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The Board is pleased to announce that we have a new Board member, Anne Gillis. Pursuant to Article IV, Section 6 of the Bylaws, Anne was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board, and will serve until the Annual Meeting in October, at which time she will run for a full three-year term. By way of introduction to the community at large, Anne moved to Arlington in 1976 and to the Meadows in '78. Raised in Newport News, she was a high school teacher in Richmond, and is now retired from the Congressional Research Service at the Library of Congress, where she was a research librarian. She enjoys reading, traveling, history, genealogy research, and keeping up with her seven grand nieces and nephews. Anne also serves on the Buildings and Grounds Committee. We welcome Anne to the Board and look forward to working with her.

The terms of two other Board members will expire in October. Co-owners interested in serving on the Board should indicate their interest no later than August, when preparations for the Annual Meeting are underway, in order to have their name placed on the ballot. Nominations are also taken from the floor. Thanks to Bill Russell for the time he spent serving the community as a Board member.

POOL:

Back in March, the Board filed a Water Recreation Facility License Application for operation of the main and wading pools. Also in March, the Pool Permit Authorization was signed, authorizing Community Pool Service to obtain the County health permit and to spend up to \$300.00 for electrical repairs, if needed, to pass the electrical inspection. At the end of last pool season, Craig and Ricky removed the floor mats from the restrooms and power-washed them, and now they look like new. They also cleaned and repainted the concrete floors underneath and painted on a border. We also replaced the water fountain and made a few other purchases: a hose reel; tops for the two large trash cans, which were chewed up by squirrels last season; cornhole bean bags; bungee cords, which we use to hold the umbrellas tight against the wind; and a set of filters. The ping pong paddle holders attached to the table got broken last year, so Craig removed them. Ping pong equipment and basketballs are available from the lifeguards;

SEEKING POOLSIDE PICASSO!

Are you an artist? Would you like to design a mural to perk up the pool restrooms? If your answer to both of these questions is "yes," please contact either Pool Committee Chair Tracey McGovern (571) 214-9049 or Board Pool Liaison John Sitton (571) 312-5147 to discuss your idea.

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please return to them when done, and please return toys to the bin or basket so they don't find their way into the skimmers or interfere with other swimmers. We were told last year that in addition to the bungee cords, paper products also were disappearing. All of these items are purchased from Association funds, and should not be removed for personal use. Also, please remember that ALL glass has been banned from the pool, including serving pieces, as well as beer and wine bottles and glasses. Alcohol may be consumed at the pool, but must be contained in plastic or other non-breakable material. The Pool Rules were revised and redrafted by the Pool Committee, so be sure to read them over carefully. Recreation Cards will be issued to residents in good standing. The Committee has a lot of fun social events planned throughout the summer, so be sure to check out the schedule and mark your calendar.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS:

Verizon continues with its installation of FiOS on the property. It appears that they are being pretty careful, but no project is without its problems. During the course of the work, a few cable lines have been cut, leaving some without internet service, including the maintenance shop; they even cut at least one of their own wires, which was not in the location where it was marked. They also cut the lines to the lights in Court 13, but Craig reported that they did a good job on the repair, and one sidewalk panel near the playground was broken and later replaced (after several calls from Craig). Much of the work is being done by hand-digging with shovels and pickaxes. They have done a good job refilling and tamping down the holes made while burying the conduits, but now some of the in-ground junction boxes have been sinking a bit. We expect this may continue for a while as the ground settles (this will happen any time a hole is dug), so if you notice this anywhere, please let management or the maintenance crew know so we can have Verizon address the problem by adding additional "fill." The in-ground boxes are large, but they're flush to the ground and green, so once the grass grows up around them, they shouldn't be too obtrusive, unlike the Comcast box covers that are above-ground and frequently left askew, with protrusions of wires. Many residents thought FiOS would be the "end all," but others are complaining about the in-ground boxes, the grey conduits running through patios, and the brown downspout-like covers on the B-buildings. It's not a wireless system, and fiber optic cable isn't as flexible as copper, so it's placed inside protective conduits. Maybe one day everything will be wireless and we can get rid of all the boxes, but until then, these are the installation methods. We would have preferred that the pipes not be attached to the fences, but it shouldn't take much effort to remove the fasteners and then re-attach them to new fence posts, if and when that should become necessary. The pipes aren't buried because later the technicians would have to dig in order to hook up the service. Some have asked about the "ties" on the fences, and those are for pulling the wires through the conduits. Residents of the lower B-building units will want

to be careful around the brown aluminum conduits, as they are easily dented. The Board will be contacting Verizon to request some sort of timeline as to when they expect installation of the infrastructure to be complete and residents can sign up for the service.

A Comcast installation was recently called to the Board's attention, which made us absolutely cringe. The photo showed a hole through the brick into the unit. Adding insult to injury (holes should be made through the mortar, not the bricks), there were two cables going into the hole, with no evidence of even an attempt at grouting, plus an entire half of the brick had been carelessly broken off the building. This is not only aesthetically displeasing and has caused serious damage, it also could lead to water infiltration into the unit. We entered into an agreement with Comcast back in 2008, which includes very specific installation instructions. If you are contemplating a new Comcast hook-up, or if you have an improper one that you'd like brought into compliance, please review the agreement on the website, and discuss it with the installer. We cannot continue to allow this type of irresponsible damage to our buildings. Insist on a proper installation, because it is nearly impossible to get Comcast's subs to come back and make things right.

MAINTENANCE ITEMS:

- Exterior doors that could not be completed in last year's painting cycle (Courts 1, 2, 11, 12 and 13) are being painted now. It got too cold last fall for the paint to dry properly and for residents to keep their doors ajar to allow for sufficient time for drying.
 - It's a good idea to place covers over your window wells to help keep water out, especially during periods of heavy rain. Plexiglass cut to fit is a good solution. It can take the weight of someone stepping on it without breaking, and it's heavy enough so it won't blow away in the wind or require bricks to hold it down.
 - A sunken sidewalk panel on a walkway leading to someone's front porch was repaired. Residents are asked to please report such problems so they can be taken care of.
 - Craig and Ricky also noticed that one of the supports on the bench at the playground was rotting through, and replaced that. They are always looking out for us and for ways to improve the property. We "second" Sabiha's comment that "You guys are awesome!" and another: "Great catch, guys! Thanks for continuing to keep the place running well, safely and smoothly."
 - The maintenance crew receives periodic safety training; the latest subject covered was working outside in the heat and the need for proper hydration. Our insurance company appreciates that we do this, and we believe it helps with our premiums.
 - During a recent inspection of B-buildings, a huge hole was discovered in a basement ceiling adjacent to the water shut-off door. The hole was so large that the structural beam was showing! We're not sure how that happened; possibly there was a water leak from above. It appeared that an attempt had been made to repair the surrounding area, so
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someone was aware of it. Again, please alert the maintenance crew to these types of issues so they can be repaired before they become even more problematic.

- Kudos to the resident who *did* call one in: someone noticed that soil had eroded from beneath a sidewalk and notified Craig, who took care of it. If left unchecked, this could have caused that section of sidewalk to be compromised and possibly collapse.

- And one more: residents noticed that their sump pump was seeing a little too much action, and suggested to the Board that there may be a broken pipe. Sure enough, once the area was excavated, there it was. The Meadows is a big property, and problems needing attention may not be spotted right away, so these last two examples are exactly the type of help we appreciate from residents.

- Please remember that Craig and Ricky's hours are from 6:00 to 3:00 only. Please do not contact them after hours on their cell phones. Instead, call the shop at (703) 820-6799 and leave a message. In the event of an ACTUAL emergency, contact CMC at (301) 446-2635. A reminder that we are charged \$25.00 *per call* to the emergency number, so please do not call with random questions. During normal business hours, CMC's main number is (703) 631-7200.

RECYCLING:

Please recycle! It's disheartening to see so much recyclable material placed in the trash. Consider this: it's possible to turn a metal can back into a new can almost endlessly! Items may be placed out on Tuesday once Capitol has dropped off the bins. Collection takes place on Wednesday, following the trash collection.

Some recycling dos and don'ts:

- It seems like it's always windy on recycling day. Please be sure to properly secure newspapers (tied with string or in paper bags) and other items so they don't end up trashing the property. We can't expect Capitol to run down every piece of recycling that has been blown around, so if you notice items that have found their way into the bushes or parking lots, it would be appreciated if you could help by collecting them and placing them back with the recycling.

- Don't recycle dirty paper, like paper towels or tissues, paper plates, or pizza boxes. (You can tear off the clean top of the pizza box and recycle it, and dispose of the greasy bottom.)

- Don't put in teeny, tiny pieces of broken glass, which can get embedded in other materials. Put them in the garbage.

- You can recycle films and wraps along with your plastic

grocery bags. Dry-cleaning film, the wrap your toilet paper or paper towels came in, even Ziploc bags - as long as it's clean and dry, it can be recycled at many major grocery chains.

- Household electronics, which can contain hazardous and toxic materials, often end up in landfills and incinerators. The County's hazmat facility is located at 530 31st Street, S., and accepts drop-offs most Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and M-F by appointment. It's quick and easy, and it feels good knowing you're doing the right thing for the environment. Google "Arlington County Recycling" for everything you need to know about recycling in the County.

- Also, MOM's Organic Market on Mt. Vernon Avenue has a new recycling center inside their entryway. In addition to the usual plastic bags, they accept: baby food pouches, snack bags, power and energy bar wrappers, natural corks, shoes, batteries, Brita filters, beverage pouches, sunglasses and eyeglasses, and wellness and beauty items. You also can donate your old cell phone. Staples will take your empty printer ink cartridges, and if you have their Rewards card, they'll even give you "credit" for them! Win-win.

REMINDERS:

- Vehicles may remain parked in un-numbered, unassigned parking spaces for a maximum of 72 hours. This keeps the spaces in "rotation" and gives everyone a fair chance to use them.

- Please do not allow your pets to urinate on the black light posts, as that corrodes them at the base.

- It was noticed recently that there is black char on the exterior bricks in someone's patio, which could signify that a grill was used too close to the building. Please keep grills a safe distance away from buildings and patio fences to avoid the possibility of a fire.

- We recently spent over \$7,000.00 for a single instance of emergency plumbing, water extraction, and sewage mitigation services. This is not chump change, folks! PLEASE remember that the only items that should be flushed are human and pet waste, nothing else. This is money that could be put to much better use elsewhere, and money that comes directly out of your pocket via your condo fees. When our plumber snaked the line, he found tissues. Tissues do not break down like toilet paper and should not be flushed. Also, an improper plumbing repair was found to have been done in the unit at some point in time. In this case, the contractor used black flexible downspout material rather than a proper PVC or copper pipe. Residents should always use only

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MAKE A SPLASH WITH THE POOL COMMITTEE

Summer is here, and that means it's POOL TIME! A big THANK YOU to all the residents who participated in the pool survey at the end of the 2016 season. The pool committee, recommended several changes for 2017 based on feedback from the survey that were approved by the Board. We hope these changes will help to make the pool even more inviting and a fun place to relax and socialize this summer. Here are some of the top requests from the survey: shade, no smoking, longer hours, more socials, social calendar delivered with rec card applications, movie night, and a hot tub. Thanks to the mad skills of Craig and Ricky . . . WE HAVE SHADE! We now have shade by the kiddie pool and the grassy area closest to the tennis courts. You'll also notice some beautiful new wooden benches around the pool, also compliments of Craig.

We hope everyone received the social calendars with their pool applications. We added additional socials to address the diverse requests of residents, and we definitely need "social only" volunteers! So, please check out the dates and email: meadowspool@gmail.com to let us know when you want to help. We're lucky enough to have our favorite local band, DEMZ, playing on June 30th! Another new, family friendly event this year is Movie Night on August 5th. The pool committee is open to adding additional socials if more residents want to pitch in and volunteer! And to the person who lobbied for the hot tub on the pool survey, we admire your tenacity . . . but it's a no-go this year. And, finally, the rule that an overwhelming number of Meadows residents requested . . . NO SMOKING. Signs will be posted and it will be enforced. Please be a good neighbor and don't smoke at the pool.

We added another volunteer to the pool committee, welcome Jen Bhartiya! In addition, several residents have signed up to help with socials this year including some for the first time. We are thrilled to have more helping hands and will be sure to acknowledge everyone by name at the end of the season.

TENNIS NEWS

Reserved weekend play began on Saturday May 6, 2017. A sign-up sheet will be posted by 7:30 am each Saturday and Sunday through October 1, 2017. Residents 16 years or older may reserve a court for one hour by printing their full name and unit number on the sign-up sheet. **There is a limit of one hour per unit, per day.** If the person who signed up for the court doesn't commence play within ten minutes after the hour, he/she will forfeit the court to those present.

On weekdays, court time is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Two players must be present to establish their place in line when waiting for a court. One player alone cannot hold a place in line. Before starting play, set the bulletin board clock to indicate your starting time and place your Recreation Pass (a/k/a pool pass) in the corresponding holder. **If you fail to indicate your starting time OR fail to display your Recreation Pass in the holder, you must vacate the court at the request of waiting players.** After one hour (singles), you must vacate the court if others are waiting to play. Doubles play may continue for two consecutive hours, **provided** that two residents have their Recreation Passes on display.

REMINDER: The periodic resurfacing of our tennis courts is a considerable investment by the community. Please help us maintain the integrity of the new surface by using the courts for **ONE activity – TENNIS. ALL OTHER ACTIVITY IS PROHIBITED.** Players must wear TENNIS shoes or athletic shoes with NON-MARKING SOLES. Improper use may result in forfeiture of recreation privileges (including pool usage). Please respect these rules so that we obtain the maximum return on our investment—years of enjoyment with minimal wear and tear.

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licensed and insured contractors, and have work inspected by the County, as needed. The price for a permit is miniscule compared to the costs and inconvenience associated with a sewer backup! Cutting corners, especially on something as important as proper plumbing, is never the way to go. Many thanks to Craig for helping to handle the remediation for the sewer backup, which occurred on a Sunday.

- During periods of heavy rain, please refrain from using household appliances that are heavily water-dependent, such as your clothes washer and dishwasher, and even excess flushing. Too much water going into the pipes all at once can lead to a sewer backup for either you or your neighbor. As we said, sewer backups are a huge and costly mess!

- Please do not put pushpins into the side of the Little Free Library - it's not a bulletin board. Punching holes in it will allow water to penetrate the wood, and it won't last as long.

- Please do not toss items over your patio fence into the common area. The Board recently instructed management to contact two residents about this issue, when we received complaints from neighbors, and a third, who deposited extra construction materials from a patio project behind his unit. The common areas are meant to be shared and enjoyed by all; they are not a personal dumping ground, and it's not up to the maintenance crew or anyone else to clean up after you, so please be courteous and dispose of your trash in the proper manner. Thank you for your cooperation.

- Don't let pots collect stagnant water where mosquitoes can breed. To dispatch mosquitoes, try "Mosquito Dunks" (online and at garden centers) to safely kill larvae in birdbaths, and Terminix AllClear Mosquito Bait & Kill," (non-toxic, safe to use around people, pets and food).

- Renovation projects in excess of \$1,000.00 require *prior* Board review. This also allows the Board to connect with the homeowner to ensure that the proposed work is in compliance with our governing documents. For instance, an incorrect window was recently discovered, and had to be replaced, which caused inconvenience (and possibly additional cost) to the homeowner. Also, many replacement window contracts call for the exterior woodwork to be "capped," but that is not allowed in the Meadows, so reviewing the contract in advance allows us the chance to remind the homeowner of this prohibition in the documents.

- The Board received an email from a resident concerning both excessive noise and personal items in the common areas. On this person's behalf, we would ask that residents please be considerate of their neighbors. Living as close together as we do, and even sharing walls and hallways, we have to remember that our actions have a direct effect on others and can even affect someone else's quality of life. Many times, residents are hesitant to say anything and instead contact the Board, but these types of issues fall under the category of "neighbor-to-neighbor," so we therefore encourage cooperation and courtesy on the part of everyone.

GENERAL:

- Per the recommendation of the Arlington County Police Department, "No Trespassing" signs were posted in B-buildings to deter a certain individual from continually trespassing on the property. In addition, a new light was added near the maintenance shop/pool entrance, where he has been observed drinking and loitering. The new light also will provide extra safety and security, as the area back there was quite dark at night. If you notice any suspicious persons inside the B-buildings or in any common areas, please call the police immediately.

- Residents are asked not to engage with contractors hired by the Association (grounds maintenance, emergency repair personnel, painters, etc.). They cannot take direction from individuals, so if you have a question or problem, please contact management.

SO WHAT ELSE IS NEW?

The County installed a bench and a new trash can on the corner of S. Utah and 34th Street. The trash can was placed about ten feet from one that was already there, so we removed the older one.

In response to the requests of many in the community, including a mention at the Annual Meeting, the Board passed Policy Resolution No. 02-15-17, "Smoking Prohibitions in Common Areas," which can be found on the website. The Resolution also was posted on our Facebook page, and received over 400 views in just the first few days. All comments have been positive, with the exception of one email to the Board, whose author did not support the policy. "No Smoking" signs have been posted

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Dangers of English Ivy on Brick Walls and Patio Fences

English ivy is such an invasive plant, it is banned in some communities. Very quickly it can take over a brick wall or a wooden patio fence causing damage to both. Ivy roots can penetrate cracks in the wood grain increasing the risk of rot. Even worse, ivy can harbor wood destroying insects and other pests. The tiny hair like tendrils will take a firm hold on the wood surface leaving a hard to remove and unsightly residue behind.

Please check your patio fence and back brick wall and remove all ivy as soon as possible. It is best to pull it up by the roots. Bag the debris and put the bag out with your garbage. Thank you for your help to keep ivy under control in our community.

Buildings and Grounds Update

by Judi Garth and Chuck Edwards

SPRING CLEANUP

- Beds and grounds were cleaned of leaves and debris and mulch added to beds.

FLOWERS AT CIRCLE

- Red begonias planted at the points.

SPRING PLANTING

- New shrubs planted to replace ones damaged by snow and where trees were removed. Residents living in those areas were given watering instructions for these new plantings.
- Now is the time for residents to turn on the water to the outside front faucets for others to use. Remember water expenses are covered by our condo fees.

WATERING TIPS FOR SHRUBS AND SMALL TREES

- During extremely hot summer weather with little rain, shrubs and small trees that show signs of stress (wilted or brown leaves) need to be watered at least 2-3 times a week.
- The best method is to water in early morning or evening for 30-40 minutes with a slow trickle from a hose. If a hose is not available, use a gallon milk container or bucket to gently pour several gallons of water at the trunk area of the tree or shrub.
- Light frequent watering only encourages weed growth. It doesn't help the tree or shrub and is a waste of water.
- Thank you for helping keep these investments alive and our community beautiful.

ENVIROMENTAL ENHANCEMENTS CONTRACT FOR SPRING, SUMMER AND FALL

- Apply controls for weeds 3 times
- Aerate, fertilize and reseed lawns in fall
- Prune shrubbery 3 times
- Prune ornamental trees once
- Remove leaves 3 times late fall and early winter
- Mow lawns when requested by B&G Committee based on weather
- Sidewalks edged every other mowing

PATIO CLEAN-UP

- Maintenance of patio is resident's responsibility.
- Dead trees and or shrubs must be removed by the resident.
- Branches hanging over roofs or gutters must be removed.
- Bushes or trees damaging fences must be pruned.
- Open containers collecting water must be removed to prevent mosquito breeding.
- All trash and plant debris must be bagged and put out for regular trash pickup by the resident. Large items may be put out on the first Saturday of each month which is the designated large pickup day.
 - *It is not Craig and Ricky's responsibility to pick up trash left behind patios by residents.*

NO NO NO GRASS WATERING

- Watering grass is a waste of water.
- Water is the single largest expense in the condominium budget.
- In dry weather grass becomes dormant, but it will revive when it rains.
- It is much more important to water the shrubs and small trees during dry weather.

PERSONAL PROPERTY IN FRONT BEDS

- Personal items such as lights, statues, fountains, bird baths, etc. belong inside patios - not in front flower beds.
- Store strollers, bicycles and other other riding toys in the patio when not in use.
- Decorative items and plantings not approved by the B&G Committee such as vegetables become the property of the condominium.

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Did you know that if a contractor bids or performs a job in excess of \$1,000.00 in any county, city or town in the State of Virginia, that (s)he must have a valid Virginia Contractor's License? To find out if your contractor is licensed, go to <http://www.dpor.virginia.gov/LicenseLookup/>

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- Summer annuals and bulbs may be planted in the front beds.
- Annuals may also be planted in pots for the front porch, but store empty pots inside the patio and not behind the patio fence.
- Check the Meadows' Rules of Conduct, article VII, Section 9 on the Meadows' website for more information.

WE LOVE DOGS, BUT...

Please keep your dogs out of the front beds, away from plants.

MANY THANKS

To residents who faithfully watered the new plantings during the hot summer of 2016

THE B&G COMMITTEE WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

- All meetings begin at 7:30 pm and end at 8:30 pm. on the first Wednesday of the month.
- There are no meetings in July or August.
- Please check the Meadows website for future meeting places.
- Contact Chuck Edwards at c-d@comcast.net or Judi Garth at judigarth@comcast.net if you have landscaping questions.

THE MEADOWS' RULES OF CONDUCT Section 7, PATIOS, part (a)

-“The interior of the patios must be kept free of high weeds, trash, and any odorous or unsightly objects that would constitute a hazard or nuisance. If this occurs, and after due notice to the unit’s residents and owner no action is taken, the Board may cause the offensive objects to be removed and disposed of, at the sole expense of the unit owner.”

-We are specially concerned with trees and shrubbery that hit the patio fence, the building and/or roof, causing damage.

-All of us should understand that the appearance of our patios affects our neighbors and that vegetation that damages any structure results in an expense for all of us.

How to Rid Your Patio of Mosquitos

The most effective measure against mosquitos is the early season removal of breeding sites. Patrol your patio for possible locations, which include undrained containers, plastic toys and play equipment, soda cans, stored boats, flower pots, and anywhere rainwater can sit for more than a few days. Make a point of searching for such sites once a week.

Thanks to Adrian Higgins of the Washington Post

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inside the pool enclosure, in the pool restrooms, and adjacent to other common recreational areas.

LOOKING BACK A BIT . . . With temperatures most days above normal, and mid-March fast approaching, we thought we were out of the woods with the possibility of snowfall. Unfortunately (depending on your perspective) Mother Nature had other plans, and dropped 4” of snow on the region. We were very (very!) happy when our new plowing contractor, Cutter Landscapes, came through for us with flying colors. Craig had confirmed with Cutter in advance of the snow that “all systems are go.” He and Ricky put out red markers to identify the locations of court signs and snow dump areas; they had the snowblowers gassed up and bags of ice melt at the ready, and they worked their butts off for the next few days, clearing snow and ice. In addition to the “inside” property, we are also required to clear the adjacent sidewalk on Quaker Lane. By the time the guys were able to get to it, that walkway was so frozen solid that it was virtually impossible to clear right away. They applied ice melt to the entire length, then returned the next day to have at it again and were able to finally get it cleared. It hadn’t helped that the County plowed huge piles of snow up onto the sidewalk, making it that much more impassable. One resident declared Craig and Ricky “rockstars,” and said she didn’t know how just the two of them did it all. The Board received no complaints from residents – unlike the hundreds of emails we received during the winter 2016 plowing debacle!

We hope everyone had a delightful spring, and we’ll see you at the pool!

Respectfully submitted,

John Thurber, Board President

RECYCLING REMINDERS

by Judi Garth

Capitol Services who provides our trash pick-up also provides our recycling every Wednesday. Here is the latest list from their website on what **NOT TO RECYCLE**.

DO NOT RECYCLE paper plates and napkins or other items like pizza boxes that are contaminated with food. **EMPTY AND RINSE ALL FOOD AND LIQUIDS** from plastic containers, waxed cardboard milk and fruit juice containers, aluminum, beverage and other metal cans (no need to remove labels from cans). **FOOD CONTAMINATION CAN CAUSE AN ENTIRE BATCH OF COMMINGLED RECYCLABLES TO BE REJECTED!!**

DO NOT RECYCLE

PLASTIC FOOD TRAYS AND CUPS,
CLAMSHELL CONTAINERS
LIGHT BULBS,
MIRRORS,
WINDOW GLASS,
CERAMICS,
BATTERIES,
POTTERY,
POTS AND PANS,
STYROFOAM,
BROKEN GLASS OR ANYTHING ELSE MADE OF GLASS.
PLASTIC BAGS (recycle at most grocery stores)

If unsure about an item, it is best to follow this rule “When in doubt, throw it out.”

Your cooperation with these rules is greatly appreciated!

For more information on recycling go to the Meadows website. Additional guidelines about what is and is not recyclable can be found in the Meadows Resident Manual - Appendix H.

You may also contact Capitol Services at 703-998-5860 or check their website for specifics on what can and cannot be recycled: www.capitolsofva.com/Recycling.html

PACKAGES PURLOINED

A resident recently reported to the Board that while driving home one day she saw a young woman removing packages from porches in the Glen. She stopped and watched the woman, and called the police. At least four homes were “hit” and although the police did not arrive in time to make an arrest, the witness was able to provide excellent details regarding the woman’s appearance and vehicle, as she had bravely followed the perpetrator for a time but lost her in the Bradlee Shopping Center, where she slipped away after realizing she was being observed. The woman is described as young, possibly in her 20s, average build and height, with long dark brown or black hair. At the time, she was wearing a puffy dark-colored parka with an oversized hood trimmed with faux fur. It was the coat that first drew attention, as it was a warm day. After this incident was reported, a number of residents posted comments on social media that they hadn’t received packages that were reportedly delivered. In light of these apparent larcenies, residents may wish to make other arrangements for receiving packages.

Community Directory

For the most up-to-date information:
www.fairlington.org/meadowsindex.htm

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For Board meeting minutes, visit our website, see the bulletin board at the corner of the tennis court near the pool house, or contact Sabiha Noorzai-Barbour.

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