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All Hands On Deck By Scott Sklar

The number of issues coming before the Ashton Heights Civic Association (AHCA) is increasing at full speed.

Our AHCA Committees and AHCA Issue Leads will be working on multiple fronts. We are looking for interested AHCA residents to help provide input and even attend county-sponsored meetings. See page 2 for contact information.

Arlington Neighborhood Commission (ArNAC) of which AHCA is a member, oversees funding for sidewalk and curb improvements, small parks and open spaces. Leads for this initiative are Lisa Shimberg (healingworks@verizon.net), alternate Hillary Berlin (hillary.berlin@gmail.com) and Executive Committee (ExCom) backup Betsey Lyon (etlyon410@gmail.com). Reach out to these new AHCA representatives.

Transportation issues are proliferating, including the upcoming road work on Wilson Blvd at North 10th Street. AHCA residents have expressed concerns on the listserv over the new online residential parking program implementation, so we are trying to get a county rep at an upcoming AHCA meeting. Patrick Lueb from the Transportation Committee continues the dialogue on traffic calming (especially reducing tractor trailer trucks through our neighborhoods), as well as pedestrian and bicycle safety, plus visibility issues.

The Historic Preservation Committee has initiated an historic plaque program (see page 8) and I urge our AHCA residents to participate. Julie Mangis and Ann Felker lead this committee.

The Tree Canopy and Native Plants Committee initiates and coordinates planting of trees and they have lawn signs. The committee advises the county of both building and park projects to protect and expand tree canopy focusing on native plants. Guidance on native plants and pollinators to attract and expand fireflies, butterflies, and native birds is also a priority. The committee is vigilant on providing input on the Greenway and the upcoming Buckingham planning study. Brooke Alexander is chair of this very active committee.

The AHCA Development Committee co-chaired by Jack Spilsbury and Alexander Tuneski are busy overseeing the three new developments along 10th St North & Wilson Blvd. They have been appointed to the upcoming county effort on the Ballston Park & Buckingham Commercial Area Planning Study.

Our Noise Committee focuses on noise emanating from areas businesses, primarily bars and restaurants. Robby Mook represents AHCA on the Clarendon Live Entertainment Committee. He needs neighborhood input, so don't be shy.

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AHCA Monthly Meeting Wed., October 21, 7 - 9 p.m.

**Clarendon United
Methodist Church
606 N. Irving St.**

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| 7:00 p.m. | Mingle and chair setup |
| 7:30 p.m. | Association business and committee reports |
| 7:50 p.m. | The two halves of our evening have a common theme - the ongoing Afghan refugee situation has NOT gone away. Afghan families started arriving about 5 years ago this month. Many of the existing programs that helped place them here had a plan to end services specifically for Afghan immigrants at the 5 year mark. They have, in general, made great progress in blending into this their new world, but there is work left to be done. From 7:50 to 8:15 p.m., Ann Felker - who has befriended 9 families over the time period will share her experiences and observations. |
| 8:15 p.m. | From 8:15 to 9:00 p.m. a representative of one of the refugee service organizations will describe some circumstances that are still problematic. |
| 9:00 p.m. | Adjourn |



Editor's Note: View the newsletter, past and present, in **full color** at www.ashtonheights.org. If you have an idea for an article, reach out, we'd love to have you. Submissions for the November 2026 newsletter are due by **October 23**. Send submissions to: amylmiller4@gmail.com. Thank you.

Join or Renew your AHCA Membership!

Ashton Heights Civic Association annual dues are \$15/household or \$10/individual member. Register for two years for \$25/household.

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Is My Salad Safe to Eat?

Community Safety and Security Corner

By Christina Schultz

The summer of 2026 may be remembered less for its heat waves than for its food recall notices. From cyclosporiasis in lettuce to salmonella in jalapeños to listeria in cheese, it seems like you can't turn on your TV, open your newspaper, or scroll through social media without encountering a new recall. If this has made you avoid eating omelets or hamburgers altogether, you are not alone. American shoppers are so rattled by surging Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recalls that 67% now avoid a whole food category after just one notice, while 59% have thrown away recalled food even when their state or region wasn't affected. Preventative measures are a challenge because tracing the food itself from its source through the supply chain isn't always simple. So what's going on?

Food safety in the United States is regulated by two federal agencies. The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), within the Department of Agriculture (USDA), regulates meat, poultry, and egg products. The FDA, under the Department of Health and Human Services, regulates all other food products, covering about 78% of the American food supply. The Centers for Disease Control and Protection (CDC) supports this process by tracking who is getting sick and connecting the dots between a person in New Mexico and a person in Virginia who ate the same thing. The CDC's role is vital because it detects the patterns that enable a recall to happen.

Recalls are almost always voluntary. A company initiates the recall itself, either on its own after detecting a problem or at the request of the FDA or FSIS. Once a recall is underway, the responsible agency assesses the health hazard posed by the product and assigns it a formal classification, then monitors the company's effectiveness in removing or correcting the affected product until the recall is terminated. The two agencies diverge in how much they can act before a product ever reaches consumers. FSIS conducts continuous, on-site inspections at meat, poultry, and egg facilities under its jurisdiction and pre-approves product labels before they go to market. The FDA, by contrast, inspects its regulated facilities only once every three to five years and does not pre-approve food labels, leaving most FDA-regulated food to reach store shelves without prior inspection. On the other hand, FSIS can only encourage a company to voluntarily recall a product and has no power to compel one, while the FDA can both request voluntary recalls and order a mandatory product recall.

There are three classes of recall:

- Class I: Reasonable probability that exposure to the product will cause serious adverse health consequences or death.
- Class II: Product may cause temporary or medically

reversible adverse health consequences, or the probability of serious harm is remote.

- Class III: Product is unlikely to cause any adverse health consequences (typically a labeling or technical violation).



Food recall numbers are contested, depending on the source and methodology. The FDA's own dashboard figures, when filtered for food-only recalls, show fiscal year 2025 unusually high at 537, up from 465 in fiscal year 2024. Through mid-August in fiscal year 2026, there were 483 food recalls which annualized is projected to match 2025. One major distinction in the past year and a half is not how many recalls we are seeing, but the scale and severity of the incidents. The most recent FDA recalls are linked to mass foodborne illness outbreaks affecting huge amounts of food consumed by large numbers of people. One prominent example is the Taylor Farms iceberg lettuce recall in July linked to a cyclosporiasis outbreak that sickened over 17,000 people in the United States. Two other major Class I warnings from the FDA were issued for eggs and blueberries, resulting in outbreaks of salmonella and E. coli, respectively.

Even more debated than the numbers are the causes of these recalls, with some claiming they are due to improved detection technology and others citing weakened surveillance capacity from federal staffing cuts. Amid the Trump administration's push to shrink the federal workforce, federal food safety agencies lost more than 7,000 employees, with about half of them from the FDA alone, resulting in a 20% reduction in its workforce. In addition to these cuts, the CDC's FoodNet program, which used to track eight foodborne pathogens, was scaled back, including dropping cyclospora tracking, and the USDA's food-safety scientific advisory committee was eliminated in March 2025. The FDA's Food Traceability Rule, requiring companies to maintain supply-chain records so that regulators can trace contaminated food faster, was set to take effect in January 2026, but Congress delayed enforcement until 2028. With this oversight capacity diminished, food recalls play an even more critical role in ensuring the American public has the knowledge it needs to avoid adulterated and mislabeled food.

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Red Cross Volunteering

By David Newman

One hundred eighty mile per hour winds topple telephone poles, bend street signs and palm trees till they break, uproot trees of every size, and send tin roofs sailing across the island. Super-cyclone Bavi was the second in its class to hit the Commonwealth of Northern Marianas Islands (CNMI) in less than four months. Between the high winds, torrential rains, and long-term power outage, the damage across the small island was devastating.

The American Red Cross stood up evacuation shelters, providing safe haven ahead of the storm, and maintained shelters for the displaced afterwards, assuring every client had a cot, blanket, personal space, potable water, three meals daily, bath and shower facilities, and, most essentially, a place to charge their phones. For people outside or leaving shelters, whose homes were severely damaged, the Red Cross might provide financial assistance, clean up kits, tarps, solar fans, butane burners, cooking sets, and more.

Disaster Relief Operations (DROs) like this require substantial workforces with a broad range of skills. The Red Cross relies almost exclusively on volunteers. Some come with relevant skills, while far more learn their skills through Red Cross training, much of it virtual, some in person.



Volunteers commonly are retirees looking for the most meaningful work they can do, on a part-time basis, when they choose to be available. Many describe it as God's work.

With increases in wildfires, hurricanes, flooding, and other disasters across the country, the ARC needs more volunteers available to deploy and fill these crucial roles, including planning, logistics, feeding, sheltering, delivery of food and emergency supplies, damage assessment, financial assistance, and more. Every position is about serving people facing great, but temporary need. The Red Cross covers all expenses for its volunteers, including travel, housing, and food.

David Newman, a Lyon Park resident, returned in late July from a deployment to the CNMI, a US territory on the other side of the International Date Line. He served in shelters on the islands of Saipan and Rota in the CNMI.

David would welcome the opportunity to talk to anyone who might be interested in deploying. You can text him at (703) 798-2077. Deploying isn't for everyone. Giving blood at a Red Cross donation center is the next best thing!

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Help the Tree Canopy Campaign Retain Our Large Canopy Trees!

By Brooke Alexander, Tree Canopy and Native Plant Committee Chair, Tree Canopy Co-Chair

Ashton Heights Tree Canopy Campaign's (TCC) motto is **"Preserve Today's Canopy; Plant Tomorrow's."** You see our motto on yard signs throughout the neighborhood. The county's tree canopy target is 40%. When last measured, Ashton Heights' tree canopy was 36%. We're 13 acres shy of 40%.

This year the TCC will direct our available resources towards retaining our mature trees – **"Preserve Today's Canopy."** We have been losing our mature canopy trees mostly to development. It turns out the annual growth of our mature canopy trees has been balancing our annual loss of trees. But this is not sustainable. With the continued loss of our mature canopy trees, our tree canopy area will plummet. Thus, the TCC will be focusing on retaining our oldest canopy trees.

Part of our effort will be the retention of the large canopy trees in the area most of us know as Buckingham (which is now called Ballston Park). Ballston Park is the part of Buckingham that is within Ashton Heights. As announced in last month's newsletter, the county has started a plan to redevelop Ballston Park and Buckingham Commercial Area. Ballston Park has a large percentage of Ashton Heights' largest trees. These trees are at risk of being removed with the redevelopment of this area.

Since we have limited resources, the TCC will not be undertaking an Ashton Heights specific planting program like we did last year. We will, however, publicize the two free county tree giveaway programs in hopes that people will carry on with efforts to plant tomorrow's canopy. Look for an article in November's newsletter on EcoAction Arlington's Tree Planting Program (formerly Tree Canopy Fund). The second sapling program will be closed by the time the October newsletter comes out, so it was publicized on the listserv. Please host a new native canopy tree on your property, whether on your own initiative or through one of these two free programs. We need both: **Preserve Today's Canopy; Plant Tomorrow's!**

We always need helpers for our tree canopy efforts. Please be in touch if you're available to join us! Contact treecanopy@ashtonheights.org.





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Your home doesn't need to be 100 years old. Homes built as late as 1950 are considered "contributing" to Ashton Heights' historic district designation. For information, please contact Julie Mangis at jmmangis@aol.com



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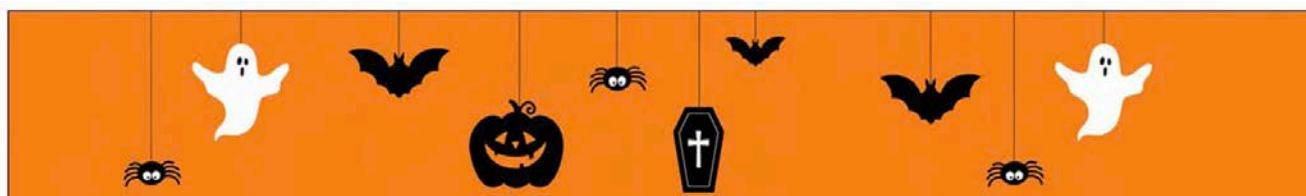
Stormwater AHCA lead Chris Lewicki is the contact for "all things stormwater" and represents AHCA on the Spout Run water renovation effort and follows Arlington County's stormwater credit system.

For the sake of space, I have limited coverage on AHCA Committee actions, but the point here, again is look over the committees and issue representatives within AHCA, and drop them an e-mail (contact info on page 2). They need your help.

I have an "AHCA Honorable Mention" of Ann Felker whom many of you know for her years of service within AHCA and our community. She took it upon herself (by way of a suggestion from neighbor Sarah Friedrich) to have child sitting so parents can come to our AHCA meetings the third Wednesday of every month at the Clarendon United Methodist Church social hall. I want to personally thank her for this effort and ask parents to email Ann with suggestions, and even help build this effort, so contact her at gr8est9@gmail.com.

And finally, please reach out to any member of the ExCom, who are elected officers and at-large members that oversee and try to coordinate all of these activities. Don't be shy with us, and while we are active on the AHCA listserv, you should feel free to send any of us an e-mail with suggestions, concerns, and even plaudits!

I wish you all a Happy Autumn and thank you for being an involved member of our Ashton Heights Community.



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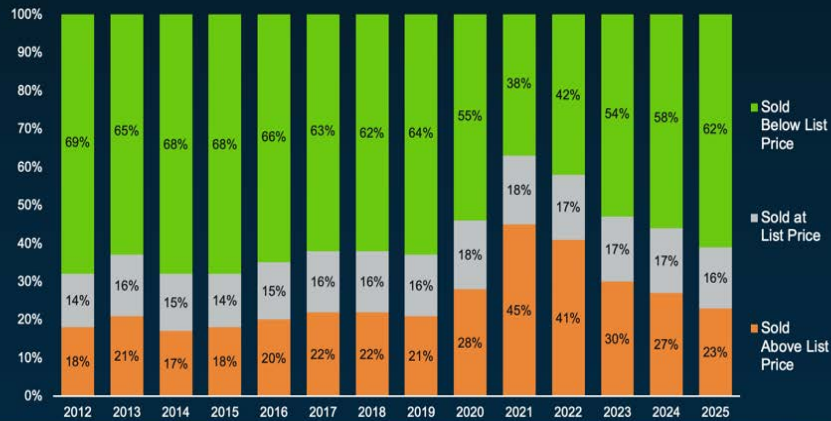
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Native planting within your community: using cues to care

By Melania Flores, Pollinator Pathway Subcommittee Chair, AHCA Tree Canopy and Native Plant Committee

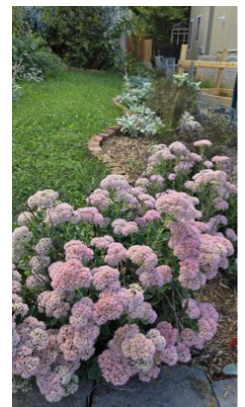
I recently returned from a five-month mission overseas. While I was away, the plant beds in my front and back yards were left untended—without watering, weeding, or maintenance—and my husband was also away for much of the final month. When I came home, I was dismayed by the state of the front yard; the house looked almost abandoned. By 7:00 the next morning, we got to work. About three hours later, the front yard looked much more presentable. The problem was not really the native plants, but the non-native vines and grasses that had moved in uninvited.

That experience reminded me that a native garden can be both ecologically valuable and visibly cared for. A few simple design choices can help neighbors understand the intention behind your planting, make the space feel managed, and even encourage others to support pollinators. In native-planting literature, these visual signals are often called "cues to care." Here are a few that have worked for me:

- Define your areas between plant beds and non-plant beds with a physical barrier. We used bricks from the old shed we had at the back and created wavy patterns that look more pleasing than a straight line.
- If you have a lawn, try to define the edges well, and mow regularly. Just edging and mowing makes an

immediate visual impact.

- Weed regularly, particularly while the natives grow. After that, they will take care of it naturally. This time, basic weeding was relatively fast in comparison to other times. Weeding after a big rain helps pulling roots easier than when the soil is dry and compacted.
- Consider succession planting by using plants that flower at different times of the year so your yard has a year round interest, both for pollinators and for people alike.
- Place a sign to let your garden speak for you.



Old bricks were used to define plants beds. Photo: Melania Flores

Plant NOVA Natives has a very user-friendly page on this topic. <https://www.plantnovanatives.org/cues-to-care>. The best time of the year for planting natives is upon us. Who can sign up for the Ashton Heights Pollinator Pathway Initiative? The pledge is that you:

1. Plant more natives!
2. Do not spread outdoor insecticides.

To join, email: melaniaflores@gmail.com. More on the NOVA initiative (plantnovanatives.org/pp).

Restaurant Review: Nash & Smashed

By Phyllis Shea

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nashandsmashed.com/hot-chicken/arlington-va

The long wait is over. Ashton Heights needed a good, casual, burger and chicken restaurant within arms' reach and Nash & Smashed has filled that space with good food, a bright, clean and attractive, no nonsense interior, and staff very willing to please.

Nash & Smashed fills the once Boost Mobile corner at 301 Glebe Road. We old timers knew that corner as Buckingham Florist, a place for prom corsages and birthday bouquets. The chain's unusual name refers to its origins in Nashville, TN. Spices home to Nashville are abundant in the Halal chicken and beef. I can't give a name to those spices except to say that they are different, delicious and, yes, spicy. How much or how little spice depends on you. I chose the mildest, "no sweat" option on my "Honey Butter Buzz" chicken sandwich, and would think twice before moving up the heat to "firestorm". My \$8.99 sandwich was large and very tasty.

Now about the burgers. About \$8 will get you one 3 ounce smashed Halal beef burger, and \$19 gets you 12 ounces or a quadruple smashed* burger aptly called, "The Beast". All come on a tender potato bun or lettuce wrap. There is only one vegetarian option. If you really want both chicken and beef in one sandwich, go for the house named, "Nash and Smashed" for about \$11. Add \$5 to any order for fries and a soft drink. My Pepsi was too watery for my taste, but the waffle fries were to die for.

Having a Commanders party this fall? There's a bucket of chicken with your name on it ranging from \$8 to \$30.

All sandwiches and menu items are made to order; the wait time can be as little as 10 minutes or longer, depending on the crowd. Order through the app (<https://apps.apple.com/app/id6760777461>) and your order will be waiting for you. And there's always Uber and Door Dash delivery.

The menu claims the ingredients used are, "Fresh, Pure and Local," which can mean many things. Almost all offerings are fried. Then there's the term "Halal," which refers to the way chickens and cows are slaughtered. If the word Halal is new to you, I suggest waiting until after your meal before asking Ejaz, the manager, for a fuller explanation.

Besides watery Pepsi and other brand name soft drinks, the menu boasts non alcoholic versions of several mojitos as well as milkshakes. There's a kids' menu which features four items, juice and chocolate milk.

Dessert options are displayed in a case at the front counter. They are few and unexciting. I chose to pass. Most of you

reading this can walk or bike to Nash & Smashed. And that's a good thing, because parking at the small lot near the store is limited and tight.

I recommend Nash & Smashed for an informal family meal. There's a counter and several large tables for dining in. It's a step up from McDonald's in quality, price and number of offerings. There's a Nashed & Smashed in Crystal City, one planned for Falls Church and another for Baltimore. This new kid on the block is worth a visit.

**The "smashed" burger is a patty of no more than three oz. of beef pressed firmly onto a hot pan during the first few seconds of cooking so that a flavorful crust develops on the meat. It contradicts the way we've always been taught to cook burgers.*



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Wednesday, October 21 is [Books & Bubbly](#), a special fundraiser for the library. Limited tickets available [here](#).

Thursday, October 22 is [FOAL member night](#).

Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24 are open to the general public. **Sunday, October 25** is open to the general public and is half-price day on books.

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Updates from the Museum of Contemporary Art Arlington By Cate Anchin

The Museum of Contemporary Art Arlington will host its annual gala on Wednesday, September 30 and reopen its galleries on Saturday, October 3 with new exhibitions and a night market for you to explore local artists and artisan products! Join us for this popular event, [Art After Hours](#), on Saturday, October 3 from 5 to 8 p.m.

Outside, you'll find various vendors selling items, while inside the museum, we'll celebrate the opening of our national biennial series *Assembly* featuring four exhibitions with an eye toward the 250th anniversary of the United States. Each of the *Assembly* exhibitions is curated by an independent curator and grounded in four regions that made up the thirteen original colonies. Also that evening, the artists that participate in the artist residency program will open their private studios from 5 to 8 p.m. This is a great chance to see work in progress!

We have plenty of additional programs scheduled for the fall, including a neighborhood 5K and yoga session celebrating *Reclining Liberty*. [Run, Recline, + Recreate](#) will take place on the morning of Saturday, October 24. And, save the date for November 1 when we will celebrate **Diá de los Muertos** as an evening picnic in the park.

And if wellness is on your mind, the museum continues to offer a selection of wellness programs including yoga in the galleries on Saturday mornings and Monday evenings, as well as sound baths in the Tiffany Gallery twice a month.

We have a lot in store for you, so if you're interested in more programs or interested in checking out fall art classes or fall workshops, please visit the museum's [website](#) to learn more!



Chamber Music in the Neighborhood

By John Earle

Many neighbors in Ashton Heights and Lyon Park are already aware of and attending FMMC chamber music concerts at St. George's Episcopal Church, Fridays at noon. Concerts are free, with no tickets necessary. Free-will donations for FMMC are collected.

Performers are professional and semi-professional musicians. In October, FMMC is organizing the following concerts at St. George's:

- **October 2, noon.** Poulenc: Trio for Piano, Oboe, and Bassoon. John Sutherland Earle, piano; Laurel Kuxhaus, oboe; Nancy Switkes (guest), bassoon • Brahms: Violin Sonata in A Major. Olga Yanovich (guest), violin; Irina Koulikova, piano • Chopin: Polonaise in E-flat Minor, op. 26, no. 2. Nocturne in D-flat Major, op. 27, no. 2. Waltz in A-flat Major, op. 34, no. 1. Victoria Bragin, piano.
- **October 9, noon.** Brahms: Trio for Clarinet, Cello, and Piano, op. 114. Albert Hunt, clarinet; David Boyle, cello; Simon Finlow, piano • Beethoven: Piano Sonata No. 30 in E Major, op. 109. Seojin Heo, piano • Boucard: Suite Champêtre for Flute and French Horn. Takeaki Miyamae, flute; Mark Stanga, French horn.

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Meet Your Neighbors, The Hunters

By Russ Miller

Last month we touched briefly on how the new Congress created the District of Columbia, and within it, the county of Alexandria. This month we will meet some of the people that lived in our neighborhood about 150 years ago. Though the new Congress restricted federal buildings to the City of Washington, residents of the young District of Columbia's Alexandria County (on the Virginia side) were active in its affairs as well as their own local business interests. The Custis family and the Hunters are two of note that left their mark on the county and what was to become Ashton Heights and Lyon Park.

In 1778, Martha Custis Washington's son John, wrote to his step-father, George Washington, seeking advice on the terms of the purchase of 2,000 acres of riverfront property - the Arlington plantation and another directly south. The General, who was focused on keeping British forces in New York City at the time, replied in very clear language that the terms were a risk and that he should seek better terms. He did not, and Washington's counsel proved all too true when Custis was forced to sell the plantation he had named Abingdon a few years later.

Abingdon was eventually bought by the Wise family and in 1835 by Alexander Hunter, a Virginian who had fought in the failed defense of Washington in the War of 1812 and served for decades as the Marshal of the City of Washington.

Alexander's younger brother was Bushrod Washington Hunter, a naval officer whose adventures included shipwreck and near-capture during the Mexican War. In 1847, he purchased a tract of 425 acres that he named Brookdale. That property, directly west of the Arlington Plantation, represents a swath of central Arlington today from 10th Street North down to Columbia Pike and from Glebe Road east to the edge of today's Joint Base Fort Myer/Henderson Hall.

Bushrod and his wife Mary were to raise a large family, but his brother Alexander died childless in 1852, leaving Abingdon to Hunter's son, also named Alexander, to be held in trust until

he turned 21. Hunter's journal shows that the large Hunter family lived at Abingdon most of the time, spending summers at Brookdale in a house whose appearance and actual location remain to this day a topic of local speculation.

Tax records indicate that Bushrod Hunter enslaved between 18 and 36 people at his two estates during 1851 to 1859. The 1860 Census lists 20 enslaved persons under Bushrod's name, likely spread across both properties, out of the county's estimated enslaved population that year of 265.

With the advent of war in 1861, the Hunter family relocated to the city of Alexandria. Bushrod resigned his U.S. commission and later took a commission as a Virginia officer of artillery; his son Alexander enlisted in a Warrenton Virginia volunteer regiment, benefiting from some assistance from his neighbor, Robert E. Lee.

Lee, the Hunters, and many other landowners would forfeit their lands when they could not pay direct taxes levied by Congress in person. Recovery of their property after the war would play out into the 1870's and involved court decisions up to the Supreme Court, which usually restored the land to the claimants. Future President James A. Garfield represented Bushrod's son Alexander's claim to Abingdon before the Supreme Court. Bushrod Hunter recovered title to Brookdale in 1871, but lived in Alexandria and Warrenton until his death in 1888.

Alexander Hunter sold Abingdon in 1881 and became an author of some note whose wartime memoir "Johnny Reb and Billy Yank" was published in 1905.

Bushrod and Mary's eldest daughter Fannie Hunter would come to manage the Hunter estate after her father's death, selling parcels off starting in the 1890's patiently waiting for what she felt was a fair price. Eventually, much of the northern portion of the Brookdale Estate was sold to real estate speculators who would develop Ashton Heights on the west and Lyon Park to the east.

Next Month: Putting Ashton Heights on the Map

Lyon Park YARD SALE, Saturday, October 31

The Lyon Park Community Center will hold a yard sale on October 31, 2026, from 8 AM to 1 PM in Lyon Park. This is a rain-or-shine event.

Please note for this event, you must prepay, and the deadline is Saturday, October 24.

Unload all your accumulated trash – or **TREASURE!** Rent one space for \$15 or two for \$25.

Residents and guests (yoo hoo! Ashton Heights!!!) are encouraged to participate.

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This is the same day as the Lyon Park Parade of Costumes and the Women's Club bake sale!

For more information, or to volunteer to help, reach out to Jinder Gill at Harjinder_Gill@yahoo.com or Peggy Page at zpage4@gmail.com.



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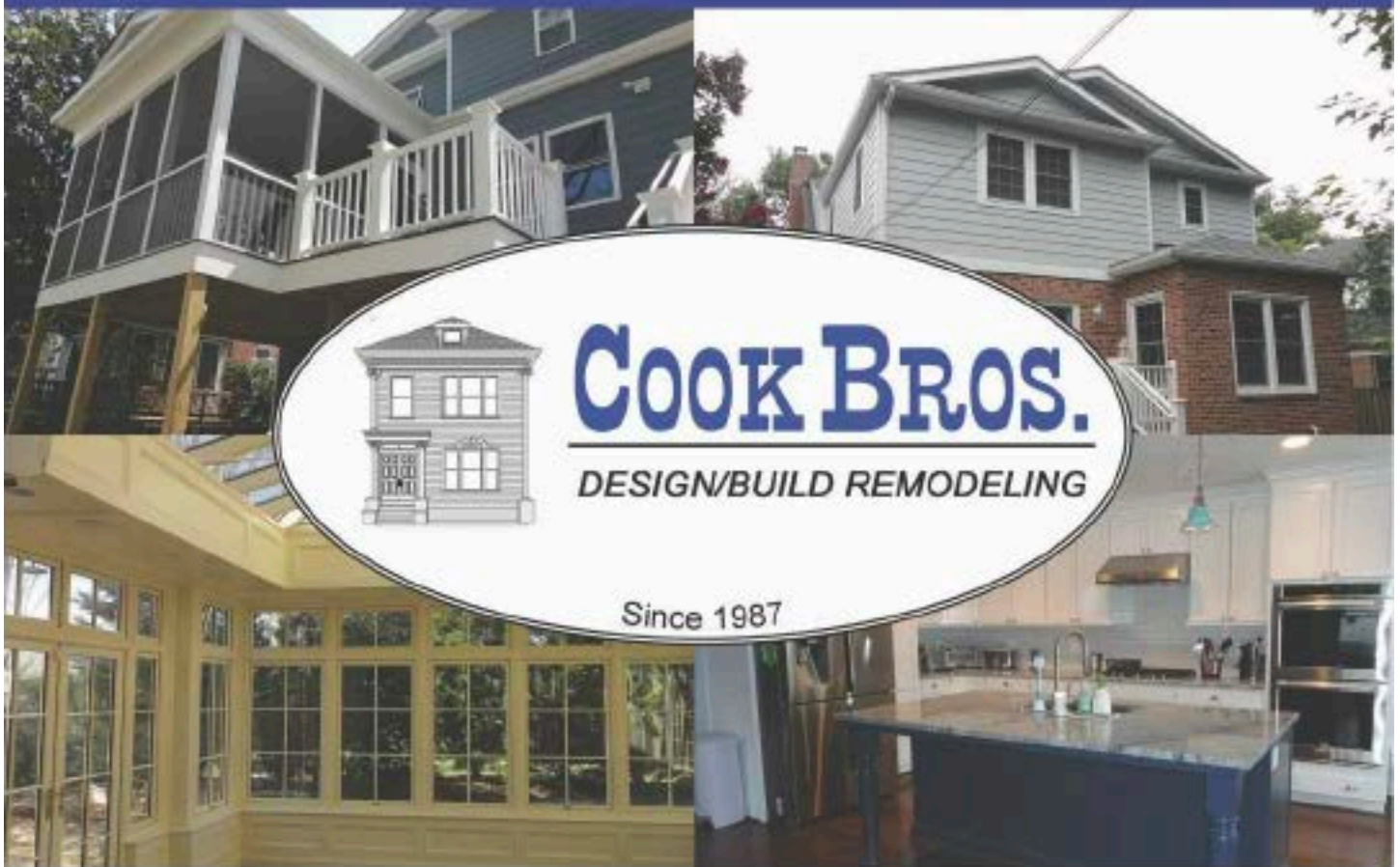
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