

## The Glen Echo

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

January 2019

### Thoughts Entering the New Year

It's the start of a new year, so we all get to wipe the slate clean and start 2019 fresh. Changing how you see each day can certainly make a big difference in your life. Changing how you see your community can definitely help to make Fairlington Glen an even better place to live in the new year and beyond. Board members, community volunteers, co-owners, and residents should all consider these thoughts:

- Consider becoming a Glen volunteer.
- Be responsible for adhering to rules and be a good neighbor to all.
- Share your ideas, perspectives, and concerns, and let's work together to build an even better community.
- Participate in the recreational, social, and cultural activities of the Glen.
- Attend Board meetings and take the time to review important information about the Glen.
- Welcome new residents, making all co-owners and renters feel a part of the community. And recommend our neighborhood to others who are looking for a great place to call home.

I am reminded of a famous quote from Benjamin Franklin: "Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man." Let's all resolve to make 2019 a great year for us, our neighbors, and our wonderful community. Happy New Year!

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The 2019 Fairlington Glen Board of Directors are (left to right) Secretary Jeremy Wiedemann, President Charlie Robbins, Vice President Bill Layer, At-Large Member TJ Doyle, and Treasurer Maynard Dixon.

## 2019 Board Meeting Schedule

Monthly Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Fairlington Community Center (unless otherwise approved by the Board). All monthly Board meetings will begin at 6:30pm. The 2019 monthly meeting schedule is as follows:

January 8 July 9

February 12 August 13

March 12 September 10

April 9 October 8

May 14 November 12

June 11 December 10

Board meetings must adhere to a tight schedule because the building closes at 9:00pm and our management company charges extra for meetings lasting longer than two hours.

## Schedule Of Monthly Fees For 2019

<b>UNIT TYPE</b>	% OWNERSHIP	<b>2019 MONTHLY FEE</b>
Arlington	.00379	\$522
Barcroft (I)	.00243	\$335
Barcroft (E)	.00250	\$344
Braddock (I)	.00195	\$268
Braddock (E)	.00202	\$278
Clarendon (I)	.00297	\$409
Clarendon (E)	.00304	\$419
Dominion	.00351	\$483
Edgewood (I)	.00263	\$362
Edgewood (E)	.00270	\$372

(I = inside unit / E = end unit)

Payment is due on or before the first day of each month, and a \$25 late fee will be assessed for payments received after the 10th of the month.

## How To Pay Your Monthly Fee



Cardinal Management sent out the 2019 payment coupon books to co-owners who are not signed up for direct debit of their accounts. If you did not receive your coupon booklet, please contact Cardinal at 703-569-5797. Co-owners who choose this method simply mail their coupon and check to Cardinal each month.

Co-owners can also choose to authorize Cardinal to directly debit their bank accounts for the payment of monthly fees by filling out the form on page 4 of this newsletter and mailing it to Cardinal at the address noted on the form with a voided check. This free automatic debit seems to be the easiest method for most in the Glen. As noted on the form, the direct debit authorization will remain in effect, and will be adjusted automatically by Cardinal each year to reflect changed fee levels, until you provide written notification of its termination.

Some co-owners may have automatic bill arrangements with their banks (without directly debiting their account by Cardinal). In this case, you should update these arrangements with your bank to reflect the new fee levels.

Cardinal also allows you to pay each month online through their website, although there are service charges involved with each transaction. For more information, please go to <a href="http://www.cardinalmanagementgroup.com/welcome.cfm">http://www.cardinalmanagementgroup.com/welcome.cfm</a> and follow the "For Homeowners: Click here to make payments" link.

### AGREEMENT FOR PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS

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Email Address (where verific	cation will be sent)
Date	Signed (Owner)
	Please return this form with a voided check to:
Cardinal Mana	agement Group, Inc., 4330 Prince William Parkway, Suite 201
	Woodbridge, VA 22192.
I prefer to receive my notificatio	n by mail. Please mail my notification to:
Mailing Address	City/State/Zip

#### News From The Board

The Fairlington Glen Board of Directors held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 11, 2018. Here are some of the notes from that meeting.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE**



Candace Lewis, our property manager with Cardinal Management Group, and Thora Stanwood, the Board's liaison for the environmental issue, gave an update on the ongoing situation regarding the chemical contamination matter.

Seven environmental monitoring wells were installed on November 26, 2018 (six in the Glen and one in the Meadows). The location of the well in Court 14 needed to be relocated from where it was originally planned, and it was installed with the others. Court 14 residents attending the meeting asked if initial readings were taken from the core samples and dirt removed and when readings would be captured from the wells. Candace and Thora will follow up on these questions and report findings back at the January 2019 board meeting.

No movement has been made by TBR to resolve the Glen's outstanding legal fees. The Treasurer noted that no funds were budgeted in the damage claims account for 2019 for this environmental issue and asked for an estimate of funds to include in the 2020 budget. The management agent suggested budgeting \$20,000 for 2020 and the Treasurer agreed that this would be a prudent planning figure for the purposes of budget forecasting.

#### **APPROVED**

The Board approved the 2019 portion of the landscape contract with Environmental Enhancements (EE) - year two of the three-year contract - at a cost of \$69,639.

The next monthly Board meeting will be on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 6:30pm at the Fairlington Community Center, located at 3308 S. Stafford Street.

## Verizon Fios Is Ready To Go

Verizon has completed its work throughout the Glen, and they are now ready to install service for interested co-owners or residents.

You may recall at the June 12, 2018 Board meeting that Verizon representative Lloyd Saunders discussed a problem for future Fios installations in the Glen. Verizon required that a junction box measuring about six inches square by two and a half inches deep be mounted on the outside of each unit in the Glen that had not already had Fios installed. As a result, Verizon had to suspend all new Fios installations in the Glen until the Board allowed the junction box to be installed.



#### For 2019, Resolve To Be Better Informed

Being better informed is a great resolution for all Glen residents in 2019. When you purchased your home in Fairlington Glen, you became a co-owner in a condominium association. You may not know exactly what a condominium association is, but you should definitely learn all about it. The two most important Glen documents to you should be our By-Laws and Handbook, both of which are found on the Glen's website. They are valuable sources of information for both co-owners and residents. Yes, renters should also take the time to become familiar with both documents. The By-Laws were established in 1975 when the property transitioned to condos and Fairlington Glen was born. The Handbook, which is updated often, offers important details about your home, the community, the condominium management, and the many amenities & resources available in the Glen. Being familiar with these documents is key to owning and living in our community. Resolve to read through the By-Laws and the Handbook to become more informed.

Both documents can be found on our website, <a href="http://www.fairlington.org/glenindex.htm">http://www.fairlington.org/glenindex.htm</a>. The website is also home to Board meeting minutes, previous issues of the *Glen Echo*, variance request forms, and countless other announcements and information. In 2019 the Glen will be launching a new, updated site. Resolve to check out our website and bookmark it for future reference.

Also, resolve to answer the following questions (in case you don't already know):

- 1) What court number do you live in? Who is your Court Rep?
- 2) Are you signed up for Glen Alert emails?
- 3) Will you attend the next monthly Board meeting, the Community Forum in September, or the Annual Meeting in November?

#### Live Christmas Tree & Wreath Recycling

Capitol Services of Virginia, our trash and recycling contractor, will offer five days to collect/recycle live Christmas trees and wreaths - your ONLY chances to dispose of your live Christmas tree and/or wreaths for recycling purposes.

Please do not put your tree or wreaths out with your regular household trash. Instead, take them (with all decorations removed) to the curb near the entrance to your court where recycling is normally collected. Tree & wreath pick ups will take place on the following mornings:

Thursday, January 3

Tuesday, January 8 / Thursday, January 10

Tuesday, January 15 / Thursday, January 17

## Court Reps To Meet This Month



The Glen's Court Representatives Group (CRG) will have its next quarterly meeting on Monday, January 28 at 7:00pm at the Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford Street. All court reps and alternates are encouraged to attend. Plus, if you're interested in becoming a court rep for your court, it will be wise to attend as well.

We are still in need of a new court rep to serve in Court 8. Residents of Court 8 are asked to consider this call to action to serve your community. Your help is needed!

Those interested in volunteering as a Court Rep should contact Thora Stanwood, the chair of the CRG, at <a href="mailto:thorastanwood@gmail.com">thorastanwood@gmail.com</a>.

Fairlington Glen's CRG serves as the primary communication link between co-owners/residents and the Board. The CRG serves as a forum for interchange and communication at the local court level and deals with tasks that are best performed on a court-by-court basis. The CRG is chaired by a co-owner and is comprised of a representative and/or alternate (co-owners or renters) from each of the 16 courts.

#### Among the CRG's functions:

- Welcome new residents to the court
- Maintain a contact list with email addresses for your court
- Transmit information from the Board to the court's residents
- Check for rules violations
- Inform residents of and remind them of Glen policies
- Monitor the physical upkeep of the court and report maintenance problems
- Notify the management agent of items requiring immediate action

## Home Improvement Showcase Is Coming

The 4th annual Fairlington Home Improvement Showcase is set for Saturday, January 26 at the Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford Street. This free event runs from 9:00am to 2:00pm and will feature the advice and expertise of remodeling and repair contractors who are experienced with working in Fairlington homes.

The seminar format will be similar to last year. Participating contractors will have tables set up in room 100 and will take turns presenting to a seated audience in room 118. Please note that space will be limited. Those interested will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Topics will include kitchen & bathroom remodeling, window replacement, and more.

## Welcome To First-Time Buyers

Few events in life are more exciting than buying your first home. And in Fairlington Glen, we're glad that you've chosen us. Welcome!

You are now a member of a community association. We're proud of our association and trust it will contribute to the quality of your experience in the Glen. Here are a few tips and bits of information to help make the most of community association living.



<u>YOUR OWN SPACE</u> - There's one important difference between renting and owning a home that you need to keep in mind. Unlike renting, your unit and its upkeep belong entirely to you. You're responsible for all interior maintenance. So when a faucet leaks, the first person to call is your favorite plumber, not the association manager. For any question regarding whose responsibility (coowner versus association) a maintenance issue will be, please check the Chart Of Maintenance Repair And Replacement Responsibilities that is found in your Welcome Package, the Glen's Handbook, and it's By-Laws, all of which have been posted to the Glen's website.

<u>COMMON ELEMENTS & ASSESSMENTS</u> - The community has a number of common areas and services, like the grounds and the maintenance to keep them attractive and enjoyable AND our beautiful swimming pool. Common areas are shared areas, and we all share in their expenses when we pay our monthly assessments.

<u>COMMUNITY RULES</u> - Because many residents share the common areas, it is necessary to have a few basic rules so that everyone can enjoy the community. As mentioned earlier in this newsletter, please familiarize yourself with the Glen's By-Laws and Handbook.

**MEMBERSHIP** - When you bought your new home in Fairlington Glen, you became a member of our community association. Membership entitles you to attend and observe monthly Board meetings and to vote in Board elections. As a co-owner, you may even consider running for a Board seat yourself. Our community thrives because residents volunteer to join committees, serve as court reps, and run for the Board. Get involved - we need you!

<u>QUESTIONS/COMMENTS</u> - Talk to your neighbors and your court representative. Attend a Board meeting and introduce yourself to the five members of the Fairlington Glen Council of Co-owners. Seek out Candace Lewis, our property manager with Cardinal Management Group.

In 2018, Fairlington as a whole celebrated its 75th anniversary, and the Glen celebrated 43 years as a condo association. You made a great choice to invest in Fairlington Glen and call this community home.

(In next month's issue of the Glen Echo, we'll have a special welcome to all renters.)

### Keeping Your Pets Safe During Winter



We love our pets, so keeping them safe in the wintertime should be a top priority for all pet owners. See below for some friendly reminders detailing how you can ensure your pet stays warm, happy, and out of harm's way even on the dreariest of winter days.

When there has been snow or ice, please be aware of sidewalk salt and ice melt. Pets' paws are extremely sensitive, so prolonged exposure to sidewalk salt or ice melt can be problematic. If you walk your dog regularly in areas where sidewalk salt and ice melt is used during inclement weather, wipe the underside of paws with warm water and a clean towel when you go back inside. Doing so also eliminates risk of ingestion, especially if your pup licks its paws often. Keep an eye on your pet's toe pads for severe dryness, cracking, or bleeding.

Just as summer months when temperatures and humidity reach extreme highs, pets should be brought inside during extreme wintertime lows. This applies for daytime and nighttime temperatures, so check your local weather daily and limit your dog's outside time if the forecast is looking too cold. Remember, if you're uncomfortable with the outside temp and conditions, then chances are your pet is too.

When pets do go outside during the cold winter months, those with thinner fur coats may need extra warmth. Your local pet store should have an assortment of extra layers for your dog and even winter boots for pups that need paw protection from the cold and ice. Only add layers if your pet can truly benefit. If you're unsure, please ask your veterinarian.

Always keep your pet active and out of trouble. During inclement weather when you can't make it outside with your pup, set aside some extra time during the day or night to make sure they have some exercise. Even 15 minutes of playtime is helpful. Paying attention to your pets keeps them engaged and happy, and it helps to ensure no bad behavior caused by boredom.

## **Dryer Safety Warnings Issued**

A rash of recent dryer fires in the Washington, DC area has sparked warnings from local fire departments to keep your dryers working properly and safely.

Dryer fires typically increase during the winter. It's important to keep your dryer and its vents lint-free. Clean out the lint filter in your dryer after each use. And be certain that your dryer vents to the outside are free and clear as well. You may need to hire a professional to perform this service annually.

You can actually prevent lint from building up by limiting how many items you place in the dryer at any given time. If your clothes are taking longer than normal to dry, clean the lint out of the vent pipe behind the dryer.

Another important reminder is to never leave home or go to bed while the dryer is running. You definitely want to make sure that the dryer is off before you take off.



#### Last Call - Home & Garden Tour Volunteers Needed

The Fairlington Historical Society (FHS) sponsors a home and garden tour every other year in Fairlington, and the next one is scheduled tentatively for May 2019. The tour is an excellent opportunity to see how your neighbors in North and South Fairlington have remodeled their homes and designed their patios. You're bound to get ideas for your own home and possibly connect with a qualified contractor.



The FHS needs volunteers to step forward now to plan and organize this community-wide event for the spring. In fact, there will be a kick-off reception on Friday, January 18 at 7:00pm at the Fairlington Villages Community Center (North Fairlington), located at 3005 S. Abingdon Street for those interested in organizing and managing the tour AND for those planning to open their homes on the tour.

Interested volunteers should call Patty Clark of the FHS at 703-820-7328

The Fairlington Home & Garden Tour is a Fairlington tradition, but please keep in mind that the tradition cannot continue without volunteers to make it happen.

### Arlington County Rated Among Best In Nation



According to Arlington's recent Community Satisfaction Survey, 88% of County residents surveyed are satisfied with the overall quality of County services. That's 38 percentage points above the national average!

"While overall satisfaction in most cities and counties has decreased over the past 14 years, Arlington County has kept high satisfaction levels," said Jason Morado of ETC Institute, which conducted the survey.

Arlington also rated significantly above the national average for overall quality of life - 86% for Arlington compared with 75% nationwide. Residents feel safe in Arlington, with 98% feeling safe in their neighborhood during the day and 91% having an overall feeling of safety in the County.

While the County saw a significant increase in satisfaction with overall maintenance of streets, this area, along with traffic flow and ease of travel, remains a top priority to improve.

"We're extremely pleased with the survey results showing overall resident satisfaction with County services, especially the high ratings in public safety and emergency response, parks & recreation, and libraries," said County Manager Mark Schwartz. "And we look forward to digging into the results and working on areas our residents told us are important to improve."

## Important Contact Info During Bad Weather



#### **Arlington County Closings and Cancellations**

Public Schools - 866-322-4APS (4277)

Recreation Classes / Sports (Fields & Leagues) - 703-228-4715

#### **State Roads**

VDOT - 511 or 1-800-367-7623

Or complete an online work request at <a href="https://www.virginiadot.org/travel/citizen.asp">www.virginiadot.org/travel/citizen.asp</a>

#### **Local Streets**

Arlington County - 703-228-6485

(During a storm, and for a period thereafter, you may hear a recorded message)

#### **Downed Power Lines**

Dominion Power - 888-DOM-HELP (366-4357)

#### **Downed Trees**

Hazardous trees and branches blocking Arlington County streets - 703-558-2222

Trees or branches near or on power lines call Dominion Power - 888-DOM HELP

(Fallen trees on private property that aren't on power lines are the property owner's responsibility)

#### Fairlington Glen Contact List (January 2019)

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Meets second Tuesday of the month**

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**EMERGENCY NUMBER** (after business hours and on weekends and holidays) 866-370-2989

NOTE: The Glen does not retain contractors for, or allow staff to undertake, repairs that are a co-owner responsibility under its Bylaws (such as sink back ups), absent emergency where the co-owner is unable to act (disabled, out-of-town, etc.).

# January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Happy 2019	2	3	4	5 Bulk Trash Pick Up
6	7	8 Board Meets - 6:30p/FCC	9	10 Landscape Meeting - 7:15p/FCC	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21  Martin Luther King Jr. Day	22	23	24	25	26 Home Improvement Showcase - 9:00a/FCC
27	28 Court Reps Group Meets - 7:00p/FCC	29	30	31		

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## February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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