

Between the Boulevards

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BMCA Incorporated

The Boulevard Manor Civic Association is formalizing its legal structure. BMCA has been operating as an unincorporated association. While this status has been adequate for the association, operating as a recognized tax-exempt nonprofit corporation will help to clarify BMCA's rights and obligations under the law. Moreover, incorporation will help to ensure that the members, directors, and officers of BMCA are not held personally liable should anyone seek to make a claim against the organization. Therefore, the BMCA board decided to incorporate BMCA as a Virginia nonprofit (technically "nonstock") corporation and to seek formal recognition of the organization's tax-exempt status.

The new corporation has been created and, at the June 24 general meeting, the members of BMCA will be asked to vote on several housekeeping matters associated with creating the "new" BMCA. The votes are intended to secure members' approval for:

- ▶ Adopting the existing BMCA bylaws as the bylaws of the new corporation
- ▶ Making the officers and directors of the current BMCA (including those newly elected on June 24) the officers and directors of the new corporation
- ▶ Authorizing the BMCA officers and directors to apply for recognition of the new corporation's tax-exempt status and to take other necessary steps

At the meeting, 3rd Street neighbor John Pomeranz, who has been handling the legal work *pro bono*, will provide additional details and answer members' questions. You can also e-mail John at john@bungalow.org to ask questions about the incorporation of BMCA.

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 24 election. The nominees for election to one-year terms (2013-2014) as officers of BMCA are:

Boulevard Manor Civic Association General Meeting

Monday, June 24, 7:00 p.m.

Church of the Brethren, 300 N. Montague St.

- Guest speaker: Jeremy Watson, the Capital Project Management Coordinator for Arlington's Department of Transportation will discuss the Manchester/Route 50 intersection improvements.
- Guest speaker: Rob Humphrey from Dominion Power will discuss home energy conservation improvements.
- Annual elections for BMCA officers and for open BMCA Board positions.
- New business: anticipated discussion of Bluemont Civic Association's proposal to reconfigure Wilson Boulevard between George Mason Drive and Four Mile Run to improve safety for pedestrians.
- Reports from BMCA standing committees, including Neighborhood Conservation, Parks, and Reevesland.

For more information, contact BMCA President Claudia Maloney at president@boulevardmanor.org or 703-237-8721.

President	Claudia Maloney	8th Rd. N.
Vice President	Judy Norton	4th St. N.
Secretary	Tony Ermovick	1st St. N.
Treasurer	Rob Pilot	3rd St. N.

Nominees for new two-year (2013-2015) terms on the BMCA Board of Directors are:

John Eckrote	Wilson Blvd.
Tamara Gelboin	6th St. N.
Josh Handler	N. Livingston St.
Phil Klingelhofer	1st St. N.
Matt Smith	3rd St. N.

The following will continue to serve on the BMCA Board, completing the second years of their terms in June 2014:

David Bradsher	N. Longfellow St.
Courtney Collard-Meltzer	2 nd St. N.
Chuck Norton	2 nd St. N.
Molly Flynn	4 th St. N.
Paul Svercl	3 rd St. N.
Darcy Reid Trick	N. Manchester St.
Ann Wilson	N. Lombardy St.

12th Annual Ice Cream Social on July 4

All neighbors are invited to the Independence Day Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 4, beginning at 7:30pm at the Church of the Brethren, 300 N. Montague St. A neighborhood tradition since 2002, the event is co-sponsored by BMCA and the Church. Free ice cream, toppings, and water are provided. Neighbors may choose to bring a lawn chair or blanket, other soft drinks, snacks, and mosquito repellent. Please do not bring fireworks or alcoholic beverages to the event.

Many neighbors stay after the ice cream is gone to watch the fireworks above the National Mall, which typically begin around 9:15pm.

Arlington Villages Project Coming to Boulevard Manor

The Arlington Villages Project seeks to enable residents to make Arlington home for the rest of their lives. A village is based neighbors helping neighbors, providing the support to make it possible for older residents to remain in their homes and in the community they know. Boulevard Manor will be part of a pilot effort to establish at least three villages in Arlington.

This summer, there will be informal gatherings where neighbors can learn about the Arlington Villages Project in Boulevard Manor. Volunteers are needed to host a gathering in their home. If you would like to participate, please send an email to arlingtonvillages@gmail.com or call Gail Kutner at 703-524-8540. You can learn more about the project at www.arlingtonvillages.com.

Additional Neighborhood Events Scheduled

The **Boulevard Manor annual community picnic** will be held, rain or shine, from 12:00-3:00 on Sunday, September 15, at Upton Hill Regional Park. All residents of Boulevard Manor (including the Park View, Spy Hill, and Stone Ridge areas) are invited. We are especially eager to welcome neighbors who have not yet joined the civic association.

BMCA will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and soft drinks, as well as plates, napkins, and utensils. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. There will be plenty of activities for neighbors of all ages, such as a moon bounce, old fashioned picnic games, paper airplane toss competition, a piñata, and the annual trivia contest. If you are interested in helping with this event (set-up/clean-up crew, grill crew, games, kids' crafts, or the welcome table), please contact the event coordinator, Tony Ermovick, at tony_ermo@hotmail.com.

On Monday, November 11, BMCA and Arlington Community Church will co-host our third annual **Veterans Day potluck dinner**. As the date approaches, watch www.boulevardmanor.org for more details

Community-Supported Agriculture (CSA)

Have you wondered about big truck and stack of boxes that arrive at the corner of Manchester and 1st Street each Tuesday? That is our neighborhood CSA site, in association with the Lancaster Farm Fresh Cooperative, comprising more than 80 organic farmers in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Each week, they deliver fresh vegetables, fruit, eggs, and cheese to the neighborhood CSA site. Currently, 70 families pick up their produce at the site.

Information about the cooperative is available at www.lancasterfarmfresh.com. If you have questions or are interested in joining, please contact Gail and Chris at gseligson@aol.com.

From the President

The BMCA Board would like to acknowledge Lee Dioso, who has produced the BMCA newsletter since 1999. We are so grateful for his great work on this important outreach to our community.

We would also like to salute the civic association's team of 20 volunteers who deliver the newsletter to every home three or more times each year. Most of these neighbors have been performing this essential service for more than 10 years.

On behalf of the BMCA board and the BMCA residents, I want to thank Lee and the delivery team for their dedication and volunteerism in our community.

Sincerely,

Claudia Maloney
BMCA President