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# City Park Citizen

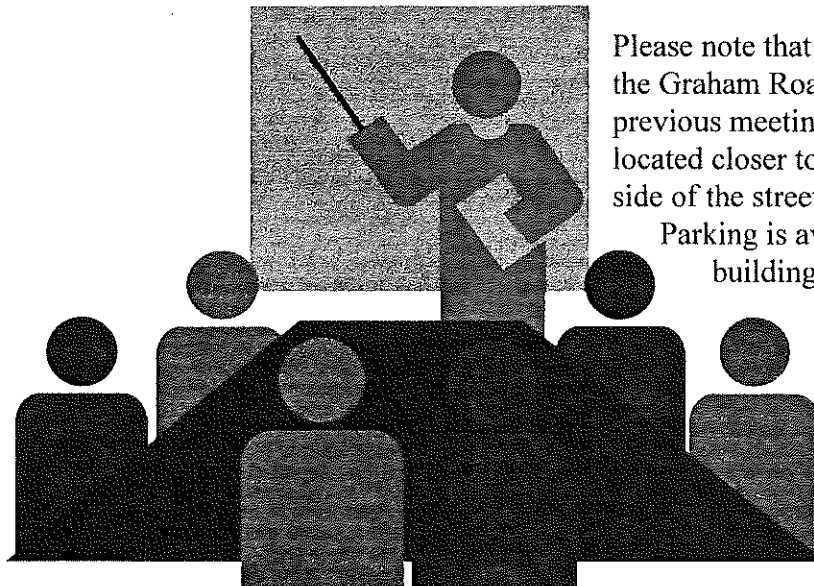
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## **General Meeting on Nov. 10 Will Address Roadwork, Holiday Party, Election of Director**

A meeting of all City Park Civic Association members will be held Tuesday, November 10th, at 7:30 p.m. in Room A of the Devonshire Center at 2831 Graham Road. At the meeting, Association members will be able to discuss the ongoing Phase III roadwork, provide input on plans for the Association's annual holiday party in December, and to cast votes to fill the remaining empty position on the Board of Directors.



Please note that the meeting will not be held at the Graham Road School, the site of some previous meetings. The Devonshire Center is located closer to Lee Highway, on the opposite side of the street from Magruder's Supermarket. Parking is available at the north end of the building.

The scope of Phase III, particularly the areas around Kincaid and Jackson Avenues and Aronow Drive, has been of some concern to the Association and to City Park residents. The Association has

maintained a dialogue with VDOT and with our elected representatives and has achieved some success in resolving this issue. Association members are urged to participate in the discussion at the general meeting and hear of any new developments.

## **Phase III Road Work Progressing But Completion May Not Be Until 1999**

Work on Phase III of the Virginia Department of Transportation's City Park Homes Drainage Improvements Project began on July 27, and has been progressing rapidly. The contract calls for completion of the project in 180 calendar days, plus time for bad weather and other unavoidable delays.

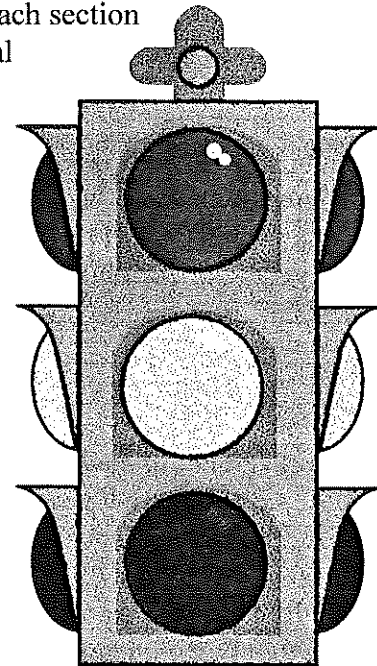
The general contractor, Martin and Gass, Inc., of Alexandria, has divided the Phase III project area into three sections:

- Section 1      Aronow Dr., Ellen Ave., Farragut Ave., Jefferson Ave, and the portions of Woodlawn Ave, Westcott St., Marshall St., and Greenway Blvd. between Jefferson and Arlington Blvd.
- Section 2      Carlton Ave., Jackson Ave., Kincaid Ave., the portion of Woodlawn Ave. between Jefferson and Chestnut, and the portions of Marshall and Westcott between Carlton and Jefferson.
- Section 3      Chestnut Ave., Rose Pl., and the portions of Westcott and Marshall between Chestnut and Carlton.

The contractor and VDoT are attempting to complete work in each section before moving on to the next. It is not possible to meet this goal completely, because localized, unpredictable difficulties occur, and work must be halted in certain places until the problems can be resolved.

As of October 24, most of the work in Section 1 has been completed. Other remaining tasks in Section 1 include placement of the final layer of asphalt, fine grading, seeding, and various "punch-list" repair items.

The section of Jefferson Avenue between Woodlawn Avenue and Marshall Street will get a new sidewalk to address concerns that the current configuration is too high and is not conducive to good storm drainage. The contractor will also regrade some of the property along this stretch for this same reason



The contractor's activity is now largely focused on Section 2. Much of the storm-drainage work is in this section. The existing, inadequate drainage system is being augmented by larger and more numerous inlets, which should alleviate the problem of excessive rainwater flowing down the streets.

Due to the late start, it is unlikely that work on all of Phase III will be completed before cold weather arrives. To avoid leaving streets unpaved over the winter, it is likely that VDoT will order work suspended upon completion of Section 2. Work on Section 3 would be in the spring of next year. All three sections are being constructed under the same contract, so completion of the entire project is assured.

Since the final project plans were issued, a number of concerns raised by the Association have been resolved. Providence District Supervisor Gerry Connolly, State Delegate Bob Hull, and U.S. Representative Tom Davis have worked with VDoT's Northern Virginia District Administrator, Mr. Thomas Farley, to:

Reduce the size of the grassed circles at the western ends of Kincaid and Jackson Avenues, as requested by the residents around those circles.

Replace all of the curb and pavement on Aronow Drive. The original plans called for full reconstruction of only the lower portion of the street, with the upper end to receive an asphalt overlay and no new curb.

Replace the curb and pavement on the Arlington Boulevard service road. The new curb will be installed as part of the Phase III project, and the road will be re-paved on the 1999-2000 plant-mix paving schedule.

A number of issues remain outstanding, including restoration of landscaped areas affected by the height of the new curb, relocation of certain storm drainage pipes away from property lines, and providing full driveway aprons for all locations where needed, rather than just for homes with existing driveways. The Association is working to resolve these matters, and met with Assistant Resident Engineer Renee Hamilton to discuss the details.

Work on this project is being supervised by a senior VDoT inspector, assisted by two experienced inspectors from consulting firms. The inspectors ensure that work is done according to the State's plans and specifications, monitor safety on the work site, determine the quantities of work performed and authorize payment to the contractor, and help resolve problems which arise during construction. They work from a trailer office at the corner of East Tripps Run Rd. and Arlington Blvd.

The Association is still working to obtain discounted prices on concrete and asphalt paving for City Park Homes residents. Homeowners interested in this work should advise their Block Captains.

***COME ONE, COME ALL!***

***The ELLEN AVENUE CONSORTIUM  
Invites everybody to stop by their  
BLOCK PARTY***

***HALLOWE'EN NIGHT  
October 31, 1998***

<b><i>Activities</i></b>	<b><i>Decorations</i></b>
<b><i>Costuming</i></b>	<b><i>Refreshments</i></b>

***To sponsor a table:  
Call Eric or Linda at 536-5353***

Residents having questions and concerns about this project work may call their Block Captain, as listed on page 5 of this issue. If there is no Block Captain for your area, please call Albert LaFrance on 536-2420.

## **Community Yard Sale Builds Enthusiasm**

The community yard sale earned \$136.35, before expenses, with several checks for registration fees yet to be received. The sale of food earned an additional \$144. This year's event was held September 12 and drew a large number of interested bargain hunters despite the ongoing roadwork, which hindered the flow of traffic throughout the neighborhood. The Association's take looks to be down slightly from last year, but all indications are that the Association's annual yard sale has generated the kind of enthusiasm that will bring the crowds back next year for more.

Special thanks are in order for Ms. Asha Mani and Mr. Bill McKaig of Weichert Realtors for their generous donation of the hot dogs and buns sold at the yard sale

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### ***Mark Your Calendar for these Events***

***Nov 10***

***General Membership Meeting***

***Dec 3***

***Holiday Party***

## Phase III Block Captains

Zone	Street	Between		Contact	Phone	Address
1	Arlington	E. Tripps Run	Greenway			
2	Arlington	Greenway	Marshall			
3	Arlington	Marshall	Westcott			
4	Arlington	Westcott	Woodlawn			
5	Aronow	[entire street]				
6	Carlton	[entire street]		Matt Jacobs	532-7745	2903 Woodlawn
7	Chestnut	Summerfield	Marshall	Kathy Ault	237-6851	6815 Chestnut
7	Chestnut	Summerfield	Marshall	Susie Brooks*	237-0894	6807 Chestnut
8	Chestnut	Marshall	Woodlawn [to end]	Matt Jacobs	532-7745	2903 Woodlawn
9	Ellen	[entire street]		Wayne Millner	534-7937	7010 Ellen
10	Farragut	Summerfield	Greenway	Laura Davis	241-2356	6805 Farragut
11	Farragut	Greenway	Marshall	Ann Dykman	237-9453	6914 Farragut
12	Greenway	[entire street]				
13	Jackson	[entire street]		Ford Jones	538-2620	6906 Jackson
14	Jefferson	Summerfield	Marshall	Dave Obeid	532-7051	6905 Jefferson
15	Jefferson	Marshall	Westcott			
16	Jefferson	Westcott	Woodlawn [to end]	Betty Charles	534-4962	2934 Woodlawn
17	Kincaid	[entire street]		Ford Jones	538-2620	6906 Jackson
18	Marshall	Chestnut	Carlton	Jane Chapman	532-1188	2904 Westcott
19	Marshall	Carlton	Jefferson			
20	Marshall	Jefferson	Arlington	Mike Pereira	227-6541	2928 Marshall
21	Rose	[entire street]		Craig Harner	536-1985	2904 Rose
22	Summerfield	Chestnut	Jefferson	Ann Divecha	532-4921	6800 Farragut
23	Summerfield	Jefferson	Arlington	Ann Divecha	532-4921	6800 Farragut
24	Westcott	Chestnut	Carlton	Jane Chapman	532-1188	2904 Westcott
25	Westcott	Carlton	Jefferson	Jane Chapman	532-1188	2904 Westcott
26	Westcott	Jefferson	Arlington			
27	Woodlawn	Chestnut	Jefferson	Matt Jacobs	532-7745	2903 Woodlawn
28	Woodlawn	Jefferson	Arlington	Betty Charles	534-4962	2934 Woodlawn

\* = Backup/alternate

## Neighborhood Watch

### Crime report

6/13/98 4:00p	67xx Jefferson Ave. Suspect (WM, 17) exposed himself to victim
7/25-31/98	68xx Arlington Blvd. Vehicle tampering
8/1-7/98	70xx Carlton Ave. Moped reported stolen.
8/1-7/98	28xx Woodlawn Ave. Stereo taken from parked vehicle
early Sept.	67xx Chestnut Ave. 2 reports, car windows smashed

### NW Events

National Night Out was a tremendous success **thanks to American Audio Video** and you! We had wonderful desserts, breaking crime prevention info and lots of fun!

### Coming Soon....Personal Safety Seminar

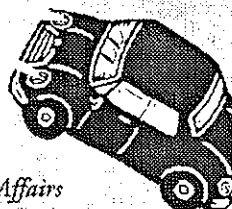
Would you like more information on City Park Neighborhood Watch? You can reach us at **nwatch@rocketmail.com** to receive newsletters, crime reports and bulletins via email, or check out our new web site at **www.dewolfe.home.ml.org** You can also call Pam, 241-0573.

**Volunteers always needed! Can't patrol but want to help? Please call!**

The Neighborhood Watch operates under the auspices of the Fairfax County Police Department and is not affiliated with the City Park Civic Association. The Association has provided the above space to the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator in the interest of promoting crime prevention efforts in our community.

**RAIN OR SNOW IN  
YOUR SIGHTS?  
SWITCH ON WIPERS,  
SWITCH ON LIGHTS**

It's the law in Virginia.



Fairfax County  
Office of Public Affairs

## City Park Civic Association Membership Application

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Children's names and ages (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Falls Church, VA 22042

Phone (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Dues: \$5 annually per household, payable at time of membership application.  
Check one:

( ) \$5 March 1, 1998 to March 1, 1999

( ) \$10 March 1, 1998 to March 1, 2000

Members joining between November 1 and March 1 pay partial-year dues of \$2.50 upon application, then pay regular dues of \$5.00 at renewal time.

Renewals are payable by March 1 for all Members.

Mail to: City Park Civic Association  
Post Office Box 2232  
Falls Church, VA 22042

I am interested in joining the following committee:

( ) Neighborhood Cleanup works to keep our neighborhood and Jefferson Village Park clean.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

