



# The Village View

Newsletter of the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association since October 1952

October 2019

## School Board Chair Tannia Talento to Speak at October 7<sup>th</sup> GCA Meeting



*School Board Chair Tannia Talento*

*By Julie Lee*

Newly elected School Board Chair Tannia Talento will be our guest speaker at the Oct 7<sup>th</sup> GCA meeting, 7:30 p.m. in Carlin Hall 5711 4<sup>th</sup> St S.. You do not want to miss this opportunity to learn about the new superintendent search, as well as all that is going on in our schools.

She joined the Arlington County School Board on January 1, 2017, Ms. Talento is a longtime advocate for schools and the community and she has previously served on

several key Arlington Public Schools citizen committees.

Besides being School Board Chair, Tannia continues to be involved in our community through her service as Chair of the Dream Project Advisory Board, a member of the Community Advisory Council for Encore Learning, and a member of the NAACP-Arlington Branch.

## “An Evening with Ben Franklin”, Mon. Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> at Glencarlyn Library

*By Julie Lee*

The Glencarlyn Citizens' Association invites you to an “Evening with Ben Franklin” on Monday Oct. 21, 2019, 7:00 p.m. at Glencarlyn Library. This event is free and open to all.

Enjoy a conversation with Mr. Franklin. Glencarlyn resident, Barry Stevens, is a renowned Ben Franklin interpreter and has traveled the country giving a *firsthand account* of revolutionary times and Franklin's many

experiments. He has been presenting Ben Franklin since 2005. He often speaks to young people as well as adults.

“It is and always has been my objective to recreate the person of Benjamin Franklin with as much authenticity and historical accuracy as possible.” Mr Stevens adds, “To this characterization I have added my theatre and acting background with the intent of bringing life and spontaneity to the historical

reference. My study and research of the man and his times is continuous and ongoing.”

Barry has generously volunteered his time and talent to bring us this fascinating opportunity and to show his support for our library.

Come early and explore all that Glencarlyn Library has to offer.

For more information or questions, please contact Julie Lee at 808-384-4954 or [jfblee@aol.com](mailto:jfblee@aol.com).

## County Board Member Matt DeFerranti: County and Glencarlyn Priorities

*By Brandon Hemel*

Arlington County's newest board member, Matt DeFerranti, spoke at the September 2019 GCA meeting discussing issues relating to both the county and specific to Glencarlyn. DeFerranti has been a friend to Glencarlyn, attending both the ribbon cutting for the new Glencarlyn Park playground and this past year's Glencarlyn Day Pancake Breakfast.

Board Member DeFerranti began by outlining what he feels are the biggest issues facing the county. Both the after-effects of the July 8<sup>th</sup> flood and housing affordability are issues that the board is focusing on this year. Housing affordability is important not just for buyers but also those who are long term renters or looking to rent. DeFerranti did vote for the Amazon deal because he feels that part of the reason why county budgets have been so tight is that traditionally Arlington has a fifty percent commercial tax base and fifty percent residential but this ratio has been skewed and Amazon will tilt the budget back to the desired proportion.

Issues that pertain to Glencarlyn that he spoke about include the Virginia Hospital Center (VHC) site, repairs to Glencarlyn Park facilities, traffic in the neighborhood, and the neighborhood conservation program.

In April, the county board voted to move forward with the land swap with an agreement that the site will be vacated by the end of the year. The county staff has started a technical evaluation with a recommendation to demolish the buildings due to the buildings' conditions and cost to repair and maintain. The county staff is still evaluating the environmental concerns of the demolition. The community will be apprised by county staff as things move forward. Matt has been aware about the traffic concerns for a quite awhile along with GCA's worries regarding an additional school on the site.

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# President's Corner

## Glencarlyn- An Influential Community



**By Julie Lee**  
**President, Glencarlyn Citizens' Association**

County Board Member Matt DeFerranti was the speaker at our Sept GCA meeting. Reading the article, you know what an interesting and informative meeting it was. Matt spoke to us for over an hour. He had done his homework, was informed and was prepared for our questions. How fortunate we are to have a member of the Arlington County Board give us that kind of time and attention. It was valuable to all who attended.

Our meetings ARE valuable. Every year one or two members of both the County and School Boards, often the chairmen, come speak with us. This type of personal attention, where we can speak frankly, one on one, with the decision makers in our County is quite significant. By coming together and speaking as a body, we have influence.

I encourage each and every one of you to attend our monthly GCA meetings, which are held the 1st Monday of the month Sept-May (except Jan) at 7:30 pm in Carlin Hall, 5711 4th St S. You will see that your issues are the community issues. You will find out if they are being addressed. You will recognize that there is power in numbers.

In addition to County and School Board members, we have representatives from the County Transportation office to discuss traffic and pedestrian safety, from Parks and Rec to discuss preservation, and the thousands of activities offered to residents. We have the Residential Ombudsman who helps us with everything. We hear from our historians and our librarians and our naturalists. We come together and brainstorm how to improve our neighborhood, encourage more participation and plan more worthwhile activities. We address what speakers and topics we want at future meetings. At one meeting we even took on the U.S. Postal Service, thanks to a determined new resident.

Oct 7th, Tannia Talento, Chairman of the School Board will be joining us. Nov 4th a team of experts will teach us how we can sustain Glencarlyn Park's natural resources while enhancing the beauty and enjoyment of our own homes.

So, if you are new to Glencarlyn - please join us for the first time. If you have lived here awhile and fallen out of the habit - please come back to the fold. Attend our monthly GCA meetings. We want everyone to experience, and contribute to, all that makes Glencarlyn a special, unique, and yes **influential** Arlington community.

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## GCA meeting with Matt DeFerranti, continued

[continued from page one] He assures us that no decisions have been made and there will be a full public process to what will occur and come next. The odds of a large park being placed at the site is not high but trees, open space and permeable surfaces to control run off are all relevant concerns. [Please see Virginia Hospital Center Update on Page 7]



Board Member DeFerranti  
Photo Courtesy: Bill  
Pritchard

Prior to the meeting, DeFerranti visited Glencarlyn Park and does not have a timeline towards repairs but it is something that the staff is working on. He reminds us that these infrastructure repairs are unanticipated expenses and the county has been slammed since the July 8<sup>th</sup> flood.

DeFerranti assured us that Glencarlyn will be among the first neighborhoods with new safety striping for Lexington Street intersections, but this may not take place until the spring after a traffic assessment study.

Questions by Glencarlyn residents included several about recent paving and construction on Carlin Springs Road. DeFerranti apologized and

he said it should have been better coordinated. The neighborhood conservation plan for sidewalk construction on second street was brought up as a project that has long been planned and finally scheduled but still faces challenges due to narrow streets, sidewalk width, and trees that may be affected by the work.

Concerns regarding how is Arlington County looking to manage growth were brought up and he feels we have to balance growth with infrastructure investment in our schools and the county facilities. The county board remains concerned with electric scooter safety, county staff continues to study their usage. Additionally, Matt will look into why the Glencarlyn area does not have a Capital Bikeshare location convenient for our neighborhood.

Finally, residents from the western side of Glencarlyn are worried that South Manchester has become forgotten by the county even as traffic challenges increase for those in the Manchester Square townhomes.

GCA President Julie Lee reiterated that she hopes for "No Surprises" from Arlington County and DeFerranti agreed that this should be policy and thanked Glencarlyn's citizens for their continued activism and vigilance.

## GCA Halloween Party Set for Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> 2-4 pm at Carlin Hall

By Julie Lee

Glencarlyn's annual Halloween Party for the our younger ghosts and goblins will be held Saturday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 pm in Carlin Hall, 5711 4<sup>th</sup> St. S.

Children 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under are invited in their Halloween costumes and must be accompanied by an adult. There will be snacks and lots of activities.

PLEASE bring a snack, craft, game or activity to share. Once again Heather Parsons has generously agreed to organize with your help. To volunteer, use the Sign-Up Genius: <https://tinyurl.com/y6qqvc4s>. Or contact Heather directly at: [heathernoel@mindspring.com](mailto:heathernoel@mindspring.com)



Photo from 2018 Halloween Party  
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## Nov. 4th GCA Meeting 7:30 p.m. Carlin Hall: Strengthening Glencarlyn's Remarkable Environment

Come to the Nov. 4th meeting of the Glencarlyn Citizens Association to learn how you and your family can help sustain Glencarlyn Park's natural resources while enhancing the beauty and enjoyment of your own homes.



Glencarlyn Park is one of our neighborhood's treasures. Learn how landscaping decisions in your own yard can help keep our park beautiful and healthy. The program will include plenty of time for Q&A. The presentations will cover the value of native trees and plants, how to properly manage yard and pet waste, controlling storm-water runoff, providing habitat for local wildlife, and opportunities to preserve mature tree canopies through conservation easements.

Guest speakers:  
Andrea M. Reese, Conservation Director, Northern VA Conservation Trust  
Joan McIntyre and Aiste Ray, VA Coop. Extension Master Gardeners  
Steve Young, Volunteer Master Naturalist and Park Steward

## A Winning Summer Season for Glencarlyn Readers

By Karen Sosnoski

Mike Nelson, Youth Services Director at the Glencarlyn Branch, still buzzes as he reviews the success of this year's Arlington Public Library Summer Reading Challenge. In 2018, Glencarlyn had 274 signups. This year, 789 readers—from preschoolers to adults—participated. Reading signups throughout the Arlington Library system were up almost 20 percent, with Glencarlyn Branch signups, specifically, up by 188 percent.

Mike sees increased buy-in as the real win of the season, but this year's prizes were certainly motivating. The Arlington Library system teamed up with the Washington Nationals this summer to offer significant rewards for readers who read at least 25 summary days. The prizes varied from kids to adults, toys and tickets for kids to entries

to win a Grand Prize for adults - a private suite at a Washington Nationals game. "Super Readers," who read for more than 25 days of the summer, received extra tickets for a chance to win the Grand Prize.

The Summer Reading Challenge aims to prevent "summer slide," the loss of reading competency that occurs when kids are all iPads (or all outdoor fun) and no books for three months. According to Mike Nelson, 25 days of reading—as opposed to the challenge of reading X number of books—levels the playing field for slow readers who might need 25 days to finish one book, while increasing the participation over time of fast readers. No time limits were set on a given day, allowing readers to focus solely on absorption.

The 789 baseballs signed by readers covering the wall at the front of the library all summer were taken down with the start of school, but cool reading and community happenings continue throughout the fall at Glencarlyn Library. Check the Glencarlyn Library Facebook page—or better yet, stop in to learn about upcoming events, including story times for 0-5 year olds (M and Th 10:30 a.m.); Toypalooza story and playtime for kids 0-8 with adult (W 4:00-6:00 p.m.); and a New Toons (cartooning club) for kids 5-8th grade starting in October.



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# View from the Garden

## Great Long-Blooming Plants for Pollinators

By Elaine Mills

Extension Master Gardener

Gardeners interested in increasing the number of perennials they plant for pollinators will be interested in the results of a 2013 plant trial conducted Penn State Extension. Three species native to our Mid-Atlantic region were ranked among the best plants for flowering longevity, and they also did well in attracting desirable insects.

Clustered mountain-mint (*Pycnanthemum muticum*), which had the longest period of peak bloom at 10 weeks (July to September), also ranked first for sheer number of insect visitors during a two-minute period (78). In subsequent testing, it consistently



Clustered Mountain Mint

ranks the best for diversity of pollinators, attracting native bees, beneficial wasps, beetles, skippers, and small butterflies. This plant grows about one to three feet tall and bears dense, flat-topped clusters of tubular pink flowers in bright shade to sun. Its leaves have a lovely silvery appearance. Like other mints, it can spread to form colonies, but its rhizomes

run close to the soil surface, making it easy to control. Its aromatic foliage is disliked by deer. Smooth oxeye (*Heliopsis helianthoides*), an upright, clumping wildflower, also ranked well for length of bloom time in the 2013 trial. Its 2- to 3-inch yellow daisy-like flowers bloom for most of the summer into early autumn. At three to five feet in height, this plant is best used at the back of garden beds, although its stems can be cut back by as much as one-half in May to reduce its final height.



Smooth Oxeye

As with mountain-mint, it blooms best in sunny locations, and it is also deer-resistant. This species is highly supportive of wildlife: its nectar attracts butterflies and native bees, birds consume its seeds, and its stems provide winter cover for beneficial insects. In 2013, swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*) also ranked well for both pollinator diversity and sheer number of insect visitors, and it continues to be one of the highly recommended plants by Penn State Extension. This perennial is best known as one of the three locally native milkweeds that serve as host plants for Monarchs, but its nectar also attracts bees, hummingbirds, skippers, and a variety of butterflies. It is a 4- to 6-foot multi-stemmed plant with flat clusters of pink to mauve flowers from June to August. As its name suggests, it prefers moist to wet soil, but it can tolerate some drought once established. Deer seldom severely damage it.



Swamp Milkweed

All these plants can be found in the library garden. Smooth oxeye is planted in our newly renovated Pollinator Garden, and clustered mountain-mint is one of two mints located in large adjacent containers. There is a tall stand of swamp milkweed next to the blackberry plant growing on the fence bordering the Children's Garden.

## Ideas, News Tips?

The **Village View** is always looking for **articles, stories or photos** about people or activities in the neighborhood or schools. Also needed are events to include in the **calendar**. If you would like to contribute, send your submission to *The Village View* editor at [gcaeditorial@gmail.com](mailto:gcaeditorial@gmail.com). Just remember the **Five Ws**: Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How.

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## Author Hoang Taing to Discuss escaping the Khmer Rouge at the Glencarlyn Branch Library

By Stuart Davis

Join Glencarlyn resident and author, Hoang Taing at Glencarlyn Branch Library on October 16 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss her new book: *Buffalo Girl: My Journey to Freedom*.

Hoang wrote much of this book detailing her amazing story of growing up in Cambodia, being forced from her home by the Khmer Rouge into a rural camp, escaping to America against all odds, and making a new life for herself by helping and inspiring others with her positive outlook. Hoang is an inspirational speaker and a filmmaker. More information about the Hoang and her book can be found at [www.thinkpositivehappy.com](http://www.thinkpositivehappy.com).



Author Hoang Taing. Photo Credit: Stuart Davis

### IMPORTANT VOTER INFORMATION Election Day November 5, 2019 from 6 am to 7 pm

#### IMPORTANT DATES

- Voter registration deadline for the November General Election: **October 15, 2019 by 5:00 pm**
- Deadline to request an absentee ballot be mailed to you: **October 29, 2019 by 5:00 pm**

**We will be voting for:** Virginia General Assembly offices (Virginia Senate and House of Delegates), Commonwealth's Attorney, Sheriff, Commissioner of Revenue, Treasurer, County Board (two seats), and School Board.

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### Neighborhood Conservation and Environmental Projects Update

by Kathy Reeder

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> St S/S Kensington St NC project** is expected to begin construction this fall with storm water work. County survey work was underway in August. The start date of construction depends on completion of another County project that is ahead of this one, and on weather conditions. A pre-construction meeting will be held one to two weeks before the start date, and residents will be notified of the date and time. For details on the scope, please see the NC Activities tab at [Glencarlyn.org](http://Glencarlyn.org).

**The 4<sup>th</sup> St S NC project** will be submitted to the County Board in November for funding and is expected to be approved. The County is preparing close-to-final construction drawings for the funding request and is surveying and locating underground utilities in support of this. Once the project is funded, more details will be available about the anticipated timing of construction. For details on the scope, please see the NC Activities tab at [Glencarlyn.org](http://Glencarlyn.org).

Neighborhood volunteers are **drafting a resolution** to emphasize GCA's concerns and recommendations about the razing of existing buildings on and future use of the VHC property located at 601 S Carlin Springs Road. Please see Virginia Hospital Center Update on Page 7 for additional details.

A project to construct a **wooden, three-sided screen for the library dumpster** is moving ahead, with completion expected by the end of the year. The screen required approval by the County Historic Affairs and Landmark Review Board due to proximity to the Ball-Carlin Family Cemetery Historic District, and a permit from the County Zoning Department.

**Residents of 6<sup>th</sup> St S have asked the County to help address continuing issues** with cars and delivery trucks entering the narrow street and having difficulty exiting. Over the past two years, the County has replaced the guardrail, constructed a new run-off channel, and provided a small turnaround, but further help is needed. The County Parks Department will be widening the turnaround in the fence bordering the Nature Center and the County Transportation and Engineering Operations Department will be reviewing the situation and providing recommendations within the next six months.

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# Virginia Hospital Center Update

By Brandon Hemel

At the March 4 Glencarlyn Citizens' Association (GCA) meeting, County Board Chair Christian Dorsey made the GCA aware of a county plan to raze the existing building at the Virginia Hospital Center (VHC) property on S. Carlin Springs Road. A joint letter from GCA and the Forest Glen Civic Association (FCGA) was sent to the Arlington County Board in late March calling attention to our concerns and requesting civic engagement.

On August 23, GCA President Julie Lee received correspondence from Benjamin Aiken, Director of Constituent Services, Arlington County Manager's Office. Summarized below:

Arlington County is committed to a community engagement effort upon completion of a technical evaluation that is currently underway, in advance of the demolition. A broader based and inclusive input process will take place after, or on separate track, to plan the eventual reuse of the site. This will likely be done in part with JFAC.

The County will take operational possession of the site on

December 31, 2019. Given the condition of the existing buildings, high maintenance costs, and difficulty of repurposing for another use, demolition is the most feasible alternative. The County will engage with the community after this technical evaluation is complete; we expect that this evaluation will help address the questions raised by the community regarding the demolition process and interim condition of the site. A start date for demolition has not been determined and we will keep the community informed as the schedule develops. The County's adopted CIP includes \$1.5 million in funding for this initial phase.

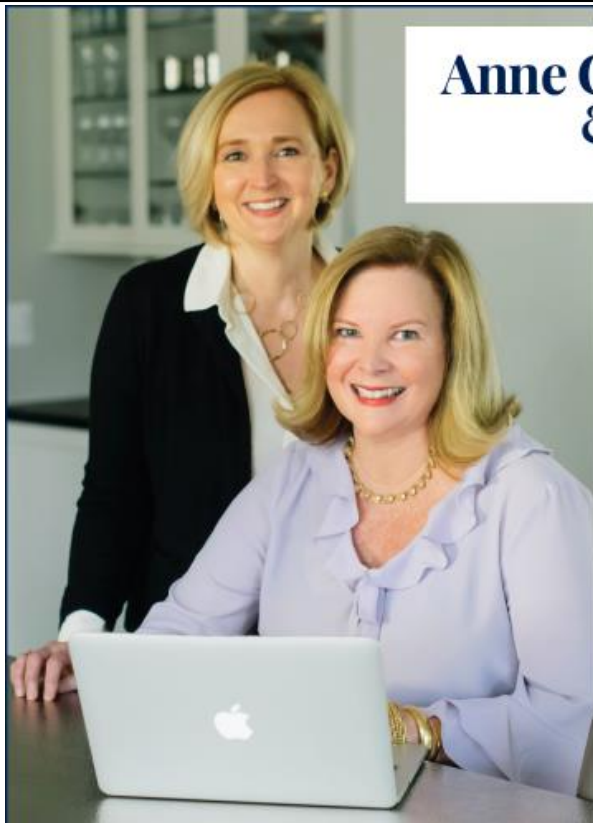
Volunteers, led by NC Delegate Kathy Reeder, are drafting a resolution to emphasize GCA's concerns about the razing of existing buildings on and future use of the VHC property. The resolution will incorporate key points from the March 2019 GCA letter about the razing process. It will also integrate key findings from a joint 2016 survey of GCA and FGCA residents about concerns and possible future uses of the property. To read the March 25, 2019 GCA letter about the razing process and the July 20, 2016 report, please see VHC Property Resolution under the What's Happening tab at Glencarlyn.org

## News from Kenmore Middle School

By Shauna Dyer


The new school year has brought several new changes to Kenmore. For the first time Kenmore welcomed over 1,000 students on the first day of school. Growth in the school-aged population county-wide and a slight boundary change are the reasons for the increased enrollment. In addition to the many new students at Kenmore there are quite a few new faculty members bringing fresh ideas and experiences to the Kenmore school community. Although sixth graders have followed a block schedule for the last 5 to 6 years, the entire school moved to a block schedule this year. Class periods will be 90 minutes, every other day.

The purpose of this change is to provide more instructional time during the school day and to allow teachers more time for labs, projects and in-depth instruction. Kenmore will alternate between Green and Gold days with an occasional Cougar Day (a day when all class periods meet). See the school's website calendar to confirm the schedule each day. Finally, the Kenmore STEAM Certificate program which encourages students to expand their learning in the areas of Science, Technology Engineering, Art and Math continues to grow. Seven students earned their certificates last year, twenty-three are on track to earn it this year and 53 students have expressed an interest to earn it in 2021. We look forward to a great school year.



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**5 pm** at St. John's Episcopal Church (side yard - inside if it's raining).

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7	26	39	54	70
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5	23	35	58	73
3	30	32	52	75

### Bingo Night

**Saturday, October 19 7 to 9 pm**

\$5 for a dessert, 2 cards and a raffle ticket. Prizes will be awarded.

### Book Club

**Tuesday, October 1 7:30pm**

*The Halloween Tree*  
by Ray Bradbury

**Sunday School - Every Sunday 10 am** Engaging Bible based Christian education while incorporating active fun for children in kindergarten to 8th grade. We also provide a professionally staffed child care facility for younger children. **Come when you can!**

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8 am and 10 am

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## Welcome Elizabeth and Chris Treble to Glencarlyn

By Tracy Hemel

The couple and their two children Riley (2 1/2) and Cameron (8 months) recently moved to Glencarlyn at the end of July, from the Dupont Circle area of D.C. Prior to moving in, they took the opportunity to attend the Spring Yard Sale and the Glencarlyn Day Pancake Breakfast.

Chris is originally from N.J. and a N.Y. Yankees fan while Elizabeth grew up in Connecticut and roots for the Boston Red Sox. They are such diehard fans that during their wedding vows they even claimed one of each of their yet to be born children to also support each of their home teams. When not watching baseball, they can often be found at the playground in Carlin Hall or at the library after work with their kids.

Chris teaches 8<sup>th</sup> grade World History at Williamsburg Middle School and Elizabeth is the SVP of Development for After-School-Allstars, a national non-profit that provides free after-school programs for low income youth.

Their daughter Riley is thrilled to have already met a new friend across the street and loves having a yard where she can play in her water table. Her parents are enjoying the great community identity that we have in Glencarlyn and the friendliness of our neighborhood.



### School is back in session!

Please be careful driving in the mornings and afternoons when neighborhood kids walk to school and from school and wait at the bus stop.

Check out the digital copy of the newsletter on [glencarlyn.org](http://glencarlyn.org) to see back to school photos from around the neighborhood.

Another successful pool season comes to an end!

Thank You Glencarlyn residents for your support of the **Glen Forest Pool Season 2019!**

We look forward to seeing you again in May 2020.  
Visit us on Facebook - Glen Forest community pool  
or our website [glenforest.us](http://glenforest.us)

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Contact AnnMarie at 703-731-7773 or Karen at 571-259-1413 for more info



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\*up to 12 years old \*one complimentary kids meal with each purchase of an adult entree

With the continued appreciation and competitive bidding in the Arlington real estate market, it can be challenging for an appraiser to find past sales to support the price the buyer and seller have agreed to. If a buyer is getting a mortgage, the lender in most cases requires a third-party appraisal to assess the property's market value. Appraisals guidelines require appraisers to use comparable home sales over the last 3 to 6 months. The most recent sales are given more weight than sales 6+ months ago.

I have personally witnessed a fair number of low appraisals in Arlington this year. Typically, appraisal values lag actual market appreciation by several months, and a lot depends on the time of year a home sells. Properties that are sold in the first quarter of the year use comparable data from the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of the prior year, which might not reflect as active a period as the first half of the year might. The appraiser is then working with lower sales prices from a slower selling season.

If the appraised value comes in at or over the purchase price, all is good with the lender. If the appraised value is lower than the purchase price, the lender will loan on the appraised value. In a normal scenario, the buyer can negotiate a reduced sales price to match the appraised value or work out a compromise with the seller. If the buyer waives the appraisal contingency, they are legally committed to cover the difference between the sale price and appraised value, which means more cash to cover the gap. In some situations the buyer can change the type of loan they are using.

For home sellers, having a pricing strategy and a savvy listing agent to help negotiate multiple offers can result in buyers waiving both home inspection and appraisal contingencies. Pricing higher than the market can diminish chances of bidding wars, and the buyer can negotiate an appraisal and home inspection issues. Contact me for a confidential meeting to discuss your situation and how to obtain the best outcome.



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# Activities in the Glencarlyn Neighborhood

## GCA Events/Activities

### GCA Meeting

Monday, Oct. 7 — 7:30 p.m.

### GCA Halloween Party

Saturday, Oct. 19—2 p.m.

### An Evening with Ben Franklin

Monday, Oct. 21—7 p.m.

### GCA Meeting

Monday, Nov. 4 — 7:30 p.m.

## 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 visit [parks.arlingtonva.us/nature-history/programs/](https://parks.arlingtonva.us/nature-history/programs/)

### Tiny Tots

Ages 18 - 35 months. Adults must remain with children during the entire program. **\$5**

Tuesday, Oct. 22

10 - 10:45 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

10 - 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday, Oct 30

10:30 - 10:45 a.m.

### Preschool

#### Sly Foxes

Ages 3 - 5 years. Adults must remain with children during the entire program. **\$5**

Friday, Oct. 18

1 - 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 22

1 - 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 23

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct 29.

1 - 2 p.m.

### Migration Storytime

**Tuesday, Oct. 15, 10:30 - 11 a.m.**

Ages 2 and up. Register child only, but caregivers must attend. We'll read stories all about animals who are on the move! Free.

### Nature Art

Saturday, Oct. 5, 2 - 3 p.m.

Ages 8 to 12. We'll visit scenic spots in Glencarlyn Park to draw what we observe with colored pencils. Then we'll head back to the building to make clay sculptures using our resident animals as models. \$5.

### Owl Night Hike

Saturday, Oct. 5, 6 - 7pm

Families ages 5 and up. Register children and adults; children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Have you ever heard an owl hoot in the forest? Join us for a sunset hike to learn all about owls, their adaptations, how to use binoculars and to practice your calls. Whooo knows, maybe an owl will hoot back. \$5.

### Squirrels & Chipmunks

Saturday, Oct. 12, 2 - 3:30pm

Families ages 5 and up. Register children and adults; children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Come learn about these furry rodents we see in our neighborhoods. How are they adapted to survive in an urban environment? Where do they raise their babies? We'll learn the answers in our classroom and on a fun nature hike. Free

### Campfire Evenings

Families. Register children and adults; children must be accompanied by a registered adult. The whole family is invited to join us at the Long Branch amphitheater for lots of old-fashioned fun. This engaging program will be filled with entertaining activities that may include stories, special animal guests, games, songs and of course, S'mores! \$5.

Halloween Animals Campfire, Saturday, Oct. 19, 6 - 7pm

Popcorn Campfire, Friday, Oct. 25, 6 - 7 p.m.

### R.I.P. - Remove Invasive Plants at Long Branch!

Sunday, Oct. 20, 2 - 4 p.m.

Adults, teens and families ages 8 and up. Want to restore habitat and increase native species diversity right here in Arlington? Work parties are held every month and are making a difference with the return of ferns, wildflowers and the animals that depend on them to areas once covered in destructive invasive plants. Help make it happen!

*This is just a sample of upcoming activities, please visit <https://parks.arlingtonva.us/nature-history/programs/> for a full list of programs*

## Glencarlyn Library

### 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

### Storytimes for 0-5-year olds

Monday and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

### Crafty Tuesdays 4:00 p.m.

Come join us as we create a fun seasonal craft using a variety of different materials.

### Builder's Club for kids K-5th grade

The 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. This program focuses on building with LEGOs, KEVA planks, and other materials along with other hands-on activities.

### Toypalooza for kids 0-8 with adult

Wednesdays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Join us in the storytime area as we bring out ALL the toys for some fun while visiting with your neighbors.

### Toons Club for kids 5-8th grade

Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24

Join our resident artist/doodler John as he leads kids through different drawing exercises and three panel comic strips. All materials supplied but artists are encouraged to bring in their own drawings to work on, if desired. All artist levels welcome.

### PAWS to Read

Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21 at 3 p.m. sign up online <https://arlingtonva.libcal.com/event/5584539> for a 15-minute time slot for your young reader to read to dogs.

### Halloween Storytime & Craft

Oct. 19 at 11 a.m.

Join us for seasonal stories, songs, and fingerplays to celebrate Halloween! Stick around as we make spooky (and silly) crafts to decorate for Halloween. Kids are encouraged to come in costume. All ages welcome.

### Teens Make (Grades 6 and up)

**Oct. 2 Buttons and Zip Pulls** Nothing jazzes up a jacket, bag, backpack or tote like a cool button or zip pull. Join us and create your own with button images from magazines, recycled maps and more.

**Oct. 30 Scary Bots** Using a hobby motor, a battery, upcycled materials, and your imagination, create your own Halloween bot. All materials and instruction provided, and you get to keep your Bot. Stop by after school to make a different, cool craft each session.

*All information on this page is provided by the respective facility. GCA is not responsible for any cancelled or rescheduled events.*



## Glencarlyn Kids for Hire

**Mandy Boiani**, 10 – mother's helper. – 703-635-6762

**Gage Buchanan**, 17 - lawnmowing. – 703 929-4036, jbuchanan@wgsoffice.com

**Darragh Cahill**, 11 - Soccer coach for kids, mother's helper, yard work and plant sitting – 703 772-2982 (Fiona), davejcahill@hotmail.com

**Lucas Codispoti**, 16 -babysitting, walking and care of dogs/cats, and general yard work. – 703-310-8715

**Elise Eclarinal**, 10 – mother's helper, 703-772-4429.

**Holly Porter & Gabby Colston**, 11 – Mother's helper, plant sitting, dog walking, pet feeding.- 571-215-0922.

**Caroline Grotos**. 14- babysitting/mothers helper, dog walking, pet and plant sitting.- 703 998-0114, egrotos@msn.com

**Alex Hemel**, 15 – pet sitting, dog walking and plant watering. – 703 629-8004 (Tracy) tscoles@aol.com

**Mira Hougen**, 15 – babysitting (Red cross certified), pet sitting, plant sitting, mother's helper. – 703 867-2933 (Eric), 703 867-2934 (Kate)

**Max Jamieson**, 15- babysitting/mother's helper, Pet Care, yard work – 703 402-8162 (Max) 703 819-3074 (Missy).

**Will Jamieson**, 14 - babysitting/mother's helper, Pet Care, yard work.- 703 819-3074 (Missy).

**Laine Kelly**, 16 -babysitting (Red Cross certified), mother's helper, pet sitting/walking. Call or text – 703 647-0175

**Brady Krohl**, 14 – lawn mowing/yard work, pet sitting and babysitting.- 703 347-3026 (Brady), 703 862-4938 (Chandi), chandikrohl@hotmail.com

**Logan Krohl**, 11 – mother's helper, lawn mowing, pet sitting, plant sitting, and yard work.- 703 862-4938 (Chandi) chandikrohl@hotmail.com

**Lily Elaina Link** 17 – pet sitting, dog walking, babysitting, plant watering, and house sitting.- 571 212-4179 erinroblink@aol.com

**Ashley Link** 12 – pet sitting, dog walking, mother's helper.- 571 212-4179 erinroblink@aol.com

**Maya McCarthy**, 16- babysitting (Red Cross certified), pet sitting. Call/text – 703 400-9440 mayamccarthy208@gmail.com

**Tiara McGowan-Jones**, 17 – Pet sitting, dog walking, and plant sitting. – 301 325-9285.

**Lilly Pina**, 14 -babysitting, dog/pet sitting and mother's helper. Cell: 703-867-8587 (mom's cell), lynnepina@yahoo (mom's email)

**Ellie Trumpheller**, 15 –babysitting (Red Cross certified) with references, Dog walking/sitting 571 214-2019 or 571-379-6070 El-lie.trump@icloud.com or lynne.trumpheller@gmail.com

*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](mailto:gcaeditorial@gmail.com).*

*Parents, please provide your contact information to the same e-mail address.*

*We have recently edited this list. Please continue to send updates as needed to [gcaeditorial@gmail.com](mailto:gcaeditorial@gmail.com)*



## Please Pay Your 2019 - 2020 GCA Dues-\$15

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 2019 through June 2020. 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.

**Or visit [glencarlyn.org](http://glencarlyn.org) to pay online.**

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



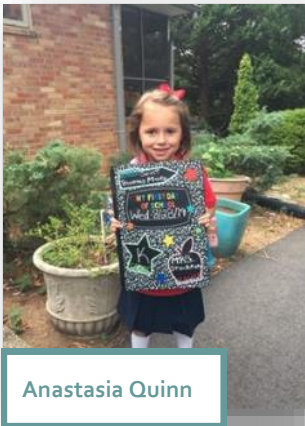
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# Glencarlynites back to school: 2019

The start of the school year brings with it new supplies, backpacks, and haircuts for many of our younger residents.

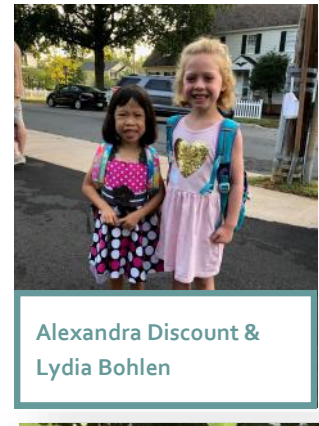
Lots of smiles from those starting at new schools or moving up a grade at their current school.



Anastasia Quinn



Luke & Quinn Heirs



Alexandra Discount &  
Lydia Bohlen



Scarlett Hollandsworth  
and Jack Connell's first  
day at Carlin Springs



First Day at Kenmore Middle School



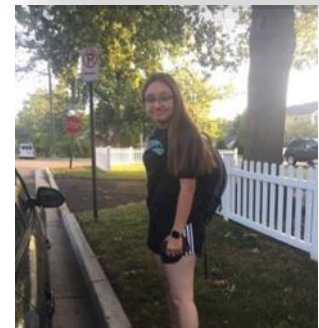
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