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Stoneybrooke Community Yard Sale
Saturday, May 7th

Stoneybrooke Citizens Association Meeting
Tuesday, May 24th
Please attend

Message from Supervisor McKay

Paving the Way to Better Roads

As you know, the state is facing a major challenge repaving and repairing roads that for years have been neglected. This year's winter, which brought us several feet of snow and icy conditions, left our roads in an even worse condition.

You don't have to drive far to see the numerous potholes popping up on our streets – a number that seems to keep multiplying by the day. Potholes are created when roads freeze and then expand, weakening the surface. When the ice melts, the weight of traffic creates a crack which ultimately forms a pothole. This is exacerbated by especially bad winters such as the one we just experienced.

As you may know, most roads in Fairfax County are owned by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), a state, not county agency. This includes the maintenance and repaving of our roads. Although VDOT has been out filling potholes as they become a nuisance, those repairs are often only a temporary fix until paving can be done later in the spring.

The most permanent solution is repaving – which we'll soon see in full force.

VDOT has made a real effort to improve the condition of our roads, committing nearly \$300 million of maintenance funds in the last two years to Northern Virginia. Every year, VDOT rates statewide pavement conditions and determines the best treatment to extend pavement life. Pavement condition, ride quality, and traffic volume are all taken into account when they create their paving schedule.

VDOT will be releasing the list of roads that will be on the 2016 paving schedule in the coming weeks. Additionally, Delegate Mark Sickles and I met with representatives from VDOT last month to push for more paving in our community and more attention to our roads which we will continue to focus on until our roads are fixed.

To make a request to VDOT for road paving or to report a pothole you may contact them directly by visiting their website at <http://www.virginiadot.org/> or calling them at 1-800-FOR-ROAD. Of course, as always, you can also contact my office at 703-971-6262 and we'll be glad to contact VDOT on your behalf.

Update on Revival of the Stoneybrooke Citizens Association (SCA)

Neighborhood meeting May 24

Several residents attended the second meeting to regenerate the SCA on Thursday, March 17, hosted by Dona Sauer. The meeting began with a visit from Yvette Merkinson, the manager from the USPS station who delivers Stoneybrooke mail. Ms. Merkinson listened to the neighborhood complaints and asked the group to document its concerns in a letter to the USPS.

The annual meeting of the SCA will be held on Tuesday, May 24 at 7:00 at the Mansion. The plan is to hold elections for new officers at that time. Any decisions on how to proceed with meetings after the May 24 meeting will be up to the next Board. All SCA members are eligible to vote; see membership form attached to this newsletter. In order to have elections, a quorum of at least 20 members must be in attendance.

If you are interested in running for an office, please contact Mike Jurkowski (mski22306@cox.net; H: 703-765-2736; C: 703-785-6404). During the latter half of April, former SCA Chair Mike Jurkowski and current SCA Board members (John Finamore and Bernie Tabarini) will meet with you to discuss details for the annual meeting and the SCA in general. Please provide the following information to Mike:

1. If there are any specific dates you need to avoid during the last half of April or any specific evenings that are bad for you.
2. Which office you want to run for
3. A short bio (one paragraph) on yourself to be run in the May Sentinel.

We will be looking for a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian. Secretary is TBD. We do have interest in the Parliamentarian slot and one other person who has volunteered to "help where needed."

At the meeting, the SCA Board will also be looking for volunteers to take over welcoming new residents as well as organizing community events, including kids' activities (such as an Easter Egg Hunt at the Mansion, as well as a Christmas party), and the land use representative for the neighborhood.

Note from the Editors

Please contact the editors with your news and information: Carrie Wehling Michaud and Jessica Kaplan (cwehlingmichaud@verizon.net and floreskaplan@gmail.com)

Neighborhood Watch

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

Letters to the Editors:

No letters this month.

2016 Stoneybrooke Board and Committees

Board

Chairman	Vacant
Vice-Chairman	Vacant
Secretary	John Finamore
Treasurer	Bernie Tabarini
Parliamentarian	Vacant

Committees

Directory	Marie Ernst
Lee District Land Use	Jim Van Duesen
Membership	BJT Associates
Registered Mail Agent	Mike Jurkowski
Welcoming	Ruth Feist
Youth	Vacant
Neighborhood Watch	Don Faxon
<i>Sentinel</i>	Jessica Kaplan, Carrie Wehling Michaud and Heather Martin

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; lmichaud.5@gmail.com
- Molly Sternberg: Home: (703) 768-7879; Cell-703-772-7801 (Red Cross Certified);
mollyesternberg@yahoo.com

Announcements

Stoneybrooke Spring Yard Sale! Saturday, May 7 from 8am – 1pm, with a rain date of Saturday, May 14th. Advertising will be through online outlets as well as signs. Please contact Frank Gerow at frankgerow@cox.net if you want to help, have questions, or suggestions.

Fairfax County Park Authority Open House. The FCPA ParksCount Open House will be held Thursday, April 14th from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Herrity Building (12055 Government Center Pkwy, Fairfax VA). Come learn about community park needs and the study recommendations for key park and recreation facilities that you use.

The ParksCount Needs Assessment Study is a process of considering park and recreation needs, trends, and preferences. It relies on research, information gathering, surveys, and analysis. The results of the study help the Park Authority better understand what customers need from a park and recreation system and how to best balance and prioritize those needs across the County.

The Open House will include a brief (15min) presentation at 7:00 p.m. that will be repeated at 8:00 p.m. The presentation will cover key findings and outcomes. The remainder of the open house will provide an opportunity to visit the various information stations to learn more about the community's needs for parks and facilities and the capital improvement plan for meeting these needs over the next ten years. More information on the ParksCount Needs Assessment study and process is available on the project web site (<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parkscount/>).

Bethany Lutheran Preschool Community Yard Sale. Saturday, April 23. 8:00 am - 1:00 pm (Delightful discounts after 12:00 noon). Do you love deals at yard sales? Cleaning out your closet, attic or garage? Kiddies outgrown their clothes? Donate to the Preschool Yard Sale. Join the fun! Donation receipts are available upon request.

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.

Car show at West Potomac HS, April 23, 2016. See attached flyer for more information. This should be a very fun event, and a great fundraiser for the WPHS Class of 2016 All Night Graduation party.

The Rose Hill Players Present "What a Knight!" Join Rose Hill Elementary School's Rose Hill players for What a Knight!, a hilarious musical adventure featuring a castle full of colorful characters, including precocious princesses, a talking dragon, and Merlin and his magic mirror. When young squire Watt Cobblers is expelled from Knight School, he reluctantly becomes Merlin's new apprentice. But trouble is never far away, and soon Camelot Castle collapses into chaos. Merlin has lost Excalibur, King Arthur's daughters have been kidnapped and his brave knights have turned into chickens. Watt and his new found friends Dusty Dragon and wayward Princess Alice set off on the biggest quest of their lives. Can our unlikely heroes rescue the princesses, save Excalibur and defeat the evil Black Knight?

Please join us for performances at Thomas A. Edison High School (5801 Franconia Rd.,

Alexandria) on Friday, May 6th at 7pm and Saturday, May 7th at 1pm and 7pm. Tickets will be available at the door (\$5 for adults, \$3 for children, \$1 for children at matinee). Concessions will be available. Stoneybrooke's own Lily Mizoe is in the play! FCPS Board Member office hours.
Jeanette Hough,

Fairfax County School Board Member At Large, has scheduled upcoming office hours.

Wednesday, April 6, 2016. Time: 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Avenue, McLean, VA 22101-2818. If you would like to discuss any issues related to Fairfax County Public Schools, please drop by to talk with Jeanette. No appointment necessary.

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>.



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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 zoya@zoyaphoto.com. 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.

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

Aspiring singer/songwriter available to sing at your event:

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

Available for one to two hours

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!

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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>

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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.

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.
4. It funds year-round social activities for adults and children.
5. It funds our new website!
6. The association is the best source of local information including transportation and school initiatives.
7. Strong membership builds credibility with other local associations and local politicians.
8. 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.
3. 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:	<input type="text"/>	Directory Information
Your Spouse's Name:	<input type="text"/>	
Address:	<input type="text"/>	
Phone:	<input type="text"/>	
Check One:	Include us in the Community Directory <input type="checkbox"/>	OR Do not include us in the Directory <input type="checkbox"/>
Email:	<input type="text"/>	To receive your copy of The Stoneybrooke Sentinel by email Not for community directory or other mailings



Car Show

Saturday April 23, 2016 9am-2pm
West Potomac High School
6500 Quander Road, Alexandria VA 22307

Car Entries \$20, Awards to be Provided
Spectators Free!

**All Proceeds to go to the West Potomac All Night Graduation Celebration
for the 2016 Graduates!**