

The Quaker Hill Quill

November 2013

New Association Fees

Monthly homeowner fees will increase slightly in 2014: \$1.83 for single-family homes, \$1.34 for townhomes, and \$1.26 for the condominiums. This decision to raise the monthly is based on several factors, including the current Reserve Study recommendation to plan for annual increases of approximately three percent, a one percent return on Association funds, and anticipated expenditures. The monthly assessments for 2014 will be as follows:

Condominiums: \$62.11

Townhomes: \$89.38

Single Family homes: \$81.63

New coupon books will be mailed before the end of the year.

Leaf Collection

As part of its contract, Chapel Valley Landscape Company will remove leaves from common areas and townhomes between November 1 and December 31, 2013. Two leaf collections have been scheduled during this period. Alternatively, residents may want to consider using leaves to mulch your flowerbeds and shrubs. Leaves replenish soil nutrients and provide protection during the winter months. to provide protection during the cold winter months.

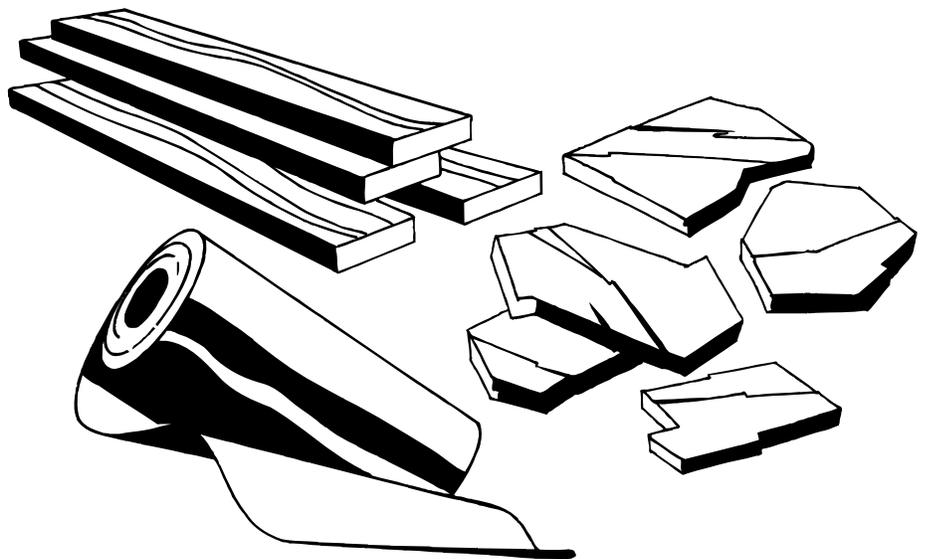
Annual Meeting

The annual Quaker Hill Community Association meeting will be held at the community center on Thursday, December 12, 2013. For record-keeping purposes, attendance registration begins at 6:30 p.m. One Board director will be elected for a three-year term. Residents interested in serving on the Board should contact Northern Virginia Management (NVM) to get the required candidate application forms.

All residents are encouraged to attend the meeting to hear about important community issues and recent and upcoming projects. If you cannot attend the meeting please send your proxy vote to NVM via mail, fax, or email. NVM contact information is provided on page 2.

Covenants Notices

If you are notified that repairs need to be made to your home, and you run into complications with the timeline, please be proactive and notify NVM. As long as progress is underway, extensions will be considered. If no notice is received and the repairs are not completed, you may be called to a hearing and/or fined.





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) 519-3486 or check the city of Alexandria website at <http://ci.alexandria.va.us> for information on trash collection.

TMP

Ever wonder what the Transportation Management Program (TMP) is? As a condition of approval for a multifamily development project, the City of Alexandria requires most communities



to participate in a city-wide program that promotes the use of mass transit. Part of our monthly assessment fee funds this program. As a bonafide resident of Quaker Hill, you are eligible to purchase certain mass transit media at a reduced price. The type of media, the pricing and how to obtain them are published in this newsletter. It is an excellent benefit of living in this beautiful community!

Transit media are available for half-price through the Quaker Hill TMP. The Program offers:

ITEM	COST TO YOU
\$20.00 Metrorail farecards (limit 3 per household per week)	\$10.00
SmarTrip cards	\$2.50
Alexandria DASH pass (1 month unlimited rides)	\$20.00

You can place an order for these items in one of the following ways:

1. Call Northern Virginia Management at (703) 941-9002
2. Email Northern Virginia Management — nvm@northernviriniamanagement.com
3. Send your order by mail to:
Northern Virginia Management
4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101
Annandale, VA 22003

Northern Virginia Management will send out your media, along with an invoice and stamped, return addressed envelope. Northern Virginia Management will honor resident's requests to mail media on a scheduled basis. For example, if a resident uses the Metrorail passes on a regular basis, then we can arrange to send the passes each week or every other week. Please note that all orders must be paid before subsequent orders can be processed.

Quaker Hill Community Association People You Should Know

Board of Directors

Sam Hayes, President
Marjorie Stein, Vice President
Stephen Stine, Secretary
Rose Gillespie, Treasurer
Ed Lacy, Director

Committee Chairpersons

Landscape: Vacant
Newsletter/website: Rose Gillespie

Clubhouse Telephone

703-823-1911/1912

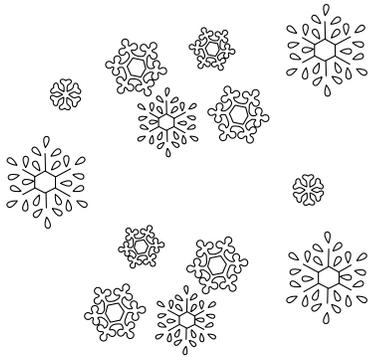
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The Quaker Hill Community Association Board of Directors meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Quaker Hill community center. Association members who wish to bring an issue before the Board should write to the Board in advance, 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.

Bishop Ireton Planning and Zoning Request

The Board, on behalf of the Quaker Hill community, filed a letter with the City of Alexandria asking the City council to deny Bishop Ireton's request to hold weekly church services and to allow up to 50 community arts performances in their school auditorium. The auditorium seats up to 775, but parking is limited to 250 spaces. The surrounding community already experiences traffic congestion during school drop-off and pick-up times and after-school sporting and other events. The Board felt that additional events, especially during non-school/work hours, would negatively affect traffic and safety. If you disagree with the Board's position, please feel free to contact the City Planning and Zoning Department to express your views.



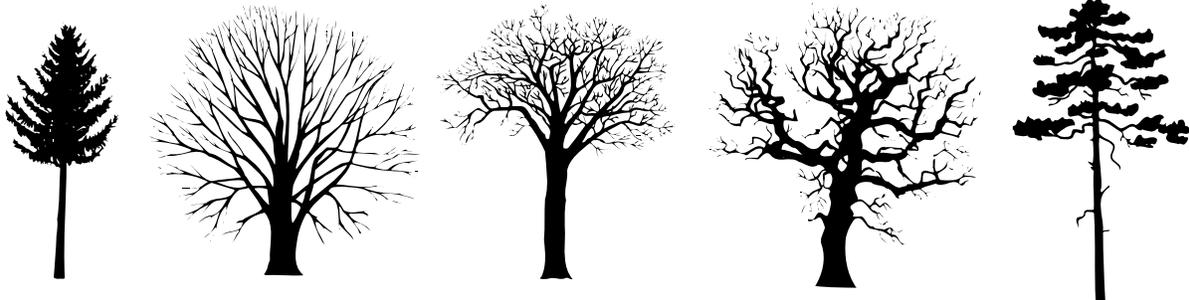
Snow Removal Reminders

As in the past, Emery Snow Removal, Inc. has been hired to remove snow on private streets in our community—Quaker Hill Court, Dartmouth Court, and Quaker Hill Drive west of the community center—when snow accumulates two or more inches. Emery also will remove snow from the sidewalk on the west side of the pond. The City of Alexandria is responsible for removing snow on Ellsworth Street, Dartmouth Road, and Quaker Hill Drive in front of the condominiums.

Homeowners are responsible (and liable) for removing snow from sidewalks in front of their homes. Please consider clearing areas around fire hydrants, mailboxes and storm-water curb inlets.

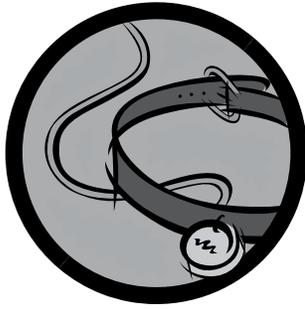
No Commercial Truck Parking on Residential Streets

In recent months, residents have observed a driver parking a commercial freight truck on Quaker Hill Drive on weekends and several nights during the week. It is illegal to park a commercial truck overnight in residential areas in the City of Alexandria. Be aware that a parking enforcement officer will issue a citation for this infraction and will levy a fine.



New Tree Plantings Set for Spring

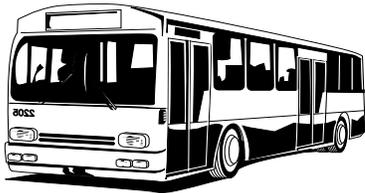
A new tree will be planted on Quaker Hill Drive to replace the large Honey Locust that was removed this fall. Removal crews hit a steel reinforcing bar that had been embedded in the tree and had to return with additional machinery to complete the removal. In addition, a tree that was removed from the common area between the rear yards of the townhomes on Quaker Hill Drive and Dartmouth Road also will be replaced.



Dogs Must be on a Leash

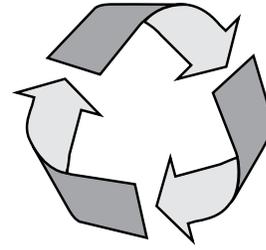
In recent months, there have been several instances of residents walking their *unleashed* dogs around the community or, worse yet, dogs walking around the pond with no owner in sight. It is illegal and unacceptable to let your dog out of the house to run and/or do their business unattended while you stay in your house. It is also a matter of safety for residents and pets as well. The Board has identified the culprits (both human and animal) and will issue fines if this behavior continues.

No article about our best friend is complete without asking pet owners to pick up after their pets. That means at night, when no one sees you, and when it's raining or snowing, folks. Please respect our community and its residents.



Metro SmarTrip® cards

As of October 1, 2013, the price of a SmarTrip® card dropped from \$5 to \$2. Using the SmarTrip® card instead of the paper fare card reduces the cost of each trip by \$1 – that's a \$2 round trip savings. On Metrobus, paying with SmarTrip® saves you 20¢ each trip versus paying cash. You can purchase a SmarTrip® card for \$2.50 and/or paper fare cards through the Quaker Hill Transportation Management Program. The value of the paper fare cards can be added to your SmarTrip® card. With 50 percent savings offered by TMP (\$10 for a \$20 paper fare card) and SmarTrip® discounts, travel is more economical.



Updated Recycle Rules

The City of Alexandria website continually updates its information on recycling. A few tips (some new/some old) on recycling follow:

- ✓ Milk and juice cartons (called gable top cartons) and lids/tops for all plastic, glass, and metal containers are now accepted for recycling in the City of Alexandria. Simply leave the lids/tops on the container.
- ✓ The number on the bottom of a container does not necessarily determine whether it can be recycled.
- ✓ Disposable plastic shopping bags and other plastic films are best recycled at dedicated collection points such as grocery and department stores; however, the City recycling program at this time still accepts “bags in a bag” if tied shut.
- ✓ Plastic items that are typically non-recyclable include clam-shell type plastic fruit/salad containers and vacuum-formed plastic yogurt cups and other packaging.
- ✓ Plastic garbage bags should not be used to collect recyclables or placed in your recycling bin for pickup. Plastic garbage bags become tangled in the recycling processing machines, causing damage and increasing recycling costs. Non-clear plastic bags also obscure contents, making them unacceptable for collection. Such bags will be treated as trash.

**Want to view past issues of our newsletter?
You can find them at www.QHCA.org.**

Happenings in Alexandria

Kids' Scavenger Hunt

Date: Various

Where: 125 S. Union Street (starting point)

Contact: 703-519-1749

Admission: \$4 for the hunt map

This self-guided scavenger hunt through historic Old Town is a fun way to learn about George Washington and colonial Alexandria. Children (and their families) will search for historic places and walk in the footsteps of our first president. The scavenger hunt takes about 45 minutes and is most appropriate for children who are 8 to 11 years old. You can purchase the scavenger hunt map at the Christmas Attic (address above).



The Del Ray Dozen Invitational Photography Show

When: November 1-December 1, 2013, Saturday (10 a.m.-9 p.m.) and Sunday (noon-6 p.m.)

Where: 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue

Contact: 703-838-4827/TheDelRayArtisans.org

Admission: Free

Stop by the Del Ray Artisans exhibit of photographs ranging from landscapes to portraits and everything in between. The photographs show different approaches to photography, including traditional film shots, digital images, and experimental camera work.



Scottish Christmas Walk Parade

When: December 7, 2013, 11 a.m. (rain or shine)

Where: Old Town

Admission: Free

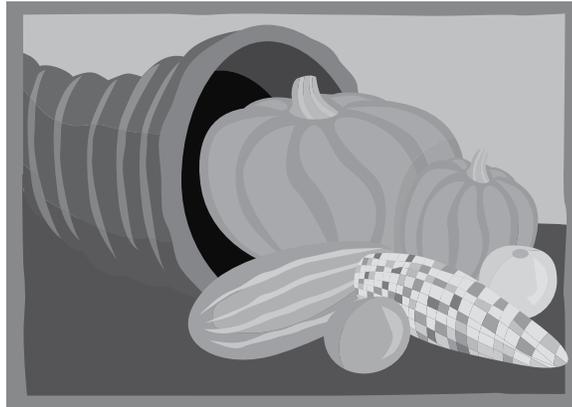
Contact: www.scottishchristmaswalk.com

Enjoy the 43rd annual Scottish Christmas Walk parade that winds its way through the streets of Old Town. The parade features hundreds of Scottish clans dressed in traditional garb, fife and drum corps, bagpipes, and antique cars. Santa makes an appearance on a fire truck.

Other activities, such as the heather and greens sale, a designer home tour, and a children's tea party, are held throughout the day. These events are the largest fundraising activities for the Campagna Center, which provides child development programs for low-income families, extended-day childcare, and a family literacy program for adults. Check the website noted above for information on all activities and schedules.

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Happy Thanksgiving