



The Glencannon

A Newsletter for the Glencannon Community

May 2014

New Board

The new Glencannon HOA Board was voted in and approved at the transitional Board Meeting held on March 19, 2014. Your new Board is:

- President: Bob McCarthy
- Vice President - Common Areas: Carlos Petersen
- Vice President – Architectural Review: Joe Lauer
- Treasurer: Debbi Tinkham
- Secretary: Robin Forest

New Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Members

- Joe Lauer (Vice President – Architectural Review)
- Jodi Condes
- Janine Bruhn Schrami
- Chris Delacy
- John Mannino

Please remember that the architectural review process is part of our HOA By-Laws. An application needs to be submitted for any changes to the exterior of the house or that affect areas covered by the by-laws (e.g. all houses must have at least a 2 car garage). The review application is available on our website: <http://glencannonhoa.info/>

Status of Governing Documents

A report from the law firm of Mercer Trigiani is expected in response to our request for a full review of the Glencannon Community Association governing documents and updated Architectural Review Guidelines. Once the Board receives this report we will be advising the community of the legal recommendations in future updates.

Community Update

Deer Management in Glencannon

A homeowner raised the question re: deer population control at our community annual meeting. Most of us are familiar with the risks imposed by the large deer herd that traverses our area. They include: risk of collision with vehicular traffic; deforestation as a result of eating tree seedlings; and, tick infestation.

The Board has contacted eight hunting groups that are certified by Fairfax County to participate in the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Urban Archery Program. Please refer to the following three web sites for more information:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/animals/wildlife/management/deer-management/options.htm>

<http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/hunting/urban-archery/>

<http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/problems/deer/>

An initial response from one of the hunting groups provided the following information:

- Deer population averages 125-150 deer per square mile over a range of about 5 miles – 625 to 750 deer probably frequent the area in and around Glencannon.
- Deer are smart – they know patterns of predators/hunters and change their patterns over time.
- Deer are more active during full and new moon cycles, and at night. They travel in pairs in fall and early winter and larger groups in wintertime.
- Hunting deer
--Bow or shotgun used by hunters

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- Guns normally used on private lands; not suitable for Glencannon
- To be effective, hunts need to be over a prolonged period (weeks or months)
- Bow hunters use tree stands
- Perfect bow shot pierces both lungs-deer can potentially run 40-50 yards after being shot
- Typical hunt may yield 1-2 deer each time
- Certified hunter groups typically carry insurance + Fairfax County indemnifies if certified hunter groups are used
- Hunters remove the kill
- No other cost to community

The Board will continue its examination of the feasibility for such a measure to be conducted in Glencannon. Once we have a sufficient vetting of this issue we will inform the community and solicit inputs on whether to pursue such action or not. In an initial effort to gauge homeowners' feelings regarding a controlled deer hunt in Glencannon, please take a minute to answer a short survey (just 3 questions) by selecting the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/862JKNC>

In the meantime, stay alert for deer especially on the roads during their rutting season. And good luck protecting your flowers!

Vandalism Concerns

You may recall that last summer a number of Glencannon residents reported acts of vandalism on their properties. Neighbors are advised to report all incidents of vandalism or excessive speeding (try to get license plate numbers) to Fairfax County Police at the Fair Oaks station: **12300 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway Fairfax, VA 22033**
Captain John Naylor: 703-591-0966

Want to be more involved with the Fairfax County Police Department? Want to provide a valuable service to your community, and be more informed about county issues and laws at the same time? Consider joining your local FCPD Citizen Advisory Committees (CAC). Meetings are held at local police stations monthly.

CACs enhance communication between residents and the FCPD and offer residents a chance to

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dialogue with members of their local police districts. Members are kept informed about significant safety matters in their neighborhoods, and are encouraged to bring any issues or questions to the attention of local police commanders.

A GC board member will attend the next meeting scheduled for May 27. CAC Contact: Cheryl Lewis, cheryl.lewis@fairfaxcounty.gov

Friendly Reminders

Now that spring has finally arrived, please make sure to attend to household maintenance matters that need your attention around your properties, including make sure that:

- Fences are in good repair
- Tree limbs and shrubs are kept back from the sidewalks
- Shutters are in good repair
- Lamp post lights are working

Speaking of lamp post lights, we strongly encourage you to ensure that your lamp post lights are kept on all night. GC Community By-laws, Article XIX states "Sidewalks should be well-lit by a lamp post turned on at dusk and off at dawn."

Also, please remember that trash and yard waste material should only be placed by the curb in front of your house the night before or the morning of the scheduled pickup. (For yard waste, that is Wednesday mornings in our community.)

Potholes & Street Repairs

Requests have been made to VDOT for road repairs in front of 10003 Garrett St. If you'd like to voice your concern directly, you can fill out an online form through the following website:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/transportation/potholes/>

Special Thank You

A shout out and special thanks go out to Tom Bacigalupo for fixing the fence on Lawyers Road, and also to Noreen Linnemann for planting the lovely flowers at the entrance to Glencannon.