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Mews NEWS

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Fairlington Mews Residents
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Message from the President

Dear Mews Owners and Residents,

*"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times..."
(Charles Dickens)*

Indeed, this past year in the Mews has seen both sides of Life's equation! We began our Mew's year with an annual meeting held outside of the intended meeting hall, sharing the recent past, and outlining aspirations for the upcoming managerial year amidst the sounds of evening and the presence of (too many) mosquitoes.

Those attending expressed many of the frustrations we on the Board had been attempting to deal with throughout the previous year. We were very aware of the myriad of maintenance issues that demanded attention, but were not getting the necessary managerial assistance in implementing these tasks.

Finally, after struggling through the parking lot resurfacing project, those of us on the Board decided that we needed a change in our community management.

Our new manager, Jason Eglin of CMC (Community Management Corporation), appears to be a person under whose oversight our community can recoup its vigor. We are beginning to address the numerous problems associated with aging buildings in a mid-Atlantic climate, i.e., wood rot, and peeling paint. There will always be the constraints of the budgetary bottom line, but I do think that Jason will be able to guide the Board in the judicious use of available funds.

The functional integrity of our community has endured even the toughest of our managerial times, primarily because of the earnest interest of a number of residents.

A year ago, monthly Board meetings were typically attended only by Board members and occasional committee chairpersons. Now, we are seeing an increasing number of interested residents, many former Board members, attend our meetings, imparting their own learned lessons to the group. Most significantly, there seems to be a quickening of the recognition that the efforts and concerns of community residents do make a difference to Board members and management, and that these efforts and concerns are welcome. How grand!

Reiterating a fact which you *surely* recall, the upcoming Annual Meeting of "The Fairlington Mews Council of Co-owners" is on June 26! We really want you to come to the meeting (which will be at the beautifully renovated Fairlington Community Center - the old school building), but if you can't be there - please sign your proxied voting authority over to someone else who is!!

Having an unapproved budget due to a lack of required votes is a maddening situation! MUCH time and concern has been expended in preparing the proposed budget, and we absolutely need to get it approved before the Board can do anything of substance. Bottom line = See You There!

*"... parting is such sweet sorrow, ..."
(Wm. Shakespeare, Romeo and Juliet)*

My term on the Board is coming to an end, and I admit that much of it has been a "wild ride". I am not seeking re-election to a new term, but will not become "invisible" either. I sincerely thank all of you who have put up with my directness and attempts at "making" this community function properly.

Each resident is a valuable asset of this community, and I thank you all for being such. Now, I will join an ever-lengthening list of "former" Board members who have done what they could to make this a better place for us all.

"... That I shall say good night till it be tomorrow."
(*Romeo and Juliet*)

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Calendar

- June 7 – Large Item Pick Up (Place items at curb by 7:00 AM)
- June 9 – Landscape Committee (7:00 PM @ Fairlington Community Center)
- June 10 – By laws Committee (7:00 PM 703-820-5665)
- June 26 – Annual Meeting (7:00 PM @ Fairlington Community Center)
- July 5 – Large Item Pick Up
- July 24 – Board of Directors Meeting (7:00 PM @ Fairlington Community Center)
- August 2 – Large Item Pick Up
- August 28 – Board of Directors Meeting
- August 31 – Association Picnic @ Pool

Board Minutes Highlights

The following is a summary of highlights of recent board minutes. For complete minutes, please access the Mews web site <http://www.fairlington.org/mewsindex.htm>

Meeting Highlights – February 27, 2008

Four board members were in attendance along with manager Jason Eglin. Five residents attended.

1. Homeowners' Forum – Resident inquired about county's citation of pool last season (2007) and questioned the board about the current condo fee delinquency rate.
2. Board Actions/ Discussion
 - Treasurer's Report showed association over budget in utilities; concern about "excessive" charges for maintenance; and noted correction of Replacement Reserves Account by CMC.
 - Ms. Olivas, Landscape Committee will amend language of "Landscape Modification Form" per board approval (4 – 0); approved (4 – 0) \$375.00 to Don Hook Tree Services for scheduled work.
 - 3 bids for summer pool services presented: High Sierra Pools @ \$26,940.00, Palm Pools @ \$27,200, and Curl Swimming Services @ \$35,355. Approved (4 – 0) contract with Curl Services.
 - Board of Directors meetings changed to fourth Thursday of each month.
 - Mr. Eglin will discuss resumption of contract with JED Mechanical (Robert Dipalma) and indicated other Fairlington associations were using U.S. Sewer and Drain for relining work.
 - The board tabled discussion of Associa's "Home Owners' Notification Service".

Meeting Highlights – March 26, 2008

All board members were in attendance along with manager Jason Eglin. Four residents attended.

1. Homeowners' Forum – No issues were raised by residents.
2. Board Actions/ Discussion
 - Ms. Birtwistle suggested increasing penalties for non-compliance with association rules and regulations.
 - Ms. Birtwistle suggested the association install a fence at Court 1 (similar to that which the Arbor

recently installed) to block entrance of trespassers along the King Street boundary.

- Ms. Birtwistle expressed dissatisfaction with some recent work by JED Mechanical and the CMC cement repair in Court 4.
- Ms. Birtwistle reported community concern about alleged immobile and “stored” cars adjacent to Mews property.
- The board entered into the minutes an electronic vote to accept Capital Trash Services as the association hauling contractor. Cost is \$3,047.00 monthly. Approval 5 – 0.
- The board entered into the minutes an electronic vote to resume sewer relining by JED Mechanical after the contractor provides a description and linear footage of work to be performed. Approval 5 – 0.
- The board entered into the minutes an electronic vote to accept Don Hook Tree Service to prune the King Street Photinia hedge for \$4,800.00. Approval 5 – 0.
- The board disputes a \$2,000. 00 bill from Leslie Engleking for pool work last season.
- Approval of the following landscape items: \$150.00 to Environmental Enhancements to seed area in Ct. 15 – Approved 5 – 0; \$1,263.00 to Environmental Enhancements for erosion barriers at Court 4 – Approved 5 – 0; \$2,100.00 to Merrifield Garden Center for additional pruning – Approved 4 – 0, Ms. Birtwistle abstained; \$625.00 to Don Hook Tree Services for tree/ stump removal – Approved 5 – 0.
- Discussion of erosion problem at rear of Ct. 15: restoration of turf damaged by roofing contractor, also Ct. 15; and restoration of landscape in Ct. 1 damaged in recent work there.
- Approved (5 – 0) use of association pool this summer by FINS.
- Approved (5 – 0) \$49,970.00 to JED Mechanical for sewer relining.
- Discussed preventative maintenance plan from Jerry Deane of CMC Maintenance; item tabled for changes.

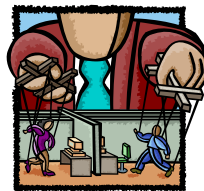
Meeting Highlights – April 24, 2008

Four board members were in attendance along with manager Jason Eglin and eleven residents.

1. Homeowners’ Forum – No issues were presented.
2. Board Actions/ Discussion
 - Board will prepare a policy resolution restricting use of “storage pods” in association.
 - Management will discuss erosion issue (rear Court 15) with Environmental Enhancements personnel

and seek a request for proposal to correct the drainage problem.

- Management will follow up with roofing contractors (Court 15) to see that the damaged area is restored and cleaned of remaining debris.
- Three bids for installation of wood chips at tot lot: Community Landscape @ \$2,940; Pine Ridge Landscaping @ \$1,526; and Environmental Enhancements (EE) @ \$975. Approval (4 – 0) of EE proposal.
- Board of Directors not satisfied with apartment building cleaning services by provider Clean Advantage; management will seek request for proposal from other contractors. (Note: DEC, previous cleaning contractor dissolved and become two companies: Clean Advantage and DMA.)
- Approval of maintenance (@ \$62.50/ hour and materials) work in Courts one and two as a pilot study of CMC maintenance quality; CMC Maintenance Manager Jerry Deane will coordinate.
- Management will follow up on previous gutter clean out work by CMC.
- Don Taylor, former association president, spoke to the board about the need to (1) develop a plan for regular maintenance for association, and (2) secure an engineer to plan and monitor maintenance projects. He also encouraged the board to take advantage of the current competition among contractors to see that major projects are let for bid and completed and that the board begin to use current reserves funding for needed, but delayed, maintenance.



Manager’s Notes

Mews Property Manager
Jason J. Eglin, CMCA, AMS

Sewer Lining - The 2008 phase of the sewer relining project was completed in May. The entire project has at least one more year until work completion and may end a year sooner than projected.

Annual Meeting - The 2008 Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 26 at the Fairlington Community Center @ 7:00pm. If you do not plan to attend, please turn in your proxies so that a quorum can be reached. Registration begins at 6:30 PM.

Capital Trash Services – Capital will pick up trash on all “Monday holidays”. They do not pick up on Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day. As the crews may

come earlier than usual on holidays, please have your trash out for pick up by 7:00 AM. Please note that this is a change from Jeffrey's Trash services. Please do not put out trash the night before pick up day or after a regular pick up as this creates community blight!

Maintenance Requests – Residents need to call Jason Eglin, property manager, with maintenance requests. Unfortunately the Mews does not have any on-site personnel to monitor maintenance needs, and management relies on residents to report maintenance needs immediately upon observing a necessary repair. Please do not rely on thinking that “someone else” will report needed repairs at your residence. Contact information may be found on the last page of this newsletter.

Summer Projects – The board will consider maintenance projects, such as painting, re-roofing, and sidewalk repairs and will notify affected residents when full plans are known. Restoration of rotten wood is an on-going project

CMC/Associa – What's in a Name?
Please remember that Community Management Corporation (CMC) is a member company of Associa. If you receive mail with the sender given as Associa, please do not discard it. It is information from CMC, your management company. Remember, Community Management Corporation: **An Associa Company!**



Treasurer's Report

(Submitted by Julia Claypool)

The previous two fiscal years (FY06 and FY07) operated at a net income principally because of unexpended maintenance funds that were budgeted but weren't spent.

This year, the FY2008 budget is projected to run at a net loss. With a new management company, we are moving to catch up on the maintenance needs of the community and should spend all of the maintenance funds allocated this fiscal year. The cost of utilities has exceeded the budget, however.

In addition, we undertook two projects that were not included in the budget: the watering of plants by a

contractor during the drought last fall in order to protect our landscape investment; and the pruning of the Photinia hedge that runs outside our fence (but is on our property) along King Street.

At the June 26, 2008 annual meeting, you will be asked to comment on and approve the FY09 budget that will go into effect August 1. The FY09 draft budget projects a 3.6% increase in condo fees. Most of the increase is necessary because of the reduced interest income from our investments and the projected increase in water and sewer fees by Arlington for the second year in a row.

At the same time, we need to keep investing in our reserve funds for painting and other maintenance projects that will take place this year - additional roof replacements and other future infrastructure needs. The 3.6% increase is less than the Finance Committee initially projected because \$30,000 from the previous two years' net incomes will be added to the FY09 reserve contributions. Otherwise, the projected condo fee increase would have been considerably higher.

You will receive a copy of the FY09 draft budget along with the proxy information and other materials in advance of the annual meeting. If you can't attend the annual meeting and have questions about the budget, don't hesitate to contact me (703-931-9161).

Your attendance at the meeting and/or your proxy is important for the future of this community; your vote of approval of the funds is needed for the new budget beginning August 1.



Volunteers At Work

Tot Lot Renovation Committee
(Submitted by Jennifer Strach)

We have new woodchips! A layer of new woodchips was installed in the existing tot lot in mid-May. The old chips had become a health and safety concern for children using the lot. This is a “temporary fix” until the new equipment is installed and the footprint reconfigured.

Committee members, Matt Payne and Shane Manning, attended the April Board meeting to report the committee's activities. The committee's next goal is to obtain approval for purchase and installation of new

playground equipment. Two proposals have been obtained and will be presented to the Board at the May meeting. After the removal of the current equipment, the new play ground equipment should be installed in August or early fall.

Two active committee members – Jennifer Strach and Shane Manning - are moving from the Mews in June/July, leaving Matt Payne to see the project through to completion. If anyone is interested in helping with the final stages of this project, please e-mail Matt at matt_payne@msn.com. The Mews community wishes Jennifer and Shane well and thanks them for their help in seeing that the renovation is almost finished.



Landscape Committee

Lori Olivas, Chair

Ground Maintenance

Rain is the opponent of a regular mowing schedule this year. Generally, our lawns are mowed on Thursdays during the mowing season, but the rains have thrown all mowing off schedule. The mowers will catch up on Fridays or other week days, or as soon as the weather permits.

Spring Planting

The landscape Committee conducted a walk around to determine spring planting needs and has submitted its planting recommendation to the board for approval. Planting should be completed in early June.

We would appreciate your help in watering the newly installed plants near your residence, including those planted last spring or fall. Plants have a one year warranty conditional on regular watering. If they die for lack of water, they will not be replaced at the contractor's expense.

Don't just limit water to the newly established plants. All plants need more water when they are actively growing (spring and summer) than when they are dormant (fall and winter).

So, water older established plants as well, particularly azaleas. Azaleas are shallow-rooted, and they need water to develop maximum blooms to look their best.

Watering Instructions

If there is less than one inch of rainfall per week, water newly installed plants weekly for twenty to thirty minutes at the base of the plant, using a slow trickle from a hose so that the water is absorbed and does not run off. A heavy watering will cause run off and the water will not soak the ground.

If you do not have a hose, slowly and gently pour two to three 5 gallon buckets of water at the base. Over watering can also kill a plant. To determine when to water, pull back a small area of mulch near the base of the plant and manually check the moisture level of the root ball and surrounding soil. If the top few inches of soil feels dry, water so that the soil is wet to at least a depth of 6 to 8 inches. More Watering Guidelines may be found on the Mews web site.

Trees

Arlington County is scheduled to replace two more street trees lost to last year's drought on S. 36th St., near Court 4 and Court 14. The county tree contractor normally waters weekly during the season. But we ask residents near those locations to please water, especially if we experience another drought. Please also monitor the newly planted street trees near Court 13 and water when necessary. We have lost some trees in the common grounds to last year's drought. They will be replaced.

Mosquitoes

Think ahead. Mosquitoes appear in warm weather. They lay eggs in anything that holds even a minuscule amount of water – such as cans, saucers, downspouts, etc. Eliminate their breeding sites by removing any containers holding standing water.

Also, keep fresh water in birdbaths; check for containers or trash in places that may be hard to see, such as under bushes, even in a beverage cap; empty standing water from flower pot saucers or other objects stored outside. Mosquito dunks may be used in birdbaths to prevent mosquito growth.

Residents with landscaping needs are reminded to turn their written requests in by July 15 for consideration for fall planting.

Residents interested in summer gardening tips can check www.fairlington.org and click on "Garden Advisor" in the menu for helpful gardening information and useful gardening links. This information is provided by Mews resident Tom Corbin.

Committee Meetings

The Mews Landscape Committee will hold its next meeting on June 9 at 7 pm in newly renovated Fairlington Community Center at 3308 S. Stafford Street. We invite all interested Mews residents to attend. Contact Lori Olivas at (703) 379-4927 or lorolivas@comcast.net to confirm meeting date, time and location.

Recreation Committee

Ann Timmons and David Biette, Co-chairs

Pool Season began on an early Memorial Day weekend this year, but in spite of somewhat cooler weather a few intrepid swimmers inaugurated the pool for what will surely be another fun summer! We welcome back Curl Swim Services as our pool management company. And once again we will see the Casey sisters, Meaghan and Heather, as well as many other familiar faces, in the lifeguard chairs.

Fairlington's own swim club, FINS (Friends Interested in Neighborhood Swimming) will meet at the Mews pool the week of July 14th - 18th from 3:30- 5:20. Friday, July 14th we will have a swim meet from 6:00 - 7:30. All Mews residents are invited to come cheer our swimmers on to victory

Mark your calendars now for another fun tradition continuing this year, the Annual Labor Day picnic (actually on the Sunday before Labor Day). Labor Day we will wind up the pool season with our Dog Swim. Watch this space for more details

I would like to thank our hardy band of volunteers who helped us all save lots of money (always a good thing!) by printing and delivering Recreation Pass applications, and printing, processing and delivering the passes: Mike Anderson, Leo and Nora Biette-Timmons, Joanne Herman and Virginia Joslyn. We couldn't have done it without their help!

If you have not yet filled out your Recreation Pass applications you must do so if you want to use the pool this summer. All passes received by the May 10th deadline have been processed and hand-delivered to residents, or sent via US mail to non-resident co-owners.

You may fill out an application (extra are available at the pool) and deliver it to Ann Timmons or David Biette (4638 34th St. South- Court 9) We will process these in a timely fashion, but please allow up to 2 weeks.

Residents: please note that **ONLY** those currently living full time at your address are eligible for passes. If you would like long-term visitors or care givers to use the pool unaccompanied by you, you must apply for special passes for them. Please follow specific direction on the application. You will be expected to accompany all other guests to the pool when they visit.

Our private pool is one of our biggest assets, and to keep it that way we will be checking passes on a regular basis. You may pick up your completed passes at the pool as soon as they are ready.

Also, remember to save your copy of the rules, look the rules over and abide by them, so we can all have a safe and enjoyable summer. See you at the pool, or tennis courts, or tot lot!

By Laws Committee

Tami Anderson, Chair

The committee has held three meetings to consider changes in the association's by laws to help update this document. Two important items discussed are changing the penalty for late condo fee payment and lowering the percentage of co-owners needed for a quorum. The committee is also considering changing the format of the "Code of Conduct" for clarity and usefulness.

The committee is studying content and format revisions made by other Fairlington associations. Revising the by laws is a labor intensive and lengthy task as it involves review by the board, legal counsel, and ultimately the Council of Co-owners.

Current committee members are Tami Anderson (chairperson), Kim Baumgartner, Tom Corbin, Jayne Mayne, and Seth Low. The next meeting is scheduled for June 10 at 7:00 PM. Call Ms. Anderson (703) 820-5665 if you are interested in joining the committee.



Timely Tips

As compiled by Tom Corbin

Protecting the Drains

Purchase an enzyme drain cleaner, such as ZEP – available at most home improvement and hardware stores, and use it in your drains, following the manufacturer's directions. Do not use a harsh chemical cleaner, such as Drano, as this may damage the pipes.

Be careful what you put down the drain! Do not place the following items in sinks, drains, and/ or toilets:

- Vegetable peels/ egg shells/ coffee grounds or large amounts of rice or pasta
- Cat litter
- Grease
- Sanitary items/ disposable diapers/ paper towels/ facial tissues
- Dental floss
- Cigarette butts
- Toilet paper treated with moisturizer
- Pet or human hair

“Water” the drains in the lower level bathroom and laundry room to prevent the escape of sewer gas. Periodically pour a cup or two of water into the drains (add some Clorox if you wish) so that the drains don’t dry out. If your hot water tank has a valve which drains into a PVC pipe, keep this pipe “watered” also.

Kitchen Sink Backups

Residents are reminded that “shared” drains and pipes are the responsibility of both parties in paying for repairs to these elements.

Pest Control

The elimination of any pests – roaches, mice, ants (and yes there have been opossums) – within your unit is the owner’s responsibility. Please call management for assistance when you see exterior pests (not to include your neighbors!) which you feel may damage your residence.

Rabid Foxes

Please remember that Fairlington residents have observed red foxes within the association common areas. Recently an Arlington resident (not in Fairlington) was treated after being bitten by a rabid fox. Healthy foxes are as afraid of humans as we are of them! A healthy fox will run from humans and will stay away from human activity. If you observe a fox acting strangely, do not engage it, but call animal control immediately to report its location. Also keep dogs away from all wild life in the area.

Recycling Reminders

Regular trash is picked up Monday through Saturday from your stoop. Please bag properly and place for pick up by 8:00 AM. Do not place your trash out AFTER pickup, but keep it inside until the next scheduled pick up. Do not put any trash out on Sundays.

Large bulky items are collected from the curb only on the **FIRST SATURDAY**. **DO NOT PLACE FURNITURE OR OTHER ITEMS OUT FOR REGULAR WEEK DAY PICK UP.**

Recyclables: paper, glass, plastic and metal are collected on Wednesday.

- For paper – break down and flatten cardboard; do not include pizza boxes; tie newspapers together or place in paper bags (do not put in plastic bags).
- Other recyclables – Rinse all containers; do not place recyclables in plastic bags in the bins – empty the bags!
- See the Association Recycling Guidelines at the Mews web site for further details.

Street Parking

Please remember to park so that you do not take up more space than needed. Parking a third or half a car length behind a parked vehicle means that you have helped eliminate a space for someone else’s vehicle!

Parking is tight on the streets; don’t contribute to the situation by taking more space than needed for your vehicle.

Patio Trees and Shrubs

Residents are responsible for patio maintenance which includes removing any branches or limbs which encroach upon the roofs, wood trim, or gutters. Such encroachment may cause damage to the roofs, the wood trim, and the gutters – and compromise gutter function.

The Association may require an owner to remove landscape (at the owner’s expense) which is seen as damaging the structures.

Vacation Precautions

When you are away this summer, it is advisable to see that the following are in place:

1. Stop newspaper delivery.
2. Have a neighbor enter your house regularly to check for any problems, especially in the bathroom and kitchen areas.
3. Set your thermostat to a higher setting to conserve energy.
4. Unplug appliances not in use during your absence.
5. Leave some lights on timers, or have a neighbor turn on lights for you.
6. If you are expecting a delivery, arrange for someone to collect it.

7. Leave your travel itinerary with a neighbor and provide contact information in case of an emergency here at home.
8. Leave your blinds, shades, and/ or drapes in such a way that it looks as if “someone is at home”.
9. Arrange for a neighbor to water your plants.
10. Leave a vehicle key with a neighbor in case your car needs to be moved due to an emergency.



Items Of Interest

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Only Rain Down the Storm Drain!" (Article Courtesy Arlington County)

Did you know that the water that goes down the storm drain on your street flows right into your local stream, such as Four Mile Run? Polluted rain water is the nation's number one water quality problem, and Arlington County is hoping that you can help do something about it!

Arlington County is joining other Northern Virginia localities in a water pollution prevention campaign to educate residents about how common household waste and chemicals can contaminate local streams. The campaign will feature a “Only Rain Down the Storm Drain” message and is running on several radio stations in April and May of 2008.

Nonpoint source pollution, often called stormwater runoff pollution, comes from many sources, including parking lots, lawns, driveways, golf course, and roads. Rainwater that runs off these surfaces picks up contaminants like motor oil, fertilizer, pesticides, and bacteria from pet waste.

This storm-water runoff flows into storm drains and then into local streams and the Potomac River, the sources of drinking water for many residents in the Washington, D.C. area. This runoff also contributes to the pollution affecting the Chesapeake Bay.

So what can you do to prevent water pollution? Follow these simple tips:

- Dispose of used motor oil and household hazardous waste (paint, batteries, household cleaners, etc.) properly through the [Household HazMat program](#), rather than pouring it on the driveway or into the storm drain;
- Avoid excess fertilizer or pesticide use, especially before rain is predicted;
- Wash your car at a commercial carwash, or in a location where the soapy water will not run into the storm drain;

- Sweep up dirt, grass clippings, other yard waste instead of washing them down the driveway and into the gutter;
- Always pick up pet waste from your yard, sidewalk, or park area.
- See some other tips on [preventing stormwater pollution](#).

The campaign partners include the Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Prince William, Loudoun, and Stafford; the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church; the towns of Herndon, Leesburg, Vienna, and Dumfries; Loudoun Water, Fairfax Water, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality – Coastal Zone Management Program.

For more information about preventing storm-water pollution, please check the campaign web site at www.onlyrain.org or call Aileen Winquist at 703-228-3610 or awinquist@arlingtonva.us.

[Master Plan for Plant](#) outlines the work creating a more efficient and environmentally-friendly wastewater treatment plant, enhancing Arlington’s stewardship of the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

News to Muse

Reminder - Board Meeting Date Changes

Due to conflicts with meeting date schedules of other associations managed by CMC, the board approved meeting dates for the fourth Thursday of each month.

This is a change from the previously advertised meeting date of the fourth Wednesday. Beginning with the April 24 meeting, board meetings returned to the Fairlington Community Center.

Dates for future Board of Directors’ meetings are June 26 (Annual Meeting), July 24, August 28, September 25, and October 23. Dates for the November and December meetings will be announced at a later date.

Recycle Corner



What’s wrong with this picture? The pizza boxes should not be included with the cardboard/paper products and no plastic bags should be placed in the recycle bins.

Please check the Mews web site for additional guidance on recycling in our Association. The web address is:

<http://www.fairlington.org/capitolservicesrecyclingletter.pdf>

MewsNEWS

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Meeting Calendar/Contacts

Board Meetings Board Meetings are scheduled for June 26 (Annual Meeting), July 24, August 28, 2008 @ 7:00 pm at the South Fairlington Community Center

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Additional Important Numbers

Sewer Back-up	Dwyer Plumbing	(703) 922-8220
Trash Collection	CAPITOL SERVICES OF VIRGINIA, INC.	(703) 998-5860
Large Articles of Trash	Put out at CURBSIDE on the 1st Saturday of the month or call CAPITOL SERVICES for pick-up at your expense	(703) 998-5860
Management Agent	Community Management Corporation 12701 Fair Lakes Circle, Suite 400 Fairfax, VA 22033 Jason Eglin JEglin@cmc-management.com	(703) 631-7200 Fax: 703-631-9786 (703) 631-7200, ext. 212
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Public Meeting

Traffic Management Problems - King Street entrance to Bradlee Shopping Center and Intersection of King Street, Quaker Lane, and Braddock Road.
Minnie Howard School cafeteria (3801 West Braddock Road)
June 2, 7:00-9:00 pm.

May 28, 2008 (Via Email)

Fairlington Condo Association Presidents
Bradlee Area Civic and Condo Associations in Alexandria
Fairlington Citizens Association Board

The first public meeting to discuss the traffic management problems at the King Street entrance to the Bradlee Shopping Center and at the intersection of King Street, Quaker Lane, and Braddock Road will be held at the **Minnie Howard School cafeteria (3801 West Braddock Road, located behind Bradlee Center) on Monday, June 2, 7:00-9:00 pm.** Alexandria transportation officials will report the results of studying traffic patterns at these locations, outline possible improvements and costs, and answer questions. For more information, contact project manager Ravi Raut at 703-838-4411 or ravindra.raut@alexandriava.gov.

Over the years, residents have reported near-miss accidents at the Bradlee entrance when, for example, they are forced to give way to cars ignoring the stop sign on the service road that runs parallel to King Street. No matter who has the legal right of way when the stoplight turns green, the signal change frequently initiates little more than a confused free-for-all. Hopefully, reasonable solutions can be found to address the safety of this location.

Unfortunately, notification of this public meeting has not been distributed to households in the nearby neighborhoods that patronize the Bradlee Shopping Center. Accordingly, your help in notifying residents in your area would be helpful so that they have the opportunity to attend this meeting and provide their input.

Thanks

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