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Jack Jennrich with dad, Tom, on Jack's Hikestreak, page 22

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Photo of her Basset Hound pup, Stanley courtesy of Suzan Rodano

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Upcoming Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, March 9th - 6:00p.m.
Virtual via Zoom

Board Meetings Information

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. If virtual, the link will be posted to the HOA website.

Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

The following items were reviewed by the Board of Directors at *their virtual meeting held on February 9th*:

- Approved the minutes of January 12th, 2021 meeting
- Took no action to develop guidelines for pest control deterrent devices, as recommended by the Modifications Subcommittee
- Took no action on a resident request to consult them prior to tree removal in common area adjacent to their property
- Directed management to work with young resident regarding proposed tot lot plans when it is up for replacement (projected in 2022)
- Approved a property permission form with the US Department of Agriculture to remediate the vulture situation in the community, pending modification update
- Authorized the officers to finalize contractor selection for the Southern Walk bath house renovation, NTE \$350,000, in order to expedite award of the contract
- Discussed a Rules Enforcement Subcommittee, directed management to obtain legal opinion regarding appeals
- Discussed the future use of the Nature Center, to include expansion of office space
- Reviewed the Reserve/Capital Improvement Project list
- Approved the investment of \$250,000 in reserve funds into a Victory Fund as recommended by the investment advisor
- Approved a Nature Center pond repair proposal from Virginia Waters to address recommendations provided by Loudoun County Department of General Services
- Approved a proposal from Playground Patrol for tot lot safety surfacing, borders, and mats
- Appointed David Eisenman to the Covenants Committees
- Held eleven violation hearings and assessed charges

These highlights are a summary only. To obtain copies of approved minutes, log into your account on FirstService Residential Connect. Owner access to the site is by registration at <http://dcmetro.fsrconnect.com/residentwelcome>. Owners will need to enter their account number, which can be found on their monthly coupon stubs.

MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 First Day of Women's History Month	2 Read Across America Day	3 World Wildlife Day Modification Subcommittee Meeting 7:00pm - Virtual	4	5 Employee Appreciation Day	6 National Oreo Day
7	8	9 HOA Board Meeting 6:00pm - Virtual	10 Modification Subcommittee Submissions Due 12:00pm - NC <i>Newsletter Submissions Due by Noon</i>	11	12	13
14 Daylight Saving Time starts Pi Day	15	16 National Corn Dog Day	17 St. Patrick's Day Modification Subcommittee Meeting 7:00pm - Virtual	18	19	20 March Equinox
21 World Poetry Day	22 World Water Day SW Board Meeting 7:00pm - Virtual	23 National Puppy Day	24 Events Committee Meeting 6:30pm - Virtual	25	26	27 Passover starts
28 Palm Sunday	29 National Vietnam War Veterans Day	30	31 Manatee Appreciation Day Modification Subcommittee Submissions Due 12:00pm - NC			

Key: CH=Clubhouse; CC=Community Center; HP=Hillside Park; NC=Nature Center

Call for Candidates

The most important meeting of the year will be held virtually on Tuesday, May 4th at 7:00pm – the Annual Meeting of the Membership. This meeting, held every year in order to elect the Board of Directors, is required by the Bylaws for Broadlands Association, Inc. and the quorum requirement is at least ten percent of the total number of votes of the association must be present in person or by proxy. You will receive official notification of this meeting via USPS mail around April 1. We have contracted with The Inspectors of Election (TIE Vote) for the last several years in order to simplify the voting process and provide for an online voting option for the ease of residents unable to attend the meeting in person.

Included in this publication is the Call for Candidates, inviting you to get involved by volunteering to serve on the Board of Directors. Please take time to review this information and consider submitting your candidate application to serve your community. Volunteering to serve on the Board is generally a three-year commitment, which includes 12 monthly Board meetings plus the Annual and one Budget Meeting. This year, we have three positions open for election, all for three-year terms. Monthly Board meetings are scheduled on the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm and last an average of two to three hours. We are currently holding meetings virtually via the zoom platform but traditionally held meetings at the Clubhouse with dinner served, and hope to return to that format when it is safe to convene in person. Between meetings, you may be requested to review emails and respond to resident inquiries. You are asked to review all board package material in advance of the meetings, are distributed electronically the week before the meeting.

Some of the powers and duties of the Board include (some of which may be contracted or otherwise hired out):

- Providing goods and services in accordance with the documents and providing for the upkeep of the common area (e.g. mowing the common areas, providing trash services, operating the pools, maintaining the trail system)
- Designating, hiring, and dismissing personnel necessary to provide for the upkeep of the common area and provide goods and services (e.g. approving contracts with the grounds, trash, and pool management companies as well as hiring association employees to oversee contractors and inspect properties)
- Collecting and depositing assessments (contracted to a financial management company)
- Adopting and amending rules and regulations (e.g. approving Design Guidelines, Rules for Fitness Center

Use, Charters for Committees, Resolutions for Parking of Vehicles)

- Opening bank accounts (contracted through the financial management company or handled by investment advisors)
- Enforcing provisions of the documents (e.g. holding violation hearings for owners who fail to comply with violation notices)
- Obtaining and carrying insurance (several policies in place for property, liability, officers and directors, workers comp, cyber liability, etc and are bid out every few years)
- Paying for authorized goods and services (overseen by employees and financial management)
- Charging reasonable fees for the use of the common area (e.g. establishing fee structure for fitness center use, community center rentals, outside pool memberships)
- Suspending the right of an owner or occupant to vote or to use common area (as necessary in accordance with state statute for delinquent owners or those in violation of the covenants)
- Preparing and adopting an annual budget and establishing assessments (partaking in annual budget review process with General Manager and Board)
- Employing a managing agent (the association currently employs a full time General Manager, ten full and part time administrative employees, and contracts for financial management)

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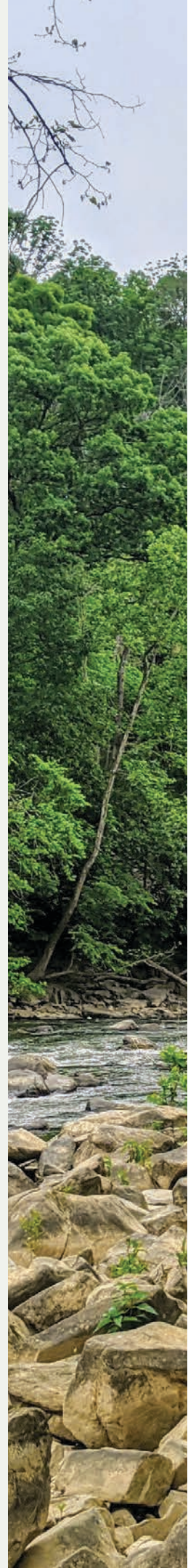
The Articles of Incorporation provide that the Board be comprised of nine people elected to serve in staggered terms of three years. Eligible Board Members include owners, owner's spouses, an officer, trustee, general partner or agent of an owner, the Declarant or designee of the Declarant, or a mortgagee or designee of the mortgagee. Owners or representatives of owners may not be more than sixty days delinquent in meeting financial obligations to the association.

If you have any questions about the responsibilities of serving on the board, please let me know!

Cheers,

Sarah

Sarah Gerstein, CMCA, AMS, LSM, PCAM
General Manager



Modifications Subcommittee

The Subcommittee meets at 7:00pm on the first and third Wednesdays, March through October, and only the third Wednesday, November through February.

Meetings are currently being held virtually. If you wish to attend a meeting, please visit broadlandshoa.org/design-guidelines and select "join a meeting". Applications may be viewed electronically.

Applications must be submitted by noon on the Wednesday before the meeting to the Secretary to the Modifications Subcommittee, Robin Crews. Submissions may be emailed to rcrews@broadlandshoa.com or delivered to the Nature Center, 21907 Claiborne Parkway. For your convenience, there is a drop box available for submissions.

Please review these guidelines and the updated changes on our website. Visit broadlandshoa.org and click on the menu item, 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 sent within one week of the meeting.

How Am I Notified of My Results?

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. 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.

Modifications Subcommittee Submission and Meeting Dates

Submission Deadline By Noon	Meeting Date
Feb 24th	March 3rd
March 10th	March 17th
March 31st	April 7th
April 14th	April 21st
April 28th	May 5th
May 12th	May 19th

Only applications with complete documentation received by the deadline will be reviewed at the next subcommittee meeting.

Modifications Changes, Additions and Improvements

Before making any modification change, addition or improvement to the exterior of your home, an application is required for the Modifications Subcommittee to review. If in doubt an application is needed please contact Robin Crews, Modifications/Resale Manager at rcrews@broadlandshoa.com for any questions.

The Declarations for Broadlands Association Article 7, Section 7.5 (a) - Additions, Alterations, or Improvements by the Owners Subsection - Approval requires that "No person shall make any addition, alteration, or improvement in or to any Lot or any portion of the Property (other than for normal upkeep or natural landscaping and not because of the transparency of glass doors, walls, or windows) which is visible from the exterior of the Lot or such portion of the Property, without the prior written consent of the Covenants Committee."

Broadlands 2021 Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars for the Annual Meeting. This year the Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4th while the monthly Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 11th, the second Tuesday of the month.

SWHOA Meeting Update

The March Southern Walk HOA Board meeting will be held virtually on the 22nd starting at 7:00pm.

For additional details or general information about Southern Walk HOA, please visit swhoab.com.

LCSO 9PM ROUTINE

Please help the LCSO stop “crimes of opportunity” by remembering to lock your vehicle doors and closing its windows, locking your house doors and shutting and locking windows before you go to bed. Please remember to report any suspicious activity by calling the non-emergency line 703-777-1021. To watch the LCSO video for more information about the program, visit youtube.com/watch?v=ieBII5bDuRU.

STAY SAFE, Don't Skate on the Community Ponds!

Please remember that skating is prohibited on all community ponds. Even walking on an ice covered pond can be very dangerous. The surface of the pond may appear to be frozen, but our winters are normally not cold enough to guarantee that the ice is thick enough to support anyone's weight, even a child's. Parents, please tell your children that it is extremely dangerous, even deadly, to walk or skate on the ponds in the community. Keep pets off the ponds too, let's keep our neighborhood safe!

Please Keep Your Walkways Clear

Both Virginia and Loudoun County Codes require that the occupant – whether an owner or a tenant – remove all snow and ice from any walkway adjoining any part of their property within 6 hours after the snowfall has ceased. If the snow or ice fell during the night, it must be removed by noon the following day. Should the storm occur on Sunday, the accumulation must be removed by noon on Monday.

Failure to comply with the code can result in a fine of: \$250.00 imposed by the county. Complaints should be reported to the County Department of Building and Development, (703) 777-0635.

Please be a good neighbor and a good citizen. Clear your walkways and keep Broadlands a safe environment for all our residents. If you know someone physically unable to keep their walkway clear, please consider giving them a helping hand!

Do You Like Having Fun and Meeting New People?

Then join the Events Committee! We are a group of very social gals and guys who plan the awesome events that the HOA hosts year 'round.

Our next virtual meeting is at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, March 24th. To join and for more information, email Natalie Ihanainen at events@broadlandshoa.com.

Patriot Disposal Trash, Recycling, and Yard Waste Collection Schedule

Trash, Recycling, and Yard Waste Collection:

- Place totes out the night before collection day after 6:00pm or before 6:00am the day of pick up.
- Containers should be out of sight by 9:00am on the day following collection.

Trash Collection:

- Trash pick up days are Mondays and Thursdays.

Recycling Collection:

- Recycling pick up day is Thursdays.
- Recyclable materials can be co-mingled.
- Plastic bags CANNOT be recycled. The Nature Center collects bags for proper recycling. Visit broadlandshoa.org, click on RESIDENTS then click on TRASH & RECYCLING for more information.
- Scrap metal – Please call Patriot Disposal to set pick-up day 1-703-257-7100: i.e. foil, pie tins, trays, pots and pans, small car parts, grills, bicycles, swings, etc.

Yard Waste Collection:

- Yard Waste Collection occurs on Mondays from March 1st thru December 24th.
- During January & February, yard debris (leaves, grass clippings, brush) may be mixed with trash. Yard waste may not be mixed with recycling.
- Grass clippings and leaves must be set out for pickup in lawn paper bags or in a bin.
- Brush must be less than 4 inches in diameter, cut into 4 foot lengths, and tied in small bundles or bagged.
- Food waste mixed in with yard waste will be accepted, as it can be composted.

Special Pick-ups:

- Please contact Patriot Disposal, 703-257-7100 or customerservice@patriotdisposalservices.com, to arrange pickup of special and/or bulk items.
- Special items will be collected weekly. Some items may incur an additional charge.
- Special items include appliances, mid to large furniture and other large items.

Connect with Broadlands **BROADLANDS**

***Don't miss out on important HOA news
and amazing community events in
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Broadlandshoa.org

The Broadlands website gives you access anytime to find answers to most of your questions. Updates and reminders are posted to the main page as well.

Broadlands Blast

This weekly email is a great way to receive important reminders on HOA news and upcoming events in between receiving the newsletters. To sign up, just visit our website and enter your email address(s).

Broadlands App

Download this app to your mobile device from your app store to receive HOA and event notifications and have the ability to store your pool passes.

Landscaped Homes

Courtyard Homes and Park Glen Villas residents please submit email(s) along and address to landscape@broadlandshoa.com to receive email notices for seasonal landscape services.

Facebook & Instagram

Join these groups to check out scenes from our past events and see what's coming up: [BroadlandsHoeEvents](#) & [BroadlandsNatureCenter](#)

Broadlandslive.com

Visit this website for details on this popular summer concerts series including bands, vendors and sponsors.

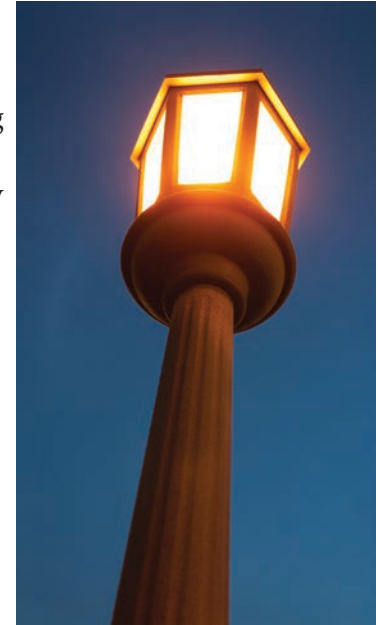
Broadlandsnaturally.org

Visit the Conservation Landscape Committee's website for information on community landscaping, gardening and learning about native plants.

March Covenants Corner

As spring approaches, it is important to share that while Covenants may appear to be a nuisance at times, we are here to help maintain the standards of your community. By doing so, the HOA aids in maintaining property values.

Please understand that while an issue may seem to be trivial or insignificant to you, your neighbor may feel that it is very important to them. ***Please be respectful of your neighbors, community and those that take pride in their homes.***



Violations: Covenants treats all residents equally and does not discriminate or single out a particular property. Chances are, if you received a notice about a violation, your surrounding neighbors did too.

Going forward, try to look at your home the way that a new buyer would. If you see a reparation that needs to be made, make it. If you see something that needs to be stored out of open view, please store it appropriately. Please follow the guidelines and have consideration for your neighbors.

If you receive a violation notice and have extenuating circumstances concerning the issue, please call the Covenants department at 703-520-9903 to discuss them. Otherwise, please try to correct the issue as soon as possible.

Covenants hopes you are off to a safe and happy new year. Also remember, we are here to help if you need us.

Suzan Rodano
Covenants Manager

Buy and Sell at the Spring Yard Sale

On Saturday, May 1st, 8:00am - 2:00pm rain or shine, come shop and sell at private residences throughout the Broadlands neighborhood. If you would like to be included in the online listing of addresses, please complete the Yard Sale Submission Form on the website at broadlandshoa.org/yardsaleform.

It is the residents' responsibility to check the website to ensure inclusion and accuracy. Residents do not have to be on the list of participants to be part of the community yard sale. Check out the list of participants to see what's for sale and view the community map to find each unit at broadlandshoa.org/yardsale.

The HOA will be publicizing the yard sale in The Loudoun Times-Mirror, Loudoun Now and The Washington Post.

Please Tie Your Trash Down on Windy Days

Please be sure to bind newspapers with twine or place loose papers in paper bags before setting out at your curb. Weigh down your bottles, plastics and cans by placing heavier recyclables on top. Ensure that the lid of your trash bin is tightly secured. Put smaller lightweight bags of trash together in a larger heavyweight bag. Don't put trash out early and PLEASE no loose "peanuts" or other packing materials. Lastly, if the trash does blow over or you see a bin out of place, please pick it up even if it isn't yours. Your HOA assessment provides for curbside trash removal. **The Association relies on residents to keep their neighborhoods free of litter.**

Scoop the Poop...

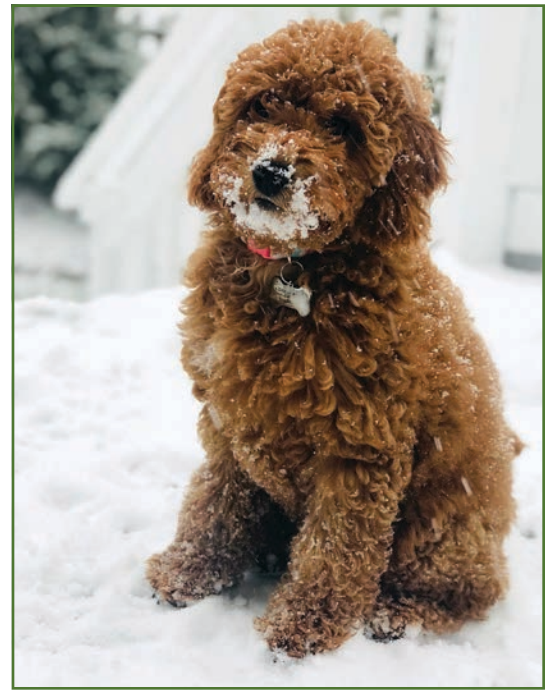
Residents frequently express concern that not everyone is taking the time to pick up their pet's waste in the neighborhood. Please ensure that your family members realize how important it is to be a responsible pet owner:

Pet poop is not organic, especially in the quantities that are generated by pets. It harms the environment and threatens public health.

Forgot your waste bag? No worries! The Broadlands HOA has over 80 mutt mitt stations to offer residents. Don't want to carry it with you? No problem, most of our mutt mitt stations have trash cans attached. ***Please be a good neighbor and do not dispose of pet waste in your neighbors' trash cans during your walks.***

Even if your pet poops in the woods, you still need to clean it up. Not only is it unsightly, it can get into streams and into the water supply.

It's the law! Is it a violation of the Association Declaration, Article 8, Section 8.2(q) to not pick up your pet's waste, it is also a county ordinance violation. Please reference Loudoun County Ordinance, Chapter 612.19, Section a (9) Dog waste.



March 23rd is National Puppy Day!

Got a new puppy? Introduce your wonderful furry baby to the Broadlands community by sending us your new canine family addition's photo along with his/her name. Please send photos no later than Wednesday, March 10th for inclusion in the April newsletter.

Have a Graduating Senior? Let's Celebrate Their Accomplishment!

Let's celebrate our seniors' achieving one of life's greatest milestones...graduation! Shine the spotlight on your graduating high school and college seniors in the **June newsletter** by sending us their photo and a celebratory message as they approach this major life event.

Send us your senior's photo and a message of 25 words or less to nihanainen@broadlandshoa.com by 5:00pm on Monday, May 10th.



INTERESTED IN COMPOSTING?

Your input is important

Broadlands Community Outreach is researching a potential opportunity to start a community wide composting program in Broadlands. We have developed a survey to gauge interest in participating in a communal composting effort. The program, if implemented, may have several variables including (but not limited to) a cost to participate, the inclusion or exclusion of non-animal or animal by-products, and individual collection at home versus a central communal disposal site for composting.

TAKE THE SURVEY!

To gauge interest from our residents about potential participation in a Broadlands composting program, please answer a short on-line survey at broadlandshoa.org/outreach. The survey is 6 simple questions and will remain open until March 15th.

Responses are anonymous and will be used to determine the course of action should a composting program prove viable.

This survey is for INFORMATION ONLY and participation in answering questions DOES NOT guarantee implementation.

Questions? Contact
julie@broadlandshoa.com



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Association, Inc.

Dear Broadlands Homeowner:

The 2021 Annual Meeting of the members of Broadlands Association, Inc. will be held virtually on Tuesday, May 4, 2021. Please mark your calendars for this important meeting and plan to participate. The purpose of the meeting is to elect members to the Board of Directors, including three (3) members to serve three-year terms expiring May 2024. The Board oversees the business of Broadlands in the collection and expenditure of association funds, selection of contractors, management of facilities, and adoption of policies for the day-to-day operations. These volunteer Board Members are a vital asset to the association.

To become a Director, you must be a Unit Owner in good standing. The Board currently meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm. Meetings are expected to continue in a virtual format for at least the first half of 2021.

If you are interested in serving, please complete a Nominating Form and Petition for Candidacy and return both documents to Broadlands Association, Inc. no later than 5:00pm on **Friday, March 26, 2021**. Only the enclosed Elections Committee approved nomination forms may be used. If you would like an electronic copy, you can find it on broadlandshoa.org or may request via email at sarah@broadlandshoa.com. Due to the nature of holding a virtual Annual Meeting, nominations for candidates will NOT be accepted from the floor. All candidates must submit the approved nomination form by the deadline.

The Broadlands Association, Inc. Bylaws require that at least three other owners sign the Candidate Petition, which must be received by the Association no less than twenty-five (25) days before the Annual Meeting to be eligible to be included on the Ballot. All members will be mailed a proxy form containing the names of all eligible candidates with the official notice of the Annual Meeting.

As in prior years, the Board has contracted with The Inspectors of Election, LLC to act as an independent third-party election service. This provides the Association's members the option to vote via mail in paper Proxy Ballots or vote your Proxy online via their TIEIVOTE™ voting website. The online system offers you an easy way to vote in a secure, quick and cost-effective manner.

The Inspectors of Election will mail the official annual meeting notice and election package on or about April 1st, 2021, which will contain unique login information for each unit to access the TIEIVOTE™ voting website. Proxies should either be submitted online via the voting website or will need to be mailed, faxed, or scanned to the Inspectors of Election, LLC. Proxy forms will not be accepted at the HOA Office.

For those of you that submit for candidacy in the election, we thank you for your willingness to assist in the success of your community. Remember to mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 4, 2021 for the virtual Annual Meeting of Broadlands Association, Inc.

Sincerely,

Sarah Gerstein

Sarah Gerstein, AMS®, CMCA®, LSM®, PCAM®
General Manager
Broadlands Association, Inc.

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NOMINATING FORM 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

I wish to become a candidate for election to the Broadlands Association, Inc. Board of Directors. Please include my name on the BALLOT for this election.

PRINTED NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE(S): _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

QUALIFICATIONS: (Pertinent Biographical Information)

AREAS OF INTEREST:

(Why would you like to contribute your time to the community as a member of the Board?)

Return to: Broadlands Association, Inc.
21907 Claiborne Parkway
Broadlands, VA 20148
Email Sarah@Broadlandshoa.com

*Applications must be returned by 5:00pm on March 26, 2021
for inclusion in the Newsletter, Website, and official Annual Meeting notice.*

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PETITION FOR CANDIDACY 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

I, _____ wish to become a candidate for election to the Broadlands Association, Inc. Board of Directors and herewith submit the signatures of the following Broadlands Association, Inc. Unit Owners, as required by the Bylaws of Broadlands Association, Inc.

Application must be signed by three Broadlands Association, Inc. Unit Owners. Only one signature per lot allowed.

OWNER SIGNATURES:

Printed Name *Signature* *Address*

Printed Name *Signature* *Address*

Printed Name *Signature* *Address*

CANDIDATE INFORMATION:

PRINTED NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE(S): _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Return to: Broadlands Association, Inc.
 21907 Claiborne Parkway
 Broadlands, VA 20148
 Email Sarah@Broadlandshoa.com

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STUDENT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

You can make a difference in the life of someone by serving as a volunteer!

- ✓ **Have fun while meeting new people**
- ✓ **Gain new skills to add to your resume**
- ✓ **Share your talents and knowledge with others**
- ✓ **Advance the common good by giving your time and showing responsibility**
- ✓ **Earn credits for graduation and college**



QUESTIONS?

Contact Food Delivery & Volunteer Coordinator:
Jennifer Love
Email: jlove@lvcaregivers.org
(703) 779-8617
704 South King Street, Suite 2
Leesburg, VA 20175
www.LVCaregivers.org
General Email: LVCaregivers@LVCaregivers.org

1. SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM

The goal of Caregivers' Supportive Services Program is to provide assistance and services that help the frail elderly and adults with disabilities maintain independent living and improve their quality of life. ****Must be 18+ with Valid Driver's license/no serious infractions***

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

- **Chores:** encompass a range of tasks, including minor home repairs, light housekeeping, moving/packing, and yard work. The specific duties of each assignment depend on the individual care receiver's needs, which will be clearly defined in the assignment form.
- **Errands*:** usually involve driving care receivers to the post office, bank, or dry cleaners, etc., or sometimes running errands for them. The specifics of the task will be clearly defined in the assignment form.
- **Loudoun Hunger Relief/Dulles South Food Bank Delivery:** involves picking up groceries from Hunger Relief in Leesburg or Dulles South Food Pantry in Dulles South and delivering them to the care receiver once or twice a month. Volunteers who sign up for this task are given detailed instructions on procedures for picking up and delivering the groceries, and directions to Hunger Relief or Dulles South Food Pantry and the care receiver's home. At the beginning of each month, the Supportive Services Program Coordinator emails the delivery schedule for that month to volunteers who perform this task. *Valid Driver's license*
- **Paperwork:** involves helping care receivers organize their bills, correspondence, etc. Paperwork assignments can be on-going or one-time assignments, depending on the needs of the care receiver.
- **Reassurance Calls:** are regular telephone calls made to a care receiver who may be lonely. These phone calls provide a friendly avenue of communication for the care receiver, as well as a way to monitor his or her well-being.
- **Respite Care:** involves visiting a care receiver to give the caregiver a break from the duties of full-time caregiving.
- **Shopping for Care Receiver:** involves purchasing items (usually groceries) for the care receiver. The care receiver provides a list of items and the form of payment (e.g., cash, a signed check) when the volunteer arrives for the assignment. *Valid Driver's license*
- **Shopping with Care Receiver*:** involves taking a care receiver shopping (usually to the grocery store) and helping load, unload, and put the items away (if requested).
- **Visiting:** involves going to the care receiver's home to provide companionship. During the visit, the volunteer and care receiver could engage in conversation, play games (e.g., cards or Scrabble), or share a hobby (e.g., knitting). Visiting could also involve taking the care receiver to a movie, to lunch, to an art exhibit, etc. For these outings, the volunteer and the care receiver decide beforehand who will pay for the tickets, the lunch, etc.
- **Jobs for Younger Students:** bake pies, cookies and other treats and make cards for our Care Receivers

2. ASSISTED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

The Assisted Transportation Program provides transportation to medical and nonmedical appointments for elderly and other disabled adults in order to help them maintain independent living. Assistance includes helping with walkers, collapsible wheelchairs and other equipment as needed; escorting care receivers into appointments; and helping them to fill out forms in medical offices if requested. At Caregivers, assisted transportation is door to door, not just curb to curb. ****Must be 18+ with Valid driver's license; no serious infractions***

ASSISTED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

- **Routine Medical Transportation*:** Volunteers sign up for specific care receiver appointments. The volunteer contacts the care receiver before the appointment and arrives at the care receiver's home at the scheduled pickup time. The volunteer then transports the care receiver to the location specified in the assignment form provided by the Caregivers Transportation Coordinator. The volunteer remains at the location of appointment (unless otherwise previously agreed upon) with the care receiver, transports him or her home, and reports any necessary information to the Caregivers Transportation Coordinator.
- **Same Day/Next Day Transportation*:** This service involves last-minute and emergency appointments (i.e., when a care receiver must go to the doctor immediately, without the seven-day notice Caregivers requires). The duties and required skills and training are the same as for Routine Medical Transportation.
- **Dialysis and Chemotherapy Transportation*:** This service is an on-going assignment. We ask volunteers to commit to a minimum of two-to-three months of transporting a care receiver to or from dialysis or chemotherapy treatments on specific day(s). Occasionally, we ask a volunteer to substitute for a regular dialysis driver. The duties are essentially the same as for Routine Medical Transportation, except the trips are one-way only, so the volunteer does not stay with the care receiver during the treatment. The required skills and training are the same as for Routine Medical Transportation.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Download the Student Volunteer Application Form at: broadlandshoa.org/student-caregiver-app-fillable

How To Pest-Proof Your Home This Winter

Source: Geico Living, written by Maridel Reyes

In summer, you work hard to keep annoying insects out of your home. Winter can be even more of a challenge, because some of the creatures trying to get in are bigger—and harder to drive out.

“Mice, rats, raccoons, squirrels, cockroaches and ants will try to seek food and shelter inside homes as the temperature drops,” says Jamie Nichols, senior service center manager of Arrow Exterminators in Atlanta. These critters can cause damage to your home as well as spread bacteria. Also, some (like raccoons and squirrels) can be difficult—and expensive—to get rid of, as they require a professional exterminator.

Fortunately, some careful planning can help you keep these creatures outdoors, where they belong. Here’s what Nichols recommends.

Pest-Proof The Outdoor Area

Eliminate Hiding Spots

- If you have grass and shrubbery close to the house, keep it well trimmed.
- Use rocks and stones for ground cover near the home’s foundation; material like wood chips could provide shelter for pests.
- Firewood is a favorite hideout for mice and rats. Place logs at least 20 feet away from the house and elevate at least 18 inches off the ground.

Don’t Tempt with Food

- Keep trash bins tightly sealed.
- Keep stocked bird feeders away from your home, use squirrel guards and clean up spilled seeds or discarded hulls.

Trim the trees

- Any tree branches close to your roof could be a bridge for insects, squirrels and rodents. Squirrels are especially skilled jumpers, so trim branches back at least 8 to 10 feet from your roof.

Keep Water Away

- Termites, ants and roaches are all drawn to moisture, so make sure gutters are clean and that downspouts direct water at least 3 to 4 feet away from your home’s foundation.
- Regularly drain decorative pools and birdbaths; eliminating standing water will help keep termites, squirrels, raccoons, possums and other rodents away.

Pest-Proof The Entry Points

Plug Cracks and Holes

- Seal the following:
 - cracks in the foundation
 - spots where wires or pipes pass through walls
 - any holes larger than one-quarter inch
 - any holes in the roof, no matter how small
- Use steel hardware cloth (wire mesh that’s woven or welded) or galvanized steel flashing.

Protect the Windows

- If you’re worried about larger pests that could chew through screens, install hardware cloth on top of them.

Refresh the Weather Stripping

- Check the weather stripping around doors and windows and replace any that is damaged or decayed.

Add a Sweep or Brush Strip to Exterior Doors

- By blocking off the small gaps at the base, which are especially common in older homes, you leave pests fewer ways to get inside. (This will also help you save money by keeping the heat inside.)

Check the Chimney

- The chimney is a common nesting site for bats, birds, squirrels and raccoons. Have yours checked for nests every year before using it and install a chimney cap to help keep wildlife out.

Seal the Attic

- Make sure attic vent seals are tight.

Mind the Garage

- Keep your garage door closed when possible; it presents another barrier for creatures.

Pest-Proof The Indoors

Look for Gaps

- Check under and behind refrigerators, stoves and kitchen cabinets. Also look between the floor and wall junctures, as well as the area around pipes, floor vents and dryer vents. Plug any gaps with hardware cloth or steel wool.

Eliminate Moisture

Be on the lookout for leaking pipes and clogged drains. Pay extra attention to kitchens and bathrooms, which can be particularly vulnerable to cockroach infestations.

Ventilate

- Keep attics, basements and crawl spaces well ventilated and dry.

Declutter

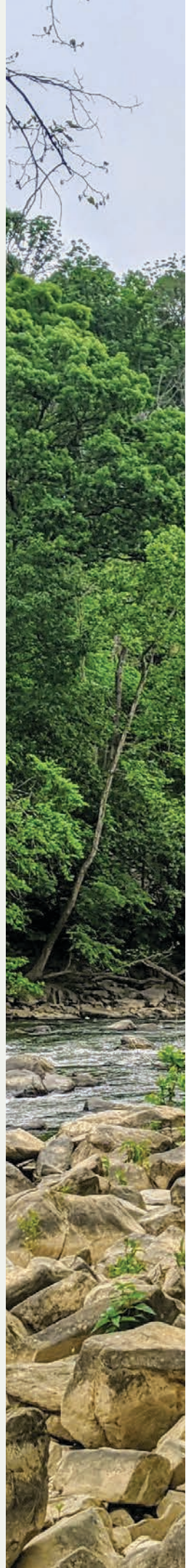
- Mice and rats love hiding in clutter, especially in lightly trafficked areas like the basement, attic and garage. Some quick tidying can make these areas less tempting. Clear out stacks of old newspapers and other junk.

Store Off the Floor

- Cardboard boxes clustered together and piles of old clothes can be inviting to pests. Store items in sealed plastic containers and keep them on shelves.

Lock Up Food

- Store food in airtight containers and dispose of garbage regularly.
- Don’t leave dirty dishes in the sink.
- Leave no trace of kitchen spills and clean up crumbs (even those beneath the toaster).
- Pick up bowls of pet food when done; don’t leave them on the floor overnight.





Spring

EGG BASKET

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SATURDAY, APRIL 10th
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT
43004 Waxpool Road

PLEASE STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE FOR THIS EVENT

This social distancing event will begin promptly at 10:00am. Please enter the Community Center parking lot coming from Claiborne Parkway. Turn on to Waxpool Road (towards the direction of the Community Center) and enter the community center parking lot entrance on the right. Drivers will ONLY be able to make a right hand turn into the Community Center. The left turn entrance coming from Belmont Ridge Road will be closed. Signs will be posted so drivers will know what route to take once arriving at the event for entering and exiting the parking lot.

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- **LIMIT 1 BASKET PER KID**
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- **IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER**
 The event will take place
 the following day on
 Sunday, April 11th.
 Same time, same place.

This free event is

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 AND
 THEIR GUESTS**

Baked Potato Tots

1 hour 45 minutes. 3 servings

- ✓ 2 medium Russet potatoes
- ✓ 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- ✓ ½ to ¾ cup 0% Greek yogurt, warm
- ✓ 1½ tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese
- ✓ ½ teaspoon fine sea salt, plus extra to taste
- ✓ 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- ✓ 1 ½ cups unseasoned panko breadcrumbs
- ✓ 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning

Preheat oven to 400°F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Scrub potatoes with a brush under running water; dry them off. Pierce each potato with a fork to prevent exploding. Bake the potatoes about 1 hour, or until they are cooked through. When cool enough to handle but still hot, cut the potatoes in half and scoop the pulp out of the skins. Run the potatoes through a ricer or food mill into a medium bowl. Stir in yogurt and 1 tablespoon of the cheese. Add ¼ teaspoon salt and ½ teaspoon pepper and stir until blended. Place breadcrumbs in shallow bowl or pie tin. Stir in remaining ½ tablespoon cheese, ¼ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon pepper, and Italian seasoning. Using a small scoop, form potato mixture into rounds that resemble a large marble or gumball. Roll in breadcrumbs, shaping the potato into a tot as you roll. Place each tot on baking sheet 1 inch apart. Bake 20 minutes, flipping over halfway through baking. Check after 20 minutes and continue to bake until browned and crisp. Serve hot. Thenibble.com

Papas Rellenas (Cheesy Potato Croquettes)

1 hour 15 minutes 8 servings

- ✓ 5 medium russet potatoes
- ✓ 3 tablespoons butter
- ✓ Salt and ground pepper to taste
- ✓ 12 ounces cheese of choice (mozzarella, cheddar, etc)
- ✓ 2 eggs
- ✓ ¾ cup all-purpose flour
- ✓ 1 cup panko breadcrumbs
- ✓ ½ teaspoon salt
- ✓ ½ teaspoon smoked paprika
- ✓ ½ teaspoon cumin
- ✓ 1 bottle vegetable oil

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Peel the potatoes and cut them in half. Cook the potatoes in the boiling water until they are very tender when pierced with a fork. Carefully drain the potatoes, then return them to the pot over medium-low heat. Add the butter and mash the potatoes with a potato masher while cooking them over the stove, letting the steam escape. When the potatoes seem dry and start to come together in a sort of "dough", remove them from the heat. Season with salt and freshly ground pepper to taste. Set aside until cool enough to handle. Cut the cheese into 1-inch cubes. If you are mixing two different cheeses, you can also grate the cheese. Take about ½ cup of the mashed potatoes and press into a flat disc in the palm of one hand. Place a piece of cheese in the center, and then wrap the mashed potatoes around the cheese, completely enclosing it. Shape the potatoes with your hands into the approximate form of a potato. Repeat with remaining potato mixture. Crack the eggs into a shallow bowl and whisk well to mix. In a separate shallow bowl, mix the flour, panko breadcrumbs, salt, pepper, cumin, and smoked paprika. Dip the potato croquettes into the egg to coat them, letting the excess drain off. Dip them into the seasoned breadcrumbs, fully coating the croquette. Repeat with remaining croquettes. Heat several inches of oil in a saucepan or deep sauté pan to 350 degrees. Cook the croquettes in batches, turning them as needed, until they are golden brown. Carefully remove the potatoes from the oil and drain them on a paper towel-lined plate briefly before serving. Thespruceeats.com

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Haven't registered your household in the Cellbadge pool system yet? No worries! You may do so at any time by following the process below.



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VIRTUAL POOL PASS REGISTRATION PROCESS

Please follow the multi-step approval process below using this registration link:

<https://cellbadge.com/broadlands/register>

STEP 1 – CREATE HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNT: Go to **Cellbadge** link above and under **Initial Add Request**, enter the information as a primary resident to create your master household account. Your add request will be forwarded to HOA staff who will validate your residency and account status. Please allow up to 3 business days for the initial approval to be processed. Once validated, you will receive a text/email indicating that your registration has been added but will remain pending until all 4 steps have been completed.

STEP 2 – ACQUIRE PIN: After you have received a text/email that your registration has been added, please return to the same registration page and follow the instructions under **Enter or Update Household Members**. Enter your credentials to get your unique PIN via text/email to continue the process.

STEP 3 – ADD HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS: Enter PIN to access the **Household Members** page to add all household members, ages 5 and older. **Be sure to select the appropriate “Relation” category when adding members:**

- **Owners** select “Owner-xxx” for ALL household members regardless of age.
- **Tenants** select “Tenant-xxx” for ALL household members if owner does not live on property.
- **Apartment Renters** select “Apartment-xxx” for all household members.
- **Nannies/Long Term guests**, please select “Other-xxx” as appropriate.

Once finished, check the box to verify you have agreed to the facility terms and click **Complete Registration**. Please allow up to 3 business days for approval, upon which you will receive a text/email indicating that **your Broadlands HOA registration has been accepted**, however, you must complete STEP 4 (pictures) to gain access to the pools.

STEP 4 – PICTURES: Send copy or take picture of valid ID or head shot for each registered member 5 and older and email to info@broadlandshoa.com:

- ✓ Must be in jpg or png format.
- ✓ Each photo file name must have the following naming convention: **address.firstname** (i.e. “42001Ridgeway.Susan”).
- ✓ Subject line should read: i.e. “**pool photos – Smith**” (please use registered household last name)
- ✓ All names must correspond with the registered names in your Cellbadge pool account so they can be imported to the proper record. Photos received that are not in the proper format will be rejected.

What are acceptable photos and adult requirements?

- Adults aged 18 and over are required to show proof of residency with a **copy of a driver’s license** showing the picture, address, name and date of birth. For security reasons, all other information can be crossed off. If the ID does not reflect the registered address, then settlement papers, utility bills or a change of address card may be emailed.
- For children aged 5 and older, please email a current headshot or ID.
- For children aged 4 and under, photos are not required.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ACCESSING THE POOL: Once your photos have been added to your account, your process is complete, and access to the pools is simple since no pass is required – just check-in with the lifeguard by providing your name or address and they will be able to access your “virtual ID card” in the system to allow entrance. Once registered, no further action is needed for future pool seasons.

GUEST VISITS: 10-visits will be added to your household account each year. You may purchase additional guest visits by following the instructions on our website at broadlandshoa.org/pool. Visits do not roll over to the next season.

TENANTS: You must have a current **Absentee Owner Statement (AOS)** and **lease** on file with the HOA before registering. Please see information on our website under www.broadlandshoa.org/tenant-information.

APARTMENTS: Tenants of The Arbors and Van Metre Apartments must purchase a household pool membership first at broadlandshoa.org/pool-information.

Questions? Please contact the HOA office by emailing info@broadlandshoa.com or calling 703-729-9704.

Feb 2021

Girls on the Run - Registration is Underway for Spring Session!

GOTR is a physical activity based youth development program for girls in 3rd-6th grade. The program teaches life skills through dynamic interactive lessons and running games. The goal of the program is to unleash confidence through accomplishment, while establishing a lifetime appreciation of health and fitness.

Starting this spring, the team will meet twice weekly on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4:30pm-5:30pm at the Nature Center grounds for outdoor, physically distant practices. The program culminates in a celebratory 5K at the end of the season! The program includes 16 sessions, a t-shirt, water bottle, entry into the 5K, a 5K medal, and more.

Registration is ongoing through March 9th. To register or for more information visit gotrnova.org. Got questions? Call 703-273-3153.



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PLANT NURTURE GROW *Gardening in Rhythm With Nature*

Join us at 9 a.m. EST on Saturday, March 20, 2021,
for a full day of inspiration, information, and insight.

Featured Speakers

Ginger Woolridge: Landscape architect, garden
consultant, and writer - *Woody Natives: Making
Quick and Confident Choices*.

William Cullina: F. Otto Haas Executive Director,
Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania -
*Sugar, Sex, and Poisons: Shocking Plant Secrets Caught
on Camera*.

Ira Wallace: Worker-owner of the cooperative
Southern Exposure Seed Exchange - *Grow Great
Vegetables in Virginia*.

Sam Droege: Wildlife biologist at the Patuxent
Wildlife Research Center USGS - *Introduction to
the Native Bees of the Mid Atlantic*.

Registration is open.

*Talks will be available for viewing for 10 days after
the symposium.*

Girl Scouts Earn Silver Award for Educating on Sustainability

Lauren and Shannon of Girl
Scout Troop 3462 earned their
Girl Scout Silver Award by
teaching girls at a summer camp
about ways to reduce, reuse and
recycle. Their goal was to provide
girls with information about the
impacts of everyday activities
on the environment. The Silver
Award is the highest award that a Cadette level Girl
Scout can earn. It is earned by completing at least 50
hours on a project of lasting impact.

Lauren and Shannon developed a program which
included instructional time teaching the campers the
various ways to reduce energy, creative ways to reuse
old materials, and the dos and don'ts of recycling. They
coordinated fun games and activities such as relay
races and craft-making from recycled or repurposed
materials. This program was delivered at Camp Amistad,
a one-week community-based camp for elementary
school-aged girls to gain exposure to the Girl Scouting
experience and participate in fun and outdoor activities
and friendship building.

Want to learn more about the great things that girls
can accomplish as Girl Scouts? Interested in joining?
Check out our Council's website at: gscnc.org/en/about-girl-scouts/who-we-are.



Lauren and Shannon at Camp Amistad
displaying materials for their project.

Thank You to the Group of High School Teens for Helping to Keep Broadlands Beautiful





Jack's Hikebreak

Submitted By: Tom Jennrich

Looking back, I guess this story is a long time coming. It sure took a long time to get here, although time flew by at the same time. It was June of 2015 and I was dad to an amazing, boisterous, adventurous 5-year-old boy named Jack. I took Jack on a hike, which a hike for a five year old is more like wandering in the woods for a few hours looking at “weird” rocks and “funny” sticks in between multiple bags of Goldfish and Dippy granola bars. Our first excursion was a local hike at Red Rocks that barely topped 2 miles but included a section along the Potomac, some rock walls, a ‘climb’ up a root-aided steep hill, and a decent view. Jack had a mop of blond hair that matted to his head in the June heat.

Along the way during our first hike there were decisions to be made at trail intersections, various colored ‘blazes’ to follow, and some light father/son chatting to be had. Jack seemed to like it, and said he wanted to go again. The next weekend I took him to another local trail, and the weekend after that. After a month of this, Jack said that he wanted to start a “streak,” hiking every weekend. At the time we were juggling flag football, tae kwon do, and a 1-year-old brother. But I said “sure,” thinking that a 5-year-old’s idea of a “streak” would be 6 times in a row, maybe 8.

Fast Forward to late February 2021, we hit 300 weeks in a row, 300! I guess I underestimated that 5-year-old.

Jack is now 11, has hiked over 1,000 miles, covered 13 states, and has logged hundreds upon hundreds of hours

with his old man on some truly remote adventures. He notched a 5-miler when he was five, a 6 miler at six, and so on. His longest jaunt is 10 miles at 10, which means we owe the hiking gods an 11 miler before his October birthday clicks him over to 12 this Fall.

We’ve hiked both in single and triple digit temps, the day after a blizzard in knee high drifts, and during a rainstorm, as wet as if we were swimming. Many were accomplished with sickness, tiredness and time constraints. Even when he was sick as a dog, Jack insisted we hike. When daddy might have wanted to bail on a week or two, we hiked. I recall a Thursday night in the ER after I had thrown out my back (unrelated to our hikes) when the doctor laughed at me telling him that I was going hiking the coming weekend. That Saturday I limped through 1.5 miles with two walking sticks and a lot of Advil.

Family vacations include packing to accommodate hiking wherever we are. And sometimes, the vacations are planned around hiking itself. The hikebreak has certainly taken on a life of its own. It hasn’t always been easy, but I can’t imagine a more valuable collection of time. Our hiking adventures have also been something great to share with our family, especially wife/mom, Jenny, and younger son/brother, Wyatt. We’ve been joined by friends, aunts, uncles, cousins, grandparents, and everyone in between. Watching Jack share his favorite trails or stories or rock skipping spots has been incredible.

One of our early highlights was the Billy Goat Trail

on week 52. I've always loved the BGT ever since I was a kid (although older than six years old!) and wanted share it with him. The hike that day on BGT was a hot and humid day and all in total, it was 5.5 miles. Leaping from rock to rock, high above the Potomac on the Maryland side, we climbed hand over foot on the rock wall scramble, a true challenge for a six-year-old and Jack ate it up. 52 straight weeks was already a sign, but something hit another gear that day. The walk back on the tow path was a great bonding experience spent talking about our favorite parts, pointing out turtles, and planning our next visit and where else we could go. A highlight of all our hikes has been our talks, sometimes nothing too serious - the merits of various light sabers in Star Wars, or who our Football Team should draft, and sometimes those deep kid questions such as the contents of outer space, earth's creation, or more recently, girls... Regardless of the subject, it's been a great time to connect. I hope he doesn't grow up too quickly and realize I'm not cool.

Something that IS cool though is along the way we picked up a #hikestreak sponsor! Our friends over at Studio One Printing in Sterling stepped up and made us some really fantastic hiking shirts. Let me tell you that a seven year old boy touring the back of a printing shop and seeing a custom made design inked out on a printing screen will give him (and dad) a huge grin! Geoff, Forrest, and Chad hooked it up for week 104, 156, 200...every "year" number and cool ones (222, 250, etc.). Every time we have a new design unveiled it's like Christmas morning, definitely one of the coolest things we've ever been a part of.

Other highlights of our hike streak have been traveling to visit friends in Kansas (we found hills in Kansas!), taking a week long trip to explore multiple hikes in Tennessee and Kentucky, or visiting Stony Man Mountain in Shenandoah where I proposed to my wife Jenny so many years ago. We hiked in Nantahala National Forest in North Carolina during my sister's wedding week that provided us with great views of waterfalls and allowed us to hike with a dozen of our favorite people! Exploring our local trails and finding our favorites has been fun, many within a few miles of Broadlands.

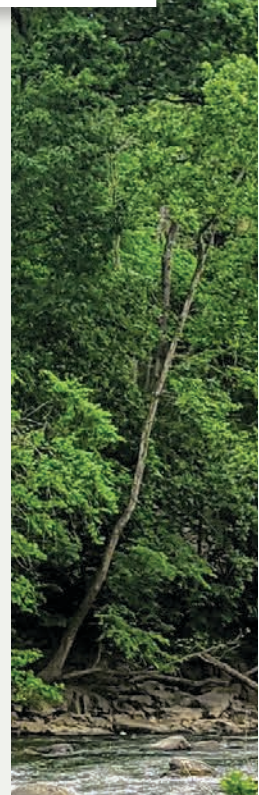
Looking back, we live in a great area for our hiking adventures. We are in super-suburbia, with tucked away trails right nearby (Red Rocks, Edwards Landing, Balls Bluff, Brambleton Reservoir, Banshee Reeks) and then some next level hikes right down the road with Scott's Run, Great Falls, Billy Goat, Difficult Run, Seneca, GC CCT (Gerry Connolly Cross County Trail), Fords Mine, Bear's Den, Ravens Rock Trail, Buzzard Roost, the Roller Coaster, Turkey Run, Roosevelt Island, Dead Man's Loop. Take one step

past that into some AMAZING areas...Shenandoah National Park offers Mary's Rock, Stony Man Mountain, Dark Hollow Falls, Hawksbill, Rose River, White Oak Canyon, Cedar Run, Buck Hollow...a nearly endless list with options for all ages.

Wherever we are, we try to stay in the moment and really absorb up our settings. We have a rule - no texting, calls, searches, etc. Only the All Trails app and the camera are allowed. We try to stop and sit along the most remote trails and list what we hear - birds, wind in the trees (creaky trees are 'tree music'), a river or stream, a far-off airplane. Our hikes include animal spotting: deer, hawks, blue heron, muskrat, snakes, fox, and a Tennessee bear! We have lunch on a log, snacks on rocks, water breaks on the river, knife throwing into stumps (don't tell mom)...as many moments as we can steal.

I don't think we really stop and reflect enough on what this means to us, but I feel like the luckiest man in the world for Jack and my hiking streak. I'm a dad so I dote on my kids, and I share the #hikestreak with my modest friend-list on Facebook, but it still kind of feels like our own little secret. This foray into writing seems like a great opportunity to stop and reflect, so thanks to Natalie with the Broadlands Newsletter who has encouraged us to share. And please, Broadlanders...Broadlandites? I'm desperate for new spots, so if you have a secret location, please share!

I look back on the years, locations and miles and I try to remember what week 1 was like, or when I first saw Jack fall in love with the hike. It's hard to pinpoint, but one thing I know for sure is that I won't underestimate him again...if Jack says we're starting something, then I believe him.





The Ashburn Library Programs and Information

Mid-Day Meditation

Take a short break to breathe and center the mind so you are more focused in the afternoon. In this session, certified yoga and meditation teacher, Gretchen Schutte, will lead a guided mantra meditation for love, compassion and peace. March dates are Tuesday on the 2nd, 16th and 30th. Visit library.loudoun.gov for more details and sign up link.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Program

A self-paced early literacy program. Engage readers early to continue a lifetime love of reading! For full details visit: [Library.loudoun.gov/1000books](https://library.loudoun.gov/1000books)

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Enjoy resources such as Hoopla, Overdrive, Mango Languages, Freegal, RB Digital, Consumer Reports Online & many more!

Broadlands Area Clubs and Groups

*Includes **Broadlands** and surrounding **Ashburn** area clubs and groups. To be included on this list or if your club has an announcement or an event you would like published, please email nihanainen@broadlandshoa.com.*

ASHBURN/BROADLANDS WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We are studying various Women's Bible Studies by Beth Moore, Priscilla Shirer and others. This is an interdenominational group that meets Tuesday mornings from 9:00am to 11:15am in a local home. Please contact Grace at 703-724-0995 for more information.

ASHBURN CLASSICS

The Ashburn Classics will not meet in March.

ASHBURN TOASTMASTERS

Holding Online Meetings. Please contact our VP of Membership, vpm-703053@toastmastersclubs.org, for the URL to join our meetings. Check our website, ashburn.toastmastersclubs.org/ for meetings calendar.

BRAMBLETON LADIES GOLF LEAGUE

Brambleton Ladies Golf 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 www.brambletonladiesgolf.org or call Sara Carlin at 703-723-3000.

BROADLANDS MOMS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS

Missing that connection with other parents now that the kids are out of high school? If you are, come join us for social distancing care package events, coffee dates, walking groups and general support as we navigate this time during our kids' college years and anything else that comes up! For more info, please contact Amy Bazerghi at amy@thehouse.net.

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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 how the committee works, visit BroadlandsNaturally.org.

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Girl Scouts provides leadership training through STEM, outdoor experiences, skills badges, community service and entrepreneurship. For more information, please visit girlscouts.org.

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 griefshare.org.

MOMS CLUB OF ASHBURN

MOMS Club stands for Moms Offering Moms Support. Ashburn resident moms that organize events for us and our young kids. For more info, please contact Kirsten Barger at miller.kir@gmail.com or ashburnmomsclub@yahoo.com.

MOMS IN PRAYER – BRIAR WOODS

Briar Woods moms are invited to join us to pray for our children and staff at Briar Woods. We currently meet virtually on Tuesdays during the school year. Please contact Rebecca for more information at 703-858-7379.

MOMS IN PRAYER – EAGLE RIDGE

Eagle Ridge moms are invited to join us to pray for our children and staff at this school. We meet on Tuesdays during the school year. Please contact Catherine for more information at 703-598-4708.

MUSIC ON THE HEIGHTS

We host monthly concerts in our home, usually second Saturdays of the month. Mostly acoustic, some electric, this series features both local and traveling musicians of various genres. For more info email musicontheheights@gmail.com.

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The members of the Rotary Club of Ashburn are heavily involved in serving our Ashburn community. Currently we are meeting remotely via Zoom on the first and third Thursdays of the month. We love visitors and welcome them. Please email us at ashburnrotary@gmail.com if you would like the link for the meetings.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

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Virtual prospective members meeting on Tuesday, March 30, 7:00-9:00pm: learn more about volunteering with AVFRD. Operations and admin Members needed. Many benefits. See our website for more information and how to start the application process in advance, ashburnfirerescue.org/volunteer/process

Save the Date for Run the Greenway - 10K/5K/ Kids Fun Run/Virtual Race, May 1, 8:00am: AVFRD has signed up to be a featured community partner for this event and will be receiving 100% of raised funds and we are seeking individual runners and teams. Great prize for top fund fundraiser. runsignup.com/race/donate/101871/becomefundraiser

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