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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Neighbors:

I would like to thank everyone for the excellent support at our General Membership meeting on Jan 27, 2010. The turn-out was terrific, with both long-term and new residents equally represented. The topics were engaging to all: the future plans for the shopping center, and the rapidly developing neighborhood watch program spearheaded by Tom Mathis. I once again urge everyone to consider offering your support to this important initiative. Tom's neighborhood security view, which he shared in last month's Farmer and at the General Membership Committee, is a very flexible one and creates opportunities for just about everyone to participate in some capacity.

If you are regularly out and about in our neighborhood, at the Rec center, on the trails, in the park or shopping center, then there is a place for your contribution to neighborhood watch. Please read Tom's enclosed letter for more details and consider giving him a call. The board is committed to supporting Tom's planning process and to bringing a well-defined proposal to the next General Membership meeting.

We are closing in on our 50th Anniversary Celebration, to be held March 20th. Rather than simply viewing this

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Association Calendar 2009 - 2010

MONTH	BOARD MEETING	Farmer DEADLINE	FLYER DEADLINE	PRINT Farmer	DELIVERY	ASSOC. MEETING
February	3	3	5	11	20	
March	3	3	5	12	20	25
April	7	7	9	16	24	
May	5	5	7	14	22	27

Membership or Board Meetings are canceled in the event of Fairfax County Public School's early closing or school cancellation.

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as a retrospective look back at a great neighborhood, perhaps we should also view it as the beginning of the next 50 year chapter of our vibrant tradition of maintaining a safe, clean and cohesive community in which to raise and educate our children, and in which to support one another through good times and bad.

As I mentioned at the General Membership meeting, my term as President of the Civic Association will come to a close in May. This is a great time to begin thinking of the transition that will take place in our association. Talk to one another; see if you and a friend or two want to take the step to support your community through an active position on the Civic Association Board. It's the only sure way to maintain the kind of community that you want for the future

If you would like to get more involved, just let one of us know and we will make it happen.

Steve Price, RFCA President, prez@ravensworthfarm.org

CALLING ALL COMMUNITY GROUPS

To all Community Groups: Golden Ravens, Scouts, Fabulous Fridays, Garden Club, Play Group, Ravensworth Pool (and all others) -

There will be a table at the Ravensworth Farm 50th Celebration on March 20 for organizations to place informational fliers. Please contact Mary Lipsey if you have questions at 703-321-2824.

<u>REMINDER</u>

Do you need someone to shovel snow? Remember, page 71 of this year's RFCA Directory lists the names, ages and phone numbers of students you can hire to do snow removal in the neighborhood.

GARDEN CLUB GOES GREEN

Join the Garden Club on Wednesday March 3rd at 9:30 AM for a program on Organic Pesticides. The Garden Club will be meeting at the home of Katrin Fletcher, call Laura Asiello (703-321-7840) for more information.

STEP OUT WITH THE GOLDEN RAVENS

Join your friends and neighbors for a delightful time of eating, talking and visiting at the Silverado Restaurant, 7052 Columbia Pike (John Marr Dr.) in Annandale. It may be cold outside, but you'll enjoy the warmth of our company! Mark this date::

Wed. Feb. 24 Silverado 11:30 am

We'll meet at the church at 11:15 am if you need a ride. All others may choose to meet us at the restaurant. For suggestions, comments, or questions, please call Martha & Dick Sargent at 703-321-9143 or Ruth Miller at 703-321-7477

WOMEN OF ALL AGES AND STAGES ARE INVITED TO COME TO FABULOUS FRIDAY!



A women's social with: food, fun, intentional conversation, special guests, games, and door prizes!

This is our 4th year — Comments from last year "I'm so glad we are doing this", "great to know more neighbors", "I had no idea you lived right up the street from me!"

Ravensworth Farm is known for having a good community! We believe Fabulous Friday is part of building and keeping our community strong. Come by for one or all of the meetings.

Meetings are the First Friday of the month (except for Jan. & April): March 5, April 9, May 7 & June 4 7:30PM – 9:30PM, 7938 Ellet Road (The home of Anita Aberle)

Contact: 703-321-3379, aaberle@netzero.net or Erin Coelho at 703-321-4878 for more information or to sign up for our e-vite reminder.

OUR 31ST ANNUAL COMMUNITY YARD SALE IS RETURNING!

The 31th Annual Community Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 1, 2010. So start saving those items you want to dispose of as you clean out closets and attics. For more information contact Suzie Eggleston at 703-321-2070.



LETTER FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CAPTAIN

Dear Neighbors,

Special thanks to all the folks who came to our 28 January General Membership Meeting! The Ravensworth Farms Neighborhood Watch (RFNW) initiative is finally proceeding- we have an official acronym – RFNW (very important) and about 41 volunteers. Most importantly, eight folks have stepped forward to be part of the RFNW Planning Committee which will help organize the issues and develop a base plan to be reviewed and commented on by the RFNW Volunteers and General Membership. So, if you see Bill & Carol Stroud, Brian Mowbry, Cathy Riedel, Dan Bennett, Daniel Soares, Tom Terry and Wayne Lacey, give them special hugs and kisses for stepping up and ensuring our community is on the path to being more vigilant.

Here's an important date: the RFNW plan review is scheduled for Friday, 05 March. I definitely appreciate Friday is a hard day for folks to attend, but it was the only date I could lock down the Elementary School Cafeteria. My family will have to do without me during "Friday Family Movie Night." A worthy sacrifice so that our community can have an open dialogue to review and comment on our Draft RFNW Plan. We'll also figure out a way for an electronic review/comment period before finalizing and presenting a budget on 25 March for the General Membership approval. If that isn't enough incentive- we are going to have a cash lottery at the end. Folks have to contribute one dollar to buy into the Lottery and if 50 folks come and buy in- then somebody will go home \$49.00 richer! Ultimately, I'm less concerned about folks having issues w/ the final product; my focus is to ensure the process is transparent and everyone has a fair opportunity to air their concerns.

Every day it becomes more critical that we have a mature RFNW program. Folks are starting to contact me and inform me of issues and trends they have observed. Most recently a vehicle on Sedgwick lane was robbed. It appears the suspects were just checking for unlocked vehicles and taking advantage of an opportunity. Having a well-lit driveway and making sure your vehicles are locked with no valuables in open view is an easy preventative measure. The most disconcerting facet of this incident is this class of crime is often conducted by someone who lives in our community. Bottom-line, the economy is not getting better; the Police Budgets are getting cut and will get cut further next year- we have to draw the line to ensure Crime is being prevented in our backyards. I apologize that the RFNW team can't do more at the moment, but we are working as fast as we can to get things organized. In the interim, here is what you can do today:

- 1. Take responsibility for your Community; recognize that Neighborhood Watch includes everyone- not just folks who are willing to patrol.
- 2. Put this number in your cell phones: (703) 691-2131. This is the police Non-Emergency Phone Number. You should carry a cell phone w/ you at all times. If you are exercising and don't want to carry a phone make sure someone knows your route and expected duration you'll be out.
- 3. For RFNW volunteers and anyone else who is waiting for the plan to be finalized and active patrolling to be organized- plan a 30-45 minute walk around your block; get a neighbor to commit to a time to walk with you; take a walk/jog, observe your block and be vigilant to suspicious activities. Suspicious activities include door-to-door solicitors- I don't recommend folks answering the door if alone during the day when any stranger comes by. I also encourage folks calling the non-emergency police number on solicitors. Some solicitors are legitimate, others are not- let's let the police sort them out for us.
- 4. If you don't know everyone within line-of- sight of your front door and back yard- make a concerted effort to meet them. I'm not saying you have to have folks over for dinner, but simply saying smiling and saying hello will engender more mutual vigilance.
- 5. Finally, if you have a computer and web access join the community Face Book page: http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/group.php?gid=134665557176 It is a closed Community and not open to the general public and is the only thing we have right now for "instant" updates on what is going on and for all of us to comment/contribute/dialogue. If you don't

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know how to open a Facebook account-let me know, I'll schedule a time to come by, set you up with proper security settings and give you a basic tutorial.

The RFNW Program is a formal, structured way to ensure we are vigilant and secure, but Neighborhood Watch can begin today, within our respective households, streets and blocks by all of us just taking on this responsibility and being vigilant.

Tom Mathis, Mathis.mt@gmail.com, 703-321-7187

UPDATE ON THE DIRECTORIES

Thanks to the heroic efforts of our block captains, we are finally winding up collection of the 2010 Ravensworth Civic Association Dues, and distribution of the directories. Everyone by now should have received a note, a telephone call, and or a visit. Still, there are some families in the neighborhood that we weren't able to reach or that we didn't hear from. If you want to pay your dues and want a wonderful and improved directory, contact Elissa Myers, Membership Chairman of the RCA Membership Drive, at 703- 321- 7590 or by email at elissa@elissamyers.com and she will make arrangements with you to collect the dues and get you a directory.

Elissa also suggests that you check the information on you and your family in the current directory, and make sure it's correct. If you already reported changes to your block captain, they will be included in next year's directory.

And while we are on the subject, there are several blocks that need their own block captain for next year. Elissa reports that "it really isn't that much work to contact your neighbors, and it's really great fun catching up with old friends and meeting some new neighbors. If we just had 5-6 more volunteers then everyone could be responsible for just 10-15 houses -- not a difficult task! Does your teenager need community service hours? Here is a way to help your association, meet your neighbors and get some exercise." If you're willing to help, please contact Elissa Myers at 703-321-7590 or elissa@elissamyers.com

WANTED! YOUR PHOTOS- PAST OR PRESENT!

My name is Marian D. McLaughlin, and I am asking for your help for a fun event. We are trying to design a power point slide show for the Ravensworth 50th celebration, which will be held at Ravensworth Elementary school on Saturday, March 20, 2010. The slide show will depict how we have enjoyed our community over the past 50 years.

We are thinking of showing Ravensworth throughout the seasons (raking leaves in the fall, building snow forts in the snow, etc.) and also doing a "then and now" theme such as "kids then, kids today". I'm also interested in having photos of wildlife and neighborhood pets.

If you have photos to share, please contact me at mariandmcl@aol.com and be sure to put "Ravensworth photos" in the subject line. Please add the approximate date and your name on the back of the photos. I then will make arrangements to collect your photos, scan them, and return them to you ASAP. I would love to have photos of:

- Anything relating to Ravensworth (school, lake, pool, shopping center, Rec. center) up to 1989 (when I moved here, so I don't have pictures before then)
- Scout activities related to Ravensworth (projects, events at the lake or pool)
- Halloween parade or Ravensworth 6th grade graduation
- Garden club or Golden Ravens' events
- Community clean up day, yard sale, civic meetings or other community events

- Family activities: grilling on the deck, playing in the yard
- Skating or playing hockey on the lake

Currently, we have photos of a house being built and a parade, complete with majorettes, on Queensberry Avenue. We would love to have more variety. The slide show will be shown continuously throughout the evening.

Thanks for your help! We hope to see you at the celebration on March 20th! - Marian D. McLaughlin

CHILDRENS' CLOTHING SALE

March 13, 2010, 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Children's Consignment Sale—sponsored by the Grace Weekday Preschool and the MOMS Club of Springfield. Come shop for gently-used and like-new maternity and children's items at great prices! Grace Presbyterian Church, 7434 Bath Street, Springfield. Sale is open to the public March 13 from 8:00 am--1:00pm. Consigners shop early on Friday March 12. If you are interested in selling your items, please call 703-451-3314 for more information.

(Editor's note: the MOMS Club of Springfield is a nonprofit organization for stay-at-home moms in Springfield and Lorton.)

RAVENSWORTH SHOPPING CENTER NEWS

At our last General Membership Meeting, Don Magelvein, second-generation owner of Ravensworth Shopping Center, provided a brief overview of his future plans for the shopping center and answered many questions. Here are several things he mentioned:

- Safeway has another 5 years on their lease. When that lease expires, he would like to bring in a new tenant, possibly a Fresh Market or Whole Foods. If this were to happen, then he would renovate the entire shopping center around the year 2015. Safeway is not likely to renovate their store with only 5 years remaining on the lease.
- To promote a new grocery store, he may demo the existing Safeway, 7-11 and restaurants to redo the section of the center that faces Braddock Road. The existing parking lot would not change.
- He has no plans for building condominiums on the site.
- He is considering installing security cameras to deter crime. He acknowledges some issues with crime in recent months.
- He has tried without success to bring in national chains such as Starbucks or Chipotle. At this point, there are no other options for a coffee shop. Plus, he would not want to hurt his current clients, such as the Swiss Bakery.
- The Swiss Bakery is expanding their kitchen and bringing in a chef from Switzerland. They plan to offer a lunch menu.
- The Post Office's lease ends in 2012. At this time the Post Office may downsize and move to the flower shop's old location (or another smaller space.)
- Another hair salon will open in that existing space within 60 days.
- He continues to seek viable tenants. A bead/yarn shop may be a possibility.
- He is opposed to allowing commuters to park in the parking lot, because he wants to limit it to customers only.

The RFCA appreciated his willingness to listen to our concerns and questions and update us on his plans. *Thanks to Katherine Craig for contributing to this article.*

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER—MARCH 20TH

Come celebrate Ravensworth Farm's 50th birthday! The night is packed with fun for all ages. So bring a smile and that main dish, enough to feed 8.

Also remember to bring your checkbook / cash to order a special t-shirt commemorating this event.

PROGRAM FOR MARCH 20TH CELEBRATION:

5:00 - 7:00 Dinner

6:30 - 7:00 Introduction of special guests

7:00 - 7:30 Group photos and door prizes

7:30 - 8:30 Presentation on the history of our community

8:30 - 9:00 Time for socializing and visiting

CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES ON MARCH 20

We invite everyone to come together as a community on March 20th to celebrate Ravensworth Farm's 50th Anniversary. Bring the whole family for a night full of great food and entertainment as we share stories and celebrate Ravensworth Farm's rich cultural diversity and history. Here are some activities just for kids:

Join us in the gym from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for a variety of activities, crafts, and games from around the world. There will be a separate toddler area for our youngest residents. Also joining us will be Ravensworth's own Mollie the clown and Mr. Yo Yo, Tom Connolly. Mollie will begin entertaining the kids at 5:00 p.m. followed by Mr. Yo Yo at 6:00 p.m. Parents are asked to be present with their children during all activities.

Come out and be a part of our community as we celebrate the past and move forward to build a stronger future.

Need community service hours? Any students who are interested in helping out with the 50th Anniversary party should contact Maria Dastur at 703-321-8228 or mdastur@cox.net.

TREES & SEEDLINGS FOR SALE

The Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District is now accepting orders for its spring seedling sale. The sale provides low-cost and environmentally beneficial native seedlings to Northern Virginia residents. This year's native seedlings were chosen to provide bright berries in winter, colorful blooms in spring and summer, and brilliant foliage in fall. As natives, all will provide food and habitat for wildlife. The District is offering a bundle of six bare-root tree seedlings for \$10.95 and a bundle of 10 bare-root shrubs for \$15.95. The shrub package is perfect for those with small yards.

If you've been thinking about replacing some of your lawn with forest or building an understory under your trees, this is a good way to start. Can't use all six trees? Then consider asking one of your neighbors to join you and split a bundle! See the order form with description in this issue of the Farmer.

Northern Virginia Soil & Water Conservation District

2010 Native Tree & Shrub Seedling Sale

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Trees and shrubs add color, habitat and structure to your landscape from winter through summer. The species in this year's packages offer bright berries in winter, colorful spring and summer blooms and brilliant fall foliage!

NEW! Separate Tree and Shrub Packages! Order now!

6 Bare-root Trees for \$10.95

- 2 Northern Red Oak (Quercus rubra). A hardy, long-lived and stately tree. Grows to 90 feet; late season red or yellow fall color. Prefers sunny and dry to moist sites. Like all oaks, this tree is highly valued by wildlife.
 - 2 Black gum (Nyssa sylvatica). Outstanding scarlet fall color! Slow-growing to 50 feet with a tall, narrow shape. Flourishes in part shade or sun and dry to wet sites. Used by many species of wildlife.
- 2 Yellow poplar (*Liriodendron tulipifera*). A moisture-loving tree, with distinctive tulip-shaped leaves. Grows quickly, up to 150 feet with a narrow profile. Clear yellow-fall color and striking yellow-green and orange flowers in May to June. Sunny sites.

To see images of this year's plants, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/seedlingsale.htm.

A full, nonrefundable payment must accompany your order by Monday, April 12, 2010, or until supplies run out. You will receive a confirmation receipt and a map to the pickup site (in Fairfax County, off of Braddock Road, two miles outside the Beltway). Orders may be picked up on Friday, April 16, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., or Saturday, April 17, 9:00 a.m.-noon.

10 Bare-root Shrubs for \$15.95

- 2 Arrowwood viburnum (Vibumum dentatum). Medium (6-10 foot) shrub grows vigorously in sun to partial shade. Flat clusters of creamy-white flowers in June. Bluish-black berries against glossy red foliage in fall. Birds love the fruits and seeds. Excellent as a hedge.
- 2 Gray dogwood (Comus racemosa). A hardy deciduous shrub that will thrive anywhere you plant it! White berries on red stems attract songbirds to the late summer garden. Purple fall color. Grows 6-10 feet.
 - 2 Red chokeberry (Photinia pyrifolia). Delicate white blossoms in spring, brilliant red fall foliage and rich scarlet berry clusters in winter make this deciduous shrub an all-season favorite. Will sucker and spread, grows to 10 feet. Prefers sun to part shade.
 - 2 Eastern redbud (Cercis canadensis). Large, multistemmed shrub grows to 20 feet. Blue-green heartshaped leaves. Clusters of pink, pea-like blooms appear in earliest spring. Sun to part shade.
 - 2 Smooth sumac (Rhus glabra). Fast growing, multistemmed shrub grows 2-20 feet. Prefers sunny, dry locations; great for erosion control on slopes or as a screen. Scarlet foliage in fall. Red fruits persist into winter and feed resident songbirds.

2010 Seedling Order Form

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Where did you hear/read about our seedling sale?	
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Total \$	

IN MEMORIUM



Ty Simpson, Community Founder and Volunteer passed away on Christmas Day 2009

Ty is survived by his wife of 62 years, Patsy, three daughters and their husbands, several grand children, and one great grandchild. Ty, a native Texan, moved his family to Ravensworth Farms after beginning work in 1967 with the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. He was the first new employee hired by ACTION agency when it was formed in 1971, and retired from there in 1980. Following retirement, Ty started a tax preparation business for local residents and seniors, known as TAX FAX, and expanded his service to his community with a strong focus on assisting seniors, particularly those who cannot easily help themselves.

Ravensworth Farms Community Service:

- Served as Block Captain for Membership for several years
- Actively participated in Neighborhood Watch
- Organized the Golden Ravens, focusing on seniors and their interests

Other Community Service, Post-retirement:

- Volunteered for 20 years in the Northern Virginia Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (Illiff Nursing and Rehab Center) spending four hours weekly advising residents of their rights as patients and ensuring that those rights were respected
- Served as President of NARFE Springfield Chapter #893, 1982-1983
- Counseled bereaved families in the Capital Hospice program, 1986-2002
- Played dominoes with residents of the Arden Court Alzheimer's Unit, 2007-2009
- Served on the Employment Advisory Committee of the Fairfax Area Commission on Aging

Member, St. John's Methodist Church, Springfield, Virginia, since 1968:

- Served as President and member of the Methodist Men
- Served as youth group counselor with St. John's youth
- Formed the Intergenerational Sunday School Class
- Organized the Tuesday Players, a lunch group for seniors

Recognitions:

- The Ty Simpson Fund for Student Excellence established in 2005 by his daughters and their families to promote excellence in career preparation for Mount Olive College students
- Outstanding Senior Adult Award from Fairfax County Department of Community and Recreation Services
- Lifetime membership from the Masonic Service Organization

WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

Eliana Pedraza and Family 703-889-7623 5303 Nutting



When a new neighbor moves in on your street, please call Melanie Bennett at 571-282-3291 or email melanieannebennett@gmail.com.

HOSPITALITY

Congratulations to:

Tom and Twilia Lyttle of Ellet Road on the birth of their baby boy, Garrett.

Get well wishes are extended to:

Kenneth Hamilton, Gosport Lane Peggy Cicotello, Landgrave Lane

Sympathy is extended to the families of:

Francis William (Bill) Soderholm, Queensberry Marshall White, Penley Place Cora Lee Hoover, Landgrave Lane Dottie Brown, Queensberry



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FOR SALE	Bunk bed for sale. \$100. White metal from Ikea. Includes mattresses, quilts, and pillows. See pictures and description at www.sbeste.zenfolio.com/p192330969 . Call Steve or Linda Beste at 703-321-9110.
WANTED	Good used furniture for needy low income families in the Annandale area. Needed are beds, dressers, kitchen tables and chairs, sofas, end tables, lamps, kitchen utensils, dishes and pans. Call Bill Sinclair at 703-321-7529 or the ACCA warehouse 703-256-1991. Call the warehouse on Saturday mornings only.

Community of Christ



Experience a Ravensworth community church where all are welcome.

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(703) 321-0507 (Church) • (703) 313-8254 (Pastor)

Sunday Services:

9:30 a.m. Church School for all ages 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

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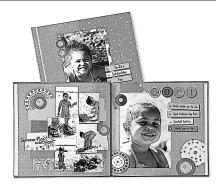
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