



COMMUNITY UPDATE **August 2007**

COMMUNITY MEETINGS/EVENTS

HOA Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, August 28, and Tuesday, September 25, 7pm at the Cameron Club. Resident Open Forum is second item on agenda. All residents are welcome.

Cameron Station Civic Association Meeting

Monday, September 10, Cameron Club. Meeting begins at 7:30pm; refreshments at 7pm. Featured speaker will be Faroll Hamer, Alexandria's new Planning Director. She will discuss plans for West End development, including the Landmark/Van Dorn and West Eisenhower small area plans. Check www.cameronstationcivicasociation.org for more information.

West End Farmers' Market

Sundays, 9am-1pm, through October 28, Ben Brenman Park, south parking lot near Somerville Street and the Linear Park. This is the pilot year, sponsored by the City of Alexandria, Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities. We need to show our support if we want it back next year!

Date Change for International Network Party

Cameron Station neighbors are organizing an International Network Party. The date has been moved from September to Saturday, October 20, at 7pm in the Great Room at the Cameron Club. For more information, contact evelynbrooks@comcast.net or carrillo.susana@gmail.com and check the September/October issue of *The Compass* newsletter.

ART ON THE AVENUE

Saturday, October 6, 10am-6pm. Del Ray's Mount Vernon Avenue between Bellefonte and Hume streets. This free street festival includes more than 300 juried artists stretched along 10 blocks, with five stages for music and entertainment plus American and ethnic food. For details: www.artontheavenue.org or 703-683-3100.

SCHOOL IS OPEN – PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY

A reminder that Samuel Tucker Elementary School operates on a modified school calendar. Students have been back in school since the end of July. Please drive extra-cautiously around the school.

TUTORS NEEDED AT TUCKER ELEMENTARY

Tucker's new principal, Loretta Scott, is looking for a few Cameron Station residents to help meet the demand for tutors during the school day, specifically to help first or second graders learn to read at or above grade level by the end of second grade. If you are able to donate one half hour or more a week at our neighborhood school, please visit www.alexandriatutors.org or call 703-549-6670, extension 119.

PHOTO ASSISTANCE NEEDED

The Cameron Club & Events Committee (CCEC) is looking for assistance in changing out the photos from the walls of the Cameron Club. There have been many beautiful photographs taken of the community, and the CCEC would like to change the display of photos on a regular basis. The committee is asking for someone with digital photo experience to help select new photos and to get them enlarged to fit the existing frames. The committee can handle the framing and hanging. If you are able to help, please contact Chairperson Marilyn Means at meansmarilyn@yahoo.com or 703-566-7956.

MARK PILLOW COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD

Do you know someone who makes Cameron Station a brighter place to live? Please submit nominations for the 2nd annual recognition of a resident who exemplifies the special volunteerism of the late Mark Pillow. Nominations are due by Sunday, September 30. Please send name and description of person's contribution to our community to the Common Area Committee at commonarea@cameronstation.org. A ceremony/fall social will be held on Sunday, October 14, 1-3 pm, at the gazebo in Cameron Circle to honor the recipient of the award. A plaque (located in the Cameron Club) will also be engraved.

GROUP EXERCISE CLASSES

The current session of classes begins the week of August 27 and runs for eight weeks. As always, drop-ins are welcome for a \$10 fee. You may pick up a schedule of classes at the Cameron Club.

SEPTEMBER POOL HOURS

September 1-3: regular pool schedule. The pool will then be closed Monday-Friday. For three weekends in September (8-9, 15-16, 22-23) the pool will be open 10am-8pm. The pool will close for the season on Sunday night, September 23, at 8pm.

POOL SAFETY

If your child is ill, please do not allow them to use the pool. Also, please encourage bathroom breaks during the last 15 minutes of each hour when it is adult swim time to avoid possible accidents in the pool. Each occurrence requires the staff to close the pool for six hours by order of the City's Health Department to allow time to clean the pool and adjust the chemicals.

NEW FACES IN OUR COMMUNITY

Welcome to Assistant Community Manager Leah Pommrehn; the new owner of Stems, Gwen Gattsek; and the new principal of Tucker Elementary, Loretta Scott. They will be introduced to the community in the September/October issue of *The Compass*.

BE CAREFUL WHERE LADDERS ARE PLACED

Please remember to take care that various contractors (roofers, cable and Direct TV installers, painters, etc.) do not position their ladders against your neighbors' homes. This can lead to damage of gutters, downspouts, shingles, etc.

DUKE STREET OVERPASS PROJECT

Work is being done on the Duke Street overpass to provide safe, convenient access across Duke Street to the recreational, cultural and business facilities that are located on both sides of the Duke Street. This six-month project will complete the pedestrian and bicycle connection from Duke Street to Ben Brenman Park. More details will be found in the September/October issue of *The Compass*.

AFTER-HOURS EMERGENCY NUMBER

To report common area emergencies (HOA) or building/unit emergencies (condos) that occur after regular HOA office hours, call 301-446-2635. This number goes to an answering service that will take down all information and page one of CMC's on-call managers, who will respond to the owner.