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Message from Supervisor McKay

A Spotlight on Public Safety

With increasing national attention on public safety, I'm reminded of the hard work and dedication of our local first responders, who have once again made Fairfax County the safest jurisdiction of its size in the country. This is due in no small part to the hard work and dedication of our public safety personnel-EMS, police, sheriff, and fire—who put themselves in harm's way each and every day to protect us.

The Fairfax County Police Department has long served and protected our community. Through a model of community policing, the department has built and maintained public trust and confidence. As technological advances provide new opportunities for crime, our dedicated public servants put in much work behind the scenes to ensure they're adapting and staying steps ahead of the 21st century criminal.

You may have read about work from an Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission, a group of individuals and experts assembled just over a year ago to further assist in this effort. The commission met for seven months and adopted a slate of recommendations in mid-October. Many of the recommendations were already in the process of being implemented by the department, and since the group's final report, many more have been put in place by the Chief of Police.

In addition to the creation of the Commission, the Board of Supervisors is also focusing on ways to help better equip our officers. As chairman of our Budget Committee, I was absolutely committed to dedicating funding to (1) hire more officers, (2) increase officer pay, (3) begin funding the creation of a new police station and animal shelter here in South County, and (4) increase funding for mental health services.

These changes will have major impacts countywide, but especially here in Lee District, where our two police district boundaries are very large, currently stretching as far as Mason Neck. A new station will allow us to reshape boundaries and ultimately lead to more officers on the streets and in our communities.

This is a great investment in our community and continuing to keep Fairfax County such a safe place to live.

Summary of May 24 Annual Neighborhood Meeting

Former Stoneybrooke Citizen Association (SCA) President Mike Jurkowski opened the meeting with an introduction and discussed the interest expressed by many in revitalizing the SCA. Many of the long-time Stoneybrooke volunteers are ready to step-down from their functions and pass them off to other interested residents. Mike explained that there are five elected SCA board members (chair, vice chair, secretary, treasurer, and parliamentarian). There were three meetings during the spring for interested members to find out more about these position and to express interest in serving on the board. At the May meeting, there were additional volunteers for the open positions. All five board positions had volunteers nominated and confirmed by voting.

In addition, a number of others volunteered to chair SCA committees (such as welcoming committee, land-use committee, and event planning). Finally, several issues facing the SCA were discussed, such as maintenance of the Stoneybrooke signage / wall, the website, neighborhood watch, social events, potential locations for future meetings, and National Night Out.

The newly elected board will focus initial efforts on increasing SCA outreach, planning the next meetings and agendas, and conducting any necessary research to support dialogue regarding agenda items.

Board as of May 2016:

Chair - Bill Dorr (taking previously vacant position)

Vice Chair - Jason Prokop (taking vacant position)

Secretary - Jo Butler (replacing John Finamore)

Treasurer - Rachel Cramer (replacing Bernie Tabarini)

Parliamentarian - Mark Husband (taking vacant position)

Other committees discussed at the meeting:

Neighborhood Watch - Don Faxon

Webmaster - Rachel Cramer

Neighborhood Directory - Rachel Cramer (replacing Marie Ernst)

Sentinel - Carrie Wehling Michaud and Heather Martin

Welcoming committee - Dona Sauer (replacing Ruth Feist)

Land Use liaison - Tom Frick (replacing Jim Van Duesen)

Social committee - Mike Lamarra (taking vacant position)

- Social committee / event planning Anne Carter (new)
- Social committee / event planning Melissa Hendrix (new)



Stoneybrooke Social Lights

From our new community Social committee/event planning, headed by Michael Lamarra: 1) Planning is beginning for our next yard sale in October.

- If you have ideas about it, write me at yardsale@stoneybrooke.org
- If you KNOW you will be taking part, write me at yardsale@stoneybrooke.org with "yes" in the subject line and your address as the message; your name is optional
- If you THINK you will be taking part, write me at yardsale@stoneybrooke.org with "maybe" in the subject line and your address as the message; your name is optional
- The idea is to have an online map that highlights the sellers' houses for the people who want to come to the yard sale, letting them know every place they should check while they are here.

2) Write me at events@stoneybrooke.org with your interest in being part of groups that

- Play basketball
- Play tennis
- Play bridge or other card games
- Play chess or other board games
- Play online games
- Like to walk
- Want to explore Huntley Meadows
- Want to walk dogs together

...anything else you think has group potential

Note from the Editors

After more than eight years, co-editor Jessica Kaplan will be resigning, effective with this edition of *Stoneybrooke Sentinel*. We will sorely miss her willing attitude, good nature and sharp editing skills, and we are so grateful for all her work over these years! If anyone would like to replace Jessica as co-editor, please let Carrie Wehling know. No experience necessary. It's a great contribution to the neighborhood and does not take a huge amount of time. Please consider helping out. You can reach Carrie at cwehlingmichaud@verizon.net

Letters to the Editors

No letters this month.

Neighborhood Watch

More news next month.

D. Faxon Stoneybrooke Citizens Association Neighborhood Watch Coordinator 571-437-7696 (cell)



2501 Beacon Hill Rd. Alexandria, VA 22306

For more information, please contact Cindy King-Lucas (703/819-0627; cdklucas@msn.com) or the church office (703-765-8255; office@bethany-lcms.org).

2016 Stoneybrooke Board and Committees

Board	
Chairman	William Dorr
Vice-Chairman	Jason Prokop
Secretary	Jo Butler
Treasurer	Rachel Cramer
Parliamentarian	Mark Husband
Committees	
Directory	Rachel Cramer
Lee District Land Use	Tom Frick
Membership	BJT Associates
Registered Mail Agent	Mike Jurkowski
Welcoming	Dona Sauer
Youth	Vacant
Neighborhood Social Events	Mike Lamarra
Neighborhood Watch Sentinel	Don Faxon
Webmaster	Carrie Wehling Michaud and Heather Martin Rachel Cramer

Stoneybrooke Babysitters

- Mitchell Flores-Kaplan: (703) 765-9448, floreskaplan@gmail.com
- Ashlyn Hendrix: (703) 298-2073 (Red Cross Certified), ashlynrhendrix13@gmail.com
- JD DeLorenzo: Red Cross Certified babysitting and mother's helper (703) 768-0895, rangersrulejd@yahoo.com
- Tiffany Carter, 703-509-9098, tiffielc@gmail.com
- Emily Lyon: (703) 765-6582 (Red Cross Certified)
- Christina Dillard: Cell (703) 981-0926; cjdillard98@gmail.com
- Adrianna DeLorenzo: (703) 768-0895;(Red Cross Certified);adsmiley36@yahoo.com
- Lily Michaud: (703) 768-9723; Imichaud.5@gmail.com
- Molly Sternberg: Home: (703) 768-7879; Cell-703-772-7801 (Red Cross Certified); mollyesternberg@yahoo.com



Announcements

Thank you to our outgoing board and committee members! Our May SCA meeting brought a lot of new volunteers to the SCA board and committees but also represented the retirement of many who have faithfully served in key neighborhood functions for a long time. So our thanks go out to John Finamore, Bernie Tabarini, Marie Ernst, Ruth Feist and Jessica Kaplan who have served in their positions for many years. We are so grateful for your contributions to Stoneybrooke!

Virginia Hills Pool Social Events. See attachment at the end of this newsletter for some fun events at our nearby pool.

Welcome new neighbors! We welcome Jose and Jackie Quiroz and family to 6706 Stoneybrooke Lane.

Registration for Bethany Lutheran Preschool. A registration application and forms are available at the church website or by contacting the preschool office. We offer classes for children ages 2 – 5 years-old. Learn more by contacting Tonia 703-765-8687 or PRESCHOOL@BETHANY-LCMS.ORG. Visits during the school day are welcomed. Interested in viewing pictures of what happens in the classrooms during the day? Check us out on Facebook (www.Facebook.com/BLPreschool). It's guaranteed to put a smile on your face.

Free Yoga Class. Free, Family Friendly Yoga Class is open to the community. Class meets weekly on Tuesday evenings from 7:00PM - 8:00PM at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Road, Alexandria, VA 22308. Appropriate for 3 Year olds and up. Contact Judy Jurkowski at 703-765-6555 ext 626 or JJurkowski@aldersgate.net for more information.

Streetlights. If you notice streetlights that are out, it's easy to get them fixed. Just call Virginia Power at 1-866-366-4357 and provide the street address where the streetlight is located.

Stoneybrooke on Facebook. Please join the Stoneybrooke community ("Stoneybrooke Neighborhood (Alexandria, VA)") on Facebook for up-to-date community news and information.

MOMS Club of Alexandria-South Chapter: The MOMS Club is a social support group designed for stay-at-home moms. They sponsor activities for moms and kids, with most activities taking place during the day. They also offer small playgroups, a book club, and community service opportunities. If you or any of your friends (in zip codes 22303, 22306 and 22307) are interested in joining or would like more information, visit the MOMS Club website http://www.southalexandriamomsclub.webs.com.

Supervisor McKay's Newsletter: If you would like to be on the distribution list for Supervisor McKay's electronic newsletter, please send an email to leedist@fairfaxcounty.gov and include 'subscribe' in the subject line.

The plant club of Stoneybrooke: The Plant Exchange provides a place where gardeners in the community can offer plants, cuttings, seeds and bulbs for trade and make requests for what they are seeking. Items for sale are not permitted. If interested contact: Zoya DiCaprio at <u>zoya@zoyaphoto.com</u>. Here is the link for the plant club: http://zoyaphoto.com/PlantClub.htm We hope you can join us.



Other ways to find out what's going on in Stoneybrooke: Join the Stoneybrooke group email list, which includes most of the neighborhood. It's a secure way for neighborhood residents to view messages and information about the community. Contact the SCA email coordinator, Dina Staskiewicz, at Stoneybrooke_Citizens@yahoo.com for more information

Classifieds

NOTE: Any SCA family member that would like to place an ad, please send a note or email to the editors with the ad information and your contact information. Listings of items for sale are limited to one year. Ads for contractor services require at least one written recommendation (e.g. email) from a Stoneybrooke resident. The editors reserve the right to remove or reject such ads.

Free Perennial Plants. Amsonia (3-4' tall, shrubby native plant, light blue flowers in spring, yellow leaves in fall, sun or partial shade), Crocosmia (2-3' tall, orange-red flowers in summer, corms, sun or partial shade), Daylily (peach-pink flowers or unknown colors), Iris (small plants, misc. colors not identified), Hellebores (12-18" tall, evergreen, mostly white flowers in very early spring, shade) Maltese Cross (Lychnis chalcedonica, small seedlings, eventually 3-4' tall, orange/red flowers, sun or partial shade), Italian oregano (very mild oregano flavor), Garlic chives (culinary and/or ornamental: garlic-oniony flavor, plus white flowers in late summer). Contact: Amy Aycock amy.aycock@verizon.net or 703-765-3617

Caleb's Odd Jobs. If you need jobs done, from dog walking to lawn-mowing to anything else that you can think of, Caleb's Odd Jobs has your back! No job is too big or too small, that's our motto. You can call us at 703-768-4249,or shoot us an email at CalebsOddJobs@icloud.com



An award winning portrait photojournalist captures the depth of the moment in the visual world.

For my dear Stoneybrooke neighbors, I would like to extend a gift of \$50 discount.

Zoya DiCaprio www.Zoyaphoto.com 703.313.8787 202.413.2501 Aspiring singer/songwriter available to sing at your event: Available for one to two hours

- Birthday parties
- Graduations
- Holiday parties
- Retirement parties
- Any social gathering you wish, large or small

Adrianna is a 15 year old at West Potomac High School. She has 9 years of singing experience and has been self-taught in guitar for almost two years. Adrianna has performed at the White House, at Wolf Trap, and was selected to sing in the Carnegie Hall High School Honors Performance Series Choir in February of 2015.

For more information or if you are interested in hearing a sample of her singing, please email ADRIANNASINGS@YAHOO.COM!

Real Estate Services: Contact John Hajduk, Realtor, Samson Properties to list your home for a 4 1/2% commission fee. Full services provided. Savings to sellers, and if buying, cash rebates to all buyers! Call 703-507-5193 or email: johnhajduk@cox.net.

Notary: Complete Notary Services available. Contact John Hajduk at 703-507-5193 or email johnhajduk@cox.net. Professional, experienced, licensed.

Shaista's Baby Bear Daycare. Shaista Mirza has more than 15 years of experience in daycare and is certified in CPR, First Aid, and MAT. She is also State licensed and has a USDA food program. 6803 Blue Slate Court, Alexandria, VA 22306. Phone 703-660-1688. Email: shaistamirza@cox.net. Website: http://www.shaistasdaycare.com/home.html

Happy Day Care. Licensed, CPR and First Aid Certified. Excellent References. 22 years of experience. Safe, loving, educational environment with outdoor and indoor activities. CDA certified. Flexible schedule, reasonable rates. For more information, please call 703-660-8499 or email at soumya.assassi@gmail.com.

Piano lessons: Gerard King at 6909 Stoneybrooke is offering piano lessons for children and adults. Please call for details. 703-718-2156.

Ron's Totally Reliable Lawn Service: call 571-236-7154.



"THE RAINBOW CONNECTION" MUSIC CAMP CAMPER REGISTRATION FORM (one per child)

Child's name					
Male/Female:	Child's age: [)ate of Birth: _			
Last school grade c	ompleted:				
Name of parent/gu	ardian(s):				_
Street address:					
City:					
Child's T-shirt size:	Please circle one: y	outh or adult	Please circle one: small	medium	large
Home telephone:					
Cell phone I:					
Cell phone 2:					
Home church:					

(attach additional info if necessary)

In case of emergency, please contact:_

Phone:

Campers should bring a bagged snack. We will provide bottled water.

-----BE A PART OF THE CREW AT "THE RAINBOW CONNECTION" MUSIC CAMP (One per potential volunteer - Rising 6th graders to Adults)

_Relationship to Camper:

There are many different ways to volunteer with "The Rainbow Connection" Music Camp. You can help for just one evening or for the whole event. Please submit this form, and we'll contact you regarding your availability and interests.

Volunteer's name Adult T-shirt size (circle one): small medium large extra-large Preferred phone:

E-mail address:



6-8:00 p.m. daily

Campers will learn and present the musical '100% Chance of Rain' on Friday evening, and will ring two pieces on handbells and choir chimes.

This program is open to rising Kindergartners and children in grades 1-6.

Cost: (includes T-shirt) \$20 per child/ \$30 max per family. Registration forms can be found at www.bethany-lcms.org Questions? Please call 703/765-8255



www.vahillspool.org

email: info@vahillspool.org

Slide & Dive board Bath House Adult & Family Socials Swim Team Snack Bar Tot Lot Free Wifi Swim Lessons Large Deck Area Basketball Court Float-in Movies Private parties

Summer Fun at the Pool

Mark Your Calendars!

June 11 – Saturday (7:30-10:00) Adult Social

June 18 – Saturday (8:30-10:30) Movie Night

June 23 – Thursday (4:30-6:00) School's Out Party

July 4 – Friday (1:30-4:30) 4th of July Party

July 23 – Saturday (8:30-10:30) Movie Night July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8 - Mondays 3:45-4:15 - Mark Twain Book Mobile

> July-August - Wednesdays 5:00-9:00 - Raft Nights

August 27 – Saturday (7:30-10:00) Adult Social

August 31 – Wednesday (6:00-7:00) Ice Cream Float Night

September 3 – Saturday (8:30-10:30) Movie Night



6500 Virginia Hills Pool Drive, Alexandria VA 22310

Stoneybrooke Citizens Association 2015-2016 Membership Drive



Why join?

- 1. It's easy and inexpensive!
- 2. It funds the community directory.
- 3. It funds our monthly newsletter.
- It funds year-round social activities for adults and children.
- 5. It funds our new website!
- The association is the best source of local information including transportation and school initiatives.
- Strong membership builds credibility with other local associations and local politicians.
- Your involvement promotes improved property value and neighborhood safety.

How to join!

- 1. Make out a \$20 check payable to "SCA".
- 2. Fill out and print the information slip below.
- Mail your slip and check to the Stoneybrooke Treasurer:
 - Bernie Tabarini 3803 Cobblestone Court
 - Alexandria, VA 22306 treasurer@stoneybrooke.org
- Or give them to your block captain.
- 4. Enjoy our great neighborhood!

Your Name:	Directory Information
Your Spouse's Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Check One: Include us in the Con	nunity Directory OR Do not include us in the Directory
Email:	To receive your copy of The Stoneybrooke Sentinel by email Not for community directory or other mailings

www.stoneybrooke.org