

# The Glen Echo

## **Newsletter of Fairlington Glen**

# November 2006

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The new assessment schedule below shows the results of the assessment change. This schedule takes effect January 1, 2007. If you have automatic deduction, the new amount will be deducted on that date. We encourage you to consider this option as it is more cost-effective for the Glen and assures that your assessment is received on time. Those who still use coupon books will receive them in December.

2007 Fees

Unit Type

Arlington

Barcroft (Inside)

Braddock (Inside)

Clarendon (Inside)

Braddock (End)

Clarendon (End)

Edgewood (End)

Dominion

Barcroft (End)

**GLEN ANNUAL MEETING REPORT** 

Fairlington Glen's Annual Meeting was held on November 14 at the Abingdon School in North Fairlington. Our quorum count came in at 57.7% thanks to the Court Representatives Group, whose members went door to door the weekend before the meeting to scour up as many last minute proxies as possible. We thank all who participated, in person or by proxy, in approving our 2007 budget and voting for directors.

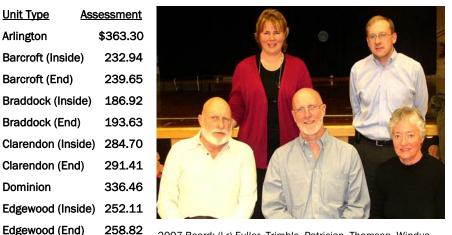
Elected to the Board for three-year terms were Bob Patrician and Jasper Thomson, and for a one-year term John Fuller. The Board will seek your input and participation as we move along with what is expected to be another year of significant activity in the Glen. At the meeting, President Bob Patrician reviewed the highlights of 2006 activities (a fuller version of that report will be included in the December GLEN ECHO) and then turned to our many new committees and task groups who have so ably assisted the Glen this year. We thank them all for their hard work.

In a brief meeting after the annual meeting, the Board met to elect its officers. The new officers and their telephone numbers and e-mail addresses are:

President	Robert Patrician	703-379-4379	bob.patrician@verizon.net
Vice President	John Fuller	703-521-1835	fairlingtonglen@aol.com
Secretary	Alison Burns Trimble	703-931-7096	alisont@comcast.net
Treasurer	Margaret Windus	703-379-1718	bowindus@att.net
At Large	Jasper Thomson	703-820-6525	jthomson@vsadc.com

The Board will meet for the foreseeable future at 4820 S. 31st St., just beyond the Long & Foster building in North Fairlington, a facility provided by the County as a substitute while the Fairlington Community Center is undergoing renovation for the next 18 months. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 5. Meetings in 2007 will be on the first Thursday of each month to accommodate the needs of our new management agent. A full calendar will accompany the December GLEN ECHO.

If you would like to receive the agenda by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to Alison Burns Trimble at alisont@comcast.net.



2007 Board: (I-r) Fuller, Trimble, Patrician, Thomson, Windus



Some Great Glen Citizens at the **Glen Annual Meeting!** 

# **VARIANCE PROCESS**

Everyone likes change, particularly when it affects the home or garden. BUT... in a condominium, homeowners who want to change the exterior appearance of their units or to make structural modifications to the unit's interior must obtain permission from the Board before starting the work. Variance requirements are discussed in detail in the Master Deed (Article 26) and By-Laws (Article VI, Section 3(b). Chapter 5 of the Glen Handbook, which is on our web site (www.fairlington.org/glenindex.htm) provides the information you need to get started on the variance process.

One change that has recently occurred is the appointment of Greg Lukmire, a former Board President and respected local architect, as Variance Coordinator. Among the tasks the Board has asked Greg to take on is a review of the Glen's record of variances and the rules governing actions that require a variance. At the November Board meeting, Greg summarized unit modifications that require a variance and proposed procedures to assure that the community and its individual co-owners are adequately protected as modifications are made (including construction review after completion). The Board will consider these ideas during the coming months.

In the meantime, please review the variance procedures in the Glen Handbook. If you are considering doing work on your home, contact Greg (<u>glukmire@verizon.net</u> or 703-578-4844) with any questions, and send him your completed variance request. We want to insure that our owners can renovate their homes while maintaining the architectural and structural integrity of our community.

## Fall Tree Work Update

Davey Tree has completed the fall tree work in the Glen. The next assessment for needed tree work will be done in the early spring. We will announce an exact date for the Spring Walkthrough in a later edition of the Glen Echo. If you live in Courts 5 through 8, you should have received a letter asking for your views on treatment options for the Leyland Cypress trees (the row of trees closest to the houses.) Please respond to this request with your views as soon as possible, The Board needs your input on this issue. If you need another copy of the letter, please contact Alison Burns Trimble at alisont@comcast.net or (703) 931-7096.

## A Big Thank You to Charlie Robbins!



Charlie Robbins has rotated off the Glen Board after 5 years of service. Charlie has served as B&G Liaison along with being the Court 13 Representative. He has also served the Board and our community this past year as a member of the Management Agent Task Group. Charlie was always a voice of reason and level-headed maturity on the Board and we thank him for his contributions. We will miss him.

**Friendly reminders....**parking is tight throughout the Glen in part due to the water main replacements undertaken by Arlington County.....please be considerate of your Glen neighbors and don't double-park or park in a space not assigned to you....please be sure and remind your expected guests of our parking rules.....when placing your newspapers out for Wednesday pickup, please tie them up or place them in a paper bag, otherwise, the wind can carry them away and deposit them all over the Glen. Many thanks and

Happy Thanksgiving to All!!!!



Ct 1 Red Oak Trimming Work



Numbers are Us!