

# Stoneybrooke



OF FAIRFAX COUNTY CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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## SENTINEL MAY 2019

### Letter from the Board

And just when it felt like summer may be making an early entrance, our neighborhood slogs through a rainy Mother's Day weekend. This is the time of year that reports of stolen items from unlocked cars rise. Please ensure you are locking your cars each evening prior to bedtime.

Save the date Sunday June 2nd for the next Stoneybrooke safety day, organized by aspiring Eagle Scout Zack Husband of our community, and community picnic. The event will be held from 4-7 pm in the Old Quarry Terrace cul-de-sac which connects to Stone Mill Place at the bottom of Stoneybrooke (thanks to our Old Quarry residents for hosting our picnic again). Please bring a pot-luck dish to share, your own drinks and chairs, and your kids to participate in the safety-related events. Additional details available on page 2.

In addition to the wet weather, the neighborhood has also been experiencing an issue with our private trash and recycling collection services. Page 5 has some additional information on this and Fairfax County is aware of the issue. There has been some chatter on the social media sites of some residents suggesting that the community explore the option of county residential waste collection instead of private services. Here is some information of what this process looks like: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/recycling-trash/petition-process>

If you would like to champion an exploration of the trash options or lead a petition, please reach out to [scaboard@stoneybrooke.org](mailto:scaboard@stoneybrooke.org).

And finally, with each of us spending more time outside and walking around the neighborhood, please be mindful of your vehicle speed within the neighborhood. The speed limit is 25 mph, which is easy to exceed without proper awareness coasting down the hill. Consider placing your vehicle in second gear if you would prefer to save some wear and tear on your brakes.

Look forward to seeing the neighborhood down on Old Quarry Terrace on June 2nd!

-SCA Board



*Photos from Community Picnic 2018*

## Stoneybrooke Community Picnic and Safety Day

For his Eagle service project, Zack has arranged for the following organizations to provide safety related services for our community:

- The Fairfax County Sheriff's Office will provide fingerprinting and child ID cards for kids (from 4-7 pm)
- Our local Fire station (Penn Daw station #11) will provide basic fire safety, home evacuation awareness and demonstrations of their equipment (between 4-7pm)
- Our community's newly assigned Community Outreach Officer, Master Police Officer Goodley will meet with the Stoneybrooke community for the first time and discuss his role as our community's Prime Prevention representative, as well as Driver Safety for our neighborhood's new drivers or soon to be drivers (between 4-7 pm)
- Spokes Bicycle shop (Belle View Shopping Center) will provide tips on neighborhood bicycle safety and good riding practices targeted for kids age 4-12 (5:30-7 pm)
- Students from American Tukong Tae Kwon Do studio (Beacon Hill Shopping Center) will perform a demonstration of self-defense skills (5:00-5:30 pm)
- Scouts from Zack's Boy Scout Troop 680 (St. Louis Catholic Church) will provide first aid demonstrations and opportunity for kids to create a home evacuation plan (4:30-5:30 pm).

This is sure to be a fun event and great opportunity to interact with your Stoneybrooke neighbors and our local police, fire and community organizations and businesses. Please plan to attend and bring your kids on Sunday, June 2nd from 4-7pm. In the case of light rain showers, the event will still take place, but in the case of heavy rain or thunderstorms, it will be postponed until Sunday June 16th at the same time and the same place.

## SCA Events

- Stoneybrooke Community Picnic and Safety Day - Sunday, June 2nd, 4-7pm in the Old Quarry Terrace cul-de-sac

## Upcoming Local Events

### St. Mark's Episcopal Church Garden Plots Available

The community garden at St. Mark's Episcopal Church on S. Kings Highway has some garden plots available this year. Depending on the size of the plot, annuals rents are \$15-\$40. Please contact Candy Thompson at 703.909.5479 or [candythompson9@gmail.com](mailto:candythompson9@gmail.com) if you are interested.

### Old Town Festival of Speed & Style

Sunday, May 19th, 10am - 3pm

The inaugural Old Town Festival of Speed & Style will debut on King Street near Alexandria's waterfront on Sunday, May 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The single-day free event will be span across three blocks on lower King Street and will feature approximately 60 rare and unusual supercars from around the world such as Ferrari, Jaguar, Porsche, Lamborghini, Aston-Martin and Cobra for up close viewing enjoyment. The event will also feature live music, street vendors, and provide festival goers an opportunity to explore Old Town shops and restaurants. Visit [www.festivalspeedstylealex.com/](http://www.festivalspeedstylealex.com/) for more information.

### Mount Vernon Spring Wine Festival & Sunset Tour

May 17th - May 19th, 6pm - 9pm

Join Mount Vernon for its most popular event of the year! Sample wines from Virginia's finest wineries while enjoying delicious food, live music, and spectacular views at the estate. Celebrate the history of wine in Virginia with exclusive evening tours of the Mansion and cellar and appearances by Martha Washington and other people from Washington's world. Bring a blanket, relax on the east lawn overlooking the scenic Potomac River, and sample wines made in Virginia. During tours of the Mansion, visit the cellar where Washington stored his wine and learn about the successes and failures of our Founding Father's endeavors with wine.

Ticket prices are as follows: Friday, May 17: \$48; Saturday, May 18: SOLD OUT; Sunday, May 19: \$42. All proceeds benefit the ongoing preservation and restoration of Mount Vernon and its educational programs.

### Alexandria Jazz Festival

Monday, May 27th, 1pm - 6pm

Located at the Waterfront Park, the 42nd Annual Alexandria Jazz Festival will feature the U.S. Army Blues, VERONNEAU, Dave Kline Band, and Good Shot Judy. Food and beverage sales will be available and picnic baskets are welcome. To learn more, visit <https://apps.alexandriava.gov/Calendar/Detail.aspx?si=23600>.

### D-Day 75th Anniversary Commemoration

Saturday, June 1st, 11am - 4pm

A free event to honor the 75th anniversary of D-Day, the City of Alexandria will host a event at the Waterfront Park. The events include WWII reenactors and memorabilia, music and swing dancing, a commemoration ceremony with special guests, and children's activities and scavenger hunt. For more information, visit <https://alexandriacaen.wordpress.com/1-d-day-events/2019-d-day-events/>.

## Community News

### **New Dunkin' Donuts on Telegraph Road Opens**

The first drive-thru Dunkin' Donuts in the greater Richmond Highway area is open. The new Dunkin' Donuts, which opened in late April, is located at 7710 Telegraph Road in a small commercial strip right next to Hayfield Secondary School. The 1,600-square foot building was home to various banks since 1973 but had been vacant since 2015.

The new location's hours are from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days a week. Free wifi is available, and the store will employ approximately 20 people.

### **Mount Vernon RECenter Renovation Moving Forward**

Originally built in 1979, renovation and expansion of the Mount Vernon RECenter is slated to begin in May 2020, with an estimated completion date of September 2022. Phase I of the \$22 million project will include will include a complete overhaul of the center's existing pool, an expanded two-floor fitness center, fixes to the ice rink and a completely reworked entrance area. It also includes money for the design of a new ice rink planned for Phase II.

The new ice rink coming in Phase II will be built to NHL standards, with new, larger locker rooms. It's estimated to cost \$11.5 million. Phase III of the project will include a new leisure pool. That phase is estimated to cost \$6.1 million.

You can view the plans for the center on the project website: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/planning-development/mount-vernion-recenter](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/planning-development/mount-vernion-recenter)

### **Local Farmers Markets Open for the Season**

Two area farmers markets kickoff their seasons recently: the McCutcheon/Mount Vernon and Kingstowne Farmers Market the McCutcheon/Mount Vernon Farmers Market will have the same hours and location as previous years, running from 8 a.m. to noon in the parking lot of Sherwood Regional Library. The market will be held weekly until December 18.

The Kingstowne Farmers Market opens on Friday. It is held in the Giant parking lot at the Kingstowne Center from om 4-7 p.m. each week until October 18.

There won't be a Huntington Farmers Market this year due to construction at the Huntington Metro station over the summer.

### **Old Dominion Boat Club Proposes New Waterfront Improvements**

The Virginia Marine Resources Commission, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the National Park Service have signed off on the Old Dominion Boat Club's plan to add waterfront improvements in front of its new building. Now the boat club will go before the City Planning Commission in June to get their blessing.

The Boat Club's plans call for new piers, a dock and a wharf. The new marina facilities and wharf would support club boating activities including international sailing regattas as well as City of Alexandria-sponsored events including boating and fishing programs for children with special needs. The club notes that its concept for the marine facilities are almost a historically accurate recreation of 1802 wharves that previously occupied the property.

**Planet Fitness to Move into Former Giant Space at Hayfield Center**

Planet Fitness is planning on moving into part of the old Giant Food space in the Hayfield Center. The arrival of Planet Fitness will also launch a multi-million dollar private investment refresh of the shopping center, to include repainting, new plants, and façade upgrades. It is not clear when the renovation will begin, or when Planet Fitness is expected to open.

**Regional Approach to Glass Recycling Leads to Creation of the Purple Can Club**

Fairfax County, City of Alexandria, Prince William County, and Arlington County announced a new strategic partnership to recover and recycle glass. In Northern Virginia, glass collected in curbside recycling bins is sent to recycling facilities where it eventually ends up in landfills because of contamination. To tackle this challenge, these jurisdictions have committed to collecting glass via purple glass-only drop-off containers and bringing it to Fairfax County's "Big Blue" processing plant, where it will be recycled for use in a variety of projects. In Fairfax County, residents and businesses are encouraged to bring glass to purple drop-off centers at the I-66 transfer station and I-95 landfill complex. For more information about recycling in Fairfax County, visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/recycling-trash/glass](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/recycling-trash/glass).

**Residential Trash and Recycling: Private Collector Pick Up Issues**

The Fairfax County Solid Waste Management Program is aware that some residential customers have recently experienced reductions in service quality and/or reliability (e.g., missed or delayed pick-ups) from their solid waste service provider. The County is monitoring the situation and will investigate service complaints to ensure compliance with County Code requirements (e.g., weekly collection). Residents should first contact their hauler for assistance with service. If your problem is not being resolved in a timely manner please email [trashmail@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:trashmail@fairfaxcounty.gov).

**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>

Alexandria Living | <https://alexandrialivingmagazine.com/>

**Reminders****Stay Connected**

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

Residents can also join on-line community on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/groups/Stoneybrookcommunity/](http://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 ([www.facebook.com/groups/1034208403392227/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/1034208403392227/)).

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## MEMBERSHIP FORM

### 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:

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

### OR

1. Send \$20 via PayPal to [scaboard@stoneybrooke.org](mailto:scaboard@stoneybrooke.org).
2. Include the information in the form below.

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ *(for the Community Directory)*

Your Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Check One: Include us in the Community 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. )*

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