

The Village View

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GC Resident Has a Say in County Facilities Planning

By Bill Pritchard

Glencarlyn resident Steve Young will have an official say on possible new county uses for the urgent care facility adjacent to the neighborhood.

He is a member of the Joint Facilities Advisory Commission (JFAC) launched in November to provide citizen input on this and other issues involving county and

public school facilities. Arlington County could acquire the Virginia Hospital Center (VHC) facility at 601 Carlin Springs Road in a land swap. VHC seeks to expand onto land currently owned by the county.

"I hope we can preserve those chunks of property that are (part of the) scenic easement," on the urgent care property, if it is part of a land swap, Young said. He and other JFAC members recently toured five

potential land swap sites.

Young sits on the JFAC sub-committee developing recommendations on the urgent care site. Young said he is encouraged that the



JFAC member Steve Young

county has paid attention to a Glencarlyn/Forest Glen survey of residents' views on possible new uses for the site.

Most responding to the survey opposed uses that would increase traffic, include new roads, or degrade the environment.

A large majority of respondents also favored maintaining the green space existing between the urgent care property and the Glencarlyn neighborhood.

In December 2015, the county board gave VHC the option to obtain five acres of county land at 1800 North Edison St..

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Improving GC Mail Service a 'Work in Progress'

Arlington Postmaster Tim Talley said he hopes Glencarlyn residents are seeing some improvement as he works to correct problems with mail delivery in the neighborhood.

He said that actions taken have included a personnel change in the delivery workers covering Glencarlyn.

"It's not perfect (but) I'm not getting near the volume of complaints" about service, he said. "Hopefully people are seeing some improvement."

The postmaster spoke about the delivery issues with participants in the December Glencarlyn Citizens' Association meeting.



Talley at GCA meeting
Photo by Gerald Martineau

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If You Really Dig Archaeology...

You'll like what's on tap for the March meeting of the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association.

Archaeologist Patrick O'Neill and Arlington Historical Society's Annette Benbow are scheduled to lead a discussion of archaeological research that has unearthed hundreds of artifacts and information at the Ball Sellers house on Third St.

O'Neill, of the Virginia Archeological Society, has conducted research locally and throughout the region. His projects include work at Mount Vernon and Arlington House. Benbow, chairs the Ball-Sellers House Committee.

The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in Carlin Hall.



Digging into the local past
Photo by Gerald Martineau

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President's Corner



By Julie Lee

Acting President, Glencarlyn Citizens' Association

Earlier this month, I stopped to introduce myself to a young family in the neighborhood. They recently purchased their home from a family that had been in our neighborhood for over 50 years.

As I spoke with the family I couldn't help but think back to when I, as a teenager, used to babysit for the previous owners' sons when they were about the same ages as the young daughters

living in the house now.

This is what makes Glencarlyn so special. We are a community rich in history and longevity. But like the mighty oaks in the park that surrounds us, we are constantly revitalized by new growth. Attendance is growing at our GCA meetings.

At the last GCA meeting we once again had a large crowd and there were THREE new residents in attendance.

There are so many things going on in our community.

- On Saturday, Mar 18 there is the annual Four Mile Run Stream Clean-up, followed by a hotdog and marshmallow roast.
- The nominating committee is being formed and will present a slate of officers in April for the 2017-2018 year.
- A committee will begin work on determining how best to recognize David Backus and his contribution to our community.
- April brings the Easter Egg Hunt (**volunteers needed**).
- Plans for Glencarlyn Day activities are already underway (**more volunteers needed**).

Of course we are keeping a watchful eye on the VHC property on Carlin Springs Road and the county's decisions concerning the land swap and use. We are so very fortunate that Steve Young (5th St) was appointed to serve on the newly established Joint Facilities Advisory Commission (JFAC) which will play a major role in advising the Arlington Public School and Arlington County Boards concerning land and facility decisions. Thank you, Steve, for taking on this awesome responsibility.

Speaking of our rich history, at the March 6 GCA meeting we will have a presentation by Annette Benbow, Arlington Historical Society, and Patrick O'Neill, Archeological Society of Virginia, about our very own Ball-Sellers house, the oldest building in Arlington, and the exciting discoveries made during the recent archeological dig.

Hundreds of artifacts and some amazing information were unearthed. You will not want to miss this fascinating meeting.

There are so many and varied ways you can become involved in our community. Everyone has something to offer.

Please let me know how you are willing to help at: jfblee@aol.com or 808-384-4954.



Archaeologist Patrick O'Neill shows volunteers an outline of the Ball Sellers House as it changed over time.

Photo by Gerald Martineau

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Village Notes



SAVE THE DATE

Glencarlyn will host an Easter Egg Hunt for neighborhood kids and families on Saturday, April 15th at 10 a.m. in Glencarlyn Park. **We will need several volunteers to help organize, set up and clean up.** If you can help, please contact Julie Lee at 808-384-4954 or jfblee@aol.com

Dues Hike Proposed for GC Residents

The GCA executive committee is proposing a dues increase from \$10 to \$15 per household for the next fiscal year. Dues have not been increased in 12 years. Since that time, we have lost the revenue stream from the rental of Carlin Hall and the cost of printing *The Village View* has increased 35 percent. Expenses for the expanded Glencarlyn Day activities have increased 75 percent. The dues increase will be discussed and voted on at the April 3 GCA meeting.

Election Matters; Elections Matter

Things don't just happen in Glencarlyn. Events are planned and carried out by elected officers and volunteers. And now's the time to step up.

The Glencarlyn Citizens' Association by-laws call for a nominating committee to be formed to create a slate of Glencarlynites willing to run for office. The committee is to present the slate at the April 3 meeting so that elections can take place at the May meeting.

The new terms begin in June.

The executive committee has asked Jeff Litman to chair the panel and he is seeking volunteers to serve on the committee. Litman has asked those willing to devote a few hours to this task to contact him by March 10.

He said he wants to hold the first meeting in early March.

"We also need volunteers willing to devote more of their time and energy over the course of a year to serve as officers," he said.

Some of the incumbents may be willing to continue while other offices may become vacant, Litman said.

"If you are willing to consider serving as an officer, kindly let me know what office you're interested in," he added.

A full list of current officers (elected and appointed) can be found on page 2 of this issue of *The Village View*.

For further information phone Litman at 703-575-4412, email him at jm@his.com, or contact any other member of the executive committee.



to Glencarlyn...

Latonya McGowan and her daughter Tiara, who became neighbors in mid-December.

As an employee of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Latonya helps make sure that our bank deposits are safe and secure headquarters is in Arlington. She also helps ensure our well-being as a member of the U.S. Air Force Reserve, assigned to the Pentagon.

So grab your directories and make a note: Latonya and Tiara live at 5812 1st St. S, and can be reached by email at laton-yamc@yahoo.com.

Note: Welcome to Glencarlyn is a new feature of The Village View. If you are new to the neighborhood, please contact the newsletter at gcaeditorial@gmail.com. Current residents are asked to let us know of new neighbors.

Stream Clean-up and Hot Dog Roast

The Glencarlyn Citizens' Association will host a hot dog and marshmallow roast in conjunction with the Annual Four Mile Run Stream Cleanup on Saturday, March 11, from 9 a.m. to noon.

This is a great outing for families and an opportunity to earn community service hours.

The clean-up area is from under the Arlington Blvd./Rte 50 bridge to where Long Branch enters Four Mile Run. Trash bags and plastic gloves will be available for volunteers by the 3rd Street picnic pavilion starting at 9 a.m.

Volunteers should wear long sleeve shirts and pants and should bring work gloves if they have them.

After the clean-up, the hot dog and marshmallow roast will be held at the 3rd Street picnic pavilion. Invite lots of friends to help in the cleanup and enjoy the roast.

We also need a couple of people who can help with the food. Please give us a call or email, so we can plan for the number of workers and the number of persons we will need to feed. If you didn't let us know, show up anyway. We will have some extra food.

For more information, contact Pete Olivere at 703-626-2520 or polivere@aol.com.



Rhonda Buckner, 2013 Cleanup
Photo by Gerald Martineau

Contacting Your Government and Civic Leaders

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Send messages to individual members or to the county board as a whole. Please include your full name and e-mail address.

By email

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In writing

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By phone

Leave a voice mail message for the board or individual board members by calling 703-228-3130. Messages should include the caller's full name and best phone number to call back.

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Other Arlington County information resources

Insider, email newsletter — arlington.us/subscribe

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Service requests and reporting problems online — topics.arlingtonva.us/reportproblem or the Arlington mobile app.

MyArlington mobile app — download to Apple and android devices from the *Apple Store* or *Google Play Store*.

Building Arlington, one stop permitting — building.arlingtonva.us.

Arlington Va Newsroom — connecting to the county through social media, newsroom.arlingtonva.us/connect.

Non-governmental Arlington organizations

Arlington County Civic Federation, more than 80 organizations "promoting the general welfare of Arlington County and vicinity." — <http://www.civfed.org/>

Glencarlyn Citizens' Association, your civic association — www.glencarlyn.org/GCA/GCA.html, or www.glencarlyn.org.

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View from the Garden

A Season of Change for a Master Gardener

by Alyssa Ford Morel
Master Gardener

After 17 years as a co-coordinator in the Glencarlyn Library Community Garden, Judy Funderburk is stepping back from that leadership role in favor of simply enjoying gardening.



Judy Funderburk, Master Gardener
Photo by J.Vic Funderburk

Serving as a leader of the garden, one of five demonstration/teaching gardens maintained by the Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia, is demanding and time consuming, and Judy says she wants to focus on the aspects of the garden she enjoys the most.

"I'm stepping down but not out," Judy said. "I'm looking forward to continuing to mentor new master gardeners and working side-by-side with fellow gardeners where we both learn and nurture plant/people relationships. Teaching from the garden excites me. Showing people the red buckeye in the spring and the colors of the fothergilla in fall brings me joy."

A master gardener since 1996, Judy started working in the library garden in 1997. The garden was created in the 1930s by a garden club. It was updated in the early 90s as an Eagle Scout project by Josh Davis, incorporating native plants, benches, and creating the outline of what are now the herb beds. Judy and Paul Nuhn, also a master gardener, have worked together informally to keep the garden maintained. In 1999, the Glencarlyn



Circa 2002, neighbors at the Gazebo after Gazebo Raising Day
Photo by Judy Funderburk

Citizens Association asked Judy to develop a Small Parks Grant proposal seeking Arlington's Department of Parks and Recrea-

tion funds to improve the garden area, which had fallen into disrepair.

The proposal she and a group of neighbors submitted resulted in a grant that paid for signage, entryway arches and other improvements. At about that time, Sue Zajac donated funds for the gazebo in memory of her husband.

With all the improvements and expansion of the garden, Judy and Paul were stretched trying to maintain it, even with help from neighbors. They went through a process of application and documentation to become an official demonstration garden, being approved by the Virginia Cooperative Extension in 2003 and by Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia in 2004. In 2013, Judy and Paul were joined by Alyssa Ford Morel as a third co-coordinator. Each week during the growing season, they lead a group of master gardeners to maintain the garden, supported by a group of community volunteers who each take responsibility

for watering a section of the garden through the heat of the summer. The garden hosts two fund raising events each year: a plant sale in May and AutumnFest in September. Proceeds from the events pay for the upkeep of the garden. The garden also hosts school groups from Campbell and Carlin

Springs Elementary, Kenmore Middle and the Carlin Hall Pre-School.

Judy has wracked up more than 6,000 volunteer hours over the years and was recognized last year with the Bill Thomas Outstanding Park Service Volunteer Award.

Health challenges that she and J.Vic Funderburk, her husband of more than 50 years, faced recently, plus turning 75 this past summer, have made her think about priorities and what brings the most joy.

"The aging body complains more often," she said with a chuckle. "But the amount of time I have had to spend behind the computer is what really makes me grumpy!"

"We've had to recruit two people to replace Judy," said Paul



Judy shares laughter and the Bill Thomas Outstanding Park Service Volunteer Award with master gardener friends.

Photo by Grace Dailey

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JFAC from Page 1

VHC seeks to expand its North George Mason Drive campus onto the plot, known as the Edison Complex.

The option includes a possible land swap – the Edison Complex for VHC's urgent care center at 601 South Carlin Springs Road. Other properties are also being considered as alternatives to an urgent care swap.

JFAC was formed by the Arlington County Board and the Arlington Public School Board to review, comment on and make recommendations on capital facilities needs assessments, capital improvement plans, and long-range facility planning by the county and the school system.

That includes identifying opportunities for the county and school system to co-locate, share facilities, and jointly achieve efficiencies in construction timing, according to a description of the panel on the county's website.

The site notes that “big picture, visionary thinking is encouraged, and the commission should be a forum where...ideas can be discussed freely.”

‘Big Picture Thinking’

The commission will also receive and review public comment on these plans and assessments. JFAC meetings are open to the public. The next meeting is scheduled for March 15 from 7-9 p.m. in the Navy League Building, at 2300 Wilson Blvd.

Cooperation and coordination between the public schools and the county government is the “right thing to do,” Young said. “I think that's just great.”

Young said he was encouraged to apply for one of the 20 JFAC seats and was pleasantly surprised when he was accepted. There were around 80 applicants.

The boards jointly appointed JFAC members based on experience in planning, education, public finance, design and construction, and participation in organizations or processes approved by the county and/or school system.

Membership criteria also included other work or community participation related to the JFAC mission.

Young, who worked 35 years in the Environmental Protection Agency, has been involved in environmental projects within the county for many years — beginning with initiating a program to rid Glencarlyn Park of English Ivy, an invasive species.

He is also a certified Virginia master naturalist. Master naturalists help to conserve and manage natural resources and public lands in Virginia.

Young said he is happy that the county's natural environment is linked to JFAC through the commission's county board liaison, Jennifer Fioretti. Fioretti is deputy director of the Arlington County Department of Parks and Recreation.

“To me that's a major positive,” he said, because the parks and recreation perspective won't be lost.

For more information go to: <https://commissions-arlingtonva.us/jfac/>

CERT Sets New Member Training



Arlington's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is offering free training to county residents interested in being better prepared for and able to recover from disasters.

The 26-hour course is scheduled for six Tuesday nights and two Saturday mornings from March 14 through April 29. Training follows a national curriculum that covers disaster preparedness, disaster medical operations, fire suppression and utility shut-off, disaster psychology, light search and rescue, team organization, and terrorism. It concludes with a mock disaster.

Classes are taught by personnel from the county fire and police departments, the Office of Emergency Management, and by CERT members.

The course is open to those 18 and older — although 16- and 17-year olds may participate if accompanied by an adult/parent.

The all-volunteer CERT is sponsored by Arlington County's Citizen Corps, Office of Emergency Management and Fire Department.

Nearly 800 county residents have completed the training, according to the Arlington CERT. Many have completed additional training to conduct damage assessments and mitigate hazards following major weather events and to provide support to the county's emergency management personnel.

Space is assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information contact ArlingtonCERT@gmail.com

Mail from Page 1

Several residents said they had experienced repeated problems with mail delivery, including:

- Mail delivered to the wrong address.
- Mail on hold delivered regardless of requests.
- Distracted mail carriers leaving letters and packages.
- Questions about cell phone use by mail carriers as a distraction from duties.

One of the steps the postmaster said he has taken is replacing one of the carriers on the Glencarlyn route.

Talley said that he was trying to fill 20 open carrier positions in his jurisdiction.

He told *The Village View* recently that while there have been some new hires, attracting qualified applicants has been difficult. Of 477 potential employees who applied for positions recently, 419 did not pass the first vetting process, Talley said.

He also noted that the high cost of living in the region deters qualified applicants. Talley added that he is going to have a job fair, hoping to attract military veterans to USPS careers.

Talley can be contacted at 703-993-0072 or timothy.s.talley@usps.

Tax Season Brings Out the Con Artists

Thousands of people have lost millions of dollars and personal information to tax scams and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) imposters, according to the federal tax agency.

Here are a couple of the more common cons:

IRS-impersonation telephone scams — Targets taxpayers, including recent immigrants. Callers claiming to be IRS employees tell victims they owe money which must be paid promptly



through a debit card or wire transfer or they will be arrested or deported.

These con artists use fake names and bogus IRS identification badge numbers. They may know a lot about their targets and usually alter the caller ID to make it look like the IRS is calling.

Email, phishing and malware schemes — Scammers use the IRS name or logo to gain access to consumers' financial information. They use the regular mail, telephone, fax or email to trick taxpayers into believing these are official communications

from the IRS or others in the tax industry.

These schemes may ask taxpayers about refunds, filing status, and PIN information. Phishing emails contain the direction "you are to update your IRS e-file immediately." The emails refer to web addresses USA.gov and IRSgov (without a dot between "IRS" and "gov"). The real IRS address is **IRS.gov**

The agency said it will never:

- Telephone demanding immediate payment using a specific payment method. Generally, the IRS will first mail a bill to taxpayers who still owe taxes.
- Threaten to immediately bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested.
- Demand that you pay without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount.
- Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone.

For more information go to: www.irs.gov/uac/tax-scams-consumer-alerts.

Community Meeting on Homelessness

How many people in Arlington are homeless? What are the trends and What is being done to prevent homelessness?

Join the partners of Arlington's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness on March 23 for the annual informational session on homelessness in our community. The agenda includes the latest data and trends, strategies to prevent and end homelessness, the biggest challenges, and a question and answer session with Arlington County homelessness experts.

Speakers are Arlington County Board Vice Chair Katie Cristol, Marymount University President Matthew D. Shank, and 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness Co-Chair Dave Leibson.

The session is scheduled for 7-8:30 p.m. in the Marymount University Conference Center, Reinsch Library Building, 2807 N Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA 22207.

For more information, go to: <https://public-ssistance.-arlingtonva.us/10yp/>.

Hospital Needs a Few Good Volunteers

Thinking about volunteering? The Virginia Hospital Center Auxiliary is an organization dedicated to serving patients and visitors on a daily basis in several departments of the hospital. There are a few vacancies--one could be yours.

Hospital auxiliary members serve in many capacities, including:

- Staffing information desks.
- Providing wheelchair escort service.
- Operating two gift shops.
- Providing support service in a number of areas of hospital operations, including: intensive care, outpatient surgery, outpatient clinic, and pre-operative screening and post-anesthesia care.

For more info, go to: www.virginiahospitalcenter.com/AboutUs/Services/Auxiliary.aspx, or call 703-558-6401 between 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Monday - Friday.

Garden, from Page 5

Nuhn. Master Gardeners Elaine Mills and Wendy Mills (not related to each other) have agreed to join Paul and Alyssa as new co-coordinators. "Elaine and Wendy have both spent many hours volunteering in the garden and bring extensive experience and fresh ideas to our coordinating team," he said.

The four co-coordinators and Judy will take turns writing the "View from the Garden" column in *The Village View*. Judy will continue working with the children from the Carlin Hall preschool and will be involved in some of the herbal aspects of AutumnFest, including drying the herbs for AutumnFest's sachet making.

"I've always seen the garden as a place of rest and beauty that is restorative," she said. "I'm looking forward to continuing the relationships I've built with people in the garden and enjoying the energy of the earth and the plants."



A happy customer and Judy at the spring Plant Sale.

Photo by J.Vic Funderburk

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Cost Versus Value Report

It's an unbiased, third-party report on how much it really costs for a professional to do a typical remodeling project, as well as how much a real estate pro believes that project will increase a home's value if it's sold within a year of when the work was completed. By dividing the project's value into its cost, you get a sense of how much bang for the buck you're generating as a result.

The 2017 report has data on 29 projects in 99 markets nationwide, that paid back an average of 64.3 cents on the dollar in resale value.

In the Washington DC area, here are the top 10 projects:

- 1) Fiberglass Attic Insulation = 158.5% cost recouped.
- 2) New Garage Door = 129.2%
- 3) Manufactured Stone Veneer = 129.2%
- 4) Entry Door Replacement = 100.6%

- 5) Two-Story Addition = 80.5%
- 6) Minor Kitchen Remodel = 79.7%
- 7) Siding Replacement = 78%
- 8) Wood Deck Addn = 70.8%
- 9) Backup Generator = 70%
- 10) Basement Remodel = 60.1%

In our local marketplace, some paybacks can be huge for certain projects with even better returns. Contact me for advice on optimizing your improvement objectives and a copy of the cost versus value report!

Nationally, the combined value of every home in the US is expected to climb to a record high of more than \$29.6 trillion, up 5.7% from just one year ago. It's clear that our housing market is insanely valuable BUT don't let this scare you out of the market if you are preparing to buy a home. There are still motivated sellers in the market if you know where to look and how to work with them. Let me help educate you on the possibilities!



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- *My daughter loved the camp and even learned a little bit.*
- *Playing in the creek and making his own art supplies got my kid really excited.*
- *A total sensory experience that both my kids love.*
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Gage Buchanan, 14 — Lawn Mowing, weed trimming, leaf raking and will pet-sit. — 703-929-4036.
Leo Dudley, 13 — dog sitting and dog walking. 202-748-4577 or leoleum@gmail.com.
Cassidy Green, 14 — babysitter — (571) 317-4351, greencolleen@gmail.com.
Caroline Grotos, 12 — babysitting/mothers helper, dog walking, pet and plant sitting. 703-998-0114, egrotos@msn.com.
Mira Hougen, 12, — Babysitting (Red Cross certified), pet sitting, plant sitting, mother's helper. 703-867-2933 (E), 703-867-2934 (K).
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lynne.trumpfheller@gmail.com, 202-431-1743
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If you are Glencarlyn resident, high school age or younger and would like to be listed as available for neighborhood jobs, please send your name, age, phone number, and job(s) you would like to perform to the *Village View* at gcaeditorial@gmail.com.
Parents, please provide your contact information to the same e-mail address.

Clinic for Low-Income Adults Seeks Medical Personnel, Other Volunteers

The Culmore Clinic needs physicians, nurses, and counselors to provide basic health services to low-income, uninsured adults in the Baileys Crossroads area.

This service will soon expand to two days per week from the current one day per week. Retirees are also needed to prepare the space for appointments.

The service is the effort of 17 local congregations, including the Dar Al Hijrah Islamic Center. Columbia@Crossroads Baptist Church, Glen Carlin Road, donates space.

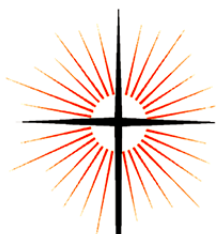
If you have an hour free on Tuesday or Thursday mornings a few times a month, contact DeeDeeM@culmoreclinic.org

Computer & Technology WE CAN Worries & Woes? HELP!

Free meetings 1st & 4th Wednesdays, 7 pm,
Carlin Hall Community Center
www.patacs.org
Visitors welcome!

Visit the GCA Website

For additional information about what is going on in the community, photos from various events, and GCA meetings minutes go to www.glencarlyn.org.



St. John's Episcopal Church

Feb 28 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Everyone is welcome - 6 - 7:30

Mar 1 Ash Wednesday

Ashes to Go at Ballston Metro Station - 7:30 - 8:30 am & 5 - 6 pm

Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes in church - noon & 7:30 pm

Mar 7 Book Club - *Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne



Sunday Worship Services

8 am and 10 am

Sunday Christian Education

Adults 9 am - Youth 10:00 am

415 S. Lexington Street Arlington, VA 22204

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Activities in the Glencarlyn Neighborhood

[link to the GCA Calendar](http://www.glencarlyn.org) at the www.glencarlyn.org for GCA sponsored events..

GCA Events / Activities

Mon Feb 2 – GCA Meeting 7:30 pm
Carlin Hall scheduling and fees (page 1)

March 14 - Stream Cleanup 9 am

April 4 - Easter Egg Hunt - 10 am

June 5/6 - Glencarlyn Days

June 20 - Community Yard Sale

Long Branch Nature Center

**625 S. Carlin Springs Rd.,
Arlington, 22204**

Call 703-228-6535 for information

Hours

Tuesday through Friday — 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday — 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday — 1 - 5 p.m.

Activities require pre-registration and fill up early. For more information go to the Arlington Parks and Recreation guide *The Snag* at arlingtonparks.us/snag.

Survival Skills: Cordage

Friday, Mar. 10, 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Ages 8 to 12. Learn wrangling and weaving rope and other materials for making strands and tying knots. \$7 fee due upon registration.

Signs of Spring Stroll

Sunday, Mar. 12, 10 - 10:45 a.m.

Ages 3 to 5. Register children only, but caregivers must attend. Find signs of the season on a nature walk in our woods. Dress for the weather. \$5 fee due upon registration.

Third Sundays - Remove Invasives

Sunday, Mar. 19, 2 - 4 p.m.

Adults, families, and teens. Join us as we keep the park free of invasive plants. Work parties are held every month. We are seeing the return of ferns and wildflowers in areas once covered in ivy. No registration required. Free.

Gulf Branch Nature Center

**3608 Military Rd.,
Arlington, 22207**

Call 703-228-3403 for information

Hours

Tuesday - Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Singing Frogs and Toads Campfire

Saturday, Mar. 18, 7 - 8 p.m.

Families. Register children and adults; children must be accompanied by a

registered adult. The whole family is invited to join us at the Gulf Branch fire ring for lots of old-fashioned fun. Entertaining activities may include stories, special animal guests, games, songs and of course, s'mores. \$5 fee.

Pioneer Spring Chores

Saturday, Mar. 18, 10 - 11 a.m.

Families ages 5 and up. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Join us at the log house for spring cleaning! We'll beat the rugs, make twig brooms to sweep the floor, churn butter and more! \$5 fee due upon registration.

Glencarlyn Library

703-671-6834

Hours

Monday and Thursday 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday 1 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Closed Sunday

Needlework Group 2nd & 4th
Thursdays - 6:30 p.m.

St John's Episcopal Church

Sunday Service — 8 & 10 a.m.
415 S. Lexington St. 22204

Please Pay Your 2016 - 2017 GCA Dues. Only \$10.

Your dues to the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association help fund the Glencarlyn Day events, holiday parties, picnics, *Village View* newsletter, the glencarlyn.org website, our neighborhood directory and much more. Dues are for July 2016 through June 2017. If you did not pay your dues on Glencarlyn Day please send them in now.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ email _____

Please add me on Glencarlyn Updates since I am not currently getting them _____ (Yes or leave blank)

I would like to volunteer for one of the upcoming Glencarlyn events _____ (Option to add event name)

Make checks payable to **GCA** — send to — Tim Aiken, Treasurer, 111 S. Kensington St., Arlington, VA 22204.

If you aren't sure if you paid, contact Tim at 703-820-0084.