

# The Quaker Hill Quill

February 2014

## Board of Directors

At the annual homeowners meeting in December, Rose Gillespie was re-elected to the Board for a three-year term. Board officers are as follows:

President—Sam Hayes

Vice President—Marjorie Stein

Secretary—Stephen Stine

Treasurer—Rose Gillespie

Director—Ed Lacy

The Board encourages all residents to attend monthly meetings that are held at the community center on the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The meetings offer residents an opportunity to discuss issues and hear about recent and upcoming projects.

## Community Association Fees Reminder

Fee coupon books are printed annually. If you sell your home, then you must provide the new owner with your coupon book. Alternatively, new owners (and current ones) can set up an automatic debit for homeowner association fees by contacting Northern Virginia Management (NVM). See page 2 for NVM contact information. Accounts are debited on the 10th of each month or the closest business day if the 10th falls on a non-banking day.

## Letter from the President

Happy New Year to all!

Once again, I am pleased to report that the Quaker Hill Community Association enters 2014 in good financial shape. As a result, we will be able to tackle a number of projects aimed at improving our neighborhood in the coming year.

Two years ago, the Board of Directors commissioned a reserve study to examine our assets and liabilities and issue guidance on future improvements, which are to be completed in phases.

In 2013, we completed Phase I, which called for the repaving and restriping of the Quaker Hill Drive loop. Other major expenditures last year included tree maintenance, landscaping, and the purchase of new chairs for the pool.

Phase II, due to be completed this year, will involve the repaving of Dartmouth Court and the purchase of a new pool cover. In 2014, as in previous years, tree maintenance and landscaping will account for a significant portion of the budget. We also anticipate the need for concrete repairs to our walkways. Finally, we will work to address drainage and erosion problems throughout the community.

Despite our best efforts to predict future outlays, unanticipated expenses do arise from time to time. For instance, we have recently learned that the compressor on the main pump for the pond has gone bad and will need to be replaced in the coming weeks. Also, 2014 is off to an unusually cold and snowy start. This will increase our cost for snow removal and treatment over that of the last two years. Fortunately, the Board has taken into account such unforeseen events and has budgeted accordingly.

As always, I would like to thank my fellow Board members, as well as those serving on the Landscape, Covenants, and Newsletter committees, for their hard work over the past year. I would also like to thank our property manager, Tim Kirchner, and his staff at Northern Virginia Management for their daily efforts to respond to the requests and concerns of our members.

Lastly, I would like to thank our members for their input and support.

Sincerely,

Sam Hayes  
President  
Quaker Hill Community Association



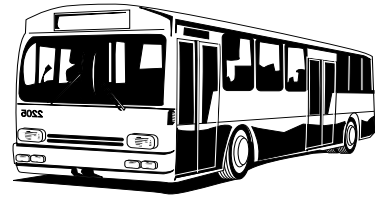
## Trash Disposal

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@northernvirginiamanagement.com](mailto:nvm@northernvirginiamanagement.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

### Northern Virginia Management

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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.

### Quaker Hill Condominium Association

Management Company: Sentry Management, 703-642-3246, x206  
Association President: Robert Bracken

## ARHA News

Mr. Roy Priest, ARHA's executive director, will attend the February 27, 2014 community meeting to discuss the agency's recent issuance of RFPs (request for proposals) to redevelop seven of its Alexandria properties, including the one located on Yale Drive and Ellsworth Street. According to several local news reports, the RFPs seek developers that can optimize ARHA's land assets to include mixed-income and mixed-use components. The process to select developers is expected to take about a year, and redevelopment will be phased in over several years.

Please consider attending the meeting. It provides an opportunity to hear more about ARHA's redevelopment plans and how these plans will affect Quaker Hill. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. at the community center. In the meantime, residents are encouraged to visit the ARHA website at [www.arha.us](http://www.arha.us) and click on the RFP/IFB tab.

In other ARHA news, the agency continues to meet regularly with its program participants to stress the importance and enforcement of ARHA and home owner association rules and regulations.

## Update on Bishop Ireton Planning and Zoning Request

The November 2013 newsletter reported that the Board, on behalf of the Quaker Hill Community Association, filed a letter with the City of Alexandria, asking the city council to deny Bishop Ireton's request to hold church services and allow up to 50 community arts performances in their auditoriums. The Board has since heard that the city council denied Bishop Ireton's request.

### Pond Compressor

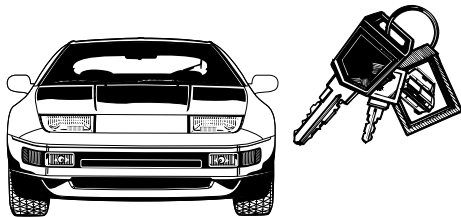
As noted in the letter from our Association president, the pond water pumps stopped working during one of the January freezes. The pumps provide aeration and circulation that are vital to the water quality and health of the pond. By moving cooling water to the top of the pond, the aeration system balances oxygen levels and aids in the breakdown of harmful nitrogen. The pond maintenance company informed the Board that the compressor needed to be replaced. A new one is on order and should be installed by the time the February Quill is mailed.





## Lock your Doors and Windows

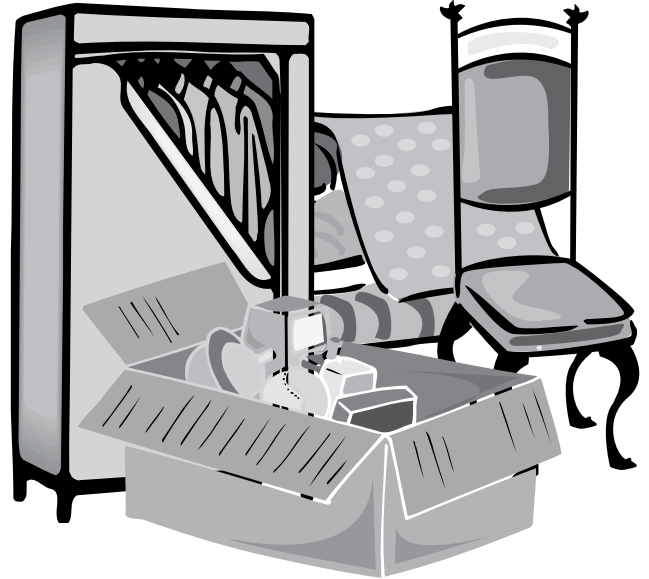
There have been reports that people distributing fliers in Alexandria neighborhoods have been checking for unlocked doors, entering residences, and stealing items. Recently, an individual was apprehended in the Rosemont area. Lock your doors and cars even if you are home. Last summer, Quaker Hill residents reported thefts from their unlocked cars. Be alert and report any suspicious activity to the Alexandria police.



## Crime Prevention Training

Officer Charles Lloyd, Crime Prevention Specialist with the Alexandria Police Department, spoke at the Quaker Hill Homeowners Association meeting on January 23, 2014. Officer Lloyd provided an overview of the crime prevention training and assessments that the Department offers to City residents. Officer Lloyd also mentioned specific steps homeowners can take to prevent crime. If you are interested in this training and/or an assessment, please email NVM and every effort will be made to schedule a session. Officer Lloyd can be reached at [charles.lloyd@alexandriava.gov](mailto:charles.lloyd@alexandriava.gov).

Want to view past issues of our newsletter?  
You can find them at [www.QHCA.org](http://www.QHCA.org).



## Quaker Hill Community Yard Sale

Thanks to a few organized and dedicated neighbors, Quaker Hill will have a community yard sale on Saturday, May 3, from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you are interested in participating and/or willing and able to help with signs, advertising, and communication, please contact Patti at [QHYardSale@yahoo.com](mailto:QHYardSale@yahoo.com). The greater the participation, the greater crowd we may draw.

## Quaker Hill Condominium Management Company

As many of you are aware, the Quaker Hill Condominium Association employs a different management company to provide needed services. Condo residents should direct requests, comments, and questions to Sentry Management at 703-642-3246, x206. Additional contact information is listed on page 2.

NVM manages Quaker Hill common areas, townhomes, and single-family homes.

## Happenings in Alexandria



### **George Washington Birthday Celebration Parade**

**When:** February 17, 2014

**Where:** Streets of Old Town

**Admission:** Free

**Contact:** 703-539-2549

The parade honoring our first president's 282<sup>nd</sup> birthday is the largest and oldest in the country. It features fife and drum corps, local high school bands, historical organizations, and community and youth groups. Admission to several historical sites is free on parade day.

### **Annual Black History Month Lecture and Soul Food Tasting**

**When:** February 27, 2014, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Where:** Charles Houston Recreation Center, 901 Wythe Street

**Admission:** Free

**Contact:** 703-746-4356

Asa Gordon, Secretary-General of the Sons and Daughters of the U.S. Colored Troops, will discuss African American in the Civil War. Following the lecture, attendees will sample a variety of traditional African-American foods.

### **At the Perilous Fight—A Lecture**

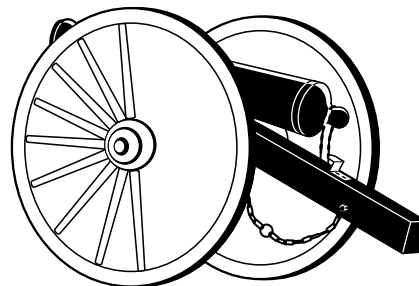
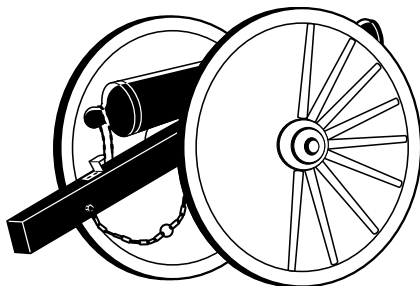
**When:** April 23, 2014

**Where:** Gadsby Tavern Museum

**Admission:** Free (registration recommended)

**Contact:** 703-746-4994

Join Jim Vogel, a Washington Post reporter, as he discusses his book, *Through the Perilous Fight: Six Weeks that Saved the Nation*. The lecture will focus on the capture and occupation of Alexandria during the War of 1812.





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