

# Park West Pages

PWCA Newsletter APRIL 2018

# **President's Message**

As I write this we are going through the biggest impact so far in our winter season. The wind storm and ensuing wind over many days has uprooted or dislodged many trees. Damaged trees (standing and down) on common areas are being taken down and cleaned up. Several other trees are awaiting insurance or owner way ahead for clean-up.

Since we last communicated, we've had a large change on the Board. After nine years of tireless service on the Board, Joan Murphy has stepped down. She remains active with the Pool Committee and Social Committee – my heartfelt thanks for all the support and guidance you have given the Association even predating your Directorship and personally for me over the last four years. Alan Hardman stood for election and has filled the open position admirably. My thanks to all Directors – these positions are often thankless but truly appreciate their efforts. They — along with other altruistic volunteers — help make this community an even better place as time passes.

While this year will not be as complicated as the paving project over the last two years; there's still many actions ongoing. Thanks to those who responded to the Parking Program Feedback request – we received 30 responses and will be moving through that reconciliation and integration process over the next few months. The Easter Egg Hunt occurred on March 31 st and in a few weeks the pool will be opening. Please see the <u>Social calendar</u> on the website for a complete list of the events planned for 2018.

## **Upcoming Events**

**Apr 14**: ACC inspections

**Apr 17**: Board Meeting - 7pm Lord of Life

**Apr 21**: Community Cleanup Day - 9am pool

May 15: Board Meeting - 7pm Lord of Life

May 26: Pool Opens

Jun 2: New resident welcome - 7pm pool

Jun 10: Sundaes on Sunday - 3pm pool



Please consider providing a couple of hours of your time to help your community. Your help makes our community a better place for all. Whether one of the community clean-up days, landscaping projects, the committees, or even the Board.

I look forward to seeing you at one of our events in 2018!

Mark Griffin — PWCA President

#### **Graduation Season Comes in June**

With our community being adjacent to Fairfax campus of George Mason University, please be aware of the high school graduations set to occur in the month of June. While the schedule is currently TBD, you can expect about 25 different local high schools to have their commencement ceremonies at George Mason University's EagleBank Arena during the first three weeks of June. Expect heavy traffic and possible delays on Braddock, Route 123, University Drive, Roberts Road and other connector routes on these days. Traffic will start slowing down about an hour before and after each two-hour ceremony.

# **Parking Committee Report**

The Parking Committee would like to remind our residents about responses to recently-asked questions and recurring parking issues:

- **ALL** vehicles parking in the community must have either a resident or guest permit, including those vehicles parked in PWCA-assigned (i.e., numbered) spaces.
- All permits are nontransferable and vehicle-specific, cannot be exchanged between different vehicles, and are only to be placed in PWCA-registered vehicles to which the permits are assigned.
- Nonresident owners and renters: please check your permits, note their expiration dates, and take timely action to avoid being towed for having expired permits. Instructions for new permits are contained on the Parking Applications.
- All owners requesting any new permits must submit applications/requests at least seven days prior to the issuance of new
  permits. Only owner-generated applications are accepted. If you are getting a new vehicle, please be sure to take the sticker
  off of your old vehicle, and turn it back in when you receive your permit for the new vehicle.
- If you have a parking permit that is faded or no longer clearly readable, please contact Joe Underwood to arrange to have your permit replaced.
- When replacing a registered vehicle (i.e., buying a new car, etc.), please remove your permit from your old vehicle and return it to receive a replacement permit for your new vehicle.
- Please make sure that vehicles parking along the curb have both tires on the concrete apron, in order to be in compliance with local fire and safety code regulations.
- Temporary guest permits are available, can be requested between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m., and a list of PWCA parking officials can be found at www.parkwestcommunity.org. Please request temporary permits as early as possible (i.e., at least 2 hours prior to need, if possible), especially with requests for larger numbers of guests.

As well, please contact PWCA Parking Chairman Joe Underwood at parking@parkwestcommunity.org or (703) 323-4710 with any questions or suggestions that you may have.

#### **Two Months Until The Pool Opens**



Yes, our pool is opening May 26th! Make sure you fill out your pool pass application to enjoy this Season (You can find it online at parkwestcommunity.org too). We will have the pool open for social events; Birthday Parties, Holiday Parties, and Graduations. Be sure to make your reservations early.

There will be a slight change to our pool schedule. Our pool will be open on the weekends, normal hours (11:00am to 9:00pm on Saturday and 11:00am to 8:00pm on Sunday). While school is still in session, our pool hours will change during the weekdays, Opening at 1:00pm from May 29th to June 15th. After that, the pool will be OPEN as usual for the rest of the Summer! Another change that will occur is that we will Re-Open our pool the weekend after Labor Day, September 8th and 9th. We look forward to another Fun Filled Sum-

mer!

# **Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Information**

Spring Architectural Control Committee (ACC) inspections are scheduled for Saturday, April 14th starting at 9 AM. We will meet at the pool. Rain date will be April 15th. As in past years, the inspection teams will consist of a mix of board members and residents. ACC inspections are important to preserve the value of our residences by keeping the exteriors in good shape, the yards maintained, and (in conjunction with the Environmental Control Committee) trash picked up so that the community is attractive to our residents as well as prospective buyers and renters. The ACC review process and the ACC Rules and Regulations (see the community website) help sustain the community's appearance and property values. As reported at the Fall 2017 annual meeting, based on sales prices, our community's prices continue to increased more than the neighboring townhouse communities.

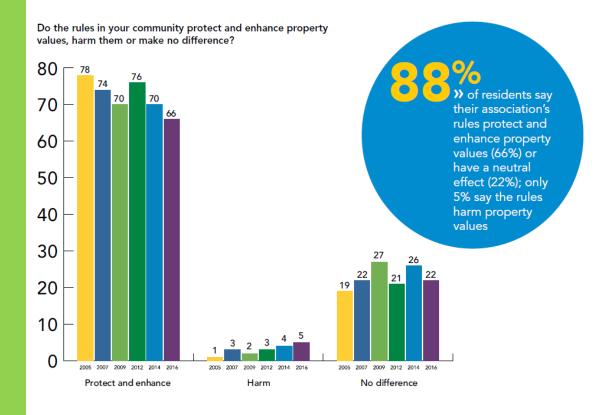
As we have accomplished in the past, we provide Recommendation items to alert the owners of problems that may become violations in the future so they have advance notice and can make plans to address these items before they become a violation. This part of the inspection process that was implemented in prior years and owners say that it has been helpful. Definitions of the terms used by the ACC may be found within the ACC portion of the Rules and Regulations page on the website.

## **PWCA Architectural Modifications**

Any replacement or additions made to the exterior of your residence (including tree removal and landscaping changes) requires an ACC Modification Form (found on the website) to be submitted and approved by the ACC prior to the start of the work. The completed form may be submitted either by mailing the PWCA ACC in the care of Summit Management Services, Inc. 8405-A Richmond Highway, Alexandria 22309 or by scanning and emailing a signed copy to our Community Manager; Ms. Lori Randall; lori.randall@summitmanage.com. Generally, approval or disapproval will occur within a week to 10 days of the completed request and supporting document submission. Questions should be emailed to acc@parkwestcommunity.org.

Results are in:
For the sixth time
in 11 years,
Americans living
in homeowners
associations and
condominiums
say they're overwhelmingly satisfied in their communities.

For more statistics from the survey, download the 2016 Homeowner Satisfaction Survey available at caionline.org/ AboutCAI/Pages/ HOASweetHOA.a spx



## **Park West Townhomes Pets**

Four-legged residents are welcome in the Park West Townhomes community, but to ensure the health and safety of all of our residents, pet owners have important responsibilities. While there are places in the area where your dog can run free, Park West Townhomes has no areas where dogs can be off leash. There are no exceptions.

Please be considerate of your neighbors. Walk dogs only in common areas, and do not allow them to use a neighbor's property to answer the call of nature. Remember that Fairfax County law requires that you clean up after your dog on others' property or public property, the "pooper scooper" regulation. Dispose waste in your own garbage -- never in any common area. See our website for additional information for pet owners.



### **Social Events 2018**

#### 2018

Date	Rain Date	Event	Location	Time	Lead
Saturday, March 31, 2018	None	Easter Egg Hunt	Tot Lot	Setup: 0930 1100-1300	Social
Saturday, May 26, 2018	Sunday, May 27, 2018	Pool Opening Day Cookout	Pool Deck	Setup: 1200 1300-1430	Pool
Sunday, June 10, 2018	None	Sundaes on Sunday #1	Pool Deck	1500-1700	Pool
Saturday, June 2, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018	New Resident Welcome	Pool Deck	Setup: 1800 1900-2030	Social
Wednesday, July 4, 2018	None	Barbeque	Pool Deck	Setup: 0930 1200 - 1700	Pool
Sunday, July 22, 2018	None	Sundaes on Sunday #2	Pool Deck	1500-1700	Pool
Saturday, July 28, 2018	Sunday, July 29, 2018	Dance Social	Pool Deck	Setup: 1700 1900-2200	Social
Tuesday, August 7, 2018	None	National Night Out	Pool Deck	Setup: 1730 1830-2100	Pool
Sunday, August 26, 2018	None	Sundaes on Sunday #3	Pool Deck	1500-1700	Pool
Sunday, September 2, 2018	Monday, September 3, 2018	Community Potluck	Pool Deck	Setup: 1600 1700-2100	Socia1
Sunday, September 9, 2018	None	Puppy Plunge	Pool Deck	the last hour of Closing Day	Pool
Saturday, October 27, 2018	Sunday, October 28, 2018	Chili Cookoff and Halloween Social	Pool Deck	Setup: 1500 1600-2100	Social
Thursday, November 15, 2018	None	Annual Meeting Lord of Life Lutheran Church 5114 Twinbrook Road Fairfax, VA 22032	Fellowship Hall	Setup - 1900 Meeting - 2000	Social
Saturday, December 1, 2018	Sunday, December 2, 2018	Holiday Tree Lighting	Pool Parking Lot	Setup: 1700 1800-1930	Social