

The Quaker Hill Quill

August 2018



New Residents Who Arrive During Pool Season

Northern Virginia Management (NVM) updates pool user records every Thursday to include completed and approved applications that were received the previous week. Please do not expect your paperwork to be on file any sooner and do not request the lifeguards or NVM to make an exception even if you have identification or paperwork showing that you now live in the community. Such identification does not automatically grant pool access.

The lifeguard's primary responsibility is the safety of pool patrons. If you are told that your information is not on file, please leave the pool area and contact NVM.

Update on Neighborhood Traffic Congestion

We have all witnessed more traffic cutting through our community and adjoining neighborhoods in recent years, particularly during afternoon rush hour. At times, traffic on Yale backs up past Dartmouth Road so that drivers can make a left turn onto Duke Street. Without a doubt, traffic during the peak afternoon rush can be a nightmare for both residents and commuters.

In response to the growing concerns about traffic, the City conducted the Central Alexandria Traffic Study, the results of which were reported in the February 2018 issue of the Quill.

Based on that study, Alexandria City Manager Mark Jinks made recommendations to the Mayor and City Council via a memorandum dated May 14, 2018 (available at www.alexandriava.gov). Mr. Jinks indicates that within the next year, City staff will implement the following recommendations:

- ✓ Begin redesign of Duke Street at the West Taylor Run Parkway intersection
- ✓ Initiate an afternoon peak right-turn restriction pilot program from southbound East Taylor Run Parkway and Moncure Drive
- ✓ Reconfigure East Taylor Run Parkway at the South View Terrace intersection
- ✓ Add new and upgrade crosswalks throughout four neighborhoods
- ✓ Design a midblock crossing on west Taylor Run Parkway to Angel Park
- ✓ Provide speed cushions on East Taylor Run, Yale Drive, and North Jordan Streets and upgrade cushions on West Taylor Run Parkway

The City Manager's memorandum also included additional recommendations made by the presidents of several civic associations to reduce the number of cars that use residential streets to avoid main traffic corridors. The civic associations' letter is available at www.alexandriava.gov.

Attempts Made to Enter Dartmouth Townhouses by Entering Garage

A neighbor recently reported garage door and key pad tampering at several homes in our community. As many of you know, burglars often will use garage doors as a testing point for easy home entry. Garage door openers, taken from cars, also make homes vulnerable. Please be vigilant and if you notice any tampering, please notify the Alexandria police. They need all the data points they can get to find the person/s responsible. As always, make sure the door from your garage into the house is always kept locked.



Trash Disposal

Residents of single-family detached homes and townhomes are reminded that trash containers may not be placed outside earlier than 5:00 p.m. on the evening before collection and must be returned to storage not later than 7:00 p.m. on the day of collection. Please put your trash can out of view on non-pick up days.

The regular trash collection day is Tuesday. During a week when Monday or Tuesday is a holiday, you may call the City's Office of Solid Waste at 703-746-4410 or check the city of Alexandria website at <http://ci.alexandria.va.us> for information on trash collection.

TMP

The City of Alexandria requires Quaker Hill to participate in the city-wide Transportation Management Program (TMP) that promotes the use of mass transit. Part of our monthly assessment fee funds this program. As a bona fide resident of Quaker Hill, you are eligible to purchase certain mass transit media at a reduced price. The TMP offers:



ITEM	COST TO YOU
50% off Metrorail fare	
Amount to be specified by resident per SmarTrip card	
Maximum benefit per household, per month is \$250	\$125.00
SmarTrip Card	\$ 1.00
Alexandria DASH pass (1 month unlimited rides)	\$ 22.50

How to Place an Order for SmarTrip cards or Alexandria DASH passes:

1. Call Northern Virginia Management at (703) 941-9002 and leave a message.
2. Email Northern Virginia Management at nvm@northernvirginiamanagement.com.

Please note that all orders must be paid in full in advance before NVM will send your media. Make checks payable to Quaker Hill Community Association.

How to Add fare to your SmarTrip card:

1. Register your SmarTrip card with NVM. A maximum of four cards may be registered with the NVM.
2. The \$250 maximum benefit may be split among the four registered cards. You cannot register cards issued by an employer through an employee benefits program.
3. Mail your payment in advance to:
Northern Virginia Management
4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101
Annandale, Virginia 22003
4. If the household has registered multiple cards with NVM, the card number must be noted, along with the amount to be added per card.

Cards and benefits may not be sold or transferred to others. Misuse may result in the temporary or permanent loss of TMP benefits.

Quaker Hill Community Association Information

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The Quaker Hill Community Association Board of Directors meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Quaker Hill community center. Association members who wish to bring an issue before the Board should write to the Board in advance, c/o NVM, 4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101, Annandale, Virginia 22003, or call any Board member. Meeting date changes will be posted on the clubhouse bulletin board. Please email NVM to obtain the minutes of monthly QHCA board meetings.

Quaker Hill Condominium Association

Management Company: Sentry Management, 703-642-3246
 Association President: John Sesler, jsesler@comcast.net

Important Numbers to Remember

Police—Fire—Medical Emergency*	911
Police Non-Emergency	703-746-4444
Police Non-Emergency TDD line	703-838-4896
Online Crime Reporting	www.alexandriava.gov/police
National Poison Control Center	800-222-1222
Animal Control	703-746-4774

*The Alexandria Police Department is located at 3600 Wheeler Ave.; the closest fire station (#207) is located at 3301 Duke Street.

www.QHCA.org

DASH Fare and Service Changes

The Alexandria Transit Company (DASH) approved several fare and service changes that are effective July 1, 2018.

Singe, one-way trips:	\$1.75
Monthly DASH Pass:	\$45.00
Seniors/disabled persons:	\$1.00 fare when used during off-peak periods (weekdays before 6:00 a.m., from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and after 6:00 p.m., and on weekends and holidays.
T.C. Williams students:	Free rides on all DASH buses on all routes during the 2018-2019 academic year starting September 4, 2018.
King Street Trolley:	Service begins at 11:00 a.m., Sunday through Wednesday and service begins 10:30 a.m., Thursday through Saturday.

DASH routes and schedules are available at www.dashbus.com or call 703-746-DASH.

Quaker Hill homeowners are reminded that they may purchase mass transit media at a reduced price through Northern Virginia Management. See page 2 for details on costs and how to place an order for a DASH pass or SmarTrip card.

Condo News

Several projects have been completed this summer, including the installation of the long-awaited security camera system in the elevators and mailbox foyer areas. Reminder signs will be going up soon. The irrigation system, installed earlier this summer, is up and running. It uses rain sensors and software links to weather forecasts, all of which are controlled by a smartphone App.

Other projects expected to be completed this Fall include additional flower bed planting in the back of the building and upkeep on existing beds. Pop-up extensions to the downspouts will be installed to stop the mulch from washing away.

The condo association will host another wine and cheese reception on September 22 (rain date September 29). Please register at quakerhillcondominiums.com to get the latest information on social events and upcoming projects.

Coyote Sightings

No, you're not seeing things. Residents of Quaker Hill and nearby neighborhoods have reported seeing coyotes as well as foxes, deer, raccoons, and opossums in recent months. There have been reports about wildlife setting up shop in back yards, window wells, and nearby trees. Although the Alexandria Animal Shelter will not remove the animal unless it has invaded the home or poses an immediate danger, several companies in northern Virginia will capture and relocate animals for a fee. Keep in mind the animals are considered indigenous to the area.



Reminder to Homeowners Who Rent Their Units

The Quaker Hill Board reminds homeowners that Quaker Hill Community Association (QHCA) regulations restrict leasing to a *minimum* of six months. The lease must contain a provision that the right of the lessee to use and occupy the home is subject to compliance with QHCA legal documents and rules and regulations. Owners may be liable for any costs incurred by the Association in addressing violations of the lessee. Additional requirements may be found in the Resident Manual at www.qhca.org under "Community Regulations."



Major Construction at the King Street Metro Station

Beginning in August, the City of Alexandria and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) will begin construction on the two-year King Street-Old Town Metro Access Improvement project. The project will provide many benefits such as a safer walking environment and improved bus and other transit vehicles access to the station. However, the construction will cause significant impacts, including increased traffic particularly during peak travel times and decreased parking availability.

In August, preliminary work will be done to construct temporary bus bays, and metered parking and the shuttle area within the station loop will be removed to provide construction staging.

The construction project is scheduled to be done in two phases: Phase 1 will begin September 9, 2018 and run through Winter 2020. The second phase will last from Winter 2020 through Summer 2020. During this time, here's what you can expect:

- ✓ Existing station parking lot and bus loading area will be under construction (Phase 1).
- ✓ Bus bays will be temporarily relocated to Diagonal Road, Daingerfield Road, Cameron Street and King Street (Phase 1).
- ✓ Pedestrians using the Carlyle pedestrian tunnel will be required to cross Diagonal Road at Duke Street and again at the mid-block crossing (Phase 1).
- ✓ A temporary pedestrian path will be available from the station main entrance to the mid-block cross walk and the bus waiting area at Diagonal Road (Phases 1 and 2).
- ✓ The MetroAccess van and taxi pick-up/drop-off area will be temporarily relocated to the north side of Cameron Street just east of the north entrance to the station at Commonwealth Avenue. Taxis also may use the zone in front of the Embassy Suites Hotel or Alexandria Union Station (Phases 1 and 2).
- ✓ No shuttle area within the station and all local shuttle service must use either Eisenhower Avenue or Braddock Road Metrorail stations (Phases 1 and 2).
- ✓ Bicycle parking will be provided at the station, and the Capital Bikeshare stations on Diagonal Road and Commonwealth Avenue will remain open throughout the construction (Phases 1 and 2).

For more information about the project and what to expect during construction, go to the King Street-Old Town Metro Access Improvement project webpage on the City website at www.alexandriava.gov or the WMATA website at www.wmata. For changes to bus routes, contact DASH at 703-746-3274/www.dashbus.com

A separate WMATA project to renovate the station platform will begin in summer 2019 and will affect train service. The City is working with WMATA to coordinate both projects.

Happenings in Alexandria

Alexandria Restaurant Week

When: August 17-26, 2018

Where: Throughout Alexandria

Contact: www.visitalexandria.com

More than 50 Alexandria restaurants will feature special pricing for dinner and lunch during this week. A list of participating restaurants is provided at the website noted above.



Cinema Del Ray

When: August 18, 2018, 7:00 p.m. and September 15, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Where: Mount Vernon Recreation Center, 2701 Commonwealth Avenue

Admission: Free

Contact: visitdelray.com

Bring family, friends and a blanket to the Mount Vernon Recreation Center to see kid-friendly movies. Cars 3 is showing on August 18 and CoCo on September 15. Sorry...no pets allowed.

King Street Art Festival

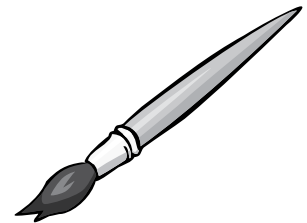
When: September 19, 2018, 10:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Where: King Street, between Union and Washington Streets

Admission: Free

Contact: Alexandria Visitors Center, 703-746-3301

Alexandria's historic main street becomes a world-class outdoor art gallery for two days in September. More than 200 artists from the United States and abroad showcase their work, including paintings, sculptures, photographs, ceramics, and jewelry. A variety of activities and musical performances also will be held throughout the weekend.



Annual Del Ray Halloween Parade

When: October 28, 2018, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Where: Begins at Mount Vernon Avenue, south of East Bellefonte and continues down to the Mount Vernon Recreation Center.

Contact: www.visitdelray.com

Admission: Free

Calling all children, adults, and pets to dress in your spookiest costumes and march along the parade route. Following the parade, awards will be given for best pet costume, best decorated home, and best decorated stroller. The event also features music and children's activities. The Del Ray Business Association, which sponsors the parade, will be collecting and distributing costumes to children in needs.



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