



# Inside Newington Station

Newington Community Association Monthly Newsletter  
**March 2010**

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## SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST



*1st place: Sylmarie Berdecia*

To beat the "Too Much Snow Blues" Durer Court had a snow sculpture contest. Judging was done on Friday, Feb. 12, 2010. Everyone who participated had a good time and the other Durer Court residents enjoyed seeing the sculptures. Since it was a contest we **did** have prizes.

See page 8 for the 2nd place winner and a list of all the sculpture winners.

## 2010 NCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

Wednesday, March 3  
Wednesday, April 7  
Wednesday, May 5

*All residents encouraged to attend!!!*

**~ REMINDER ~**

**NCA Quarterly Assessments Due  
April 1, 2009**

# NEWINGTON STATION DIRECTORY

<http://www.newingtoncommunity.org>

## NCA COMMUNITY OFFICE

703-455-3606

Fax: 703-455-0013

### Hours:

Monday through Friday  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Community Manager: Lori Randall

Email: [manager@newingtoncommunity.org](mailto:manager@newingtoncommunity.org)

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - John Peirce (Aug '12)

V. President - Liz Fernandez (Aug '12)

Email: [LizF63@gmail.com](mailto:LizF63@gmail.com)

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

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Member - Al Roy (Aug '11)

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

Member - Nestor Fernandez (Aug '10)

Member - Louise Whitt (Aug '11)

Member - Bob Fasick (Aug '10)

## ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Board Liaison - John Nolan

## BUDGET COMMITTEE

Chair—Liz Fernandez

Liaison—Chip Catherine

## LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE

Chair—Nestor Fernandez

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Chair—Lou Tobat

## RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chair - Volunteer Needed

Liaison—TBN

## MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Chairs—Sara Jernigan  
and Lori Randall

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chair—Bob Fasick

..Continued..

## BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Chair-Tom Queen

## USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Non-Emergency (Police & Fire)	703-691-2131
Including barking dog complaints	
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
	<a href="http://www.fairfaxconnector.com">www.fairfaxconnector.com</a>
Fairfax County	<a href="http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov">www.fairfaxcounty.gov</a>
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
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**NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING –**

February 3, 2010 - Draft Summary Minutes of the Meeting – Pending Approval

At 7:00 pm President John Peirce called the meeting to order. Board members in attendance included Treasurer Chip Catherine, Secretary Sarah Jernigan, Director John Nolan, Director Louise Whitt, Director Bob Fasick, and Director Al Roy. Vice President Liz Fernandez and Director Nestor Fernandez were not in attendance.

President Peirce stated that the upcoming snow storm is a high priority for him and we can expect snow removal to occur while the snow storm is going on, not after it is over.

No residents were in attendance for hearings.

Committee and management reports were presented to the Board. The Bylaws Committee has met and prepared revisions. An additional meeting is scheduled. The Nominating Committee's first meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. The Maintenance Committee had its first meeting. Secretary Jernigan updated the Board on its progress and provided a written and verbal summary of a specific maintenance request, a static IP address for the security camera computer. The sub committee on snow removal reported that NCA's snow removal rates are competitive with new bids. After the community management report, there was discussion on the pool fence and options for improving it.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the meeting minutes of the January 6, 2010 monthly Board meeting, assess Lot 8 for a rule violation, table the legal review of NCA governing documents for one year, obtain legal counsel's opinion on NCA's ability to revoke parking privileges for residents who are delinquent in their assessments, approve the 2010 pool rules, leave our grounds maintenance contract as it is without trying to renegotiate it, and fund rejuvenation pruning for 100 community shrubs at a cost of \$2,000. The Board voted on revisions to the Personal Property on Common Grounds policy. Vote was 6 yes and 1 no. Additionally, the Board unanimously agreed there was probable cause for a hearing on rule violations for Lot 530, 531 and 7 and to move forward with the fine process for Lot 59.

Old business discussed and tabled included investment of reserve funds and roles and responsibilities of NCA employees and Board

members. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, March 3, 2010 - 7:00pm in NCA Pool House. All residents are welcome to attend.

Comprehensive Minutes can be found on the NCA website at [www.newingtoncommunity.org](http://www.newingtoncommunity.org).



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# COMMUNITY NEWS AND INFORMATION

## POOL PASSES

Get those pool passes in to the community office by Monday, April 19 to get those 5 free guest credits!

**COMING SOON!!!**

## NCA's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

**NCA Needs a Coordinator to:**

- Buy eggs and candy
- Stuff **750** eggs
- Buy prizes
- Hide eggs at hunt
- Take pictures
- Hand out prizes
- Make many children from ages **1 to 9** extremely happy



**This is an NCA Recreation funded activity. Call Community Office at 703-455-3606 to volunteer.**

## 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](mailto:announcement@newingtoncommunity.org)

You can also stay tuned by visiting the NCA website at [www.newingtoncommunity.org](http://www.newingtoncommunity.org)

## CURB PAINTING

Curb painting will occur again this Spring. Streets still in need of painting are Durer, Kitchener and Brandeis. When a decision is made which streets will be painted this year, the affected streets will need to be cleared of all vehicles while painting occurs, at which time towing will be enforced. Each street will be closed approximately one to two days. As much notice, as possible, will be provided through flyers, sandwich boards and newsletter articles on this pending work. **If you leave your residence for long periods of time, please leave keys with a neighbor or make arrangements to have a neighbor call someone who can move your car when needed.**

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## NCA'S COMMON GROUNDS

I'm moving. I had a large piece of furniture delivered. My car doesn't have current stickers. I'm doing work in my back yard. I wanted to test out my new dirt bike.

Surprisingly, these are some of the excuses used for driving vehicles on NCA common grounds. It is NEVER acceptable to drive any vehicle or allow any contractor to drive on NCA property. Unseen damage is done to the grounds, the curbs and sidewalks when vehicles are driven across our property.

This is an unacceptable practice and will result instantly in a resident being requested to attend a hearing where they can be assessed a fine for the violation as well as costs for damage to property.

**Please respect NCA property!**



## **Saratoga Elementary School**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Annual Basket Raffle**

**Friday, March 5, 2010**

**6:00pm – 8:30pm  
In School Cafeteria**



## **Open to the Public!!**

**Free food, wonderful entertainment!  
Come and Win: Disney tickets, Iron Chef  
Basket, Dove Chocolate Party, Pamper Yourself  
“His and Her” Baskets, and many more!!!**

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items!!!**

## **Ways to Reduce Your Energy Bill**

Last year in January, our energy bill was close to \$400.00, and I knew at that point I needed to make a change. I did a little research and found that by installing new insulation into your attic right on top of the existing insulation will decrease your energy bills by 30%- 50% in the winter. The installation pays for itself in less than 18 months in most cases. Insulation was originally installed into our homes in 1970 - 1975. Insulation does not last forever, and eventually needs to be replenished. The recommended R value for insulation would be R-38 or above, and this equates to 12 inches of insulation or more. It is very simple to just take a look in your attic to see what you have currently have. We actually noticed bare spots when we went up in the attic.

I thought many residents may be interested in the same savings that I have found in my own home. We have noticed a huge drop in our bill. Our last bill was around \$220.00 rather than \$400.00 from last year.

We could use our buying power as a community to purchase the services to install new insulation in several homes instead of one. I would be happy to reach out to a few local companies to see if we could get a better deal if we have more homeowners interested in these services. Please just send me an e-mail if you are interested in this idea. When I spoke to Lori about it, she also mentioned other services such as painting and power washing. I think those services would also be worth looking into during the spring and summer months.

Please send me an e-mail if you are interested in pursuing this idea of group purchases. I am willing to reach out to the companies to get a price for service, and then the individual homeowner could reach out to schedule their installation. My e-mail is [guthrie25@gmail.com](mailto:guthrie25@gmail.com) or if you have any questions, my phone number is 703-635-4033.

Thanks for your interest,  
Tina Guthrie



# Pam Boe's Newington Station Update

## Available for Sale

- One 3-level townhome listed at \$329,900
- One single family home listed at \$482,000

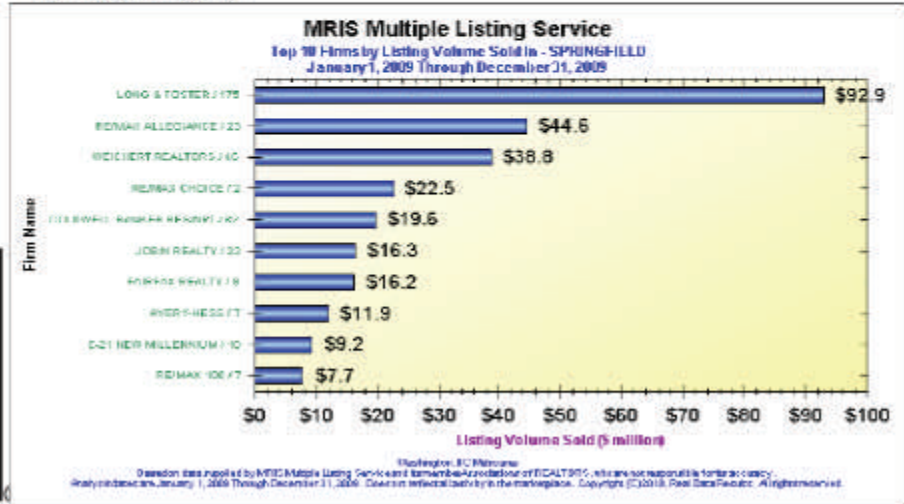
## Under Contract:

- Four 3-level townhomes ranging from \$189,900 to \$295,000

## For Rent: None

**Pam Boe, CRS**  
**703-503-1888**

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## 2010 Native Tree and Shrub Seedling Sale From No. VA Soil and Water Conservation District

Tree and Shrub Packages. Available Now.

2 Northern Red Oak, 2 Black Gum, 2 Yellow Poplar for \$10.95.

2 Arrowwood viburnum, 2 Gray dogwood, 2 Red chokeberry, 2 Eastern redbud, 2 Smooth sumac for \$15.95.

To order, send payment by April 12, 2010 to NVSWCD Seedling Sale; 12055 Government Center Parkway; Suite 905; Fairfax, VA 22035

To see images of this year's plants, visit [www.fairfaxcounty/nvswcd/seedlingsale.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty/nvswcd/seedlingsale.htm)



## NCA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

NCA committees are active again and meeting regularly. Notices are posted on the web and on posters in the community. All are welcome to attend.

## WINTER TRASH SERVICE

**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. Please check the NCA website for any updates to trash schedules.

**NOTE:** For single family homes, no yard debris pick up for March. This service will resume in April.

## SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST

*Continued from page 1.....*

The winners are:

1st place: Sylmarie Berdecia

2nd place: Shakira Howard

3rd place: Kyle & Michaela Shreck, Angie Lim ,  
Nichole Madariaga, Mandy Madariaga, Stef Guillen,  
Odalis Servellon and Danys Servellon.

Honorable Mention: Katie Pond

Other participants included Tanya Ortega, and Pat & Julie Lent.

The community office donated free pool guest passes to the Durer Court contest and would like other residents to know that NCA supports our residents who take initiative to involve the community. Thank you Elizabeth Rodriguez for organizing this contest.

To see all the snow sculptures, please visit the NCA website.



*2nd place: Shakira Howard*

## HOW DID YOU SPEND YOUR TIME IN THE BLIZZARD?



## Pool Procedures 2010

Please be sure to read this year's pool rules as some have changed.

As the snow sits three feet high on the pool picnic tables, it seems odd, but necessary, to start thinking about pool passes. RESIDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PICK UP THEIR ANNUAL POOL PASSES IN THE COMMUNITY OFFICE. Passes will be available in the office starting May 19<sup>th</sup> as long as the Registration Forms were completed properly, old passes returned, pictures provided, and everything turned in by May 10, 2010. The office will have a few evening and weekend hours in May to accommodate picking up the passes. Dates and times will be posted in the May issue of the NCA newsletter.

NCA will continue to use guest credits instead of guest passes. The pool's gate attendant will have the list of residents and their guest credits. The community office will continue to apply credits to accounts when the old yellow guest passes are turned in. The old passes cannot be turned into the pool staff. They must be turned into the community office.

Remember, to avoid a lost pass fee, residents must turn in last year's passes with the registration card. Drop all completed forms in the red drop box at the base of the NCA office steps.



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## ONE WAY STREET

Fire code requires our streets be one way if we want to continue to provide parallel parking.

**Observe One Way Signs and slow down on NCA streets.** You'll regret that minute you saved when someone gets hurt!



## Clean Up Day Coordinator Needed

Earth Day is April 22, 2010. Coordinator is needed to host the NCA Clean Up Day that is always planned around this event. Coordinator would prepare flyers, sandwich boards, hand out trash bags, water and assignment areas. Help make Newington Station beautiful, volunteer!

### INDEPENDENT AVON REPRESENTATIVE

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**NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

\*\*\* At Newington Station \*\*\*

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**EXTERIOR PROJECT REQUEST FORM**

**Submit form for any exterior addition, alteration, modification or change**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Signature (or authorized agent): \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Project (check one)

- Addition**
- Deck or Patio Enclosure**
- Door**
- Exterior Painting Project**
- Fence**
- Gutters/Downspouts**
- Landscaping**
- Other**
- Roof**
- Shed**
- Shutters**
- Siding**
- Walkway**
- Windows**

Description of Above Project:

Colors \_\_\_\_\_ (sample required for all requests)

Size \_\_\_\_\_

Style \_\_\_\_\_ (pictures preferred)

Materials \_\_\_\_\_

Area of house/yard where project is being done. If necessary, include a sketch or site plan with home location and indicate where the alteration will be located on the property.

**NOTE:** Deck Projects/Additions - Neighbors must be informed. Provide plans that will be submitted for Fairfax County building permit.

Estimated Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Consult NCA Architectural Standards for existing policies. Applicant is solely responsible for obtaining Fairfax County building permits and adhering to Fairfax County codes as they relate to drainage, etc.**

Please mail this request to the above address. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. A copy of this request will be **returned to you within 30 days** of NCA receiving this form. Wait for a reply before buying materials or starting any project.

----- office use only -----

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW ACTION**

Advisory Committee:

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of action: \_\_\_\_\_

Holding for additional info.: \_\_\_\_\_

Forwarded date: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Control Committee:

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of action: \_\_\_\_\_

Date returned: \_\_\_\_\_

Request is: Approved/Disapproved\*

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(NCA Board President ) (date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(NCA Board Vice Pres.) (date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(NCA Board Secretary) (date)

# Newington Community Association

## March 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
	1	2 Trash & recycling pickup	3 <b>7:00 pm NCA Board Mtg (pool house)**</b>	4 White Goods Removal <sup>1</sup>	5 Trash & bulk pickup <b>6:00 PM Basket Raffle @ Saratoga</b> 	6	
7	8	9 Trash & recycling pickup	10	11 White Goods Removal <sup>1</sup>	12 Trash & bulk pickup	13	
14 <b>Daylight Saving Time Begins</b> 	15 <b>Articles due for NCA newsletter</b>	16 Trash & recycling pickup	17 <b>St. Patrick's Game</b> 	18 White Goods Removal <sup>1</sup>	19 Trash & bulk pickup	20 <b>1st Day of Spring</b> 	
21	22	23 Trash & recycling pickup	24	25 White Goods Removal <sup>1</sup>	26 Trash & bulk pickup	27	
28	29	30 Trash & recycling pickup	31	Spring Break—No School			

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

<sup>1</sup>Contact American Disposal Customer Service at 703-368-0500 24 hours in advance of pick-up