



BHWC Events: October 2012

Thursday, October 4th at 7pm - **Board Meeting**
At the home of Fran Slade, 6016 Grove Drive

Tuesday, October 9th at 10am - **Community Projects Meeting**
At the home of Willa Cericola, 2012 Glen Drive

Friday, October 12th at 6.30pm - **BlockTail Party**
At Wakefield Court

Chaired by Landon Holden & Maura Lindsay

Our outdoor Fall celebration is being held in Wakefield Court again! We will feature an oyster bar from 6.30pm and dinner at 7.30pm. Please reply to your paperless post invitation and send a check made out to BHWC for \$25 for each guest/spouse to Emily Goetzman, 6117 Edgewood Terr. If you would like to volunteer to help with this event, please contact Maura Lindsay at mauralindsay@aol.com.

Wednesday, October 31st at 5pm - **Halloween Parade**

At Fort Willard Circle

Chaired by Kristyn Burnett

All ghosts, goblins, pirates, witches and other spooks should assemble at Fort Willard Circle for this great Belle Haven tradition. Pizza and drinks will be provided for the children at 5pm, then our fire company will lead the parade around the circle; then off for a night of Trick-Or-Treating! Join us if you dare!!

Other Announcements

BHWC Potluck

We had a very good turnout at our first event of the season, the New Members' Potluck. Thank you to Wendy Worrall for hosting again, and to Alyssa Westmoreland, Nicole Carosi and Mary Miller for organizing. Photos from the event can be found on the BHWC website.

Have you renewed your membership?

If you have not done so already, please renew your membership. You can find the membership form and instructions on our website (see below).

BHWC Website

Membership forms, details of the 2012-13 Program and a host of other important information can be found on the Belle Haven Women's Club Website. Login details as follows:

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BHWC Events: November 2012

Thursday, November 15th at 9am - **General Meeting - BHWC Helping Others**

At the home of Diane Brumbaugh, 1915 Windsor Road

Chaired by Community Projects

This month we are asking the BHWC community to help prepare a meal for delivery to a local shelter for the homeless. Please sign up below to donate sandwich fixings and come along at 9am to Diane Brumbaugh's house to help assemble. Neighborhood children will be making and donating cookies. We are also looking for drivers to transport the lunches to the shelter by 11am. This is a great opportunity to connect with neighbors while helping others.

Please sign up here - <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C48A5AE2CAA8-bhwc> - or contact Barbara Quarmby at bhquarmby@aol.com.

Other Announcements

Halloween Parade

Three fire trucks, 350 slices of pizza and countless ghosts and witches were at the annual Halloween Parade last night! Thank you to Kristyn Burnett for putting it all together.

BHWC BlockTail

It was a good turnout on a brisk Fall evening as we gathered for the annual BlockTail party on October 12th. Many thanks to all that made it possible, including chairs, Maura Lindsay & Landon Holden, all the Wakefield Court families, Emily Goetzman (invitations), Tricia Calloway (decorations), Jean McGuinness (check in), Denise Constandy (brownies) and Al Jackson (music). Photos from the event can be found on the BHWC website. Our thanks go to Angela Anderson for the photography.

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BHWC Events: December 2012

Tuesday December 4th, at 7pm - **Community Projects: Cookie Exchange**

At the home of Reae Sargeant, 6107 Woodmont Road

Thursday December 6th, at 7pm - **Board Meeting**

At the home of Elizabeth Adler, 2103 Windsor Road

Friday, December 7th at 9:00am - **Christmas Greens Workshop**

BHCC Main Clubhouse - Hilliard Room

Chaired by Jan Routh

Fee: \$35.00

Please join us in the Hilliard Room, Lower Level of the BHCC Main Clubhouse for a fun morning of designing and making your own Christmas wreath. The \$35 fee covers the cost of the wreath form and the greenery. Please RSVP to Jan Routh at jangrouth@gmail.com or by phone at 703-329-8581. Please reserve ASAP - deadline is **this Friday, November 30th**. You must pay in advance. A 24-hour cancellation notice is required. Don't forget to bring your own ribbon for a bow, garden gloves, and clippers.

Tuesday December 11th, at 12 noon - **Community Projects: Holiday Luncheon**

At the home of Nancy Urban, 7702 Middy Lane

Saturday, December 15th, 7pm - 11pm - **Annual Holiday Party**

At the home of Sarah and John Williamson, 1808 Edgehill Drive

Chaired by Luanne Griffin & Betsy Regnell

Fees: Members \$35 per person/\$70 per couple; Guests & Non-Members \$45 per person/\$90 per couple.

Don't miss this annual event - the highlight of the Holiday season! Please respond to your paperless post invitation and send checks (made out to BHWC) to Luanne Griffin, 1806 Edgehill Drive. Reservations only and advance payment required! Don't delay, reserve and pay today!

Other Announcements

November General Meeting

Many thanks to the Community Projects group and all our BHWC volunteers who contributed food and sandwich-making wizardry at our November General Meeting. It was amazing how



quickly things came together. Special thanks to those who gave extra time to drive and to unload our donations at Rising Hope.

An Important Safety Reminder from our President

I want to ask each and everyone of you to please, please, please pay attention to your speed as you drive in and out of the neighborhood. We are letting ourselves get to excessive speeds on our way out of the neighborhood, in particular. Why is this important? Safety for little children, for one thing. On lower Woodmont Road alone there are six houses where families with small children (babies, toddlers, preschoolers) now live. Just the other day a toddler here on Woodmont wandered out into the street while his mother was getting something out of the car and didn't see him. We all know how quickly things like that can happen.

During this busy time, with children returning home from school, etc. and our "to do" lists running off the page, let's please remind ourselves, our husbands, our children, our nannies, etc. to pay attention to speed. Let's resist the urge to fly down these hills out of the neighborhood.

Sally Murphy
BHWC President



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BHWC Events: January 2013

Thursday January 3rd, at 7pm - **Board Meeting**

At the home of Barbara McMurray, 6002 Grove Drive

Tuesday January 8th, at 10am - **Community Projects Meeting**

At the home of Molly Singerling, 6108 Woodmont Road

Tuesday January 15th, at 10am* - **Garden Club Meeting**

At the home of Eleni Silverman, 6022 Grove Drive

**Coffee and conversation starts at 9.30 am*

Other Announcements

Community Projects - Alexandria Animal Shelter Blanket Drive

For the 8th Year, **Blankets for Buddies** is collecting used blankets, towels, sheets, other bedding, and cat or dog toys for donation to the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria. Our drive will go on from now till February 28th. This year, Community Projects is sponsoring this much needed effort.

If you have any clean, old bedding or towels or cat or dog toys you would like to donate, please drop them off in the **Blankets for Buddies** box at either Diane Brumbaugh's home at 1915 Windsor Rd. (the box will be next to the kitchen in between the garage and house) or the Silvermans at 6022 Grove Drive (front porch). You can also call 703 960-1261 or email eleni1@cox.net and we will pick them up.

These clean used sheets and blankets keep the animals off the cold cement floors at the shelter; and toys and other items are sent home with the cats and dogs when they are adopted. Please help us make the New Year a Happy one for these needy animal buddies.

Wintertini

The Wintertini will be held on Saturday February 2nd at 7pm, at the home of Neil & Emily Goetzman, 6117 Edgewood Terr (*note new date and venue*). This event will be chaired by Kara Cosby & Liz Murphy - please contact Kara at kara.cosby@me.com or Liz at tmmurphy@verizon.net if you can help.



Annual Holiday Party

A fun night was had by all at our Annual Holiday Party on Saturday, December 15th. A big thank you goes to Sarah and John Williamson for hosting the event in their lovely home. Thanks also to Chairs Luanne Griffin and Betsy Regnell and their team of helpers for their superb organization of the event. Photos of the evening (courtesy of Molly Singerling) can be found on our website (see user login information above).



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BHWC Events: February 2013

Saturday February 2nd at 7pm - **Wintertini**

At the home of Neil & Emily Goetzman, 6117 Edgewood Terr

Chaired by Kara Cosby & Liz Murphy

Thursday February 7th, at 10am - **Board Meeting**

At the home of Vicki Coward, 6109 Edgewood Terr

Tuesday February 12th, at 10am - **Community Projects: Valentine's Meeting**

At the home of Pat O'Reagan, 6000 Fort Hunt Road

Saturday, February 16th, at 9:15am. - **Garden Club: Field Trip**

The Garden Club will travel to Merrifield Garden Center, Gainesville for a free Seminar on "Living Fences". Carpool from Eleni Silverman's house. Please email Eleni at eleni1@cox.net to sign up.

Other Announcements

Community Projects - Alexandria Animal Shelter Blanket Drive

Community Projects continues to support **Blankets for Buddies**, by collecting used blankets, towels, sheets, other bedding, and cat or dog toys for donation to the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria. Our drive will go on until February 28th. Please drop donations off in the **Blankets for Buddies** box at either Diane Brumbaugh's home at 1915 Windsor Rd. (the box will be next to the kitchen in between the garage and house) or the Silvermans at 6022 Grove Drive (front porch). You can also call 703 960-1261 or email eleni1@cox.net and we will pick them up.

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BHWC Events: March 2013

Thursday March 7th, at 7pm - **Board Meeting**

At the home of Barbara Quarmby, 6112 Woodmont Road

Saturday March 9th, at 4pm - **St. Patrick's Day Parade**

At Fort Willard Circle

Chaired by Tracy Castle & Rachel Talay

Time for little leprechauns to decorate their bikes, trikes and wagons to parade around Fort Willard Circle! Irish treats for children and adults will be served.

We will also be collecting nonperishable foods for UCM, so please bring your donations with you. Most-needed items are:

Canned food: meat, tuna fish, soup, fruits, vegetables, tomato sauce, baked beans.

Boxed food: pasta, rice, cereal, macaroni & cheese, dry milk.

Jars: baby food, peanut butter, jelly.

Individual servings in boxes: cereal, fruit juice, raisins.

Individual servings in pop-top or peel-off cans: meat, applesauce and other fruits.

Diapers

Tuesday March 12th, at 10am - **Community Projects Meeting**

At the home of Lura Nell Mitchell, 2209 Belle Haven Road

Thursday March 21st, at 10am - **General Meeting - Landscape Architecture**

At the home of Peggy McLeland, 6201 Foxcroft Road

Sponsored by the Garden Club

Guy Williams, President of DCA Landscape Architects, an award-winning local landscaping firm, will talk on "The Experience of Place and the Design Process" and why it is important to create experiences that provide richness and a sense of context to each unique site. His projects range from small scale residential gardens to large-scale commercial projects.



Please contact Eleni Silverman at 703-960-1261 or eleni1@cox.net to let her know if you plan to attend.

Other Announcements

Calling All Knitters. The Community Projects Section has a long tradition of knitting teddy bears and caps for the newborns in our neighborhood. In recent years, knitting volunteers have dwindled. If anyone would be interested in helping to knit (very simple instructions) or would like to learn, please contact Barbara Quarmby at bhquarmby@aol.com or Diane Brumbaugh at MBrumba@earthlink.net. Children of members are especially welcome. Let's keep this tradition going.

Wonderful Wintry Wintertini. The light dusting of snow was the perfect accompaniment to the BHWC's annual Wintertini which was held on Saturday, February 2nd. Thank you to Emily and Neil Goetzman for opening their beautiful home and to Kara Cosby and Liz Murphy for their supreme organization.

Food was provided by our accomplished cooks: Christine Arundel, Denise Constandy, Anne Donohue, Marybeth Dyson, Patti Dyson, Julee Gately, Karen Harriman, Liz Huldin, Denise Jackson, Anne Beverly Jones, Emily Jones, Lisa Lawrence, Barbara McMurray, Gayla Reed, Katy Thorpe, Gabrielle Voorhees and Alyssa Westmoreland

Thanks also to our team of helpers: Virginia Bader, Annetta Beauregard, Karen Billups, Mary Ann Conant, Mary Elizabeth Duke, Catherine Foltz, Susan Hunt, Jennifer Jacobs, Kathy McCarthy, Allison McVay, Reae Sargeant, Kari Shapero, Heather Wanser, and Kristen Williams.

If you have not done so already, please take a look at the photos on our website (details above), courtesy of our photographer, Angela Anderson.

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BHWC Events: April 2013

April 4th, Thursday at 10am - **Board Meeting**

At the home of Bethann Horey, 6115 Vernon Terrace

April 18th, Thursday at 7pm - **General Meeting: Cooking Demonstration**

At the home of Christine Corcoran Stark, 2221 Windsor Road

April 30th, Tuesday at 10am - **Community Projects Meeting**

At the home of Diane Brumbaugh, 1915 Windsor Road

Other Announcements

Save the Date - Thursday, May 9th at 7pm. The Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday May 9th at the home of Stephanie and Larry Stack, 6202 Fort Hunt Road. Please note this is a new date and venue - please disregard the information in the recent BHCA newsletter.

Great Turnout for Guy's Garden Ideas. We had a wonderful turnout for our BHWC General Meeting hosted by the Belle Haven Garden Club. Our speaker landscape architect Guy Williams engaged us all with his talk on creating a sense of unique place and time in our gardens — and gave us great ideas on how to improve our own gardens.

Many thanks to Garden Club President Eleni Silverman and President Emeritus Nancy Burns for organizing such a successful event and capturing such a great speaker. Special thanks to Peggy McLeland for so graciously welcoming us to her home, and to Garden Club members Martha Johnston, Virginia Martin, Teddy Marchant, Diane Brumbaugh, Gerry Pratsch, Betty Demarest, Susan Golightly, Dorothea Brueckner, Barbara Quarmby, Nancy Burns, Bettye Goode, and Eleni Silverman for providing us all with a truly delicious feast.

Cookbooks. We still have a few copies of the Belle Haven Cookbook - *Behind These Doors, Once More* available at the very reasonable price of \$15 a copy. These make ideal teacher and hostess gifts. To purchase, please contact Betsy Micklem at emicklem@gmail.com.

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BHWC Events: May 2013

May 2nd, Thursday at 10am - **Board Meeting**

At the home of Gerry Pratsch, 6220 Tally Ho Lane

May 9th, Thursday at 7pm - **Annual General Meeting**

At the home of Stephanie & Larry Stack, 6202 Fort Hunt Road

The BHWC Annual General Meeting will this year take the form of a Ladies Garden Party, held at the home of Stephanie Stack on Thursday, May 9th at 7pm. Payment (\$40 members/\$50 guests) is due in advance to Becky Tromblay, 1929 Summit Terrace. Please send your check and respond to your Paperless Post invitation **by tomorrow May 3rd** - we hope you can come! At the meeting, we will be voting on the following proposed slate of officers for 2013/2014:

President - Lura Nell Mitchell

Vice-President - Christine Washington

Treasurer - Barbara McMurray

Communications - Vicki Coward

Recording Secretary - Kara Cosby

Also, please bring check books on the night of the event and use the opportunity to purchase cookbooks (delivered to your home) and renew your membership for next year (dues are \$40).

May 14th, Tuesday at 12 noon - **Community Projects: Annual Picnic**

At the home of Susan Golightly, 6020 Fort Hunt Road

All BHWC members are invited to join Community Projects for their Annual Picnic.

May 21st, Tuesday at 10am - **Garden Club Meeting**

At the home of Fran Rice, 6206 Arkendale Road

Ken Meier, a local orchid expert and grower, will talk to us about how to grow those lovely orchids we buy on impulse at the garden center or grocery store!



Other Announcements

Cooking Demonstration - Salmon Delicieux! Christine Corcoran Stark and her good friend, Jim Bethel, put on a splendid display of expert culinary skills at the "Salmon Three Ways" cooking demo held at Christine's lovely home on April 18th. Christine and Jim, friends since their Culinary Institute of America days, took our group of twenty BHWC members through a step-by-step process for making three salmon dishes: salmon tartare, salmon en papillote, and salmon on the grill.

Not only was their presentation easy to follow and informative, but Christine had also provided handouts for the attendees to take home with the relevant recipes as well as a tutorial on knife cuts to follow-up on the instruction delivered in person that evening. Once the demonstration portion concluded, the tasting of portions began in earnest along with wines carefully selected by Jim to go with the salmon dishes served. Raves were heard around the dining table and beyond. Delicious! Our warmest thank you to Christine for opening her home for this event and all the planning and preparation that she and Jim did to make this evening a tasty and educational success. As you can see from the photos on our Website (for which many thanks to Angela Anderson), it was lots of fun, too!

Membership for 2013-14. Why not get ahead? Membership forms for next year will be available for completion at the AGM - please don't forget to bring your check books.

Cookbooks. Also please bring along your check books to the Annual General Meeting to purchase copies of our Belle Haven Cookbook - *Behind These Doors, Once More* at the very reasonable price of \$15 a copy. Copies will be delivered to purchasers after the event.

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BHWC Events: June 2013

June 6th, Thursday at 7pm - **Final Board Meeting - Old & New**
At the home of Sally Murphy, 6041 Woodmont Road

June 18th, Tuesday at 10am - **Garden Club Meeting**
At the U.S. Botanic Gardens on the Mall

The Belle Haven Garden Club has arranged a tour on **Tuesday, June 18th** of the National Garden at the U.S. Botanic Gardens on the Mall - this is open to all BHWC members. If you would like to participate in the Tour and lunch afterward—please contact Eleni Silverman, President Belle Haven Garden Club at 703-960-1261 or email at eleni1@cox.net.

Other Announcements

Annual General Meeting Ladies Garden Party. Interludes of spring showers could not dampen the delightful evening spent in the lovely garden and home of Stephanie Stack at the May 9 event. Some fifty-plus BHWC ladies gathered to enjoy white wine, prosecco and delicious garden party hors d'oeuvres and also to approve the slate of officers for the coming year. We would like to thank Stephanie for her incredible hospitality and Sally Murphy and her crew of wonderful helpers that each played a part in making this event a success: Denise Constandy, Liz Huldin, Susan Hunt, Susan Golightly, Lucy Lamb, Kathy McCarthy, Barbara McMurray, Becky Tromblay, and an extra thanks to Karen Harriman for the beautiful flower arrangements she put together for the event. Thanks to Angela Anderson for recording this event in photographs, which can be viewed on the Photos page of the website.

Officers for 2013-14. We are pleased to announce the election of the following officers for 2013-14:

President - Lura Nell Mitchell

Vice-President - Christine Washington



Treasurer - Barbara McMurray
Communications - Vicki Coward
Recording Secretary - Kara Cosby

Membership for 2013-14. Don't leave town for the summer without renewing your membership for 2013-14. Dues remain at \$40 per annum. The membership form can be found attached, or on the Forms page of our website.

Join our Facebook Group! Calling all Facebook users - did you know that BHWC has its own private Facebook Group? Don't miss out on important announcements, photos and reminders in your News Feed. If you would like to join, please contact Vicki at VictoriaACoward@aol.com.

Cooking Demonstration - Recipes. Downloadable recipes from Christine Corcoran Stark's fabulous cooking demonstration "Salmon 3 Ways" can be found on the Cookbook page of the website.

Sign up for a Paperless Post account! Setting up a Paperless Post account is completely free and enables you to see *all* the invitations you receive via paperless post. No more looking through old emails to find that invitation you need to respond to. There is even an app that you can use on your smartphone or iPad. If you need help setting up your account, contact Vicki at VictoriaACoward@aol.com.

Thank you from Sally! I want to extend a personal note of thanks to everyone who volunteered to help make this a successful and fun year for the BHWC. Whether you allowed us to use your home for an event or you co-chaired/chaired an event or you bought ice or did anything in-between, I offer you my sincerest thanks. I also thank the outgoing BHWC Board for all of their help and support this year.

Remember, please GO SLOW down Woodmont (home of six toddlers) and other outgoing streets! It will cost you about 15 seconds and could prevent a tragedy. Hope you have a great summer.

Sally Murphy

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