



*Respecting Tradition
Welcoming Progress*

The Old Glebe Civic Association (OGCA) is a neighborhood organization formed to give residents a voice in local, County, and State affairs. Any neighborhood resident may become a member.

OGCA is a member of the Arlington County Civic Association which provides policy inputs to the County and State governments.

Old Glebe Officers

- President: TBD
- Vice President: TBD
- Secretary: TBD
- Treasurer: Ruth Gordon

Executive Committee

- Rich Samp
- Burt Bostwick
- Laurel Rimon
- Karen Rosenbaum
- Marx Sterne

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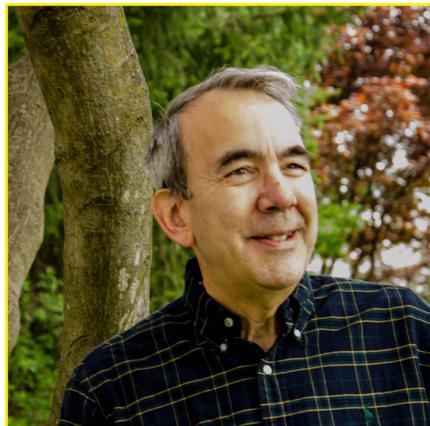
NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Old Glebe Civic Association

April 2017

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Our former President **Maurine Fanguy** had to step down recently because of family reasons. We are lucky to have a deep bench, and **Rich Samp**, our long-time Secretary and Executive Committee member, has agreed to take the helm temporarily at least, until our Membership Meeting in May, when we will be voting on a new slate of officers.



Rich has not only served on the OGCA Executive Committee for several years, but last year represented Old Glebe on the County Task Force which worked on the problem of the needed replacement of Fire Station 8 on Lee Highway. Despite the County Staff's recommendation to move it to county-owned land at 26th Street and Old Dominion, it was decided to rebuild a larger station on the current site. The need for better coverage of the northernmost part of the County lost out to the strong desire of the current neighborhood to retain this historical fire station.

NEIGHBORHOOD -WIDE MEETING: MAY 21

SAVE THE DATE for our annual membership meeting which will be held on Sunday, May 21st from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the **Gulf Branch Nature Center**



Not only will we be voting on a new slate of officers, but it will be a timely and interesting informational session. We have invited our police representative to talk about neighborhood safety. And we are fortunate to have as a speaker **Noah Simon**, a former Arlington School Board member who is now District Director for Congressman Don Beyer. Mr. Simon chaired the recent Task Force on Fire Station 8 and can discuss that as well as any other burning issues. We hope to see you there!



GULF BRANCH NATURE CENTER NEWS

Friends of Gulf Branch Nature Center (a 501c3 organization) has been working on upgrading and modernizing the Native American exhibit at Gulf Branch Nature Center for over four years.



It has funded a design from a well-regarded design firm, as well as pledging to raise up to \$300,000 to cover up to 60% of project costs. **FOGBNC** will meet soon with the County to finalize an agreement to complete the project. We *hope* the County will be ready to move the project forward.



SPRING BOOK SALE AT ARLINGTON CENTRAL LIBRARY, APRIL 25-30

Twice a year Friends of the Arlington Library "recycle" about 75,000 donated books, records, CDs and other items, many in pristine condition or collector-worthy. Large selections of books for children and teens, popular fiction, romance, cookbooks, history etc. Thursday, April 27 5-9 p.m. is for members only (memberships available at the door). Friday and Saturday, April 28 & 29 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Everything is half price all day on Sunday. April 30 12:00-6:00 p.m.

MANY THANKS TO MAUREEN FANGUY

We are very grateful for the excellent service **Maureen Fanguy** has given to the Old Glebe Civic Association for the last year and a half. She served as our President after our former President, **Bruce Shuttleworth**, had to resign when he moved beyond our Association boundaries. Maureen's leadership has been well-informed and gracious, and we will miss her.



BEAUTIFICATION AT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WELCOME SIGNS



**LEFT:
DITTMAR
& OLD
GLEBE;
RIGHT:
MILITARY
& OLD
GLEBE**



Our civic association has three signs which display the OGCA logo and help define our neighborhood boundaries: (1) near Walker Chapel at Dittmar and Old Glebe Roads, (2) near the entrance to Chain Bridge at

Military and Old Glebe Roads, and (3) at the top of 36th Street where it meets Glebe Road.

Tony Spadero has been doing the planting at the first spot and alters it as the seasons change. He also plans to do the same for the

36th Street plot.

Jo Ella Samp has been keeping up the Military Road site, planting flowers and greenery to make it beautiful.

We appreciate the work of our talented volunteer gardeners.

ARLINGTON CIVIC ASSOCIATION ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER



***RICH SAMP, TONY SPADERO, AND BURT BOSTWICK
ATTENDED THIS POSH ANNUAL EVENT.***

NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE DELEGATE NEEDED

Do you have a good idea for an improvement project for the Old Glebe neighborhood? We need a new delegate to the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee which oversees allocation of about \$11 million of community-approved bond funds for such projects.

Not long ago, Old Glebe's own Fort Ethan Allen project was the recipient of \$480,000 of these funds. However, civic associations compete for these funds, and this requires active participation in NCAC deliberations.

Old Glebe needs an additional delegate to the NCAC to learn the process and attend monthly

meetings the second Thursday of every month.

Old Glebe has several projects that could be considered: a new playground adjacent to the tennis courts; improvements to street lights; park trail upgrades; tree planting; or other ideas from a survey of Old Glebe residents.

Please note that traffic calming is not part of NCAC deliberations. There is another County advisory committee which deals with that.

If you are interested in participating in this process, please contact the acting Old Glebe President, Rich Samp, or the current Old Glebe NCAC representative, Burt Bostwick.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A BLOCK CAPTAIN FOR THE OLD GLEBE CIVIC ASSOCIATION?

We used to have Block Captains to distribute our newsletter, conduct surveys, and promote OGCA activities. We now do a lot of that electronically — like the newsletter you are now reading! But lost in the process was the personal, human touch.

In an effort to welcome new neighbors, to better know all our neighbors and therefore to better serve their needs, we are thinking of reviving the Block Captains, and maybe even appointing a new General or Admiral to organize this effort.

If interested, contact Karen Rosenbaum, Newsletter Editor <kjrtic@gmail.com>. You'll hear more about this soon!



BE INFORMED —LEARN THE "ARLINGTON WAY" — BE AN ACCF DELEGATE

On the first Tuesday of each month, the Arlington Civic Federation meets to examine the way our local government works. We send at least one delegate to this vital and informative meeting each month, and having a larger number of potential delegates from OGCA means we could be sure to have it covered. If you would like to join this distinguished crew, contact RichSamp<rasamp@verizon.net> or Burt Bostwick <gusfs63@gmail.com>.

