

# Park West Pages

PWCA Newsletter JUNE 2017

# President's Message

Greetings to all – we've had a great year so far and are now staring at an event-filled Summer. We staged an Easter Egg Hunt that was well attended and enjoyed by both the children and adults. You've also noticed the mailbox and street light cleaning and painting. While we do not have the funds to purchase new mailboxes we were able to fund this project to renew their appearance.

This summer we will repave all of our streets and parking areas. The month of July will have the preponderance of impact on us all but work will begin on June 26th and is planned to be finished (weather permitting) by July 28th. Please check our website for updated information – we are employing the website for day-to-day updates on work/activities within the community. Critical information will also be disseminated to the distribution list.

We have reserved the front parking lot at Robinson Secondary School for parking during the month of July and (at the time of my writing this article) are working with George Mason University for parking lot access.

If you have special needs (medical deliveries, nursing care, etc.), please arrange those deliveries outside of the planned 3-day window for your section. If there are complications with those arrangements, please contact Susan Underwood or I as soon as possible. For any of you moving in or out during the month of July – you will not be able to access your residence if your moving window coincides with the repaving window for your section. The planned repaving schedule is included in this newsletter - please understand weather and other factors may impact the specific dates. You should expect at least three days of major disruption to your parking, deliveries (Amazon, FedEx, UPS, etc.), and street access to your residence and a month of impact to your travel through the community.

Should you elect to take a vacation during the month of July please either relocate any vehicles you have within the community off-site or leave keys with a friend or neighbor to move your vehicle while you are gone. This will eliminate some heartache for you when you get back to find your vehicle has been towed during the course of the project. Unlike during the Phase 1 activities last summer we may not be able to relocate your vehicle within the community due to the scale of the project.

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# **Upcoming Events**

May 27: Pool opens

**Jun 18**: Sundaes on Sunday Pool 3pm — 7pm

Jun 21: Board Meeting

**Jun 24**: New Resident Welcome Pool 7pm — 8:30pm

Jun 26: Repaving Project Starts

Jul 19: Board Meeting 7pm

Jul 29: Dance Social

Pool 7pm — 10pm

**Jul 30**: Sundaes on Sunday Pool 3pm — 7pm



### TRASH REMINDERS:

Please be considerate of your neighbors and our community when placing your trash at the designated locations. Additionally, there are rules and regulations in place for our community; all of which can be found in the Community Rules and Regulations on the website (parkwestcommunity.org). Here are some key things to remember:

- Trash collection will occur TUESDAY and FRIDAY each week
- Recycling collection will occur **TUESDAY** each week
- Trash should be in heavy-duty black trash bags or covered trash cans ONLY
- Trash and recycling may be placed out after 6:00pm the day before collection and by 6:00am the day of collection
- Special items (such as furniture, electronics, mattresses, etc.) can be picked up, but should be coordinated with Patriot Disposal at 703-257-7100
- Yard Waste collection will occur WEDNESDAY each week
- Yard Waste needs to be in paper bags or secured into bundles with twine

# 2017 Shredding Events

Got documents to shred??? Fairfax County has the solution! See this link for specifics:

http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/shredding.htm

# All shredding events are held from 8 a.m. to noon.

- June 24, 2017: Kilmer Middle School, 8100 Wolftrap Road, Vienna 22182
- July 22, 2017: Westfield High School, 4700 Stonecroft Blvd, Chantilly 20151
- Aug. 19, 2017: Springhill Elementary, 8201 Lewinsville Road, McLean 22102
- Sept. 23, 2017: I-95 Complex, 9850 Furnace Road, Lorton 22079
- Oct. 14, 2017: South County Government Center, 8350 Richmond Highway, Alexandria 22309

## **President's Message**

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You are the Association. Please consider volunteering some of your time to help our community. By relying on volunteers we can continue to keep our overall costs down while continuing to enhance the community for everyone's enjoyment. Almost all of what you see accomplished around our community is at least led by volunteers - consider helping during the various proiects or volunteer a couple of hours a month to a committee or to the board – any one of us would greatly appreciate it .... I look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming volunteer projects, meetings, or events!

Mark Griffin PWCA President

# **Parking Committee**

Since its inception in early 2012, the PWCA Permit Parking Program – with the assistance of several of our neighbors serving as committee members and parking officials – has greatly alleviated parking issues in our community. As we receive and address parking questions from time to time, please note the following responses to recently-asked questions:

- **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, 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.
- 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 <a href="mailto:parkwestcommunity.org">parkwestcommunity.org</a>. 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.
- 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.

As well, please contact PWCA Parking Chairman Joe Underwood at <a href="mailto:parkwestcommunity.org">parkwestcommunity.org</a> or (703) 323-4710 with any questions or suggestions that you may have.

# POOL OPENS MAY 27th!

Make sure you complete your pool pass application so you can enjoy this season.

The pool is available for social events, birthday parties, holiday parties, and graduations. Make reservations early.

Contact the pool committee at pool@parkwestcommunity.org.



## Block Captain Coordinator, Susan Underwood

I would like to welcome our two new block captains on Gainsborough Drive., While I am very fortunate to have these two new ladies join us, I am still looking for one more person to cover the homes from 4737 to 4752 Gainsborough. I have broken up Gainsborough into three separate areas so our block captains only have a few homes to manage. With the information coming out regarding the asphalt project starting soon, I am going to need to get information to you all in the forms of flyers or emails depending on how the HOA decides to communicate information to the residents. Please look for an updated list of the block captains on the website. If you DO NOT want to have your information published on the website please let me know ASAP. My contact information is 703-323-4710 and saunderwood@cox.net.

As well, if you see garbage or large trash items being put out early to our trash pick-up areas or trash being left in yards after parties, please let me know.

Look for a meeting date coming soon. Meeting will be held at the pool and last about 20 minutes. Let me know if late afternoon or early evening will work best for you.

<u>Save the date</u>: June 24<sup>th</sup> for our 2nd annual New/Old Residents Coffee to be held at the pool.

# Architectural Control Committee (ACC)

A wet and cold spring and reduced participation delayed the Spring Architectural Control Committee (ACC) inspections. The ACC inspections have been completed and the reports are being reviewed by the ACC Committee. On average it takes 7 minutes to inspect the front and back of all townhouses. With 270 townhomes it takes about 32 man-hours to complete the inspections. This does not include the time for preparing and updating the inspection forms or preparing and sending letters to owners. 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 Guidelines (See the community website) help sustain the community's appearance and property values. As reported at the Fall 2016 annual meeting, based on sales prices, our community's home prices 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 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 at <a href="mailto:lori.randall@summitmanagement.com">lori.randall@summitmanagement.com</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:acc@parkwestcommunity.org">acc@parkwestcommunity.org</a>.

Art Gile
Chairman of the Architectural Control Committee

# **Important Numbers**

Summit Management Lori Randall lori.randall@summitmanage.com (703) 945-1425

Fairfax County Police Department Non-Emergency (703) 691-2131

Dominion Towing (703) 339-2400

Patriot Disposal (703) 257-7100

### **VOLUNTEER HOURS AVAILABLE**

Does your child or group have service hours to fulfill? Look no further than giving back close to home.

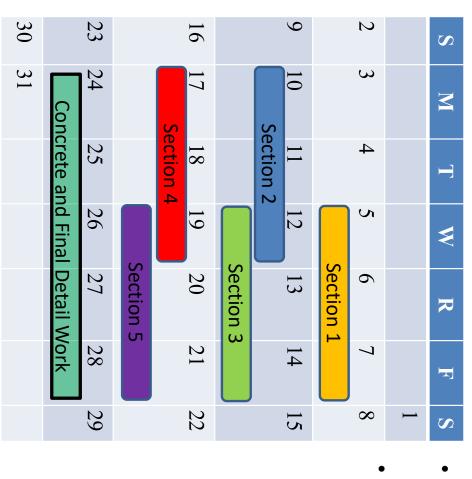
Park West Community Association (PWCA) can act as signatory on your service forms for Fairfax County Schools or other providers. To volunteer, just grab a trash bag and some gloves, and head outside to collect litter in the community areas. Drop full bags in the trash bins by the pool.



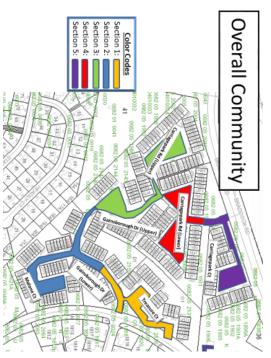
Once you're done, simply contact Environment@parkwestcommunity.org and the Environment Committee will work with you to provide service hours.

Feel free to post pictures of your collections to encourage others to give back and keep our community clean.

# July 2017



- Sections are defined by speed humps where possible.
- Parking will not be allowed within a section at any time during the three day window.
  There will be NO VEHICULAR ACCESS.



# Other Items

- community. This information is still being verified with Patriot. take your trash/recycling to another collection location in another section of the Trash: will not be collected on the following dates in specific sections. You may
- Section 1: July 7th (no trash service)
- Section 2: July 11th (no trash or recycling service)
- Section 3: July 14th (no trash service)
- Section 4: July 18th (no trash or recycling service)
- Section 5: July 21st (no trash service)
- caught up on the next visit Mowing: will not occur near any section actively in progress – that section will be
- Mail: will not be delivered during the window for each section. Residents may resumption of service to your mailbox. (Still verifying this information with USPS) pick up mail at the Pickett Road post office or all mail will be delivered upon
- during the month of July. Availability of George Mason University parking is under Parking: the front parking lot at Robinson Secondary School is reserved for our use