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Newington Community Association Monthly Newsletter April 2016

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2016 NCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

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President's Corner By Beth Rodriguez

My fellow NCA home owners, during the last quarter of 2015 the Board held special board meetings in executive session to discuss employee matters. However, the proper form, per Robert's Rules of Order, was not adhered to. The Board decided that the only way to correct this error is for the minutes of those meetings to be published in this newsletter. It is for this reason that over the next few months you will see executive session minutes being published in the newsletter. There are some that need further discussion and review, but once that happens they will also be published. I ask for your patience in this matter.

All young people, who will be at least 18 years old by summer and who would like to work as a summer camp counselor this summer, Fairfax County Park Authority is taking applications <u>NOW</u>. For more information go to the South Run Recreation Center and look at the signs advertising the positions.

Well April is here and along with it comes property inspections. Before that happens inspect your own property. Not sure what to look for -- start at the roof and work your way down for each side of your home. Ask yourself is everything in good repair? Is the paint cracked, faded or pealing? Look at your yard, is it neat, grass mowed, trashcan stored in the back yard, garden free of weeds, no vines growing up your house? Look at the common areas around your home. Do you have anything stored on the common grounds? That is a big no-no. Please remove it now to avoid any issues with the Board. Also if anyone STILL has Christmas decorations decorating their home, TAKE THEM DOWN RIGHT WAY!!! Our covenants state that all holiday decorations must be taken down and

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Special Message from NCA President

Please join me and the NCA Board in welcoming our new Community Manager, Cheryl Austin.

NEWINGTON STATION DIRECTORY

http://www.newingtoncommunity.org

NCA COMMUNITY OFFICE

703-455-3606 / Fax: 703-455-0013

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday/Wednesday/Thursday 10:00am - 3:00 pm Tuesday/Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm

Community Manager: Cheryl Austin Assistant Community Manager: Tina Queen Email: manager@newingtoncommunity.org

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President Beth Rodriguez (Aug '18) Email: president@newingtoncommunity.org Note: Email to NCA President is private and only read by the President.
- Vice President Kevin Benore (Aug '17)

Treasurer - Louise Whitt (Aug '17)

Secretary - Chris Hammel (Aug '16)

Director - Florence Smoczynski (Aug '18)

Member - Mark Polansky (Aug '16)

Member - Sarah Jernigan (Aug '16)

To send an email to the above Board members, use <u>board@newingtoncommunity.org</u> (this includes a copy to the Community Manager).

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE Chair - Sarah Jernigan

FINANCE COMMITTEE Chair—Louise Whitt

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Chair—Lou Tobat Liaison - TBN

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chair - Volunteer Needed Liaison—TBN

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Chairs - $T\overline{BN}$

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Emergency Non-Emergency (Police & Fire)	911 703-691-2131
Including barking dog complai	
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
0	1-888-667-3000
Fairfax Connector	703-339-7200
	xconnector.com
	<i>irfaxcounty.gov</i>
Fairfax County Housing Authorit	
Selena Davis 703-704-6758	-
Fairfax County Storm Water	5
Management (not State streets)	703-877-2800
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
	1-888-667-3000
Summit Management	703-360-0904
Supervisor Gerald Hyland	703-780-7518
Virginia Highway Department	/03-/80-/318
(Snow—State Roads Only)	703-383-8368
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Voter Information	703-222-0776
West Springfield District Police	703-644-7377
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Spring Clean Up Day - Newington Community!



Our annual clean up day is scheduled for: Saturday, April 23 9:00 am - 12 Noon

We will supply:

- Trash Bags
- Gloves
- Muffins Water



Meet us at the pool to get supplies and bring a friend or two to help!

Please call or email with questions. Contact: Guthrie25@gmail.com or 703-455-6506.



Community News & Reminders

2016 Pool Procedures

Be sure to read this year's pool rules, now posted on the website, some rules have changed.

Passes will be available in the office starting <u>May 11th</u> as long as the Registration Forms were completed properly, old passes returned, pictures provided, assessments are current and everything turned in by <u>May 2</u>. RESIDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PICK UP THEIR ANNUAL POOL PASSES IN THE COMMUNITY OFFICE and proof of residency will be required.

In May, the office will have following evening/weekend hours to accommodate picking up pool passes.

> Wednesday, May 11 - 6:00 - 8:00 pm Saturday, May 21 - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Thursday, May 19 - 6:00 - 8:00 pm Wednesday, May 25 - 6:00- 8:00 pm

<u>**REMINDER</u></u>: Drop all completed forms in the drop box at the base of the NCA office steps. Fees have gone up. Lost passes are \$10 each to replace. Late registrations should be accompanied by a \$20 check Early Bird Special**: <u>Get everything returned before **April 11**th to earn free guest credits</u>.</u>

Conservation Poster Contest

Calling all student artists! The Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District is seeking students to design posters to submit to the 2016 Youth Poster Contest.

The theme for this year is: We All Need Trees.

This is a national competition. Students submit their entries to the nearest Conservation District. Winning entries can be sent to state and even national competitions for judging and awards.

Trees are essential for the survival of humans and other living organisms. Through photosynthesis, trees convert carbon dioxide into oxygen we can breathe. Trees provide shade on a sunny day and food like fruits and nuts. They are also used to make products like paper and furniture or to build our homes. It is our responsibility to manage how trees are used so forests can stay healthy and regenerate. (Adapted from the National Association of Conservation Districts)

> Poster submissions by grade levels: • K-1 • 2-3 • 4-6 • 7-9 • 10-12

For more information, see <u>http://www.nacdnet.org/</u> education/contests/poster/we-all-need-trees-poster-<u>contest</u>. Or call: 703-324-1423 or email: conservationdistrict@fairfaxcounty.gov

Deadline will be in September 2016.

Yard Services for Hire

Do you have untamed grass, leaves or other needed yard work? Do you not have the time or energy to take care of it? Hire me - a responsible, able-bodied teen looking for some work. I have experience with yard work and contribute to the community regularly.

Price: \$20/hr. (min. 1 hour)

<u>Contact</u>: John Paul Spinelli, 703-451-1779



LOST KEYS

A house and mailbox key were lost on Durer around March 14-15.

If found, please call 703-455-3606.

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Quarterly Assessments Due—April 1, 2016

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stored no later than 30 days after the holiday. Well it is now 3 months after that deadline. Come on now-- no more excuses.

There is one more item I need to discuss with you and it is trash. I know you know when you can put your trash out and when to bring in your trash container. However, this year (already!) we have had instances of people putting out furniture and appliances without making PRIOR arrangements for our trash contractor to pick it up. One instance someone put out a refrigerator with door still on and unsecured. This is a safety hazard to children. If you are throwing out either furniture, appliances or some other large item it is YOUR responsibility to arrange and pay for a trash contractor to pick it up. You do not have to use American Disposal, our trash contractor. However, for your convenience American Disposal's phone number is always in the newsletter under important phone numbers.

Enjoy this wonderful Spring Weather!

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.

Stay Connected with Newington Community!

Sign up for important NCA announcements or weather related alerts. To sign -up, send your email address to: announcement@newingtoncommunity.org

You can also stay informed by visiting our community website: http://www.newingtoncommunity.org/

6 Bare-root Trees - \$11.95

2016 Soil & Water Native Seedling Sale

This year's seedling sale features shrubs and trees that have been some of the most popular. They can help clean our water and air, prevent soil erosion, provide valuable habitat and add beauty and resilience to your landscape.

2 Redbud

2 Hornbeam

2 Persimmon

10 Bare-root Shrubs & Small Trees - \$16.95

- 2 Red Chokeberry 2 Northern Bayberry
- 2 American Hazelnut
- 2 Indigobush
- 2 Flowering Dogwood

- **Key Dates**
- Online Orders open on February 1
- A full, nonrefundable payment must accompany your order by April 20 or until supplies run out
- You will receive a confirmation receipt and directions to the pick-up site, the Fairfax County Packard Center at 4022 Hummer Road in Annandale
- Orders may be picked up on Friday: April 29, 9am 4pm or Saturday: April 30, 9am 12pm

Go to <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/seedlingsale.htm</u> or call 703-324-1460 to place your order.

NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING – March 2, 2016 Minutes of the Meeting – NCA Pool House Meeting Room

At 7:00 pm President Beth Rodriguez called the meeting to order. Board members present were President Beth Rodriguez, Vice President Kevin Benore, Treasurer Louise Whitt, Secretary Chris Hammel, and Director Sarah Jernigan were in attendance. Director Mark Polansky and Director Florence Smoczynski was not in attendance.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Informed the community with issues with minutes. Informed Community of the hiring process and the selection of the new community manager, Cheryl Austin. President Rodriquez informed the community that the current chair of the Architecture Committee Resigned Directory Jernigan volunteered to serve as the new chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice President Benore made a motion to approve the September 14th meeting minutes Treasurer Whitt seconded the motion Vote: 4 yes 1 Abstain

Director Jernigan recommended the board table the approval of the September 30th meeting minutes until later in the meeting.

Vice President Benore made a motion to approve the January 6th minutes as amended President Rodriguez sec-

ond Vote: 2 yes, 1 No Whitt, 2 Abstain Hammel, Jernigan.

President Rodriguez made a motion to approve the January 13th minutes of Special meeting of the Board to Receive and review Recommendations of Amending CCR Committee. Treasurer Whitt. Vote 4 yes 1 Abstain Jernigan. The approval of February 3rd Meeting minutes

The approval of February 3rd Meeting minutes was tabled.

Vice President Benore made a motion to approve to February 27th meeting minutes of the Special Board of Directors as amended. Treasurer Whitt seconded the Motion. Vote: 4 yes 1 Abstain Hammel.

HEARINGS

No hearings.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Resident commenting on attendance of board members.

New Community Manager introduced herself to the community. She is a current resident of Newington Community for over 14 years. She has been maintaining the community website, as well as preparing and delivering the community newsletters for the past 9 yeas.

COMMITTEE/BUSINESS REPORTS

Treasurer's Report, Louise Whitt

Reported on the Status of the Reserve Funds and answered questions by the board on the Reserve Funds report. The Treasurer reported that a CD will come due on 4/20/16 and strategies for these funds. (CM Reported on March 9th that was an incorrect date from Summit the due date for the CD is 4/20/17) Discussion drifted into relation of the maintenance plan and the reserve funds.



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Community Manager (CM) Report

General

- Disclosure Packets: 8365 Luce, 8568 Gwynedd, 8409 Eucalyptus, 7820 Marconi
- *County informed me that there is an exposed water pipe* (originally thought to be a sewer pipe) in the stream bed as well and that I should call Fairfax Water Authority. FCWA has been notified.
- Police officer came into the office and asked that we have the "no parking" signs removed on Delong by LeMoyne because they are not legal state signs.
- Pool Rules and applications have been distributed with the newsletter.

Resident Complaints/Issues/Comments

- Stop sign on Euclid broken waiting for quote to fix.
- Erosion of common grounds behind homes in the 8350 block of Luce court. Would like gravel or asphalt installed
- Tree down on Lodge Ct. removed by Blade Runners. Limb removed by pool.
- Resident complained about too many feral cats being fed by neighbor and cats defecating on sidewalk.
- *Resident complained about trash being out at the wrong* time and a freezer on Euclid.
- Resident on Matisse complained about snow being piled in his parking spot and near mailbox, and neighbors parking in his second parking spot.
- Resident complained about the pothole at the end of Luce.
- Resident complained about stove being left out on Moline.
- Resident complained about missing water connection cover near 8358 Luce.

Secretary Hammel reported that he removed the door to a refrigerator that had be set out for trash removal.

Planning and Development, Lou Tobat

Mr. Tabot asked about a letter he sent to the board about the security of the Community office. Secretary Hammel made a motion to have the CM to put out bid to have a security consultant evaluate the grounds around the pool and office. Vice President Benore seconded the motion. Vote: 5 yes

Amending Bylaws Committee, Sarah Jernigan

Director Jernigan reported that they had their last meetings on February 8th and the 23rd and the next on is on March 8th at 7:30 PM

<u>Newsletter Policy, Beth Rodriguez</u> Meeting March 12th 11:00 AM Resident felt that there should be a formal Newsletter Policy Committee. President Rodriguez made a motion to form an ad hoc Newsletter Policy Committee for rules item submission. Vice President Benore seconded the motion. Vote: 5 yes.

GENERAL BUSINESS – New

Discussion on training for the new Community Manager. Vice President Benore made a motion to authorize the Community Manager to take the M-100 course offered by the Community Associations Institute on April 6th 2016 for no more than \$545. President Rodriguez seconded the motion. Vote: 5 yes.

GENERAL BUSINESS - Old

The board went back and revisited meeting minutes for September 30th.

Secretary Hammel made a motion to accept the September 30th meeting minutes as amended. Vice President Benore seconded the motion. Vote: 3 ves; 2 abstain: Whitt, Jernigan.

Vice President Benore made a motion to accept the September 14th meeting minutes as amended. President Rodriguez seconded the motion. Vote: 3 yes; 2 abstain: Whitt, Jernigan.

President Rodriguez made a motion to accept the December 14th meeting minutes as amended. Secretary Hammel seconded the motion. Vote: 3 yes; 2 abstain: Benore, Jernigan

At 9:52 pm Secretary Hammel made a motion to adjourn. Vice President Benore seconded the motion. Vote: 5 yes.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wed., Apr. 6, 2016 at 7:00 PM-NCA Meeting Room. All residents encouraged to attend.

Newington Community Association Board of Directors' meeting, Executive Session December 14, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President Beth Rodriguez.

Members present: President Beth Rodriguez, Treasurer Louise Whitt, Secretary Chris Hammel and Director Florence Smoczynski

Discussions were held on the following matters:

- The Community Manager's resignation was accepted and how best to inform the community.
- What the Board's next steps needed to be in hiring a new Community Manager.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

NEWINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION *** At Newington Station *** P.O. Box 351, Springfield, VA 22150 703-455-3606; Fax 703-455-0013; www.newingtoncommunity.org

EXTERIOR PROJECT REQUEST FORM Submit form for any exterior addition, alteration, modification or change

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Property Address: Telephone #: Home:					ot #:
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Owner	's Signature (or authorized agent):				
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0	Deck or Patio Enclosure		Landscaping	0	Siding
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0	Fence		Shed		
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•	Lawn Mowing	•	Patios			
•	Fertilizing	•	Decks			
•	Weed Control	•	Fences			
•	Mulching	•	Sidewalks			
•	Planting	•	Driveways			
•	Hedge Trimming	•	Sidings			
•	Seasonal Cleanings					
It's that time of yearallow me to spruce up your yard! I am a current resident of Newington Station with over 20 years of experience!						
ERICK NICARAGUA @ 703-953-5005 LOVEBUGLANDSCAPING@GMAIL.COM						

LOOKING FOR BABYSITTING or PETSITTING?

Tween sitter, with references, looking to babysit, to be your mother's helper, or pet sit.

Call the Spinelli residence @ 703-451-1779



REMEMBER TO SCOOP THE POOP! IT'S THE LAW!!!

Interested in buying or selling a home and staying up-to-date with the house market? Looking for an experienced, committed, and professional real estate agent?



LAURA ORTEGA, REALTOR

NEIGHBORHOOD SPECIALIST



Mobile: 703-582-3369 Office: 703-569-7870 E-mail: <u>lauraortega83@yahoo.com</u> Website: <u>www.ortegalaura.com</u>

Call me for an appointment to receive a free market analysis

10+ years of experience in Northern Virginia real estate and Resident of "our" Newington community for 20+ years!

HABLO ESPAÑOL

Community Yard Sale!

Looking for an opportunity to clean out those closets and sell those unused toys, clothes, furniture, and other items taking up space around the house?

Pool Parking Lot Saturday, May 21, 2016 (rain date Sunday, May 22)

8 am to 12 Noon Cost \$5 per numbered parking spot or two spots for \$8.



Call 703-455-3606 or email: <u>manager@newingtoncommunity.org</u> to register! Reservations accepted through Thursday, May 19. Spaces assigned as requests and payment are received. Minimum of 12 participants needed or event will be cancelled.

All participants are responsible for cleaning up the parking lot after the yard sale.

NCA Calendar

April 2016

Sun	day Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Trash Timing Monday & Thursday- I Tuesday & Friday - Pla	1 Trash & Bulk p/u	2			
3	4	5 Trash & Recycling	6 7pm NCA Board Mtg**(Pool House) Yard Debris p/u*	7 White Goods Pickup ¹	8 Trash & Bulk p/u	9
10	11 Pool Pass Early Bi Deadline	12 Trash & Recycling	13 Yard Debris p/u*	14 White Goods Pickup ¹	15 Trash & Bulk p/u Newsletter Deadline	16
17	18	19 Trash & Recycling	20 Yard Debris p/u*	21 White Goods Pickup1	22 FCPS No School Trash & Bulk p/u Earth Day	23 9am-12pm Spring Clean- Up Day, Meet @ Pool Parking Lot
24	25	26 Trash & Recycling	27 Yard Debris p/u*	28 White Goods Pickup ¹	29	30

** Board meetings are open to all NCA residents.

¹Contact American Disposal Customer Service at 703-368-0500 24 hours in advance of pick-up. There is an additional cost to residents for this service. * For Single Family Homes Only