

The Village View

Newsletter of the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association since October 1952

April 2020

Arlington County to study the Missing Middle

What is the Missing Middle and how could it effect Glencarlyn?

County Board Member Katie Cristol spoke at the March 2020 GCA meeting to update us on the county's proposed housing study and their goal of keeping Arlington County an affordable place to live.

Housing planners consider the Missing Middle the range of housing types that fit between single-family detached homes and mid-to-high-rise apartment buildings. Examples include duplexes, row homes, townhomes, and courtyard apartments. These housing types do not always correlate with a specific income bracket but allow for more options and pricing variations.

Why is the Arlington County Board considering this study? The county forecasts to grow to nearly 300,000 new residents by 2045 and our current housing supply is not enough.

The biggest driver of lost affordable housing supply is increasing rent. Additionally, the past few years have seen a net loss of 13,500 affordable housing units in Arlington. Almost no housing is available for those making less than 60% of Arlington County's median income of \$104,000 per year.

Nearly ¾ of the land zoned residential in the county is exclusively for single-family detached homes. Developers have found it not economical to build mid-sized single family homes such as what we have in Glencarlyn because land value is so high.

Katie emphasized that this study is not an across the board rezoning of all single-family areas, not a process to eliminate single family zoning, not a process to codify decisions that have already been made, not a process that will lead to incompatible housing types – no high-rises will be build in single-family areas, and not an attempt to address a specific income range – however new options may provide more affordability than what is currently available.

For more information about the proposed Missing Middle study, please visit <https://housing.arlingtonva.us/> or email housingarlington@arlingtonva.us.



Arlington County Board Member Katie Cristol enjoying a moment of levity at the March GCA meeting
Photo Courtesy Gerald Martineau

**Due to Extra-
Ordinary
Circumstances
The GCA April
4th Fun Event has
been cancelled.**

Peter Rousselot to Speak at April 13th GCA meeting

Wondering about the impact on our environment of building duplexes or triplexes on lots currently zoned for single-family houses? The impact on schools, traffic, infrastructure and low-income communities? The cost? Here's your opportunity to learn and to discuss these issues.

Peter Rousselot, a longtime Arlington resident and community activist will speak to GCA at the April 13th meeting on behalf of advocacy group Arlingtonians for our Sustainable Future (ASF). ASF is focused on promoting a more community-based approach to development in our County. Peter will discuss budget, infrastructure and environmental effects of intense population growth. He will also provide an update on Arlington's new Missing Middle housing study, presenting a different perspective. Attend Monday night, April 13th, 7:30 pm at Carlin Hall, 5711 4th St S. If we are unable to hold an in person meeting, GCA is exploring options for a virtual meeting via web conferencing.

President's Corner



By Julie Lee
President, Glencarlyn Citizens' Association

Dear Friends and Neighbors,
We are experiencing a time unlike anything in recent memory. It is a time when **the importance of community** cannot be overemphasized. I have heard from many of you, offering help and asking what you can do. Because we are in uncharted territory, we will learn and work through this together. I ask that we begin by checking on those more vulnerable in our neighborhood.

If you are reading this and need assistance, please contact GCA.

If you have a neighbor to the right or left of you, or on your block, who may be home-bound because of age or illness- PLEASE CHECK ON THEM. MAKE CONTACT WITH THEM. SEE IF YOU CAN ASSIST THEM IN ANY WAY.

Many of our more senior community members may not be signed up for our email list serv UPDATES, or we may not have an active telephone number. KNOCK ON THEIR DOOR. Speak to them through the door. Make sure they are okay. See if they need anything from the store or pharmacy. If you are not able to provide assistance, pass this information on to GCA and we will find someone to assist.

We will be using the email address for the GCA Executive committee as our contact email during this situation because it will be reaching the most people and we are sure to find people to respond.

The email address is: gcaexec@gmail.com

If you are **not** in the **"vulnerable zone"**, and are able to assist by picking up items at the grocery or drug store, please email the GCA Exec committee.

With Arlington County announcing school closing until April 13th, there will certainly be a need for childcare. This creates its own set of issues, with the gathering of caregivers and children. However, perhaps there are some solutions. I have heard from some adults with grown children who have offered to help families in the neighborhood who need a caregiver. I don't have the answers. But perhaps we could start a dialogue, either through email or on social media, such as the Glencarlyn Facebook group.

If there is someone willing to coordinate this childcare effort, PLEASE email the GCA committee.

Again- if you can help, or need help, in any way, email the GCA Exec committee.

The email address is: gcaexec@gmail.com

If you have ideas and suggestions about things we can do to support each other, email the GCA Exec committee.

WE are a loving, caring community and there is no excuse for anyone in Glencarlyn to be overlooked in this challenging time. Working together, we will overcome these challenges, and will be sharing stories about it in the park on Glencarlyn Day.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Sincerely,

Julie Lee, President GCA

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Glencarlyn Web Site

www.glencarlyn.org

Carlin Hall

5711 S. 4th St.

Community Yard Sale - RAIN OR SHINE

Sat, May 9th 8:00 am- 12:00pm

Empty out those closets, attics and garages. Sell your items, Earn extra cash. Glencarlyn will hold our annual **Community-wide Yard Sale on Sat. May 9th 8:00 am – Noon, RAIN or SHINE.**

Sell from Your House or Set up a Table or Blanket at Carlin Hall, 5711 4th St S. (tables not provided). You must sign up to reserve a spot at Carlin Hall, space is limited. Glencarlyn will handle advertising: signs and notices in the newspaper and on Craig's list. **You can also reserve for a truck to pick up donations after the sale.**

Everyone is encouraged to participate. Come and Shop, Find a Treasure.

To Sign-up, Help, or for more Information Contact:

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GCA election coming up. Interested in serving? Now's the time to volunteer. Deadline: April 5.

As called for in the GCA bylaws, a Nominating Committee was constituted at the meeting held on March 2.

The committee's duty, as spelled out in the by-laws, is to nominate at least one candidate for each office, namely president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and Village View editor, along with delegates and alternates to the Arlington County Civic Federation and the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee.

In keeping with recent tradition, the committee will also submit nominations for the positions of GCA webmaster and area chair/block captain coordinator.

As of press time, there are or are likely to be vacancies in the positions of vice president, secretary, and one of our four ACCF delegate slots.

The Nominating Committee invites any GCA member who is interested in being nominated for any of these positions or wanting to learn more about the responsibilities that any of the positions entail, to email the committee chair, Jeff Liteman, no later than April 5, if they wish to be considered by the committee. Jeff can be reached by email at jm@his.com or phone or text at (202) 246-5485.

The list of nominees will be announced at the April GCA meeting. The names will be published in the April Village View and/or Glencarlyn Updates before the May meeting.

The election is scheduled to take place at Carlin Hall on May 6.

Interested GCA members not on the slate presented by the Nominating Committee can nominate themselves or be nominated by someone else from the floor during that meeting. (Members nominated by someone else must confirm – either in person or in writing – their willingness to stand for election and commitment to serve if elected.)

Candidates and voters must be paid-up members of the GCA to run for any office or vote in the election.

The term of office begins on July 1 and runs through June 30, 2021.

Planning Underway for the June 5-6 Glencarlyn Days

Our annual Glencarlyn Day preparations are already underway! We have a full schedule again this year. **The success of our Glencarlyn Days activities depends on your participation. We need lots of volunteers.** Look for more information in the May Village View. If you can help in any way, especially with the Parade or the Home Tours, please contact Julie Lee directly at jfblee@aol.com or call 808-384-4954.

Friday June 1

Community Barbeque with fun, family-friendly games and activities, a 50-50 raffle, free ice cream for kids and live entertainment.

Saturday June 2

Pancake Breakfast in Glencarlyn Park

Glencarlyn Parade - The theme this year is "Take Me Out to the Ball Park", a **Celebration of the Nats, Baby Shark, Baseball and ALL Sports.**

Story Time at the Library by Librarian Mike Nelson will follow the Parade.

Moon Bounce and Sno Cones at Carlin Hall

Ball Sellers House - Visit the oldest house in the County and see their new exhibits.

Tours of the Community Garden – Tour the various sections of the garden with a Master Gardener or just stop by to ask questions about your own gardening problems.

Hot Dog Roast at St John's - It just wouldn't be Glencarlyn Day without hot dogs on a charcoal grill!

Home Tour - We will have several neighborhood homes on the annual Home Tour.



Neighbors at the 2019 Pancake Breakfast
(clockwise from top right) Teri Hardenburgh, Anthony Drake, Heidi Drake, Anthony Hardenburgh

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Neighborhood Conservation (NC) Update

By Kathy Reeder

2nd St. S. (S. Lexington to S. Kensington)/S. Kensington St. (1st St. to 2nd St.) NC Street Improvement Project

Construction is well underway on both blocks, with visible progress on stormwater piping, curbs and gutters, driveway aprons, sidewalks and corner access ramps. On the S. Kensington St. block, the contractor completed a “full depth road restoration”, which will be fully usable and about 2” below the final roadway depth. The final 2” layer of asphalt will be put down later, at the end of the project, along with the roadway on 2nd St. S. For details on the project scope, please see the NC Activities tab at Glencarlyn.org.

Residents in the project area who have questions or concerns during construction should contact the Arlington County Construction Manager, Gerald Roberson, by phone at 571-220-1880 or by email at groberson@arlingtonva.us. If residents are unable to reach Mr. Roberson, they should contact Arlington County Planner Laura Simpson by phone at 703-228-3813 or by email at lsimpson@arlingtonva.us.

4th St. S. (S. Kensington to S. Illinois) NC Street Improvement Project

A Final Design Review will be scheduled when county engineers complete the design work; the exact date had not yet been determined as of March 10. This meeting will give property owners a final opportunity before construction to ensure that the NC project has been designed as scoped and funded, and that any modifications agreed upon at the initial Concept Design Review meeting have been incorporated into the design. Minor design modifications may be made to the design following this meeting, but the larger aspects of the scope of the project were fixed when the project was funded in November 2019. For details on the project scope, please see the NC Activities tab at Glencarlyn.org.



Construction on S. Lexington St
Photo Courtesy Gerald Martineau

Arlington County Announces 2020 Milling and Paving Program

On March 9, Arlington County notified Civic and Citizens Associations that the 2020 paving season would run from approximately April through October, weather permitting. A number of blocks in Glencarlyn are included on the proposed paving locations map, which can be viewed at <https://transportation.arlingtonva.us/streets/street-maintenance/>.

According to the Construction Manager, Francis Soulamany, the paving process will consist of milling out 2” of the surface and putting back 2” of SM9.5A surface asphalt. Weather permitting, with some exceptions as noted, the blocks listed below will be paved from April 6 to April 10.

Door hangers will be distributed and “No Parking” signs posted about 24 to 48 hours before the actual work begins.

1. 1st St. S. - 5700 block (from S. Lexington St. to S. Kensington St.)

The timing for the 5700 block of 1st St. S. will depend on the NC project on the 5700 block of 2nd St. S. and the 100 block of S. Kensington St. being ready for paving April 6 – 10; this 5700 block of 1st St. will be paved at the same time as the project blocks.

2. 2nd St. S. - 5800, 5700 and 5600 blocks (from S. Carlin Springs Rd. to S. Jefferson St.)

The timing for the 5800 and 5600 blocks will depend on the NC project on the 5700 block of 2nd St. S. and the 100 block of S. Kensington St. being ready for paving April 6 – 10; the 5800 and 5600 blocks will be paved at the same time as the project blocks.

3. 3rd St. S. - 5500 block (from S. Jefferson St. to S. Illinois St.)

4. 3rd St. S. - 5900 block (from dead end at Carlin Springs Elementary to S. Carlin Springs Rd.)

5. 4th St. S. - 5600, 5500 and 5400 blocks (from S. Kensington St. to S. Harrison St.)

The 5400 block will be paved April 6 – 10. The other two blocks are part of the 4th St. S. NC project, which is in its final design stage; construction on the two project blocks will probably begin in the fall of 2020, so they won’t be paved until later.

6. 5th Rd. S. - 5800 block (from S. Carlin Springs Rd. to S. Lexington St.)

7. 6th Rd. S. - from S. Carlin Springs Rd. to Fairfax County Line

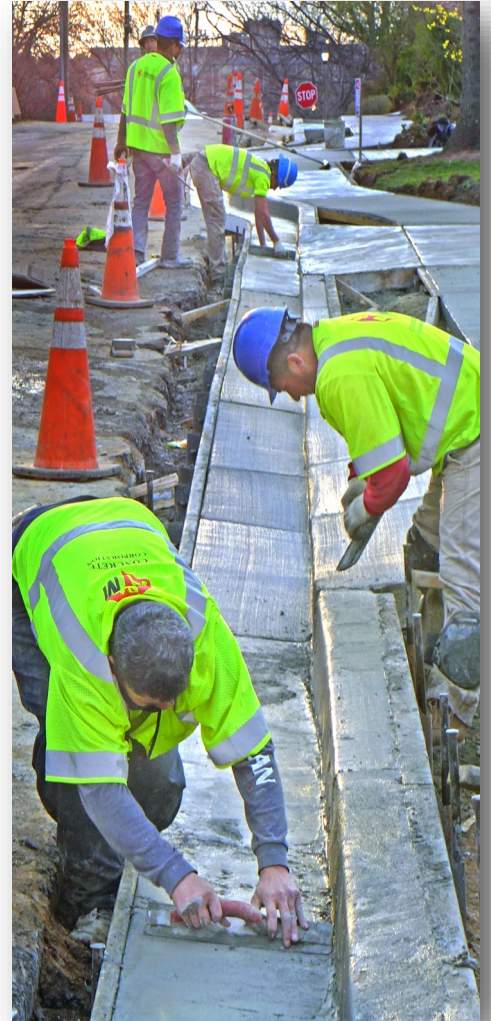
Please note: the east side of the S. Harrison St. circle is on the 2020 Paving Program map by mistake; the map will be updated to delete this.

If residents have any questions or concerns, they should contact Francis Soulamany, Construction Manager, Water /Sewer and Street Bureau, at 703-228-7822 or at fsoulamany@arlingtonva.us. They can also contact the Paving Manager, Ryan Borugherdi, at 703-228-7823 if they are unable to reach Mr. Soulamany.

Construction along Second St. and S. Lexington

The much anticipated construction along Second St. has made travel a little more difficult but the end result will lead to better street maintenance, pedestrian safety and storm water management.

Photos Courtesy of Gerald Martineau



Do You Qualify for the Real Estate Tax Relief Program?

Senior homeowners in Arlington may qualify for an exemption or deferral of real estate taxes through the DHS Real Estate Tax Relief Program! The program provides an exemption and/or deferral of real estate taxes for qualified Arlington homeowners age 65 and older and certain totally and permanently disabled homeowners who have title to the property and meet income, asset and all eligibility requirements. The final deadline is November 15, 2020, but it is best to apply as early as possible. Learn more here:

<https://topics.arlingtonva.us/realestate/taxes-payments/real-estate-tax-relief/>

Introducing Mollie and Mason, New 3rd St. Residents

By Karen Sosnoski

With Henry, their friendly terrier mix, Mollie Gelburd and Mason Barret became Glencarlyn residents in January. Mollie works as a healthcare lobbyist/lawyer for a trade association representing healthcare executives, while Mason is an IT consultant for a national firm. They met several years ago at a party, got engaged last year, and plan to be married this coming July at a nursery near Charlottesville where Mollie grew up.

For Mollie and Mason, Glencarlyn provides the best of two worlds—only a short drive to DC but with a residential vibe that affords a reprieve from the hustle and bustle of city living. Moving from a transient condo building in the Cherrydale neighborhood, they also feel delighted with the quaint charm of their Cape Cod home, enjoying its backyard, garden, and porch. Both really love the welcoming community feel of their new neighborhood.

Mollie describes herself and Mason as outdoor enthusiasts. She also enjoys yoga and is trying to learn more about gardening. She'd really love to grow things she can eat and if there are any gardeners reading this, she welcomes tips. For his part, Mason has a passion for golf and a wish to hone his newfound barbecuing skills.

As the days get longer and the weather warmer, Mollie, Mason and Henry are excited to explore the Glencarlyn neighborhood and to meet more of their new neighbors. Welcome, Mollie, Mason and Henry!



Molly Gelburd & Mason Barret with their terrier, Henry.

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View from the Garden

A Wildflower for Spring Gardens

By Elaine Mills, Extension Master Gardener

[Photos by Elaine Mills]

Wild Geranium (*Geranium maculatum*), a perennial native to northeastern North America, has been chosen as the Wildflower of the Year for 2020 by the Virginia Native Plant Society. This delightful herbaceous plant can be seen in the Shade Garden section of the library garden during the coming month.

Wild Geranium forms a foliage mound of deeply-lobed basal leaves 12 to 18 inches high by 18 inches wide. Flowers are borne in loose clusters at the tops of 6-inch flowering stems. The five-petaled, saucer-shaped blossoms measure about 1 1/4 inch across and range in color from pale pink to lavender to rose-purple. The petals are marked with fine, dark veins that function as nectar guides for native bees and syrphid flies which act as the principal pollinators. The plant also attracts butterflies and skippers and serves as the host for the caterpillars of some moths.

Nectar guides are clearly seen on the petals



Wild Geranium blooms over a month-long period from early April to early May. The distinctive fruit that forms three to five weeks later is said to resemble the bill of a crane, leading to the plant's alternative common name, Cranesbill. When dry, the fruit capsule opens explosively, catapulting seeds as much as 30 feet away from the parent plant.



The plant makes an attractive ground cover

Wild Geranium tolerates a variety of soil types and pH, although it prefers moist, well-drained, humus-rich soils. It is an excellent addition to lightly shaded flower borders or woodland gardens where it combines well with other native wildflowers such as Eastern Columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*), Solomon's Seal (*Polygonatum biflorum*), and Mayapple (*Podophyllum peltatum*), as well as ferns and violets. It can also be allowed to spread as a ground cover. The foliage may die back somewhat in hot summer weather, but can be revitalized by supplemental water and a light shearing. Deer may eat the flowers and sometimes the foliage.

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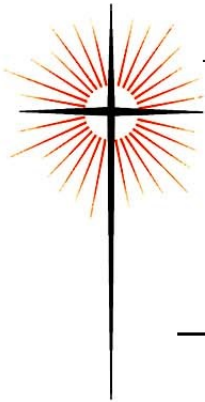
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GCA Events/Activities	Long Branch Nature Center	Glencarlyn Library
GCA Meeting Monday, April 13 — 7:30 p.m. GCA Meeting Monday, May 4 — 7:30 p.m. GCA Community Yard Sale Saturday, May 9—8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Glencarlyn Day Friday, June 5 & Saturday, June 6	625 S. Carlin Springs Rd., Arlington, 22204 Call 703-228-6535 for information To register: Registration Office Phone: 703-228-4747 On-line: registration.arlingtonva.us All Arlington County Parks Activities and Programs are cancelled until April 20. Please visit https://parks.arlingtonva.us/nature-history/programs/ for an updated list of activities	As of printing , all Neighborhood Library Branches are closed until further notice Normal Glencarlyn Branch 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



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Janet Kopenhaver, Chair, Embracing Arlington Arts at May 4th GCA Meeting

Our May 4th GCA Meeting Speaker is Janet Kopenhaver. Janet chairs Embracing Arlington Arts, a citizens group whose mission is to inform others about the importance of the arts and arts organizations in our community. Learn about the critical contributions the arts make to all sectors of our County; and spread the word about the diverse performance and cultural events held in Arlington. Join us Mon., May 4th, 7:30pm at Carlin Hall.

Following the program will be the Election of our GCA Officers.



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

Elise Eclarinal, 11 – 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 & plant sitting.- 703 998-0114, egrotos@msn.com

Lydia Grotos, 10—plant and pet sitting, mother's helper. - 703 998-0114, egrotos@msn.com

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

John Hougen, 13 – parent's helper, babysitting, dog walking, pet and plant sitting. – 703 867-2933 (Eric), 703 867-2934 (Kate)

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

Jack Kingston, 18 —soccer coach for kids. –703 933-1080 csc.coyne@gmail.com.

Maggie Kingston, 14 — babysitting, mother's helper. 703 933-1080 csc.coyne@gmail.com.

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

Logan Krohl, 12 – mother's helper, lawn mowing, pet sitting, plant sitting & yard work.- 703 862-4938 (Chandi) chandikrohl@hotmail.com

Lily Elaina Link, 17 – pet sitting, dog walking, plant watering & 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 & plant sitting. – 301 325-9285.

Lilly Pina, 14—babysitting, dog/pet sitting & 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.

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

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