



Ashton Heights News

The Newsletter of the Ashton Heights Civic Association

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Roads, roads, roads roads and AHCA Transportation Principles

By Scott Sklar, President, AHCA

We have so much going on in transportation here in Arlington - and the goal is to provide varied options to Arlington and Ashton Heights residents.

For the last decade, Arlington County has been committed to walkable communities, extending corner nubs into intersections for shorter pedestrian crossing along with marked road-crossings, many with signs. The County just installed the new pedestrian bridge AHCA pushed for over Wilson Blvd to the new Ballston Mall.

We have Arlington Bike Share with a few options (www.arlnow.com/2017/11/03/new-bike-sharing-options-popping-up-in-arlington/). And we have new bike lanes like the new run on North Quincy and another planned along 10th Street North probably in 2020.

Scooters have proliferated, and the County has developed stronger guidelines, and the website is (<https://transportation.arlingtonva.us/scooters-and-dockless-bikeshare/>) and now Bird, Bolt, JUMP, Lime, Lyft, Skin and Spin are available. And note: the County requires these companies remove them on your property or sidewalks within two hours of a call.

In our neighborhood, we have two road projects, one beginning to be implemented. Arlington County is preparing to begin construction on the West Phase of the [Wilson Blvd Streetscape Improvements](#) project between N. Monroe St. and N. Kenmore St. Construction is planned to begin in spring 2019 and anticipating a fall 2019 completion date.

The major project is Clarendon Circle, which has been under construction from Dec. 26, 2018, through April 2019. Once this phase of the project is complete, the sidewalks will be wider in a large section of the

AHCA Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, Mar 20, 2019 7 - 9 PM

- 7:00** Refreshments and mingling
- 7:30** Community & committee updates
- 8:00** Libby Garvey, County Board
- 8:40** Harris Teeter Development
- 9:00** Conclusion

Meeting Location is the Clarendon United Methodist Church at N Ivy St & Sixth St N - Accessible entry is on Ivy St, take stairs or elevator down to the ramp leading to the social hall. Cars must enter the lot from Ivy St.

intersection. Design analysis for this intersection was performed as part of the development of the [Clarendon Sector Plan](#) and the [Clarendon Multimodal Transportation Study](#). The design analysis strongly suggests that roundabouts, one-way street couplets and other alternative designs would have negative impacts on all modes of transportation, especially for pedestrians, and recommends improving the intersection by normalizing the existing geometry as much as possible and reducing its size. Planned improvements will apply the Clarendon sector plan's general design but will reduce the overall size of the intersection. The goal is to construct these areas in time to allow businesses to have outdoor seating during the spring and summer months.

The Ashton Heights Civic Association (AHCA) has been involved in these projects, reviewing inputs and adding suggestions, which falls under AHCA's Transportation Committee chaired by Patrick Lueb (jiffy64@me.com),

At our upcoming AHCA meeting, we will review the AHCA Transportation Principles, which will be up for a vote. We look forward to everyone's participation. Hope to see you at our AHCA March 20th meeting at the Clarendon Methodist Church social hall.



Ashton Heights Civic Association Volunteers

Civic Association Mission

AHCA's mission is to promote the welfare and interaction of Ashton Heights and Arlington. Meetings, usually held the third Wednesday from September to May, are open to all residents, although only paid members can vote. Active participation is welcome. AHCA keeps you informed through meetings, this newsletter, and the website: www.ashtonheights.org. You can volunteer by contacting the Executive Committee.

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Katie Brown	2001		B	C	D		F	G		703-955-0538
Sophia Brown	2004			C			F	G		703-955-0538
Kaitlyn Cooper	2005		B	C			F			571-340-1212
Lila Derr	2006			C						703-528-8880
Max Derr	2003	A		C	D	E				703-528-8880
Sarah Eichorn	2005		B	C				G		703-528-8360
Apple Gould	2001		B	C			F			703-528-7310
Rafa Gould	2003		B	C			F		I	703-528-7310
Eliza Hall	2004		B	C			F	G		631-258-3805
Ethan Hall	2001								I	703-655-9745
Kerik Hayes	2002	A		C		E				571-232-4366
Maggie Hayes	2004		B	C						571-309-5103
Martha Hays	2002			C				G		703-807-0015
Clara Helms	2001		B	C				G		703-908-0121
James Iveson	2006							G		703-816-0296
Ryan McFarlane	2001		B	C						571-429-1615
Emma Miller	2002			C						703-528-0447
Miriam Morse	2002			C	D		F			703-524-8182
Claire Mowery	2004		B	C				G		202-304-6149
Jack Mowery	2001	A					E			703-437-2174
Keyven Olson	2007	A		C						703-798-1981
Emery Parker	2003		B	C			F	G		703-414-9371
Nora Parker	2007		B	C			F	G		703-528-2436
Amy Parr	2001		B	C	D		F	G		703-243-4129
Isabel Ramon	2004		B	C				G	I	917-969-6668
Cepheus Randolph	2003	A		C		E				703-774-5400
Seneca Randolph	2001		B	C			F	G		703-774-5400
Laura Rapazzo	2003		B	C			F	G		703-915-0518
Ellie Rosenberg	2007			C				G		571-645-1879
Josh Rosenberg	2002	A	B	C	D		F	G		571-214-2908
Amelia Sahn	2005			C						703-956-0684
Sophia Scharpf	2002		B	C				G		703-466-2327
Annie Schutz	2001		B	C	D			G		703-915-8463
Anna Secrest	2003		B	C			F			703-294-6686
Declan Secrest	2001	A		C		E	F			703-294-6686

Name	Birth Year	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	I	Phone
Sophia Sleigh	2004		B	C			F	G		703-340-7968
Andy Spitzer	2004	A			D	E				571-287-2664
Rachael Spitzer	2007							G		202-669-5732
Brooke Tanner	2001	A	B	C			F	G	I	703-507-2703
Mia Tanner	2003		B	C						703-528-8852
Charlotte Thomas	2006		B	C				G		703-276-9465
Georgia Thomas	2004		B				F	G		703-276-9465
Samantha Thomas	2006		B	C				G		703-276-9465
Grace Vande-Meulebroecke	2005			C						703-778-2009
Sydney Vande-Meulebroecke	2001		B	C			F			703-778-2009
Natalia Whitman	2000		B	C				G		571-533-5253
Anna Williams	2001		B	C	D		F	G		703-965-5439
Annie Zetkolic	2001		B	C			F	G		703-516-0024

Kids, Inc. Entrepreneurs

Key to Services Offered

- A - Leaf raking, shoveling
- B - Babysitting
- C - Pet/plant sitting
- D - Odd jobs/errands
- E - Lawn mowing
- F - House sitting
- G - Mother's helper
- I - Technology

Send updates to
Ann Felker gr8est9@gmail.com

KIDS INC offers a robust roster of willing and able local youth to help out when the household hands are not enough. They are enthusiastically awaiting your calls. Birth years allow you to match the size of the job with the age of the person. We manage the directory; you define the work and determine the pay scale. Let it be known that entrepreneurship is alive and well in Ashton Heights.

Learn the Current Status of the Equal Rights Amendment

Julia Tanner, founder of the Virginia Equal Rights Coalition—and Vice President of the Ashton Heights Civic Association-- will speak March 16 at 1 pm at Arlington's Central Library on the next steps ahead for ratification.

*The meeting is sponsored by the
Arlington League of Women Voters
and the
Arlington Association of University Women.
The meeting is open to the public.*



April 27, 2019, 8:00 A. M.
Running to help others!

Where: Clarendon United Methodist Church
606 N. Irving St., Arlington, VA 22201

Who: Competitive Runners; Fitness/Frequent Runners;
Joggers/Recreational Runners; and Walkers/Strollers.

Website: www.ArlingtonBunnyHop.org.

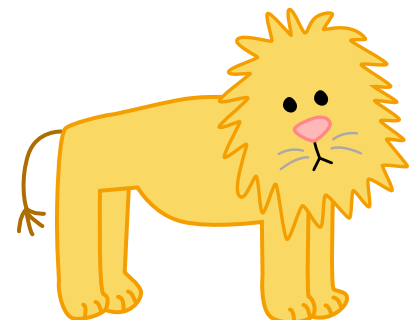
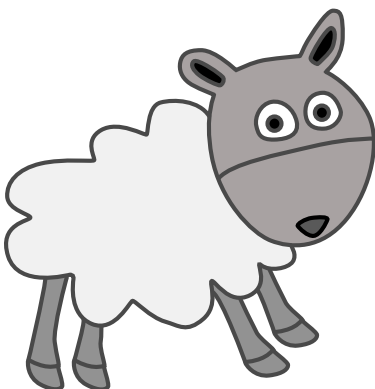
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The Acoustic Café concert series features local artists and accomplished players on the third Tuesday of the month (Mar – June and Sept – Dec) at the Walter Reed Community Center. All ages are welcome to play and attend! All shows run from 7:00 – 8:30 PM.

Come join us for an evening of delightful music and modest refreshments!

The concert series is co-sponsored by the Alliance for Arlington Senior Programs and the Walter Reed Senior Advisory Committee. Walter Reed Community Center, a beautiful green building, is located at 2909 16th St South, Arlington, VA 22204, the front desk phone is 703-228-0935.

Want to perform? Send an email, with audio or video links, to acousticcafe4@gmail.com.



Community Safety and Security Corner

Three Is a Magic (Police) Number

By: Christina Schultz

In an effort to expand community outreach, the Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) recently placed greater emphasis on three key 2016 initiatives.

Additional officers will be placed on bike patrol. This provides greater visibility of police presence, particularly for cyclists and pedestrians, in parks and neighborhoods, near businesses, and along trails. They also provide information on bicycle safety, including registration, proper storage, and other safety guidelines.

Crime prevention programs are also coming back. The ACPD has developed numerous initiatives to educate and inform residents. Previous programs have included bicycle safety, discussing drugs with your children, avoiding identity theft, increasing pedestrian safety, reducing residential burglary, among others. Stay tuned for upcoming offerings.

Finally, the ACPD's two Community Outreach Units remain committed to engagement and cooperation with residents. The North Arlington Unit, which covers the Ashton Heights area, will return to report out at civic association meetings. We will keep you posted on the Unit's next visit to the Ashton Heights Civic Association's monthly meeting. Until then, the ACPD is inviting residents to two upcoming events.

Upcoming Police Department Events

- **North Outreach Team Quarterly Meeting** on Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 pm at the Central Library Auditorium
- **Pizza with the Police** on Wednesday, March 20, from 5:00 6:30 pm, at Pizza Boli's 6033 Wilson Boulevard

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Is Your Yard a Butterfly Habitat? Get Certified!

by Brooke Alexander

Ashton Heights Tree Canopy and Native Plant Coordinator

Spring is (almost) here! The butterflies will be making their presence known soon! Get your yard certified by the North American Butterfly Association (www.naba.org)! Then you can also purchase an outdoor sign, 7 x 10 inches, documenting your Certified Butterfly Garden, including a picture of a monarch butterfly!

There are 2 requirements for the presence of butterflies, and for certification as a butterfly habitat!:

1. **Caterpillar host plants.** Butterfly caterpillars require appropriate leaf material to eat before they can metamorphize into adult butterflies. To get certified, one must list 3 native plants in your yard that feed butterfly caterpillars.
2. **Adult butterfly food.** Butterfly adults need nectar for energy to live and reproduce. Certification requires listing 3 native plants in your yard that provide nectar to butterfly adults.

What kinds of butterflies do we have here in Ashton Heights?

Here's a sample: monarch, swallowtail, painted lady, American lady, hackberry emperor, hairstreaks, duskywing, fritillaries, spring azure, white cabbage, clouded sulphur, eastern tailed-blue, question mark, pearl crescent.

Here are some plant ideas:

1. **To host butterfly caterpillars:**
red cedar, hackberry, milkweed, oak, pawpaw, violets, wild cherry, tulip poplar, black locust, clover, pipevine, pearly everlasting, pussy toes, spicebush, thistles, aster.
2. **To host adult butterflies:**
purple coneflower, milkweed, monarda, clethra, joe-pye-weed, ironweed, liatris, new England aster, goldenrod.

It's (almost) spring! Plant something for the butterflies!



Contribute to the next newsletter
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AHCA MEMBERSHIP SIGN-UP AND DUES PAYMENT FORM

Ashton Heights Civic Association annual dues are \$15 per household or \$10 per individual member or \$25 per household for two years. Anyone residing or owning property in Ashton Heights who is at least 18 may join and then vote at AHCA meetings.

Send this form and a check payable to AHCA to Jim O'Brien, 643 N. Kenmore St. 22201, or bring it to this month's meeting.

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