# The Southbridge Star





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# From the Desk of the General Manager Mr. Ron Crigger

**ARE YOU REGISTERED** - sign up for email notices by going to the website and requesting log-in information. Go to <a href="https://www.southbridgeva.us">www.southbridgeva.us</a>

**SNOW REMOVAL** – Please remember that single family home streets are plowed by VDOT. Townhome streets, Mountain Laurel Loop and Locust Creek Drive are plowed by Southbridge. For better plowing, when at all possible vehicles should not park on the street, this will give the plows ample room to push the snow. During heavy snows that may need to be moved in areas that the Association is responsible for, the snow will be pushed into vacant visitor spots to provide a clear driving path.

**BOATS, CAMPERS, TRAILERS, OH MY** - these are not permitted to be parked anywhere within the Southbridge community, to include your driveway and streets. These are treated as violations, however Prince William County Police and Neighborhood Services will also be contacted if needed to ensure compliance.

**CELL BADGE** - registration is open so when you are ready, go in and go through the process to set up your account, getting started may seem a little difficult but it is very easy and once registered all changes are made by you.

**OFFICE** – just a reminder, the office is open Monday-Friday 9:00 A.M. until 5:30 P.M. and Saturday from 9:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. **Wearing of a mask is still required.** 



**COMMUNITY ROOM-** the community room still remains closed. With mask and social distancing requirements in place it cannot open. We are hoping to open the room later in 2021.

**PLEASE CALL THE POLICE** – if you see any suspicious activity on the property please contact the police immediately to ensure the matter is dealt with in a timely manner. You may also contact the patrol 703-895-2029 but first please contact the police.

TRASH – only normal household trash is to be placed out on Monday, recycling of any kind will not be taken on Monday's. If your household trash container has any amount of recycling in it, or yard waste or anything not household trash, the container will be left behind. For large items you will need to call American Disposal for these pickups at 703-368-0500. Please be patient as American Disposal is working through some difficult times right now as are many other trash companies.



**TOWNHALL MEETING** – another townhall with Supervisor Andrea Bailey will be scheduled this month and a notice will be sent out as to the time. It will take place via zoom.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT** - will help deter the vehicle break-ins. Keep your eyes open and if you have any type of video equipment at your home make sure you are able to record and provide those recordings to the police. Everyone working together, watching out for each other is the best line of offense.

**COMMUNITY PATROL** – please be reminded that the patrol service on the property is a courtesy patrol and does not provide security to the community. They are a deterrent and over the past year has been instrumental in helping us with several issues.

WISHING EVERYONE A HAPPY NEW YEAR

# SOUTHBRIDGE TRASH REMOVAL

DAYS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:



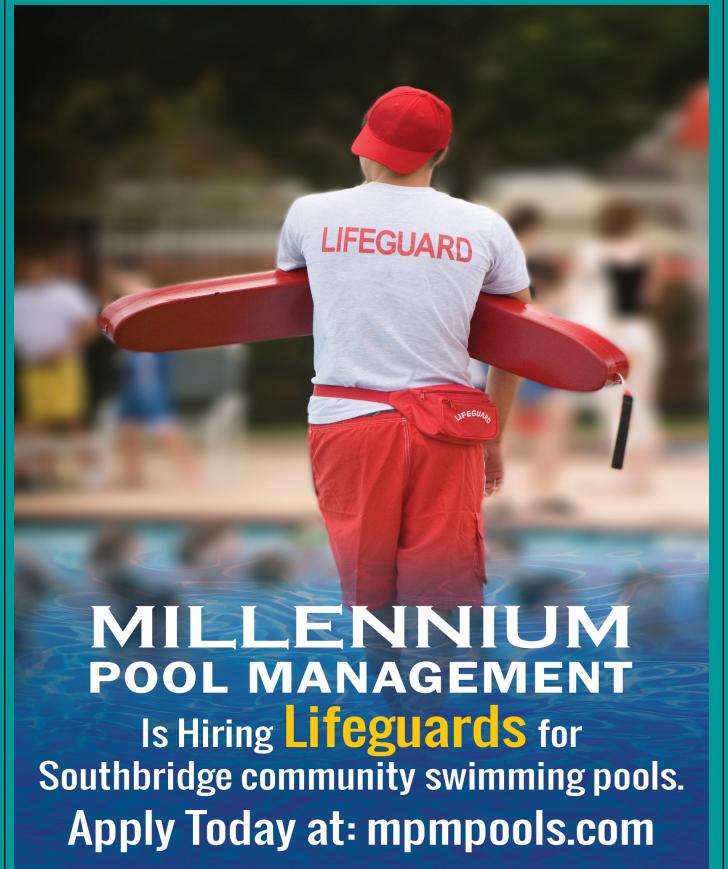
# MONDAY AND THURSDAY RECYCLING ON THURSDAY



- Trash collection is for household trash only.
- Construction debris, paint cans, containers with fuel of any kind, and tires will not be taken.
- Call for special pickups: large items such as couches, mattresses, television sets, call 703-368-0500.
- Appliances require a special pickup and you will need to call that in at 703-368-0500.
- Yard debris is grass, leaves which must be bagged, tree limbs no longer than 5 feet in length and 6 inches in diameter and must be tied together. Rocks, dirt and sod will not be accepted.
- YARD DEBRIS MAY BE DELAYED
- Recycling is to be separate from household trash and glass is no longer accepted.
- CONTAINERS AND BAGS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP IF RECYCLING ITEMS AND TRASH IS MIXED TOGETHER, IN ANY AMOUNT.

OVERLY HEAVY BAGS MAY NOT BE PICKED UP PLACE ALL TRASH AND RECYLCING OUT ON THE CURB NO LATER THAN 5:00 A.M. TRASH MAY COME EARLY ON SOME DAYS. January - February - March

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# DESIGN REVIEW APPLICATION SOUTHBRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

### APPLICATION AND REVIEW PROCEDURES

Application and review procedures, which will be used by the Covenants Committee, are detailed below.

1. <u>Applications</u>. All applications for proposed improvements must be submitted in writing using the application form authorized by the Covenants Committee. A copy of this form is included as an exhibit to this handbook. Applications must be complete in order to commence the review process. Incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant with a statement of deficiencies, which must be remedied in order to be considered for review. Unless notified to the contrary, homeowners should mail or bring applications to the following address:

**Covenants Committee** 

Southbridge Community Association

17325 River Ridge Boulevard

Southbridge, VA 22026-3352

- 2. <u>Supporting Documentation</u>. The application must include a complete and accurate description of the proposed improvement(s). In order to permit evaluation by the Covenants Committee, supporting exhibits will frequently be required. Examples include: a site plan showing the location and dimensions of the proposed improvement; architectural drawings or plans, as applicable; landscape plan; material and/or color samples, etc. The design guidelines and application form provide guidance with respect to the supporting documentation required for various types of improvements.
- 3. <u>Time Frame for Completion of the Review</u>. The Covenants Committee is required to provide notification to homeowners of the approval or disapproval of any proposed improvement within forty-five (45) days after the receipt of a properly completed application. Any application not so acted upon within the forty-five day period is automatically referred to the Board of Directors, which must act within fifteen (15) days after the first Board meeting following referral of the matter to the Board. However, the forty-five day review period will only commence upon the receipt of a complete application form, including any required exhibits. It is therefore advisable for homeowners contemplating substantial improvements to first ensure that they are aware of all required supporting documentation prior to submitting a design review application.
- 4. <u>Notice of Approval/Disapproval.</u> Homeowners who have submitted design review applications will be given written notice of the decision of the Covenants Committee.





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Looking for a babysitter who lives in your neighborhood.

Anna Towers is a rising sophomore at St. John Paul the Great High School, with many years experience babysitting her siblings, cousins and non-family members.

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## Media Release From the Prince William County Department of Public Works.

## **Recycle Your Christmas Tree and Wreaths**

**DECEMBER 11, 2020-PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA--** After all the holiday festivities are finished, give your Christmas tree, wreath, and other cut greenery another life as compost, mulch, or wildlife habitat. Simply remove all ornaments, decorations, tinsel, nails, and the tree stand and take the greenery to one of locations listed below to be recycled or repurposed.

- The Prince William County Landfill at 14811 Dumfries Road in Manassas. Monday Saturday, 6 a.m. 6 p.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. 5 p.m. The facility is closed New Year's Day. www.pwcgov.org/trashandrecycling
- The Balls Ford Road Compost Facility located at 13000 Balls Ford Road in Manassas. Monday Saturday, 7:30 a.m. 5 p.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. 5 p.m. The facility is closed New Year's Day. <a href="https://www.pwcgov.org/trashandrecycling">www.pwcgov.org/trashandrecycling</a>

Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative (NOVEC) located at 5399 Wellington Branch Road in Gainesville will accept drop-off of greenery from December 26 to January 10. The drop off area is in the front parking lot in the area outlined with the orange safety cones. For more information, contact NOVEC's vegetation management department at 703-335-0500 x 1600, or <a href="VegetationMgmt@novec.com">VegetationMgmt@novec.com</a>
For more information on recycling in Prince William County, visit <a href="http://www.pwcgov.org/trashandrecycling">http://www.pwcgov.org/trashandrecycling</a>.







# EMERGENCIES DON'T WAIT. NEITHER SHOULD

In an emergency, every second counts. We're here for you 24/7, year-round, and are taking every precaution to ensure your safety.

For locations and more, go to Emergency.mwhc.com.



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# Extended Warranties and Service Contracts: Extra Protection or Waste of Money?

When you buy cars, computer equipment, major appliances, home electronics or other expensive household items, chances are you will be offered a service contract or extended warranty for an additional fee. Often charged as a percentage of the purchase price, service contracts and extended warranties range in cost from less than \$50 to several thousand dollars. While they may seem like a good way to protect your investment and buy some extra peace of mind, consumer advocates generally advise against purchasing this extra coverage and report that it is rarely worth the cost.

Most big-ticket purchases come with a standard manufacturer's warranty that usually covers the item for a least the first year. More often than not, if a product is faulty, any defects will become apparent during that period and will be covered by the standard warranty. If a product is not defective, problems typically show up much later in a product's life cycle, beyond the term covered by an extended warranty. In addition, extended warranties often overlap the manufacturer's coverage—you might buy a two-year extended warranty, but with the manufacturer's warranty covering the first year, you are really only receiving one additional year of coverage.

Another reason consumers are discouraged from purchasing service contracts is that they can contain so many conditions, terms and exclusions that they are virtually ineffective. In most cases, you will not have protection from common wear and tear, and some manufacturers do not honor contracts if you fail to follow their recommendations for routine maintenance.

One more thing to consider when weighing the pros and cons of service contracts is credit card coverage. Some credit card reward plans will double the length of a manufacturer's warranty, free of charge, when you purchase the item with the card, making additional coverage unnecessary.

If, however, you do decide to purchase extra protection for a product, make sure you read the fine print in the service contract and ask the following questions to be sure you're getting the protection you're paying for:

- Does the dealer, manufacturer or an independent company back the service contract?
- How are claims handled?
- Who will perform the service and where it will be done?
- What happens to my coverage if the dealer or administrator goes out of business?
- Is prior authorization required for repair work?
- Are there any situations when coverage can be denied?

Source: caionline.org

## Keto Chicken Soup



**INGREDIENTS** 

2 tbsp. vegetable oil 1 medium onion, chopped 5 cloves garlic, smashed 2" piece fresh ginger, sliced

1 small cauliflower, cut into florets 3/4 tsp. crushed red pepper flakes

1 medium carrot, peeled and thinly sliced

6 c. low-sodium chicken broth 1 stalk celery, thinly sliced

2 boneless skinless chicken breasts Freshly chopped parsley, for garnish

Source: delish.com

#### **DIRECTIONS**

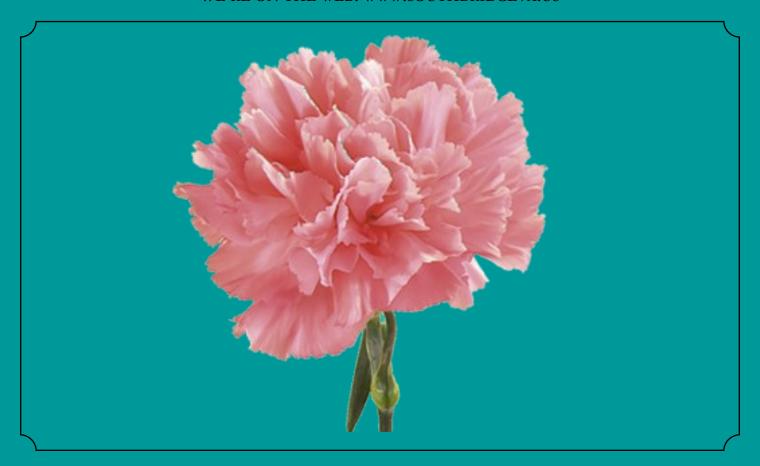
- In a large pot over medium heat, heat oil. Add onion, garlic, and ginger. Cook until beginning to brown.
- Meanwhile, pulse cauliflower in a food processor until broken down into rice-sized granules. Add cauliflower to pot with onion mixture and cook over medium high heat until beginning to brown, about 8 minutes.
- Add pepper flakes, carrots, celery, and chicken broth and bring to a simmer. Add chicken breasts and let cook gently until they reach an internal temperature of 165°, about 15 minutes. Remove from pan, let cool until cool enough to handle, and shred. Meanwhile, continue simmering until vegetables are tender, 3 to 5 minutes more.
- Remove ginger from pot and add shredded chicken back to soup. Season to taste with salt and pepper, then garnish with parsley before serving.

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