

May 2019



# Important 2019 Pool Season Information

The Quaker Hill pool opens on Saturday, May 25, 2019 at 10 a.m. Pool information packets have been mailed to all residents and should have been received by now. If you have not received the information, contact Northern Virginia Management (NVM) at 703-941-9002 or nvm@northervirginiamanagement.com.

#### **Pool Admission Requirements**

Homeowners must complete a pool-use application and send it to NVM for verification. NVM will maintain a master list of authorized pool users for each household and will also provide the list to lifeguards, who will confirm that you are registered when you enter the pool area. Only those persons listed on the pool application will be allowed entry into the pool area. In the interest of pool safety and rule enforcement, the Board has instructed the lifeguards to exercise their discretion to ask pool users to leave the premises when infractions occur. Please do not abuse pool privileges or allow others to do so. This could result in liability issues to the homeowner, the pool company, and our community. Misuse may also result in the temporary or permanent loss of pool privileges.

The table below is an easy-to-use guide to Quaker Hill pool admission requirements. The Board has instructed the lifeguards to strictly enforce the rules.

QUAKER HILL POOL ADMISSION							
Age	Identification Required	Can attend alone	Can bring guests				
18 or over eligible user	Government-approved ID	YES	YES				
16-17	Government-approved ID	YES	NO				
Under 16	NO	NO	NO				

- · Children under 16 years of age must be accompanied throughout their stay at the pool by an eligible pool user who is 18 years of age or older.
- Guests, no matter their age, cannot attend alone. They must be accompanied at all times by an eligible pool user who is 18 years of age or older.
- The maximum allowable number of guests per household is 5.
- Adult swim time is from 7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily (eligible user 18 years of age and older).

#### **Guest Passes and Fees**

Guest passes will cost \$2 per day, per guest, and no more than five guests per household, per day, will be permitted. Guests must be accompanied by a homeowner 18 years of age or older at all times.

## New Residents Who Arrive During Pool Season

NVM updates pool user records every Thursday to include completed and approved applications that were received the previous week. Please do not expect your paperwork to be on file any sooner and do not request the lifeguards or NVM to make an exception even if you have identification or paperwork showing that you now live in the community. Such identification does not automatically grant pool access. If you are told that your information is not on file, please leave the pool area and contact NVM.

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# Trash Disposal

Residents of single-family detached homes and townhomes are reminded that trash containers may not be placed outside earlier than 5:00 p.m. on the evening before collection and must be returned to storage not later than 7:00 p.m. on the day of collection. Please put your trash can out of view on non-pick up days.

The regular trash collection day is Tuesday. During a week when Monday or Tuesday is a holiday, you may call the City's Office of Solid Waste at 703-746-4410 or check the city of Alexandria website at http://ci.alexandria.va.us for information on trash collection.

## **TMP**

The City of Alexandria requires Quaker Hill to participate in the city-wide Transportation Management Program (TMP) that promotes the use of mass transit. Part of our monthly assessment



fee funds this program. As a bona fide resident of Quaker Hill, you are eligible to purchase certain mass transit media at a reduced price. The TMP offers:

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50%	off	Metro	rail	fare

Amount to be specified by resident per SmarTrip card				
Maximum benefit <b>per household</b> , <b>per month</b> is \$250	\$125.00			
SmarTrip Card	\$ 1.00			
Alexandria DASH pass (1 month unlimited rides)	\$ 22.50			

#### How to Place an Order for SmarTrip cards or Alexandria DASH passes:

- 1. Call Northern Virginia Management at (703) 941-9002 and leave a message.
- 2. Email Northern Virginia Management at nvm@northernvirginiamanagement.com.

Please note that all orders must be paid in full in advance before NVM will send your media. Make checks payable to Quaker Hill Community Association.

#### How to Add fare to your SmarTrip card:

- Register your SmarTrip card with NVM. A maximum of four cards may be registered with the NVM.
- 2. The \$250 maximum benefit may be split among the four registered cards. You cannot register cards issued by an employer through an employee benefits program.
- Mail your payment in advance to: Northern Virginia Management 4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101 Annandale, Virginia 22003
- 4. If the household has registered multiple cards with NVM, the card number must be noted, along with the amount to be added per card.

Cards and benefits may not be sold or transferred to others. Misuse may result in the temporary or permanent loss of TMP benefits.

# Quaker, Hill Community Association Information

#### **Board of Directors**

Marjorie Stein, President Stephen Kahn, Vice President Stephen Stine, Secretary Rose Gillespie, Treasurer & Newsletter Ed Lacy, Director

## Clubhouse Telephone

703-823-1911/1912

## Northern Virginia Management

703-941-9002

nvm@northernvirginiamanagement.com 4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101 Annandale, Virginia 22003

The Quaker Hill Community Association Board of Directors meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Quaker Hill community center. Association members who wish to bring an issue

before the Board should write to the Board in advance, c/o NVM, 4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101, Annandale, Virginia 22003, or call any Board member. Meeting date changes will be posted on the clubhouse bulletin board. Please email NVM to obtain the minutes of monthly QHCA board meetings.

#### **Quaker Hill Condominium Association**

Management Company: Sentry Management, 703-642-3246 Association President: John Sesler, jsesler@comcast.net

### Important Numbers to Remember

Police—Fire—Medical Emergency\* 911

Police Non-Emergency 703-746-4444

Police Non-Emergency TDD line 703-838-4896

Online Crime Reporting www.alexandriava.gov/police

National Poison Control Center **800-222-1222**Animal Control **703-746-4774** 

\*The Alexandria Police Department is located at 3600 Wheeler Ave.; the closest fire station (#207) is located at 3301 Duke Street.

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## A Few Important Rules to Remember

Although a comprehensive list of pool rules is posted on the Quaker Hill website at www.qhca.org, a few important rules to remember are highlighted here. The Board has instructed the lifeguards to strictly enforce the rules. Because of several situations in the past, residents are asked to pay special attention to rules No. 2 and No. 3.

- 1. Alexandria City requires that ALL swimmers must be out of the pool for 10 minutes every hour; lifeguards will call swim breaks at 10 minutes before the hour, every hour, except for the last hour of the day.
- 2. No profanity, screaming, or other boisterous behavior in the pool area or community center. On several occasions, a few swimmers used profanities, making families with young children uncomfortable and hastening their departure from the pool. This is unacceptable. Lifeguards have been advised to ask the offenders to leave the pool area and suspend their pool privileges, if necessary. Please remember that Quaker Hill is a residential community.
- 3. Entering the pool area when the facility is closed is trespassing. If you witness trespassing or vandalism, please report it to the Alexandria Police Department (703-746-4444). Trespassers will be banned from the property, and charges will be filed.

- 4. No running, pushing, wrestling, dunking, standing or sitting on another's shoulders.
- 5. Swimmers must wear proper bathing attire. No cutoffs, jeans, or similar clothing.
- 6. Keep the facility clean by placing refuse and recyclables in proper receptacles.

## **Pool Company**

The Board has rehired Aqua Safe to manage the pool during the 2019 swim season. Company representatives met with the Board at the April 2019 community meeting to review pool rules and issues. Aqua Safe began work in April to prepare the pool and deck area to meet required safety, legal, and use inspections.

The Board appreciates residents' feedback regarding the management and use of the pool and looks forward to continued feedback that will be provided to Aqua Safe at subsequent community meetings.



## **Covenants Rules**

The Board reminds all homeowners to submit a Design Review application to NVM for all changes to the exterior of your home, unless you are replacing/repainting with the exact same materials/colors specified by the Quaker Hill Community Association or approved by the Board. Do not assume that changes made to other properties mean that you don't need to submit an application. It is always safer to submit an application and have it formally approved than to redo a project. The Design Review application is available on the Quaker Hill website (www.qhca.org) under "Updated Design Standards 8/25/10."

# Landscape Corner

Chapel Valley continues to provide landscape services in Quaker Hill. As a reminder, the contract covers townhome front lawns and common areas and includes:



- ✓ Mowing
- ✓ Edging (every other mowing)
- ✓ Fertilizing (spring)
- ✓ Mulching (spring)
- ✓ Aerating and over seeding (fall)
- ✓ Pest management (fall)
- ✓ Leaf removal (twice in fall)

Homeowners are responsible for tree and/or shrub pruning and watering on their personal property. Please consider watering trees and plants in common areas near your home during dry periods. In the past, several of your neighbors have watered trees and plants near their homes and have used community hoses and connections to water around the pond. Your help is always appreciated.

NVM will continue to work with Chapel Valley to notify residents when herbicides will be applied. Notify NVM by email if you would like to be put on the notification list.

# Natural Gas Lines Replacement in College Park Neighborhood

Washington Gas will replace several gas lines in the Clover College Park neighborhood this Spring and early Summer. Work will be done on Bryan Street, Cambridge Road, Crown View Drive, Dartmouth Road, Skyhill Road, Vassar Place, and West Taylor Run Parkway. The extensive replacement work follows several months of neighborhood concerns about natural gas odors around the area beginning in October 2018. Several repairs were done during November, December, and January, and a safety assessment was conducted, which prompted the extensive replacement work being done now.

## **METRO News**

Metro will close all stations south of Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport from May 25 through September 2 (Labor Day) for complete platform reconstruction and major station improvements at the Braddock Road, King Street, and Eisenhower Avenue stations. Following the 2019 summer shutdown, Metro will reconstruct the platforms at the Huntington, Van Dorn Street, and Franconia-Springfield stations between September 2019 and May 2020. The location and configuration of these stations allow construction to occur while all rail stations remain open. Rail service during this period is expected to operate normally except for the Blue Line in September 2019, which will be affected by the reconstruction of the Van Dorn Street station. According to Metro, Blue Line service will be reduced to every 24 minutes for most of September 2019.

The station closures are part of Metro's three-year platform improvement project that will completely reconstruct the outdoor platforms at 20 stations. Metro has already rebuilt 10 of the system's 45 outdoor stations.

The City of Alexandria and DASH are working on alternatives to mitigate the impacts of Metro station closures on commuters and residents. Alternatives include special bus shuttles and parking options. The City also is developing telework and alternative work schedule plans for its staff and is encouraging private employers to do the same.

Stay informed by signing up for WMATA MetroAlerts and Alexandria eNews to get email or text alerts. Residents may also access Alexandria's "GO Alex Travel Tools" (www.alexandriava.gov/GOAlex) to get the City's mitigation plan, local traffic updates, and other information during the platform reconstruction process.



# Glass Recycling Update

Glass collected by the City of Alexandria's contractors now ends up in landfills because of several issues, including the cost of recycling and the lack of regional glass processing capacity. Although the City will continue to accept glass in the blue recycling bin, it encourages residents to deposit their glass items in the large purple glass-only bins installed at four recycling drop-off centers. The glass drop-off centers—open 24 hours a day/7 days a week—are located at:

- ✓ the intersection of south Whiting Street and Tower Court in the West end;
- ✓ 3224 Colvin Street (behind the CVS);
- ✓ 4251 Eisenhower Avenue, and
- ✓ Jones Port Park (at the end of South Royal Street).

Acceptable materials include glass bottles and jars of all colors. Items should be empty and rinsed; labels, metal lids and caps can be kept on. Do not put your glass items in plastic bags. Items that are not acceptable include ceramics, mirrors, windows, Pyrex, lamps, and light bulbs.

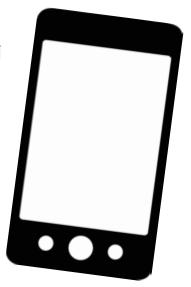
Glass separated at these drop-off locations will be hauled to a processing plant in Fairfax County to be recycled into gravel and sand that can be used locally in construction projects, landscaping and remanufactured glass products.



# Reminder: New Virginia Law Bans Hand-Held Cell Phones While Driving

Virginia lawmakers have banned the use of hand-held cell phones while driving, beginning January 1, 2020. This is a major tightening of an existing ban on texting while driving. Virginia joins 14 other states and the District in prohibiting drivers' use of handheld cell phones, and 47 states plus the District and Puerto Rico in banning texting while driving. Now would be a good time to start training yourself to stop using hand-held devices when you're behind the wheel. Fines will be \$125 for the first offense and \$250 for second and subsequent offenses.

The dangers of distracted driving have been well documented. The latest National Highways Traffic Safety Administration data indicate that cell phones were in use in 14 percent of fatal crashes involving a distracted driver.





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