



HILLBROOK HILITES

Hillbrook Tall Oaks Civic Association Newsletter

August 2016

FOOD, DRINK AND FUN FOR ALL! ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY!!!

Sunday, September 11

4:00 - 7:00 PM

Location: Silver Lane @ Kingston Drive

Be there or be **SQUARE!** The annual blow-out neighborhood event of Hillbrook-Tall Oaks is set for the second Sunday in September. **SAVE THE DATE** for this spectacular family and neighborhood gathering.

Calling all KIDS: Tell your parents that they must get off their couches and attend the BLOCK PARTY! – because you do not **want to miss out on all of the fun**, including:

- ◆ MOON Bounce
- ◆ Cool music and dancing
- ◆ Lots of free food
- ◆ The Fire Engine
- ◆ Games (giant jenga, cornhole, ladder ball....)
- ◆ Other fun stuff

Adults: This is a great opportunity to catch up with your friends and neighbors – and to meet some of the GRreat new families that have moved into Hillbrook-Tall Oaks in the last 12 months.

Who may attend the BLOCK PARTY?? All persons residing in Hillbrook-Tall Oaks, their guests, and guests invited by the HTOCA board of directors.

Price of Admission: It is requested that each family bring one entrée to feed 8-10 people OR a second dish such as a salad or dessert that can serve 8-10 people.

HTOCA will provide water and soft drinks to all. Beer and wine will be served **only to legal age adults.**

HTOCA RESIDENTS SURVEY

Your Civic Association is only as good as you want it to be. We would love to receive your input on events and are always seeking volunteers to get involved. Complete this short survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6VLP38Q> (It will take less than 5 minutes!)

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CONTACT INFO.:

We need updated contact information. Send your name, email, address and phone # to hillbrooktalloaks@gmail.com

DUES

If you haven't paid your annual dues—payments can be made online at: www.htoca22003.org

Or by sending a check made payable to HTOCA to:

**HTOCA
PO BOX 1112
Annandale, VA 22003**

Neighborhood Updates

Montessori School Construction Update

HTOCA has been informed that construction at the Montessori school is running behind schedule due to contractor issues. All construction requiring heavy equipment is scheduled to be completed by the start of school, however, construction workers will remain onsite several weeks after the start of school to finish the project.

To report any traffic (parking/speeding) concerns, whether construction-related or otherwise, you may email bmitchell@msnv.org and cc hillbrooktalloaks@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can call (703) 256-9577. Remember to provide as much detail as possible (time, vehicle type, license plate, etc....) Taking a photo of the offender may be helpful.

Drivers: Slow Down, Watch Out For Children!

School is out of session and kids are hanging out in the "hood." Watch out for more kids on the street, as well as bicyclists, dog walkers, skateboarders, and the usual cast of neighborhood walkers, runners....and yes, deer. Remember maximum allowable speed is 25 miles per hour, which is too fast for parts of our curvy, winding neighborhood. Slow down!

Neighborhood Watch Program Needs Your Help

The Hillbrook-Tall Oaks Civic Association's neighborhood watch program is looking for reinforcements. If you are interested in becoming a super sleuth, contact Helen Winter at 703-256-9620.

Calling HTOCA Residents With Green Thumbs

Conservationists, backyard farmers, hedge trimmers and experts in all things green and other plant life are invited to join the Hillbrook-Tall Oaks Garden Club. Get advice on how to grow tomatoes, keep deer off your prized petunias, and how to make your yard the spiffiest in Annandale. Between drinks, you actually can learn a lot from this crowd. Contact the Maestro of the Garden Club, Gina Fishman at 703-354-9638, with your ideas on what the club could be doing.

Hillbrook-Tall Oaks Babysitters, Dog Walkers Wanted!

Contact HTOCA Secretary Paige Schlanger at 703-256-0102, to be added to the HTOCA directory of neighborhood residents who provide these, and other, services.

Upcoming Events:

Fall 2016: **Oktoberfest and Fall Celebration** —Stay tuned for more information.

Fairfax County Information

Seasonal Ban on Open-Air Burning

Fairfax County prohibits the burning of yard debris and other waste in residential areas during the summer months.

Hillbrook-Tall Oaks Civic Assn. Board of Directors

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Send communications to the HTOCA Board of Directors at: hillbrooktalloaks@gmail.com; or call board members directly.

Website: <http://www.htoca22003.org/>

Where to Dispose of Hazardous Materials

Need to get rid of toxic materials and hazardous waste hanging around your house? You can take chemicals, cleaning products, solvents, pesticides and other materials to the Fairfax County Waste Management Center located at:

Household Waste Site (HHW) at the I-66 Transfer Station Complex,
4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax, VA. Hours:

Thursday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday: 8 a.m. - Noon
Saturday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

HHW Site at I-95 Landfill Complex
9850 Furnace Road, Lorton, VA

Thursday: 8 a.m. - Noon
Friday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Infoline: 703-324-5068, TTY 711 [HHW Information Page](#)
For use by residents only. [Commercial](#) use prohibited.
Visit www.htoca22003.org

Rabies Vaccinations for Dogs, Cats.....

Fairfax County Animal shelter will host a low-cost rabies clinic on Sunday, September 11, 12 to 2 p.m. for dogs and cats in the Main Community Room of the Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike in Annandale. All dogs must be leashed, cats and ferrets must be in carriers. Fairfax County 2016 dog licenses will be sold separately and cost \$10. Cash and checks only will be accepted for payment at the clinic. For more information, call 703-830-1100, or visit the FFX County Animal Services Division Web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/animal.

Welcome to the Neighborhood!!!

Please welcome the Dienst Family at 4601 Monterey Dr. and Jay Patrick Beale of 6913 Oak Court. Stop by and introduce yourself!

Condolences

A long-time resident of Hillbrook-Tall Oaks, Norma Lois Hunsinger Hay, passed away on July 10, 2016 at the age of 89.

Ms. Hay and her husband, Dale (deceased), were active in the community – and widely known for the spectacular arrays of roses they grew in their front yard at Kingston Drive and Winter Lane.

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Contact Us

Questions? Want to Get Involved? Use the information below:

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Visit our website:
www.HTOCA22003.org

Fairfax County Information, continued..

Annandale Farmers Market

Thursdays, May 5 - November 10; 8 AM—12 PM

The Farmer's Market offers fresh fruit and veggies, meats and baked goods. The Master Gardener Plant Clinic will be onsite to answer questions about plants in your landscape. Location: MASON DISTRICT PARK, 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA.

Library Sale Coming Soon, Donate Now!

The George Mason Regional Library welcomes all books; fiction and non-fiction (novels, textbooks, kids books, reference books, foreign language books, etc.). Donations raise funds for new library books by providing stock for the upcoming semi-annual George Mason Friends book sale, which will be held September 29—October 2 at our own George Mason Regional Library. Credit cards, cash and check payments accepted.

Hours: Thursday, September 29 from 3 – 9 PM
Friday, September 30 from 10 AM – 6 PM
Saturday, October 1 from 10 AM – 5 PM
Sunday, October 2 from 12 – 5 PM

New! George Mason Friends also offers excellent deals on high quality used books (especially textbooks) online, available now by browsing Amazon Store. Save on shipping by contacting George Mason Friends and arrange to pick your order up at George Mason Regional Library. Contact George Mason Friends at 703-813-6616 or georgemasonfriends@gmail.com for more information. You can also visit their blogspot at georgemasonfriends.blogspot.com for further details.

General Reminders

Water Your Trees or Pay Big Bucks for Removal

Your trees are stressed after years of drought. Place a hose 12-15 feet away from the trunk. Turn on your water so there is a slow trickle. Allow water to run toward the trunk for several hours. Do this every two weeks through October unless we get a week of sustained rain.

Discourage Burglaries

If you are going out of town for one or more days be sure to leave a few lights on and play a radio in the background so it appear that someone is at home. A dark house is a beacon to robbers inviting them to take your valuables. Too many residents are leaving their houses dark when away.

Who to Call on Zoning, Building Violations?

Apartments in Single Family Homes: 703-324-1300

Construction Without Permits: 703-324-1937

Illegal Removal of Trees: 703-324-1937

Blighted Properties: 703-324-1300

Junk & Debris in Yards: 703-324-1300

Rat Infestations: 703-246-2300

Commercial Vehicles parked overnight in a Residential Area: 703-324-1300

Vehicles parked on lawns (48 hours): 703-324-1300

Do you have Newsletter Ideas?

Let one of our Newsletter Committee members know or send an email to: hillbrooktalloaks@gmail.com.