

# Between the Boulevards

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## Neighborhood Conservation Plan (NCP) Gains First Commission Approval

On May 15, the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Commission approved Boulevard Manor's NCP. The unanimous vote followed a presentation of the plan's highlights by Matt Doyle, BMCA's representative to the commission.

In June, the NCP will be presented to the Planning Commission and, after they approve it, to the County Board. Once the NCP is approved by the County Board, it will be published and BMCA will become eligible for neighborhood conservation project funding.

## Elections to be Held at BMCA Meeting

The Nominating Committee appointed by the BMCA membership at February's meeting presents the following candidates for the June 8 election. Nominees for election to one-year terms as officers of BMCA:

President	Phil Klingelhofer	1 <sup>st</sup> St. N.
Vice President	Steve Schwartz	1 <sup>st</sup> St. N.
Secretary	Tony Ermovick	1 <sup>st</sup> St. N.
Treasurer	Rob Pilot	3rd St. N.

Nominees for new two-year terms on the BMCA Board of Directors include:

David Cloe Teddy Kunec	N. Liberty St. N. Montague St.
Claudia Maloney	8 <sup>th</sup> St. N.
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Rich Massabny	4 <sup>th</sup> Rd. N.
Michael McComis	4 <sup>th</sup> St. N.
Judy Norton	2 <sup>nd</sup> St., N.
Julia Ovando	5 <sup>th</sup> Rd. N.
Paul Svercl	3 <sup>rd</sup> St. N.

The following currently serve on the BMCA Board and will be completing the second years of their terms:

Dori Byron	N. Madison St.
Yvonne Caruthers	1 <sup>st</sup> St. N.
Lee Dioso	N. Livingston St.
Larry Goldschmidt	N. Livingston St.
Merwin Liss	N. Livingston St.
Lois Trumbull	3 <sup>rd</sup> St. N.

In addition, outgoing president Chuck Norton will serve a term on the Board in accordance with the provisions of the BMCA Bylaws. Special thanks to Board

## IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Arlington Police Non-Emergency Line: 703-558-2222

Special Refuse Pickups (unbundled brush, appliances, etc.): 703-228-6570

Bluemont Park Ranger Station: 703-525-0168

Call center for park maintenance issues after hours and weekends: 703-228-6555

Powhatan Springs Skate Park Manager: Robin MacEwin 703-228-4712

County Office of Code Enforcement: 703-228-3232

Animal Control: 703-931-9241 (select option 1)

## Boulevard Manor Civic Association General Meeting

#### Monday, June 8, 7:00 p.m. Church of the Brethren, 300 N. Montague St.

Please join us for the BMCA Spring meeting, which will include election of officers and board members and committee updates.

The featured speaker will be Mary Ann Moran, Assets Liaison for the Arlington Partnership for Children, Youth and Families. Ms. Moran will discuss BMCA's unique combination of strengths and resources and how we can leverage those to connect with and support young people in the neighborhood.

For more information, contact BMCA President Chuck Norton at president@boulevardmanor.org or 703-527-2430.

members who have completed their terms: Charlie Boone, Margaret Core, and Barbara Miller-Rodriquez.

## Focus on Children, Youth and Families at BMCA General Meeting

The June 8 BMCA meeting will feature a speaker from the Arlington Partnership for Children, Youth and Families. Mary Ann Moran will discuss ways to use our neighborhood's strengths and resources to connect with and support young people in the neighborhood. You can learn more about the partnership on the web at www.arlingtonpartnershipforyouth.org.

Since 2001, the Partnership has surveyed thousands of Arlington middle and high school teens. The research revealed that only 40 percent of Arlington teens report living in a "caring neighborhood" and only 23 percent say they are valued in their community. There are many simple, but powerful actions neighbors can take to change teen perceptions. Learn more about ways you can make a positive difference for young people in Boulevard Manor.

## 4th Road N. Traffic Calming Proposal Moves Ahead

In 2008, the County Department of Public Works (DPW) determined that 4th Road N. between N. Manchester Street and N. Montague St. is eligible for traffic calming funds. Under the County's established neighborhood traffic calming (NTC) process, residents of the affected area worked with DPW to develop a plan for traffic calming measures. After 100 percent of the affected residents on 4th Road N. and the 400 block of N. Manchester Street signed a petition in support of the proposed plan, the BMCA Board endorsed the plan.

On March 23, 2009, the Arlington NTC Commission unanimously approved the project. The County Board is expected to consider the \$70,000 in July. If the Board approves the funding, construction will be scheduled for spring 2010.

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	ciation are only \$5.00 per person (\$10 per couple). Please send need to pay for previous years. Thank you for your support!	
Name(s):	Telephone:	
Address:	E-mail address:	
I am interested in:		
Planning neighborhood social events	Becoming involved in countywide civic activities	
Emergency readiness planning	Other:	
Return to Dori Byron (703-243-4025), 524 N I	Madison St., Arlington, VA 22203	

The elements of the 4th Road N. project include midblock nubs, parking lines, marked crosswalks, a major modification of the intersection of 4th Road N. at N. Montague St., and new signage. For additional details, contact BMCA Vice President Paul Svercl at 703-243-8693 or paul.svercl@boulevardmanor.org.

#### 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Independence Day Ice Cream Social

BMCA and the Church of the Brethren will again co-host an ice cream social on the Church's front lawn. Festivities will begin at 7:00pm with a children's parade that will depart from the corner of 4th Street N. and N. Manchester St. Parent volunteers will lead the kids to the church. Marchers are encouraged to bring decorated bicycles, wagons, strollers, etc. Ice cream will be served beginning at 7:30 pm. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, insect repellant, and a flashlight and stay to watch the Capitol fireworks from one of highest vantage points in Arlington.

#### Please Clean Up After Your Dog

The Arlington County Code States: *The owner of a dog shall be responsible for the removal of the dog's excretion from any property other than the dog owner's property and between the edges or curbs of public streets.* Please be considerate to your neighbors; remember to always bring a plastic bag whenever you walk your dog.

Join the BMCA e-mail list! It's an easy way for the civic association to share news rapidly and to forward important information from the county government and others. Your e-mail address remains private unless you post a message to the list. To subscribe, send an e-mail to **bmca-subscribe@topica.com**.

#### Neighborhood Teens Available for Summer Odd Jobs

Do you need lawn mowing, babysitting, pet sitting, tutoring, weed-pulling, or assistance with other odd jobs this summer? Washington-Lee honor students Reuben (age 17) and Jill (age 15) and Kenmore honor student Gracia (age 12) of the Luoma-Overstreet family are available for hire. The teens are experienced and reliable and have completed the Red Cross babysitting course. Please call them at 703-528-4915, or 703-785-2538.

#### **Babysitting Co-op Seeks New Members**

The Dominion Hills Babysitting Co-op has openings for new member families. Members of the co-op, including several families in Boulevard Manor, trade babysitting hours, taking care of other members' children and using the banked hours to "purchase" sits. For information on joining, contact Margie Ayers at mltayers@verizon.net or 703-243-1441.

Church of the Brethren Offers Youth Bible Study Attention, boys and girls, Kindergarten through 5th Grade: DISCOVERY CANYON is the theme for summer Bible School at the Arlington Church of the Brethren, 300 N. Montague St. The session is July 27 - 31, with classes running from 6:30pm to 8:30 pm. The program will feature games, crafts, science, storytelling, and music. Parents: please register by June 21st by leaving a message at the Church at 703-524-4100 or speaking to Nancy Weimer, Church Secretary, who is available at that phone number on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 9 am and noon. The program is free to neighborhood children.

#### Some of the Prizewinners at the Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Social, April 11, 2009



#### Calendar of Community Events

Monday, June 8 Church of the Brethren BMCA General Meeting, 7pm. See box on page 1.

Saturday, July 4 Church of the Brethren

**Independence Day Ice Cream Social**, Parade at 7:00, ice cream at 7:30pm, Church of the Brethren. See article.

Sunday, Sept. 13 Upton Hill Regional Park BMCA Annual Neighborhood Picnic. Noon to 3:00pm. Food and games for the whole family.