



# Williamsburg Civic Association Newsletter

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The next General Meeting of the Williamsburg Civic Association will be Tuesday, May 15, from 7:30 to 9:30 PM at Nottingham Elementary School (in the library), 5900 Little Falls Road. The agenda is posted on the back page of this newsletter, and will be available on the WCA website & will also be distributed via email to those who subscribe to the WCA Listserv/email group.

Our speakers at this meeting will be Richard Tucker, Senior Planner with Arlington County Department of Planning, Mary Margaret Whipple, State Senator, and Ben Danforth or Barnes Lawson of Lawson, Tarter and Charvet Law firm to present to the membership on their plans to subdivide and build on lots 2805 and 2815 Lexington Street.



The slate of officers for WCA leadership in the coming year will be presented for a vote. Those officers are:

President:	Mark Moran
Vice President:	Coral Gundlach
Treasurer:	Jim Toronto
Recording Sec'y:	Alex Lee
Corresponding Sec'y:	Jim Finley

For more information about this and other issues within our community, visit our new website: [www.wca-arlington.org](http://www.wca-arlington.org).

Additionally, there is now a WCA Listserv/email group that is hosted for free on Yahoo! groups. This is a forum for discussing issues of interest to the members of the Williamsburg Civic Association. From checking up on recent crime activity to finding a capable dog walker, the Listserv is rapidly becoming the fastest way to share information in the community. Join the Listserv to stay current on what's happening in your neighborhood. Follow the link on the WCA website to sign up.



## Neighborhood Day!

Williamsburg Civic Association's

## Pancake Breakfast

*(yummy!)*

Saturday, May 12

9:00 - 11:00AM

Little Falls Presbyterian Church  
6025 Little Falls Road

Adults – \$4.00

Children under 12 – \$2.00

Families up to 5 – \$10.00

- Pancakes
- Sausage
- Bacon



## DC'S CAPITOL STEPS ARE COMING TO ARLINGTON... AT YORKTOWN HS

It's no joke! The Capitol Steps of Washington, DC are coming to Arlington's Yorktown High School for a fun-filled benefit performance on Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Capitol Steps sharp-witted musical and political satire spans the ideological spectrum. And they're equal-opportunity offenders, scanning the headlines daily and updating their material weekly to provide audiences with ever-changing, up-to-the-minute belly laughs.

Most cast members have worked on Capitol Hill — some for Democrats, some for Republicans — and some for politicians who firmly straddle the fence. But, no matter who holds office, there's never a shortage of new material. Notes founding member Elaina Newport, "Typically the Republicans goof up, and the Democrats party. Then the Democrats goof up and the Republicans party. That's what we call the two-party system!"

The Capitol Steps began as a group of Senate staffers who set out to satirize the very people and places that employed them. In the years that followed, some of the Steps ignored the conventional wisdom ("*Don't quit your day job!*") and became full-time members of the troupe. Taken together, though, the performers have worked in a total of 18 Congressional offices and represent 62 years of collective House and Senate staff experience.

If you've never seen The Capitol Steps, now's the perfect time: benefit tickets are less expensive than their D.C. show prices, the parking is free, and proceeds benefit the award-winning Theatre Arts Program at Yorktown High School. Even if you've seen The Capitol Steps before, breaking political headlines mean new laughs — all to benefit the theatre arts at Yorktown!

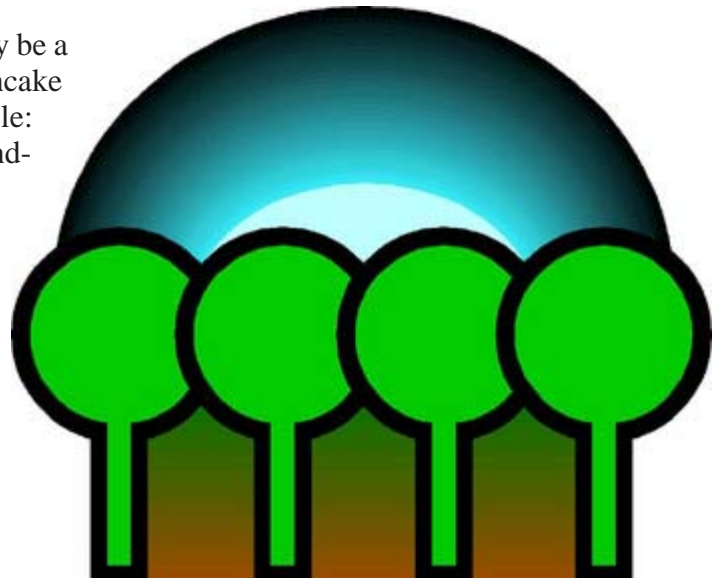
Order your tickets today by mailing your check (made out to Yorktown Theatre Arts Program) to Theatre Arts Department, Yorktown High School, 5201 N. 28<sup>th</sup> St., Arlington, VA 22207. Tickets are \$27.00 each and will be mailed in the order they're received — and they're selling fast, so order your tickets soon!

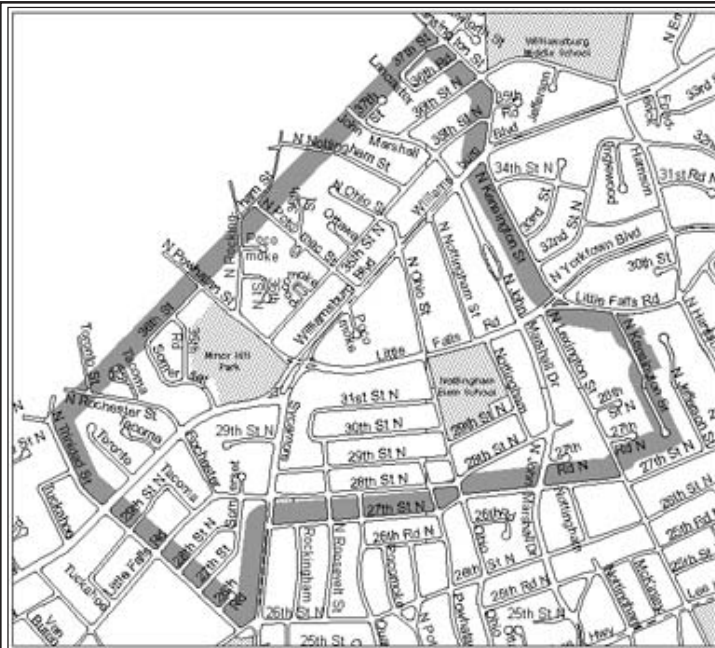
### Spring Plant-A-Tree Project

The Arlington County Department of Parks and Recreation and Cultural Resources offered 1,000 free trees to be distributed among the county's civic associations and other community groups for Neighborhood Day (May 12, 2007). Mary Ashton volunteered as the contact person for WCA. Thanks to her hard work, we are receiving 21 new trees for our community. If you requested trees, Mary will be notifying you when and where you can pick up your new tree.

If you missed out on this terrific opportunity, there may be a couple of additional trees available for raffle at the Pancake Breakfast. The County made two types of trees available: Black gum: a medium to large shade tree, with outstanding fall color and a graceful canopy, full grown height – 60 feet, and width – 20 feet; and American fringe tree: a small flowering tree said to rival the more common dogwood, full grown height – 12-20 feet, width - 12-20 feet.

Trees add to the beauty and friendliness of our neighborhoods. They not only enrich the scenic environment, they do much to improve the quality of the air, their shade helps cool our homes, and they provide a much needed environment for our feathered & furry friends.





## WCA Dues are only \$5 per year!

Your WCA 2007 dues are \$5 per person (adults over 18). Please fill out and send the form below with your check (payable to Williamsburg Civic Association) to our Treasurer: Jim Toronto, 3577 Powhatan St. N, Arlington, Va 22213. You can also pay at meetings.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

I AM INTERESTED IN  WORKING ON CONSERVATION PLAN PROJECTS

HELPING WITH THE NEWSLETTER  ORGANIZING SOCIAL EVENTS/MEETINGS

### Want to Know More About WCA?

The Williamsburg Civic Association (WCA) is a non-profit, non-partisan association of residents and property owners living in the western part of Arlington County, Virginia. The purpose of the civic association is to promote the general welfare of the community and its residents. The WCA represents about 1,100 households and interacts with the Arlington County Civic Federation, the Arlington County Board, and a variety of local and regional organizations.

## ADVERTISING IN THE WCA NEWSLETTER

Beginning in our next edition of this newsletter (early July), we will be accepting ads for local businesses that are submitted by members of the Williamsburg Civic Association. The monies raised will help offset the cost of producing and distributing this newsletter. Ad sizes will be 1/8 page (business card size) @ \$25 for a single issue, \$65 for 3 issues, or \$125 for 6 issues; or 1/4 page (3 1/2 x 4 3/4 inches) @ \$50 for a single issue, \$130 for 3 issues, or \$250 for 6 issues. Distribution will be to all 1,100 homes in the WCA.

Additionally, we will also begin to feature a Community Bulletin Board for services provided by community members, i.e. babysitters, lawn mowers, dog walkers, yard sales. These entries will be free of charge, and limited to Subject, brief description, and contact info.

For more information on either of these new additions to your community newsletter, please contact Karen Haines at [karen@FallProperties.com](mailto:karen@FallProperties.com). We reserve the right to refuse advertising deemed inappropriate for this newsletter.

## **Williamsburg Civic Association Meeting**

Tuesday, May 15, 2007

Nottingham Elementary School (in the Library)

5900 Little Falls Road, Arlington, VA 22207

7:00 PM Cookies and dues paying

7:30 PM General meeting begins

### **Program (7:30-8:30):**

1. **7:30-7:55** — Richard Tucker of the Arlington County Department of Planning gives county perspective on the East Falls Church development.
2. **7:55-8:20** — Arlington resident and Virginia Senator Mary Margaret Whipple will speak on the transportation issues from the most recent legislative session
3. **8:20-8:30** — Ben Danforth or Barnes Lawson of Lawson, Tarter and Charvet Law firm to present to the membership on their plans to subdivide and build on lots 2805 and 2815 Lexington Street.

### **Business Meeting (8:30-9:30):**

4. Mike Murtha, nominating committee chair, presents slate of officers, membership to vote  
Also include call for NCAC volunteers and non officer Executive Committee
5. Ann Rudd, Arlington Civic Federation Delegate to give report on ACF activity and Pancake Breakfast reminder/  
details
6. Jim Toronto – Treasurer's report
7. Other business

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