished cigarette butts in one of the many trash cans in the Glen.

Have some respect for your neighbors and your community, please!

Fairlington Glen's "Most Desperate Landscape" Contest

This year as part of our spring landscape walk-through, the landscape committee will hold a contest to judge which common areas throughout the Glen are in the most need of landscape improvements. Please submit an entry and help us transform landscape eyesores into beautiful spaces for all Glen residents to enjoy.

How it works: fill out the form below alerting the landscape committee which areas throughout the Glen you think are most in need of landscape improvements. Please do not list address numbers but rather general locations, for example: *the rear of Court X or the intersection of 36th St. and S. Stafford St.* Give a short description of why this area needs improvement and what improvements you would suggest to transform the space. Each entry will be considered during the spring landscape walk-through scheduled for Saturday, March 15th at 9:00am. The winning entry will be selected by the participants of the landscape walk-through. Please join us on the walk-through and help to select the Glen's **Most Desperate Landscape!**

Name of Resident(s): _____

E-mail address: _____

Location of "Most Desperate Landscape"

Why is this area in need of landscape improvement?

What improvements would you like to see done in this area?

Please return your completed entry to the Glen Landscape Committee
c/o **Corey Love, 3551 S. Stafford St., B1 (Court 2)**
or send via email to: glenlandscaping@gmail.com

SPRING LANDSCAPE WALK-THROUGH SET

The Glen's spring landscape walk-through is set for Saturday, March 15 at 9:00am. Anyone interested in joining the walk-through should meet in the Stafford Circle, where our landscape committee and representatives from Environmental Enhancements, Inc. (EE), our landscape contractor, will walk through the community to review the plantings in our common areas.



There is a form with more information found on page 10 of this newsletter. If you want to request that something be changed, such as the removal of an existing shrub or tree, the planting of a new shrub or tree or the trimming of a shrub away from windows, then you **MUST** complete the request form ahead of time and submit it by March 8. Only items that are requested in advance will be considered.

Please note that a request doesn't always mean that the work will be approved and completed.

TIME TO RENEW RED REFLECTORS

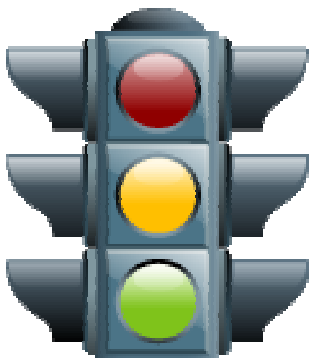
The mulched beds surrounding our homes are actually common area property and are maintained by the Glen's landscape contractor, EE. However, some residents prefer to maintain their flowers beds themselves. To do so, you must apply annually for the Glen's Red Reflector program.

Fill out and submit the form found on page 11 of this newsletter by March 8. Applications are now being accepted for first-time applicants and those that wish to renew their status.

By placing a red reflector in the bed in surrounding your home you are notifying the contractor to skip that area.

Like the form requesting landscaping changes, the red reflector form is also found on our website at www.fairlington.org/glenindex.htm. Both forms can be emailed to Corey Love, the Glen's landscape committee chair, at glenlandscaping@gmail.com.

TRAFFIC QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED



During its February meeting, the Fairlington Citizens Association (FCA) will host members of the City of Alexandria's traffic staff. They will provide an update on nearby transportation projects along King Street, Quaker Lane and Braddock Road. Plus, they'll be available to answer questions.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 12 beginning at 7pm at the Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford Street.

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Common Area Landscape Request Form

Note: Landscape decisions are typically made in the spring and fall.

This is a request for the Association to fund and perform the following:

_____ remove an existing shrub or tree

_____ significantly trim a shrub away from windows

_____ plant a new shrub or tree

_____ This is a request to landscape and plant an area at my own expense.

_____ This is a request to make any other change

Please describe your request and explain the location(s):

Are any other units impacted by the requested changes?

Name of Resident(s): _____ (check if co-owner ___ or tenant ___)

Address: _____ Court # _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Please return your completed form by March 8 to the Glen Landscape Committee
c/o Corey Love, 3551 S. Stafford St., #B1 (Court 2)
or by email to: glenlandscaping@gmail.com

**FAIRLINGTON GLEN
REQUEST FOR LANDSCAPING WAIVER**

The mulched beds surrounding our homes are common property and are maintained by the landscaping contractor. However, some residents prefer to maintain their common front or side beds themselves. In that case the resident should submit this form annually and place a red reflector in the common area bed.

**This form must be completed each year – it does not carry over from year to year!
Forms for 2014 must be submitted by March 8th.**

The responsible party:

Will install a red reflector in the bed.

Will weed, feed, water, prune, and deadhead the flower bed regularly.

Will not install any invasive plants including but not limited to English Ivy.

Will comply with Glen policies in using any pesticides.

Will mulch with materials similar to those used by the Glen contractor.

Understands that the Glen Board of Directors reserves the right to assume responsibility for improperly maintained beds.

PLEASE PRINT

Name of Resident(s): _____ **Co-owner/Tenant**
(circle one)

Address: _____ **Court #** _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email:** _____

Please return your completed form by March 8 to the Glen Landscape Committee
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EMERGENCY NUMBER (after business hours and on weekends and holidays) 866-370-2989

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