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Meet your Board of Directors – Summer 2013

Photo by Mike Healy, from left to right: (back) JoAnne Henck, Mark Jones, Bill Wagner, Jane LeGros, (front) Danielle Reed, Rebecca Totten, Eileen DuBose

Annual Budget Meeting

**COME ONE, COME ALL TO THE
ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING!
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2013 AT 1531
PARK GLEN COURT.**

We thank Ann and Dennis Smyers for their wonderful offer to be our hosts. Light refreshments begin at 7:00pm and the meeting starts at 7:30pm.

We need a quorum of 22 members in order to get the Cluster budget passed. Please come join us and see what your dues are working on. ❖

Cluster Communication and Outreach

There will be a short survey distributed to see how we can better communicate in the cluster. Please take a few minutes to complete it. ❖

Got Yard Debris?

Don't know what to do with all those dead branches, leaves, and other yard waste? Put that waste in either a trash can, clear plastic, or large paper bag and put it out on Tuesday nights for an early bird pick up on Wednesday mornings. AAA comes very early on Wednesdays.

And as a reminder, recycle is early on Monday and regular trash pickup is Monday and Thursday. If you have something special to be picked up please call AAA Trash @ 703.818.8222 to make arrangements. ❖

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Be Careful Out There! Copperheads!

There have been sightings of Copperhead snakes in the neighborhood. A Copperhead that was resting on the steps going down the path between Scandia Circle and the Villas bit one of our homeowner's grandchildren.

Be on the lookout while walking the paths, in the yard, or working in the garden. They can't hear, but they feel vibrations, so stomp as you go.

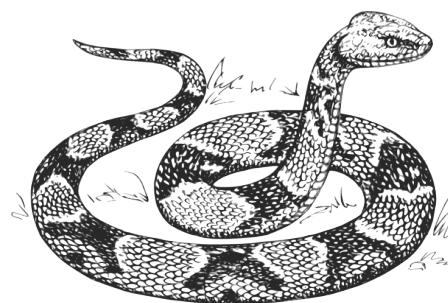
If bitten by a Copperhead, immediately go to the nearest hospital for treatment.

To find out more about our slithery creatures go to the following sites:
<http://www.fcps.edu/islandcreekes/ecology/copperhead.htm>

-or-

<http://nationalzoo.si.edu/animals/reptilesamphibians/facts/factsheets/northerncopperhead.cfm>

If you see a Copperhead please contact the Reston Association, as they are keeping track of sightings. Or notify a board member. ❖



Cardinal's Lawn Service

Cardinal Landscaping, which handles the majority of our Cluster's landscaping needs, additional services such as aerating, mulching, and other services. Please make your arrangements with Cardinal at 703.444.3311. They do great work! ❖

Landscaping Meeting

Want to see what's going green? Come to the Landscape Committee meeting on September 25th at 7:30pm at 1504 Scandia Circle. One of their projects has just been completed between 1526 and 1528 Park Glen Court. Go by and check out how nice it looks. ❖

Parking in the Cluster

All vehicles parked on the Cluster Property must be licensed and insured with current tags and inspection stickers for the Commonwealth of Virginia. This is a requirement of Fairfax County.

Parking is only permitted in designated spaces and no more than two (2) vehicles per home may be parked on Cluster property at any time.

Curbside parking is for loading and unloading only and vehicles parked at the curb unattended are subject to being towed at the owner's expense. Parking overnight at the curb is NEVER permitted and vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense. Your neighborly compliance with these rules will make our Cluster a nice place to live. ❖

Wildlife in the Cluster

Homeowners have reported seeing a fox and a raccoon strutting about our neighborhood looking for food. Please be careful and if you see one of these furies, don't get too close. ❖

Fairfax County Car Tax

The Fairfax County government has mailed out more than 800,000 personal property taxes on vehicles, with the bills coming due on Monday, October 7th.

In addition to the tax itself, vehicle owners must pay registration (decal) fees of \$33 for vehicles less than 4,000 pounds, \$38 for those more than 4,000 pounds and \$18 for two-wheeled vehicles.

Payments can be made by mail, online through the county government's Web site at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta>, and in person at the Fairfax County Government Center. Tax relief is available to some county residents due to age or disability.

For additional information, contact them at 703.222.8234 or see their Web site at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov>. ❖

Quotable Quotes

"October is the fallen leaf, but it is also a wider horizon more clearly seen. It is the distant hills once more in sight, and the enduring constellations above them once again."

~ Hal Borland

Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER IS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

GRANDPARENTS DAY

SEP 8TH

911 REMEMBRANCE

SEP 11TH

AUTUMNAL EQUINOX

SEP 22TH

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING

SEP 25TH @ 1504 SCANDIA CIR - 7:30PM

OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

OCT 1ST @ 1504 SCANDIA CIR - 7:30PM

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING

OCT 16TH @ 1504 SCANDIA CIR - 7:30PM

UNITED NATIONS DAY

OCT 24TH

HALLOWEEN

OCT 31ST

October 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 board meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct 1st, 1504 Scandia Circle

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a Certified
Wildlife Habitat

