

# GREEN LEAVES

The Newsletter of the Fairlington Green Condominium Association

## NEWS FROM THE BOARD

### FAIRLINGTON GREEN ANNUAL MEETING ALERT

The Fairlington Green Annual Meeting will be held **Wednesday, September 4**, in the South Fairlington Community Center. All owners are requested to attend or send their proxies to Sher Opal at Legum & Norman.

### REMINDER

If you have complaints, queries, or comments for the Board, please email Sher Opal at [sopal@legumnorman.com](mailto:sopal@legumnorman.com) and she will forward your email to all Board members.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We still need volunteers to help distribute *Green Leaves*. It should take no more than half an hour of your time every other month. If available, please contact Jeannie Clarke at 703-671-2170, or [jcpr523@aol.com](mailto:jcpr523@aol.com).

### APPLIANCE BARGAINS!

In search of a new appliance? Legum & Norman, our association management company, has an on-going arrangement with Sears Commercial Sales to make Kenmore and KitchenAid appliances available to Fairlington Green owners at reduced prices. In addition, they have an Appliance Select program which allows Green owners to choose from the many different brands displayed on the retail Brand Central sales floor, at commercial prices. *Contact Brian Reinhardt at the Appliance Select Center in the Sears Fair Oaks Mall store at 703-385-*

*2330 or at [brieh3@sears.com](mailto:brieh3@sears.com) for further information. Mention the special account number (01011654-00) when you call.*

### PAINT BARGAINS!

Did you know that you can go into any Duron Paint store and tell them you live in a Legum & Norman-managed community and they will give you a 10% discount? Another good way to save some money as you refurbish your home.

### BROWN LEAVES INSTEAD OF GREEN ON OUR TREES

Recently, a resident in North Fairlington, along with the Fairlington Historical Society\*, became concerned about the many brown tree leaves that have appeared along South 34th and South 36th streets in our community, and made an inquiry to the County. The appearance of brown leaves seemed to coincide with the recent repaving efforts. Here is the County's response.

"I looked at the trees along S. 34th St (and S. 36th St.) yesterday...we have received several calls and e-mails about the brown leaves. I've been in touch with DPW (Department of Public Works) about the situation and they have contacted the paving contractor. It appears that the brown leaves are the result of the hot exhaust fumes from the milling machine used during repaving, wilting the leaves. The contractor is going to modify the exhaust pipe (shortening it, and probably installing an elbow to direct the exhaust towards the street rather than straight up or towards the trees). This should prevent future instances of scorching."

"In speaking with other staff, I've learned that a similar situation occurred many years ago to zelcova trees on S. Taylor St (entering the Trades Center). The trees recovered totally, with new leaves replacing those that were scorched. Though we don't have much of a track record for predictions, we believe that the Fairlington trees will also recover."

"I also spoke with Dick Miller , who will schedule branch elevation/removal as per your request, however, it will be several weeks before crews are available to perform that work."

Jamie Bartalon  
Arlington County, DPRCR  
Landscape and Forestry Section

*\*The Fairlington Historical Society is involved with many issues in all of the Fairlington Villages.*

## TRASH TALK

Trash pick-up is scheduled for 8:00 a.m., Mondays through Saturdays, except holidays. Recycling day is Wednesday. Large trashcans for plastics, glass and aluminum recycling are put out on Tuesday evenings. Newspapers should be contained so they won't blow around, and placed by the trashcans. *Cardboard boxes should not be put out for recycling.* **Large items are picked up on the first Saturday of every month.** These items should be placed at the street curb, not at the parking lot curb.

Trash **is not** picked up on the following days:

*New Years Day* (January 1)

*Presidents' Day* (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in February)

*Memorial Day* (4<sup>th</sup> Monday in May)

*Independence Day* (4<sup>th</sup> of July)

*Labor Day* (1<sup>st</sup> Monday in September)

*Veterans Day* (November 11)

*Thanksgiving Day* (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in November)

*Christmas Day* (December 25)

## SUMMERTIME, SUMMERTIME

The dog days of summer are upon us. Please remember to bring your dogs inside on these hot, hot days, and when they are outside, make sure that they have access to plenty of water. If we are too hot, then our dogs feel it even more.

Remember, too, that your plants and the grass in front of your homes need water to survive. We have had very little rain this summer. The best time to water is in the early evening when the water will have time to seep into the ground.

It's not too soon to think about what bulbs you want to plant in the fall, either.

The Landscape Committee is organized to enhance, protect and maintain the beauty of our neighborhood by focusing on trees, grounds, shrubs, and beautification. If you notice problems around your housing area, please contact a member of the committee.

## Traffic – Parking and Speed

Only vehicles displaying on their review mirror the Fairlington Green Parking Permit are permitted to park in Fairlington Green Parking Lots. Those that do not have a permit must park in the street. To date the Board has issued warning tickets to give violators the ability to move their vehicle. As there are some that choose to ignore this warning, be advised that violators will receive one warning, if the car is parked illegally again, it will be towed at the owners expense. The telephone number of the towing company is on page 4 of this newsletter. There have also been a number of complaints regarding the speed at which some people drive through the parking lots. Though there are not speed limit signs posted, residents are expected to drive slowly in the parking lots. If these complaints continue the Board will be forced to install speed bumps, an expense this Association can not afford.

## Preparing for an Emergency

From the “Northern Virginia Home Guide to Emergency Preparedness – Preparing a Plan for Emergency Events” – brought to you through the cooperation of Northern Virginia local governments working together with the Northern Virginia Regional commission.

Emergency events can occur quickly and without warning. Planning for any emergency requires considering all likely scenarios. If you are able to stay at home, electricity, water, heat, air conditioning, telephone service and transportation could be disrupted or lost for a considerable amount of time. Most emergency management planners suggest having enough food, water and other essentials on hand to last your family for three to five days for weather-related events, for example. In other types of emergencies, you may have to evacuate your home or community. In any case, it is important to develop a household disaster plan that includes:

- An emergency communications plan. Choose an out-of-town person to be your contact point for family members to call if you are separated. Make sure everyone has the number.
- At least two emergency meeting places. Pick one right outside your home in case of a sudden emergency, such as fire. Pick at least one other place outside your neighborhood in case you can't return home.
- A disaster supplies kit.
- Information about school and workplace emergency plans.

### ***EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KIT CHECKLIST***

- Water
- Non-perishable food
- First aid supplies
- Medications
- Batter-powered radio
- Flashlight
- Duct tape

- Cash/Traveler's Checks
- Clothing
- Bedding Tools Toiletry items
- Special needs items
- Important documents

Keep the items that you would most likely need at home in one easy-to-carry container such as a trashcan, camping backpack or duffel bag. Store it in a convenient place, and put a smaller version in your car. Keep items in airtight plastic bags. Remember to change the stored water and rotate the food supplies every six months (place dates on containers). Check the supplies and re-think your needs every year. Consult your physician or pharmacist about storing prescription medications, and maintain a list of your prescription needs.

## Community Get Together

After the success of last year's community party at the pool, residents have wondered if it would continue. The Board is considering having a “Community Get Together” on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. If you think this sounds like a nice idea, please e-mail Jeanne Clarke at [jcpkr523@aol.com](mailto:jcpkr523@aol.com) to let the Board know what you think. It would be held in the pool area and residents would be asked to bring their own beverages and an hors d'oeuvre and the Association would provide appetizers and soda's. Please let us know what you think.



**USEFUL ARLINGTON COUNTY TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

**POLICE (non-emergency)**

Arlington  
703-558-2222

**Dominion Power** (street lights/power outages)

888-667-3000

**Alexandria** 703-838-4444

**Animal Warden** 703-931-9241

**Fairlington Community Center**

703-228-6588

**DOG PARK**

703-578-3989

**Inside the dog park:**

**Dog bites**

**Animal Control** 703-931-9241

*People in the park after hours*

**Arlington County Police** 703-558-2222

**Outside the dog park:**

*Dogs running off leash*

*Confrontations with dog walkers*

**Animal Control** 703-931-9241

**Arlington County Police** 703-558-2222

**MAINTENANCE ISSUES**

*trash pickup, field conditions, locks and gates, etc.*

**7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Arlington County Dept. of Parks, Recreation  
and Community Resources

703-228-6525

**After hours**

Arlington County Dept of Public Works  
703-228-6555

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