



President's Corner

They say that March comes in like a lion --- and did it ever! The cluster is littered with sticks and broken branches, but we came out of it mostly unscathed. I've never been happier that our cluster has our trees examined by an arborist and trimmed/removed at least once a year! If you spot any damage on cluster property, please let the Board know.

Speaking of clean up, with warmer months not far away, many of us are thinking about fixing up our houses. Most big projects we do to the outside of our houses likely need approval from Reston's Design Review Board (DRB) if you aren't replacing "like for like". If you don't get approval but it was required, you may end up spending even more money down the road to fix it and it could complicate the sale of your home. If you're not sure if you need approval, ask the Board.

Looking forward to March and April, we have our monthly board meetings on the first Tuesday of the month. We also have our annual cluster meeting at the end of April. There are 3 seats up for election; please consider volunteering a few hours a month to be on the Board of Directors. Also at the end of April, we will be repairing all of the curbs and sidewalks in the cluster. Lastly, please sign up for our cluster email list. Over a third of the homes in the neighborhood are already getting important news right to their inbox. You should too! More information in this newsletter and flyers/emails are sure to follow.

Enjoy the coming of Spring and sunnier days ahead. As always, drop me a line at president@bwwca.org.

Take care --- Dave Berger, BWWCA President (1544 Scandia)

Happy March - Yard Waste Pick Up Starts Again!

Residents must place yard waste out on their scheduled yard waste collection day (Wednesdays), from March 1st through December 24th. Grass clippings, leaves and twigs can be placed in biodegradable paper bags, plastic bags, or personal containers marked as 'YARD WASTE'.

Brush and limbs must be less than 6 inches in diameter, cut into 4-foot lengths or less, bundled with rope or twine and cannot exceed 50 pounds. Yard waste or bundles that do not meet these set-out requirements will not be collected. All unbundled brush will be considered a special pick-up. Please call the Republic Service office or visit their website in advance to schedule your pickup of these items. The minimum charge for a special pickup is \$85.00. Republic Services does not collect dirt, bags of mulch (over 20lbs), sod, rocks, open containers with poison ivy/oak/sumac, or uncontained brush with thorns.

