

# THE KNOLLS NEWS

Sharing News of Common Interest

November 2014

## Plan to attend the WKCA Annual Meeting Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

### Supervisor Pat Herryty is our guest Speaker (BIO on page 4)

Mark your calendar for the Annual Meeting to be held on Tuesday, **December 9th at 7:30 – 8:30 PM at the Orange Hunt Elementary School Cafeteria**. Our agenda will include Comments by Pat Herryty, election of officers, adoption of the 2015 budget, raising annual dues to \$20.00, updating By-Laws and general plans for 2015. **We need a quorum of 5% or more of the general members to transact business, I truly hope you plan on attending. If you cannot attend, please give your proxy to a neighbor or board member to vote on your behalf. The proxy form is included in the News Letter on page 2.**

Tom Blume/WKCA President

### Winston Knolls

Winston Knolls Civic Association membership is voluntary and offered to each of our 489 homes. We sponsor civic-minded events and promote and protect the well-being of our neighborhood!

Website Resource for WKCA  
[www.winstonknolls.net](http://www.winstonknolls.net)

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## WKCA Halloween Parade and Party a success!

We had approximately 30 children participate, with several parents and grandparents that came out for this event. The weather was fantastic and it was great to see everyone come out and spend a few hours letting the children have a good time. For those who missed it, we started off with the parade at the corner of Spur and Hanks Place, the activities included a moon bounce with a slide, several games and free hot dogs/drinks chips and deserts. To all the volunteers who baked cupcakes, supported in running the games, set up and cleaning the grounds afterwards - thank you! A big thank you goes out to Joanne Zamfino and her family, who is in her last year as Social Chairman (10 years running), plus Ed and Sharon Linz; who were in charge of cooking and serving the hot dogs.



### Check out our Website for more pictures and news

Dear residents please check out our web site at [winstonknolls.net](http://winstonknolls.net). We have updated the pages and links, rearranged certain pages to make it easier to retrieve data and forms. We have added new links and there are pictures from events/activities and additional data that does not get covered in the newsletter! Speaking of the Newsletter, we want to thank our newsletter carriers, Alex Bauman and Madeleine Winston for their outstanding support!

**Message from Winston Knolls President November —2014**

**Dear Neighbors and Friends** – September/October were busy months for the civic association and I hope that you were able to participate enjoy and in the activities. Our **Annual Combined Yard Sale Day with Orange Hunt HOA produced** good results, as I drove through the neighborhood, both communities were well represented and strong sales were reported. The **Rolling Valley HOA and WKCA Community Dumpster Day at Spur** was also a big hit. The two dumpsters were full at 1230 AM and we were able to provide a valuable service to the community, not only to get rid of excess junk and yard debris, but save you a trip to the dump and a fee!. You already read the front page about the **Halloween Parade and Party** –outstanding, check out the website for additional pictures! I wish to say a **“thank you”** to all the individuals who volunteered their time and talent to support the Civic Association, in order that we can give back to the community, not only the **activities/events mentioned above**, but also the **Neighborhood Watch, Newsletter (printing & delivery), Block Captains, Board Members and Committee Chairs - -and both Pack 685 & 686, who always are there to support us!**

**Nominating Committee for 2014 officers** - As required by the WKCA bylaws, a Nominating Committee of non-board members were appointed to come forth at the annual meeting with a slate of officers for election. The Nominating Committee members, Elaine Leonard and Jeff Lins volunteered to obtain a slate of candidates to be voted on at the **Dec 9th annual meeting**. **Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the meeting. *Please join us!***

The **WKCA board** is seeking and in need of new volunteers to fill positions of long-serving committee chairs who would like to turn over their role to someone new. Please contact me to learn more about the board and the role you could fill as a volunteer for the community. No prior experience is necessary! This is a great way to give back and stay in the know about our community. We are only talking about an hour every two months for Board meetings and 4/5 hours one afternoon in the fall/spring for an event- - call me!

**Happy Holidays and all the best to you and your family for a joyful holiday season! The next edition of the newsletter will be distributed in the January/February time frame, but check the website for updates.**

**WKCA Annual Meeting December 9, 2014**

**PROXY STATEMENT**

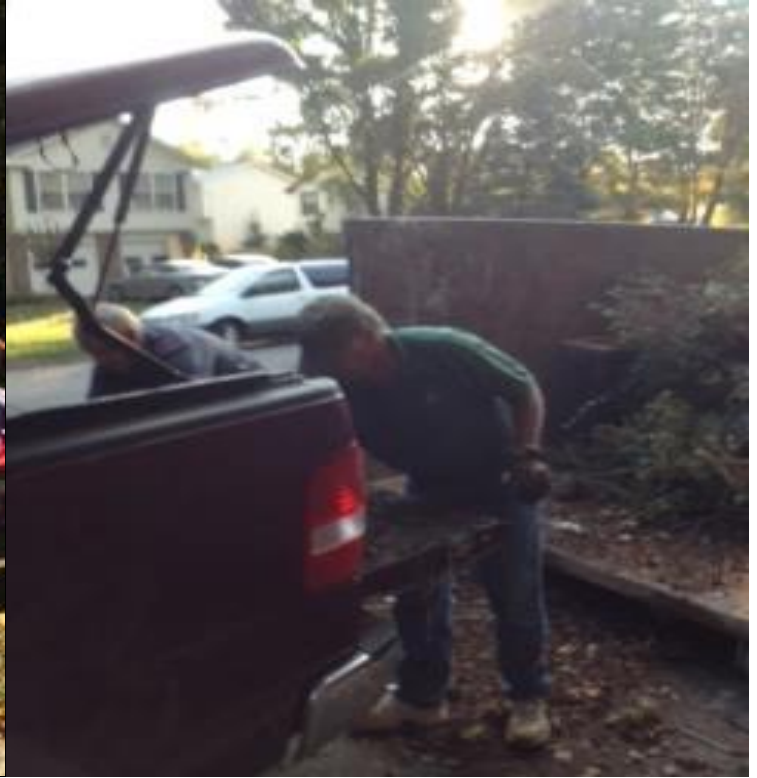
I hereby designate \_\_\_\_\_ to act as my proxy at the **Winston Knolls Civic Association Annual Meeting on December 9, 2014**. The above-mentioned person shall have the right to represent me, by voting on my behalf, on all matters brought before the membership at that meeting.

**NAME (print)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

The pictures below are from the 18 October Dumpster Day. Besides the Civic Association members getting rid of unwanted trash and yard debris-- both Pack 685 and 686 picked up trash in the woods behind Hanks Place and the sign area. Thanks to the Scouts for a job well done and ensuring that our community is kept clean. I also want to thank Michael Graves and Joanne Zamfino for their support and helping with Dumpster Day.



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**I will pick up—NancyJ Riley@cox.net**

**Supervisor Pat Herryty to speak at WKCA annual meeting**

Pat Herryty was raised in the Springfield District of Fairfax County. He attended St. Bernadette’s grade school in Springfield, graduated from West Springfield High School in 1978, and earned a Bachelor’s degree in Accounting in 1982 from Virginia Tech. Having grown up in the eastern part of the Springfield District and now raising his family in the western part, Pat has a unique understanding of Fairfax County. As the son of former Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Jack Herryty, Pat grew up attending community meetings and budget hearings; he was raised with regular discussion of issues concerning Fairfax County at home giving him a deep understanding of our County and the issues we face today. Additionally, Pat is the Chief Financial Officer of Delex Systems Inc. and has over 30 years of experience in leadership positions for a number of fast growing, small to mid-sized government contractors. He is active in youth sports and has coached swimming, soccer, basketball, rugby and hockey. He has also served in leadership positions of several civic associations and business organizations including the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce and the Northern Virginia Technology Council. Pat has always been active with transportation issues and is a strong believer in transportation enhancements that support our growing community. He was a leader in the push for the Techway, was a strong early advocate for telework/telecommuting programs, and has been an outspoken supporter of the beltway HOT lanes and their carpooling and mass-transit benefits. He is currently leading the effort for solutions to congestion on I-66 and the Fairfax County Parkway. Pat was a co-drafter of the first Northern Virginia Transportation Compact, which was signed by most of the business organizations in Northern Virginia in 2000. Pat regularly travels to Richmond to work with legislators on tax and transportation issues. He was appointed by Governor McDonnell and subsequently elected Chairman of Governor’s Task Force for Local Government Mandate Review which works to reduce state mandates on local governments. Under his leadership the Task Force has eliminated a historic number of mandates and has eliminated a number of other “mandates” by engaging state agencies in common sense discussions with local governments. Pat has also had extensive leadership experience with Northern Virginia civic associations and business organizations.



You can earn cash for our neighborhood elementary school – Orange Hunt. Taking just a minute of your time to register your Giant card can make a huge difference to our school. Please be sure to register Orange Hunt using ID #02089 at [www.giantfood.com/aplus](http://www.giantfood.com/aplus). Other ways you can help OHES raise money through community shopping programs include:

- Safeway - OHES: ID: 6547037 [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com)
- Target – Register your Target RedCard. OHES ID: 10369: [www.target.com/tcoe](http://www.target.com/tcoe)
- Use this Amazon.com shopping link: <http://orangehunt.digitalpto.com/fundraising/amazon-com-school-rewards/>  
If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Cochran [swcochran4@gmail.com](mailto:swcochran4@gmail.com)

## Thanksgiving for Kids

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autumn  
dinner  
family  
harvest  
Indian  
November

pie  
Pilgrim  
pumpkin  
stuffing  
thankful  
turkey



## Prepare Your Home for Winter

Although periods of extreme cold cannot always be predicted far in advance, weather forecasts can sometimes provide you with several days' notice. Listen to weather forecasts regularly and check your emergency supplies whenever a period of extreme cold is predicted. If you plan to use a fireplace or wood stove for emergency heating, have your chimney or flue inspected each year. Ask your local fire department to recommend an inspector or find one in the yellow pages of your telephone directory under "chimney cleaning." Also, if you'll be using a fireplace, wood stove, or kerosene heater, install a smoke detector and a battery-operated carbon monoxide detector near the area to be heated. Test them monthly and replace batteries twice a year. All fuel-burning equipment should be vented to the outside. Your ability to feel a change in temperature decreases with age. Older people are more susceptible to health problems caused by cold. If you are over 65 years old, place an easy-to-read thermometer in an indoor location where you will see it frequently. Check the temperature of your home often during the winter months. Insulate any water lines that run along exterior walls so your water supply will be less likely to freeze. To the extent possible, weatherproof your home by adding weather-stripping, insulation, insulated doors, and storm windows or thermal-pane windows. If you have pets, bring them indoors. If you cannot bring them inside, provide adequate shelter to keep them warm and make sure they have access to unfrozen water.

### **Checklist:**

- Insulate walls and attic.
- Caulk and weather-strip doors and windows.
- Install storm windows or cover windows with plastic from the inside.
- Insulate any water lines that run along outer walls. This will make water less likely to freeze.
- Service snow-removal equipment.
- Have chimney and flue inspected.
- Install easy-to-read outdoor thermometer.
- Repair roof leaks and cut away tree branches that could fall on your home or other structure during a storm.

## Prepare Your Car for Winter

You can avoid many dangerous winter travel problems by planning ahead. Have maintenance service on your vehicle as often as the manufacturer recommends. In addition, every fall, **do** the following: Have the radiator system serviced or check the antifreeze level yourself with an antifreeze tester. Add antifreeze as needed. Replace windshield-wiper fluid with a wintertime mixture. Replace any worn tires, make sure the tires have adequate tread, and check the air pressure in the tires. During winter, keep the gas tank near full to help avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.

### **Checklist:**

Keep your car fueled and in good working order. Be sure to check the following:

- Antifreeze and Windshield wiper fluid (wintertime mixture)
- Heater, Defroster, Brakes, Brake fluid, Ignition, Emergency flashers', Exhaust, Tires (air pressure and wear)
- Fuel, Oil, Battery and Radiator

**If possible create an emergency preparedness kit** with at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food and water for your home and office (and don't forget food and water for any pets you might have). Kits prepared for vehicle road travel and winter weather evacuation go-kits are also advised. Make a plan and practice the plan with your family and those who depend on you. In the event of the prediction of severe winter weather, stay informed. The National Weather Service issues outlooks, watches, warnings and advisories for all winter weather hazards, listen to your local officials' the latest winter storm information--[www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov) or [www.noaa.gov](http://www.noaa.gov).