AFCA Meeting—Arlington's Deer Management Project

AFCA invites you to join our monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 18, at 7 p.m. We will discuss Arlington County's Deer Management Project, which was launched last June and is still in process, with no conclusions yet reached or decisions yet made (see the article on page 3).

To join the meeting, enter the following URL into your browser between 6:50 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18: https://tinyurl.com/49adzhkm. (If you

have never used Zoom, you can view a short tutorial at https://zoom.us/resources by clicking on Joining & Configuring Audio/Video.) Alternatively, you can dial in to the meeting at 301-715-8592, where you will be prompted to enter meeting number 881 1569 4997 and passcode 453106. You might also be prompted to hit the # sign one or more times. This call-in number will be active starting at 6:50 p.m.

Call for Dues

Your annual AFCA dues help get this newsletter delivered to your door as a service to you and the entire neighborhood, with information on trees and parks, trails and bridges, the Lubber Run Amphitheater, traffic and pedestrian safety, and more. Dues also pay for tree grants to residents and donations to our neighborhood schools. Dues support the AFCA website (www.arlingtonforestva.org), which contains a detailed neighborhood map, a history of Arlington Forest, back issues of this newsletter, and more. COVID limited AFCA's ability to raise funds in other ways, so please pay your dues today. You can use PayPal on the AFCA website or clip out the form on this page and deliver it with a \$20 check to your section representative in the enclosed envelope. Add an optional donation if you can-every little bit helps! If you include your email address, you will be added to the AFCA listserv, which sends a few messages per month with news of neighborhood interest.

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AFCA September 2023 Meeting

On September 20, AFCA President Esther Bowring opened the meeting by thanking the previous Southside and Northside vice presidents for their service and welcoming Liz Grossman and Julie Kirchhoff as the new vice presidents. Julie is serving on a temporary basis until a new permanent Southside vice president steps up, so if you are interested, please let Esther or Julie know.

AFCA Treasurer Jeff Horwitz presented a draft AFCA budget for the coming year, approved by unanimous vote. The budget reflects an imbalance between income and expenses, even without customary expenditures such as donations to local PTAs and Culpepper Gardens. Due mainly to rising printing costs for the neighborhood newsletter, AFCA expenses have climbed to more than \$12,000 per year, exceeding our main revenue sources. Fixes might include increasing AFCA dues, raising advertising rates, printing the newsletter on cheaper paper, and finding a less expensive printer. The ensuing discussion centered on whether to discontinue printing the newsletter and instead send out electronically each month. We decided to postpone any decision to give the neighborhood time to explore the options. However, a vote was taken to raise the annual AFCA dues from \$10 to \$20 per household.

Douglas Krietemeyer from the Arlington County Department of Environmental Services made a brief presentation on county waste management and recycling, then took questions. Arlington County accepts all plastics marked #1-7, but #1, 2, and 5 are most valuable for recycling. You should keep the bottle top on recycled plastic bottles because loose bottle tops are filtered out from recycling. The county does not accept plastic bags for recycling, but some grocery stores do in recycling bins at the store entrance. Pots and pans can be taken curbside if you schedule a special collection. Batteries, including gift cards that play sounds, should be dropped into the designated outdoor bin at the fire station at 4805 Wilson Blvd. or taken to the county's household hazardous materials facility at 530 31st St. S. Unless you have a lot food scraps or yard waste, you might consolidate your waste with that of neighbors in a single green recycling bin. By year's end, the county will release its Solid Waste Management/Zero Waste Plan for public review and comment.

Most questions on waste management had to do with what is recyclable, along with the capacity and equipment of Arlington's recycling contractor. An issue came up about trash collection workers throwing cardboard into trash collection vehicles instead of leaving it for recycling collection. The discussion included a suggestion to clearly mark cardboard for recycling and place it where it can't be mistaken for regular trash.

Arlington County's Deer Management Project By Hutch Brown



White-tailed deer, though native to Virginia, were largely eradicated by the 1920s due to overhunting and deforestation. Through restocking and habitat recovery, deer have rebounded across the state; they showed up in Arlington Forest by the 2000s and are now a common sight in our local parks (and on our porch cameras). Arlington County's Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has welcomed the return of deer, saying that they belong here as "an essential part of the ecology." However, staff has also recognized that too many deer, for lack of natural predators like wolves and cougars, can strip a forest floor of many plants, thereby upsetting the balance of nature. Results can include degraded forests, diminished biodiversity, malnourished deer, and rising conflicts between deer and people, including collisions with cars.

In June 2023, recognizing a possible deer overpopulation, the DPR launched a Deer Management Project. The goal is to outline "potential management strategies" for sustaining "a healthy deer population" while protecting "forest habitat on public land for native flora and fauna." The plan builds on a countywide deer census in April

2021, which found at least 290 deer in Arlington. The deer were concentrated in the county's relatively few wooded parklands, where they were "likely beyond the threshold of carrying capacity," according to the study. A followup study of deer browsing in Arlington, released in June 2023, found that the overall impacts "do not bode well for the future forest health of Arlington's parks."

The Deer Management Project is carrying out further impact studies and a literature review to see whether "active deer management is necessary to meet county stewardship goals." The project is also exploring potential deer management strategies, and it has pledged community engagement throughout. The outcome will likely be draft recommendations for deer management in county parks, along with a recommended monitoring program, with the Arlington County Board making any final decisions. The project timeline through winter 2024 includes a series of "community engagements," "feedback forms," and the like. No date is yet set for release of the final draft recommendations to the county board. You can find out more online at Arlington County Deer Management Project.

Opinion: Arlington County Deer Need Your Help!

By Samuel Wolbert, President and CEO, Animal Welfare League of Arlington

The article, abridged and edited here, was taken from the Animal Welfare League's website.

The Arlington County Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has pushed a narrative for many years that Arlington County has "too many deer." Now, with the latest county deer survey, DPR is advocating for the killing of deer in our backyards. Although deer can alter our forests, nonlethal options can deter deer and pose less dan-

ger to the public. If you respect wildlife and care about finding nonviolent solutions to community issues, let our leaders know that you oppose a deer cull and want a more measured and humane deer management plan.

Deer culls are expensive and don't work. Once started, a deer cull must continue year after year. Neighboring jurisdictions have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars and killed countless deer, yet these programs have continued for decades, with no end in sight. And make no mistake: a deer cull does not happen behind closed doors. Given the population density of Arlington and the proximity of



county parkland to homes, deer will be hunted in our backyards. Public parks will be closed or usage will be limited. Deer not killed on first shot will pose a danger to any person or animal in their vicinity, and even a mortally wounded deer can still live on adrenaline for many seconds and cover hundreds of yards. It will not be uncommon for residents to find evidence of dead deer in their backyards.

The Animal Welfare League acknowledges and supports the county's biophilia goals and the importance of maintaining healthy biodiversity. In fact, much of our community work is rooted in the OneHealth model, which recognizes the interconnection between human, animal, and environmental health. However, we also know that ecosystems are complex and that deer are often the scapegoats for larger ecological problems. As we've seen in other communities, killing deer will not solve the problems that we all agree the

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Opinion: Too Many Deer Are a Threat in Arlington

By Bill Browning and Steve Young

The article, abridged and edited here, appeared in the online GazetteLeader on August 30, 2023.

Gardeners understand how some wonderful plants can grow very aggressively in their gardens, crowding out other desirable plants—unless they are managed. Animals in ecosystems can behave similarly. Consider the white-tailed deer, a wonderful native animal. In the absence of predators, deer populations grow unchecked and diminish the habitat for other native animals and plants. The deer need to be managed and kept in balance with the rest of the ecosystem.

We have a combined 30 years of volunteering in Arlington County's parks. In recent years, we began to notice many more deer in our parks. At the same time, some small native plants were disappearing, tree seedlings were diminishing, and small trees were suffering bark wounds from antler rubbing. We realized that our local deer population was rapidly increasing, and we also observed that deer were losing their normal fear of humans. What we were seeing is common throughout much of the nation. When they have no predators other than vehicles, the deer do what deer do: they eat a lot and propagate.

We need to restore balance to our ecosystem. Credible research on deer management is thoroughly



documented, and best practices are in place in many localities in and around northern Virginia, including on lands managed by Fairfax County and the National Park Service. Deer are wonderful animals, but too many deer can be a threat. Arlington should follow the lead of other local jurisdictions and listen to the wildlife management professionals. We owe responsible stewardship to all the organisms that inhabit our natural areas.



Volcano Mulching

By Brooke Alexander



The article is adapted from an online piece submitted by Northside Vice President Liz Grossman.

The photo shows what can happen when you plant a tree and pile mulch around the base in the shape of a volcano. "Volcano mulching" leads to two kinds of problems.

The first problem is that the base of your tree can rot from touching the mulch. Mulch absorbs water and keeps the bark moist. Bark has evolved to be in touch with air and will start to rot if it is wet all the time. Just beneath the bark are the xylem and phloem, tubules that carry water from the roots to the leaves and food from the leaves to the roots. If the bark rots, the xylem and phloem don't work and the tree dies. In addition, insect pests can enter through the rotting bark and weaken your tree. Mulch should never touch the bark of your tree; keep mulch 2 to 3 inches away from the bark.

The other problem with volcano mulching is that the mulch is piled too deep. Tree roots naturally move far out into the surrounding topsoil in search of water, but volcano mulching can instead make the roots move from the soil into the mulch, encircling your tree and failing to venture beyond the mulch. In the photo, the mulch has been removed so you can see how new roots have grown into the mulch above the soil, hiding the original healthy root flare. In addition, mulch will gradually compact and form a crust over the soil; water will run off instead of penetrating, and the roots within the mulch can dry out and weaken your tree. Mulch should never be any deeper than 2 to 3 inches.



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Graduating Seniors Picture By Liz Vance

At the end of each school year, I invite graduating high school seniors in our neighborhood to pose for a joint photo at the Barrett Elementary School playground. Congratulations to the class of 2023, who are starting the next stage of their lives—whether it's attending college, starting jobs, or making some awesome gap year plans!

Class of 2024 (current seniors), I will see you in the spring! The date set for the portrait is Sunday, April 7, at 6 p.m. at the Barrett playground, rain or shine! If there are any major school or community events that conflict with that date, the backup date will probably be the following Sunday (April 14). Fingers crossed! And don't worry, there will be lots of reminders in the spring. See you then!





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Raising Funds for AFCA

Brick's Pizza in the Arlington Forest Shopping Center is conducting a fundraiser for AFCA. **We encourage Foresters to buy a pizza at Brick's from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 19.** Brick's will then figure out how much more it made than on the previous Thursday and will donate 10% of the additional proceeds to AFCA. A successful October fundraiser could lead to further fundraisers at Brick's. Order online for pickup or delivery at arlingtonbrickspizza.com.

AFCA is also offering an incentive to residents for paying AFCA dues (see the front page of this newsletter for payment options). A booth at the Lubber Run Farmers Market will encourage residents to pay their dues through PayPal on the AFCA website. If you fill out a raffle ticket at the booth from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on any Saturday in October and then pay your dues through PayPal, you will be entered in a drawing for a full refund of your dues (one winner each for Greenbrier, Northside, and Southside).

Holiday Committee Needed!

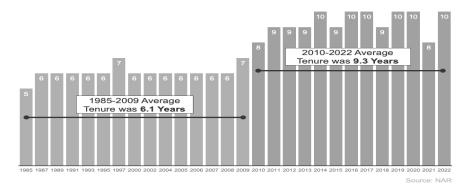
Arlington Forest has a longstanding tradition of celebrating the holiday season with a party in early December at the Lubber Run Community Center. Holiday music and treats like cookies are part of this kids-oriented event, which can include a visit from Santa. The holiday tradition dates to the beginnings of AFCA in 1940. A first Tree Lighting Ceremony as early as 1941 lighted up the American holly that once stood on the circle for the Arlington Forest Shopping Center. In 1945, a children's Christmas party was held at the Buckingham Theater, but the annual party was discontinued in 1967, although

the Tree Lighting Ceremony continued, with caroling and Santa Claus for kids. The holiday party resumed by the 1990s and into the 2000s, when it was held at the Lubber Run Community Center. The COVID pandemic interrupted the tradition in 2020, but a holiday party was held again last year.

We need volunteers to plan festivities for this year that are inclusive of our entire neighborhood. Allison Kennett has volunteered to lead the way (thanks Allison!). If you have some time and would like to help out, please let Allison know at allison.kennett@gmail.com.

Housing inventory is low right now, and the tenure that people to stay in their home has increased. Compared to the same time last year, supply is down roughly 10% – and it was already considered low at that time. Supply is almost 50% lower than 2019. Wondering if it still makes sense to sell your house? Yes, although circumstances apply!

Today's Homeowners Are Staying in Their Houses for an Average of 9+ Years



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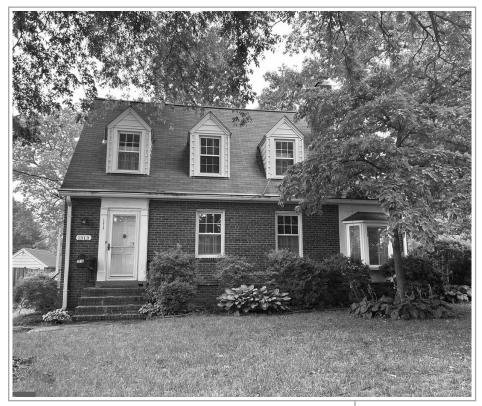


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Opinion: Neighborhood Covenant Blocks Plans for Duplex By Hutch Brown



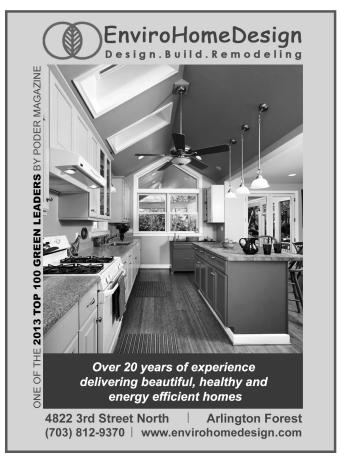
Arlington Forest's 852 properties. All three sets of covenants restrict housing construction on a lot to one detached single-family home. Although one of the covenants for each subneighborhood excluded certain racial or ethnic groups from residency, that covenant was expressly overturned by law. The rest of the covenants continued to "run with the land," applying to each new homeowner. All three sets of covenants were written to extend indefinitely unless a majority of homeowners voted to change them "in whole or in part." It is unclear whether that ever happened, so the covenants might still be in force, although their legal status remains unclear. Unless the covenants are moot, they would appear to conflict with plans to construct middle housing in most of our neighborhood. So far, no such plans for our neighborhood have been submitted to Arlington County.

collectively cover most (but not all) of

On September 4, "EHO Watch" (an online update on the status of middle-housing construction in neighborhoods like ours) reported that a neighborhood in north-central Arlington thwarted plans by a developer to tear down a single-family home and replace it with a duplex. The property in question is at 1313 N. Harrison St. in the Tara-Leeway Heights/Larchmont neighborhood bordering on Washington Blvd. across from Lacey Woods Park. The developer notified the neighborhood that it had acquired the property and planned to build a duplex there.

Like Arlington Forest, the neighborhood has covenants dating to its establishment in the late 1930s. One covenant reportedly states that "not more than one house shall be constructed upon the lot," which the developer interpreted as allowing side-by-side units within a single structure. The neighborhood replied that "any reasonable interpretation" of the covenant "does not mean one structure with any number of units you wish to include," pointing out that each unit would "be a separate home, with separate parking, trash, recycling, and yard waste bins, etc." The neighborhood added that it was considering legal action. In response, the developer dropped plans to build a duplex in favor of replacing the existing house with another single-family home.

Similarly, Arlington Forest has (or had) neighborhood covenants, which are posted on the AFCA website. Each subneighborhood (Greenbrier, Northside, and Southside) has its own slightly different set of covenants, which



Barcroft School News By Samantha Bell







The Barcroft PTA showed teachers and staff our appreciation by bringing them cookies and cards on September 18. Due to the weather, the Back to School Picnic for families was rescheduled and held on September 29. Families gathered outside to enjoy the great fall weather with a night of music, great food, and fun. The PTA offered pizza and drinks for sale; we also hosted a Kona Ice Truck, a live DJ, and a mini-martial arts class and demonstration from Evolve All. In addition, the PTA sponsored our annual Chalk for Peace and Garden Workday event with donuts and coffee at the school on September 30.

Upcoming events include parent/teacher conferences on October 19 and 20; School Picture Day on October

23; a restaurant fundraiser at Wendy's (3431 Columbia Pike) on October 24 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.; Outdoor Movie Night on October 27; and another restaurant fundraiser at Ledo Pizza (1035 S Edgewood St.) on November 28 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

You can support the Barcroft PTA by linking your Harris Teeter card (www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education) to the Barcroft code (4238); you need to relink every year. Follow us on Twitter and Instagram at @BarcroftEagles and on Facebook at Barcroft Elementary School PTA. You can contact barcroftpta-president2024@gmail.com if you would like to support the PTA and have any questions.



County News

Election Coming Up

On November 7, Virginia will hold a general election. Last June, in Arlington's first primary with ranked-choice voting, Susan Cunningham and Maureen Coffey were elected from a field of six as the Democratic candidates for two open seats on the county board. They will be opposed by Audrey Clement (Independent) and Juan Carlos Fierro (Republican). Early voting is open until November 4.

Stop for People in Crosswalks

As of July 1, the Virginia State Code (§46.2-924) has required drivers on state roads like Arlington Blvd. to come to a complete stop for pedestrians in crosswalks, even if the pedestrian hasn't reached the lane of the driver. In a September hearing, the Arlington County Board will consider changing the Arlington County Code accordingly. Arlington would then change road signage from "Yield" to "Stop for Pedestrians" at crosswalks.

Free Notary Services

You can get free notary services at the Arlington Public Library by making an appointment online at Notary - Arlington Public Library. They promise to contact you within 36 hours of requesting an appointment. Bring ID, your unsigned papers to be notarized, and any needed witnesses.

Stormwater Utility Fee Update

Arlington County is changing how it funds the countywide Stormwater Management Program. Since 2008, the stormwater program has been funded through a sanitary district tax based on a property's real estate assessment. Beginning in 2024, the county will change to a stormwater utility fee based on the amount of impervious area on a property (hard surfaces like roofs and driveways that don't let rain runoff soak into the ground). Customers will receive the first real estate bill with the stormwater utility fee in May 2024. You can find out more online at www.arlingtonva.us/stormwaterutility.

Flood-Resilient Arlington Storymap

"Flood Resilient Arlington Storymap: Challenges and the Path Forward" is a visual storymap posted online by Arlington County. The map illustrates how Arlington's 20th-century development peaked at a time of few standards for stormwater management, leading to flash floods from rainstorms that have become more frequent and intense. Also explained are the county's ongoing efforts to upgrade the capacity of its stormwater infrastructure and public-private options for better stormwater management. You can find the storymap online at Flood-Resilient Arlington Storymap.

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Parks Update

Lubber Run Park Invasive Plant Removal

Stephanie Martin of Greenbrier is leading teams of volunteers to help keep Lubber Run Park free from plant invaders so our native species can thrive. Volunteers will meet at the Lubber Run Amphitheater and work from 1 to 3 p.m. on two upcoming Saturdays, October 21 and December 2. Registration is required; to register, contact Stephanie at stephmartin60@aol.com.

Aphid Infestation Last Spring

Late last spring, you might have noticed a shiny substance on leaves in our parks and even in your yard. On closer look, you might have seen tiny insects called aphids on the underside of affected leaves. Aphids feed on fluids in leaves and stems, then secret a substance called honeydew, which forms a shiny film. Spring was so dry that rainfall failed to wash the honeydew from leaves. You might also have noticed ladybugs because they feast on aphids. Such predation normally protects healthy oaks, maples, and other large trees from lasting harm.

American Chestnut in Glencarlyn Park



Once a major forest tree in our area, American chestnut was wiped out by a Eurasian blight introduced in the early 1900s. Some rootstocks still survive, sending up occasional shoots in our local parks. You can find a shoot about 4 feet high close to the pavilion in Glencarlyn Park below the Long Branch Nature

Center (near the Glencarlyn Dog Park). As you face the pavilion, look to the left for a signpost without a sign. The shoot is several feet to the left of the signpost and several feet uphill, right above a patch of poison ivy. Look for leaves that are long and toothed, tapering down to a sharp point. In time, the blight will kill the shoot, but for now it appears to be flourishing.

Ballston Pond Restoration



Completed in August 2023 after a multiyear process, Ballston Pond restoration will mitigate flash flooding in Lubber Run by reducing peak flows by 30%. The proj-

ect removed accumulated sediment from the pond and rerouted water through new flow channels across the 4-acre site. Regular maintenance will continue after project completion. The project includes a new trail and viewing deck with informational signs about the pond.

Community Calendar

Next AFCA meeting:

Wednesday, October 18, 7 p.m.

Lubber Run Farmers Market:

Saturday mornings at the Barrett Elementary School parking lot.

Offvear Election:

November 7 (you can request a ballot to vote by mail at https://bit.ly/VoteArlington). On the ballot will be candidates for, among other offices, State Senate, House of Delegates, Commonwealth's Attorney, Arlington County Board (2 seats), and Arlington School Board (1 seat).

Holiday Party:

Friday, December 8, at the Lubber Run Community Center (tentative)

Neighborhood Spring Cleanup:

A Saturday in April, 2024

Annual AFCA Picnic:

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Annual Yard Sale:

A Saturday in May, 2024

Turnaround Day:

A Saturday in June, 2024 (tentative)

AFCA Meetings

Topics are tentative.

October 18, 2023:

Deer Management Project

November 15, 2023:

Forestry and Natural Resources Plan

January 17, 2024:

Neighborhood issues (damaged bridges and more)

February 21, 2024:

School issues

March 20, 2024:

Native trees and gardens

April 17, 2024:

Pedestrian/traffic safety

May 15, 2024:

Neighborhood traffic

Around the Forest

New AFCA Officers Needed!

Esther Bowring will be stepping down as AFCA president next May. If you have suggestions or want to serve on the nominating committee, contact committee head Art Schwartz at arthur.edward.schwartz@gmail.com. We also need a new vice president for Southside as soon as possible. If you are interested in volunteering, contact interim Southside Vice President Julie Kirchhoff at afcassvp@gmail.com.

AFCA Financial Health

Due to rising costs, AFCA is looking for ways of cutting expenditures and/or raising money to keep our treasury balance healthy. A committee is being formed to seek solutions. To join the committee, contact AFCA President Esther Bowring at afcaprez@gmail.com.

AFCA Seeks Webmasters

If you have an hour a month, please consider becoming an AFCA webmaster. We are looking for a couple of people to help post new information on the AFCA website. If you want to volunteer to join the website renewal team, contact AFCA President Esther Bowring at afcaprez@gmail.com.

Dangerous Intersection

Arlington's second most dangerous intersection is at N. Henderson Rd. and Arlington Blvd., according to county records, with 14 accidents in 2022 (mostly rearend collisions). County fixes last year included new high-visibility crosswalk markings and signal heads, along with new "Turning Vehicle Yield to Pedestrian" signs. New high-visibility street names were also mounted on poles, making them easier to read.

Housing Assistance

Arlington County's budget for fiscal year 2024 includes \$85 million in support for housing programs, including federal housing choice vouchers for qualifying residents and housing grants for low-income residents in need of rental assistance. Also included is \$5 million in real estate tax relief for the elderly and disabled and \$4.6 million in assistance for residents at risk of eviction. Thousands of Arlingtonians will benefit from housing assistance programs.

Damaged Southside Trail Bridge

The bridge on the cut-through trail connecting Southside to neighboring Barcroft remains damaged and potentially unsafe. People once used the trail for walks, and children took it to school. Neighbors who are tracking discussions between Dominion Power and Arlington County reported that, as of last August, all parties were "interested in safety" and "on the same page regarding next steps, but those will take a few months to fully execute."

Trashcan Replaced at Greenbrier Entrance to Glencarlyn Park

In August, Arlington County workers discovered that someone had dumped construction materials into the trashcan at the head of the spur trail down to Four Mile Run from N. Greenbrier St. The county responded by replacing it with a smaller receptacle that makes dumping inappropriate materials more difficult.

LRCC Parking Garage Year-Round

The playground and sports facilities at the Lubber Run Community Center are very popular, but please avoid parking in front of homes on nearby streets. The center's parking garage offers **4 hours of free parking**. To enter the garage, just take a ticket and use the ticket to exit.

Holiday Party

Allison Kennett needs help in planning this year's annual holiday party in early December, a neighborhood tradition. People with thoughts about how to make the event more inclusive are encouraged to help out; if we want Santa to show up for kids, we would need to recruit one. To volunteer, contact Allison at allison.kennett@gmail.com.



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