# BROADDANDS

Our Neck of the Woods

Happy Thanksgiving!

> The Nature Center and HOA offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th in observance of Veterans Day and on noon Wednesday, November 25th Through Friday, November 27th for Thanksgiving.

> > Photo Courtesy of Natalie Ihanainen

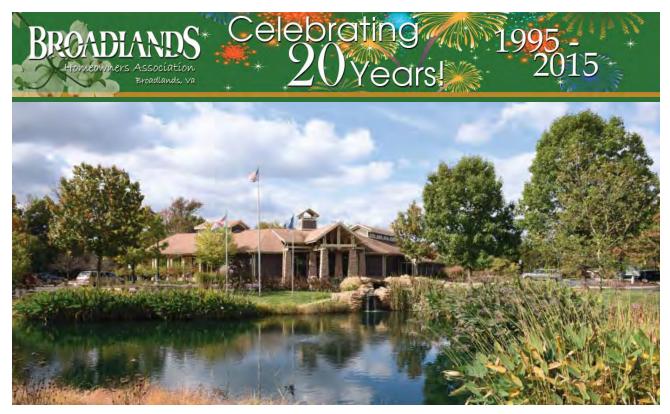


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# NOVEMBER 2015



As seen in our neck of the woods

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November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Nature Center Open 10:00am - 2:00pm
8	9 Fort Festival 9:30am - NC	10 Newsletter Submissions Due by Noon BOD Meeting 6:00pm - CH	11 HOA Offices and Nature Center closed in observance of Veterans Day	12 Modification Subcommittee Submissions Due 12:00pm - NC	13	14 Nature Center Open 10:00am - 2:00pm
15	16 Holiday Decorating Contest Judging Starts This Week!	17	18 Modification Subcommittee Meeting 7:00pm - NC Tech Comm. Meeting 7:30pm - NC	19	20	21 Nature Center Open 10:00am - 2:00pm Naturaleers 10:00am - NC
22	23 Fort Festival 9:30am - NC	24	25 HOA Offices and Nature Center close at noon for the Thanksgiving Holiday	26 Happy Thanksgiving! HOA Offices and Nature Center Closed	27 HOA Offices and Nature Center closed in observance of Thanksgiving	28
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Key: CH= Clubhouse; CC=Community Center; NC=Nature Center; HP=Hillside Park						

#### Broadlands Association Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, November 10th - 6:00p.m. The Clubhouse Conference Room

43360 Rickenbacker Square

**Board of Directors Meetings** Monthly meetings are held in the conference room of the Clubhouse on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm.

Residents are welcome to observe the public portion of meetings and to address the Board during the 'Homeowner Forum' section of the meeting.

#### Modifications Subcommittee

The Subcommittee meets at 7:00p.m. in the Nature Center conference room on the first and third Wednesdays, March through October, and only the third Wednesday, November through February.

Applications must be submitted by noon on the Thursday before the meeting to the Secretary to the Modifications Subcommittee, Robin Crews. Submissions may be emailed to *rcrews@broadlandshoa.com* or delivered to the Association office in the Nature Center, 21907 Claiborne Parkway. For your convenience, there is a drop box available for after-hours submissions. *Please Note: The Subcommittee is looking for volunteers. If you are interested in joining this group please email Robin Crews, rcrews@broadlandshoa.com.* 

The Modifications Subcommittee has revised the sign guidelines. Please review the changes on our website. Please visit *broadlandshoa.org/for-residents/design-guidelines/* for complete guidelines and information required to be submitted with your application, as failure to include all information will delay review of your application.

A response to your application is generally mailed within one week of the meeting.

#### Modifications Subcommittee Submission and Meeting Dates

Submission Date November 12, 2015 December 10, 2015 January 14, 2016 February 11, 2016 Meeting Date November 18, 2015 December 16, 2015 January 20, 2016 February 17, 2016

#### Autumn

Fall is a busy season for our residents with back to school, sports, travel, and holiday preparations for Thanksgiving, Chanukah, Diwali, Ramadan, Kwanzaa, Chinese New Year, Christmas, Winter Solstice, Santa Lucia Day, Three Kings Day, New Year's Eve and



New Year's Day. Shorter days mean cramming in more outdoor activities during less daytime hours and this bustle is no different for your HOA office. While the pools have closed and been winterized and the summer concerts and movies are no longer first in our thoughts, we still keep occupied with events, inspections, rentals, and lots of special projects. We haven't quite hunkered down for snow just yet, but we've got plenty to stay busy wrapping up everything before year end.

Fall also brings budget season, which finds yours truly hustling to put together an accurate budget to present to the Board for approval. I track down everything from projected utility costs for our various facilities to changes in maintenance contracts and needs to projecting staffing needs for the upcoming year to anticipating both capital and reserve projects. I bid out contracts to ensure we are getting the best value for your assessments and work with the committees to accurately anticipate their expenses. Staff ruthlessly analyzes the operations and works to develop cost savings to make better use out of your hard earned money and the Board thoroughly reviews the details to be sure we are protecting your most valuable asset: your home. The budget process takes months of planning and research, but in the end, I am confident that all parties involved have put together the best budget in anticipation of expenses for the following year. I would like to send a special thank you to all parties involved that help provide information and input for this most important document.

See Autumn on page 6

#### From Autumn on page 5

As we prepare for winter, I hope you all take a moment to stop and take in a breath of the crisp air, clear dark skies, and enjoy the beauty of the fall colors. The holidays will be upon us before we know it.

Until next time,

#### Sarah

Sarah Gerstein, CMCA, AMS, PCAM General Manager

#### PATRIOT DISPOSAL TRASH AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE FOR THE 2015-2016 HOLIDAY SEASON

Thanksgiving Day, November 26<sup>th</sup>:

- Office is closed.
- No services will be provided.
- Broadlands Trash and recycling make-up day will be on *Saturday*, *November* 28<sup>th</sup>.

Christmas Tree Collection

- Christmas trees will be collected at the curb on the same day(s) as regular trash pickup day(s) for no additional charge.
- All tinsel and decorations must be removed.
- Please do not place trees in plastic bags.

#### Please visit our website,

Facebook page, or follow us on Twitter for important information, including inclement weather announcements.

#### The following actions were taken by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on

October 13th, 2015:

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Approved minutes of September 8, 2015 meeting
- Appointed David Baroody to the Board
- Reviewed the August financial statements
- Approved terminating the pool vending machine contract
- Approved maintenance responsibilities for two new streetlights at Truro Parish and Belmont Ridge Road
- Denied a request to provide routine mowing services to a townhome in Overland Park
- Approved the proposed Fence Design Guidelines
- Approved the proposed Gutter and Downspout Design Guidelines
- Approved the proposed Deck Design Guidelines
- Approved the proposed Lighting Design Guidelines
- Approved the Battlefield Towing contract
- Assessed violation charges to owners for trash containers in view and required maintenance for roof eaves, exterior trim, mildew, and missing shutters

#### Get Your SWAG On...Broadlands Gear Available for Purchase

Broadlands gear can now be purchased 9:00am-5:00pm Monday through Friday at the Nature Center.

#### Prices are:

Fleece Ear Warmers: \$7.00 Blankets: \$15.00 Corkscrews: \$7.00 Solo cups: \$4.00 Lanyards: \$5.00





#### THANK YOU FROM THE INDIAN FEST EVENT LEAD

Dear Friends,

On October 10<sup>th</sup>, we held the first ever Broadlands Indian Fest at the Nature Center and it was one of the most highly attended events we have had to date. I would like to take this opportunity to thank several people for their part in making this event such a huge success.

First, I thank Mrs. Natalie Ihanainen, Newsletter Editor & Events Committee Liaison and Sarah Gerstein, General Manager and the HOA Board for their idea to host an Indian event in Broadlands. I appreciate your vision and help during the planning stages and throughout the event. I would also like to thank Mr. Bryant Stone, the President of Commonwealth Vault & Safe Deposit Co. located here in Broadlands and Patriot Disposal, our trash and recycling provider. Commonwealth sponsored the DJ and Patriot Disposal provided the trash and recycling bins. Thank you, Bryant for your desire to participate in such a wonderful event. And, thank you Patriot Disposal for coming to our aid at the last minute and generously providing trash receptacles.

Next, I thank my team Divya Kosaraju, Shruthi Sudini, Kiran Tellapelli and Soumya Bulusu who worked behind the scenes for weeks leading up to the event and spent numerous hours of their time helping to ensure this event's success. Without this team, I couldn't have created this caliber of event. It was very well executed, ran smoothly and the residents seemed to have a great time.

Moreover, I would like to thank all of my volunteers who worked hard throughout the event and made this experience not only successful, but fun! We rely on your support. Thank you for coming forward to help. Lastly, thank you to all of the parents, kids and their teachers who have worked hard to perform at the event. All of the performances were extraordinary!

We are very thrilled to introduce this tradition in Broadlands and hope it continues in the future years. Thank you to all of the residents that came out to experience and taste Indian Culture. I hope that this was a very positive experience for you.

If you have any comments or future event ideas, please email them to events@broadlandshoa.com. We value your feedback and look forward to seeing you at our monthly Events Committee meetings!

Thank You Dileep Kosaraju

# How Am I Notified of My Results?

The Modifications Subcommittee is using new software to process applications in order to increase efficiency and provide quicker response time to residents regarding the status of their modification applications. Once the Subcommittee has reached a decision, the results letter will be delivered via email. If an email is not provided, then the results letter will be mailed. There have been reports that some emails are being delivered to residents' junk/spam folder. Therefore, please check your inbox and junk/spam folders for your results letter or contact the HOA office at 703-729-9704.

Emails will be sent from *no-reply@ smartwebs365.com* should you wish to add this email address to your contact list to ensure prompt delivery.

#### **Broadlands Blast**

Interested in getting up to date community news in between monthly newsletters?

Sign up for our e-bulletin, the Broadlands Blast, online at broadlandshoa.org or email Blast@broadlandshoa.com.

#### Go Green and Opt Out

You have the option of opting out of hard copies of this monthly newsletter. If you would like to receive electronic copies only of this newsletter, please email OptOut@broadlandshoa.com.

You will no longer be mailed a hard copy, but will be emailed a link to the online version.

#### SAVE YOURSELF TIME, MONEY AND AGGRAVATION

Before you make any modification, change or addition to the exterior of your home, an application is required for the Modifications Subcommittee to review. Don't be misled by well meaning friends, neighbors or contractors. It is the owner's responsibility to file an application for all exterior work. A county permit does not circumvent this requirement. The process is easy if you apply before work commences.

What can happen if you don't submit an application? You may be ordered to cease and desist, which might cause your contractor to charge additional money for delays in completion. You may have to appear before the Board of Directors at a violation hearing. You may be assessed a fee of up to \$900, which will be added to your account and to which late fees, attorney fees, and court costs can be charged if payment is not made. You may be taken to General District Court for a judge to hear the case and determine the penalty. You may lose your recreational and voting privileges. You might have difficulty selling your home if violations are noted in the resale package which you provide to your buyer.

Please consult the Design Guidelines on the website for detailed information. Submit a complete application package in order to obtain approval prior to beginning any work. The Design Guidelines provide a framework to maintain design quality throughout the community, to promote sensitivity for the natural environment and to encourage consistency of design while allowing flexibility for achieving design solutions. If you have any questions about architectural modifications, please contact Robin Crews, Secretary to the Modifications Subcommittee, at 703-729-9704 or rcrews@broadlandshoa.com.

#### COVENANTS CORNER

Light the Night

During the month of November, the covenants inspectors will to focus on homes whose pole lights in their front yards are burned out. As winter rapidly approaches and the days get shorter, it is more important than ever to keep your exterior pole light functioning both for security and safety purposes.

In accordance with the Association Documents, should you fail to bring your lot into compliance, the Board of Directors may take action to enforce compliance. If a violation is noted, the owner will be mailed a letter providing thirty days for the violation to be resolved. If the violation is not corrected, a second violation letter will be issued, providing an additional fourteen day extension. If the violation remains unresolved, Hearing Notice is sent and a Hearing will be held in accordance with state law, where charges may be assessed, up to \$10 per day for a maximum of 90 days.

Keeping these lights functional is the responsibility of the homeowner whether you own a single family, semi-attached or a town home. Should replacing the light bulb not resolve the problem, you may have a tripped circuit breaker in your home or you may need to replace the photoelectric cell. An electrician can help you. The HOA does not provide this service.

Keep your pole lights operational and keep your home and neighborhood safe.

If you have questions regarding this process, or if you receive one of these letters and are unable to correct in the time allotted, you may contact the covenants inspectors at covenants@broadlandshoa.com to request a reasonable extension to rectify the issue.

Throughout the year, the Covenants Inspectors inspect the homes in the community for a variety of issues ranging from trash containers in view to parking issues and unapproved modifications to leftover holiday decor. In addition, certain seasons dictate the need to focus on particular violations that occur with high frequency.

#### NEED A MORE SECURE RECYCLING BIN?

Residents who currently have the smaller, open recycling bin through Patriot may swap out for the larger, lidded recycling toter at no additional cost. Please contact Patriot Disposal at 703-257-7100 to make this request. You are encouraged to keep a record of the serial number of your toter(s) should you need to identify it in the future.

# GETTING TO KNOW YOUR GENERAL MANAGER

#### SARAH GERSTEIN NAMED LOUDOUN COMMUNITY LEADER

Sarah Gerstein, the Broadlands Association General Manager, was chosen as one of Loudoun County's "40 under 40" rising business and community leaders. Honorees were selected from more than 100 nominees and were recognized for their professional accomplishments and community leadership. The Broadlands Board of Directors was proud to nominate Sarah for this prestigious award. You can read Sarah's write up – and those of the other 39 honorees – in the Leesburg Today supplement available at http://issuu.com/leesburgtoday/ docs/40/1?e=2102439/30433262. Congratulations, Sarah, on this well-deserved recognition.

Sarah's nomination includes information about her professional background and work in our community.

As General Manager of Broadlands Association, Sarah brings a wealth of experience and professionalism to over 3,000 homeowners in Loudoun County. Before coming to Broadlands, she spent more than 10 years managing all types of communities in Loudoun and surrounding counties. A Loudoun resident since 2004, Sarah recently built a new home in Lovettsville with her fiancé, Scott – putting down permanent roots in the county.

Since coming to Broadlands in June 2012, Sarah improved operations, reduced costs and implemented new programs. She employed new technologies to communicate with



residents, process online and credit card payments, accept modification applications, track and issue covenants violations, and manage annual elections. These improvements streamlined processes and enhanced communication while reducing the association's environmental impact by consuming less paper and resources. Sarah worked with the Wildlife Habitats Committee and the Piedmont Environmental Council to identify and improve open spaces and wetlands in the community. Her attention to environmental matters helped clinch Gold Level certification in the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce 2014 Green Business Challenge.

Residents often spot Sarah out in the community – inspecting facilities, meeting contractors and working events. She regularly meets with the various contractors who service our community, be it landscaping, pool, arborist, electrical, or pond. She reviews the annual safety inspections for playgrounds and oversees repairs – keeping Broadlands' children safe while at play. Sarah's actions, and interactions with residents, directly relate to an increase in participation at events.

She implemented the annual Halloween and Holiday Decorating Contests and has enhanced the nature program offerings, proposed ideas for new committee events such as the 20 year Anniversary Celebration, and branded us with logo gear we offer for sale at the Nature Center.

The Association staff consists of professionals with a wide variety of skills and expertise. Sarah expertly manages this See Geneal Manager on page 10

# LOCAL NEWS...

#### General Manager from page 9

group – recognizing abilities, delegating responsibilities and encouraging ideas and innovation. She promotes a positive work environment through two-way feedback, employee appreciation events and staff recognition. The business of the association runs smoothly due to Sarah's constant attention and supervision.

Sarah's keen knowledge of state and county regulations provides valuable support to the Association's volunteer Board of Directors. She maintains the highest designations available in her industry and serves as Secretary for the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of the Community Associations Institute (WMCCAI). Sarah worked with WMCCAI to host their 2014 Professional Community Association Manager case study here in Broadlands.

This event provides a comprehensive examination of the Association and provides feedback that Sarah used to implement improvements in the management of the community. She coordinates a bi-monthly meeting with contemporaries in other Loudoun communities to exchange ideas and compare strategies and recently taught a well-received class to CAI Business Partners, imparting them with practical advice on working with community associations.

Loudoun County – and particularly the residents of Broadlands – benefit from Sarah's community leadership and business acumen. She displays a genuine commitment to the community and merits recognition as one of Leesburg Today's "40 Under 40."

Thanks for all of your hard work and dedication. ~ From the Board of Directors

#### Return of 'Jury Duty' Scam Leads to Warning from LCSO & Clerk of the Circuit Court

Loudoun County, VA- Recent reports of a scam often referred to as the 'jury duty' scam has the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office and the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Loudoun County issuing a warning to the community.

Several residents reported receiving a call from a person claiming to be a deputy with the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office. The caller states that a warrant has been issued for the residents arrest because they failed to report for jury duty. The caller goes on to say that they can avoid arrest by paying a fine by obtaining a money card or cards from a local store.

"The suspect's plan is to use the appearance of authority and the threats of arrest in hopes that the victim will be more willing to provide the money," said Loudoun County Sheriff Mike Chapman. "These types of scams prey on a person's fears," added Sheriff Chapman.

According to the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office and the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, under no circumstance would a law enforcement official in Virginia be permitted to collect fines of this nature. Only the judges of the circuit court can order the payment of fines for failure to report for jury duty, but individuals would be required to attend a court hearing and explain why they neglected to report for jury duty before any fines are assessed.

"Jury service is an important civic duty and we do not want potential jurors to be intimidated or discouraged to serve as jurors by virtue of individuals who use these deceitful tactics to extort money from unsuspecting citizens," said Gary M. Clemens, Loudoun Clerk of the Circuit Court.

If you are a resident of Loudoun County and believe you were a victim of this scam or of a similar scam, please contact the Loudoun County Sheriff's office at 703-777-1021 or file a report online at http://sheriff.loudoun.gov/reportonline. Scams are occurring with great frequency and take various forms. Please visit the website http://www.lookstoogoodtobetrue.com/ for further information on the variety of consumer scams that are taking place.

#### Have an Open Band Question?

For questions regarding the amended budget or coupons or the association, please contact John Halfhill with FirstService Residential at (703) 679-1513 or *john.halfhill@fsresidential.com*.

For questions regarding OpenBand's services, please contact Open Band at (703) 961-1110 or their website - *http://support.openband.net*.

# IN CASE YOU NEED A HAND...

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Nature Center Hours: First three Saturdays, 10:00am to 2:00pm

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#### NON-EMERGENCY

Ashburn Fire	703-729-0006
Dominion Virginia Power	888-667-3000
Fire Marshall	703-777-0333
Loudoun County Sheriff	703-777-1021
Loudoun Water (customer service)	571-291-7880
Loudoun Water (after hours)	571-291-7878
Poison Control	800-222-3333
State Police	703-771-2533
Washington Gas	703-750-1000

#### **BROADLANDS COMMUNITY**

Mailbox (Main Street Mailboxes)1-703-753-5521
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john.halfhill@fsresidential.com703-679-1513
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OpenBand Trouble Tickets703-961-1110
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Animal Control/Shelter	
Building Permits & Dev	
County Landfill	
DMV (VA)	
DISH	
DirectTV	
Health Department	703-777-0236
Library (Ashburn)	
Loudoun Ride On	
Loudoun Hospital	
Miss Utility	
Metro	
Parks and Recreation	
Ridesharing	703-771-5665
Road Conditions	
School Board	
Street Signs/Storm Drains	
VDOT	703-383-8368
Van Metre Homes	
Verizon Fios	
Xfinity/Comcast	
Wildlife Hotline (local)	

#### SCHOOLS - BROADLANDS

Briar Woods High School	
Eagle Ridge Middle School	
Hillside Elementary School	
Mill Run Elementary School	

# FROM SUPERVISOR BONFILS......

# Excited to Build Off the Board of Supervisors' Success

On September 21st, I was appointed to represent the Broad Run District on the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors through the end of 2015. I am humbled by the trust placed in me by my fellow members of the Board and I look forward to doing my best to represent you during my time as the Broad Run District Supervisor. Prior to this appointment, I had the pleasure of serving the community as Chairman of the Loudoun County Parks, Recreation and Open Space Board and as a member of the Advisory Commission on Youth, among other volunteer opportunities in our community.

As many of you are already aware, former Broad Run District Supervisor Shawn Williams chose to resign earlier this month for personal reasons. I hope you will join me in keeping Shawn and his family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time and I also hope you will join me in thanking Shawn for his service and dedication to Loudoun County and the Broad Run District.

My goal during my time as Broad Run District Supervisor will be to continue to build on the great work that has been done by Shawn and this current Board of Supervisors on vital issues for our community like transportation and economic development. The County recently released a report about the work accomplished by the Board of Supervisors during the current term and it's impressive to see the progress over the past few years.

In 2012 the Board clearly defined its key priorities and goals for its term: economic development, transportation,



fiscal responsibility, high quality education, government operations and reform, and athletic field improvements. Since that time, great improvement has been made in each area, significantly increasing our quality of life here in Loudoun County. Highlights from the report include:

- Economic Development Initiation of and approval of the 'businessfriendly' zoning ordinance amendment, creating of the Business Assistance Team, approval of the fast track process for economic development projects, adoption of economic development incentive policies, and funding and the zoning ordinance amendments to expand the rural economy.
- Transportation In the current capital improvement program over \$790 million is programmed for transportation projects that will relieve congestion, including the Metrorail Silver Line which was approved in 2012. Key projects are underway in the Broad Run District including the extension of Gloucester Parkway to

Route 28, widening Route 28, the Route 7 and Ashburn Village Boulevard Interchange, Russell Branch Parkway, Claiborne Parkway and many more.

- Fiscal Responsibility Since 2012, the average homeowner's annual property tax bill has been reduced by \$235. Important fiscal reforms have been made to County benefit programs to ensure solvency for the future and to maintain Loudoun's AAA credit rating.
- High Quality Education Since 2012, funding for the Loudoun County Public Schools has increased by \$239 million, nearly 32% with 'per-pupil' expenditures rising by \$1,170, a 15.5% increase. Additionally, the Board has met all the capital funding requests from the School Board, which is already easing school overcrowding.
- Government Operations and Reform In 2012 the Board created the Government Reform Commission, which led to recommendations for modernization of elements of the County government, most notably the combined fire-rescue system. The Board implemented many recommendations; reducing costs, increasing efficiencies, identifying cost-effective and innovative ways to improve and deliver services, and saving taxpayer's money.
- Athletic Field Improvements The Board approved funding to upgrade, irrigate, and maintain County and School ballfields, which will result in greater access to these fields by children and adult leagues. This effort does not replace the need for See Supervisor Bonfils on page 17

# WILDTHINGS

#### Naturalteers | Iguanas, water dragons, and snakes (oh my) | Habitat for Humanity

#### **Naturalteers**

We have a team of Animal Care Volunteers who come every single day and care for the more than 20 animals at the Nature Center. Saturday November 14th 10-12 they will show you everything they do, and let you take part in animal care (that includes animal snuggles). AND IT'S FREE! Just bring your old coats , boots, gloves, and canned food to help us stock Crossroads Food Pantry for the winter.

If you are interested in joining our Animal Care Team, this will be the perfect day to begin your training.

#### **New Life**

We have FIVE new animals at the Nature Center! And three are related to dragons... seriously (if you don't believe me come to our mythical creatures class beginning in January). Come by and visit them anytime 9-5 M-F.

#### **Pythons**

2 of them are pythons!!!



# **Giving Thanks**

Thanks to the Animal Care Team, thanks to a community that supports a wild spot, and thanks for organizations like Habitat for Humanity that give us incredible opportunities to use our own 2 hands to do something real.

We're creating a community-wide team of Habitat for Humanity builders to regularly go to local work sites to build and refurbish homes. The Nature Center will offer FREE NATURE CENTER CLASSES in order to enable families that need a spot for kids to learn while they build on specific Saturdays and Sundays. No previous build experience is necessary. The only thing needed is



#### November 2015

#### **Broadlands Nature Center**



#### Can't Say Gracias Enough

To these Animal Care Team members. You make the nature center a place everyone loves to come. Did you like how I edited out the head of one of them so I could include his picture playing with the python?

- Sage is over there to the right playing with Falcor after hours spent building the water dragon's habitat.
- And what about the folks that came out to build the stick art fort under the willow?
- And now we're getting a community team to build human habitats as well as animal and play homes.

#### Wee Beasties

November-February we are sending our tiny habitat boxes home with living things inside! It can be your child's first experience with a pet. Look for the flyer in this newsletter for more information. ten-twelve people to form our team (and that can be only 6 families of mom and dad building while children play at the Nature Center). Scheduling is everything, so send me a note at <u>Naturalist@BroadlandsHOA.com</u> if you are interested in juggling your calendar with us to build a home.

#### I want to help, but keep hammers out of my hand ...

It stinks like snake poop, but children can't build (unless you are 16+) but there are other ways for youth and adults to help in the building of these home. I. Become a Naturalteer member of the Animal Care Team and you can assist in teaching classes on the days we offer them free to the building families. 2. Donate used items from your home to the ReStore (540.579.4508). 3. Help out at one of the many Habitat for Humanity community events that raises funds to build. Go to <u>www.loudounhabitat.org</u> to find which part of the puzzle you can fit into.









# November'15-February'16 Broadlands Nature Center

We don't have pet dragons to send home with you. But every month for the next four months we have other animals that you can adopt and care for at your very own home. All are self-contained in a habitat that you put together here at the Nature Center. All supplies and foods for the animals are included and you can bring them back whenever you are ready to change to another animal (or when you're parent is sick of its chirp). We gather the second Tuesday to learn about the wee beasties at 4pm (Nov 10th, Dec 8, Jan 12, Feb 9) but if that doesn't work with your schedule we can make the habitat exchange at your convenience. Pre-registration is required (snails, crickets, & hissing cockroaches don't sprout on trees!) Go to http://www.broadlandshoa.org/event/wee-beasties/



# Youth Naturalists of Broadlands Nature Center



For youth 8-18 (but we'll make exceptions) who love the outdoors and are ready for more adventures and a treasure hunt or two

Becoming a Youth Naturalist Adventurer means learning animal care, rehabilitation of injured or lost animals, getting your hands dirty planting gardens for bees and butterflies, and creating classes that **you can teach** here at the Nature Center. Things you love like emergency shelter building, stars and planets, and anything else that is outside. For more information and to follow our adventure blog go to: BroadlandsNatureAdventures.org



Supervisor Bonfils continued from page 12

additional field construction, but serves as a way to make existing fields more usable.

I would encourage you to take time to read the full report which is available online at www. loudoun.gov/broadrun. It's impressive to see all the hard work that has been accomplished over the past three and a half years and I look forward to building off the success of all these vital efforts over the next few months.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need assistance with County government issues. You can email me at jim.bonfils@loudoun.gov, call my office at 703-771-5088 or visit www.loudoun. gov/broadrun to sign up for my monthly email newsletters. I look forward to hearing from you.

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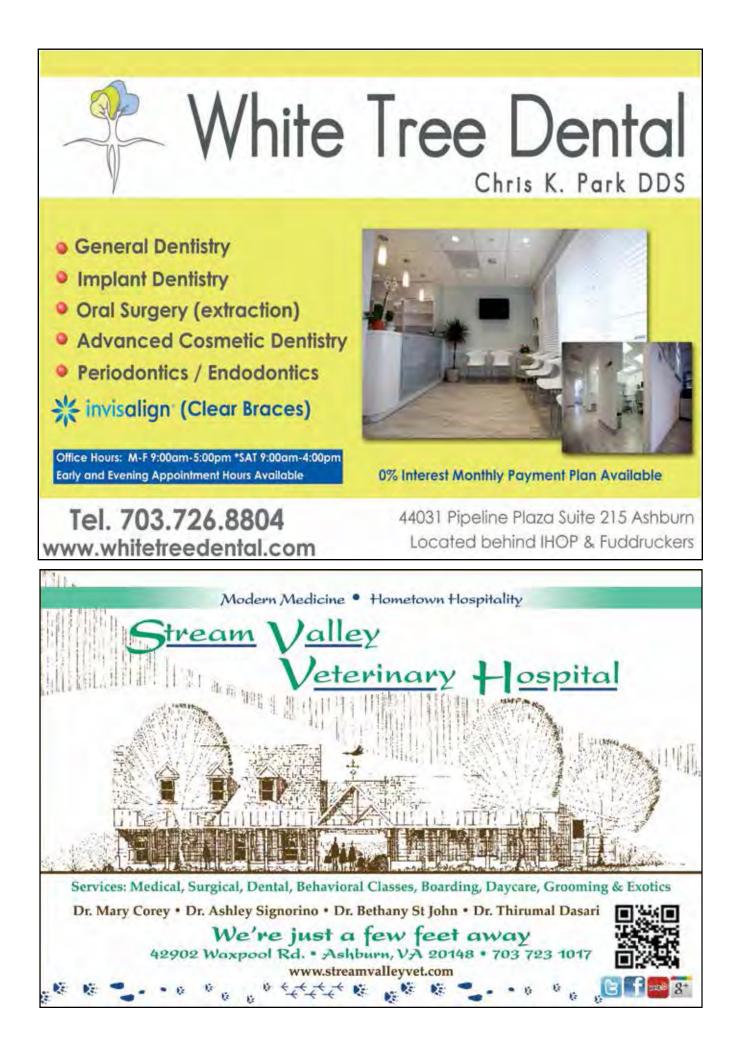
Fríday, December 4th 5:00pm - 8:00pm at the Broadlands Clubhouse 43360 Ríckenbacker Square (Off of Waxpool Road just east of the Greenway)

Light refreshments will be provided and musical performances by: Hillside Elementary School Chorus Eagle Ridge Middle School Chorus Briar Woods High School Chorus

We will have a TOYS FOR TOT'S box to collect new, unwrapped toy donations. Last year, it was wonderful to see the box overflowing with your kindness and generosity. Please help us to do it again this year.

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If you have any questions, please contact Barbara van der Biezen at vanderbiezen@verizon.net





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# ABOUT YOUR PET...

#### November No-Nos By: Shannon M. Pecora, MA of Stream Valley Veterinary Hospital

There is no shortage of flyers, infographics, and listicles regarding common holiday items that could actually be very dangerous for your pets. But you know what? Spreading such information could save a pet's life, so we're happily providing yet another version of the list!

- Antifreeze has a sweet, appealing taste for pets, but ingestion can be deadly. Keep your pets out of your garage where these chemicals are stored, and clean up any driveway spills immediately.
- Ribbon, tinsel, glass ornaments, string lights, and other decor might choke, cut, or shock a curious pet. Keep such items unplugged and/or well out of your pet's reach.
- Lilies, American holly, carnations, mistletoe, and poinsettia are

among plants that can have effects ranging from mild skin/mouth irritation all the way to death from toxicity if your pet ingests them. Visit the ASPCA Pet Poison Control website for a more comprehensive list:

aspca.org/pet-care/animal-poisoncontrol/toxic-and-non-toxic-plants.

• You've likely heard that chocolate can be incredibly dangerous for

pets. The stimulants caffeine and theobromine can affect the heart and nervous system, and even the gastrointestinal upset from eating an out-of-the-ordinary food can be severe. Keep those sweet treats and their wrappers away from your pets!

• You might loose and a drink, should I ike to let unwind with but our pets n e v e r celebrate your human family, consider offering your pets appropriate pet treats so that they can safely join in the feast.

- Grapes and raisins seem like healthy snack options in the face of holiday party fare, but for reasons that are not quite clear, they can lead to kidney failure in dogs, even when very small amounts are ingested.
- Even if you're trying to be good and go sugar-free, you'll need to t a k e care around your pets.

"Diet" sweeteners, particularly xylitol, can lead to seizures, liver failure, and even death in our pets.

> This is, by no means, an all-inclusive list, but it is a great starting point as you think about creating petsafe holiday celebrations.

with a holiday cocktail! Beyond the disorientation and vomiting that alcohol can also cause for us, seizures and death may occur in an intoxicated pet.

• Holiday table foods in general can be too rich or contain dangerous ingredients that, if nothing else, can lead to stomach upset and general gastrointestinal illness. When you sit down to a celebratory meal with

Visit our website, streamvalleyvet.com/ holidaysafetytips.pml, and the ASPCA Pet Poison Control page, aspca.org/petcare/animal-poison-control, for more information to help you and your pets have a safe Thanksgiving and holiday season!

# IN THE GARDEN...

#### A Sustainable Landscape: It's Easier Than you Think By Nancy Caldwell, VCE Loudoun County Master Gardener

Sustainability. It's a term we hear a lot these days, but what exactly does that mean, especially as it relates to our own lawns and gardens? And why should we care? While there's no single definition, a sustainable landscape incorporates native plants and thoughtful design and maintenance practices that support

and protect the environment. But it doesn't stop there, says Doug Tallamy, esteemed entomologist and author of "Bringing Nature Home." Sustainable landscapes also support us: by filtering our water, trapping carbon from the atmosphere, supporting food webs and pollinators, and producing oxygen.

That doesn't mean we should all be ripping out our lawns and planting prairies! Our suburban landscapes offer a great opportunity to support wildlife

and pollinators and protect the environment.

For starters, instead of eliminating the lawn entirely, think about reducing its size. Is there space for a native pollinator garden that supports bees and butterflies? How about planting native trees and shrubs that provide food and habitat for birds? A good example, says Tallamy is the humble oak, a native that supports 534 species of caterpillars, an important food source for birds. Compare that to the Asian gingko that supports just one.

Next, let's rethink the way we care for

requires less water. Instead of bagging grass clippings, use a mulching mower to recycle them back into the lawn. The clippings will break down and enrich the soil. Leaves, too, are a great soil amendment that can be mowed over and left on the lawn to decompose.



lawns. Grass blends that are adapted to this region such as tall fescues require less fertilizer, pesticides and water to maintain. Instead of resorting to chemicals to beautify the lawn, add a layer of compost each fall. It not only improves the soil, it results in a thicker lawn with fewer weeds, and Finally, take a look at water usage. Over-watered plants may grow too fast, and runoff contributes to groundwater pollution. Lawns only require 1 inch of water per week. Use a rain gauge to determine how much Mother Nature is providing, then supplement when needed. If you can live without a lush green lawn all summer, stop watering entirely and let the lawn go dormant in August. It will bounce back when cooler fall temperatures return

For ideas on how to invite nature back into your own suburban landscape check out "The Living Landscape" co-authored by Doug Tallamy and Rick Darke. If you'd like to find native plants, trees and shrubs in our area, check out the Virginia Native Plant Society website at vnps.org.

# What the Kale! Try it for Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



#### Kale & Cheddar Breakfast Strata

1 tablespoon butter 2 cloves garlic, thinly sliced 1 small or 1/2 large bunch kale, stems removed, leaves thinly sliced 1/2 teaspoon salt, divided 4–5 cups 1"-cubed French or Italian bread (Use slightly stale with crust) 4 ounces sharp cheddar, grated 1 ounce Parmesan or Romano cheese, grated or shaved 6 eggs 1 1/2 cups milk (low-fat or whole) 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard freshly ground black pepper

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and grease an 8" square baking dish with a little bit of butter. Heat a large skillet over medium heat. Add butter and stir in garlic once the butter melts. When garlic is sizzling and begins to turn golden, stir in kale and 1/4 teaspoon salt. Cook for a couple of minutes, stirring frequently, until kale is wilted. Turn off the heat. Spread out half the bread in the bottom of the baking dish, cover with half the kale and sprinkle half the cheeses over, then repeat with remaining bread, kale, and cheese. Beat eggs with mustard, milk, 1/4 teaspoon salt and several grinds of black pepper. Pour egg mixture over the bread in the dish. Now you can bake the strata right away or cover it with tin foil, keep in the fridge overnight and bake in the morning. Bake, uncovered, for 45-55 minutes, until the strata is cooked through and the edges pull away slightly from the pan. It should be puffy, golden-brown, and no longer wiggly in the middle. Serves: 4. ww.buzzfeed.com

# Kale Salad with Sautéed Apples

1 large bunch kale, any kind, cut into thin ribbons zest of 1 lemon
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 clove garlic, smashed and minced sea salt to taste
3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, plus more for cooking
1 shallot, peeled and sliced
4 crisp apples, cored and cut into 1/2 inch slices
1/2 cup raw, hulled pumpkin seeds

Prep the kale, set in a large bowl, and toss with lemon zest. To make the vinaigrette, use a fork to whisk the garlic into the lemon juice. Add a generous pinch of sea salt. Drizzle in 3 tablespoons olive oil, whisking until emulsified. Drizzle half the dressing over the kale leaves and massage with fingers. Set aside while you prep the toppings. Set a large cast iron skillet over medium-high heat. Add a drizzle of olive oil and the shallots. Sauté, stirring occasionally, until shallots have browned for about 10 minutes. Meanwhile, slice apples, toss in the skillet, and cook just until apples are warm and have lost their bite, 5 - 7minutes. Remove shallots and apples from heat, add another drizzle of oil, and toast the pumpkin seeds, cooking just until they pop, about 1 – 2 minutes. Toss warm pumpkin seeds with sea salt. Fold the warm apples, shallots, and pumpkin seeds into the prepared kale leaves. Serve immediately, or cover and refrigerate for up to a day. Serves: 4. www.brooklynsupper.net

#### Tuscan Kale and Veggie Stew

1 onion 2 carrots 1 tomato 1 zucchini 4 garlic cloves 1 bunch kale 1 handful parsley 2 tablespoons olive oil A pinch dried chili flakes 10 sage leaves 15 ounce can cannellini beans 1 quart vegetable stock salt and fresh ground pepper Multi or Wholegrain sourdough bread Parmesan cheese

Dice the onion, carrot, tomato, and zucchini. Mince 4 garlic cloves. Remove the stems from the kale, and then roughly chop the leaves. Remove the leaves from the parsley. In a large saucepan or pot, heat 2 tablespoons olive oil. Add the onion garlic, carrots, chili flakes, and sage and cook over low heat for 20 minutes until softened but not browned. Add the parsley, tomato, and zucchini and cook for a few minutes. Add the kale and beans and cover with vegetable stock. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat and simmer for 30 minutes. Season with kosher salt and fresh ground black pepper to taste. Chop the bread into cubes. To serve, arrange the bread cubes in the soup and add Parmesan cheese shavings and olive oil. Serves: 4. www.acouplecooks.com



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<ul> <li>Contest Rules</li> <li>Contest is limited to what can be seen from the street side of the house at night.</li> <li>Contest is limited to what can be seen from the street side of the house at night.</li> <li>People or live animals are not allowed as part of the display.</li> <li>Participants are requested to keep their houses decorated through January 1<sup>st</sup> so that the community may view and enjoy them.</li> <li>Judging will take place the week of December 14th from dusk until 9:00pm. Please have your decorations turned on by 5:00pm.</li> <li>Vinners will be notified on Wednesday, December 23rd.</li> <li>Judges' decisions are final.</li> </ul>

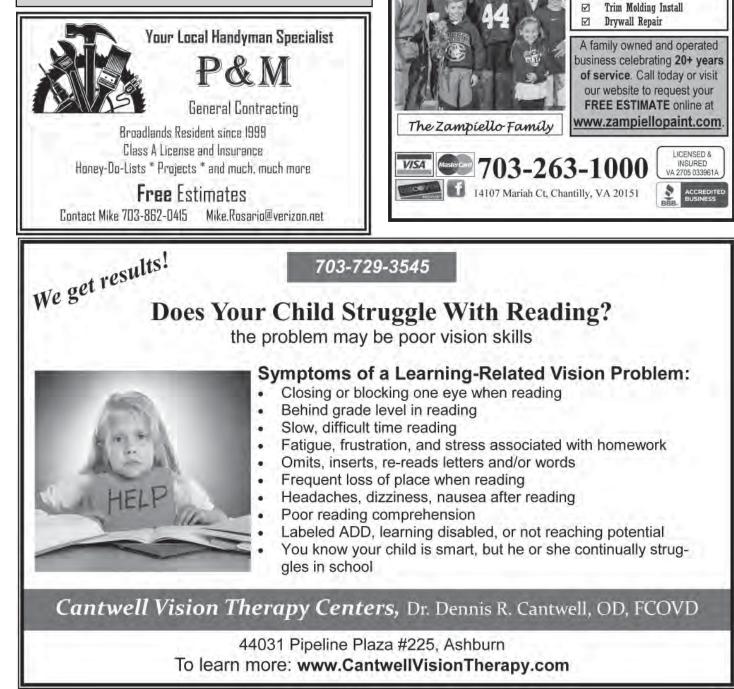
#### MOPS at CUMC Annual Fall Yard Sale!

Saturday, November 7, 8:00 am-12:00 pm at Crossroads United Methodist Church, 43454 Crossroads Dr. Ashburn 20147.

Tons of items for sale including children and adult clothing, shoes, toys, books, videos baby gear, maternity, layette & household items.

Early bird Sale - 8:00am-8:45am (\$2 per person); 1/2 price sale - 11:15am-12:00pm; haul away and bulk pricing available 12:00pm-12:30pm.

Donation info: bag and label items clearly with MOPS. Drop off at CUMC office by 6:00pm on Friday, November 6th. **No furniture, high chairs, crib mattresses, or car seats.** *Tax deduction forms will be available.* 



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#### Briar Woods High School Sweet Italian Girl Seeking a Permanent Home

Cecilia (17) is an exchange student from Milan, Italy in search of a permanent host family. Program for Academic Exchange (PAX) is looking for a great family to be Cecilia's host family for the remainder of the school year. She is proving to be a model foreign student at Briar Woods HS – great grades, making friends and eager to join in a variety of activities. She speaks Italian and excellent Spanish as well as English!

A temporary Welcome Family generously offered to host Cecilia for a short time to guarantee her a space at Briar Woods HS. This commitment is coming to an end. In order for Cecilia to stay at the school she has come to love, a family within BWHS boundary needs to be found in the next week. Host families come in all shapes and sizes. Single parents, no children, elementary or middle school students and current Falcon families have all participated with great success. PAX has been working with Ashburn families and exchange students for 12 years and has placed over 100 students.

PAX host families need to provide Cecilia with a bed of her own (room sharing allowed), a place to study and meals. All exchange students are prepared to cover the costs of clothes, school supplies, snacks, movies, activities with friends and occasional travel. Cecilia has a working US phone number. A PAX Community Coordinator in Ashburn meets with students regularly to monitor progress, behavior and grades. The CC, an experienced host parent, is in place to support host families, maintain communication and lend a helping hand.

In the past, families have been pleasantly surprised how quickly foreign students become a true member of the family. Soon you won't be able to imagine your home without Cecilia – your new Italian sister and daughter.

Please contact Katherine McCorry at 703-201-9706 or kmccorry@gmail.com for additional information.

#### Ashby Ponds 7th Annual Holiday Bazaar

Each year Ashby Ponds hosts an Annual Holiday Bazaar in November. This year the  $7^{th}$  Annual Holiday Bazaar will be held on

Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am until 2:00pm at: 21170 Ashby Ponds Boulevard Ashburn, VA

There will be a wide assortment of holiday gifts and décor, jewelry, handmade items, and much more! All are welcome!

#### Briar Woods High School Music Boosters November News and Notes

The Falcon Regiment kicked off its 2015 competition season at the US Bands Contest in Annapolis. The band placed third with a very tight range between the top three scores, and won HIGH MUSIC honors. The band was a crowd favorite, receiving a standing ovation. The band performed its exciting STAR WARS show throughout October at top competitions including the Parade of Champions at James Madison University.

#### Come out and hear Briar Woods Bands perform:

November 6 - Final home football game of the season vs. local rival, Stone Bridge.

November 23 – Jazz Band Concert, 7:00 at Briar Woods H.S.

#### Senior Region Orchestra

Congratulations to Skylar Shulman, Robert Barron, Eric Svendsen and Alex Mosser for their selection to the prestigious Senior Region Orchestra. They will perform with the Senior Region Orchestra in November and have qualified to audition for the Virginia All-State Band.

Visit bwhsmusicboosters.org for information on fun ways to support Briar Woods Bands including:

#### You'll love the odds!

Enter the Washington Redskins Raffle for a chance to win. Only 500 tickets will be sold and prizes include 2 Ticket plus Parking to the November 29<sup>th</sup> Giants Game, Signed DeAngelo Hall Replica Jersey, and other exciting prizes!

# TID BITS OF THIS AND THAT

#### Disposing of Old American Flags By: Bruce Biggs

Do you know the way to properly dispose of an unserviceable American Flag? As a special symbol of our nation, the American flag should never be treated with disrespect. So when your flag has become torn, tattered, or faded and you decide to replace it with a new one, you should never just throw it in the garbage or recycling bin. The proper way to dispose of an old flag is to burn the flag in a dignified way.



The American Legion is an organization that can help you dispose of old flags. The American Legion is an organization of military veterans who work to promote the concepts of patriotism, freedom, and Democracy. The local American Legion Post 2001 in Ashburn, VA, will collect old American flags so that they can be respectfully retired in a special ceremony that honors the flag. You can read about the American Legion flag retirement ceremony at the webpage *legion.org/flag/ceremony.com*.

This summer, a local Boy Scout—Brian Biggs of Troop 2970—worked with American Legion Post 2001 as part of his Eagle Scout project to build special boxes that the community can use to drop off their old American flags for proper disposal. One of these flag retirement boxes has been placed in the lobby of our HOA Nature Center. You can place your old flags in this box anytime, and American Legion members will collect them regularly to ensure they are respectfully and honorably retired.



#### 2015 "Nutcracker in a Shell - All Jazzed Up!"

The Institute of Performing Arts for Youth and Creative Dance Center cordially invite you to attend the 2015 "Nutcracker in a Shell – All Jazzed Up!", directed by Geralyn Ward, a local family favorite for 17 years.

Performances will be held Saturday, November 21st at 11:00am and 3:00pm, and Sunday, November 22nd at 12:00pm and 4:00pm at: Heritage High School 520 Evergreen Mills Road SE Leesburg, VA 20175.

A portion of the proceeds from the Sunday 12:00pm show and an onsite Silent Auction will benefit The Smashing Walnuts Foundation to combat pediatric brain cancer.

Tickets are currently onsale online and may be purchased.

For information regarding Show tickets, Silent Auction Tickets or Group Ticket Packages, call or visit the Creative Dance Center Ashburn Studio at (703) 724-4900, or email info@ipayouth.org.

### YOUR NEW NEIGHBOR, PRIMROSE



#### New Primrose School Coming to Broadlands Marks second Primrose school in greater Washington, D.C. for local Franchise Owners

Aspiring to make a positive difference in the lives of children and families in the greater Washington, D.C. metro area, franchise owners Victor and Adela Taboada announce their investment in the development of a new Primrose school in Broadlands.

Expected to open in January 2016, the new Primrose School at Broadlands will serve children and families in the Broadlands, Ashburn Farms and surrounding communities. Primrose Schools<sup>®</sup> is a family of accredited, high-quality early education and care schools for children ages 6-weeks to 6-years-old and additionally offering after-school care for children up to age 12.

Adding approximately 45 new jobs and \$5.2 million in project costs, the

12,000-square-foot school will be poised to serve more than 180 local children and families in the greater Washington, D.C. metro area.

"Opening our second school is a huge step for us as we continue to make a positive impact in the local community, upholding the Primrose mission to provide the highestquality early education and care to Broadlands children," says Victor. "We work hard to ensure every child's experience is exceptional, and it's rewarding to know that we're giving them the educational foundation they need to succeed in school and life," added Adela.

In addition to owning the new Primrose School at Broadlands, the Taboadas also own and operate Primrose School of Ashburn. Opened in January 2012, Primrose School of Ashburn was the first Primrose school to open in the greater Washington, D.C. metro area. The school has received numerous accolades since its opening, most recently being named a finalist for the 2014 "Best Small Business of the Year" award by the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce.

Primrose School at Broadlands is under construction at 21367 Shale Ridge Court in Broadlands (corner of Broadlands Boulevard and Shale Ridge Court). For more information on early enrollment, please contact the sister school, Primrose School of Ashburn, at 703-724-9050 or visit www.PrimroseBroadlands.com.



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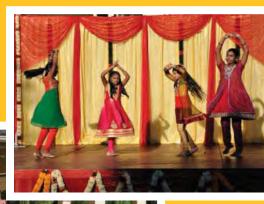
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#### ASHBURN AREA WOMEN'S CLUB

The General Federation of Women's Clubs is dedicated to community improvement through volunteer service. The Ashburn Area Women's Club meets the 1st Thurs of each month at 7:00p.m. in the Broadlands Community Center.

#### ASHBURN CLASSICS

Are you over 50? Join us at 10:30am on Saturday, November 14th at the Mills Recreation Center on Gloucester Parkway. This month Mary Ann Jung will be appearing as Sally Ride in Shoot for the Stars. The Classics annual Christmas luncheon will be at the Belmont Country Club on December 12th. Reservations have to be made by December 5th. For more information please call Grace at 703-729-7044.

#### ASHBURN TOASTMASTERS

Welcomes those interested in developing communication, leadership and presentation skills. We meet every second and fourth Wednesday at 7:15pm in the Broadlands Community Center, 43004 Waxpool Rd. For information, visit ashburn.toastmastersclubs.org/.

#### **BRAMBLETON LADIES GOLF LEAGUE**

Brambleton Ladies Gold League welcomes new members. We are a fun, friendly group playing at Brambleton Golf Course on Monday mornings from April through October. Check us out at brambletonladiesgolf.org or call Sara Carlin at 703-723-3000.

#### **BAC - BROADLANDS ADAPTED CLUBS**

A social club for high school students and young adults with disabilities meets the 2nd Thursday of the month from 7:00pm to 9:15pm at the Broadlands Community Center. Contact Monica Benteler at mjbenteler@gmail. com for more information.

#### **BROADLANDS CERTIFIED COMMUNITY WILDLIFE HABITAT**

Organizes wildlife habitats, eco-friendly living and native plants related programs and events. The Committee works with the NWF, Broadlands HOA and residents to achieve our annual goals. To learn more about the committee work, visit www.BroadlandsNaturally.org.

#### ASHBURN/BROADLANDS WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for an in-depth Women's Bible Study. We are doing a 7 session study - Faithful, Abundant and True by Kay Arthur, Priscilla Shirer, and Beth Moore. This is an interdenominational group that meets weekly on Tuesday mornings from 9:00am to 11:15am in a local home. Please contact Chris at 703-729-2095 or Stacy3214@aol.com for more information.

#### **CUB SCOUTS & BOY SCOUTS**

The Cub Scout program is designed for boys grades 1-5 and Boy Scouts grades 6-12. Boy Scout Troop 2970 meets at Our Savior's Way Lutheran Church on Thurs nights. Cub Scout Pack 1483, www.pack1483.com, meets at Hillside and Cub Scout Pack 1484 meets at Mill Run. For info, contact Ed Yarbrough at 703-724-1064.

#### GERMAN LANGUAGE PLAYGROUP

If your children were born 2008 or later and you're raising them auf Deutsch (whether you're fluent or not), contact Jessica Mouw, jemouw@gmail.com, to join a German-language playgroup.

#### **GRIEFSHARE SEMINAR/SUPPORT GROUP**

GriefShare recovery seminar and support group meets at Our Savior's Way Luthern Church in Broadlands on Monday nights. For more info, please call Beth Anton at 703-470-8821 or visit our website at www.griefshare.org.

#### GIRL SCOUTS

Adventure, educational activities, cookie sales, friends. If you can think it, you can do it! Join the Girl Scouts. Now forming troops at all age levels: K -12th grade. For more information email 7010@gmail.com.

#### INDIAN SOCIAL CLUB

This group of local Asian Indian families play cards, mainly Teen Patti or Flash for fun purpose once a month by rotation. Please contact Salesh Gupta 571-435-3192 or email SalGup20@yahoo.com.

#### LOUDOUN WOMEN'S NETWORKING GROUP

For women who own home-based small businesses. We focus on growing our businesses while giving back to the Loudoun community. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thurs of the month. For more info please visit our website at www.Lou32dounWNG.com.

#### MOMS CLUB OF ASHBURN

Broadlands & Brambleton resident moms who organize fun & engaging weekly activities for us & our kiddos; playgroups by birth year, monthly Moms' Night Outs, + special interest groups for all, i.e. reading, cooking, etc. Monthly Member Social every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. at Broadlands Community Center. Contact membership.momsclub. broadlands@gmail.com.

#### MOMS IN PRAYER

Eagle Ridge and Briar Woods Moms are invited to join us to pray for our children and these schools. We meet on Tuesdays during the school year. Please contact Rebecca for more information at 703-858-7379.

#### PRE-TEEN AND TEEN ASPERGER'S SOCIAL SKILLS GROUP

These groups are run by Dr. Michael Oberschneider and Dr. Andrea Lee. Group members work on coping and social skills development with Dr. Oberschneider. Dr. Lee runs a parent group simultaneously that addresses various topics on parenting children and teens with Asperger's disorder. For more info call Christine Kutt at 703-723-2999.

#### **ROTARY CLUB OF ASHBURN**

The enthusiastic members of the Rotary Club of Ashburn are heavily involved in serving our Ashburn community. We meet each Thursday for lunch from 12:00-1:15pm at 1757 Golf Club. Please email us at ashburnrotary@gmail.com if you're interested and want to find out more.

#### STRESSBUSTERS & SPIRITUALITY FOR MOMS

Are you looking for some relief from the challenges of motherhood? SAM is a group for Moms living near or in Ashburn insterested in learning about a variety of stress reduction practices and supporting each other's spiritual fitness and well-being. We meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month from 4pm-7pm. For more info or to join email Shea at LoudounSAM@gmail.com.

#### **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

We meet the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30p.m. in the Nature Center. For more information, visit broadlandshoa.org and click on Committees. Meetings are open to all residents.



# NOVEMBER CLASSIFIEDS



#### EARLY EDUCATION/CHILD CARE

**HOME-BASED BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL:** Eltayeb Home Care now has openings and can provide transportation for children attending Hillside Elementary. We open at 7:00 and close at 5:00. State-licensed and over 20 years of experience. Please call 703 509 8822.

#### FOR SALE

**BELLINI BABY CRIB:** White; converts to youth bed \$150; Oak 3 drawer key-hole desk, \$80; 21" Visio Color Flat Screen TV \$80; Philips CD Player \$20. Call 703.629.5563.

#### **INSTRUCTION - ARTS/MUSIC**

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**IN-HOME GUITAR LESSONS** are available in Broadlands. I have a Music Degree and 20 years' teaching experience; excellent with kids. I am endorsed by LCPS; references. Please call 703-777-4352 or email SivardStudio@gmail.com.

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Piano teacher with 20+ years' experience. Lessons offered in my studio or your home. Please call 571-375-2653. Annual Recital, Local Piano Festivals, and National Guild participation. No contract required.

#### **INSTRUCTION - TUTORING**

**A-1 FORMER LOUDOUN COUNTY MATH TEACHER:** Grades K to 12. Pre-algebra, Algebra (I & II), Geometry, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus and Calculus. SAT prep and test taking strategies. Tutor at your home or Ashburn Library. Reasonable rates. Call Vincent Chu at 571-379-3074 or email vchu\_911@yahoo.com. Please visit: A1mathtutor.weebly.com. Visa, Master Card, Discover and Amex accepted.

**NEED MATH HELP?** I am a Broadlands resident, I co-own, and coteach the Turbo Tutoring SAT prep class (www.turbo-tutoring.com) and have 24 years tutoring experience helping students in: Math 8, Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, and SAT and ACT math sections, as well as the SSAT math test for private schools. Call Dan Harris at: 703-909-4438, or email me at: aplustestprep@verizon.net.

#### HEALTH/FITNESS/WELLNESS WANT TO STAY MOTIVATED, REACH YOUR GOALS AND INCREASE YOUR HEALTH? Certified in both fitness and nutrition,

I will create a custom program that will help you meet your goals. By making small changes at a time, you can build healthy habits that lasts a lifetime! For a free consultation call 703.999.4250 or email daphnegillie@yahoo.com. Daphne Gillie, ACE CPT, Precision Nutrition Coach, Corporate Wellness Program Manager.

LADIES NIGHT IN AT JOYOGA: "Fall Into Self Care". Friday, Nov 6, 7:00PM 21381 Chickacoan Trail Dr. Bring mats, warm socks for after practice & come enjoy a restorative evening of yoga while learning about essential oils for the flu & cold season. Tickets \$40.00. Snacks provided and prizes offered. Each person will take home an essential oil. Limited space, please register by paying with check or cash to Joyoga to reserve your space. Questions call Joy at 703-850-8386. AFFORDABLE CERTIFIED PERSONAL FITNESS TRAINING IN YOUR HOME: Get fit now with my 25+ yrs experience to make you your best! Sculpt, tone, strengthen, promote flexibility! Individualized programs; weight loss/nutritional guidance; pre-natal/post-partum; yoga/Pilates; all ages/fitness levels. Safe/effective. Equip provided. Free phone consult, special intro offer! Stephanie Gotfried 703-542-2595; stephaniegotfried@gmail.com; www.fitnesstogova.com.

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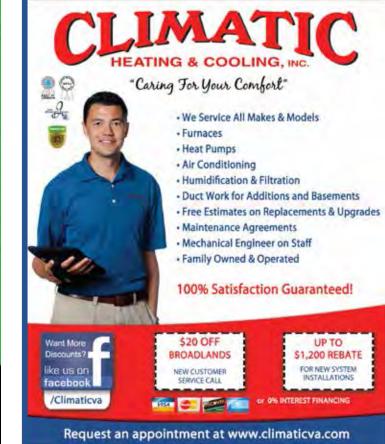


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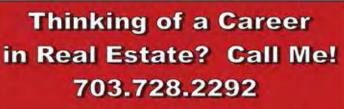
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