

### The Glen Echo

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

September 2013

#### PLEASE SLOW DOWN

A recent post on the Fairlington Citizens Association (FAC) Facebook page has reminded me to share their friendly reminder: "When driving through Fairlington, please obey the speed limit." It goes on to offer "your destination will still be there."

This item, posted by former FCA President Rosiland Jordan, drew more than a dozen comments from Fairlington residents and more than two dozen "likes." Considering how many people live in our community, there certainly should have been more concerned voices on this subject.

Schools are back in session. Buses are on the roads to pick up and drop off our children each and every weekday once again. That alone is a good reason to remind you that the speed limit in Fairlington is 25 miles per hour. Oh, and don't forget those red eight-sided signs with the word "stop." It's pretty self explanatory, but that sign means STOP. I can still hear the voice of a high school coach who taught a behind the wheel class that I took as a teenager. He said "the sign says STOP, not ROLL,"

Two years ago I didn't heed that advice and was ticketed for failure to come to a complete stop at a stop sign at the intersection of S. Taylor and S. 36th Streets. That mistake cost me nearly \$100. Wish I had heard the coach's voice that day. Trust me, now I'm among the minority that comes to a complete stop at every stop sign. If only the Arlington County Police Department was paying more attention to other cars in Fairlington. At the going rate, the County could make a fortune from our speeders and non-stoppers.

The issue here is safety. Not just for our kids, but for our adults and our pets and our neighborhood. Please slow down and obey the posted speed limit signs. And please stop, not roll at the stop signs. As Lauri Dabbieri pointed out on Facebook, those signs are not "stoptional." A safer Fairlington is a better Fairlington!

Jay Yianilos / Board President

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### LAST CALL FOR BOARD CANDIDATES

Please remember that the deadline is approaching for candidates to declare for our fall election. This year, the Fairlington Glen Board of Directors will have one seat to fill. Vice President Keith June was elected last year to fulfill the remaining year of a previous Board member's term. That seat will be up for a new three-year term, and Keith has indicated his desire to run again. If you are interested, you'll need to complete a one-page candidate profile and submit it no later than September 28, 2013. For a profile form, please contact the Board President.



Board members serve three-year terms, and those terms are staggered so that in any given year one or two terms are completed. Candidates simply run for a spot on the Board and not for a specific role. At the Board's first meeting following the fall election, the new Board will determine each of its officers for 2014.

Serving on the Glen Board is voluntary; however, it's rewarding to know that you're helping to make lasting, positive changes to our community.

There are no specific prerequisites for the job, though it may help to have some familiarity with Glen fiscal and policy matters. It also helps to have an open mind, a penchant for conflict resolution, a willingness to take responsibility for decisions, and the passion and energy necessary to get the job done.

Over the years, many of our co-owners have volunteered their time as Board members, Court Reps, or by serving on various committees. For those interested in running for the Board, talk to a current Board member to know more about what is involved. The Board can be reached at:

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#### GLEN COMMUNITY FORUM

Don't forget to join us at the Glen pool on Wednesday, September 4 at 7:30pm for the annual Community Forum. The Board will discuss the proposed 2014 budget, which was included in last month's *Glen Echo*, and answer any questions you have regarding our neighborhood. It's also a prime opportunity to hear from and talk with individuals considering running for the Board in the fall.

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 into the nearby maintenance facility.

### POOL PARTY / DOG SWIM

Join your friends and neighbors in the Glen for our annual end-of-summer pool party on Saturday, September 7 from 4:00to 7:00pm at the Glen Pool. We'll fire up the grill and cook hot dogs, hamburgers, and veggie burgers. Plus, we'll provide margaritas for the adults and snow cones for the kids. Come join the fun and please bring a side dish (chips, salads, vegetables, casseroles, etc.) or a dessert to share. In case of rain, the party will be moved to Sunday, September 8.





Another Glen tradition is our annual end-of-summer dog swim on Sunday, September 8 at 7:45pm. You've been swimming all summer, and now it's your dog's turn to go for a dip. All pet owners must abide by Chapter 2 of the Arlington County Code:

- Dogs shall remain on a leash when outside of the pool and under control of an adult.
- Dog owners shall ensure that all dogs have a current rabies vaccination and an Arlington County license.
- Dogs which are observed to be in poor health, aggressive to people or other dogs, or which otherwise present a public health risk shall be excluded or removed.

#### LANDSCAPE WALK-THROUGH

Landscape Committee Chair Corey Love reminds you that our fall landscape walk-through will take place on Saturday, September 7. Meet at 9:00am in the Stafford Circle and join us as we walk through the community reviewing the plantings in our common areas.

The deadline to submit landscape request forms has already passed. Only items that are requested in advance will be considered. If you submitted a suggestion, please note that a request doesn't always mean that the work will be approved and completed.

# THE GLEN 10 - 10 Q's & A's WITH KAREN CONROY

This month, enjoy 10 questions and 10 answers from Karen Conroy, the Glen's property manager with the Cardinal Management Group.

- 1. Where are you originally from? And how long have you lived in Virginia? "I was born and raised in Cleveland, OH. I moved to Virginia in 1978 with my new husband thinking we were only going to be here for a year or two. Thirty-five years later, we are still here!"
- 2. What path did you follow to get to Cardinal Management? "From 1978 to 2000, I worked at a world-wide financial institution headquartered in Vienna, VA. During most of that time, I was involved as a volunteer in my own homeowners association where I developed a keen interest in how HOA's worked. That led to a part-time job with, what was at that time, a small management firm. One thing led to another, and here I am. I pursued the continuing



education/professional development programs offered through the Community Associations Institute (CAI) and earned the Professional Community Association Manager (PCAM) designation in January 2010. This is the highest professional, nationwide designation available to community managers."

- **3.** How many properties in addition to Fairlington Glen do you manage/oversee? "Nine. The Glen plus 8 others full time, and another being transitioned by the end of the summer."
- **4. With nine properties to manage, what are some of your biggest day-to-day challenges that you face?** "Trying to fit 24 hours of in-office work/tasks into eight while being on site at each of the properties at least once a week! And since every caller/person leaving a message or sending an email has a request that is extremely urgent for them, trying to sort out the 'urgent' needs from the 'important' needs and prioritizing the tasks is challenging—all while responding within 24 hours of their request."
- **5.** Of all of the properties that you manage, what makes Fairlington Glen different? "A strong sense of community and history. You have many long-time, original owners; there is great pride taken in the upkeep of the entire community. The sense that people 'belong' here really comes through when speaking to residents."
- **6.** Although you don't live in the Glen, you visit us quite often. What are your favorite aspects of our community? "The trees, the walkability of the neighborhood, the open spaces, and the people & dogs I meet along the way."

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- 7. You must receive a large amount of voicemails and emails each day. How do you have the time to respond to each resident's requests? "I have great so-workers and administrative support at Cardinal. The management assistant assigned to work with me for the Glen, Dana Dickason, is invaluable!"
- **8.** Can you share a story regarding the strangest resident question, whether from the Glen or not, that you have received? "A few years ago, in the very early morning hours of New Year's Day, I received an emergency phone call from someone who obviously was out celebrating. He called me from a taxi cab asking for his home address."
- **9. What is the best part about your job?** "Getting to meet people in the communities and seeing different parts of the area. I have great opportunities to explore and learn about the different neighborhoods in Northern Virginia."
- **10.** When you're not working, what are some of your hobbies and favorite things to do? "We have a group of 'food/wine/travel' friends that keep life interesting. We have regularly scheduled wine dinners at each other's homes that rival any five-star restaurant in the area. We travel together, too—often to wine-producing regions of the US and Canada."

(Editor's Note: If you know someone we should feature in the Glen 10, please let us know!)

#### TIPS ON CRIME & SAFETY

Use a photoelectric cell to turn front and back porch lights on at dusk and off at dawn. Lighting the community by using existing lights is the first step recommended by Arlington County Police.

Install an interior hood over the mail slot in your door (allowing space for mail to enter) to prevent someone from looking inside.

Close blinds or curtains in the evening to prevent someone from looking in.

Single cylinder deadbolt locks can be used on front or back exterior doors that have no windows. They are operated with a key from the outside and a thumb turn on the inside.

Double cylinder deadbolt locks can be used on any front or back exterior doors and are operated with a key from both inside and outside your home. Use on exterior doors with windows.

When you leave for an extended period of time, make sure your home looks "lived in." Have a trusted friend or neighbor pick up any mail, flyers, newspapers, or packages left at your door.

Put lights on timers and connect a radio (talk radio station) to a timer to ensure that your home sounds occupied when you are away for an extended time.

Don't indicate on your voicemail or social media pages how long you will be away from home.

If something or someone in the neighborhood looks out of place or suspicious, call the Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) to report it. The ACPD non-emergency number is 703-558-2222. Program that into your cell phone and assign a speed dial to it in the event you need to contact police.

#### Lost and Found: Replacing Personal Documents

Important personal documents like passports, birth & marriage certificates, and Social Security cards often are necessary for you and your family to access a number of government benefits and services. When those records are lost, stolen, or damaged, you'll need to find copies and replacements. This can guide help.

**PASSPORT**—A lost or stolen passport should be reported immediately to the US State Department at 1-877-487-2778. You'll need to submit forms DS-11 and DS-64 in person at a passport agency or acceptance facility. If you find your passport after reporting it lost, return it to the State Department; you won't be able to use it for travel. If you lose your passport overseas, contact the local US embassy or consulate. Find more info at www.travel.state.gov/passport/lost/lost 848.html.



**LIFE EVENT CERTIFICATES**—Birth, marriage, divorce, and death certificates are state records. To obtain a copy, contact the state office where the life event occurred. A complete list of state offices is available at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm">www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm</a>.

**SOCIAL SECURITY CARD**—If you know your Social Security number, you may not need to replace your Social Security card if it's lost. You can collect Social Security benefits, get a job, and apply for many government benefits and services with only your number. If you want to replace the card, mail or take documents that prove your identity (a current driver's license or US passport) and citizenship (US birth certificate or US passport) to a local Social Security office.

**MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS**—Copies of military service records typically are necessary to apply for government programs available for veterans, including health care, retirement or education benefits. The National Archives stores copies of all veterans' service records. Apply online to receive a copy of yours or an immediate family member's if they are deceased. You can also replace lost military medals and awards. Go to <a href="https://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/">www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/</a>.

These vital records and others, such as tax returns and school records, can be replaced. A complete list of tips on how to obtain all your personal records is available at <a href="https://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/Family-Issues/Vital-Docs.shtml">www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/Family-Issues/Vital-Docs.shtml</a>.

#### Celebrate Wakefield High School

All Wakefield High School students are starting the year in a brand new four-floor, 403,940 square foot building.

The community is invited to attend a dedication ceremony and open house at the new school on Sunday, September 22 from 1:30 to 4:30pm. For more details, go to <a href="https://www.arlington.k12.va.us">www.arlington.k12.va.us</a>.

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## September 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pool open 10a-9p	LABOR DAY Pool open 10a -9p	Pool Closed	Pool Closed  Community Forum @7:30pm	Pool Closed	Pool open 3-9p	Pool open 10a-9p Pool Party 4-7p Fall Landscape Walk -through @9am
8 Pool open 10a-8p Dog Swim @7:45pm	9	10 Board Meeting 7p @FCC	11	12	13	14
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6	7	8 Board Meeting 7p @FCC	9	10	11	12
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