

The Quaker Hill Quill

May 2010

Quaker Hill Community Center Repairs

The community center is in need of a few repairs. After the pool closes in early September, the sewer line from the community center to the street will be repaired and rotted columns and eaves will be replaced. Dry wall work, painting and other maintenance also will be performed at that time. Major repairs (besides shoring up the foundation of the chimney) have not been done since the community center was constructed in the early 1990s.



Reminder

As tempting as it may be to pick up some of the rocks around the pond and toss them in the pond or elsewhere, please don't. The rocks have been purchased and placed to prevent erosion, slow water drainage into the pond, and stabilize plantings. They are paid for by the community and have to be replaced. You would be amazed by how much rocks cost.

Get in the Swim at Quaker Hill

The Quaker Hill pool opens on Saturday, May 29, 2010. Pool information packets have been mailed to all residents and should have been received by now. If you have not received the information, then contact Northern Virginia Management (NVM) at 703-941-9002 or nvm@northervirginiamanagement.com.

All residents, including children, must have a pool pass with a photo ID. Residents who need a pool pass may get one at the community center during scheduled photo sessions or make arrangements with NVM to have your photo taken at their office in Annandale, VA.

Residents may renew their pool pass by mailing/faxing the application form included in the information packet to NVM, and 2010 stickers will be sent to you by mail. Residents also may bring the application to the Quaker Hill community center at the appointed times listed in the packet and receive 2010 stickers on the spot.

The comprehensive list of pool rules are posted on the Quaker Hill website at www.qhca.org. A few important rules to remember are highlighted here.

- Children under 12 years of age **MUST** be accompanied by an adult who is 18 years of age or by an authorized pool user who is 16 years of age and is a member of the same family and resides at the same address.
- If an adult leaves the pool area, then the child must also leave. The Quaker Hill Community Association has asked Continental Pools to strictly enforce this rule.
- No screaming, profanity, or other boisterous behavior in the pool area or community center. Please remember that Quaker Hill is a residential community.
- No running, pushing, wrestling, dunking, or standing/sitting on another's shoulders.
- Swimmers must wear proper bathing attire. No cut-offs, jeans, or similar clothing.
- Keep the facility clean by placing refuse in trash receptacles.

Pool passes without a 2010 sticker will not be honored!



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) 751-5872 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
Metrobus tokens (20)	\$13.50
Alexandria DASH pass (1 month unlimited rides)	\$15.00

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

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Covenants: Vacant
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Newsletter/website: Rose Gillespie

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703-823-1911/1912

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Effective March 1, 2006

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.

Landscape Corner

The Quaker Hill Board has renewed the community's landscape contract with Chapel Valley. Common areas and townhome front lawns are covered by the contract. Services include:

- Mowing
- Edging
- Fertilizing
- Aerating and over seeding (fall)
- Pest management (fall)
- Pruning selected shrubs (ongoing)
- Leaf removal (twice in the fall)

Homeowners are responsible for their backyards and for major tree and shrub pruning on their property. NVM is working with Chapel Valley to notify residents when herbicides will be applied. Notify NVM by email if you would like to be put on the notification list.

Please note that our landscaping and tree maintenance contracts do NOT include watering services. In the past, the Board has contracted for watering services to establish new plantings, but watering by the homeowners is always appreciated. Several of your neighbors have watered trees and plantings near

their homes, used community hoses and connections to water around the pond, and planted bulbs and new flowers in the community beds and at the pool. The work of these volunteers has contributed greatly to the beauty of our community and has saved costs. Thanks to all of you who have devoted time and energy to our neighborhood.

In other landscape news, Becky Kilgore, our former Landscape Chairperson, has graciously agreed to reactivate our Landscape Committee. Becky is already working on plans for the pool planters and a possible fall planting of spring bulbs. If you are interested in working with the landscape committee, then email NVM and the information will be forwarded to Becky. Welcome back, Becky!



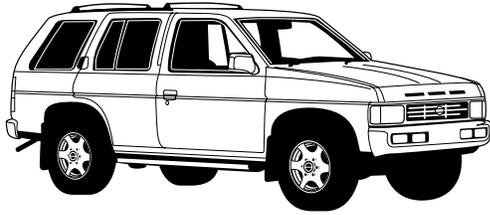
Design Guidelines

The Board recently approved new Quaker Hill design review guidelines. The approved guidelines include an additional minor amendment that allows for the installation of fences that are higher than six feet, depending on the grade of the lot. Many fences that were originally installed by the developer exceeded the guideline due to the slope of the lot. Other design guidelines remain as written in the draft that was sent to every homeowner earlier this year.

Using the new guidelines, NVM will conduct an audit of every home in Quaker Hill (excluding the condominiums). Each homeowner will be given the results of their audit, along with a complete copy of the amended guidelines. Needed repairs will be cited.

The approved guidelines are posted on the Quaker Hill website at www.qhca.org.





Visitor Parking

With summer fast approaching, family and friends may pop by for a visit. Here are a few rules to remember.

- No vehicle may be parked in a space reserved for visitors and guests for a period of seven consecutive days or more than a total of seven days in a calendar month.
- Any vehicle parked in violation of either seven-day limitation shall be subject to towing 48 hours from the hour in which such vehicle is served with a notice of intent to tow. Any vehicle previously served with a violation notice shall be subject to immediate towing.
- If an extension of the seven-day parking limit is required, then contact NVM to request a special pass, which may be approved by the managing agent or the Board of Directors.

Parking on Quaker Hill Drive

Parking on Quaker Hill Drive is restricted to area residents. Be aware that residents who park their car for more than three hours between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, may be ticketed and their car towed. The City of Alexandria requires parking permits for Quaker Hill Drive. Parking permits may be obtained at City Hall, Room 1510, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. You must present proof of residency (e.g., copy of a lease or property tax) within the permit parking district for which you wish to obtain a permit. Vehicles must be registered with the City of Alexandria before a parking permit is issued. Call 703-838-4560 for more information.

Vehicle Repair and Oil Change

Please remember that vehicle repair, oil change, and other maintenance activities are not permitted anywhere in open view on residential lots or common areas within Quaker Hill property boundaries (Policy Resolution No. 7, amended March 10, 1997).

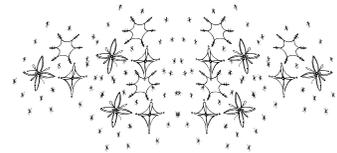


Tree Damage

Many trees in the common areas were damaged during the winter storms. Bartlett Trees, our tree maintenance company, has removed and/or pruned damaged trees. Bartlett also will perform scheduled maintenance throughout the year.

Storm Water Utility

The Quaker Hill Board has received several letters and brochures about the City's aging storm water infrastructure. The City's storm water system includes 185 miles of storm drainage pipes and 13,520 drainage structures. The health of this system is particularly important to Alexandria, which is subject to flooding year after year. In recent months, City staff completed a feasibility study of establishing a storm water utility as a dedicated funding mechanism for maintaining and improving Alexandria's storm water infrastructure. Based on study findings, City staff recommended the adoption of a storm water utility in 2012. Similar to other utilities, a storm water utility would charge a user fee depending on the impervious surface area of a house or office building, for example. It is unclear at this time if the fee will be charged to individual homeowners or assessed to the Quaker Hill Community Association. For more information, visit the City of Alexandria website or stormwater.utility@alexandriava.gov.



Snow Removal Costs

What a winter! Snow removal costs were nearly \$17,000. Approximately \$4,000 (December snow removal expenses) were charged to the 2009 budget, and the balance was charged to the 2010 budget. Because the Association has adequate reserves, the higher-than-expected snow removal costs will not result in an additional assessment. Our thanks to all who shoveled snow around fire hydrants, mailboxes, and drainage outlets and widened walkways and driving paths in the community.

Feedback on Fence Construction

Thank you for your feedback on the possible construction of a fence between the townhomes on Quaker Hill Drive and the Alexandria Commons shopping center. We have received both positive and negative comments, as well as feedback on the area in general. At this time, the Board has delayed any action. Much needed repair work at the community center has taken precedence over other projects.

Happenings in Alexandria

Second Thursday Art Night

When: Second Thursday of every month, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Where: Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union Street

Admission: Free

Contact: 703-838-4565/www.torpedofactory.org

Browse open studios and exhibits, interact with the artists, and enjoy refreshments.

USA and Alexandria Birthday Celebration

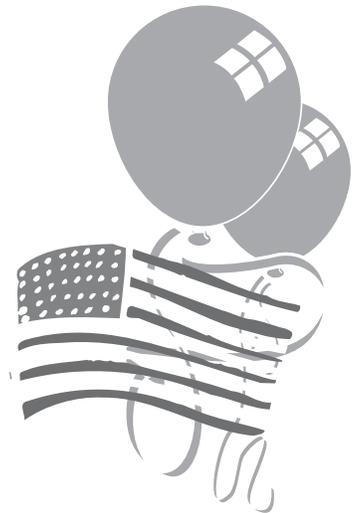
When: July 10, 2010, 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (Rain date is July 11.)

Where: Oronoco Bay Park, Union and Madison Streets

Admission: Free

Contact: 703-883-4686

Enjoy an evening of music, children's activities, refreshments, and fireworks. The Alexandria Symphony Orchestra will perform at 8:30 p.m. followed by fireworks set to Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture. The U.S. Marine Corps will provide the cannon fire.



Friendship Firehouse Festival

When: August 7, 2010, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Where: 100 block of South Alfred Street in front of the Firehouse

Admission: Free

Contact: 703-838-3891

The festival celebrates the 234th anniversary of the Friendship Fire Company. See displays of antique and modern firefighting equipment, visit participating craft and food vendors, and eat free birthday cake. Fun for kids of all ages.

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