



The Glen Echo

Newsletter of Fairlington Glen

September 2014

Trash Talk In The Glen

Back in the day, the basements of our buildings were common area and not part of the leased space. They were used for storage, laundry rooms, and trash collection. Nowadays we don't have a place to put our garbage before it gets picked up. However, we are very fortunate to have a contractor, Capitol Services, that comes six days a week (Monday-Saturday) to pick up our bagged household garbage. Capitol Services also comes once a week to collect recycling and once a month for bulk trash pick up. It's a costly part of our operating budget, but trash collection of this magnitude is much-needed in Fairlington.

Please remember, in Fairlington Glen garbage is NOT allowed to be placed out the night before or the day before pick up. This includes boxes and bagged patio debris. Putting trash out the night before encourages rodents and other animals and it just plain makes our community look bad. Neighboring villages have different rules. Please abide by the Glen's rule, which is no trash of any kind out the day/night before pickup.

Speaking of looking bad, crows and other birds have been feasting on our garbage lately. They punch holes in the bags looking for food and items for their nests. Often there's a mess left behind that some resident often cleans up. Here are a few simple suggestions to keep the birds away from our trash bags:

1. Double bag your trash, use a stronger plastic bag, or put a brown paper bag inside your plastic garbage bag.
2. Put a very small amount of bleach or ammonia (one, but not both) on a paper towel and place the towel inside the bag. The smell will keep the birds away.
3. Put a couple of moth balls in your trash bags. Again, the smell discourages birds & animals.

My challenge to our Glen neighbors is to follow the rules regarding trash AND to take the necessary steps to keep birds and other animals out of our garbage bags. Small, but simple steps to keep our neighborhood less "trashy." *Jay Yianilos / Board President*

The *Glen Echo* is published monthly. Our editor is always looking for ideas or input. If you have something to put in the newsletter, please e-mail Jay Yianilos at jasonyianilos@yahoo.com.

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COMMUNITY FORUM / CALL FOR CANDIDATES

Please join us at the Glen pool on Wednesday, September 3 at 7:30pm for the annual Community Forum. The Board will discuss the proposed 2015 budget, which was posted in the August issue of the *Glen Echo*, and answer any questions you have regarding our neighborhood. The Board will be together in your own backyard, so this is a prime time to get your questions answered.



This will also be an opportunity to hear from and talk with individuals considering running for the Board of Directors this fall. There will be three openings on the Board—for the positions currently held by Board President Jay Yianilos, Vice President Corey Love, and Treasurer Maynard Dixon. Jay and Maynard will be running again. There are no specific prerequisites for the job, though it may help to have some familiarity with Glen fiscal policy and matters. It also helps to have an open mind, a penchant for conflict resolution, and a willingness to take responsibility for decisions. Talk to a current Board member if you'd like to know more about what is involved.

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If you are interested in contributing to your community as a Board member, please complete a one-page candidate profile of yourself, your views on the Glen, and the contributions you may make. The deadline to enter is September 20, 2014, and all profiles must be sent to the Board president (see email above). Candidate profiles will be included with the formal budget mailed to co-owners for approval in early October with the Annual Meeting information.

We hope to see you on September 3 for the Community Forum. Please note that the forum is for adults only, as the pool itself will be closed. If it rains that night, we'll move the meeting indoors into the nearby maintenance facility.

POOL PARTY AND DOG SWIM



It's hard to believe that another summer is winding to a close. The summer of 2014 will be remembered for cooler, less humid days and a longer pool season.

After Labor Day, the pool will close for three days and re-open for Friday-Sunday, September 5-7. Then the pool will be closed for four days before re-opening for the final weekend of Friday-Sunday September 12-14.

We will say goodbye to summer and the pool with our annual year-end pool party on Saturday, September 13 from 4:00 to 7:00pm. We will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, margaritas for the adults and snow cones for the kids. Plus, there will be a DJ providing music and a chance for the kids to dive for coins. Please bring your own beverages (non-glass containers) for your kids (or yourself if a margarita is not your fancy) and a side dish or dessert to share. The rain date will be Sunday, September 14.

Our pool parties are a great opportunity to mix and mingle with your neighbors. Whether you decide to go for a swim or not, please join the fun!

Then on Sunday, September 14 at 7:30pm we let the dogs take over the pool. Our annual dog swim or doggie dip has become a Glen tradition. It's all people out of the pool and all dogs in to conclude the pool season. Bring your dog or come to watch your neighbors' dogs enjoy the pool.

FALL LANDSCAPE WALK-THROUGH SET

The annual Glen fall landscape walk-through is scheduled for Saturday, September 20 at 9:00am. Meet at the S. Stafford Street circle and join us as we walk-through the community to review the requested fall landscaping enhancements.

On page 4 of this newsletter you'll find the form that offers more information. If you want to request that something be changed, such as the removal of an existing shrub or tree OR the trimming of a shrub away from windows,

then you must complete and submit the form prior to the walk-through. The deadline to submit your requests is Saturday, September 13. Only items that are requested in advance will be considered. And please note that a request doesn't always mean that the work will be approved and completed at this time.



As a result of recent roof repairs and the major tot lot renovation, a large percentage of the fall landscape budget will be allocated to re-grade soil and plant grass seed in the areas damaged by scaffolding and heavy equipment.

Fairlington Glen

Common Area Landscape Request Form

Note: The deadline to submit for fall is September 13, 2014

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 to the Glen Landscape Committee

c/o Corey Love, 3551 S. Stafford St., #B1 (Court 2)

or by email to: GlenLandscaping@gmail.com

THE GLEN 10 - 10 Q's & A's with Dale May



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 Dale May from Court 11.

1. You're among a small, but elite group of original owners in the Glen...meaning you purchased your home in the 1970's when the property transitioned from apartments to condos. What brought you to Fairlington? And what model do you own? - "I moved into my Clarendon townhouse in the Glen in January 1975 after living in a third-floor rental apartment with basement locker room in North Fairlington from October 1962. So this October I will have lived in Fairlington for 52 years. After buying my unit here in late 1974, I biked over regularly to check on construction, painting, and other work done in the conversion to a condo."

2. Where are you originally from? And where did you go to school? - "Was born and raised in Compton (southern California) and arrived by car in Washington three weeks after Kennedy's inauguration. I studied agriculture at Cal Poly and did graduate work in agricultural journalism at Washington State University."

3. Please tell us about yourself. Married? Kids? Retired? - "Am single and was briefly married in the 60's—no children. Yes, am retired from Federal Government."

4. What did you do for a living and where did you work? How are you enjoying retirement? "Worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in public information work for about 25 years and was detailed to the White House part-time during the Carter Administration to work with the President's Special Assistant for Consumer Affairs, Esther Peterson, on consumer information. I was Deputy Director of Information for USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service and, along with it, had responsibility for three other agencies' public information work. I enjoy retirement and being able to do volunteer work related to gardening/landscaping on my own schedule, as contrasted to the '9 to 5' routine, although I enjoyed many aspects of my Federal job that involved broadcasting, motion pictures, publications, exhibits, and news stories on various marketing topics like meat inspection and food and fiber grading."

5. What are your favorite aspects of the Glen and the surrounding neighborhoods? "Our historic village, with its solidly built townhouses, has the most mature and largest street trees in Fairlington, which is a real asset, and we're fortunate to have electric power and telephone lines underground. I like the fact that we're within walking or biking distance to good stores, including the new Fresh Market, the new Safeway that will open in a few months, the new Greenstreet Gardens plant nursery, other stores, banks, post office, restaurants, and fitness centers."

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6. Is it true that you have a green thumb? Please tell us about your interests in horticulture. “My interest in horticulture goes back to WWII days in Compton, CA, where I grew up and my folks were Victory Garden chairpersons for the city. They provided the seed and information on growing and preserving, and we had gardens in vacant lots. I have also gardened for more than 40 years about two blocks away from here at Chinquapin Organic Gardens, growing vegetables, fruits like figs & grapes, and ornamentals, and managing Alexandria’s compost demonstration site there and several plantings around the community gardens in Chinquapin Park. Using my Cooperative Extension master gardener and agriculture training, I help teach organic gardening techniques to gardeners, including TC Williams garden club students, at the park and serve on the community gardens advisory board to Alexandria. We’re fortunate to have the Cooperative Extension office just two blocks away from the Glen. Master Gardener volunteers work with Extension horticultural agent Kirsten Buhls in providing horticultural expertise and classes—mostly free.”

7. Many co-owners and residents have served the community as volunteers on the Board or on committees, and you are no exception. How have you been involved in the Glen? “For about 30 years, I served on the Glen’s landscape committee, advocating safer alternatives to toxic pesticides. As a recreational swimmer, I’ve kept a close eye on our pool operations and make suggestions for improvements, though I’m not formally on the committee. The pool has been very well run in recent years, especially compared to some periods quite a few years back. I’ve always been fortunate that it is located right behind my townhouse unit.”

8. You must have a lot of wonderful memories of life in the Glen since the 1970’s. Can you share one of your favorite stories/moments? “I was elated when the new pool/maintenance building, with its attractive arbor and landscape features, was completed five years ago. People like Dave Sherman (Glen co-owner), who helped plan and shepherd the project and others deserve a lot of credit for working so hard to bring this about and eliminating an eyesore of maintenance equipment, much obsolete, that was previously stored outdoors by the pool. The sloped entrance walkway for walking and biking (replacing steps) and even the outside faucet that I suggested for watering landscape plants were among improvements I was happy to see. What a gem this is! And we have efficient people keeping it up.”



9. Neighbors often see you riding your bike. How often do you ride? How far do you usually go? How did you become such an avid bike rider? “I’ve always loved biking. As a teen, I used to ride to the beaches, desert, and mountains in California, then later cycled in England, Germany, France (Beaujolais wine region), and several other countries. I still have and ride some of those bikes and cycle to the Chinquapin community gardens, to a fitness center in Park Center, to Bradlee stores, and sometimes on trails like the C&O and also the W&OD along Four Mile Run. I helped bring about the start of the W&OD trail in 1971, one of the first, if not the first, ‘rails to trails’ endeavors. Sometimes I wish I had an electric booster on my bike to get up that hill from Shirlington!”

10. Lastly, and keeping to transportation, you own a ‘classic’ car of sorts. What year is your Volvo? How many miles do you have on it? How often does ‘she’ see the road these days? “My vintage Volvo—a 122S station wagon — just turned 47 years old. I picked it up at the factory in Sweden in May 1967 and drove it through Europe—almost over the Swiss Alps in a snowstorm, under the Alps on a railroad flatcar, to the Swiss area where my grandfather grew up before he came to the U.S., to Paris, the Italian and French Rivas (nine countries in all) and back to the factory a month or so later to have it shipped with Volvo’s new cars to New Jersey, where I retrieved it. It’s still running fine, but with the antique registration, I’m restricted by state law from driving it long distances. The odometer reads about 148,000 miles. I guess my odometer for this interview is about used up!”

SURVEY ON NEIGHBOR-TO-NEIGHBOR SERVICES



Do you want to live in your home as long as possible as you age? Could you use some help from neighbors in doing so? Or provide some help to others? This month the FCA-chartered Steering Committee on Intergenerational Strategies is surveying Fairlington residents on their interest in getting or giving help with a variety of activities. Responses are sought from all ages; they are anonymous and no commitment to serve or be served is being solicited. Rather, the goal is to understand the support

within our community for expanding neighbor-to-neighbor services, similar to the "village" concepts that some nonprofit groups in the Washington area are now implementing, including the recently established Arlington Neighborhood Villages.

The survey is inserted in the September *All-Fairlington Bulletin* and can also be accessed on the Glen website, www.fairlington.org/glenindex. You can also access the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/fcagenerations>. The committee will hold a drop-in information exchange on Saturday, September 13, 10:00am to 12 noon, at the Fairlington Community Center (FCC), where you can ask questions, complete your form, and get assistance with the survey if needed. The deadline for responding is September 30.

The committee is also gathering information on how other neighbor-to-neighbor volunteer services are organized and what services are already available from local governments and private organizations in Arlington. This information will help to support community decisions still to be made about what kinds of services, if any, should be expanded in Fairlington and how they should be administered. Your input is critical in these decisions. The Fairlington Citizens Associations (FCA) will sponsor a community forum on Saturday, November 15 from 10:00am to 12:00 noon at the FCC to discuss the results of the survey, the committee's research, and residents' preferences for next steps. Based on this discussion, the committee will make recommendations to the FCA Board in early 2015.

A number of Glen residents are participating in this effort, including Bob Bemben, Connie Francis, and Margaret Windus. If you have questions about the committee's work or the survey, please call Margaret at 703-379-1718.

NATIVE PLANT SALE

The Northern Alexandria Native Plant Sale will be held on Saturday, September 27 from 9:00am to 2:00pm. This is the 11th anniversary and 23rd occurrence of this twice-a-year, non-profit, community plant sale. Sixteen vendors from four states are expected. Please make note of the new location for this event. It was formerly held in Parkfairfax. It has now been moved to the Church of St. Clement at 1701 N. Quaker Lane in Alexandria.



JOB COMPLETE, TOT LOT OPENS

August was a busy month at the Fairlington Glen tot lot. First, crews from Environmental Enhancements (EE) went to work replacing the original Orangeburg pipes running under the swings and parallel to the tennis court. Once that was finished, crews from All Recreation of Virginia moved in to dismantle the old tot lot and install our new playground equipment. The new tot lot officially opened on Monday, August 25 much to the delight of the Glen children. *(The editor thanks Megan Pickersgill, Mary Bley, and Susan Hunchar for their photo contributions.)*



The old Glen tot lot was installed 18 years ago.



Children enjoying an afternoon on the old tot lot before it closed.



In early August, drainage work near the tot lot began. Here crews install a new pipe parallel to the tennis court.



Original Orangeburg pipe, seen above after its removal, needed to be replaced prior to construction of the new tot lot.

A GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION



The caution tape was cut on August 25, 2014 by Tot Lot Committee Chair Megan Pickersgill and Board President Jay Yianilos with eager onlookers waiting patiently.

One of the features of the new playground is the "cozy cocoon," which quickly became a kid favorite at the tot lot.



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September 2014

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1  Labor Day Pool 10am-8pm | 2 Pool Closed | 3 Community Forum 7:30pm Pool Closed | 4 Pool Closed | 5 Pool Open 3-8pm | 6 Pool Open 10am-8pm |
| 7 Pool Open 10am-8pm | 8 Pool Closed | 9 Board Meeting - 7pm at the FCC Pool Closed | 10 Pool Closed | 11 Pool Closed | 12 Pool Open 3-8pm | 13 Pool Open 10am-8pm POOL PARTY! |
| 14 Pool Open 10am-8pm DOG SWIM! | 15 Volunteer Appreciation Night @7:30pm | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
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| 12 |  Columbus Day | Board Meeting - 7pm at the FCC | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
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