

# October 2009

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Are you a homeowner or a renter? If you live in the Aurora Highlands area you are invited and encouraged to come to our monthly meetings where we meet neighbors, discuss topics of interest and share information. All are welcome to attend. Come and meet your neighbors at the Aurora Hills Community Center at 735 18th Street South.

# OUR UPCOMING MONTHLY MEETING: WEDNESDAY October 14, 2009 (7:00pm) AURORA HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER

Guest Speaker: Dennis Perry, Real Estate Representative for the United States Postal Service, to talk about relocation of the retail function of the Eads Street Post Office.

Childcare will be provided.

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At the October 14th meeting, we will be nominating new officers for 2010, with voting to take place at the November 2009 meeting. We are in URGENT need of someone to step forward to be the President of AHCA for 2010 (and we need volunteers for some of the other 5 officer slots). Given that Arlington County, by practice and by process, looks to Civic Associations as the primary conduits for feedback and inputs on county issues affecting local neighborhoods, it is imperative that Aurora Highlands have strong diverse leadership that will engage with county staff and elected officials on issues of concerns to our neighborhood. And given that Arlington Ridge and Aurora Highlands are in essence one area, we need the leadership of both civic associations to continue to work closely

# **SOC Enterprises**

750 South 23rd St. Arlington, VA 22202 703-920-9400 Fax: 703-299-3255 **"Business and Rehabilitation"** We combine both to provide meaningful training and work for our community's disabled SOC for Printing, Mailing, and Fulfillment Services

Our sincere thanks to SOC for their support of AHCA by printing our newsletter.

together. Please step forward and volunteer at the October 14th meeting.

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## Boo Ha Ha:

We need to vote on a final budget for the second annual Boo Ha Ha, and date, time and place; and then send out emails and flyers during second half of October.

**Aurora Hills Library update:** Hopefully we can prevail on Bill Gillen or another neighbor to give an update on staffing issues at our Library and likely budget impacts for the next fiscal year, we need to be active on this issue now, as the next fiscal year is going to be even tougher.

### Wakefield High School Rebuilding schedule:

Given the tough fiscal situation county will be facing next few years, we need to track issue of Wakefield rebuilding schedule to be sure there will be no attempts at slippage of the schedule farther into the future.

### Plumbing: Master Service, LLC

Lyman Stutzman: 811 North Irving Street Arlington, VA 22201 Phone: 703.525.3399 Lymansplumbing@comcast.net

- Specializing in residential service, repair and remodeling
- See our good references in Angie's List and Washington Checkbook.

Calvary United Methodist Church 23rd and Grant Street, Crystal City

## Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 14 10:00 am. – 2:00 pm

Shop – Eat Lunch –Auction

Handmade items Christmas gifts Children's Games Housewares Collectables Furniture Bake Sale Toys

### MT Vernon Baptist Church

You are invited to visit us at: MT VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH 935 South 23rd Street, Phone: 703.979.1558 WWW.MVBCCC.ORG EMAIL <u>MVBCCC@MVBCCC.ORG</u>

Weekly services: 11am Sunday, 7pm Wednesday.

# **Aurora Highlands Civic Association**

P.O. Box 25201 - Arlington, VA 22202

"The Association is a non-partisan organization of community residents formed to work in the overall community interest in promoting civic pride, enhancing the quality of life in the community, preserving the character of the community and planning for the orderly, safe, and humane development of the community" (AHCA Bylaws, Article II). The AHCA meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (unless specifically noted) in the Aurora Hills Recreation Center (735 S. 18th St.) at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2009 Issues

- 1. Library & Community Center & Old Fire House 105 & Virginia Highlands Park
- NC Projects: 19th Street (600&700 blocks) sidewalk & street lights, spray park in VHP, lves Street (20th-23rd) sidewalks & street lights, 19th-22nd west side of Fern –streets lights &sidewalk.
- 3. Nina Park improvements (taking place)
- 4. Nellie & Eads Park (new fence around play area)
- 5. Potential Dog Park
- 6. Sidewalks & Street Lights
- 7. Crystal City Long Term Plan as well as CCBID relationship to Aurora Highlands area
- 8. Wakefield High School Capital Rebuilding.
- 9. Waste Water Treatment Plant
- 10. Social Events
  - Boo Ha Ha at Halloween
  - Holiday potluck at Fire House in December.

#### AHCA acct balance as of 6/30/09: \$6,751.49

#### Association Officers & Committee Chairs

- President Bruce Cameron 703 892-5071
- Vice President Michael Dowell 703-521-7739
- 2nd Vice President Van Newstrom 703 683-5911
- Treasurer / Membership Gail Fleming
- Business Secretary & Web Master– John Kriese 703 519-0961
- ◊ Corresponding Secretary Paul Mcaree
- AHCA NCAC Rep: Chris Mann
- ♦ AHCA CCBID Rep: Cheryl Mendonsa
- ♦ LRPC CC Long Term Plan: B. Cameron & Mike Dowell
- Aircraft Noise Liaison Denis O'Sullivan 703-521-6425
- Meeting Hospitality Julie Ann Beveridge and Rosamunda Neuharth-Ozgo
- Newsletter Distribution Bruce Cameron
- Newsletter Editor—Maria Cameron 703-892-5071
- Police and Waste Water Treatment Plant Liaison -Brad & Louise Garris - 703-548-1944
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