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Virtual AFCA Meeting— Recycling/Waste Management

AFCA invites you to join our monthly Zoom meeting on Wednesday, September 20, at 7 p.m. Douglas Krietemeyer, an environmental sustainability planner from the Arlington County Department of Environmental Services, will join us to discuss recycling and waste management issues in Arlington County. In addition, we will vote on the AFCA budget for 2023-24 and discuss the possibility of raising our annual AFCA dues (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, September 20: <https://tinyurl.com/4zh6ejdz>. (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 829 1918 8465 and passcode 346292. 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.

How Do AFCA Dues Benefit You?

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 pay for tree grants to residents and donations to our neighborhood schools. Dues support the AFCA website (www.arlingtonforest-va.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 promptly this year—the October issue of this newsletter will tell you how. At the September AFCA meeting, we will

discuss the need for a possible hike in our annual AFCA dues beginning in October (see the article on page 3).

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AFCA May Potluck Picnic

On May 15, 2023, AFCA held its annual potluck picnic, a neighborhood tradition—a little business mixed with a lot of food, fun, and friends. The picnic started at 6 p.m. in the Lubber Run Park picnic shelter, and it was well attended. AFCA cooked hamburgers and hotdogs and provided buns, condiments, soda, plates, cups, utensils, and napkins. Residents brought side dishes of all types to share, along with nonalcoholic drinks. Children and family dogs rounded out the event. Thanks go to Rob Janson for organizing the picnic this year!

AFCA President Esther Bowring initiated a brief business meeting to hold the annual election of AFCA officers. Art Schwartz, who headed up the nominating committee, presided over the election, held by voice vote. Re-elected by acclaim were Esther Bowring, president; Tom Smialowicz, vice president for Greenbrier; Sean Lyons, vice president for Southside; Char Mahoney, recording secretary; Janet Irwin, corresponding secretary; and Jeffrey Horwitz, treasurer. Elected for the first time was Liz Grossman to replace Joel Yudken, who resigned as vice president for Northside; subsequently, Sean Lyons also retired as vice president for Southside, to be replaced (for now) by Julie Kirchhoff. Thanks to Joel and Sean for their years of service! Welcome to all our AFCA officers, old and new, and thanks for volunteering your time and service!

Plant a Tree in Your Yard

Help keep the “forest” in Arlington Forest! Fall is the perfect time to plant. If you have lost a tree or want to add a new one, you can get financial assistance.

AFCA Tree Grant Program: AFCA provides up to \$125 to help cover the cost of buying and planting a canopy tree (including delivery). You can qualify for grants on up to two trees, with various native trees to choose from. To qualify, all you need is to be paid up on your 2023-24 AFCA dues. For the application form, go to www.arlingtonforestva.org and click on the AFCA tab. Act now—grants are limited.

Arlington Tree Distribution Program: Arlington County is giving away 500 young native trees this fall. The trees, 2-4 ft in size, come in 2-gallon containers. Register for your free tree online at <https://tinyurl.com/3z6jzhhr> beginning on September 5 and pick up your tree in late October.

Tree Canopy Fund: Through a county program administered by EcoAction Arlington, you can get a native tree planted on your property at no cost to you. You can choose from various trees, both large and small. The application deadline for spring 2024 planting is in January, with the form posted in October 2023. For more information, check out EcoAction Arlington Tree Canopy Fund online.

AFCA Budget Shortfall for 2022-23

In August, the AFCA board of officers met to discuss neighborhood issues and challenges for the coming year. AFCA Treasurer Jeff Horwitz reviewed AFCA income and expenditures for 2022-23, which showed a substantial deficit; he projected continuing deficits if action is not taken now. The newsletter alone accounted for more than \$13,000 in expenditures last year, reflecting inflation and a rise in newsletter printing costs. AFCA's reserves can cover a drawdown like this for a year or more,

but AFCA won't be able to sustain all of its activities and services in the long run without generating more income. AFCA's main sources of income are newsletter advertising, membership dues, and donations from members. AFCA is considering raising dues from \$10 to \$20 per year starting in fall 2023. Neighbors are encouraged to make a donation on top of their annual dues. (Please note that donations to AFCA are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.)

Editorial Policy

By Hutch Brown, AFCA Newsletter Editor

In accordance with AFCA bylaws, this newsletter follows editorial policies adopted by multiple editors over time. Articles reporting news of events, including positions adopted by AFCA on controversial issues, need no bylines. Essays taking a position on controversial issues may not attack individuals or be overly strident

or emotional in tone; the editor may edit and/or abridge any submission and is not required to print every submission. To help readers distinguish reporting from editorializing, articles on controversial issues will be marked as opinion beginning with this issue.



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Sylvie and I were happy to see many of you at the Open House. I'm always excited for a new family coming to the neighborhood.



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Free Lunch Friday

By Donna Simpson



Are you familiar with the WTOP radio station? Have you listened to it lately? Are you familiar with the Silver Diner? Have you been to one of its newest locations, which opened on N. Glebe Rd. and Wilson Blvd.?

Well, the radio station and diner have something in common. Once a week, they join together to offer a free lunch to a lucky listener and five guests.

This past spring, I was lucky enough to become one of the weekly winners after I entered my name by email in the WTOP contest. What a surprise!

To round out my party of five, I invited another Northside couple, Chris and Karen Scheer, and a Southside couple, Susan and Russ Capellini, to join my husband Richard and me for lunch at Silver Diner.

It was very pleasurable, with few restrictions: there is a cap of \$25 per person, including taxes, with you paying anything over that yourself; you also pay the server gratuity, and you choose a Silver Diner location on any day of the week from Monday through Friday.

What a wonderful way to bring friends together and enjoy a delicious lunch! Many thanks to WTOP and Silver Diner for their generosity.

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Turnaround Day Recap

By Liz Vance

The weather was unpredictable—hot, with possible showers—but that did not stop determined Foresters from holding their annual Turnaround Day event. Now in its second year, Turnaround Day has quickly become a neighborhood staple, with rave reviews.

“This is one of my favorite ‘events’ of the year,” wrote one participant. “It gets me motivated to clean out, drive around, and see how generous our neighborhood is (THANK YOU FOR THE AMAZING FIREPIT!) and then do little decorating things at home that make me happy!”

It was inspired by Turnaround Weekend in Boston, when college students all move at the same time. The streets are loaded with household goods and treasures that couldn’t stay in the dorm or apartment but also weren’t going home with the student.

And that got me to thinking—we all have things in our homes that we don’t need but don’t want to throw out because they still have so much life left in them. Why not give them a second chance?

The rules are simple: it must all be free. That’s it! Put it out in the morning and leave it out. Since it’s free, there’s no need to monitor and no need to stick around.

You’re free to wander the neighborhood on your own treasure hunt. And there are treasures! I watched from the window as a child gleefully found my kids’ Rock-em Sock-em Robots. In return, I got a compost tumbler (which I was planning to buy, so that was a fabulous surprise). And books! So many books! Families with small children were perfectly matched to so many houses with items from previously small children.

Items were put outside frequently during the day; you didn’t need to be an early riser to find treasure. And things were constantly turning around—finding a new home and making a new person happy.

On the Arlington Forest Families Listserv, people would frequently post when they put something out, which was helpful—and fun. The mad dash for the power washer was unsuccessful (for me), but SOMEONE got very lucky!

One of the unexpected treasures for me—and possibly my favorite—came from interactions with neighbors. I met so many new people and caught up with old friends. It did rain, and tarps frequently went over everything and then came off again. But despite the heat and rain, it truly was a lovely day.



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Arlington Civ Fed Honors AFCA President for Missing Middle Advocacy



AFCA President Esther Bowring was recently honored by the Arlington County Civic Federation (CivFed) for so ably representing Arlington's residential neighborhoods during the multiyear Missing Middle Housing Study. CivFed bestowed certificates for a group award upon the presidents of the citizens associations for Arlington Forest, Glencarlyn, and Old Glebe for their exceptional leadership. The award citation reads as follows:

"For several years, Arlington County has simmered with strong feelings both for and against a controversial county board housing initiative called Missing Middle, an aspirational attempt to diversify traditional single-family-home neighborhoods via broad upzoning and construction of more multifamily units in those areas.

"As passions and tempers rose during the past 18 months, many citizens adopted varying methods of expressing their support or dissent. These often became acrimonious and confrontational. In the midst of all the furor, the three awardee civic association presidents led an effort to focus their members' passionate views in an effort that forged a coalition of 16 different civic associations. This group then successfully sought meetings with county board members and other influential county figures to powerfully and collectively represent those member views.

"This powerful joint expression of commonly held views represented one of the most effective means of reaching the county's decision makers. While the county board ultimately decided differently than the CA coalition wished, members have cited the group's organization and impact."



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Opinion: Missing Middle Impact on Our Trees—an Update

By Hutch Brown

In March 2023, following a multi-year Missing Middle Housing Study, the Arlington County Board voted to amend the Arlington County Zoning Ordinance (ACZO) to allow multifamily housing in residential neighborhoods formerly restricted mainly to single-family homes. Since July, property owners have been allowed “by right” (without special permission) to submit plans for new housing with up to six units on any residential lot in Arlington Forest. For redeveloping a lot for a single-family home, the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Ordinance (CBPO—see Arlington County Code §61.10) requires a minimum of 20% tree canopy coverage in 20 years (or about three large trees planted or preserved on a 6,000-ft² lot). Yet the minimum requirement for constructing multifamily housing in neighborhoods like ours is only 10% tree canopy coverage. To make up the difference, the county included special tree planting/retention requirements in the amended ACZO.

The discrepancy is discussed in the March 12 county staff report on the ACZO amendments (online, pages 27-28). The disparity in CBPO requirements has to do with how the “applicable standard” for housing units per acre is calculated, so I asked county staff for an explanation. Staff replied that the “maximum potential density” for lots redeveloped for middle housing in neighborhoods like ours is “greater than 20 units per acre” (presumably for sixplexes, which maximize potential density). Under the CBPO, the minimum requirement for tree canopy coverage is 10% for a housing density of 20+ units per acre; therefore, the requirement for our neighborhood is 10% on any lot redeveloped for middle housing. But lots redeveloped for single-family homes are “opting out” of middle housing, according to county staff, so they remain “in a different zoning class”—that is, with a maximum potential housing density of 10 units per acre. The CBPO requirement for tree canopy coverage on lots with a housing density of 1-10 units is 20%, so the requirement is 20% on any Arlington Forest lot redeveloped for single-family housing. Clear as mud?

The disparity in CBPO requirements could lead to a loss of tree canopy cover on lots redeveloped for middle



housing. To offset the potential loss, the amended ACZO sets minimum tree planting/retention requirements for construction of new middle housing. Developers must plant or retain at least four county-approved “shade trees” for housing with two to four units and at least eight such trees for housing with five to six units. The tree planting/retention requirements for new middle housing, according to the staff report, “would generally result in tree canopy coverage that is closer to parity.” However, the report concedes that some middle housing development could be “at a slight disadvantage.”

Sparrow Pond Renovation Getting Underway

By Colleen O'Hara

On August 21, Arlington County kicked off its year-long renovation of Sparrow Pond, located along the W&OD Trail in Glencarlyn Park, near the playground below Southside. Sparrow Pond has been a delight for nature lovers since it was originally constructed in 2002. Hawks, herons, turtles, and fish have been common sights over the years, along with (of course) the famous beaver family that kept us entertained during the early months of the COVID pandemic.

However, the pond has become overgrown and filled with sediment, and the water is too shallow to support aquatic critters. The renovation project aims to remove sediment, improve water quality, and create a better habitat for the animals. The pond will be deep enough to support beavers again, should they choose to return.

The renovation work will include dredging sediments, removing trees, and installing a new expanded forebay (designed to prevent sediment from entering the pond) and a new pipe for draining the pond outflow into Four Mile Run, which parallels the pond across the W&OD Trail. The viewing platform will remain, and new signage will teach visitors about the plants and animals that

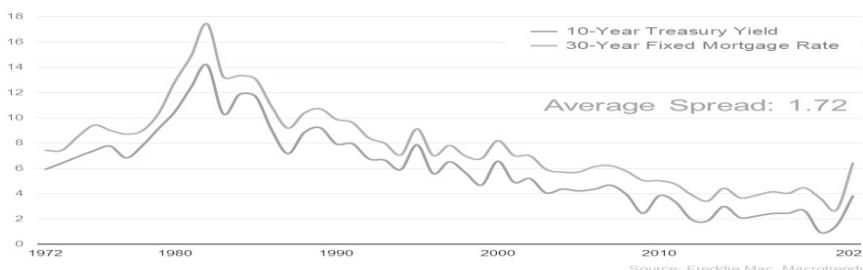


make their home at Sparrow Pond. As part of the project, the county will create a variety of habitats, in part by planting native vegetation. Plantings will include overstory trees, such as red maple, black gum, and sycamore; understory trees, including American hornbeam; shrubs such as elderberry, arrowwood viburnum, and button-bush; and flowers, including early goldenrod and swamp milkweed.

Neighbors can expect some disruption during the renovation project, according to a letter sent by the Department of Environmental Services to residents. Disruptions will include 2 to 3 days of W&OD Trail closure, with a detour to Four Mile Run Trail; and 2-3 weeks of Four Mile Run Trail closure, with a detour to the W&OD Trail. Towards the end of the project, the spur trail from the bottom of S. Park Dr. to the W&OD Trail will be closed for up to 3 months, and people will have to use the 7th St. S. entrance in Barcroft to get to the trail. The county will use this time to install storm drains and pipes and to rebuild the spur trail to support maintenance vehicles. For more information and details on the project, visit bit.ly/AC-Sparrow.

This chart shows that mortgage rates have followed in unison with 10-Year Treasury with a spread of about 1.7% for 50+ years. Typically you add 1.7% to the 10 year yield and you get the 30-year fixed rate. Lately the spread has widened. At the start of 2023 the spread was 2.7%, almost 1% higher, in the measure of fear and volatility. While there has been uncertainty in the markets, it is predicted that mortgage rates will decrease later this year. So far this year, home sales have been robust in the DMV area and in many parts of the country.

For Over 50 Years, the 30-Year Mortgage Rate Has Moved in Unison with the 10-Year Treasury Yield



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Missing Middle Legal Action



In March, the Arlington County Board voted to amend the Arlington County Zoning Ordinance to allow property owners in residential zones R-5 through R-20 to replace single-family homes with multifamily housing. In April, a law firm representing 10 Arlington homeowners filed a complaint under the Virginia Code (§8.01). The complaint alleged, among other things, that the county misrepresented the scope of a “County-wide, across-the-board upzoning that does, in fact, eliminate low-density zones in Arlington.” In response, the county filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit. A court hearing was scheduled for September 19.

Missing Middle Permit Status

As of August 18, 22 Arlington property owners, all in residential zones R-5 and R-6 (none in Arlington Forest), had requested permits for converting single-family homes into multifamily housing (five duplexes, one fourplex, one fiveplex, nine sixplexes, and six townhouses). For example, a four-bedroom home on a 10,860-ft² corner lot in Lyon Park, which sold for about \$950,000 in March 2023, is planned for conversion into a three-unit townhouse. The county posts the permit status online at Expanded Housing Options Permit Tracker.

Deer Management Project

White-tailed deer, though native to our area, were largely eradicated by 1900. Through restocking and habitat recovery, deer have rebounded; they showed up in Arlington Forest by the 2000s. A deer census in April 2021 found 290 deer in Arlington, largely concentrated in the county’s relatively few wooded parklands. Deer overpopulation can adversely affect gardens, public health, and biodiversity in public parks. Building on the deer census, Arlington County has launched a Deer Management Project to review the deer population and create a plan for managing it. You can find out more online, including a short video discussing related issues.

Election Primary

On June 20, the Democratic Party held a primary open to all registered Arlington voters for the general election on November 7. Turnout was about 16%. Barbara Favola and Adele McClure will be on the November ballot for Virginia Senate and House of Delegates, respectively. Parisa Dehghani-Tafti will be the Democratic candidate for Commonwealth’s Attorney. In Arlington’s first election 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.

Interim County Board Member Appointed

The Arlington County Board appointed Tannia Talento to serve the remainder of outgoing board member Katie Cristol’s term. Ms. Talento served as U.S. Senator Mark Warner’s northern Virginia regional director and previously on the Arlington School Board in 2017-20. She will serve on the board until January 1, 2024, when her seat will be filled by a winning candidate in the general election on November 7.

Tips for Recycling

Arlington County is warning users of blue recycling carts not to place recyclables inside plastic or paper bags. Items should be loose and free in the cart. Empty paper bags can be recycled with other loose items, but plastic bags tossed into the blue carts can damage sorting equipment. You might also consider marking large cardboard pieces as “Recycling” or taking them to the recycling bins next to the Central Library because workers sometimes put them into garbage trucks rather than leaving them for recycling pickup.

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High Marks

In 2023, Arlington County parks moved from third to fifth place among the nation's 100 largest urban areas in the Trust for Public Lands ParkScore index. Washington, DC, and the Twin Cities in Minnesota ranked highest. The rankings were based equally on five factors. For reasons related to Arlington's development and racial history, the county lost points for *acreage* and *equity* (distribution of parks by race and income), but it got very high marks for *access*, *investment*, and *amenities* (such as playgrounds, sports facilities, and dog parks). For example, 99 percent of Arlingtonians live within a 10-minute walk of a park.

Ravens in Glencarlyn Park



On May 3, the Northern Virginia Bird Club sponsored a bird walk starting at the Long Branch Nature Center in Glencarlyn Park. One unusual find was the common raven, which resembles an American crow but is much larger and has a loud croak rather than the familiar "caw." Ravens are rarely seen in our area; range maps for Virginia show them only in the Appalachians. However, a pair of ravens nested this year on one of the supports for the Arlington Blvd. bridge over Four Mile Run. The birders spotted a fledgling raven alongside the nest and a raucous parent nearby.

Stream Monitoring in Lubber Run Park



On May 12 and again on July 7, Stephanie Martin of Greenbrier led a team of stream monitors in capturing and identifying aquatic insects, worms, and the like in Lubber Run (shown at work are monitors Ruth Gibbons and Susan Rieth). After identifying the animals, the monitors released them unharmed. Arlington County uses the information to assess the health of the stream. Each time, the team collected and identified dozens of specimens, all tolerant of poor stream conditions. For unknown reasons, the number collected on July 7 was exceptionally low.

Community Calendar

Next AFCA meeting:

Wednesday, September 20, 7 p.m.

Lubber Run Farmers Market:

Saturday mornings at the Barrett Elementary School parking lot.

Offyear 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:

Saturday, April 2024

Home and Garden Tour:

Saturday, May 2024

Annual AFCA Picnic:

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Annual Yard Sale:

Saturday, May 2024

AFCA Meetings

September 20, 2023:

Recycling/waste management issues in Arlington

October 18, 2023:

Forestry and Natural Resources Plan

November 15, 2023:

Deer Management Project

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

Around the Forest

Arlington Forest History

Last summer, AFCA Historian John Naland made his annual trip to the Arlington Public Library's Center for Local History to donate a set of last year's *Arlington Foresters* to the county library collection, which goes back for decades, a valuable source of neighborhood history. John plans to do so again next summer at the end of the publication year.

Thanks to Joan Blake!

For years, Joan has been a key part of our newsletter team, coordinating newsletter delivery by our teen volunteers. From September to May each year—including all through COVID—she dedicated many hours of her time each month to making sure that your newsletter showed up at your door. Now that she has moved on to other endeavors, we owe her a debt of gratitude and wish her all the best! Allison Kennett has volunteered to fill Joan's shoes as newsletter delivery coordinator, and we welcome her to our team.

Arlington Forest Teen Represents U.S.

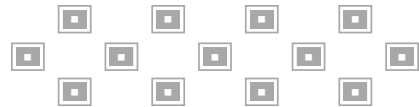
In August, Arlington Forest teen Daniel Meyer represented the United States in an international geography tournament in Indonesia. A rising senior at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, Daniel was one of four students on Team USA competing in the International Geography Olympiad. He earned his spot on the team after placing fourth at the U.S. Geography Championships in April.


Fall Cleanup on September 16

Neighbors on Granada Street in Greenbrier will hold their usual fall cleanup in Glencarlyn Park on Saturday morning, September 16. They will meet below the N. Greenbrier St. trailhead at the low concrete bridge over Four Mile Run at 9 a.m., rain or shine. If you arrive late, look around for those already at work. Wear old clothes and sturdy shoes and bring drinking water. The cleanup usually ends by 10:30 a.m. If you have questions, please email John Naland at nalandfamily@yahoo.com.


New AFCA Officers

The AFCA Constitution calls for an executive committee composed of a president; vice presidents from Greenbrier, Northside, and Southside; a recording secretary; a corresponding secretary; and a treasurer. At the May 2023 AFCA business meeting (which coincided with the annual club picnic), Liz Grossman was elected to replace resigning Northside Vice President Joel Yudken; the other AFCA officers were reelected. When Southside Vice President Sean Lyons subsequently resigned, the AFCA executive committee elected Julie Kirchhoff of Southside to temporarily replace him; if you know of a nominee for permanent Southside VP, please let President Esther Bowring know at afcaprez@gmail.com. We thank both Sean and Joel for their years of service to our community!



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Barcroft School News

By Samantha Bell

The PTA and staff were busy this summer preparing for students to return to school from summer break on August 28. The PTA hosted a play date at the Barcroft playground for kindergarten families on August 19 and a welcome back and thank you breakfast catered by Ruthie's All Day for staff and teachers on August 21. Barcroft held its Open House for families on August 24 and Back to School Night on September 6. The PTA also hosted a Back to School Picnic for families on September 8.

Upcoming events include Parent/Teacher Conferences on October 19-20; School Picture Day on October

23; Outdoor Movie Night on October 27; and Chalk for Peace and Garden Workday in late September/October.

You can support the Barcroft PTA by linking your Harris Teeter card (www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education). The Harris Teeter Barcroft code is 4238; you need to relink every year. Follow us on Twitter and Instagram at @BarcroftEagles and on Facebook at Barcroft Elementary School PTA. Please contact barcroftptapresident2024@gmail.com if you would like to support the PTA and have any questions.

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Barrett School News

By Colleen Nguyen

On behalf of the Kate Waller Barrett Elementary School PTA, welcome back from summer break to everyone, whether or not you have kids at Barrett! So many of us scatter over the summer, and it's exciting to see the whole community reunite. Building community continues to be a priority for Barrett and a key part of our PTA mission—"to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children."

Our school community reunited for an Open House in August so students could meet their teachers and their classmates for this school year. The PTA shared information about how to get involved and distributed fun tiger (our mascot) keychains to the kids, who got to play on the playground together again while the grownups were able to catch up after a summer apart. The school and PTA have lots planned for this year, from traditional events like Bingo Night to supporting teachers with school supplies and events. We also plan an increased focus on helping parents support their kids by providing families with tools to help their kids grow and learn, not just in school but also at home.

To do this, we need your help! You are part of our school community, and we are so grateful for

your support over the years. Financial support is critical to ensure that all students can benefit from our efforts. Harris Teeter continues to partner with us, but you need to relink your card each year; our code is 3906, or you can email me below with your last name and phone number and we can relink you. Watch the listserv for our restaurant nights. And you can always donate at the link in the QR code shown here so we can continue to help all children at Barrett learn and grow.

As PTA president, I invite you to reach out to me at any time with questions or if you'd like to volunteer your time, talents, or funds! I am at president@kwbarrettpta.org or 202-744-2490. I look forward to hearing from you!



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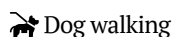
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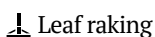
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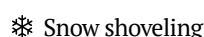
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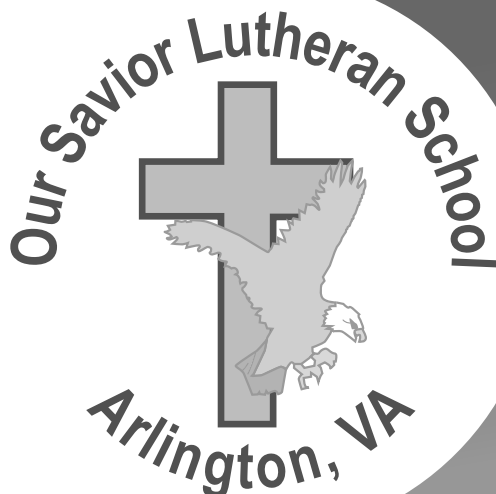
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