# SENTINEL AUGUST 2018

#### Letter from the Board

It's been a busy summer, with a few notable events (such as National Night Out and some upgrade projects), but first, I'd like to highlight that as the end of August approaches, the SCA closes the 2018 fiscal books and the \$20 annual dues are collected.

In subsequent pages of this month's Sentinel you will find the SCA's annual treasurer report showing a net operating loss in 2018. It highlights a disappointingly low membership rate (only 20 out of nearly 230 residences), despite having strong participation at SCA sponsored and supported events.

Each September, the SCA collects \$20.00 annual dues from participating residences. This low fee enables the SCA to facilitate community events, such as those highlighted above, as well as holiday events (children's Halloween parade and an Easter Egg hunt), operate and maintain our online presence (http://www.stoneybrooke.org), maintain all appropriate local and federal licenses, as well as upgrade initiatives to keep our community beautiful. The SCA invites you to become a 2019 SCA member and support these initiatives.

Upcoming in September is the SCA September meeting on Thursday, September 20th at 7:30p featuring two special guests. The meeting is planned to have representatives from Fairfax County's Department of Code Compliance (https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/code/) as well as a transportation planner from Fairfax County's Department of Transportation to discuss Plan Amendments 2018-IV-BK1 and 2018-IV-TR1 to consider removal from the plan of a shared use path and minor paved trail planned for Huntley Meadows Park.

Join your neighbors for a seasonal potluck (Chili-cook off theme) in the Old Quarry Terrace culdesac on Sunday, September 30th at 4:00p.

Some of the highlights in August included the neighborhood participating in Fairfax County's National Night Out with a BBQ and ice cream social. Participants were joined by several Fairfax County Law Enforcement officials in their squad cars and unmarked vehicles, with many letting children tour them and ask questions. It was great to meet new neighbors as well as catch up with friends. Having seen growing participation, the SCA will continue hosting this event annually.

Additionally, the SCA partnered with lot owners at the entrance of our neighborhood (intersection of Stoney-brooke Lane and S Kings Highway) to upgrade the fencing between the stone columns. We replaced the deteriorating wood sections with a durable and easily maintained synthetic fence. The SCA values the welcoming appearance of the walls and looks forward to continuing this partnership with more upgrades being discussed.

Looking forward to a fun fall and winter!

# **Upcoming SCA Events**

- Saturday September 1st Begin of SCA's fiscal year 2019 (renew membership)
- Sunday, September 30th, 4p BBQ/Potluck at Old Quarry Culdesac
- Thursday, September 20th, 7:30p Community meeting with a speaker from Fairfax County's Department of Code Compliance and a transportation planner from Fairfax County's Department of Transportation
- Saturday October 6th, 8a 2p Fall Yard Sale
- Sunday October 28th, 4p 5p 3rd Annual Howl and Prowl Halloween parade

# **Upcoming Community Events**

# Summer Meteor Showers Still On Display

Since mid-July, Delta Aquarids and Perseids have been putting on a cosmic show of meteor showers. Produced by debris left behind by the comets Marsden and Kracht, you should be able to catch glimpses of the meteor showers through August 24th. An average show can produce about 20 meteors an hour at its peak.

## Trivia Nights at Historic Sites

Staff members at Carlyle House Historic Park and Lee-Fendall House Museum have combined their random nerd knowledge to create bi-weekly trivia nights in the beautiful gardens located at Lee-Fendall House. Test your knowledge on all things from pop culture to history! Trivia nights are \$5 a person which includes 1 drink ticket. Tune in to the event's social media pages for that week's theme. The last remaining trivia night for the season will be on August 27th at 7pm. For more information on how to register call 703-548-1789 or visit www. leefendallhouse.org.

#### Alexandria Restaurant Week

If you haven't participated in this summer's Restaurant Week, there's still time. Now through August 26th, more than 50 Alexandria restaurants will feature a \$35 three-course dinner OR a \$35 dinner for two during Alexandria Summer Restaurant Week. More than 25 restaurants will also offer lunch deals at \$15 or \$22 per person in addition to the dinner specials. New this year, brunch lovers won't want to miss \$15 or \$22 per person brunch specials at 15 restaurants. Alexandria Summer Restaurant Week showcases the inventiveness of local chefs in neighborhoods throughout the city, including Old Town, Del Ray and the West End. For participating restaurants, go to <a href="https://www.AlexandriaRestaurantWeek.com">www.AlexandriaRestaurantWeek.com</a>.

#### Market Live! Is Back In Springfield

Now through mid-November, Market Live!, a seasonal Arts and Crafts Market, will be open on Saturdays in the same parking lot as the Springfield Farmers Market. The market is free to the public and takes place every Saturday from 10am to 2pm at Springfield Town Center. More information can be found on the event's webpage (http://www.troypromotions.com/page8).

#### Fairfax County Performing Arts Survey

Help map the future of the arts in Fairfax County. Your input through this anonymous survey will help guide a Master Arts Plan — a blueprint for cultural facilities and public art that reflects the county's diversity, considers existing facilities and responds to future growth. Fairfax County is conducting a survey regarding visual and performing art space in the County, and would like YOUR feedback. If this subject is important to you, please take this survey to have your voice heard. Visit <a href="https://survey-d.researchnow.com/survey/selfserve/53b/180710095#?">https://survey-d.researchnow.com/survey/selfserve/53b/180710095#?</a> to take part in the survey, which closes on August 31, 2018.

#### Northern Virginia Senior Olympics

If you are 50 years old or older and would like to compete against others on a regional level, look no further than the Northern Virgina Senior Olympics(NVSO). The Olympics Program is held annually in September and open to all residents living in a sponsoring jurisdiction. NVSO promotes living healthy longer while also making the public aware of the capabilities existing in the senior population. The organization also promote awareness among the adults of the available recreation facilities in Northern Virginia. The Olympics are held at various locations throughout Northern Virginia and are schedule for September 14th-26th. If you'd like to participate, be sure to register online. You can also support the games by volunteering at www.rsvpnova.org.

# Highlights from the Community

# New Urgent Care Vet to Open in Belle View Shopping Center

EMMAvet will be opening on August 28th to provide your dogs and cats with the extended-hours urgent care they deserve. With a team of specialty-trained veterinarians, technicians, and client service representatives, EMMAvet is able to offer gold-standard care that dogs and cats would get in the ER, but with a shorter wait time and less expense. No appointments – walk-ins only. EMMAvet will be located at 1628A Belle View Boulevard and open Monday - Friday, 3pm to 11pm, and Sunday and Saturday 1pm to 11pm. Visit their website (www.emmavet.com) or give them a call at 703-373-3774 for more information.

## King Street Metro Station Upgrades Starting Soon

Work outside the King Street Metro will kick off this fall and bring numerous transportation disruptions to the area. Beginning September 9th, the existing parking lot and bus area will be under construction, relocating several vehicular transportation options and pedestrian paths. Train services will run regularly. The goal of the project is to replace the existing short-term parking lot with a safer pedestrian walking area, add three additional bus bays and create designated areas for kiss and ride, shuttles, bicycle parking, ride sharing and taxi. The project is expected to be completed in summer 2020. A separate WMATA track work project will shut down train service in summer 2019.

### **Deteriorating Dyke Marsh Restoration Set To Begin**

Over the coming weeks and months the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will begin work on restoring Dyke Marsh along the George Mason Memorial Parkway. Once complete, the Dyke Marsh restoration will provide "a storm buffer for the historic and scenic George Washington Memorial Parkway, a natural filter to clean the Potomac River, and habitat for a variety of plants and wildlife," according to the Corps of Engineers.

Residents of the Richmond Highway corridor can continue to enjoy the Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve during its restoration. Besides holding bird walks every Sunday morning at 8 a.m., the Friends of Dyke Marsh will host a trash clean-up on September 22 from noon-3 p.m. Further details will be announced on the organization's website (https://www.fodm.org/) and Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/DykeMarsh/)

## National Museum of the United States Army at Fort Belvoir Under Construction

Scheduled to open in 2020, the upcoming National Museum of the United States Army at Fort Belvoir will celebrate the sacrifice of the over 30 million men and women who have served in the U.S. Army since 1775. The museum will be engaging for all ages. Exhibits range from an interactive learning center with classroom space and simulated rescue mission activities for children, to educational exhibits that focus on each of our nation's major conflicts from the Revolutionary War up to the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. One of the more poignant displays may be the Soldiers Stories Gallery.

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#### STONEYBROOKE SENTINEL

## The Original Mount Vernon High School Redevelopment

Fairfax County has begun a multi-departmental effort to manage and coordinate the original Mount Vernon High School site's future use. The master development plan will recommend steps to transform the 42-acre school campus and park site. Efforts will include adapting the historic structures into multigenerational, vibrant community spaces for use by a mix of public, private, residential, educational, recreational, and non-profit uses.

Upcoming events include a community outreach session to present and discuss the proposed master plan recommendations. Keep an eye on the project website (https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/capital-projects/original-mount-vernon-high-school) for updates.

# **Key Sources**

Covering the Corridor | http://coveringthecorridor.com
Kingstown Patch | https://patch.com/virginia/kingstowne
Greater Alexandria Patch | https://patch.com/virginia/greateralexandria
Old Town Patch | https://patch.com/virginia/oldtownalexandria

### Reminders

## **Stay Connected**

Stay up to date on neighborhood happenings by visiting the Stoneybrooke SCA website (http://www.stoneybrooke.org/), which includes a blog for highlighting recent events and publishing upcoming SCA related events.

Residents can also join online community on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/groups/Stoneybrookcommunity/) for residents of Stoneybrooke, in Alexandria, VA. It is designed for members to connect and share information. Posts containing lost and found, requesting referrals for paid services or items, help with a project, borrowing, ride sharing, announcing yard sales or interesting events in Alexandria area, neighborhood alerts and concerns, giving away items or volunteering your time and any non-profit related posts are welcomed here.

Additionally, a Facebook group exists to advertise events and service or share recommendations here (https://www.facebook.com/groups/1034208403392227/).

Need a hand in your yard or garden this summer? Some of Stoneybrooke's local youth would love to help you out!

Caleb | Caleb's Odd Jobs | calebsoddjobs@icloud.com

**Abby & Bailey** | The Yardeners | **yardenerslw@gmail.com** (Age appropriate jobs for 10-year-olds; no power-tools please!)

# STONEYBROOKE CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

2018 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

## Why join?

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

#### How to join:

## Option 1:

- 1. Make out a \$20 check payable to 'SCA'.
- 2. Fill out the form below and print.
- 3. Mail the form and check to the Stoneybrooke Treasurer:

Candy Thompson 6825 Lamp Post Lane Alexandria, VA 22306

## Option 2:

- 1. Log into your PayPal account.
- 2. Send \$20 to scaboard@stoneybrooke.org.
- 3. Include your name and Stoneybrooke address in the message.

Your Name:				Directory Information
Your Spouse's Name:				
Address:				
Phone:				
Check One: Include u	is in the Community Directory	OR	Do not include us	in the Directory
Email:	To rec			orooke Sentinel by email rectory or other mailings

Contact us online at www.stoneybrooke.org!

# Stoneybrooke of Fairfax County Citizens Association, Inc.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As of August 18, 2018

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Burke & Herbert Bank & Trust	6,063.17
Total Bank Accounts	\$6,063.17
Other Current Assets	
Undeposited Funds	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$0.00
Total Current Assets	\$6,063.17
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,063.17
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	2,655.31
Unrestrict (retained earnings)	3,882.53
Net Revenue	-474.67
Total Equity	\$6,063.17
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$6,063.17

# Stoneybrooke of Fairfax County Citizens Association, Inc.

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

September 1, 2017 - August 18, 2018

	TOTAL
Revenue	
Membership Dues	20.00
FY 2017 - 2018	400.00
FY 2018 - 2019	200.00
Total Membership Dues	620.00
Sales	150.00
Total Revenue	\$770.00
GROSS PROFIT	\$770.00
Expenditures	
Barrier Maintenance	210.00
Easter Party Expense	73.48
Entrance Maintenance	235.89
Legal Fees	25.00
National Night Out	138.87
QuickBooks Payments Fees	52.00
Rent	170.00
Supplies	137.48
Taxes	39.95
Website Subscription	162.00
Total Expenditures	\$1,244.67
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -474.67
NET REVENUE	\$ -474.67