

The Glen Echo

Newsletter of Fairlington Glen

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It All Starts With Great Neighbors

A community is defined as "a social unit of any size that shares common values or that is situated in a given geographical area." A great community starts with its people, and in Fairlington Glen we're fortunate to have terrific neighbors. If you don't know your neighbors or haven't taken the time to connect with them or form a relationship with them, then you're missing out on one of the best aspects of life in the Glen.

Last month, my mother fell in her home. Her first call for help was made to her next door neighbor who quickly responded and determined she needed an ambulance. Mom had surgery for a partial hip replacement and is currently on the road to recovery in a rehabilitation facility. Meantime, several of her neighbors have gladly pitched in to help. One is bringing in the mail each day. Another is making sure her trash can is put out and taken back in. Others are planning a visit to help brighten her spirits while she recovers. Mom doesn't live in Fairlington, but her community is also full of great people who have forged wonderful neighborly relationships. We're fortunate to have the same here in Glen.

When you reside in a condominium community like ours, you live next to and on top of your neighbors. Some share a front stoop. Multiple homes share a courtyard and its parking lot. All 352 units share a swimming pool. My point is that once we leave our homes it's hard not to see our neighbors. Don't be afraid to say hello and wish them a good day. If you don't know each other, be sure to introduce yourself.

I think one of the biggest benefits to living in the Glen is the network of terrific people living here too. That's why it's so important to know your neighbors and help each other out. Ask them to look after your place if you're going out of town. Ask an elderly neighbor if they need help with anything. Offer your neighbors a ride to the doctor, airport, or grocery store if needed. Chances are when you need help they will be there for you too.

I am certainly thankful for my Glen neighbors AND that my mother's neighbors came to her assistance when she needed them most.

Jay Yianilos / Board President

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Roofs - Going Into The Final Stretch



With the completion of the roof replacement now underway in Court 10, the Glen will have only eight half roofs left to replace before turning to other areas for significant capital expenditures. Fairlington Glen's roof replacement has been underway since 1995, and we hope to complete the replacement of remaining Bangor slate roofs (the least durable kind) during 2016 and 2017.

There is a chance, however, that the Board may wait until early 2017 and early 2018 for the final two years of roof replacement. The 2015 work, while nearly completed, is entering its eighth month. The Board may suggest that roof replacement work commence in the early spring so that all work can be done during favorable weather months and the community will be inconvenienced less.

Once finished, we will have a breathing spell on slate roof replacement for a number of years, since the original and more durable Vermont and Buckingham slate may last 100 years from installation in 1943. The work that has been done is shown in the color-coded chart on the next page.

We are also pleased to report that Glen roof gutters sustained very little damage during the 24-inch snowstorm in January, which was not true in some other parts of Fairlington. After the considerable damage that occurred in 2010, our specs were strengthened and many gutters and underlying support structures were replaced. While the snow was not as heavy in January as it had been in 2010, our strengthened systems no doubt helped as well.

Thanks to all who have been encased in support structures used by our roof contractor over the past few months. Slate roofs take considerable time to replace, but they add significant character and beauty to our neighborhood and are a defining element of Fairlington.

Next Roof Work Project Goes Out To Bid

The Board has agreed to have our engineering consultants, Restoration Engineering, Inc. (REI), begin the bidding process for the next round of roof replacement work in the Glen.

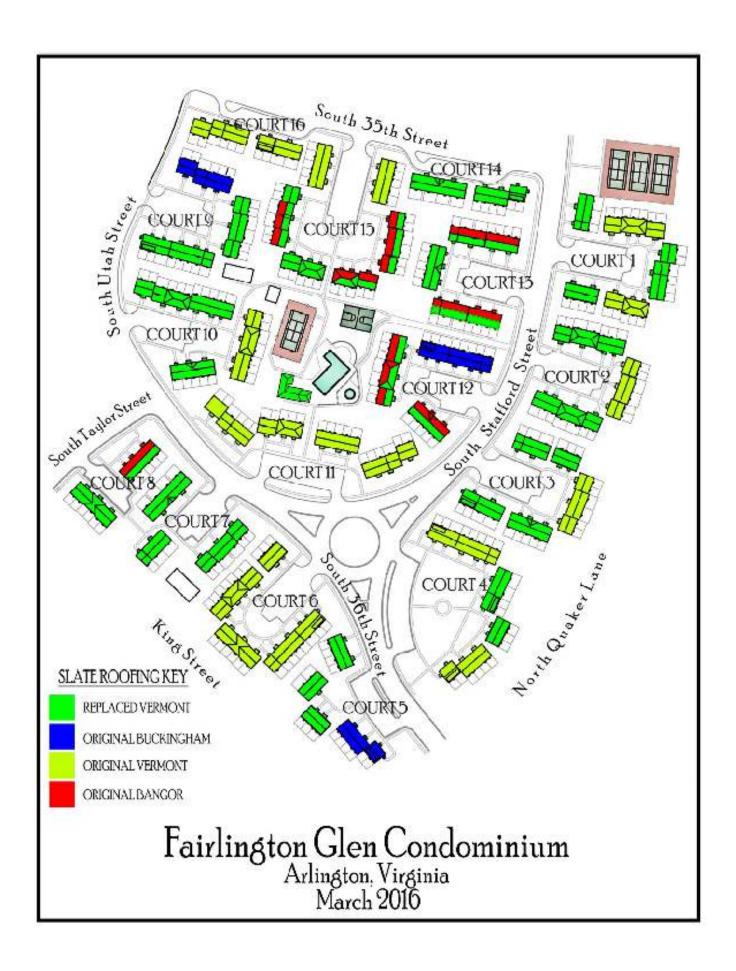
Three buildings in two courts are scheduled for partial roof replacement. They are:

Court 8

3601-3609 S. Taylor Street (front)

Court 12

3564-3574 S. Stafford Street (back) and 3576-3584 S. Stafford Street (front)



Landscape - Spring Walk-through, New Approach

The Glen's annual Spring Landscape Walkthrough is set for Saturday, March 19 at 9:00am. Anyone interested in joining the walk-through should meet at the Stafford Street Circle. The Landscape Committee and representatives from Environmental Enhancements, Inc. (EE), our landscape contractor, will begin a walk through the community to identify areas in need of landscape improvement in our common areas.



Beginning this spring, the Landscape Committee will try a new approach to landscape enhancements, Historically, the Landscape Committee has made improvements thanks to individual requests made by our residents. While this has helped improve the appearance of many areas, some mulch beds have been neglected and are in need of attention. This year the Landscape Committee will try to make improvements that most benefit the Glen as a whole, not just individual mulch beds. Efforts will be made to emphasize existing plantings and create a common palette of plantings within the court. Please consider joining the Spring Landscape Walk-through and helping to beautify the Glen.

Join The All-New Red Reflector Club



Spring is around the corner! With days getting longer and the snow behind us, it's time to think about your green space. Let's make 2016 the year to beautify the Glen! The Landscape Committee encourages you to experience the joy of gardening.

If you are a do-it-yourself type person and want to take care of your own plant bed, you should be a part of the Red Reflector Club. Joining the club is simple, and doing so alerts our contractor to skip your area with regards to trimming shrubs, pulling weeds, deadheading, etc. The contractor will, however, continue to cut and edge the grass in front of your unit and mulch all beds.

The Red Reflector Club application form can be found on the next page of this newsletter. You'll also find the form on our website at http://www.fairlington.org/glenindex under the "documents" tab. Fill it out and turn it in. You can mail the form to Carolyn Lathey at 4128 S. 36th Street or drop it off at her home. You may also email Carolyn at lathey.ca@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please let Carolyn know.

Check next month's Glen Echo for details regarding the annual Spring Clean Up & Planting Day.

FAIRLINGTON GLEN RED REFLECTOR CLUB

The mulched beds surrounding our homes are common property and are maintained by the landscape contractor. However, some residents prefer to maintain their common front or side beds themselves. A red reflector in a visible place in your bed alerts the contractors to leave this area alone.

This form should be completed each year and submitted by March 31st.

The resident:

- should install a red reflector in the bed in a visible location.
- should maintain the area (weed, feed, water, prune, and deadhead the beds regularly).
- should avoid planting anything invasive, including but not limited to English ivy.
- understands that the Glen Board of Directors reserves the right to assume responsibility for improperly maintained beds.

(Mulching provided twice a year by Glen contractors)

PLEASE PRINT

Name of Resident(s):		Co-owner/Tenant (circle one
Address:	Court #	
Phone Number:	Email:	

Please return your completed form and pickup your reflector to Carolyn Lathey, 4128 S. 36th St. (Court 5) or by email: lathey.ca@gmail.com

HAPPY GARDENING!

Glen Landscape Committee

Get Ready To Spring Forward



On Sunday, March 13, we return to Daylight Saving Time. That means at 2:00am please set your clocks forward one hour - or change your clocks before you go to bed on Saturday night. You'll lose an hour of sleep that night, but gain daylight in the afternoon.

Plus, this is always a great time to remind you to change the batteries in your smoke detector.

Lights Out? Here's What You Can Do

Each of our 16 courtyards has decorative carriage lights in front of the buildings. Like any other lights, the bulbs sometimes start to flicker or go out entirely. If you see one of the carriage lights in your court blinking or completely out, please alert your Court Rep. In turn, the Court Rep will report the outage to our maintenance team so that the bulb can be replaced.

The tall lights that line our streets are maintained by Dominion Virginia Power. Should you notice one of these lights out, the first thing you should do is note the identification number on the light pole. See the example in the picture on the right. Then you'll want to email Dominion at customer.service@dom.com. Be sure to give them the light's ID number and the nearest address of the light. You can also use your smartphone to report the street light to Arlington County using the County's free ArlingtonVA Mobile App.

Please don't rely on others to report lights that are out. Take a few minutes and report the outage yourself. Thank you!



Court 12 Sewer Repairs Completed



After a sewer back up in November at 3570 S. Stafford Street (Court 12), inspection of the sewer lateral revealed that a portion of the original clay pipe protruding out from under the building's basement floor slab was impacted by a tree root. That section of pipe had to be replaced.

The Board President approved a contract with Dwyer Plumbing Corp. in the amount of \$8100, and the work took place in February.



Get To Know Arlington Neighborhood Village

Many parts of the country have developed non-governmental organizations that help seniors remain in the community and their homes. With assistance from volunteers, these organizations - called "villages" - help with household tasks, transportation, technology, and the like. Social and educational opportunities are often even more popular than service requests.

Our local village, Arlington Neighborhood Village (ANV), provides these services throughout the County, and will be holding its regular Wednesday morning coffees in Fairlington this month. If you would like to get to know some ANV members and consider joining or volunteering, then go to one of its March coffees right here in Fairlington at the Community Center at 3308 S. Stafford Street at 10:00am (except for March 30, when the coffee will be in the Campbell Room at the Shirlington Library). Topics and speakers for March include:

March 9 - Betsy Campeau - Executive Director of the Arlington Philharmonic

March 16 - Scott Miller- Arlington Street People's Assistance Network (ASPAN)

March 23 - Mary Margaret Whipple - Co-Chair of "Voices From The Garden" Virginia Wom en's Monument

March 30 - Arlington's intention to become an AARP "age friendly" certified community

Take a friend and find out more about Arlington's local "village." If you may enjoy full membership in ANV, the cost is \$500 a year for a single person and \$750 for a household. Once you have joined, there are no further charges during the year for volunteer-provided services. For more information, call the ANV office at 703-509-8057 or visit www.arlnvil.org.

Tennis Courts Are For Tennis Only

As stated in the Fairlington Glen Handbook, "The tennis courts are for tennis only and may not be used for other recreational activities."

We ask for your help in adhering to this policy. In recent weeks and months, residents have been seen using the courts as a playground and a dog park. Neither is permissible.

There is to be NO skateboarding, roller skating, scooter riding, and/ or bicycle or tricycle riding on the tennis courts. There are to be no games other than tennis played on the courts. Dogs are NOT allowed on the courts under any circumstances.



In 2011 the Glen spent a considerable amount of money to repair our four tennis courts. At the single court near the pool, we spent \$41,655. At the triple tennis courts near Court 1 we spent \$96,370. We ask that you please help to preserve our costly investments.

Also, the tennis courts should remain locked when not in use. Therefore, we ask all tennis players to please lockup the courts after you finish playing.

Thanks for your attention to these matters.



Court 10's Susan Hunchar

THE GLEN 10 10 Q's & A's with Susan Hunchar

Maybe you've seen their faces, but do you know their stories? Get to know your neighbors in the Glen each month through this feature we call the Glen 10.

- 1. Congratulations on your recent retirement from the Fairlington Glen Board of Directors. Looking back, how would you describe the experience of your three years serving on the Board? "I enjoyed my Board tenure and all the challenges it presented. The Glen is an aging infrastructure and presents some unique and 'interesting' concerns. Nothing beats a phone call about a sewer backup or water intrusion! Parking lot paving, roof replacements, and the new tot lot were major projects that gave me the chance to learn and make decisions that affected residents. We tried to make decisions based on 'lessons learned' while considering new and better ways of doing things as well as considering our fiduciary responsibility and treating residents fairly. If there were non-agreement on an issue during a meeting, once the meeting was over, the meeting was over and we left on good terms. We are very fortunate to have residents who have been involved in Glen projects or governance and are very receptive to providing advice and history."
- 2. For someone who hasn't been on the Board yet and/or doesn't know, please tell us what type of time commitment it can be. Would a new co-owner or long-time co-owner be better suited for such a role? "We had the 'luxury' of having several retirees and work-athome members on the Board who made themselves available to check on projects, meet with contractors, or walk around the Glen to make sure things were ok in addition to the management agent. A mixed blessing at times! In addition to the monthly Board meeting, I would say an additional four hours per month can be spent on Glen business to keep abreast of daily life in the Glen and be active in governing and protecting our investments in our homes. I think prior experience on a condo board would be wonderful or experience working on a Glen project or being a Court Rep. It is more difficult getting more volunteers than when I first moved here...face it, people are busy, work long hours, travel for business...but, there are many opportunities to participate in small and large Glen projects/activities and committees. It's also a great way to meet people! Keep up-to-date by reading the *Glen Echo* monthly to discover volunteer opportunities and by attending Board or committee meetings."

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- 3. Serving on the Board was certainly not your first volunteer position in the Glen. What other projects or committees have you been a part of over the years? "Within days of moving to the Glen's Court 10 in November 1986, I met a neighbor, Nora Glenn (yes, her real surname), who suggested that I would enjoy being on the Buildings & Grounds Committee. Nora was the Court 10 representative to the old B&G Committee. I became Court rep in January 1988 and volunteered to cochair the committee from April 1996 through November 2002. Yikes, 14 years! I helped revise the 1986 Handbook in 1999. We followed the format of the 1986 Handbook including citations to the 'legal' authorities (Board actions for the most part) for the actions resulting in policies. That meant pouring over the paper versions of Board minutes from meetings for 1986 through 1999. Marge Angelo's husband Frank did all the typing, though...on WORDPERFECT! I will be forever grateful to Jocelyne Corderot (Court 1) for her help and patience while we were compiling the 2015 Handbook and to Margaret Windus, Jane Golden, and Mike Hickey for all their proofreading."
- **4. Volunteering is very satisfying. How important is it for all residents, both co-owners and renters, to volunteer in their community?** "I think volunteering is giving back; thus, if you enjoy living here, you can volunteer for established committees, attend Board meetings, and suggest changes and be willing to work toward their fruition. Everyone has a place and a voice in the Glen. Although Board members must be co-owners, residents who rent have a lot to offer and we have examples of those who contributed to the Glen by participating."
- **5.** Now for a little background on Susan. How long have you lived in the Glen? And what brought you to Arlington? "I moved into the Glen in November 1986. I had been renting in Alexandria for about six years and took the 'big step' to buy and was adamant about NOT living in Fairlington (all electric home!). Well, location was the primary factor for me and observing life in the Glen a few times after work or on a day off. Seeing children playing, lots of dogs being walked, and people saying hello to me, a total stranger walking around the Glen, sold me."



We Are Penn State - says Susan

- **6. Where did you grow up and where did you go to school?** "I grew up in Nanticoke, PA, a small coal-mining town in northeastern Pennsylvania. My undergrad work was at Penn State and my Master's in Library Science & Information Services was done at the University of Maryland."
- 7. You have not only retired from the Board, but also from the full-time working world. Please tell us a bit about your career. Where did you work and when did you retire? "I had a great career as a librarian, research analyst, information analyst, or any other title that reflected library or information research. I started with a Defense Department agency in 1968, left in 1975 for a short stint at the University of Pennsylvania, and moved back to the DC area in 1976 to the Federal Trade Commission and then to the Justice Department's Antitrust Division. My next move was to the Joint Library of the International Monetary Fund & World Bank and then to the International Finance Corp., the private sector arm of the World

Bank. I retired from the World Bank Group in March 2000. Sounds like I couldn't keep a job! I was fortunate that early in my career computers came onto the scene and I embraced them readily and earned a reputation for bringing libraries into the 20th Century. After retiring, I spent 11 fun years working at Reunions, the antiques and gift shop in Fairlington Centre."

- 8. Now that your Board term has ended, what are your plans for your so called free time? "I volunteer as an usher at Arena Stage and will probably volunteer again at the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia because I saw the enthusiasm and results of their work when I volunteered there right after I retired in 2000. I'll also get back to doing some travelling and visiting family more frequently. I'm getting back to pleasure reading and knitting baby blankets for charities."
- 9. The column on page one of this newsletter talks about neighbors. Can you share a little something about your thought on relationships with neighbors? What kinds of things do you and your neighbors help each other with in Court 10? "I think neighbors are important in life. It can be difficult when living so close to neighbors, but following Glen 'good neighbor' guidelines in the Handbook makes it easy along with common sense. Although our court is not as connected today as in my early years, we still help each other. During the recent big snow, wonderful neighbors dug out my car, shoveled my entry sidewalks several times, and checked in to make sure I was comfortable and dropped off extra helpings of mac & cheese! It wasn't long before I realized that I am now an 'elder' in this court! These are things I used to do for former elderly residents. We have a resident who is overseen by another resident who takes her grocery shopping, etc. Word gets around when someone is ill, become parents, or may even just need a hug."

"I think volunteering is giving back...everyone has a place and a voice in the Glen." -Susan Hunchar

10. Long-time residents have great memories of life in the Glen. Can you share one or two of your fondest moments/stories about our community? "I enjoyed the carolers around Christmas Eve. There was also the 36th Street circle beautification one spring (led by ultragardener Ralph Leedy of Court 10) that had a group of us planting daffodils all over the circle. This effort has been continued the past several years with our Spring and Fall Clean Up days. I miss the Court 10 impromptu grilling get-togethers, but the Halloween bonanza in the open space by my neighbors has become a 'destination.' I recall how on 9/11 I was in DC when the disaster started and my car was in the cordoned-off area. My neighbor Jane took me back into town later that night to retrieve it when permission was given. And how we all huddled together those ensuing days. That was definitely a difficult time for all, but especially for those of us without family in the area. But our neighbors were wonderful substitutes. Two fond memories are the openings of the current tot lot and its predecessor - lots of excited children. And the opening of the new pool complex was also a major highlight."

The editor is always looking for interesting Glen residents to feature each month in the Glen 10. If you have a friend or neighbor that you'd like to nominate for a future interview, please send their name and contact info to iasonyianilos@yahoo.com.

3rd Annual Fairlington 5K

Mark your calendar now and start training for the 3rd Annual Fairlington 5K Run & Walk on Saturday, April 23.

This family-friendly event will be hosted by Abingdon Elementary School and the Fairlington Citizens Association (FCA) to promote health and physical fitness AND to bring the community together for a good cause, which is to raise money and awareness for Ellie McGinn and Abingdon Elementary.



Ellie is a second-grade student at Abingdon and a Fairlington Arbor resident who was diagnosed with a rare degenerative brain and spinal cord mitochondrial disease for which there is no known cure. Last year, there were more than 600 participants who helped raise \$22,000 for the Cure For Ellie Fund and for Abingdon Elementary.

Plus, a silent auction on April 15 at the Fairlington Community Center will help to raise funds.

Take part in the 1-Mile Fun Run or 5K (3.1 miles) through Fairlington. Part of the 5K course even comes through the Glen. Registration rates are \$35 for adults, \$20 for kids 10-16, \$15 for children 6 to 9, and FREE for children under 5.

You'll find more details at www.fairlington5K.com.

Sign Up For DMV's Emergency Contact Program

The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is now registering customers for the common-wealth's Emergency Contact Program.

Authorized by the General Assembly in 2015, the Emergency Contact Program gives state law enforcement a way to notify a participant's family or friends in the event of a serious crash or other emergency that leaves him or her unable to communicate.

The program is free and is available to residents with a valid Virginia driver's license, identification card, learner's permit, commercial driver's license, or temporary driver's license. Participation is voluntary. Parents and guardians who would like to enroll a child under age 15 must first obtain a child ID card for their child.

Customers may list up to two emergency contacts. DMV will securely store the information and it will only be available for use by law enforcement in an emergency.

There are three ways to sign up for Virginia's Emergency Contact Program:

- 1. Visit www.dmvNOW.com
- 2. Go to any DMV customer service center or DMV 2 Go mobile office.
- 3. Send the completed form to Data Integrity Work Center, Virginia DMV, P.O. Box 27412, Richmond, VA 23269

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

March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Landscape Meeting - 7pm/FCC	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Board Meeting - 6:45p/FCC	9	10	11	12
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10	11	12 Board Meeting - 6:45p/FCC	13	14	15	16
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