

# EARCROF W NEWS

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#### WELCOME!

The <u>Barcroft News</u> is your neighborhood newsletter from your neighborhood civic association, the Barcroft School and Civic League. You live in Barcroft if your home is in the area bounded by Arlington Boulevard, George Mason Drive, Columbia Pike and Four Mile Run.

Neighborhood civic associations like the BSCL make some local decisions and advise the County Board. The League is active on street lights, traffic signals, parks, potholes, sidewalk repairs, zoning, land use permits, the future of Arlington Hall and the renewal of Columbia Pike. It is preparing a Neighborhood Conservation Plan to set forth what we residents want Barcroft to be in the future. You can participate and you can make a difference in Barcroft.

The BSCL meets on the first Thursday of each month in the 1908 Barcroft Civic House at 800 South Buchanan Street (which also houses St. Georges Bulgarian Orthodox Church). The next meeting is on September 7th. We would all be pleased to see you there.

#### MEMBERSHIP DUES OF \$2 DUE NOW

The BSCL has a September to September membership year. So now is the time for everyone, including those who were members last year, to join for the 1989-1990 year. Dues are only \$2 per person, or \$4 for a couple. Please send in your dues with the coupon on the back cover. You are welcome at any meeting whether or not you send in your dues. We need your support to keep the Barcroft neighborhood spirit healthy.

September 7TH meeting:
NATIONAL GUARD PLANS TO CONTROL
POLLUTION AT ARLINGTON HALL AND
PICTURES OF THE BIG PARADE!

Our September 7 meeting will begin at 7:30 PM with installation of our 1989-1990 officers. At 7:45, Col. Jim Erwin of the National Guard will present the plan to contain asbestos fibers and PCB chemicals from the old buildings they will demolish along George Mason Drive on Arlington Hall. We have invited the Alcova Heights Citizens Association to join us for the program.

At 8:30 we will have refreshments and a big exhibit of everybody's photographs of the Barcroft 4th of July Parade. We hope to have Chris Monek's video tape and Talmadge Williams' slides. We also hope to have your photos or slides, so be ready to bring them. Call Laurie Kelsch, our new VP and program arranger (920-9429), to check on how to display your pictures. We will be voting on whether to make the Parade an annual event, too, so come and help make the decision. The meeting will adjourn at 9 PM unless you want to stay and chat.

# BARCROFT'S NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION PLAN DRAFT WILL BE COMING NEXT MONTH

After two drafts of the Barcroft Neighborhood Conservation Plan this summer the Drafting Committee expects to get it to you by October. You will have a month to look at the draft before we schedule meeting(s) to make any changes you want and then to vote on it. For info before October call Randy Swart (521-2080) or Laurie Kelsch (920-9429).

#### THE BARCROFT 4TH OF JULY PARADE WAS A SMASHING SUCCESS!



The 4th of July Parade held on July 8 was by all accounts the most enjoyable event held in recent years by the BSCL.

The Parade began a year ago when Anne Noll stood up in a monthly meeting and proposed it. She volunteered to be Parade Committee Chairman. To some of us it sounded like work. But Talmadge Williams was enthusiastic, and so were Jack Turner and Laurie Kelsch. Each offered to help Anne on the Committee. Eventually dozens more joined them-you are going to see a lot of names here!

Anne ran committee meetings, recruited judges, got the parade permit, and with Talmadge organized the Block Captains for mini-parades to get marchers to the Community House. Mary Ann Banta helped Talmadge organize the registration, and made nice badges for judges and parade officials. Peg Butner and Barbara Swart assembled hot dogs, ketchup, lemonade, ice, and other refreshments. Anne Noll, Kathy Kerr, Deborah Wood, Randy Swart and Talmadge Williams solicited prizes. Jack Turner recruited the Barcroft Marching Band and made professional parade signs. Talmadge recruited the advertisers and composed a very professional looking program. Kathy Kerr, a nurse, assembled a first aid kit. James Davis, Patricia Davis and Ethel Shafer got involved and helped with many chores. Konstantin Furness, Joseph Newman, Pat Roach, Sue Sarcone, Julia Sarcone-Roach and Randy Swart cleaned up the Community House yard. Charles Roder got a professional sound system for us. All of this was before the parade started!

Then the 4th came and it rained. The weather improved for a bit as soon as we postponed the parade, but it was a lousy day for outdoor events, and the rains resumed. Disappointment was keen for those who could not come back Saturday. Re/Max had set up their huge balloon, but could not bring it back again. They provided free gas balloons

on parade day anyway. The USMC Color Guard from Henderson Hall showed up, too, but could not return.

Saturday the 8th was a perfect parade day. The mini-parades from all over Barcroft were led to the Community House by the Block Captains: Mike and Marcia Bobal (she in clownface), Felice Brunner, James and Patricia Davis, Sharon Pinnock, Gloria Quinlan on her magic electrical scooter Murgatroid, Jennie Rightmyer, Nancy Schroll, Ethel Shafer, Carl and Nancy Tankersley, and Deborah Wood. The Judges' Stand was set up at Barcroft School and the route was laid out with chairs and streamers by Jim Casey, James and Patricia Davis, Larry Goldschmidt, Chris Monek and Randy Swart, Parade Controller.

The Junger assembled, with School Board Chairman Conchita Mitchell graciously agreeing to replace County Board Member Al Eisenberg, who had a Board meeting. She was joined by Virginia Janaske, President of the Women's Club of Arlington, our next door neighbor on Buchanan Street. Pat Roach, Parade Director, set the parade in motion with the Troop 148 Boy Scout color guard manned by the Melia family. Then came Parade Grand Marshal Warren Stambaugh, a Barcrofter and our delegate to the Virginia General Assembly. He was followed closely by the Barcroft Marching Band, led by trumpeter Jack "Hot Lips" Turner, along with a bagpipe (Randy Swart), clarinet (Jim Lande) bass drum (Jim Kerr) snare drum, cymbals (Roger Cornell), gong (Linda Titolo), and triangle (Meril-Lee Pattison). Were there others? Maybe.

Behind the Band were the merry marchers, including in rough order of march (and with prizes in parentheses) Mary Fowler, Shanna Fowler (tie for Prettiest Dog), Charles Fowler (Oldest Participant at 91), Gloria Quinlan, Murgatroid Quinlan (Special Judges' Award--freedom machine), Ruth and Bill





lark (Special Judges' Award--married J2 years), Kristin and Mommy Marianne Monek, Meredith Tankersley, Tim Tankersley, Callie Tankersley (tie for Prettiest Dog), Nancy Tankersley, Erin Shaw, Julia, Michael and Chopper Sarcone-Roach with Sue Sarcone, Alice McKeon, Laura Goldschmidt, Peter Goldschmidt, Natasha Johnson, Mark Johnson, Andrew Auby, Julia Siple and Audrey Siple (Youngest Participant at 11 months), Adaline Robertson (Longest Resident of Barcroft at 80+ years but she won't tell exactly how many), Elizabeth Handy (second Longest Resident at 54 years), Lara Voronina, Brandon Donovan, Josh Swain, Nicole Casey, Michele Casey, the All Star Tricycle Team of 4 year olds Lauren Wilson, Vickie Millen, Christine Bobal and Greg Donkerbrook (Best Marching Unit), Michael Bobal (the younger--Costume Best Representing the Fourth of July), Marcia Bobal, Julie Effinger, The huge Spirit of Barcroft float peopled with Rachel, Alison, Steven and Christopher Shafer joined by Colleen, Katy and James Whelan and propelled by live humans although James Davis stopped to chat with a relative he had not seen for a long time (Best Float), Lisa Sweigart, Jessica Anderson, the Daney Wagon and Bicycles with Ellen, ill, Kathleen and Clair, The Covington Independence Wagon" with Woody, Jay, Grace and Mary Alice, Joshua Lande, Kathy Kerr herself with Alan, Caroline and other pets (Most Unusual Pet), Sue Kelly with Elisa, Anne and Iles Minoff, Clair Daniel, The Schroll covered wagon with Ben, Jim, Julie and Nancy, Ashby Williams, Colin Zima, Michael Zima, the Mermaid for Clean Water float (with Margarete Thomas, Inge Fiebiger, Rena Cooper and Gay Fichter), Betty Boothe, Danny Boothe and Peter Boothe (Newest Arrivals in Barcroft), and last but certainly not least the Granofsky family bikers with Dustin, Devin, George and Dus. Somewhere in there were clowns Liz and Carrie DeMik. All of the bicycle participants won a pizza, since the bicycles were so spectacular that the judges could not pick a first prize. Every marcher got a free Slurpee or Big Gulp coupon from 7-Eleven.

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The award ceremony was a happy event while the assembled multitudes fed on hot dogs, lemonade and pizza. Conchita Mitchell did a wonderful job of making the awards. She is such a genuinely nice person that everyone liked her.

At various times during and after the parade Carl Tankersley, Nancy Tankersley, Sally Robertson and Carol Mazani, Jim Lande, James Davis, Jim Kerr and Roger Cornell all pitched in to help around the Community House.

The crowd dispersed slowly after the award ceremony while the cleanup crew did its work. Meantime Linda Titolo was teaching Eastern European dances out in the yard to Anne Noll, Caroline Kerr and Kathy Kerr.

Prizes for the Parade were donated by Brenner's Bakery, Domino's Pizza, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Mrs. McGregor's Garden Shop, Merill Lynch Realty, Mount Vernon Realty, Pizza Hut, Re/Max Realty, Roy Rogers, 7-Eleven, Ellen Bozman (Chairman of the Arlington County Board), Rob Cook of Re/Max, James and Patricia Davis, Paul Metzler and Eileen Woods, William Newman (Arlington County Board), Sally Robertson (Desktop Publishing Services), Randy Swart (Bicycle Helmet Safety Institute) and Frank Wolf (Member of Congress--a flag flown over the Capital on July 4th). Holiday Inn loaned their Virginia State flag. Turner Sign Company donated parade signs. The photographs in our centerfold were processed beautifully at half price by Duke Film Express on Columbia Pike next to Malcolm's. All of these contributors deserve our thanks, and received a thank you letter from Anne Noll.

The centerfold photographs leave out many of the participants, but at least they give a flavor for the event. If we left out any names, we will be glad to add them next month.

Will there be another parade next year? The BSCL will take up that question at the September meeting. Come and vote!



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Kathy is on vacation this month. Her column returns in October. Call her at

892-6458 with news of new neighbors, babies, grandchildren, weddings, Bar Mitzvahs, anniversaries, and all your big events.

#### WANT ADS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOST CAT! Moran is a small 13 year old grayish-brown cat with tiger stripes and a red collar with silver bells. He can only eat prescription cat food and should not be fed anything else. He disappeared from his home near 6th and Wakefield on August 4. If you have found or seen him please call Julia Sarcone-Roach at 920-8131. Thanks.

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Smithsonian Resident Associates will conduct 2-hour walking tours of Barcroft on October 14 and 15 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM. The leader will be Kathy Holt-Springston, former Curator of the Arlington Historical Museum. There is a nominal fee. For reservations call Kathy at 528-1548 or Moya King at the Smithsonian (357-2278).

#### BSCL OFFICERS FOR 1988-89

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SEPTEMBER '89

3 Day program: Mon. - Wed. - Fri.

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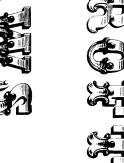
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