

GREEN LEAVES

THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE FAIRLINGTON GREEN COMMUNITY

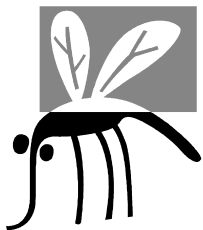
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West Nile Virus Info

Arlington County public health officials reported that two samples of mosquitoes taken June 25, 2004 in the neighborhood of Bluemont Park have tested positive for West Nile Virus. This was expected because the presence of West Nile Virus is well established within the region. Other communities in Virginia have already reported positive birds or mosquitoes. So far, this year, there have been no confirmed or suspected human cases in Arlington.

To prevent mosquitoes from breeding:

- Turn over or remove containers in yards where rainwater collects, such as old tires, potted plant trays, boats, buckets and toys.
- Clean out birdbaths and wading pools once a week.
- Clean roof gutters and downspout screens regularly.
- Eliminate standing water on tarps and flat roofs.
- Do not leave garbage can lids upside down or allow water to collect in garbage cans.



Annual Meeting of the Association Scheduled For September 8, 2004

Please be on the look out for a mailing this month from the Association regarding the Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting will be held in the Fairlington Community Center in room 8 and will start at 7:30 p.m.

Fairlington.org website launches section on Emergency Preparedness

Fairlington.org now has a very comprehensive link to local emergency preparedness resources.

On the link you can find, emergency contact numbers, information on the Arlington County Alert System, resources from the Red Cross on personal response plans to emergencies, and other great information on being safe and prepared.

Check it out!

KEEP 'THE GREEN' GREEN...LITERALLY

Please be a thoughtful dog owner and good neighbor by 'curbing' your dog when relieving. Otherwise, urine burns and destroys our grass. For relief, please use the area between the sidewalk and the curb; not our lawns. Also, please pick up all dog droppings and leave them in trash receptacles. Thank you.

Arlington Prepares

In June, Arlington County residents received the Arlington Prepares info packet. The packets include practical tips on being informed, developing emergency plans, and getting involved in Arlington preparedness.

Other Arlington Prepares events this year will include partnerships with community organizations and businesses, disaster preparedness presentations, and a community emergency exercise this fall.

If you would like more information call 703-228-7188.

PROTECT YOUR ELECTRICAL LINES...AND YOUR CHECKBOOK

There has been another electrical line failure in the Green for which the homeowner was responsible. If your electric meter is not attached to the outside of your home, you are responsible for any necessary repairs to the line between your fuse box and the meter.

Replacing these lines is expensive and may run into the thousands of dollars. The Association has attempted to buy insurance for these lines, but since they are considered the private property of the homeowners, the insurance companies would not permit it.

Take Action Now Dominion Products and Services, an affiliate of Dominion Power, is offering to its residential customers *The Electric Line Repair Program*. This program, through a small monthly fee, is designed to reduce the cost of unexpected electrical repairs to your home. For more details and to enroll, call: **1-866-645-9811** and have your Dominion Power account number available. It's fast and easy, so don't delay! Please be aware that in the event your electric line requires maintenance, ground restoration is the individual homeowner's responsibility.

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SEWER RELINING UPDATE

The Association has completed the second year of a 5 year contract to install clean-outs and reline all the 34 sanitary sewer lines. With the remaining 19 that need clean outs and 20 lines in need of relining, we hope to have the funds to complete this project over the next 3 years. This project, while costly - \$50,000 a year, is saving the Association hundreds of thousand of dollars in otherwise anticipated sewer repairs. Since the terracotta pipes are well beyond their life span, the relining of these pipes is the most cost-effective option.

Board members recently received a demonstration of the newest technology for installing clean-outs and relining terracotta sewer lines. This new technology involves the excavation of a 2 foot x 2 foot hole and the installation of a clean out called a vac-a-tee, which is then attached to the existing terracotta sewer line. After the vac-a-tee is attached to the terracotta sewer pipe, a hole is drilled into the terracotta pipe for access to the line and the liner is installed.

This new technology and process avoids digging large holes and minimizes the expense associated with landscape restoration which means we save some money from this new process. The curing time for the new liner is completed in hours instead of overnight which means less inconvenience for homeowners.

OTHER FAIRLINGTON GREEN CONTACTS

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Towing (to retrieve a towed car)

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After Hours and Weekend Emergency

703-600-6000

A Note on the 'Alternate Newsletter'

There's been an occasional flyer passed around the community entitled 'Tea Leaves'. The flyers are full of incorrect facts, misrepresentations, and spurious allegations. As such, the Board will not respond to the contents of the flyers. However, the Board feels it important to acknowledge the flyers so that residents know the information contained in them is questionable at best. If you have any questions regarding these flyers, please contact a Board member.