

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring has sprung in Dunn Loring Woods and most families have been busy over the past few weeks planting flowers, mowing yards, etc. In this regard, please don't overlook trimming hedges and bushes that have grown into the sidewalks. Our many walkers will thank you.

The guest speaker at the DLWCA March 30 membership meeting, Congressman Gerry Connolly, addressed the topics of health care and the Federal budget deficit and answered questions from the audience. To the surprise of many of us, this meeting was later reported on in the April 28 issue of the Wall Street Journal.

Our next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, May 18. The membership meeting is one of the more important meetings of the year. Linda Smyth, Supervisor, Providence District, will be here. We will also have election of DLWCA officers and one member of the board. The slate of officers is as follows: President - Ken Quincy; 1st Vice President - Melvin Rose; 2nd Vice President - Frank Piazza; Secretary - Penny Demo; Treasurer - Elfie Herlihy; Board of Directors - Kathy Arpa. Eleanor McCann and Bill Moffett have two and one year remaining of their term on the board. If you are interested in any of these positions and having a greater voice in your civic association, please consider running. Please call Mel Rose at 703-573-2076 for information and to express your interest.

In other news, the Korean Central Presbyterian Church is moving after 24 years and has invited us to their Appreciation Dinner. See invitation on page 2 of this newsletter. RSVP needed.

Our annual DLW community yard sale is coming up on Saturday, June 12th. This year it will be advertised in the Washington Post and local papers.

Ken Quincy

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Tuesday, May 18
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Thoreau Middle School Cafeteria

Guest speaker – Linda Smyth, Supervisor,
Providence District

Election of Officers Awards
Door Prize

Refreshments – Pizza from Johnny's Pizza
Restaurant on Park Street

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
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DUNN LORING WOODS ANNUAL COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Saturday, June 12th 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Raindate, Sunday, June 13th

MAY 18 DLWCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING TO FEATURE PROVIDENCE SUPERVISOR LINDA SMYTH

Mark your calendars for the May 18 DLWCA membership meeting set for 7:30 PM in the Thoreau Middle School cafeteria. Providence Supervisor Linda Smyth will be the guest speaker and will address the many things going on in the County, such as the budget and development, and other subjects that particularly affect the DLW community. The meeting will also include presentation of awards to the winners of the 2009 holiday decorating contest and election of officers. Come and bring a friend. Refreshments will be served.

ILLEGAL VEHICLE ENTRIES

There has been reported a recent rash of primarily money being taken from unlocked vehicles in DLW. Police reports were filed. This seems to happen in the spring of the year and has occurred in past years, although not every year. Reportedly, the perpetrators are usually not from this area and are careful to focus on only unlocked vehicles. According to police, the penalty for breaking into a locked vehicle is more severe than illegally entering an unlocked vehicle. The perpetrators apparently know this and are more willing to accept the lesser penalty if they are caught. So lock your cars and trucks and don't keep anything of value in them.

INVITATION FROM THE KOREAN CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Korean Central Presbyterian Church, located for 24 years on Amanda Pl., will be shortly moving to new facilities in Centreville, VA. The Church is inviting its neighbors over the years, including those in DLW, to an Appreciation Dinner on May 15 from 6:30 to 8:30PM. The dinner is to express the Church's gratitude and appreciation for sharing life together with residents in the community. The dinner will be held in the Multi-purpose room in the Education Building at 8526 Amanda Pl. Please RSVP to Mrs. Jane Yoon, 703-698-5577 or kmo@kcpc.org.

IN MEMORY

Long time DLW resident Carla Galus of Carnegie Street passed away April 13. She served as an educator at Vienna Elementary School for over 30 years and is survived by her husband Dick, and, son Mike and daughter Lori and their families.

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STENWOOD RENOVATION

The renovation of Stenwood Elementary School is now in full swing. Neighboring residents are experiencing the to be expected construction noise and heavy truck traffic on their streets. For the most part the truck drivers have been respectful of the neighborhood, keeping speeds down and even stopping at the stop sign at the intersection of Carnegie Dr. and Bucknell Dr., something few Stenwood parents and only some DLW residents do. There have been some instances of intrusive noise early in the morning and late at night which were reported to County authorities and ceased. Principal Edwards has been keeping a number of neighboring residents up to date on the renovation via an internet blog which has been helpful.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

If you would like to volunteer for Neighborhood Watch, please call Mark Hann, our new Neighborhood Watch Coordinator at (703) 489-9463. The success of this important program depends on volunteers and Mark will appreciate your help.

ANOTHER HERO OF THE SNOW

In February, with two feet of snow on the road and Berea Drive plowed just one lane wide, I tried to move over enough for a car going in the opposite direction to pass. Bad mistake! I got totally stuck and would have been there til the spring thaw, but mercifully, Terry Cooper happened along. Thanks to his shoveling and pushing, I got free and got home. Thanks, Terry!

Mike Hirsch

“GENTLE REMINDERS”***Animals Running Loose***

Last month we reminded pet owners about keeping their dogs on a leash. We are still getting reports of dogs running loose throughout the neighborhood. One resident reported that a mailman told her that he had been bitten and he sued the owner and received a few thousand dollars in court. Don't let that happen to you!

Fairfax County has a law that prohibits dogs from running unrestricted at all times. (Unrestricted refers to a dog being off a leash and off private property). The County authorizes Animal Control to pick up stray dogs. If you see a stray dog running loose, please call Animal Control at 703-830-3310. If your dog is picked up, bring proof of rabies vaccination and current dog license to the Animal Shelter at 4500 West Ox Road, Tues. - Sat. From 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Additionally, Fairfax County amended the “Leash law” to include a provision that dog owners are required to “pooper scoop” after their pups. For as long as the dog has been man's best friend, dog waste has posed a menace to man's nose and foot. But did you know that it is also an environmental pollutant? Pet waste is more than smelly and unsightly: it is a health risk to pets, bodies of water, and people, especially children. Pet waste left on sidewalks, streets and grassy areas is immediately flushed into the nearest waterway when it rains. The feces go into your storm drain where it travels to your pond or creek *untreated*. Storm drains do not lead to wastewater treatment facilities. Animal waste can contain harmful bacteria and viruses, rendering the water unfit for irrigation, recreation, or other uses. It also contains nutrients that will accelerate the growth of nuisance algae.

Yard Sale Signs

The recent warm weather brought out many residents and many people took advantage of the weather and held yard sales. If you put up a yard sale sign, please remove it after the sale. Thank you.

