



The Glen Echo

Newsletter of Fairlington Glen

May 2006

RECREATION PASSES TO ARRIVE

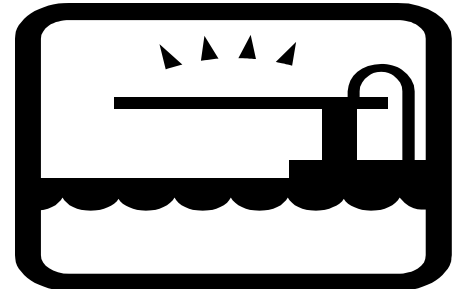
Inside this issue:

Painting Courts 5-8	2
Budget Info	2
Mosquito Awareness	2
Board Meeting Info	3
FINS Swim Program	3
Co-op Yard Sale	3
June Pool Calendar	4

The new 2006 Glen Recreation Passes are scheduled to be distributed in late May before the opening of the Pool. The application deadline is May 5. If you did not submit an application and still wish to do so, please find an application form listed on the Fairlington.org website. As you navigate the site, look for the link to the Glen. Click on "Newsletters". The March 2006 issue contains the applications for both renters and co-owners. If you have trouble accessing the site, or do not have internet capabilities, call Alison Burns Trimble at (703) 931-0796. Applications need to be delivered to: Sandy Heaton at 4138 S. 36th Street (Court 6).

Please remember this is an all volunteer effort this year. Your patience with our new, cost saving process is greatly appreciated.

See Page 4 for a full calendar of Pool Hours and Events for May and June. Save it !!!



Pool News and Events

We are excited the Glen community is coming together once again to enjoy ourselves at the pool! We've included our preliminary calendar and the pool hours of operation for June, commencing with the start of the regular summer hours on June 24th. The summer operating hours (June 24th through September 4th) will be: Weekends and Holiday Mondays 10am to 9pm and Weekdays 11am to 9pm. We have scheduled a **Wine and Cheese tasting on June 2nd**, and encourage all adults to participate. The pool committee intends to schedule other fun activities for all ages this summer and will keep you informed via flyers on the pool bulletin board and additional calendars for July & August.

We'd also like to offer some reminders about keeping our pool clean and safe. Please be sure to bring along your activity card each time you visit the pool, and remember to accompany your guests to the pool. Children must be age 8 and older to visit the pool alone. Babies and toddlers who wear diapers also are required to wear snug-fitting plastic pants over the swim diapers. And please be certain your guests are aware of our pool rules!

Let's all remember to be courteous to our neighbors by respecting our lifeguards and the pool rules at all times.

Thanks and hope to see you down at the pool - *Fairlington Glen Pool Committee Members*

PAINTING OF COURTS 5-8



We are moving to a new painting contractor this year for Courts 5, 6, 7, and 8. The company is Middledorf Property Services, Inc., a family-owned and managed company from Maryland. Middledorf comes highly recommended by the Meadows, who used them last year. They will be using an articulated lift to do work on the roofs, i.e. the valleys where two parts of the roof meet, the flashings around the chimneys, and the high dormers. They will be painting all exterior wood surfaces and replacing broken and rotted wood in areas such as porch columns and porch ceilings. If you live in Courts 5, 6, 7, or 8 (the courts along King St.), and believe there is a wood problem, please call the maintenance office, your court representative, or Jim Hewitt to make sure that the problem is included on our list. Jim Hewitt, a Co-Owner and contractor himself, will be the Glen's representative interacting with Middledorf this year. Please call him at 703-379-1887 if you have any concerns with the painting project as it proceeds. You will be notified before work begins on your unit.

BUDGETS FOR 2006 AND 2007

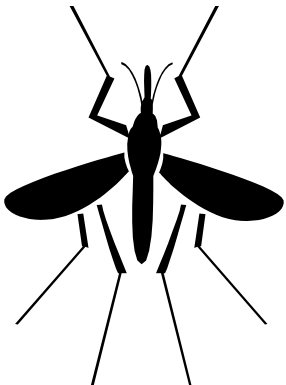


Fairlington Glen, along with the rest of Arlington County, is facing steeply increasing water and sewer rates as a result of a \$410 million upgrade to the sewage treatment plant on Glebe Road to comply with State mandates. You may have seen a recent article on this subject in the Washington Post (April 17). The increases started showing up in 2004 and we should have been aware of them. Unfortunately, neither the 2005 nor the 2006 Glen budgets provided for these increases. As a result, our 2005 water and sewer bills were \$28,000 over budget, and our 2006 bills will be even more over budget.

We are not talking small numbers. The cost in 2005 was \$130,000, or \$369 per unit on average, while the monthly condo fee for an inside Clarendon was \$247, so about 1 1/2 months of your total annual condo fee went for water and sewer. While there is nothing we can do to change water and sewer rates, which are now projected to increase by about 15% a year for the next **five to ten years**, we need to provide for these increases in our future budgets.

This discovery of the projected future for water and sewer bills presents a challenge for 2007 budget preparation. Drafting of the 2007 budget begins next month and the Finance Committee welcomes Co-Owners or residents who would like to participate in that process. Please call Margaret Windus, Treasurer, at 703-379-1718 if you would like to join us in crafting the 2007 Glen budget this summer.

HELP ELIMINATE BACKYARD THREAT



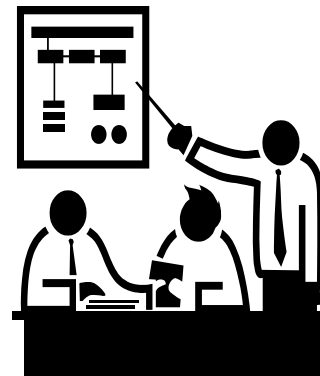
Mosquito breeding season is upon us. Remember to eliminate sources of standing water in your back patio. Even small pools of water (as small as a bottle cap) can provide breeding ground for the tiger mosquito. This particular type of mosquito breeds in areas where most other mosquitoes don't—in tire treads, cans, flowerpots, sandbox toys, and even wrinkles in plastic bags. (Source: Washington Post May 2, 2006) Remember, water can collect at the base of your outside drain pipes. If you have an extender, you may want to check for standing water. Also, DEET sprays will repel mosquitoes, but not kill them.

BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

At the Board meeting on May 2, a number of decisions were reached. Among these were:

- changes to our telephone system which we expect to both improve our communications and save money
- change to a new painting contractor who has come highly recommended by Fairlington Meadows
- establish an investment policy which will insure we maximize our investment returns within a framework which will protect our assets
- plantings, tree and shrub maintenance to beautify our grounds after a tough winter.

Once again, we had a discussion of strategic planning on our agenda and found ourselves without time to begin this important topic. Instead, Board member Alison Burns Trimble will host a dinner meeting on May 10. We hope this unstructured meeting will give us a chance to talk about how to assess where the Glen should be going over the next several years as well as to lay the groundwork for further planning for years to come. =====



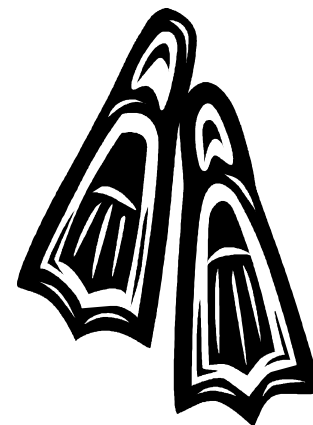
FAIRLINGTON FINS SWIM PROGRAM 2006

Fairlington FINS is a fun and instructional swim program for children ages 5-14. FINS runs for 4 weeks in July with afternoon practices and a Friday evening meet. Fairlington Glen has kindly agreed to host the FINS again this year from **July 24th to July 28th**. FINS will utilize two/three lanes of the pool Monday – Thursday (July 24th – July 27th) from 3:30 to 5:20 pm. On Friday, we will have our swim meet starting at 6:00 (July 28th) and ending around 7:30. Come join us for the races and fun! For more information about FINS contact Sue Shapiro 703-671-4098, 703-328-4572 or dsha@netscape.com.

Co-op Yard Sale

The All Fairlington Babysitting Coop is hosting its semi-annual yard sale at the South Fairlington Community Center on **Saturday, June 17, 9 a.m. until noon.**

Anyone is welcome to gather on the basketball court and sell their yard sale items. At the end of the morning, a collection will be taken for 10% of sales to be sent to the “Send-a-Kid to Camp” program run through the Washington Post.



GLEN COMMUNITY MEETING REMINDERS

**The next Building and Grounds Committee will be held
Tuesday, May 16 at 7:30p.m. at the Fairlington Community Center**


Upcoming Board Meetings

Wednesday, May 10, 7:30 p.m. at 4280 S. 35th Street (Special)

Tuesday, June 6, 7:30 p.m. at the Fairlington Community Center



Fairlington Glen Pool Events – May/June 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27
May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	June 1	June 2	June 3
Pool Hours: 10am to 9pm	MEMORIAL DAY Pool Hours: 10am-9pm	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	7pm Wine & Cheese Hours: 4pm-9pm	Pool Hours: 10am-9pm
June 4	June 5	June 6	June 7	June 8	June 9	June 10
Pool Hours: 10am-9pm	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Hours: 4pm to 9pm	Pool Hours: 10am-9pm
June 11	June 12	June 13	June 14	June 15	June 16	June 17
Pool Hours: 10am-9pm	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Hours: 4pm to 9pm	Pool Hours: 10am-9pm
June 18	June 19	June 20	June 21	June 22	June 23	June 24
Pool Hours: 10am-9pm	Pool Closed	Pool Closed	Pool Hours: 1pm to 9pm	Pool Hours: 1pm to 9pm	Pool Hours: 1pm to 9pm	Pool Hours: 10am-9pm