

BBHCA eNews

May 2009

BBHCA COMMUNITY MEETING

May 12, 2009 (Tuesday)

7:30 pm

Bush Hill Elementary School (Cafeteria)

AGENDA:

Minutes from March Meeting (Vote) ([Click link for PDF](#))

Board and Committee Reports

Elections for 2009-2010 BBHCA Board (Vote)

New Business



TOPIC:

Report on the State of Lee District

GUEST SPEAKER:

Jeff McKay, Lee District Supervisor

>> Visit the Lee District web page at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/Lee/>

BBHCA Board Nominations

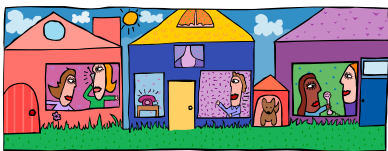
If you would like the opportunity to serve your community, now is your chance. The BBHCA is now accepting nominations for President, Vice President—Newsletter, Vice President—Membership, Treasurer, and Secretary.

For information on these positions, please refer to the Constitution and/or contact any of the current respective Board members. To nominate yourself or someone else, please contact President Jeannie Henry at president@bbhca.org.

Nominations for 2009-2010 Board

- President: Jeannie Henry
- VP Newsletter: Sarah Kelly
- VP Membership: Richard Frederick
- Treasurer: Kevin Henry
- Secretary: Deborah Moore

Vote May 12 at the BBHCA Community Meeting. *See above.*



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Prevent Theft By Removing Temptation



GPS larcenies from vehicles are on the rise. GPS units are popular because they are small, portable, and easily installed.

To prevent yours from being stolen, remove it and the cradle from the dashboard. Keep a supply of moist towelettes to clean the area of the windshield marked by the suction cup. Take the GPS with you; do not place it in the glove box or under the seat.

This also applies to any electronic device that you may have in your car that is not factory installed such as: IPODs, Cell phones, XM- radios, CD players, laptops, DVD players, etc. The list is endless. Please, please, please take all valuables out of your vehicle when you leave.

Park in well lit, busy areas. And don't forget to LOCK your car doors!

PFC Julia M. Bauer, Crime Prevention
Franconia Station, Fairfax County Police Dept.
6121 Franconia Rd
Alexandria, VA 22310
703-922-8263

BBHCA Community Yard Sale

June 6, 8 am – 1 pm

Whether you are looking to sell items you no longer need or find a good deal on items you do need, our community yard sale is the time and place to make the match! To register your home, complete the application and submit with the \$10 registration fee by May 27.

Participating homes get the following:

- Their home listed on a neighborhood map ([sample](#)) with a description of your items for sale.
- The map will be printed and multiple copies given to all participating homes to distribute the day of the sale.
- The map will also be posted online (Google Maps) for the public the week of the sale.
- Participants will be able to update their online listing of sale items up to the day of the sale.
- Posting of the community yard sale on Craigslist and other yard sale web sites.
- Posting of signs at the boundaries of our neighborhood.
- Promoting the sale on the BBHCA web site and in *BBHCA News* (printed newsletter) and BBHCA eNews (electronic newsletter).
- Balloons (3) to attach to your mail box the day of the sale.



Please complete the registration form and submit it with the fee by the deadline so your sale items can be included with the map. (By participating, you also agree to distribute the supplied printed Yard Sale maps to buyers on the day of the sale.)

>> **REGISTRATION FORM** (http://www.bbhca.org/PDFs/Yard_Sale_Application_Form_2009_B&W.pdf)

Rain date: Sunday, June 7, 2009.

For more information, e-mail Sharada Gilkey, Yard Sale Coordinator, at yardsale@bbhca.org or call 703-313-8490.

What is 2-1-1?



2-1-1 is the national three-digit phone number connecting area residents to more than 4,400 social service programs run by nonprofits, governments, and other organizations throughout the region. 2-1-1 was designed to be an easy to remember and widely recognized number that can connect individuals, families, and groups with the appropriate community-based organizations and government agencies to meet their needs. [CrisisLink](#) is the 2-1-1 provider in Northern Virginia.

From Northern Virginia
Dial 2-1-1 or 1-800-230-6977

From Outside Northern Virginia or from a *non*-Virginia mobile phone number
Dial 703-752-5254



Recycling of #5 Plastic Containers Coming to Whole Foods in VA

“Some of our Whole Foods Market stores are piloting a new program for recycling #5 plastic with Preserve called Gimme 5. ...#5 is commonly used in containers for yogurt, cottage cheese, hummus, medicine bottles, etc. ...as an added benefit, Gimme 5 also accepts Brita water filters for recycling.

“So here’s the deal. You bring your #5 plastics to a drop-off bin at our participating stores. ...We’ll send the plastic to Preserve, who make recycled household products including toothbrushes, razors, tableware, and kitchen products....” (<http://blog.wholefoodsmarket.com/2009/01/gimme-5-recycling/>)

“While the Reston, VA store led the pilot, they unfortunately discovered a glitch in their backend operations that we have to smooth out before we can begin collecting their plastic and delivering it to Preserve. We are working with the stores in Virginia and other states in the Mid Atlantic region to iron out these wrinkles and bring Preserve Gimme 5 to these stores.” (<http://blog.wholefoodsmarket.com/2009/01/gimme-5-recycling/>)

So if you shop at Whole Foods and want to recycle your #5 plastic containers, be sure to express your interest at the customer service desk—every time you visit!



EVENTS

Foreclosure Information Meeting

May 5, 7-9 p.m.

Centreville United Methodist Church
6400 Old Centreville Road, Centreville

Homeowners and Renters: Information will be presented by the Homeownership Division of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Consumer Affairs Branch of the Department of Cable Communications, and Consumer Protection and Legal Services of Northern Virginia. Homeowners and renters also will have an opportunity to meet one-on-one with a foreclosure prevention specialist. Korean and Spanish translation will be provided by LSNV.

Seating is limited so register early. To sign up, call the Department of Housing and Community Development at 703-246-5264, TTY 703-385-3578. For reasonable ADA accommodations, call 703-246-5101, TTY 703-385-3578.

>> For more information, go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/2009/foreclosure-information-meeting-may5.htm>.

Spring Garden Day

May 16, 9 am – 3 pm

Green Spring Gardens
4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22312
703-642-5173

An annual tradition during which more than 40 vendors of rare and unusual plants descend on Green Spring Gardens to fulfill your spring gardening needs! Friends of Green Spring (FROGS) receive 10% off plants in the Garden Gate Plant Shop. Then enjoy a walk around the beautiful grounds and visit the Horticulture Center.

>> For more information about Green Spring Gardens, go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/gsgp/>.

Springfield Days

May 28 – 31, 2009

Springfield Days is a community-wide celebration held in the heart of Springfield, Virginia. Bring your family for four days of fun and activities. Events this year include:

- [Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta](#)
- [FamilyFest](#)
- [PetFest & Paws on Parade](#)
- [Live Entertainment](#)
- [A Taste of Springfield](#)
- [Movie in the Park](#)
- [Old Fashioned BBQ at the American Legion](#)
- [Art Show](#)

For more information, click on the links above or go to <http://www.springfielddays.com>.

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Rain date: Sunday, June 7, 2009.

For more information, go to <http://www.bbhca.org/yardsale.htm> or e-mail yardsale@bbhca.org

Lee District Nights—Summer 2009 Concerts

Lee District Park Amphitheater

7:30 pm, Wednesdays

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| June 3 | The United States Navy Band 'Cruisers' |
| June 10 | Chinese Dance and Music |
| June 17 | Bill Emerson and Sweet Dixie (Traditional bluegrass) |
| June 24 | The United States Navy Band Country Current (Bluegrass) |
| July 1 | Rick Franklin & His Delta Blues Boys (Delta blues) |
| July 8 | King Teddy (Swing) |
| July 15 | The Alexandria Klezmet (Klezmer) |
| July 22 | The Fairfax Symphony Orchestra Summer Band (Classic) |
| July 29 | The Nighthawks (Rockabilly) |
| August 5 | The United States Army Band "Blues Jazz Ensemble" (Jazz) |
| August 12 | Pietasters (Ska) |
| August 19 | John McCutcheon (Folk) |
| August 26 | The Irish Breakfast Band (Irish) |

Click on the links above for more information on the individual performers.

>> Summer Concerts Flyer (PDF), http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/pdf/files/2009_concerts.pdf

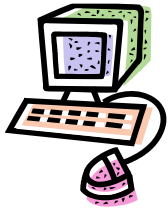


Civil War Enthusiasts—Mosby Tour

June 20, 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

The 2009 Mosby Tour will start at the Truro Rectory, in Fairfax City, where Mosby captured Brigadier General Edwin Stoughton. We ask everyone to arrive at the Truro Rectory at 8 a.m., to sign in. The bus will leave at 8:30. We will be going to Culpeper, Orange Court House, Gordonsville and more. We hope to arrive back at the Truro Rectory at 5:30. If you are a member of the Stuart-Mosby Historical Society the cost is \$65. If you are not a member, the cost is \$75. No refunds after June 8. The tour does not include meals, however, we will be stopping at a fast food place somewhere on the tour.

To reserve your spot, make your check out to Don Hakenson and send it to: 4708 Lillian Drive, Franconia, VA 22310. The Mosby Tour will be conducted by authors Don Hakenson, Gregg Dudding, and Eric Buckland. Tom Evans will be signing books before the tour at the Truro Rectory. Contact Don Hakenson at 703-971-4984, dhakenson@cox.net, or Gregg Dudding at 703-971-4860, wdudding@cox.net.



LINKS TO KEEP

Fairfax County Farmer's Markets

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farm-mkt.htm>

“All products sold at the Farmers Market are produced by the vendors within 125 miles of Fairfax County. Buy local and support sustainable agriculture in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. You will find the freshest and most desirable fruit, vegetables, plants, baked goods, eggs, dairy and meats available.

“All but the Frying Pan market host Fairfax County Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Plant Clinics. Citizens can bring plant or insect samples for pest identification or disease diagnosis. Master Gardeners also help citizens by having informational displays on topics such as Container Gardening or EcoSavvy Gardening.”

Kingstowne Farmers Market

May 8 - October 23

Fridays, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Located in Kingstowne Town Center near the Sunoco Gas Station.



RIDE SHARE

Looking to share transportation costs with a neighbor? BBHCA members may send their destination and contact information to eNews@bbhca.org. Indicate whether you are a driver, passenger, or both. Note: BBHCA does not screen participants and takes no responsibility for matches or mismatches. Listings are free and open to current BBHCA members.

BBHCA 2008–2009 Board

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VP Membership: Richard Frederick membership@bbhca.org

Treasurer: Kevin Henry treasurer@bbhca.org

Secretary: Deborah Moore secretary@bbhca.org

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