

# Bonnie Brae News

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The newsletter connecting residents in the Bonnie Brae neighborhood

## Think Spring!

### Calendar of Events At-a-Glance

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# President's Corner

**As 2015 starts**, it is never too soon to set up ways to be a good neighbor:

1. **Slow down while driving** through our streets—this makes the streets safer for everyone.
2. **Clean up after your dog** and take the bag home to be placed in your trash container.
3. **Volunteer for Neighborhood Watch** duty at least one weekend this year.
4. **Trim bushes and tree limbs** back from the sidewalk so the sidewalks are not obstructed.
5. **Clear snow from your sidewalks** and use products for ice control.
6. **Keep your lawn cut and tidy** and dispose of tree and lawn clippings quickly.
7. **Leave your porch light burning.** We have poor street lighting. So, help light the way.

BBCA had a Facebook site for several years, but it was never used successfully. Recently, a resident suggested the use of the NextDoor.com site. We are trying it as a place to have easy access to our calendar, quick information, and informal meet-ups. Please take a look at the site.

Don't forget that BBCA needs you! Please volunteer to host an activity. We still need a host for the August National Night out. And consider joining the BB Board; there is an opening for a Vice President.

Several new activities have been presented to the BBCA Board and we are excited to present new ideas, but each new activity needs a sponsor to make it happen! Right now, we have the following activities that have been suggested and we are eager to get started (read further in the newsletter for more details).

1. **Poker.** We need a leader to coordinate the start-up and host locations for quarterly games.
2. **Play groups for small children.** We now have a number of young children in the neighborhood. If you are interested in play groups, please sign up for Nextdoor.com, where these kind of activities can be listed.
3. **Dining Out Club.** We had such a group several years ago, but it does take a host to plan the quarterly activities.
4. **Fill Your Freezer.** Quarterly meal making at a resident's home. A menu is decided on, the food is purchased, and then you make the meals for several days at one setting.

Bonnie Brae has had several homes for sale in the last six months and sales have been brisk. Let's keep our neighborhood at the top of buyers' lists by keeping up Bonnie Brae's reputation as a great place to live (as well as your home value!).

Have a safe and Happy 2015!  
Teri Ostroviak, President of BBCA

## Slow down—We Live Here Too!

### After the party ...

**Bonnie Brae loves parties**, but please be sure to remove signs and balloons when they're over! The signs get soggy and fall apart, and the balloons are left to die a slow death; creating a safety risk to animals that mistake them for food. Let's keep Bonnie Brae safe and beautiful for all of our neighbors!



### Neighborhood Announcements

**Keep abreast** of all the Bonnie Brae happenings and announcements by signing up for community e-mails. Go to the BBCA website, [Bonniebrae.net](http://Bonniebrae.net), and click on the "join the BBCA" link on the home page, which will take you to "BBCA Membership." There will be a bold area that reads "To sign up for community e-mails, click here to subscribe." You will be directed to a page where you can type in your e-mail address for inclusion in the group.

# Meet Your Neighbors

## BB Wine Tasting Group Tour Schedule (Subject to Change)

**This year we will visit** a selection of vineyards from the Tusokies' Wine Trail, which is divided into Clusters and some of our old favorites. BB wine tasting outings are scheduled for the 3rd Sunday of the month (subject to changes based on notification). We leave at noon sharp and we are usually done by 4:00 PM. Meet at 5314 Southport Lane if you want to carpool, or you can meet us at the vineyards. Most vineyards allow outside food, so feel free to bring snacks (we usually share!). Sign up for the BB Wine Tasters group by sending your email to [BBwinetasters@hotmail.com](mailto:BBwinetasters@hotmail.com).

**March 15, 4–6 PM.** Once again we will start out with a Bonnie Brae Wine Tasting. Bring a bottle of wine, a story about it, and a food item to go with your selection. This will be at the Leaf/Ostroviak house at 5413 Southport Lane. Please let me know what food item you will be bringing by RSVPing to [bbwinetasters@hotmail.com](mailto:bbwinetasters@hotmail.com).

**April 18.** From the Tuskie's Trail, a selection from The Loudoun Heights Cluster:

**Maggie Malick Wine Caves**, 12138 Harpers Ferry Rd, Purcellville, 20132.

This is a unique man-made wine cave on a 215-acre estate, nestled at the foot of Short Hill Mountain, adorned with several ponds and gently rolling hills. All of the wines are estate-grown in the 20-acre vineyard, and include Bordeaux-style blends, as well as several varietals, such as Viognier, Albarino, Chardonnay, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Garnacha Tinto, and Tannat. Tasting Fee: \$8.00. Fee for groups of 8+.

**Notaviva Vineyards**, 13274 Sagle Road, Purcellville, VA 20132.

What is Notaviva? It is the intrinsic effect of music upon human emotion, or put simply, it is the feeling you get when you hear your favorite song. The owner's goal in the founding of the vineyard is to capture those feelings and put them in their wines. As seen on the HGTV & DIY series "Dream House," this vineyard's custom handcrafted timber frame tasting room experience is unrivaled in Virginia. Tasting Fee: \$8.00 per person (groups of 8+ \$12.00)

**May 17. Linden Vineyards**, 3708 Harrels Corner Road, Linden, VA 22642

One of the favorites in Virginia, Linden Vineyards is a 4,000-case winery and vineyard situated on the Virginia Blue Ridge, 65 miles west of Washington, D.C. Jim Law, with family help, purchased what was then an abandoned hardscrabble farm in 1983. The 1985 planting was from vines mostly from cuttings and grafts propagated by the vineyard's own nursery the previous year. They included Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Chardonnay, Vidal and Seyval. The first vintage was 1987 and the first release and opening of the winery was in 1988. Tasting Fee: The fee is \$7. but no charge to case club members and their guests. For those interested in greater depth, offered on the weekends is a special reserve cellar tasting (\$25.00 fee). One can register for it upon arrival. One will taste some special single-vineyard wines and older vintages. This happens every hour on the hour from 12:00 to 4:00. For the wine enthusiast, the \$25.00 tasting is well worth the money.

The group will select another vineyard after finishing at Linden, in case anyone needs to wait for the Special tasting time.

**September 20.** From the Tuskie's Trail, a selection from The Waterford Cluster:

**Doukénie Winery**, 14727 Mountain Road Purcellville, Virginia 20132

Doukénie Winery is made up of 400 acres nestled in Loudoun County, Virginia's famed "wine country," just 45 miles from Washington, DC. This wine farm provides visitors and locals an escape from reality, while increasing their knowledge of grapes and wine making. Founded in 1983, Doukénie Winery produced its first vintage in 1995 and within the last several years has received numerous prestigious awards. Doukénie Winery produces six white wines, ten red wines and a raspberry fruit wine. Because we are wine club members, we will have a reservation in the Heritage Club Room for a Private wine tastings of 45 minutes. After which time the room is available to other Heritage Club Members. Tasting is \$ 10.00

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## Bonnie Brae Bunco Group!

**We're on a roll!** The neighborhood Bunco group has been in full swing since April of 2014. We meet the second Monday of each month from 7-9 PM.

Bunco is a simple dice game that is fun and easy. There is a lot of interaction, as the players switch tables during the evening, offering a chance to talk to everyone. We need at least 12 players every month to make a game.

Please e-mail Lee Ann Hudak at [leeannahudak@gmail.com](mailto:leeannahudak@gmail.com) to let her know you're interested, and she'll add you to the list. An e-mail will come monthly to inform you as to the host



for that evening. There is also an RSVP list on Sign-Up Genius, and you can choose whether or not you want to play that month, and it also offers one the opportunity to sign up for bringing refreshments.

Members of a Bunco club traditionally take turns hosting, providing snacks, refreshments and the tables to set up the games.

Each person (note that it's not just for women, we do have some male regulars as well!) pays \$5.00 to play, and cash prizes are awarded at the end of the playing time.

What a great way to cheer up your Monday!

## Join us on NextDoor.com!

Join the **Bonnie Brae NextDoor.com** group. We are trying this Neighborhood Social Media site to present our 2015 scheduled events. You can share information, events with your neighbors, check nearby neighborhood activities or take part in discussions about area events, contractors, or start your own discussion.

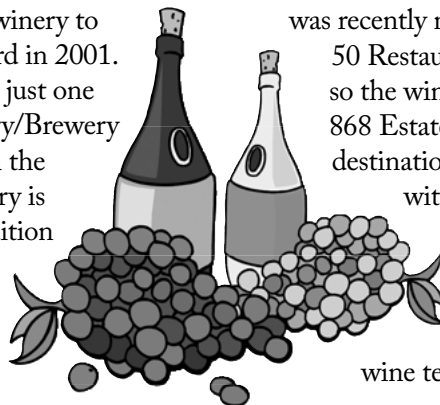
## 2016 Bonnie Brae Pet Calendar

**Calling all camera-loving pets!** A 2016 Bonnie Brae pet calendar is in the works! If you are interested in having your dog, cat, iguana, or other nonhuman family member in the calendar, please send an email to [zzred01@hotmail.com](mailto:zzred01@hotmail.com). We have five dogs set up now, so we need at least seven more dogs or pets at this time. It is possible that your pet might be posed or costumed to represent a certain month.

BB Wine Tasting Group *Continued from Page 3*

**Corcoran Vineyards**, 14635 Corkys Farm Lane, Waterford, Va. 20197

At Corcoran Vineyards, it's now all about wine and cider. Corcoran was winery number 11 in Loudoun back in 2004 when they opened the winery to the public, having planted the vineyard in 2001. Today Loudoun has 45 wineries, and just one Cidery. Corcoran was the first Winery/Brewery in the Commonwealth and now with the first offering of Hard Cider, the winery is excited to be able to carry on the tradition that Thomas Jefferson started back in 1769 when he planted numerous varieties of apples at Monticello. Tasting Fee: \$10.00



**October 25 (note that this is the 4th Sunday). 868 Estate Vineyard**, 14001 Harpers Ferry Rd, Purcellville, VA 20132

As we usually finish our year with a wine-themed meal, we will be dining on gourmet food from Grandale Restaurant, the vineyard's full service restaurant, which was recently named one of Northern Virginia's Top 50 Restaurants. Reservations will be made ahead so the wine tasting can take place before the meal. 868 Estate Vineyards is Northern Virginia's unique destination vineyard, blending a spectacular location with outstanding wines and elegant dining.

Tasting room to sample award winning wines and talk with the winemaker and staff about their philosophy of combining old-world traditions with leading edge wine technology. Tasting Fee: \$8.00

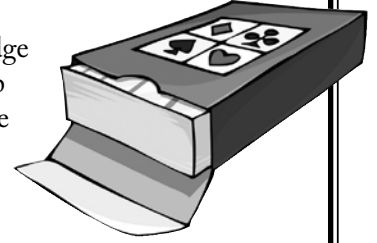


## BBCA Calendar of Events

- April 25**      **Community Yard Sale**  
9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Individual houses
- May 2**      **Progressive Dinner**  
5 - 10:30 p.m. Various homes in neighborhood
- June 7**      **Bonnie Brae Car Show**  
1 - 5:00 p.m. Starting at 5413 Southport Lane
- August 5**      **National Night Out**  
6 - 9 p.m. Hosts TBD
- September 19** **6th Annual Kinsey Dog Walk**  
9 - 11 a.m. Starting at 5413 Southport Lane
- September 20** **New Neighbor Welcome Party**  
4 - 7:30 p.m. Hosts Jim and Ellen Turbok  
5343 Black Oak Drive  
Come meet the newest residents of our wonderful neighborhood. Please bring a dish to share.
- October 31**    **Halloween Pot-Luck/  
Doggie Costume Parade**  
5 - 7:30 p.m. Hosts Danielle and Brandon Furlich  
5410 Southport Lane
- November 14** **Santa Paws**  
1 - 4 p.m. Hosts TBD  
Come and have your pet's picture taken with Santa.
- December 7**    **General Meeting/Holiday Party  
(annual elections)**  
7 - 9 p.m. Hosts Robin & Cliff Braverman  
10602 Fiesta Road  
Celebrate the year with your neighbors. Drinks and appetizers provided by the Bonnie Brae Board.
- December 14** **Santa on a Firetruck**  
2:00      Neighborhood streets in Bonnie Brae

## Women's Bridge Group

**We are in need** of some Bridge players. Several of our group have moved, and recently we have only had one table. It's a great time to get out for a few hours in the evening. No one is an expert ... the group is playing Bridge with a chance to get caught up on "news" in the community. Usually we meet on the first Thursday evening of the month starting at 7:15 pm at one of our houses.



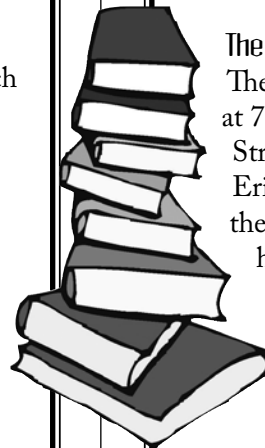
If you'd like to play, reintroduce yourself to the game, or learn to play Bridge, please call Gail Hamilton, 703-323-6493 or email at [hamiltog@mail.nih.gov](mailto:hamiltog@mail.nih.gov).

## BBCA Book Club

The Bonnie Brae Book Club meets once a quarter. The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 18, at 7:30, at the house of Lisa Travis, 10411 Pearl Street. We will be discussing "Thunderstruck" by Erik Larson, a fascinating nonfiction book about the development of communication systems and how it helped to solve a murder.

Come join the fun, even if you haven't had a chance to read the selection. We read a diverse diverse array of books, including fiction and nonfiction.

If you would like to receive announcements about Book Club, please contact Marty Beach at [martybeach@verizon.net](mailto:martybeach@verizon.net).



## Fill Your Freezer!

**This new activity** is perfect for the busy professional or parent who wants to stock up on meals, save time, and have fun preparing in the process!

The first Freezer Meal Night is **Thursday, March 26**, at the home of Susan Schiffler, 10521 Arrowood Lane.

Please RSVP at (703) 986-6967 or email [susan@livefairfax.com](mailto:susan@livefairfax.com). You'll be sent a list of ingredients needed for the night (there are two menus to choose from). Oil and spices are provided. When you leave, you will have six (\$62) or 10 (\$82) meals (plus your groceries, meat, and vegetables). Just pop them in the freezer, defrost when needed, and you've got dinner in the bag!

What a great way to save time and have fun doing it!

## 6th Annual Kinsey Dog Walk

In past five years BB dogs and owners have shown their caring nature by giving over 300 lbs of dog and cat food, 10 dozen towels, mountains of kitty litter, 30 blankets, and seven cases of dog and cat food. Seven dogs and walkers supported the cause in 2014. Many other generous neighbors dropped off donations and checks.

The Fairfax County Ani-Meals program is a pet food pantry which offers pet food and related pet care items to residents of Fairfax County and the surrounding area.



These donations help families who require assistance during these difficult economic times. This important program provides pet-related support for people who face financial difficulties or unforeseen situations such as job loss, illness or loss of the family's key provider. Pets provide a great source of comfort during difficult times, and keeping pets with their family benefits the family, the pet, and the general public (as fewer pets end up being surrendered to already-burdened shelters or rescue organizations. On designated days, pet food is distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

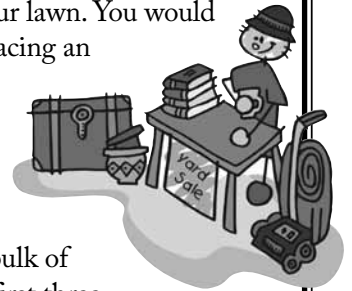
**Saturday, September 19, 2015, 9:00 AM.** We walk about nine square blocks starting at 5413 Southport Lane. Please bring a dog or cat food donation, good used blankets or towels, kitty litter, etc ... And dogs—even if you can't get your owner to hit the sidewalks, you can drop a donation off at 5413 Southport Lane.

No dog? No problem— we have extras!



## Community Yard Sale April 25

**SELL SELL SELL ... Happy spring cleaning!** It is time once again to gather all your former favorite belongings that have fallen out of favor. Clean and dust these items and price them to sell. Good rule: If you never want to see these items again price them **LOW**. The BBKA will advertise in Craig's List for three days prior to the sale. We will also list an ad in NEXT. Yard Sale signs will be posted around the area at the beginning of the week. The sale will go on, rain or shine. Indicate that you are having a sale by attaching a balloon on your mailbox or by placing something eye-catching on your lawn. You would gain an added advantage by placing an individual ad in Craig's List listing several items you want to sell. The hours of the sale are 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM, but many buyers arrive around 8:00 AM (or earlier) and the bulk of sales usually occur within the first three hours. So wipe the sleep from your eyes, grab that cup of coffee and smile as you face the day. If you plan on participating, please call Ellen (703) 250-2819 or email [eturbok@verizon.com](mailto:eturbok@verizon.com) so there are posted signs to direct traffic to your sale. Your address (no names) will be added to our Craig's list ad.



## Halloween Pot-Luck/ Doggie Costume Parade

**Saturday, October 31, 2015 from 5 to 7:30 PM**  
**Doggie Costume Parade, 5:30 to 6:00 PM**

Come in costume and be ready to celebrate! The festivities will be at Furlich home at 5410 Southport Lane. Hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks are provided; please bring a salad, vegetable or a dessert to share. A parade of costumed dogs will precede the party and are invited to stay around, perhaps to enjoy an "accidentally" dropped particle of food. Adults and youngsters typically attend this lively event before trick-or-treating. This annual party is a great way for neighbors to meet and enjoy each other's company. Thanks to Janet and Walter Oleszek and their cul-de-sac on Indigo Lane for hosting the 2014 event!

# Santa Paws returns to Bonnie Brae

**Saturday, November 14, 2015** from 1:00 to 4:00 PM  
Location To Be Determined

*Get those smiling Pet faces on your Holiday cards!*

Once again, Santa will be stopping at Bonnie Brae to pose with your special family members. Bring your four-legged and two-legged family members to meet Santa and be part of the picture! Sign up is every 15 minutes starting at 1:00 PM. Drop-ins are welcome, but it is better to schedule your time as appointments are served first. Photos can be sent to you by e-mail.



Make your reservations by November 6, 2015, by sending an email to [eturbok@verizon.net](mailto:eturbok@verizon.net) or in person at the Bonnie Brae Halloween Party.



# Disco Fever Progressive Dinner



**Get Down and Funky** with your best 70s look! Our annual progressive dinner will be on **Saturday, May 2** and this year it's a DISCO Fever 70s style party! Couples and singles are welcome, and this much-loved event is always the talk of the neighborhood.

There are two options for participants:  
Join the Appetizer, Main Meal or Dessert team – work with your team and prepare a dish to enjoy.  
Or if you want the night off from cooking, pay \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 per couple. Everyone is also asked to bring beer or wine for the dinner course.



The beauty of a progressive dinner is that you are able to walk between party locations. The schedule is:

**Appetizers** – 5:30–7:00, Ostroviak-Leaf, 5413 Southport Lane

**Main Meal** – 7:00–8:45, TBA

**Dessert** – 8:45–10:30, Bravermans, 10602 Fiesta Road

**Extra points for those who come in 70s fashion!**

**MEN:** Check out [DressThatMan.com](http://DressThatMan.com) for Funky authentic 70s clothes, skin-tight polyester pants, wild disco era big butterfly collar disco shirts in crazy print, flared pants, bellbottoms, 1970s leisure suits, platform shoes, and more.

**WOMEN:** Look for polyester pantsuits, colorful print polyester shirts, bell bottoms or flares, platform shoes, halter jumpsuits, hot pants, shiny satin tops, etc.

Please RSVP to Ellen Turbok at (703) 250-2819 or email [eturbok@verizon.com](mailto:eturbok@verizon.com). Party On!



## First Bonnie Brae Car Show

Sunday, June 7, 2015, from 1:00 to 5:00 PM  
Starting at 5413 Southport Lane

Bonnie Brae is the home of many vintage, cute, hot and fun cars! We are planning our first car show and are looking for cars and owners to participate. We will drive through the neighborhood twice, then park in the cul-de-sac near Woodglen Lake. We are also trying to get food trucks to stop by and sell sandwiches and ice cream.



Cars will meet up in front of 5413 Southport Lane at 12:30. A form will be sent out in May for owners to prepare some information on their "baby." Please be prepared to stay until 5:00 PM for the public viewing. Car owners will be invited to a happy hour from 5:00 – 7:00 PM to show our appreciation. If you or a friend with has a cool car to include, please contact [officers@bonniebrae.net](mailto:officers@bonniebrae.net).

## Seasonal holiday contests

### October Scarecrow Contest

Get your Scarecrow on Display! We have seen several creative scarecrows in our past "Scarecrow in Your Yard" contests. We have had Ghost bands, Zombees, Chef Witches, and friendly scarecrows, just to name a few. The winner will be announced at the Halloween party. So, to be included in the judging, try to get your scarecrow up and in place at least two weeks in advance.



### December Holiday Lights Contest

Each year Bonnie Brae has many seasonally-decorated homes, and we honor three winners with a \$25.00 prize. This year the judging will take place during the period of Dec. 15-18, 2015. Show off your holiday (and neighborhood) spirit and deck those halls and walls!

## Santa came to Bonnie Brae





# Getting Involved

## Our Bonnie Brae Community: *Please Renew Your Membership*

by Nancy Davis and Marty Beach

**We are a community** of approximately 300 homes on the east and west side of Sideburn Road. The Bonnie Brae Civic Association' goes back to 1973, and continues with very reasonable dues of only \$15 per year. Payment of dues runs with the calendar year, and we begin collecting them in January in order to provide all the services listed below. We offer activities that appeal to our neighbors and foster the sense of community. We always welcome new ideas and volunteers.

The Bonnie Brae Community Directory is printed biennially and is available to all paid members of the community association.

### **Your \$15 annual dues help support:**

- One printed newsletter in the spring (also available online at [bonniebrae.net](http://bonniebrae.net)) and fliers with event updates
- Community Directory published every two years
- Community Website: [bonniebrae.net](http://bonniebrae.net)
- Neighborhood Watch run by our volunteers on weekends
- Neighborhood yard sale (April)
- Progressive dinner (May)
- Bonnie Brae Car Show (June)
- National Night Out – potluck with neighbors to promote crime prevention (August)
- New Neighbor Welcome Party (September)
- Halloween Potluck (October); this year with a Scarecrow Contest!
- Open House/Tour of Homes – every other year
- Book Club (Quarterly)
- And More!

**We can't do this all without your cooperation** and participation! Please give your \$15 to your block captain (see list on page 12) or just mail it to: Bonnie Brae Civic Association, P.O. Box 336, Fairfax Station, VA 22039-0336.

## Keeping a Watchful Eye: Bonnie Brae Neighborhood Watch

By Nancy Davis

**2015 marks 19 years** of continuous service by our Bonnie Brae volunteers who are members of our Neighborhood Watch team. Many thanks from all of us to all of you who volunteer once a year to help keep our community safe.

Additional volunteers are always needed, and we invite you to consider this once-a-year volunteer commitment.

We use the online scheduling tool, Sign-Up Genius, so you can select the date most convenient for you (and change the date if needed). It is easy to use, and most importantly, safe and secure. You will not receive random emails from Sign-Up Genius, just one reminder a few days ahead of your commitment. Contact Nancy Davis for the link to our Bonnie Brae NHW Sign-Up Genius website.

### **What is involved in Bonnie Brae's Neighborhood Watch Program?**

- Choose the Friday or Saturday you are able to participate – just ONCE A YEAR!
- Patrol our neighborhood by car for only two hours, beginning at 10 p.m. Magnetic signs for your car identify you as our NWH volunteer
- Drive through all the streets in Bonnie Brae and both sides of Sideburn Road
- Enjoy a quiet, usually uninterrupted drive with your spouse or a friend
- Report any suspicious activity to the local police: **911** for emergencies; **(703) 691-2131** for non-emergencies
- Write a brief entry into the Log Book (usually "all quiet")
- Pass the NHW supply box with magnetic car signs, flashlights, log book, etc. to the next volunteer
- Receive the gratitude of all the families who reside in Bonnie Brae

While our community is generally quiet and crime-free, occasionally we do hear about incidents that get our attention, including vandalism, damage to cars parked outside, stolen holiday decorations, or thefts from an

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## Fireworks Safety in Bonnie Brae

**Bonnie Brae residents** love to celebrate the holiday with the use of fireworks! Think 4th of July and New Year's Eve. However, be kind to your neighbors, the dogs, and the sleeping children.

Fairfax County has a Fire Prevention Code that states that any firework, which explodes, emits a flame or sparks higher than 12 feet, or performs as a projectile is prohibited. Firecrackers, cherry bombs, and skyrockets are just a few examples of fireworks which may be purchased in other areas, but are illegal here. Since even the possession of unapproved fireworks is prohibited in Fairfax County, such items will be confiscated and the person possessing them can be charged with a Class 1 misdemeanor. This carries a maximum penalty of a \$2,500 fine and/or one-year in jail.

Many people are injured each year in Fairfax County due to fireworks. Some are injured seriously and left with permanent damage. Please adhere to the following safety tips:

- ✓ Only use legally purchased, approved fireworks for Fairfax County.
- ✓ When using approved fireworks, place them on a flat surface, clear of any combustible material and clear of all buildings.
- ✓ Keep all bystanders at least 25 feet away.
- ✓ Read the directions.
- ✓ Do not permit young children to handle or light fireworks or sparklers.
- ✓ Store fireworks in a cool, dry place.

### Neighborhood Watch *Continued from Page 8*

open garage. Neighborhood Watch is an effective program that contributes to preventing local crime. Because of our consistent participation in the NHW Program, Bonnie Brae has earned the respect of the Crime Prevention Section at our West Springfield District Station.

If you have questions or are interested in the link to sign up, email Nancy Davis at [ndavis2@cox.net](mailto:ndavis2@cox.net)

***To report something or someone suspicious, call the police non-emergency number (703) 691-2131. And remember to close your garage door each night.***

## Bonnie Brae parking update

**Under the BBCA charter**, BBCA is not authorized to have any cars, trucks, or vehicles removed. **ONLY** Fairfax County controls the removal of cars, trucks or vehicles on our Bonnie Brae streets.

Please take care of your street. If you think that any vehicle meet the criteria below, please proceed with a request to remove the vehicle by contacting the Fairfax County Traffic Division Impound Section or the Police Department.

### **Inoperable Vehicles**

Cars, trucks or vehicles that don't work may only be kept on a residential lot if stored in a garage or fully enclosed building. An inoperable vehicle is defined as one that:

- Does not start and move under its own power; or
- Does not display valid license plates; or
- Does not display a valid inspection decal or one that has been expired for more than 60 days.

For complaints about junk or inoperable vehicles on private property, contact the following departments:

**Five or less vehicles:** Police Department Traffic Division Impound Section, (703) 280-0716, TTY 711 or email - [FPCPJunkVehicle@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:FPCPJunkVehicle@fairfaxcounty.gov).

**Six or more vehicles:** Department of Code Compliance, (703) 324-1300, TTY 711.

For more information:

Call the Department of Code Compliance, (703) 324-1300, TTY 711

Read the Fairfax County VA County Code (Chapter 110)

### **Vehicles Blocking the Street**

Parking is allowed on both sides of narrow residential streets, but vehicles must be parked close to the curb and face the proper direction of travel.

Do note, however, that it is prohibited to park in a line fire lane, within 15 feet of a fire hydrant, within 20 feet of a crosswalk and within 30 feet of a stop sign.

For complaints, call the Police Department non-emergency phone number (703) 691-2131, TTY 711, and the police will investigate.

# Community News

## Update on Woodglen Lake

One Middleridge resident has been working tirelessly to ensure that adequate traffic measures are in place so the 50 to 60 dump trucks that will be entering and exiting the Zion Drive entrance to Woodglen Lake Park each day of the work phase of this long-term project do so safely. He could use all our support, since the lives of everyone using that road will be at greater risk.



*This is taken from Our Stories and Perspectives:  
Articles of interest from the Fairfax County Park Authority*

It's Woodglen Lake's turn.

In 2014, Huntsman Lake was drained for engineering work performed on the dam. There was nothing wrong with the dam. The lake's emergency spillway just needed to be upgraded to meet new state regulations. Since the water had to be drained to replace the riser as part of that project, the county took that opportunity to dredge the lakebed. Thirteen-acre Woodglen Lake in the headwaters of Pohick Creek is similar to Huntsman; however, Woodglen's emergency spillway was rehabilitated in

2010. The county plans to dredge Woodglen in 2015 as part of a project that will enhance the lake and surrounding site to make the lake more efficient at its job – trapping sediment. The changes also will make future maintenance dredging easier.

Just as at Huntsman before work began there, a fish save was conducted at Woodglen on November 11, 2014, to salvage as many Woodglen fish as possible. Ecologist Shannon Curtis of Fairfax County's Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES) says the vendor who provided the electro-fishing service had a beautiful day to work. "More than 550 adult fish and several hundred juveniles were captured. Bluegill dominated the sample at about 90 percent, with largemouth bass, crappie, red ear sunfish, banded killifish, a few minnows and a couple bullhead catfish rounding out the numbers," Curtis said. "There were some very surprisingly large predators in this little lake/pond."

Officials took photos of a pair of hefty largemouth bass and a crappie that topped three pounds. Most of the captured fish were transported to and released into Lake Accotink in Springfield. Curtis says there may be another attempt to move more Woodglen Lake fish in the spring of 2015.

Plans also call for Lake Royal to be dredged in the near future, but there's no time frame established. That project does not yet have a cost estimate, engineering design or a disposal site to put the spoils removed during the dredging.



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Meanwhile, Project Manager Matt Meyers of DPWES says the work at Huntsman Lake is complete and the water reached full pool again at 242 feet above sea level on the morning of Dec. 4, 2014. The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries began restocking the lake in November with an initial stocking of 8,100 bluegill, 5,400 red ear sunfish and 1,400 channel catfish fingerlings.

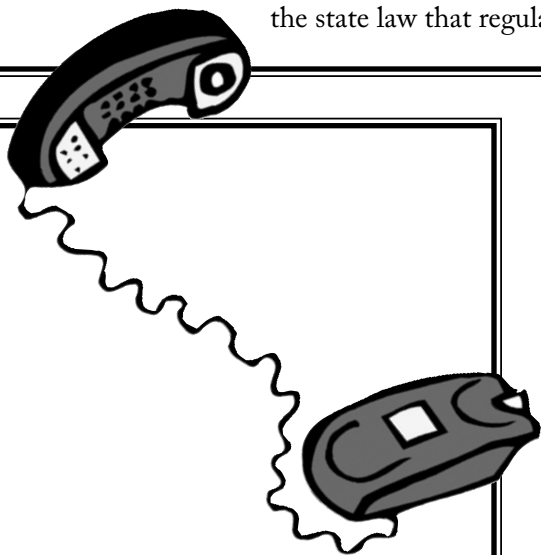
“The completion of the Huntsman Spillway rehabilitation project marks a major milestone,” Myers said. The wrap-up of work at Huntsman means that all five county lake dams that fall under the state law that regulates the

maintenance and operation of those facilities now meet current dam safety requirements.

Woodglen project partners are Fairfax County and the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District. For more information about the project, contact the county’s Braddock District Office at 703-425-9300, TTY 711.

More background on the Woodglen project is available on the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service website.

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## General Information and Where to Get Help

**Inoperable vehicle on your street?**  
(703) 280-0587

**Commercial vehicles parked on residential areas?**  
(703) 324-1300

**Fairfax County Non-emergency?**  
(703) 691-2131

**Donate your car or truck?**  
(800) 95-TRUCK. Free towing!

**Report streetlight outages?** (888) 667-3000



## Spring Book Sale sponsored by Friends of Burke Centre Library

**March 18-21, 2015**

The Friends of the Burke Centre Library sponsor several book sales each year, with all profits going to support Burke Centre Library (and all the county libraries). Books are priced to sell with most hardbacks \$2, paperbacks \$.50- \$1, children’s books \$.50- \$2. Books range from novels, to biographies, military history, cookbooks, crafts, children’s books, travel—all topics!

*Join us for the next sale:*

**Wednesday, March 18, from 3:00-6:00 PM:** Preview Sale (open to all current members of Burke Library Friends; become a member before or on 3/18 for just \$5 per year)

**Thursday, March 19, from 1:00-9:00 PM:** Open to the public

**Friday, March 20, from 10:00 AM-6:00 PM:** Open to the public

**Saturday, March 21, from 10:00 AM-5:00 PM:** Open to the public

If you have books at home that you’d like to clear out, considering dropping them off at Burke Centre Library any time during the year. Donations are tax deductible, so be sure to pick up a donation slip.

To find dates and times for all Friends book sales at all the library branches, go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/events/> and click on book sales. Further questions? Contact Nancy Davis, Membership Chair for Friends of Burke Library.

# BBCA Financial Report

as of January 31, 2015

**Bank Balance as of 1/1/2015** \$5,379.21

## Income

Membership Dues \$150.00  
Community Parking District Donations  
Newsletter and Directory Ad Sales  
Miscellaneous Income

**Total Income** \$150.00

## Expenses

### Administration

Bank Account Deposit Slip Order  
Bank Fee  
Bank Deposit Correction Fee  
P.O. Box Rental

**Subtotal** \$0.00

### Communications

Phone Directories  
Door bag Purchase  
Flyer/Newsletter Printing  
Sign Purchase  
Website

**Subtotal** \$0.00

### Community Safety & Maintenance

#### Community Parking District

Neighborhood Watch  
Sign Maintenance  
Yard Clean-Up Dumpsters  
Yard Sale

**Subtotal** \$0.00

### Annual Social Activities

Home Tour  
Progressive Dinner  
Lake Day Party  
National Night Out Party  
Welcome Party  
Halloween Party  
Santa Ride  
Christmas Light Contest \$25.00

**Subtotal** \$25.00

**Total Expenses** \$25.00

**Bank Balance to date** \$5,504.21

## Market Place

If you would like to advertise in the Market Place, please send your listing/info to [fiestagal28@yahoo.com](mailto:fiestagal28@yahoo.com). Please title your e-mail: BBCA Market Place. If you prefer, you can mail your info to: BBCA, P.O. Box 336, Fairfax Station, VA 22039-0336.

### Babysitting and Pet Sitting:

Emma Puranen, (703) 250-2872  
Yatah Zama, (703) 425-3297  
Sarah McKay, (703) 266-2130 (RC)

RC = Red Cross Certified

# JOIN NOW!

Sideburn Run Recreation Association,  
Swimming Pool

### Reasons to join:

Beat the summer heat with good 'clean' fun  
Free Wi-Fi (don't work at home this summer, work at the pool!)  
Close-by convenience – put dinner in the oven and have an hour of pool time  
Both teams schedule fun weekly activities, along with daily practices – keeps those out-of-school students busy – and weekly competitions.  
Free grills for cookouts; overhead pavilion available for parties  
Little ones? We have a shaded kiddy pool with pool-side picnic tables

*Both Summer and Bond Memberships available*

Conveniently located around the corner at 10603 Zion Drive

Check the Sideburn Run website at <http://sideburnrun.com/>

**Grab your friends and towels, and get ready for a great summer!**

**See you all at the pool!**

# Who is your Block Captain?

Your Block Captain delivers your quarterly newsletters and additional info flyers throughout the year, rain, shine, sleet and snow. He or she is also a wealth of information about community happenings.

All praise to the BB Block Captain!!

Find your street leader on the list below.

<b>B.B.C.A. SECTION LEADERS AND BLOCK CAPTAINS - 2014</b>			
<b>SECTION I</b>	<b>SECTION II</b>	<b>SECTION III</b>	<b>SECTION IV</b>
<b>LEADER:</b> 10511 Indigo Lane 703-408-4001	<b>LEADER:</b> 5509 Fireside Court 703-543-6571	<b>LEADER:</b> 5420 Masser Lane 703-250-0345	<b>LEADER:</b> 5409 Sideburn Rd. 703-250-9642
<b>BLOCK CAPTAINS:</b>	<b>BLOCK CAPTAINS:</b>	<b>BLOCK CAPTAINS:</b>	<b>BLOCK CAPTAINS:</b>
<b>Black Oak (14) even 5320-48 + prvt dr</b> Tracy James 5342 Black Oak Dr. 703- 266-2130	<b>ACACIA LANE (16)</b> Pat D'Alessandro 10518 Acacia Lane 703-250-9760	<b>AYLOR RD. - SOUTH (17)</b> Jill Turosz 10403 Pearl St. 240-447-2323	<b>AYLOR RD. - NORTH (13)</b> Lee Dale 5348 Aylor Rd. 703-425-5696
<b>Black Oak (13) south 5349</b> Ann Muller 5355 Black Oak Dr. 703-239-0506	<b>ARROWOOD ST (15)</b> Vacant Position	<b>FYFE COURT (13)</b> Diane Ringer 10419 Fyfe Ct. 703-250-1536	<b>CRISTFIELD CT. (13)</b> Cathy Gulac 5347 Cristfield Ct. 703-323-6694
<b>INDIGO &amp; ALLERTON (18)</b> Linda Aldave 10511 Indigo Ln. 703-408-4001	<b>FIESTA &amp; SOUTHPORT (NORTH) (15)</b> Nancy Davis & Robin Braverman Fiesta	<b>JENNIFER (EVEN) &amp; SIDEBURN (ODD) (14)</b> Ann Riege 5409 Sideburn Rd. 703-250-9642	<b>HOLLYOAK &amp; JENNIFER (ODD) (16)</b> James Chu 5347 Jennifer Dr. 571-278-6909
<b>ZION &amp; SIDEBURN (23) even</b> from pool to school Need Captain VACANT	<b>SOUTHPORT (SOUTH) &amp; FIRESIDE (16)</b> Evala Bailey 5509 Fireside Ct. 703-543-6571	<b>ALL NELLIE WHITE (15)</b> Laura Harrington 10403 Nellie White	<b>JENNIFER (EVEN) &amp; SIDEBURN (ODD) (19)</b> Judy Cooper 5351 Sideburn Rd. 703-239-9337
<b>Black Oak (14) odd 5321 &amp; prvt driv</b> Jim Turbok 5343 Black Oak Dr. 703- 250-2819	<b>SOUTHPORT (CENTER) (14)</b> Margaret Pontzer 5406 Southport Lane 703-250-0273	<b>PEARL ST (17)</b> Cathy Brudvig 10408 Pearl St. 703-250-5803	
		<b>MASSER LANE (10)</b> Ilona Maiwand 5420 Masser Lane 703-250-0345	
<b>total = 305 homes</b>			