Bentana Woods West

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Trees Need Attention?



The Cluster takes a great deal of pride in our trees and does everything possible to maintain their health. Yet there are more than Cluster trees here. There are many trees that belong to you, the homeowner.

Around the Cluster, some homeowner trees appear to be in need of expert attention. Some may be diseased or have borers; both ailments which are quite common with local trees, especially oak and cherry. Perhaps they have sucker shoots or dead branches and just need pruning.

If you have an ailing tree, or a tree with many dead branches and it needs attention, please contact a member of the Landscape Committee who will put you in touch with our arborist, Twin Oaks.

Twin Oaks will provide a no-cost evaluation of your tree and an estimate for the work recommended and will offer special discounted rates for work that is performed in the month of January 2010.

We are hopeful that many homeowners will take advantage of this offer; not only will you save money, but the overall appearance of the Cluster will be improved and our home equity could benefit.

Thank you.

The Landscape Committee .

Annual Budget Meeting

On October 4, the BWWCA held their Annual Meeting to vote on the adoption of the 2010 Budget, at the home of Jane LeGros, Board Vice-President.

Board President, John Brigham, and Treasurer, Bryant Smith, presented the proposed budget. There was a question and answer session for residents before the budget was voted on, approved and adopted. There was no increase in dues proposed for the 2010 fiscal year.

Thanks to all who attended. Your interest and participation keeps our community strong. ❖

2010 Cluster Directory

An update to our Cluster Directory is coming this spring. Seven or eight neighborhood volunteers will be needed to go door-to-door gathering new and more current information. If you're willing to help, please e-mail Janet Brennan, jbrennan@his.com or call 703.834.0439.

Cluster Walkthrough

A reminder that home and property corrections information was due to TWC by October 7 to be penalty-free. •



Leaf Pickup Dates



Cardinal Landscaping will pick up leaves on the following dates, weather permitting:

Monday November 23rd Monday December 7th

Monday October 26th

Rake the leaves onto the sidewalk or to the edge of the road in front of your property. Leaves from the rear of your property must be brought to the front by you. Please do not rake any leaves onto any other Cluster areas, into the woods or onto nearby RA property. For the Cluster pickup by Cardinal, do not bag leaves as they are vacuumed directly into their work truck.

Should you miss the Cardinal pickup, leaves may be put out with regular trash for AAA pickup. For AAA pickup leaves must be bagged. ❖

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Tuesday, November 3rd, 2009

2009 is a General Election year in the Commonwealth of Virginia and the big tickets are for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General, all serving four-year terms. Also on the ballot are seats in the Virginia House of Delegates for twoyear terms and \$233M in local referendums for School Bonds. Polls open 6AM-7PM

For residents new to Bentana Woods West, our polling place is:

Forest Edge Elementary School 1501 Becontree Lane in Reston

Directions: North Shore to Wiehle, Right on Wiehle, Right on North Shore, Right on Becontree. <



New or not so new to Reston? Come learn more about Reston Association (RA) and its many services, amenities and programs. Meet RA Board members and staff and find out how you can get involved in Reston. Light refreshments will be available and door prizes will be awarded. Please RSVP Brock at 703.435.7986 or На habrock@reston.org.

Date: Thursday, Nov. 12, 2009

Time: 7 – 9 pm Fee: FREE

Location: Reston Association, 1930 Isaac Newton Square

Ages: All ages welcome

Reston Interfaith Halloween 5K and Picnic

Join us Halloween Day as friends, family, and The Northern Virginia Community take to the runners trail for a fun filled Run/Walk to benefit a local non-profit organization, Reston Interfaith. Also join us following the race for a Fall Community Picnic, with Moon Bounce, Balloon Artist, Pumpkin Decorating, Live Entertainment, and much more!!

Date: Saturday, Oct 31, 2009

Time: Registration starts at 9:00 am 5K Run starts at 10:00 am 1Mile walk starts at 10:45 am

Fee: Suggested \$25 contribution

Location: Bowman Green Drive (Across from Reston Town Center)

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER IS CHILD SAFETY MONTH

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

Nov 1 – Clocks turn back 1 Hr @ 2AM

ELECTION DAY

Nov 3 – 6AM-7AM @ FOREST EDGE ELEM

CLUSTER BOARD MEETING

Nov 3 - 7:30pm @1515 FARSTA CT

VETERAN'S DAY

Nov 11 - Federal Holiday FAIRFAX PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE OPEN

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING

Nov 17 - 7:30pm @1504 Scandia Cir

THANKSGIVING DAY

Nov 26

November Cluster Meeting

Board meetings are open to all members of BWW and usually held at 7:30pm on the first Tuesday of each month. Want to say something? You can! Board meetings always begin with a Resident's Forum.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday. November 3, 1515 Farsta Ct

If you have any documents requiring Board Member discussion or signatures. this would be a great time to get them!

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Reston Newcomers' Night

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