

# BARCROFT NEWS

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## MAY MEETING: A Smorgasbord

The May meeting of the Barcroft School and Civic League will be comprised of a little bit of everything. The featured topic will be the Arts in Arlington. We'll hear about a variety of programs you can participate in or visit. We'll also have elections. In addition, since this will be the last meeting of the BSCL until fall, there will be a 4th of July Parade planning discussion and wrap-up presentations from our wide range of dedicated committee chairpersons and representatives to the Neighborhood Conservation and Advisory Committee, the Arlington Civic Federation, and the Columbia Pike Revitalization Organization. Last but not least, we will get an update on Arlington Hall.

We hope one or more of these issues is of special interest to you! Attendance at the May meeting is especially important because we must have a quorum for the election of officers. Please attend if you can.

## BSCL to Elect Officers

At the April meeting the Nominating Committee, consisting of Susan Christopher, Anne Noll, and Randy Swart, submitted the following slate to run for BSCL offices for the 1993-1994 year, beginning May 6:

Vice President	Dave Voorhees
Treasurer	Dee Kirkbride
Recording Secretary	Margaret Davis
Corresponding Secretary	Pennie Kinsey
Board Member (4-year term)	Susan Christopher

The election will take place at the May 6 meeting. Additional nominations from the floor will be welcome. Please come to the meeting—we need a quorum to have our election!

## Crime Resistance Committee Report

At the April 1 BSCL meeting, Committee Chairman Chris Monek provided a brief report on the Committee's recent activities. Monek reported that as a follow-up to the Committee's March 1 meeting with an Arlington County

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## Crime Resistance Committee

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official, the group secured a March 31 response to questions it had raised regarding Arlington County's regulatory authority and procedures. Monek indicated that the March 31 letter was received somewhat later than originally anticipated because the response required several clearance reviews prior to its release to the Committee. He advised the audience that the Committee would study the written response and make its recommendations for BSCL action at the May 6 meeting.



## Virginia State Legislation

Some highlights of laws passed by this year's Virginia State legislature session, with the chief patron of each bill:

- Handgun purchases limited to one per month (Sen. Holland)
- Family court established (Sen. Holland and Del. Almand)
- Free textbooks in all school districts (Del. Karen Darner)
- License automatically suspended if driver drunk (Del. Almand)
- Elected school board permitted for Arlington County.
- State fish: Brook trout. State fossil: Chesapeakecten Jeffersonius.

## Heritage Walk

The National Park Service will sponsor a Heritage Walk on May 15 down Windy Run to the Potomac River. The walk meets in the Kenmore St. cul-de-sac off Lorcom Lane at 10 AM. It will cover both the history and natural features of the area. No reservations are required, but information is available from the Potomac Overlook Nature Center at (703) 528-5406.

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## Fifth of July Parade

This year the big Barcroft Fourth of July Parade will be held on the Fifth of July! The fourth is Sunday, and St. George's will be holding a service in the Community House. Monday, the fifth is still a holiday, so we're having a Fifth of July Parade.

The Parade Committee is getting to work, and some volunteers have already called to say they are interested in helping out this year. Parade Committee Cochairs Mary Anne O'Rourke and Kathy Kerr would be delighted to hear from you. Please call Mary Anne at 920-5619 or Kathy at 892-6458 if you would like to help.

As always, our parade will be a low-key neighborhood event, with a short but exuberant march followed by hot dogs and lemonade. We will have floats, kids on decorated bikes or other contraptions, the Kerr Fiddle Family, the unique Barcroft Marching Band, judges, prizes galore, games for the kids, balloons, and a lot of your neighbors having a good time. The Parade Committee will choose a theme and invite some dignitaries to serve as judges in the next two weeks.

This year's parade will feature a quilt show! The cavernous interior of the Barcroft Community House will be entirely filled with beautiful quilts: new ones, antiques, and who knows

what. Please call Mary Anne if you have quilts to show.

To win a prize, you should register for the parade. A form will be enclosed with the next newsletter if you want to register early and avoid the line on the 5th. Mail the form to Mary Anne O'Rourke or leave it in her door. You can also register on parade day, but it's slower.

You can participate in this fun event by volunteering for a job. Our parade jobs are small and easy and have written instructions. Titles are appropriately inflated and will look good on your résumé. Some sample jobs available at press time:

- Hot Dog Manager
- Condiments Manager
- Lemonade Manager
- Setup Managers
- Decorations Manager
- Parade Director
- Registration Managers
- Sound System Manager
- Cleanup Managers

Call and volunteer. You won't be the first—Marcia Oresky was first—but you will have a good time. We hope you will come out on the 5th and share the Barcroft community spirit at a fun event!

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## Late Spring

How late was Barcroft's spring? About three weeks, according to one of the neighborhood's more visible gardeners: "My asparagus normally would be up in March, and they appeared in the second week of April." Phyl Kinsey's daffodils bloomed around the Community House in early April, and the beds of perennials planted by Scott Brinitzer are bursting with new growth. Scott and a crew consisting of Carol LeTellier, Barbara Swart, Randy Swart, and Jack Christman transplanted a holly tree donated by Jack to the Community House yard in early April—it's doing fine. We hope for another good-sized holly soon and will be buying some smaller ones to fill out more of Scott's landscape design.

## AHS Honors Barcrofters

The Arlington Historical Society will feature two Barcrofters at its annual meeting on Friday, May 14. Karen Darner, our Delegate to the Virginia General Assembly, and Larry Goldschmidt, outgoing BSCL President and member of the Historic Affairs and Landmark Review Board, will speak. They will be joined by County Board Chairman Jim Hunter, who has served as a judge at the Barcroft Fourth of July parade. The AHS meeting will begin at 7:30 and will be held at the Barcroft Community House. Observers are welcome.



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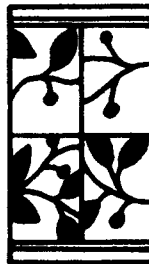
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## Virginia Room Back at Central Library

The County Library's Virginia collection, carefully tended by librarian Sara Collins, has now moved back to the newly rebuilt Central Library on Quincy Street. The new quarters for the Virginia collection are elegantly decorated, thanks to a private gift. The collection has a considerable amount of Barcroft historic material, including copies of the *Barcroft News* and materials assembled by Barcrofter Mildred Handy Ritchie, placed there by her sister, Betty Handy.




## Painting Bids Welcomed

Yes, it's time to paint the inside of the Community House. The ceiling is too high for volunteer labor, so the BSCL is soliciting bids for the job, beginning with Barcroft neighborhood painters. Please call Barbara Swart at 521-2080 if you would like to bid on the job.

## Handicapped-Parking Hotline

Did somebody without a handicap in the world just park a new Porsche in the handicapped space and go bounding into a glitzy store? Remind them of their civic responsibilities by calling the Arlington Handicapped Parking Violation hotline at 358-7141. The ticket they receive will cost them \$125. The space must be marked with an above-ground sign.



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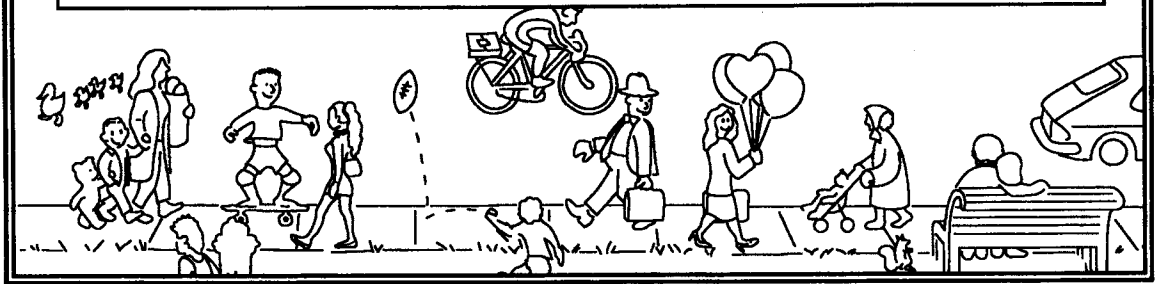
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# Around the Neighborhood With Kathy Kerr



Congratulations to Kim Kostyal and Dennis Dimick on 6th St. S., proud parents of Claudia, born Sept. 23, 1992. Dennis moved to Barcroft seven years ago and Kim has been here for four. Dennis, a former photographer, works as one of seven picture editors for the *National Geographic*. He has usually contributed to an article in every other issue. Look for his name in the magazine masthead as an "Illustrations Editor."

Kim is a freelance researcher and writer, work she now does from her home since Claudia's birth. She does research for *National Geographic* books and for *National Geographic Traveler Magazine*.

Both Kim and Dennis enjoy photography as a hobby.



## Beaver Sighted on 4th Street!

The Millin family on 4th St. S. (between Pershing and Abingdon) can generally be regarded as reliable sources. The entire family—Vinnie, Ann Marie, and daughters Nina and Vickie—and some friends report that at 11:10 PM on Saturday, April 10, they saw a very large beaver headed west on 4th St. S.! Vinnie says it appeared to be a beaver with a mission, as it moved at a good clip, dragging its big, flat tail behind. They watched it until it disappeared between houses on S. Abingdon St.

(They say that only one car came by during that time, without mishap.)



Congratulations to Molly Rightmyer on S. Taylor St., who is a National Merit Finalist. A senior at Wakefield High School, Molly is currently busy trying to decide where to go to college. She was accepted at all four universities she applied to. Molly, who hopes to study environmental science and art, is the daughter of Jenny and Charles Rightmyer. Their older daughter, Joli, is a sophomore at Bryn Mawr.



Best wishes to Bob and Susan Christopher, who celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary this April.



Remember the blizzard of March 1993? While most of us were busy operating the remotes to our TVs and thinking up good excuses for not shoveling the sidewalk, there were those in Barcroft who had major life transitions going on and were not about to let a little snow stop them.

Saturday, March 13, sounded like a lovely date for a wedding, so Michelle Reilly and Kent Hall of 4th St. S. invited 250 guests to share the important day. These folks are from Iowa and

# May Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> <b>Columbia Pike Artist Studios Open House</b> , 11 AM-4 PM, 932 S. Walter Reed Dr.
<b>2</b> <b>8th Potomac Overlook Regional Park Open House &amp; Heritage Fest.</b> , 1-4 PM, Call 528-5406 for info.	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Civic Federation Mtg.</b> , 7:45 PM, Arlington Hospital.	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>BSCL</b> , 7:30 PM, Community House. Call 521-3746 for info.	<b>7</b> <b>Tiny Tot Trot</b> , 10:30 AM, Long Branch. 1½-2-yr-olds w/adult. Call 358-6535 for reservations.	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Wildflower Walk</b> , 10-12 noon. Adults, FREE, Long Branch. Call 358-6535 for reservations.	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>MEMORIAL DAY 31</b>					

weren't about to let a little snow stop them. They dug out and made it to the church, as did about 50 of their guests, including most of their family members and Reilly's boss, Senator Harkins from Iowa. Unfortunately the cake deliverer only got as far as the Blockbuster Video parking lot. Iowan or no, Reilly's sister did not want to risk driving down that hill on S. Buchanan to fetch the cake, so she parked at

the top and walked down. An unsuspecting Blockbuster customer driving a four-wheel-drive van was soon commandeered to carry the cake not just up the hill, but all the way to the house.

The reception hall was canceled. Fortunately Kent works for Senator Conrad from North Dakota, who had provided a 10-lb. buf-

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## Around the Neighborhood

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falo roast. That, combined with some bread and chips, fed those who attended the impromptu reception at Kent and Reilly's house. Oh yes, there was enough cake for 250 people!

Kent and Reilly danced their wedding dance in the living room and shared their wedding night with six couples who were unable to leave due to snow drifts.

Meanwhile, Carolyn Armstrong Falvey decided this was a fine weekend to be born. So what if she wasn't due for two more weeks. Her mother, Laura, realized it was time to go to the hospital at about 10 PM on Saturday night. After her father, Jim, spent over an hour in the heavy, falling snow trying to dig out the car, the parents called the police and the hospital for an escort—to no avail. Fortunately a friend with chains on the car came to the rescue. After escaping from a snow drift on Rt. 50, the Falveys arrived safely at the hospital. Little Carolyn was actually born at 10 AM Sunday morning, March 14, which happens to be Laura's birthday too!

The Falveys have lived in Barcroft for about 1½ years on 7th St. S. Jim is an attorney with the DC office of a Dallas law firm. Laura will be returning to work part time as an environmental lobbyist for the National Governors' Association. For the past year she has been the Recording Secretary for the BSCL.

Little Carolyn Armstrong Falvey has a playmate, just across the street, who was born March 3.

Congratulations to Cecilia (Cec) and Rich Rieman, whose baby daughter, Shannon, was born on March 3. Cec reports that there was lovely weather that day, not that she noticed it very much . . . . Rich is the vice president for news with Unistar Radio Network. Cec enjoys

## Barcroft Elementary School News

### Barcroft Elementary Honors Ellie Storosh

Barcroft Elementary School will hold a reception to honor second-grade teacher Eleanor Storosh on May 11. The reception celebrates her retirement after 32 years of service to students of Arlington County, 25 of them at Barcroft School. Ms. Storosh has taught two generations of Barcrofters. Some of them may wish to come to the reception, which will be held at the Woman's Club of Arlington, 700 S. Buchanan, from 5 to 7 PM on May 11. If you would like to be there, please call the school to RSVP during school hours at 358-5838.

### Barcroft School Grocery Receipt Totals

The final total of grocery receipts submitted for this school year was:

Giant	\$189,530
Safeway	176,997
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$366,527</b>

We will provide details of the computer equipment the school will receive in the next issue.

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staying home with the baby and their son, Sean, age 2½. Originally from Chicago, the Riemans have lived in Barcroft for five years, despite having a raucous lawn sheep across the street.



## Susan Sarcone Named To Neighborhood Partnership Fund Panel

Barcrofter Susan Sarcone has been appointed by the County Board to the Neighborhood Partnership Fund Grants Committee. The Arlington Community Foundation has established the Fund to support small projects that improve interaction between immigrants and refugees and their neighbors. The projects are to help ethnically diverse neighborhoods or help new arrivals become active, self-sustaining members of the community. Projects might include ethnic festivals, community gardens, tutoring exchanges, or visual arts programs. Any community group can apply for up to \$5,000.

## Who Needs a Sidewalk?

The County has a pamphlet explaining the benefits of sidewalks. Sidewalks provide

- Safe and even travel paths for walking through the neighborhood
- Safe places for children to walk and play
- Enhanced appearance for individual properties and the entire neighborhood
- Safe and puddle-free paths to the bus or metro during bad weather
- Protection from erosion for frontal property

Sidewalks are *cheap* under our Neighborhood Conservation Plan. We will cover some financing options next month. Meantime, call David Michaelson, our NCP representative, for more information.



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American Red Cross Babysitting Certification,  
486-0019

Terri Lahlou, 28 years old, S. 4th St., 979-9565  
(home), 527-8484 (work)

Liza Lord, 13 years old, American Red Cross Baby-  
sitting course, 892-2443

Sasha Lord, 11 years old, Mother's Helper—will  
entertain children while mother is at home,  
892-2443

Kati Sharpe and Anne Roningen (available as a  
team), 13 years old; Kati, S. Buchanan St., 979-  
4520; Anne, S. 9th St., 521-1451

Erin Shaw, 12 years old, 7th grade, S. 8th St., 920-  
5934



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## Fire Department Services

The Arlington County Fire Department is there when you need them—putting out more than 7,000 fires per year and providing medical rescue services to another 11,000 residents. Firemen also investigate arson, educate the public, and inspect apartment and commercial buildings. A lesser known service is the inspection of private homes for fire hazards. You can call 358-3365 during normal business hours for further information on a free fire inspection.



## Barcroft Exchange

**FREE** Casement windows, storms, and screens. Jim and Kathy, 892-6458.

**FOR SALE** Technics dual cassette tape recorder, \$60. Metal office desk with five drawers, \$50. Manual Smith Corona typewriter, \$50. Please call 892-2421.

**FOR SALE** Crib, \$50. Twin stroller, \$35. Child's bed, \$35. Wicker changing table, \$30. Exercise bike, \$20. Small blue loveseat/sleeper, \$35. Antique dressing table, \$65. Handmade maple daybed, \$100. Handmade maple chest, \$125. Please call 685-4927, 5-9 PM.

**WANTED** Someone to do yard clean-up work. Call 521-0184.

**DAY CARE** Full-time summer day care needed (great job for a college student). Part-time fall day care needed: 5-yr-old will start kindergarten and will need after-school care; 3-yr-old will need 2 days a week full-time care and one-half day care 3 days. She will also need transportation to and from a 3-day preschool program. Call Annette Osso or David Michaelson, 553-3953.

**CHILD CARE** Still looking for third child (2 yrs or older) to join our two girls (27 mos, 3 mos) for child care in our Barcroft home, four to five days a week starting as soon as possible. Call Suzanne Foster, 920-3439.

## Barcroft Crime Report

This month's crime report is for incidents in March. As always, the addresses are the block where the incident occurred, not the individual house number.

To report crimes or criminals, Arlington County Police urge you to call them on 911 or at their non-emergency number, 538-2222.

- 3/7 4300 Columbia Pike.** License plate stolen.  
**900 S. Buchanan.** Drunk in public.
- 3/8 900 S. Buchanan.** Car stolen.
- 3/10 900 S. Buchanan.** Rape. Juvenile pregnant by stepfather, who forced her to have sex for the last two years.
- 3/11 900 S. George Mason Dr.** Wallet stolen from shopping cart.
- 3/20 4700 Columbia Pike.** Drunk barred from returning to restaurant.
- 3/20 4800 Columbia Pike.** Video game stolen by someone who approached victim from behind.  
**900 S. George Mason Dr.** Abusive pan-handler arrested.
- 3/21 900 S. Wakefield.** Car stereo stolen, windows smashed.
- 3/22 4600 Columbia Pike.** Gas stolen from gas station.
- 3/24 900 S. George Mason Dr.** Two shoplifting incidents.
- 3/26 900 S. George Mason Dr.** Shoplifting.
- 3/27 900 S. Wakefield.** Car stereo stolen.
- 3/28 800 S. Wakefield.** Following basketball game, altercation victim and parent threatened over telephone.
- 3/30 4300 Columbia Pike.** Baby seat stolen from car.
- 3/31 900 S. George Mason Dr.** Shoplifting.

As always, we are indebted to Detective Bob McFarland of the Arlington County Police

for providing this information every month. This month he had just returned from Florida and didn't miss a chance to tell us how sunny it was there this spring!

For a copy of the actual police report or to join the BSCL's Crime Resistance Committee, call Chris Monek at 920-1287.

## Lyon Park Marbled Brownies

This recipe from the *Lyon Park Citizen* would be a real treat if you made them for a BSCL meeting. Each bar must have about 5,280 calories, and if you have to ask about the cholesterol, just don't eat one!

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease and flour a 9" x 13" pan. Prepare a family-size brownie mix according to the directions and set aside. In a second bowl mix 8 ounces of cream cheese, 1 cup sugar, ½ cup flour, 5 tablespoons of butter, 1 teaspoon of vanilla, and 2 eggs. Carefully layer the dark brownie mix and the white mix (there should be four layers). Take a knife and gently swirl through the layers to create the marbled effect. Bake 30 to 40 minutes. After cooling, dust with powdered sugar and cut into bars.



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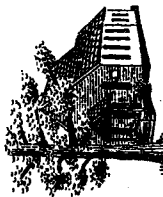
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