

Community Newsletter

January/February 2021

'The Board of Directors' meet the third Monday of each month at 6:30pm Please attend to be informed.

"January meeting will be " Tuesday, 26th January.



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### ASHLAND DIRECTORY

ASHLAND COMMUNITY CENTER.	
Office Hours - Monday to Friday	
EXTENDED HOURS - WEDNESDAY.	10:00ам то 7:00рм
Community Manager:	
Jeffry Gardunio,	ashlandgm@comcast.net

#### ASHLAND FITNESS CENTER/POOL

Alex Hubley	<u>ashlandfi</u>	tness@comcast.net
Mon to Thurs	3:00pm-7:00pm	-
	9:00am-12:00pm	703-670-7963

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Dave Costa	President
Frank Falgiano	Vice President
Brian English	Member
Mark Solomon	
Steven Matias	Member

#### COMMITTEES

WEB SITE	www.AshlandConservancy.com
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#### ARCC

Dave Harris..... Mike Hubley Christa Denny..... Robert Martin

#### **EVENTS**

Nerene Rouse	Reno3233@comcast.net
NEWSLETTER	
Alex Hubley	ashlandfitness@comcast.net
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH	
Positions available	
Pool Committee	
Positions available	
Open Spaces	
Positions available	
Welcome Committee	
Positions available	

Re-Sale Packages-Jennifer Norris......301-495-6615 Email......Jennifer.Norris@FSResidential.com

Send HOA Dues Coupon & payment to: P.O. Box 62028 Newark, NJ 07101-8060

### **USEFUL NUMBERS**



. 703-792-6500
703-792-6465
703-792-6500
571-217-5454
. 703-792-6820
703-383-VDOT
. 703-368-0500
1-800-934-6489
703-335-0500
-800-543-8911
703-335-7950
before you start
.703-734-9730
.703-885-7100
E WEBSITE:
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ABC License Application

FSResidential Direct Payment Form

**Recycling Guidelines** 



# Managers

Corner



Happy New Year, Ashland Conservancy,

I hope your family is well and 2021 finds you good fortune.

There are bad things that happened in 2020, but there were good things as well. The best thing about a new year happening is hope for improvement and change for the better. I hope the pool will be open this summer, I hope the gym will open, and I hope to use the Clubhouse for events. The Board approved the change of tennis courts on Fincastle to pickleball. Hoping for a good 2021 to change for the better is my wish for us all.

Changes were discussed at the Board of Directors meeting in November. During the meeting, the Board of Directors reiterated their agreement to keep the Fitness Center, and Clubhouse closed due to ongoing issues with COVID. They approved AL&L to provide landscaping starting in January 2021. They requested pool contract proposals with the expectation that it will be open and have an alternate plan of action if the pandemic continues. The Board also asked for proposals to replace the playground equipment on Fincastle.

The ARCC guidelines have established what needs committee approval and what is allowed without consent. **Exterior modifications need ARCC approval with the exception of when replacing with the same style, color, and material.** Not getting approval for your project can result in violations, fines, or delays in selling your home. Please, ask if you are not sure. The ARCC Guidelines are available for viewing on the website at www.Ashlandconservancy.com

Changes in seasons mean different maintenance on your home. Some violations are more apparent at this time of year than others. The violations most seen during this time of year is removing the holiday decorations. Holiday decorations may not be installed or displayed any sooner than forty-five (45) days before the holiday. Homeowners should remove the decorations within fifteen (15) days after the holiday intended and weather permitting.

The other violation most seen currently is storing items on patios and driveways. Please don't store mulch, bikes, or any other items in front of the home.

Even through the pandemic, my priority is to keep Ashland Conservancy a great place to live. I want to work with more of Ashland's homeowners, but I need your time as part of one of our committees to do that. I will always be available through email at <u>ashlandgm@comcast.net</u> and by phone at 703-878-6733, but the best way to be involved is by volunteering.

I look forward to continuing serving you and hope for a productive and fortunate New Year.

Sincerely,

Jeffry Gardunio

## Committees We Need Your Help

### Architectural Review and Covenants Committee (ARCC)

ARCC is the only Committee sanctioned by the Bylaws. Duties include meeting once a month to review and render decisions on modification applications and conducting annual inspections of the community

### **Budget & Finance**

Budget and Finance Committee is involved in budget preparation and the financial reporting. They work closely with the Board Treasurer and make recommendations as they relate to financial improvement of the Association.

### **Community Open Spaces**

Main focus is the review and recommendation of landscaping contracts for common grounds as well as recommendations for other common grounds. Suggests areas that require work and new projects to beatify the

neighborhood.

### Events

Events Committee hosts all Ashland community sponsored events such as Fall Festival, Cookies with Santa, a Valentine dinner, bi-annual yard sales, ice cream socials, and movie nights.

### Pool

Pool Committee oversees the pools upkeep and operation. The members guide the board on the selection of the pool management company and work jointly with the Ashland Stingrays swim team to ensure all community members are provided with the best swimming environment possible.

### **Communications Committee**

Assists with monthly newsletter, oversees Conservancy Web Page, promotes safe and efficient communications methods between Ashland BoD and HOA homeowners.

### Welcome Committee

(New Idea) Prepares a Welcome letter from the Conservancy Board to new Homeowners. Deliveries a Welcome Basket with local information. Helps answer questions on local schools, shopping, community events, etc.

# **Nothing Happens Without Volunteers!**



CONSERVANCY. INC.

### Request to Address the Board of Directors

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain in detail what you would like to discuss at the Board of Directors Meeting.

Please return this form to the management office by the 2<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month in order to be placed on the agenda.

\*\*You will be allowed between 3 & 5 minutes to speak at the meeting.

5550 Findastle Drive, Manassas, VA 20112 - (703) 878-6733 - (703) 670-6446 Fax

# The winners of the Christmas Decorating Contest for 2020

## are:

### **Single Family Homes**

1st place: 15548 Toddsbury Ln.		Lakita Conley-Ware
2nd place:	5889 Fincastle Dr.	David & Ginger Tender
3rd Place:	Place: 5429 Balls Bluff Ct. Jeffrey Sipes	
	Honorable N	lentions
15	5761 Chimney Rock Ter.	Vincent Falletta
15	5588 Hume School Ct.	Darren & Yolanda Burnett

15523 Fancy Farm Ct. Wilfred Ann Harper

More and more houses are being decorated so beautifully each year that the Judges are having a difficult time choosing the winners, which is a good thing.

# Congratulations to everyone!!!

The picture of the first place winner's home is pictured below:



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### FITNESS & POOL

### Ashland Fitness & Pool 703-670-7963

E-Mail: Alex Hubley at Ashlandfitness@comcast.net

Monday to Thursday 3:00pm to 7:00pm Saturday 9:00am to 12:00pm

### Membership Cards

All residents over the age of two years are required to have a Membership Card in order to use the Fitness Center/Pool and Recreational Facilities.

If you are new to the neighborhood, please come down to the Fitness Center to fill out an application and have your picture taken.

If you have lost your membership card, now is the time to come in and get a replacement made.

There is a \$5 charge for replacement membership cards, payable by check only.

### APPLICATIONS AND PICTURES ARE TAKEN

Monday to Thursday 3:00pm to 7:00pm

Saturday 9:00am to 12:00pm



If you are a new homeowner please bring a copy of your settlement paper and some proof of ID. Renters will need to bring a copy of the rental lease.

### THE FITNESS CENTER IS CURRENTLY CLOSED DUE TO THE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Admittance is with an electronic key fob.

If you haven't picked up your key fob, please do so at the office Mon-Fri 8:00am - 5:30pm with extended hours Wednesday 7:00am - 7:00pm. Please bring your Ashland Membership card with you. Only homeowners are allowed to sign for a key fob. The first key fob is issued free of charge, you can purchase extra keys for a \$10 fee.

Residents must be 18yrs. old to use the fitness room. Minors 15yrs. to 17yrs. can use the fitness room without an adult as long as the parent/legal guardian has signed a waiver and purchased a key fob. Minors 13yrs. to 14 yrs.must be accompanied by an adult .

Please remember children under the age of 13 yrs. are not permitted in the fitness facility. Guests are not allowed to use the fitness facility.

### For your convenience you may pick up the key fob after business hours at the Fitness Centre

### POOL GUEST POLICY

All guests must pay a \$3.00 daily fee or \$15.00 for a 5-day punch card. *Payable by check only.* There is a limit of five guests per household.

Guests must be accompanied by a resident 15 yrs. or older.

A copy of all the Rules and Regulations is available at the Fitness Center.

## \*\*\*WE DO NOT ACCEPT CASH\*\*\*

# MAILBOX POST COLOR

Residents have inquired about the appropriate color to repaint the fading and chipping mailbox posts.

To make it easy for residents, we have set up an account specifically for the Ashland mailbox at the following **SHERWIN-WILLIAMS** paint store.

If you ask for <u>MAILBOX-ASHLAND CONSERVANCY</u>, the correct color will be mixed with no hassle.

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS Store # 3450 4119 Cheshire Station Plz Dale City, VA 22193-2200 703-670-3960

This is in the shopping plaza at the intersection of Dale Blvd and Minnieville Road.

# MAILBOX POST PAINT

The Home Owner's Association has authorized the community manager to purchase several quarts of the mailbox post paint.

Paint can be borrowed on a first-come, first-served basis. For more details please contact the management office at 703-878-6733.

# **REPLACING THE POST AND MAILBOX**

The post and mailbox can be purchased at <u>MAINSTREET MAILBOXES</u> in Centreville.

Call 571-379-8454 Monday to Friday 8:00am-4:00pm.

Ask for the <u>MP-27</u> or the <u>Ashland-K.Hov. Post</u>

MAINSTREET MAILBOXES can install this and paint it, but please use the paint color we've supplied at SHERWIN-WILLIAMS.

# Any other type of mailbox post or color will be considered in violation.

# NOTICE

Pursuant to requests received from owners, the Board of Directors has changed the age limit for the use of the fitness facility without adult supervision from 17yrs. to 15yrs.

The following requirements will need to be met:

The exercise facility waiver listing name of the minor needs to be completed by the parent/legal guardian. A fob will be issued to the minor (\$10 charge will be incurred by the parent/legal guardian).

## The Potomac Magisterial District Supervisor welcomes your questions, comments or advice

Supervisor Andrea Bailey welcomes suggestions and questions, If you want to stay informed, please access <u>https://www.supervisorandreabailey.com</u> and familiarize yourself with the future development projects scheduled for the neighborhood. We will also try to provide an update in each edition of the newsletter.

http://twitter.com/PotomacDistrict/status/1226924433182425090

# The Ashland Management Office will observe the following holidays:

Presidents Day Memorial Day Independance Day Labour Day Columbus Day Veterans Day Thanksgiving Day Day after Thanksgiving Close office at 12pm on Cristmas Eve Christmas Day Close office at 12pm on New Years Eve New Years Day

# The Ashland Community Website

# Check it out at:

www.AshlandConservancy.com



If using IE browser you need to add the site in compatibity mode.

# Ashland Resident E-Mail List

Would you like to get all the up to date information on the happenings in Ashland?

> Contact Alex Hubley Ashlandfitness@comcast.net to sign up.

Please use Ashland Conservancy E-Mail List in the subject line.

Please provide your house address for verification.

# **DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE:**

Audit of Financial statements

ARCC Design Guidelines ARCC Inspection Checklist ARCC Exterior Modification Application Mailbox Post Color Information Committee Volunteer Form Clubhouse Rental Application

ABC License Application Recycling Guidelines

# **ADVISORY**

# Please be reminded that the fitness room doors and windows are protected with an alarm system.

The signs posted on the emergency exit door and on all the windows, are clearly stating this fact.

Anyone caught opening these windows and doors will be held responsible for the false alarm fee that the police department charges the community.

# Please be reminded that picking up after your dog is not a choice.

It is a responsibility.

# For your convenience, pet stations have been placed throughout the community.

# Ashland Conservancy's Pet Policy states that:

- -All dogs must be on a leash when on any common ground, including the sidewalks.
- -Pet owners must pick-up after their pets immediately.

Thank you.



## **Friendly reminder**

Residents are advised to keep the post lamp and/or the porch lights lit during the night. It helps to have as many lights as possible around your property in order to deter vandalism.

# Are you planning to rent your home?

In order for us to communicate pertinent issues with regards to your home and the Association, please provide First Residential with your forwarding address.

Email - Duane.dennis@fsresidential.com Tel. 301-495-6648



### RECYCLE ALL YOU SHOULD (clean, dry & un-bagged)



• Fluorescent bulbs

When in doubt, leave it out!

# www.pwcgov.org/recycling

Hishland Conservancy Inc. 5550 Fincastle Drive, Manassas, VA 20112

Tel. 703-670-7963

### Ashland Community Newsletter Advertisements 2021

The Ashland Community Newsletter is posted online six times a year. Advertising in the newsletter is accepted on a first come, first serve, and space available basis. The newsletter editor reserves the right to edit or postpone printing certain articles/ads.

All ads can be emailed as an attachment to <u>ashlandfitness@comcast.net</u> or originals need to be submitted camera ready and accompanied by a check payable to Ashland Conservancy. There is a \$35 fee for any and all returned checks. While we try to have the newsletter online within the first week of the month, we cannot guarantee a specified date.

To place an ad in the upcoming issue, please complete the form below along with your camera- ready ad and payment to our office.

If you need further assistance or have questions, please contact Alex Hubley, Newsletter Editor, at 703-670-7963 or

E-mail Ashlandfitness@comcast.net

#### Please check the appropriate spaces:

Issue Requested	Deadline for Payment and Ad Receipt	
January/February	December 1	
March/April	February 1	
May/June	April 1	
July/August	June 1	
September/October	August 1	
November/December	October 1	

#### Cost per Issue (please circle selection)

	Resident	Non-Resident	
Full Page: 7x10	\$180	\$200	
Half Page: 7x4	\$90	\$100	
Quarter-Page: 3.5x4	\$45	\$50	
Business Card: 3.5x2	\$30	\$35	
Classifieds: (40 words)	\$15	\$25	

Payment Amount:	
Person Requesting Ad:	
Name of Company:	
Mailing Address:	
E-Mail:	
Daytime Phone:	
Signature:	Date

Mail to: Ashland Conservancy Inc. 5550 Fincastle Drive, Manassas, VA 20112

# ASHLAND CLASSIFIEDS

# Yard Cleanup, Mulching, Bush Trimming, Lawn Vacuuming - Leaf Removal, Licensed and Insured. Free estimates. Widewater C.S.Inc. call: 571-276-5001

It's time to take care of your checklist before it is too cold. Walk around your property. If you spot any that needs repair, schedule it before winter weather hits.

Ensure lamp post is in good condition and working order

Replace your filters for your home

Clean the mildew from siding of the home

Clean gutters and downspouts

Prune your trees and shrubs after the leaves turn to encourage healthy growth.

It is that time of the year when leaves are a never-ending problem. Please remember to be courteous to your neighbors by removing the leaves in your yard.

# ASHLAND NEWSLETTER

The Ashland Newsletter is published every two months starting with the January/February Issue.

If you have any interesting information, submissions recipes and announcements, etc. that you would like to see in the newsletter, or any suggestions, let us know.

All articles and community information needs to be submitted by the first day of the previous month in which the newsletter is issued e.g. for the January/February newsletter the last day for submitting an article would be 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Questions? Call Alex Hubley 703-670-7963 E-mail ashlandfitness@comcast.net





MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	<b>б</b> ** <b>ARCC</b> ** Меет 7рм СLUBHOUSE	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 EVENTS COMMITTEE MEET 7PM CLUBHOUSE	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET 6:30PM CLUBHOUSE	27	28	29	30	31
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# February 2021

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
] deadline for mar-apr Newsletter submissions	2	3 **ARCC** MEET 7PM CLUBHOUSE	4	5	6	7
8	9	<b>EVENTS</b> COMMITTEE MEET 7PM CLUBHOUSE	11	12	13	14
15 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET 6:30PM CLUBHOUSE		17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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