

# Commons Neighborhood News

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### IMPORTANT DATES

- End of Summer Bash — September 10
- Deadline for Inclusion in Proxy Ballots for Board Elections— September 11
- Annual Meeting/ Board Elections— October 5

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### PRESIDENT'S FAREWELL MESSAGE

It is with a heavy heart that I am writing to tell you that my wife, Jessica, and I are moving from Fairlington Commons this Fall. We have lived here for four years and I have had the privilege of serving on the board for three of those years, two as President. We are moving over in the Shirlington area, so we will still be around as guests for community functions in the future.

years to respond to the changing demographics of the Commons and to institute new ideas to be more responsive to the commu-



Thanks to the best community in Fairlington!!

Long before me and during my tenure, we have had a good team on the board and we have all worked very hard over the past

nity. You have all seen the results of these efforts in the various community-building activities at our Circle of Excellence, as well as the erection of the dog-

gie depots and the renovated tot lot, just to name a couple of accomplishments. I was personally touched by a very important looking document I received in the mail from two of our younger residents, Maya and Talia O'Brien. Maya and Talia colored pictures and sent a card thanking us for the hard work on the tot lot. I am glad we could please our youngest critics!

With the installation of Arnie Malin as our community liaison, your maintenance requests and other issues will be handled in an expe-

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### PARKING ISSUES CONTINUE

This is a reminder to all Commons co-owners and residents that a parking tag is required to park in any of the Commons parking lots. Any vehicle parked in a lot that does not have a tag hanging from the rearview mirror or otherwise prominently displayed is in

peril of being towed.

Parking rules and an application for parking tags is readily available online at: [www.fairlington.org/commonsindex.htm](http://www.fairlington.org/commonsindex.htm).

South Wakefield, Utah, and 34th Streets are Arlington

County public streets. County and state laws govern parking on those streets. A Fairlington Commons Parking Tag is only required if you park in our parking lots.

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ditious manner and he will continue to follow up on the status of projects throughout the community. With those areas handled, the board is working on long-term strategic planning for the community and we will continue to need some help!

Since I am leaving this

Fall, I will not stand for re-election. We will hold elections at our October 5 annual meeting. Hugh Baumgardner is running for re-election and my seat will be open. If you would like to be a part of the future of the Commons, please consider running for the board.

Details follow in this newsletter.

Thank you to everyone who has been so good to us during our time in the Commons. We have a wonderful, diverse, and neighborly community that is quickly becoming the envy of the rest of Fairlington. Jessica and I will be back as guests, but we will miss being a part of this wonderful place where almost everyone

**A N N U A L M E E T I N G – M A K E Y O U R V O I C E H E A R D**

The annual meeting of the Fairlington Commons Council of Co-Owners will be held **Wednesday, October 5** in Room 10 of the Community Center, 3308 South Stafford Street, at 7:30 p.m. The primary purpose of the meeting will be to elect members of the board of directors and to discuss topics of mutual interest to Commons residents.

Two seats on the board are up for election, one previously held by Michael Peter, who is moving from the Commons, and one currently occupied by Hugh Baumgardner, who is seeking

reelection.

Anyone interested in serving on the board should notify Secretary John Sinks no later than Sunday, September 11 in order to be included on the proxy ballot. John may be contacted by telephone at 703-998-2661, by e-mail at [jsinks@comcast.net](mailto:jsinks@comcast.net), or by mail at 3367 South Wakefield Street, Arlington, VA 22206 - the mailbox at the pool.

Co-owners elect members of the board - the board then determines who will serve in the respective roles of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treas-

urer, and Member at Large. You must be a resident co-owner to serve on the board. For information about board responsibilities and time commitments, please contact a board member with your questions.

In accordance with the by-laws of the Commons, formal meeting notification and proxy ballots will be mailed to all co-owners in the near future.

**P O O L P A R T Y C O M I N G U P !**

Saturday, September 10th is the Fairlington Commons End-of-Summer Pool Party beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Swimming Pool on the Wakefield Circle. The party features Commons provided hot dogs, hamburgers, and sodas, as

well as an opportunity to sample the salads, desserts, and other dishes provided by those attending. Although our final movie night has passed, Lefthand Productions (Commons Resident Malcolm Peplow) will once

again provide music.

If you would like to help or if you need additional information, contact Michael Peter at 703-998-1257. The rain date is Sunday the 11th, same time.

*"Come for food, fun, and neighborly conversation."  
- Wayne Winteling*

OTHER POOL / RECREATION NEWS

Thanks to Commons resident Guy Adams, the pictures from our Dive-In Movie Nights at the pool are on the Web at ArlingtonTutors.com/fcp. Guy not only took the photos, but loaned his website so everyone could see them! Share the link; it's a great opportunity for family and friends to see what life is like in Fairlington Com-

mons. Thanks Guy! The last day for full time operation of our pool will be Labor Day Monday, September 5th. The pool will close at 6:00 p.m. on that day in anticipation of the opening of Arlington County Schools the following day. After the Labor Day weekend, the pool will not be open through the

week. Weather permitting; the pool will be open for two additional weekends - September 10 & 11, and again September 17 & 18. Of course, it will be open for the pool party on the 10th. Pool Manager Bernie Weaver wants to take this opportunity to recognize

an omission and to report to the co-owners that, for at least the third year in a row, Jane Shepard's daughter Katherine was the first Commons Resident in the pool! We hear she is planning to be the last as well.



Thanks for the memories—  
Summer 2005

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**Water Cleanup**

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**Painting, Brick Work, and Gutter Cleaning**

John Healy 301-888-1041

**Carpentry and General Repair**

Patrick Healy 202-497-2997

Patrick McCloskey 410-798-6350

**Plumbing**

William Anderson 703-836-4716

**Fire Extinguishers**

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**GROUNDS**

**Pest Control**

Ward's Pest Control 703-248-3631

**Common Lights & Smoke Detectors**

"Harry" Hue Tran 703-207-3446

**Grounds Issues**

Blade Runners 703-273-8873

**Trash**

AAA/Rainbow Waste 703-803-1376

**B O A R D O F D I R E C T O R S**

If you need to be in touch with a member of the board of directors, please contact us. However, if you have an insurance or accounting question, please follow these rules. **Real estate agents, lenders, and appraisers should contact Marsha Murphy's office directly at 703-370-9100 (fax 703-370-9110).** The board will work with Marsha Murphy's office to clear those documents when questions about any outstanding issues with compliance are raised.

Certificates of insurance are provided by Chantilly Insurance. **Lenders should call 703-631-2882 to request a certificate of insurance. Owners should not call.**

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