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Newington Community Association Monthly Newsletter December 2009

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By John Peirce

Let me begin by stating that the events leading up to and culminating the debacle that was the meetings of the 11th were my responsibility and mine alone. I wish to apologize to the community, management and the Board.

Communication of ideas and the path forward shall be the new watch word. I expect open and honest debate as we move forward and will broker no talk that disturbs this debate. Before we begin moving forward there is still old business that needs resolution. To that; let me state that Lori Randall is our community manager, period. I will call for a motion that we accept the bid from Summit to continue their work in the coming year.

One thing that should be obvious to all is that the Board needs help. I joined the board because I was asked to and we still have two empty slots. I am asking all of you to please consider joining. We also need volunteers in various ways. We face many challenges in the coming years but I know that with the talents and energy this community has we can meet those challenges.

I have several ideas and concerns that I will be expanding on at the December meeting. One concern that I want to address now is the complete lack of committees. I remember in the past when we had both standing and ad hoc committees. I am looking for both ideas and people. I am looking forward to the December meeting and putting the last year behind us. I am not one that dwells in the past and I firmly believe that 2010 will be a great year. With your help and support it will be!

2009 NCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

Wednesday, December 2
Wednesday, January 6, 2010
Wednesday, February 3

All residents encouraged to attend!!!

REMINDER
Quarterly Assessments Due
January 1, 2010

NEWINGTON STATION DIRECTORY

<http://www.newingtoncommunity.org>

NCA COMMUNITY OFFICE

703-455-3606

Fax: 703-455-0013

Hours:

Mon / Wed / Fri ~ 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 pm

Tuesday / Thursday ~ 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Community Manager: Lori Randall

Email: manager@newingtoncommunity.org

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - John Peirce (Aug '12)

V. President - Liz Fernandez (Aug '12)

Treasurer - Chip Catherine (Aug '12) 703-343-5487

Secretary - Sarah Jernigan (Aug '10)

Member - Al Roy (Aug '11)

Member - Nestor Fernandez (Aug '10)

Member - John Nolan (Aug '10) 703-569-0531

Member - Vacant (Aug '11)

Member - Vacant (Aug '10)

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Board Liaison - TBN

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Chair—Liz Fernandez

Liaison—Chip Catherine

LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE

Chair—Nestor Fernandez

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Chair—Lou Tobat

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chair - TBN

Liaison—TBN

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

TBN (lawns, trees and paths)

John Peirce (streets)

Chip Catherine (pool, ballfield, lights, tot lots)

TOT LOT COMMITTEE

Chair — Stephanie Curb

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Emergency 911
Non-Emergency (Police & Fire) 703-691-2131
American Disposal Services 703-368-0500
Animal Control/Shelter 703-830-1100
Cox Cable 703-378-8422
Domestic Violence Hotline 800-838-8238
Dominion Towing 703-730-1177
Dominion Virginia Power 1-888-667-3000
Fairfax Connector 703-339-7200

www.fairfaxconnector.com

Fairfax County www.fairfaxcounty.gov

Fairfax County Housing Authority

Selena Davis 703-704-6758

Fairfax County Storm Water

Management (not State streets) 703-934-2800

Fairfax Water 703-698-5600

Key Middle School 703-313-3900

Lee High School 703-924-8300

Lorton Fire and Rescue 703-339-5141

Lorton Landfill 703-690-1703

Poison Control 202-625-3333

Pool (emergencies only) 703-455-9873

Saratoga Elementary School 703-440-2600

Streetlights 1-888-667-3000

Summit Management 703-360-0904

Supervisor Gerald Hyland 703-780-7518

Virginia Highway Department
(Snow—State Roads Only) 703-383-8368

Virginia Railway Express 1-800-RIDE VRE

Voter Information 703-222-0776

West Springfield District Police 703-644-7377

Zoning Office (Barking Dog Complaints)

Mon.-Fri., 8am—4:30 pm 703-324-1300

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**NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING –
November 4, 2009
Summary of the Minutes of the Meeting**

At 7:00pm the meeting was called to order by President John Peirce. Board members in attendance included Vice President Liz Fernandez, Treasurer Chip Catherine, Director Rita Steele, Director Nestor Fernandez, Director Sarah Jernigan, and Director John Nolan.

Community Forum included one appeal of a trash violation, a statement from the Vice President on an article in the newsletter (complete statement attached to full minutes), a statement that NCA's current management structure is better than what a full management company would provide, and a statement from David Randall regarding his interest in filling a vacancy on the Board (complete statement is attached to full minutes). There was extensive conversation on the budget and questions about the accuracy of the budget line items. Another resident, Al Roy, spoke to the Board about his interest in filling a vacant slot on the Board.

Committee and management reports were presented from Architectural, Planning and Development and Community Management. Highlights include the completion of walk through inspections for the 2009 year, the rescission of the Community Manager's resignation, and the Board's meeting with pool contractors.

Votes by the Board included 6 yes and 1 no to accept the October 7th meeting minutes, unanimous votes to accept the pool management contract and pool filter replacement contract of Titan Pools as well as accepting Director Jernigan to fill the role of Secretary.

Old business discussed included revisions to the Architectural Standards published in the newsletter and renewal of T-bills and possible switch to government backed CDs.

New business discussed included getting copies of opinion letters from the attorney's files and an approximate cost to have our governing documents reviewed for discrepancies. The Community Manager presented the Board with a proposal on spending the budgeted funds from the common grounds improvements line. This suggestion was countered with the idea of removing trees that affect curbs and gutters in the community. Quotes will be gotten for the next meeting. Cracking on a portion of the curb on Moline was brought to the Board's attention.

The Board recessed to Executive Session at 8:45pm to discuss hearings, contracts and personnel then reconvened to further address the communities questions on the budget.

Budget discussions continued and the assessments will remain the same as last year. Only budget line items will change. The audience had concerns about the budget and the inequities of budget lines. Based on the number provided there would be excesses and residents wanted to know what was going to be done with the excesses. There was a concern the money would be moved to reserves. There was a unanimous vote to approve the budget.

With regards to rule violations, Lots 409, 476 and 533 will be assessed charges for violations. Lot 388 will receive a hearing notice and Lot 119's violation charge will not be waived.

There is a budget committee meeting at 7pm on November 11th and the Board will add a Board meeting at 8pm to finish Board business not complete at the monthly meeting.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session to discuss Board vacancies at 9:45 pm and did not reconvene to open session.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, December 2, 2009 - 7:00pm in NCA Pool House. All residents are welcome to attend.

Comprehensive Minutes of the this meeting and the special meeting on November 11th can be found on the NCA website at www.newingtoncommunity.org.

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The Newington Community Association Board of Directors has passed the 2010 budget. Quarterly assessments will be:

Town Homes	\$228.19
Single Family Homes	\$193.47

Your contact information for assessments remains:

Summit Management
1900 Elkin Street, Suite 220
Alexandria, VA 22308,
Phone: 703-360-0904,
Email - accounting@summitmanage.com

**2010 quarterly assessments are due:
January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1.**



NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME

CANVASS

West Springfield District Station Criminal Investigations Section

Dear Neighbor:

The **Fairfax County Police Department** is currently investigating a burglary that occurred at the Newington Community Association Pool located at 7700 Delong Drive on October 28, 2009. Surveillance cameras at the pool captured images of the suspect. It is believed that the suspect lives in the neighborhood as he was seen leaving the area on a foot path that leads back into the neighborhood. Any information that you may have about the identity of this suspect would be greatly appreciated.

PLEASE CALL OR CONTACT:

Officer Matthew Jewett
West Springfield District Station
6140 Rolling Road Springfield, VA. 22152
Tel. (703)-644-7377 x 5034
Fax. (703)-912-6851
Email: matthew.jewett@fairfaxcounty.gov



Additional security camera pictures and footage available in community office if anyone needs a better look.



NCA's Annual Holiday Party

**Friday, December 11, 2009
Saratoga Elementary School
6:45 pm to 8:30 pm**

6:45—7:00 pm - Food and drinks

7:00—7:30 pm - Entertainment for the kids

7:30—8:00 pm - Pictures with Santa

8:00—8:30 pm - Raffle drawing / Clean Up

We still need volunteers for set up, pictures, baking, etc. This is a great way to get involved in the community!

*** If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Lori Randall, Community Manager at 703-455-3606 ***

COMMUNITY NEWS AND INFORMATION

WINTER TRASH SERVICE

It's that time again and we need all residents to be aware of the effect of the holidays and weather on the trash pick up schedule.

Christmas Day – NO TRASH SERVICE. Trash will be picked up on the previous and following Tuesday.

New Year's Day – NO TRASH SERVICE. Trash will be picked up on the previous and following Tuesday.

All early trash could result in a violation notice.

Christmas trees will be picked up the first two Wednesdays in January. All tinsel and decorations must be removed. Do not place trees in plastic bags and do not toss trees in NCA woods.

Inclement weather could result in the cancellation of trash service. If this should occur, trash (or recycling) must be brought back in. Service resumes on the next regularly scheduled collection day.

Towing Enforced on NCA Private Streets



- * Never park on a yellow curb or double park.
- * Commercial vehicles are prohibited.
- * Vehicles must be in running condition and display current safety inspections and registrations.

NCA e-Announcements

To receive community announcements (e.g., community events, change notices for board meetings, etc.), please send your email address to announcement@newingtoncommunity.org

You can also stay tuned by visiting the new NCA website at www.newingtoncommunity.org



FALL LEAVES REMINDER

All residents are responsible for the leaves on their property. Restrictions in NCA's Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions prohibit 'offensive activity that may become a nuisance' and 'disturbing common grounds'. Piling leaves on the common grounds kills the grass. Blowing leaves into the streets is a safety hazard. Leaves should be bagged and put out with trash.

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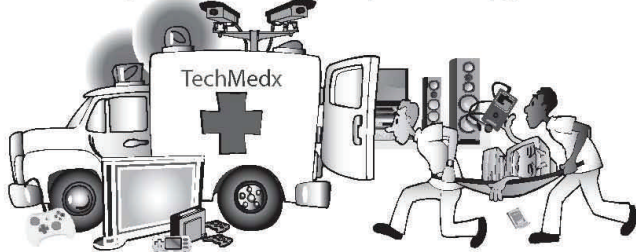


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Tuesday, December 1, 2009 *10:00 am & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 2, 2009 *10:00 am


* Reservations required for the morning performances.

Admission:
\$2.00 per person

For further information call: 202-767-2046/703-956-0447

Join us for this wonderful annual tradition at:

Robert E. Lee High School Auditorium
6540 Franconia Road, Springfield, VA 22151




Pam Boe's Newington Station Update

Available for Sale: None
Under Contract:

- Four 3-level townhomes listed from \$235,000 to \$263,499
- One 2-level townhome with a list price of \$175,000

For Rent:

- One single family home listed at \$2,350/mo
- Two 3-level townhomes listed at \$1,600/month and \$1,800/mo



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October 1, 2008 Through September 30, 2009

Firm Name	Listing Volume Sold (\$ million)
LONG & FOSTER / 176	\$99.4
RE/MAX ALLEGIANCE / 21	\$46.2
WEICHERT REALTORS / 46	\$36.9
COLDWELL BANKER RES/NRT / 62	\$20.6
RE/MAX CHOICE / 2	\$20.5
FAIRFAX REALTY / 8	\$18.5
JOBIN REALTY / 23	\$14.9
AVERY-HESS / 7	\$13.3
C-21 NEW MILLENNIUM / 12	\$9.2
RE/MAX 100 / 6	\$8.0

Washington, DC Metro area
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Newington Community Association

December 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Trash & recycling pickup	2 Yard Debris pickup* 7:00 pm NCA Board Mtg (pool house)**	3 White Goods Removal ¹	4 Trash & bulk pickup	5
6	7	8 Trash & recycling pickup	9 Yard Debris pickup*	10 White Goods Removal ¹	11 Trash & bulk pickup 6:45-8:30pm NCA Holiday Party, Saratoga Elem. 	12 <i>Hanukkah</i> 
13	14 <i>Newsletter Articles / Ads Due to CM</i>	15 Trash & recycling pickup	16 Yard Debris pickup*	17 White Goods Removal ¹	18 Trash & bulk pickup	19
20	21 <i>1st Day of Winter</i> 	22 Trash & recycling pickup	23 Yard Debris pickup* <i>Early Dismissal for Fairfax County Schools</i>	24 Winter Break—No School	25 <i>Christmas Day</i> 	26 <i>Kwanzaa</i> 
27	28 Winter Break—No School	29 Trash & recycling pickup	30 Yard Debris pickup*	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i> 		

** *Board meetings are open to all NCA residents.*

* For Single Family Homes Only

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