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Labor Day Picnic



Mark your calendars and be sure to join your neighbors for the Third Annual Bentana Woods West Community Picnic during Labor Day weekend, exact date and details to follow soon. •

A Few Words About Trash

Be a good neighbor. Please follow these guidelines for trash pickup:

- Trash collection is early in the morning Monday and Thursday. Recycle bins only go out for Monday pickup.
- The only days that AAA Trash will not collect are on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.
- Please put your trash out the previous day after 5PM.

Stored trashcans should not be visible from the street. Please pick them up as soon as possible after they are emptied.

Everyone's cooperation will be appreciated. Our neighborhood will look better and good curb appeal will be our reward. •

Help With Your Lawn?

Cardinal Landscaping is pleased to offer our homeowners a special rate of \$115 for an entire season of mowing on a multiweek basis. Pro-rated discounts are offered for the remainder of the season. •

County Reports More Copperhead Snake Sightings Than Usual

Fairfax County officials are warning that the season for sightings of venomous Copperhead snakes is already upon us. According to county wildlife biologists, there have been reports of the snake throughout the county, including the Hunter Mill/Lake Fairfax area of Reston, and they are calling this an "unusually high number" of sightings countywide for this time of year. •

Yard Sale and Craft Fair

Date: Saturday - August 14, 2010

Time: 9:00am until 1:00pm

Place: BWWC side of North Shore Drive between Scandia and Farsta

This year, we are adding a craft fair in addition to the annual yard sale!

- Participants come sell your crafts, unused household items and clothes
- Tables, tarps, chairs, clothes racks
- People to distribute flyers in our neighborhood and in the community
- People to make and put up signs
- Anything you can think of to make it as good as or better than last year!

If you'd like to contribute, please call Victoria Healy at 703.507.0708

Be sure to provide your name, phone number, email, address and what you'd like to do or offer to help out. •

Cluster Dues at Work



Our arborist Twin Oaks Tree Care recently cut down an old and potentially dangerous oak behind 1529 Scandia.



What they found after felling was a very hollow trunk, which could have caused serious damage to nearby homes had the tree come down unexpectedly.

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A portion of your Cluster Dues are used for our landscape projects, such as the entrance at Farsta Court with its stone wall and plantings and the landscaping on North Shore Drive to Park Glen Court. Not all areas that require attention are readily visible, such as replacing landscape timbers or managing erosion control.



A recent project was the re-direction of water flow from Farsta Court's street drain through a common wooded area. The first part of this proposal included the installation of timber beams and a river rock bed to control runoff and keep it out of neighboring yards. Water will now pass through the rocks, which slows down the flow and disperse the stream as it traverses toward Scandia.

If you are interested in learning more about what we are planning or working on, notification of Landscape Committee meetings is in provided in each newsletter – generally the third Tuesday of each month. In the coming months, the Committee will begin discussing replacement options for the sick and dying oak trees on Scandia 2 and 3 islands. •

Cluster Directory Update

Thanks to Janet and Barry Brennan of Park Glen for their work on updating the Cluster Directory and there's still work to be done before it's completely finished.

Our directory will contain name, address, phone number and e-mail addresses. This information is purely for our residents' convenience and no data is distributed or sold outside of our neighborhood.

If you have any new information to submit or were not a resident prior to 2006, please call the Brennan's at 703.834.0439. ❖

RA's New Home

After more than 40 years at 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston Association will be moving to a new headquarters facility. Last August, Milton W. Matthews, RA's Chief Executive Officer, signed a 12-year lease for space located at 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, in the Reston Corner office complex.

RA's move out date is Friday, July 23rd and their offices will be closed through July 26th. You'll still be able to conduct business on their website at www.reston.org.

Reston Association will reopen on July 27th and has an open house event Sept 23rd. �

Quote of the Month

"Anger is an acid that can do more harm to the vessel in which it is stored than to anything on which it is poured."

~ Mark Twain

Calendar of Events

JULY IS NATIONAL ICE CREAM MONTH

INDEPENDENCE DAY

JULY 4TH

CLUSTER BOARD MEETING

JULY 6TH @ 1510 SCANDIA - 7:30PM

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 20TH @ 1504 SCANDIA - 7:30PM

AUGUST IS NATIONAL INVENTORS MONTH

CLUSTER BOARD MEETING

Aug 3rd @ 1504 Scandia - 7:30pm

BOOK LOVER'S DAY

Aug 9th

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING

Aug 17th @ 1504 Scandia Cir - 7:30pm

July Board Meeting

Board meetings are open to all members of BWW and usually held at 7:30pm on the first Tuesday of each month.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 6, 1510 Scandia

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



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