

THE SOUTHBRIDGE STAR



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Southbridge Community Association

http://southbridgeva.us

Santa Visits Southbridge Listens to Wish Lists

Southbridge residents greeted Santa at the annual Meet and Greet event on December 13th. The children were all dressed up; their lists ready and on their best behavior. Santa took his time and listened to each child as they told him what they wanted. Also displayed were the winning homes in the Holiday Decorating Contest. We would like to thank the volunteers who came out to make this event a success. The Activities Committee is already planning for 2009 events. Come and be part of the fun.





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Holiday Decorating Contest

Our community glowed with beautiful decorations and holiday lights. Several residents entered our Annual Holiday Decorating Contest. Our Board of Directors were in charge of the judging. The photos have been posted in this newsletter on page 17 as well as in our Management Office.

If you are a winner of our contest please collect your prize from our Management Office no later than the close of business January 30, 2009 or your prize will be forfeited.



Home Party Show to be Held In Our Clubhouse

The Activities Committee is sponsoring a Home Party Show in our Clubhouse on March 14, 2009. We still have a few openings left. We are limiting this event to 12 vendors within Southbridge. We are also limiting the vendors to one (1) representative per company.

Please contact our Management Office or email our activities@southbridgeva.us with your name, address, telephone number and email address. Please respond by the close of business January 30, 2009.

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Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat 9:00 am - 5:30 pm Wed 11:00 am - 8:00 pm



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GENERAL MANAGER'S CORNER

From the Desk of the General Manager...

During my years of working in the Property Management field I have found it helpful, to Homeowners and Residents, to include a part of the Governing Documents in the newsletter. The following are excerpts from the Community's Architectural Guidelines which may help in complying with the Covenants of the Southbridge Community Association..

Article 8.2(n) of the Declarations for Southbridge on the Potomac states, regulations that pertain to vehicles. Please see highlights below:



No junk, derelict vehicle or other vehicle on which current registration plates and

current county and state inspection permits are not displayed shall be kept upon any portion of the Common Area or any portion of a Lot visible from the Common Area or another Lot.

Vehicle repairs and storage of vehicles are not permitted.



All motor vehicles including, but not limited to, trail bikes, motorcycles, dune buggies, and

snowmobiles shall be driven only upon paved streets and parking lots.

No motor vehicles shall be driven on pathways or unpaved portions of Common Area, except such vehicles as are authorized by the Board of Directors as needed to maintain, repair, or improve the Common Area.

Non compliance of any item listed may result in a Hearing before the Covenant's Committee where assessments may be applied. Thank you for your understanding that all Association members are subject to the same rules and restrictions as defined in the governing documents. If you need further assistance with any item mentioned, please feel free to contact the Association Office for additional information.

Community Patrol Incident Reports

Below is a list of reports provided by the Community Patrol for incidents to which they responded. The report includes October 15, 2008 through December 15, 2008.

Vehicles ticketed for no parking pass

52

Vehicles ticketed for expired tags

8

Commercial vehicles ticketed

11

Vehicles towed

27

Vandalism

6

Domestic dispute

1

Accident (Assist PWC Police)

2

Suspicious activity

10

Home Checks

10

Burglary with gun

1



Phenita Hebert General Manager



Debbie Constable Assistant Manager





American Disposal Holiday Schedule

American Disposal will run their route on December 26, 2008 for all household trash but NOT for Christmas trees. Christmas trees will be picked up on the following schedule:

Friday ————— January 9, 2009 Friday ————— January 16, 2009 Friday ————— January 23, 2009

Christmas trees must be free of decorations including all tinsel. Christmas trees should not be placed in any type bag but left on the ground next to the trash toter. Please make arrangements to have your Christmas trees disposed



ONLY on the dates listed above. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the office at (703) 221-7716.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS



BASIS FOR AND OBJECTIVES OF PROTECTIVE COVENANTS

The legal documents for the Southbridge Community Association contain covenants, including those pertaining to architectural controls. Legally, these covenants are a part of the deed for each home and are binding upon all initial homeowners and their successors in ownership, irrespective of whether or not these owners are familiar with such covenants.

The primary purpose of design covenants is to maintain environmental and architectural design standards for the entire community. The promulgation and enforcement of design standards is intended to achieve the following objectives:

- ♦ Maintain consistency with the overall design concept for the community;
- Promote harmonious architectural and environmental design qualities and features;
- Promote and enhance the visual and aesthetic appearance of the community.

The enforcement of design standards not only enhances the physical appearance of a community but also protects and preserves property values. Homeowners who reside in association communities, which enforce design covenants, are protected from actions of neighbors, which can detract from the physical appearance of the community and, in some cases, diminish property values. In fact, surveys of homeowners living in association communities consistently reveal that this was an important consideration in their decision to purchase a home.

Southbridge General Manager Named Cardinal Site Manager of the Year

Phenita Hebert, General Manger of Southbridge on the Potomac, was awarded the Mazzei Award from Cardinal Management Group, our management company. This award was given as a result of votes from her peers.

The employees of Cardinal Management Group were asked to vote for the person whom they considered to be conscientious of their job, considerate of their co-workers and offers to assist others when needed.

Congratulations, Phenita!





Board of Directors



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CALENDAR



January 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Happy New Year!	New Year's Day	2	3
4	5	6	7 Activities 7PM	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Facilities & Grounds 7PM	15	16	17
18	19 Martin Luther King Day	20 Inauguration Day	21 Covenants 6PM	22	23	24
25	26	27 Board of Directors 7PM	28 Teens 7PM	29	30	31



February 2009



Washington Gas



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

American Disposal Service	703-368-0500
Animal Control	703-792-6465
Report Dead Animals	1-800-367-7623
Area Agency on Aging	703-792-6400
Board of County Supervisors—Dumfries District—Maureen Caddigan	703-792-4645
Capital Protective Services	703-880-6360
Cardinal Management Group	703-569-5797
Columbia Gas	800-543-8911
Comcast Communications—Customer Service	703-730-2225
Cooperative Extension Service	703-792-6285
Dale City Recreation Center	703-670-7111
Dominion Towing	703-730-6610
Dominion Virginia Power	1-888-667-3000
Dumfries Post Office	703-441-8304
Employment Opportunities / Job Line	703-792-4636 ext 332
Fire and Rescue (Non-Emergency)	703-792-6810
Miss Utility	1-800-552-7001
Park Authority	703-792-7060
Police (Non-Emergency)	703-792-6500
Police (Non-Emergency—TTD for the deaf)	703-792-6294
Potomac Festival Urgent Care	703-497-1234
Potomac High School	703-441-4200
Potomac Middle School	703-221-4996
Potomac Hospital	703-670-1313
Potomac Library	703-494-8129
Potomac Mills	703-643-1770
Prince William Boys & Girls Club—Dumfries	703-441-0611
Prince William County Information Line	703-792-6000
Prince William County Public School System	703-791-7200
Prince William County Service Authority (PWCSA)—Water / Sewer	703-335-7900
Prince William County Traffic Fines	703-792-6111
PRTC / OmniLink Local Bus / OmniRide Commuter Bus	703-730-6664
Quantico Marine Corps Public Affairs Office	703-583-0775
Social Services	703-792-4300
Southbridge Community Association—Management Office	703-221-7716
Swans Creek Elementary School	703-445-0930
VDOT-Street Lights	888-667-3000
VDOT-Street Signs	703-792-6666
VDOT-Street Problems	703-366-1900
Verizon—New Service	1-800-483-4000
Verizon—Billing	1-800-483-3000
Verizon—Repair	1-800-483-1000
VRE Commuter Train	703-684-0400

703-750-1000





Facilities / Grounds

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Facilities / Grounds E-mail facilities@southbridgeva.us

The Committee meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Swim & Racquet Club.

Bragging Rights

Nyasha Patterson received her First Degree Black Belt on Saturday, December 13, 2008 at the Southbridge Martial Arts in our very own Southbridge Plaza with Master Jae Kwan Cha.

She started Tae Kwon Do in December 2006 as a beginner with 4 other students when they first opened. During her 2 year journey, she has won 3 first place trophies for form, 1 first place trophy for the breaking board technique and first and third place trophies for sparring.



Covenants

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The Committee meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM at the Swim & Racquet Club.

Government

&

Business Relations

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The Committee meets once per quarter at the Swim & Racquet Club. The next meeting will be held on March 4, 2009

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR COMMITTEES.

WON'T YOU DONATE SOME OF YOUR TIME TO YOUR COMMUNITY?

COME BE A PART OF THE FUN!!!



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Teen Activities

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The Committee meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Swim & Racquet Club.

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The Committee meets as needed at the Swim & Racquet Club.







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The Committee meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Swim & Racquet Club.

Basketball Goals Require Covenants Approval



All basketball goals must be approved by the Covenants Committee in order to be in compliance. If you have a basketball goal and have not completed an application, please do

so as soon as possible. The Design Review for Basketball Application can be picked up at the association office or found on the Southbridge website at

http://southbridgeva.us.

If you have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the office at (703) 221-7716.

Activities Committee News 2009 Activities Event Calendar

March 14	Home Party Show
March 28	Spring Spectacular
May 2	Spring Yard Sale
June 27	Pool Party
June 28	Rain Date for Pool Party
September 12	Fall Yard Sale
October 10	Fall Fest
October 11	Rain Date for Fall Fest
December 1 - 9	Holiday Decorating Contest
December 12	Meet Santa

We hope everyone will mark their calendar and come and join in the events for 2009. Details for each event will be in upcoming newsletters and on the website. We invite all residents to come and be part of the fun in the coming year.

The Activities Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Clubhouse. We are always in need of volunteers.







MEET AND GREET SANTA







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December 13, 2008







Where did all the Frogs Go?

Alonso Abugattas, Acting Manager of Long Branch Nature Center in Arlington, will share information about the most common species found in NoVA, their importance and what you can do to keep them around. We'll also have many live species on hand for you to meet up close and personal!

This program is part of our First Thursday Nature Tales series. It is open to the public and free of charge. For more information please email us at alliance@pwconserve.org or 703.499.4954.

WHEN: Thursday, February 4 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

WHERE: Bull Run Unitarian Universalist Church, 9350 Main Street, Manassas, VΑ

Landscaping for Home Security, Saturday, Jan. 24, 2009; 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon. Your home's landscape design can make it easy on criminals or easy for the Neighborhood Watch keepers. Officer Marcia Whaley, PWC Police will discuss the do's and don'ts for the safest landscape design. Info on plant selection and pruning available. This class will be held at the Community Room, Bull Run Library, 8051 Ashton Avenue, Manassas. Registration requested. Call 703-792-7747.

Basics of Gardening Series

A series of six classes on basic gardening principles. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Jan. 31 - March 7, 2009. Fee \$50 for individuals, \$80 for couples (includes one set of materials). For information call 703-792-7747.

Saturdays in the Garden

Classes are usually scheduled on the first Saturday of each month (unless it is a holiday) at our Teaching Garden on the Grounds of the Benedictine Monastery, 9535 Linton Hall Road; Bristow, VA 20136 These programs are free and run from 9 - 10:30 a.m. 2009 dates scheduled are April 4, May 2, June 6, July 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 5 and Oct. 3. For more details on these future garden programs call 703-792-7747.

All classes are free (unless noted) and are open to the public. Pre-registration is required for classes where noted. Please note that class cancellations are determined by registrations. For more information or to register, call the Extension Master Gardener Help Desk at 703-792-7747 or register online using our Horticulture Registration Form (http:// www.pwcgov.org/default.aspx? topic=040083003310002097)







Southbridge Community **Swim Team Now Forming!**

Beginning in the summer of 2009 Southbridge will be home to the newest swim team in the Prince William Swim League.

The Southbridge Swim Team will be committed to promoting the sport of competitive swimming in an environment focused on team spirit and good sportsmanship. We will strive to develop our swimmer's individual skills and we will provide opportunities for personal and team growth and achievement in weekly swim meet competitions. Above all, we want summer swimming to be a fun and an exciting experience for our swimmers and their families.

All boys and girls ages 5-18 are welcome to join the team; all we ask is that the swimmer be able to swim one length of the pool and be able to tread water for 1 minute. Swimmers will be divided into like abilities and all will participate in weekly swim meets.

We are also looking for parent volunteers to help with the swim team. There are many opportunities for parents and other adults to support Southbridge Swim Team and all training (if necessary) will be provided to you at

We are hoping to have off-season practices and training sessions beginning after the New Year. This is a great opportunity to meet your new teammates, coaches, and get ready for the summer season. Depending on interest, we may also have private coaching sessions for those learning to swim and those working to improve their technique.

This is a great opportunity to be part of the first season of Southbridge swimming.

Please contact Head Coach Matt Harrison (703-441-6622/ mharrison70@gmail.com) for more information and to register.





Computer Corner

by Jason Scalzo, Director Southbridge Community Association

Backup Disaster

While electronic devices continue to grow in popularity, so do the requirements to store electronic data. At the present time, the average family has a home computer, digital camera, IPod, and other electronic equipment that stores data. Many families use their digital cameras on a regular basis for vacations, recreational sports, holidays, and other important family events. Additionally, many families use their computers on a daily basis to complete homework assignments, send emails to family and friends, and store digital music for their IPod. What most families don't realize that by storing all of the data on their computer, they run the risk of losing everything. I usually get a call from a family member or friend at least once a year saying there computer "crashed" and they lost everything. The first question I normally ask them is "Did you backup your data"? The majority of time the answer is "No". It normally takes only one time for someone to lose everything, finally realizing they need a backup solution for their computer.

To avoid this from happening to you, I recommend purchasing an external hard drive. This solution will allow you to backup as often as you want and have the option to add or erase your data. The external drive will act as a second hard drive for your desk-top or laptop and normally connects by a USB cable. Several vendors like Maxtor, Seagate, and Western Digital include backup software with their external hard drives. To avoid losing any data, I recommend the following backup strategy: Full backup once a month and incremental backups once a week. If you add a lot of data to your computer increase the incremental backups to once a day. By backing up your data more often, you decrease the risk of losing any data.

Electronic equipment unfortunately doesn't last forever and often fails after 5 to 7 years. Signs of failures include (but not limited to) hard drive clicking noise, frequent computer crashes, and disk drive errors.

Some hard drive problems can be fixed by running scan disk and Disk Defragmenter. To run scan disk open My Computer and then right click on Local Disk C: drive. Navigate to the Tools tab and click on "Check Now" to scan your computer for disk error. Prior to clicking "Start" check both options to scan for errors. The scan will perform a series of checks on your computer and will prompt you to restart your computer prior to starting. To run Disk Defragmenter open My Computer and then right click on Local Disk C: drive. Navigate to the Tools tab and click on "Defragment now" button. Depending on the size of your hard drive, the defragment process will take several minutes or hours to complete.

Based on my experience, I recommend purchasing an external hard drive to backup your electronic data, backup your data often, and run check disk and defragment at least twice a year to help avoid losing any data. I urge you to act now before it's too late.







Please Be a Responsible Pet Owner

Remember to keep your pets on a leash and PLEASE clean up after them, especially in common areas and in neighbors' yards. This is becoming a constant and serious situation. Anyone seeing residents not cleaning up after their pets, please notify the Association. Residents not cleaning up after their pets will be fined to the highest extent according to the Southbridge Declaration and reported to the Health Department.

Also, try not to leave your pets outdoors for extended periods of time. The cold or hot weather is dangerous to them and their barking can disturb the neighborhood.







Snow Removal Information

These are the departments or companies responsible for snow plowing in the various streets/parking areas of Southbridge.

VDOT 703-221-4300 or 703-383-VDOT

American Elm Court

Azalea Sands Lane

Avenel Lane

Barrley Court

Barrley Drive

Birch Creek Court

Brent Ridge Court

brent kluge cou

Butterfly Way

Chisholm Lane Chogburn Lane

Clancy Drive (VDOT ends at beginning of townhouse section)

Desert Palm Court

Dewey's Run Lane (Not pipestems)

Dovetail Court

Dunes Court

Gentle Wood Lane

Glennville Drive

Hampstead Ridge Court (Not pipestems)

Hickory Creek Court (Not pipestems)

Holly Creek Court

Jasper Hill Court

Larkin Drive

Marsh Harbor Lane

Medford Drive

Myrtlewood Drive

Nicely Court

Oyster Bay Court

Pony Ridge Turn

Sassafras Tree Court (Not pipestems)

Sutersmill Way

Swans Creek Lane

Sycamore Valley

Terri Court

Tulip Tree Place (Not pipestems)

Vidalia Court

Wayside Drive

Weeping Cherry Court (Not pipestems)

Yew Grove Place



Southbridge Community Association 703-221-7716

Antrim Circle

Cahill Lane

Cosgrove Way

Clancy Drive (Townhouse section only)

Cusack Lane

Garcia Way

Kildare Lane

Kilkenny Way

Locust Creek

Metheny Way

Mountain Laurel Loop

Nugent Lane

Rocky Mount Lane

Sligo Loop

Vaughn Lane

Wexford Loop









Graffiti- A Community Challenge

Article written by James Parise, a member of the Southbridge Home Owners Association's Government and Business Relations Committee.

Graffiti is an act of vandalism, and has been seen in and around Southbridge: It's a problem you may help to combat.

Neighbors, Southbridge and its surrounding areas have come under attack by vandals. I would like to take this opportunity to advise you on an anonymous method for reporting graffiti to the authorities. If you own a phone or have access to the internet you can do your part to help make Southbridge a little safer and cleaner.

Prince William County has an organization that, at no cost to residents or Southbridge, will address and remove graffiti from properties. The Prince William Community Counsel via the Prince William police website is tasked with removing graffiti.

To report graffiti via the internet simply go to the Prince William County police website.

(http://www.pwcgov.org/default.aspx?topic=040074)

On the left side of the screen you will see a list of options. Move your mouse to the "Crime Prevention Center" option. Leaving your mouse over the crime prevention option a pop out menu will appear. From the pop out menu select the "graffiti: law enforcement issues" and click on it. On this page you will find a link titled "graffiti" (in blue letters). Click on this link. You will be transferred to the Prince William County website. You will see a yellow box with blue letters reading "click here to report graffiti". Select this option. Simply follow the reporting page's instructions and an email of the graffiti's location will be generated to the county authorities.

If you do not have access to a computer, please phone the information to Neighborhood Services at 703-792-7018 or to the Clean Community Council at 703-792-6272. Staff at either agency will complete the online form for you. If you own the property which was vandalized, call the Police non-emergency number at 703-792-6500 and after the crime has been investigated the graffiti can be removed.

This service has been used twice on graffiti within Southbridge and surrounding area and within days the graffiti has been dealt with. The Southbridge management company advises that private residents almost always get a more prompt response than management companies or homeowner associations.

Additionally, this service will address graffiti anywhere it occurs in the county, so if your place of business has fallen under attack you may use this method to report it and get it removed!

That's all it takes to make your community safer and cleaner!

Newsletter Contests and Quizzes

All residents of Southbridge on the Potomac are eligible to win any quiz or contest in our newsletter. Please email your responses to the star@southbridgeva.us or drop off your responses at our Management Office no later than the close of business January 26, 2009 for a drawing of entries with the correct answers on January 27, 2009 at our monthly Board of Directors meeting.

DISCLAIMER

- ♦ Board of Directors and their families are not eligible for this contest.
- Communications Committee members and any others proofreading the newsletter and their families are not eligible for this contest.
- ♦ Those entering must be residents of Southbridge on the Potomac.
- ♦ Winners must show proof of residence in Southbridge on the Potomac.











LANDSCAPING

The Living Landscape
Thinking Ahead About Lawn Care
by Cindy Patterson, Master Gardener

Saving time, money and energy is the plan.

Feeding the soil to feed the plants is the name of the plan.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to be guilt free when you fertilize your lawn?

How about letting your children play on the lawn right after you fertilize it. That depends on what kind of fertilizer you use.

Here is a way of greening up your lawn and letting the children play on the lawn right afterwards without the guilt of making them sick with chemicals.

1. First start with a soil test.

Here in Prince William County the soil is acidic, especially in developments because the top soil has been taken away and what is left is the sub soil that the developer placed our lawns on.

If your soil analysis comes back that you need lime, remember that you want calcium lime (calcitic lime). This kind of lime prevents weeds from coming back into your lawn (weeds do not like available lime, they want to grow their roots long and look for calcium on their own). You can even kill weeds by placing some calcitic lime on top of them.

Another source of calcium is wood ash. It replaces calcitic lime by a 3 to 1 ratio, meaning 18 pounds of wood ash is equivalent to 6 pounds of calcitic lime.

Checking your soil pH will determine how many nutrients your lawn can actually process out of the soil and what nutrients you need for your soil to feed your plants. Your Virginia Cooperative Extension office, www.ext.vt.edu or 703792-7747 can help you with the soil test process. They even have a program called Greatscapes which will send a Master Gardener out to take your soil sample for you, give you a folder of information about everything you want to know about your lawn and measure your yard, saving you money on your lawn supplies.

You can make an appointment now so you don't have to wait in line for an appointment after March 15, 2009.

2. Use the RILE approach when it comes to weeds in your lawn:

Relax before you act Identify your weed Listen to your weed

Eradicate your weed, if necessary

Do you have 5 weeds scattered around? You are good to go. Pull them up and save your water supply from chemicals.

Are there a bunch of weeds in one area of your yard? Find out what kind they are through your Va Coop Ext. Weeds tell you what is missing from your soil.

Type of weed What the weed says about your lawn

crabgrass low calcium compaction

Dandelion lack of calcium

Moss total lack of nutrients and light
Clover missing Nitrogen (fixes it to its roots)

3. Feed your soil corn gluten and be guilt free.

We are learning that only 10% of the chemical weed and feed actually stays in our soil long enough to actually feed our lawn. The 90% gets washed into our streams and Bay to cause algae bloom that kills fish by using up the liquid oxygen in the water ways.

According to Iowa State University, corn gluten is 9% Nitrogen by weight and can be spread between February 15 through March 15, when the Forsythias are in full bloom and losing some of their brilliant yellow blossoms. You can also watch for crocus, tulips and early daffodils to tell you that the soil temperature is just right for crab grass seeds to germinate. Corn gluten weakens the developing root systems of crabgrass, bentgrass, smart weed, dandelions, bigweed, purslane, lambsquarters, foxtail, barnyard grass and bermuda grass. Apply 20-40 lbs of corn gluten for every 1000 sq ft and then water it in. Wait 3 days for it to dry and enjoy the beauty of your labor.

Compost is the best way to treat your lawn to the best meal it has ever had. It will feed your soil (which is supposed to feed your grass so you don't have to). The best source of compost is the land fill. For a nominal fee, you can pull up your truck and they will give you a load. You can also ask them about delivery service. If you want some free compost, ask your Va Coop Ext office to give you a list of horse farms. Call those farms up and ask them for their 1 year old compost and go pick it up for free. I bring my big black trash bags and take as much as I want. You need 1 1/2 cubic yards to top dress a 1,000 square foot area 1/2 inch deep.

If you are stopping chemicals, cold turkey, you can use corn gluten again after your new grass has been established. Also look into other organic amendments on the internet. You'll be surprised at the great abundance of information you will find and within a week you should see some visible greening. As with all fertilizers, don't get it wet before spreading.

A great source of Nitrogen is your grass clippings. Leaving them on your lawn will give you 30% of your lawns Nitrogen requirements for the year and will not cause thatch.

Leaves can be mulched by your lawn mower and left on your lawn during the winter months to turn into compost to feed your lawn in the Spring.

Another source of Nitrogen is your dogs urine and poo. If you see it on your lawn or see your grass yellowing in irregular spots, place sawdust on top (this will neutralize the Nitrogen) and water it in or just water the heck out of it until it disappears. Those yellow spots should have a ring around them that has very healthy grass. By watering the doggie by products into your lawn, you can prevent those dead spots.

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LANDSCAPING

I wanted to also let you know about the hidden cost of synthetic fertilizer. To manufacture these chemicals requires burning 33,000 cubic feet of fossil fuels to produce 150, 40 pound bags of 32-10-18 fertilizer. That's enough fuel to heat the American home for 6 months. Every time home fuel prices increase, fertilizer prices follow suit.

Another cost of fertilizer is that it is a salt and it kills the good beneficials that feed your lawn. This means that once you start the synthetic program, you are stuck on it until you start giving your soil compost and compost tea to bring new beneficials back into your soil so you can save time, money and energy once again. And when that synthetic fertilizer has killed those beneficials, your soil no longer stays together and will erode away in the rain and because of our soil type, may stain your side walk red.

Biosolids or malorganite has heavy metals and possible toxic substances. It is not included as organic. If you have young children or dogs you may want to research the wisdom of using this product.

Check out the web sites for other organic and inexpensive or 'free lunches' for your lawn.

4. Over seed your lawn after the corn gluten has settled for 3 weeks and use a fresh mixture (2 or more different cultivars) of cool season grass.

Mother Nature never uses a monoculture in her landscape because one pest will be able to make enough babies to wipe out the whole lawn. By buying a mixture of grass specifically for your area, any pests will have a minimal affect on your lawn and your lawn can recover quickly with your monthly compost tea spray and feed those beneficials back into your soil.

To review a list of recommended turf grass for your area, go to:

http://www.vtturf.com/Publications%5CExtension%5C2005-06VarietyRecommendations.pdf or call 703-792-7747.

When you add compost to your lawn and spray compost tea every other month or so, you will no longer need to be concerned about lawn diseases. Mother Nature has good and bad guys in the soil. Compost feeds the good guys so they over power the bad guys.

When you use chemicals and synthetic fertilizers on your lawn, you kill the good and the bad organisms in the soil that feeds your lawn. You have now given the bad guys a head start. It takes the good guys a little longer to come back and if you want to go organic, you must compost 2 times a year and spray compost tea every month with a hose end sprayer to renew your beneficials. Research compost tea on line. You can buy dried compost tea and just add water or you can make your own.

5. Is it Safe to Use Weed Killers and Bug Killers Where Kids and Pets Live?

The US EPA notes that malathion depresses levels of the important nerve enzyme cholinesterase and classifies the chemical as a probable carcinogen. A study also found that use of 2,4-D on lawns tripled the risk of a dog at the residence contracting some types of cancer.

In addition to being a danger to people and pets, some portion of an applied pesticide always finds its way via rainwater runoff into local streams, rivers, lakes, and groundwater. The amount of contamination from your individual yard may not be much, but when you add it up across all the pesticide-treated lawns in a given area, it's a significant problem."

http://www.planetnatural.com/site/xdpy/kb/health-b-gone.html



The Living Landscape January Tips for the Gardener

by Cindy Patterson, Master Gardener

Start a garden diary and make notes of which flowers and plants did well in your garden and plan out next years garden.

Sterilize your tools with 1 part hydrogen peroxide and 9 parts water. Soak for 15 minutes, rinse, let dry and lubricate with mineral oil. Save a bucket and place sand and mineral oil in it. After using your tools each gardening session, dip those tools in the bucket and then store them away nice and clean for next time.

Trees and shrubs:

Take a stroll in your garden and look at the limbs of your trees. You can remove dead, diseased, and inward pointing branches to strengthen the tree for Spring. Work with one branch and follow the tip of the branch to its end point. Cut it just before the branch collar so the tree can heal itself. Take a step back and look at the tree again. By taking out the longer branches you will automatically be pruning correctly and bringing in more light for the tree to stay healthy. If those limbs are big, remember to undercut them first. For more tips on pruning, visit Virginia Cooperative Extension (http://www.ext.vt.edu/index.html)

This is a good time of year to prune your native hydrangea, butterfly weed, clethra, hypericum, itea virginica, leucothoe, myrica gale, pieris floribunda, viburnum, virginia sweetspire and other summer-flowering shrubs that flower on new growth. Prune spring-bloomers, such as azaleas, right after they flower.

Look outside your windows and think about what native trees and grasses you would like to plant in your view. Ornamental trees and grasses have become invasive and prevent our native plants from providing food for the birds and other wildlife. Plant deciduous trees on the south, west sides of your house and shade your air conditioning to save on the cost. (continued on page 16)







Plant evergreens on the north and west side to block the winter winds and save on your heating bills.

Safety:

Add some native thorny bushes to your landscape for security: honey locust, hawthorn, prickly ash, and gooseberries. Order plants now for late-winter planting.

Think about using sand this year on your side walks and driveways to give you traction. Using salt to melt ice can damage evergreens and end up in the storm drain to pollute surface and ground water. Also consider that your pets will be licking their feet and it may negatively affect their health.

Fertilizer works but it takes too much to melt the ice and damages our water supply and fish.

Calcium magnesium acetate is another ice melter which is what our lawn can use to neutralize our acid soil. Another alternative is potassium acetate that can be sprayed on surfaces and is non toxic and non hazardous to your plants and pets. Here are some web sites for more information:

http://eco-

tips.sustainablelawrence.org/2008/02/ blunting-winters-punch-salt-free.html

Urea (carbonyl diamide), melts ice but also releases nitrates like synthetic fertilizers do, causing algae bloom in our waterways.

Alfalfa meal is the most natural ice melter. It contains nitrogen to promote ice melting and has texture to provide traction while it works.

The safest products that contain Calcium Magnesium Acetate (CMA) or urea blended with a glycol mixture act as a nitrogen inhibitor to protect the water supply. It is available from Landscaper's Choice (www.kissner.com) and PetSafe (www.gardeners.com)

http://www.natural-holistic-health.com/ home-and-family/melt-the-ice-safely/

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The Living Landscape February Tips for the Gardener

by Cindy Patterson, Master Gardener

Order shrubs for Spring planting now. Bare root, deciduous shrubs should be planted while still dormant, about 1 month before the average date of the last frost in our area. Container or burlapped shrubs can be planted after the cold weather. Make sure to take as much burlap as possible off to free the roots and check them for damage.

Prune roses back, just before the buds break dormancy after the last frost, by 25 percent for medium sized blooms and 50 percent for fewer, blooms. Here's a site for organic rose care:

http://www.vintagerosery.com/ organicgardening.htm

Check your trees and shrubs for egg masses and bag worms. Remove them manually. Tent caterpillar egg masses are gray and varnished looking. You will find them as a collar around twigs and you can open up their tents for the birds to eat. Bagworms look like a pine cone hanging at the end of branches, just pluck it off and throw away.

This is the time to plant native bareroot trees and shrubs. Prune off dead or damaged roots. The hole should be as deep as the flare between the root system and the trunk. Place a mound of dirt in the center of the hole and place the roots around the mound evenly. Make the hole wider if needed. Place the same soil on top of the roots and lightly push the soil in place. Water generously and add compost on top. Layer mulch around the tree like a donut that does not touch the trunk. Water one more time and then give a generous, long watering once a week until established. The water should form a ring around the outside of the mulch which will then soak into the end roots which provides the tree with water and nutrients. The compost will give all the nutrients the tree needs.

Native plantings require less water and time once established. Think about your pH (get a soil test from Virginia Cooperative Extension http:// www.ext.vt.edu/index.html) if you haven't done so in the past 3 years. You will need to know pH, drainage, wind direction and intensity, slopes as well as sun and shade patterns. Check web sites for companion plants and the right plant for the right place philosophy to save money on watering.







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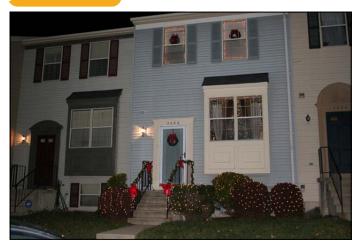


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January 1-2 Winter Break for Students / Teachers

January 1 New Year's Day Holiday

January 5 School Reopens

January 19 Martin Luther King Holiday

January 20 Inauguration Day—Holiday

January 26 Teacher Inservice/Workday

February 2009

February 16 Presidents Day—Holiday

March 2009

April 2009

April 6-10 Spring Break

April 13 Teacher Inservice/Workday-Schools Closed





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Weather-related School Closing Procedures Announced

With the wintry weather likely upon us soon, Prince William County Public Schools officials are reminding parents it is important to listen to local media reports and to check the School Division's Web site at pwcs.edu for any messages about changes in school schedules. No announcements will be made when schools are operating on a normal schedule.

"The safety of our students and staff is always the deciding factor during inclement weather," said David Cline, associate superintendent for finance and support services.

When the weather causes road conditions to be hazardous, schools may open late, close early, or close for the entire day depending upon the severity of the weather. "We are in close communication with Prince William County authorities, VDOT, the National Weather Service, and various other agencies to coordinate information used in making the decision," said Cline.

Cline also said that decisions are made independent of what other school divisions may decide. He said transportation crews start traveling the most critical areas as early as 2 a.m. "They make a recommendation based upon the field conditions they observe."

Announcements of changes in school schedules are posted immediately after a decision is made on the PWCS Web site at pwcs.edu, on PWCS-TV (Comcast Cable channel 18 and Verizon FiOS channel 36), and on the School Division's telephone closing line, 703.791.2776. Subscribers to E-News can choose to receive closing announcements by email, text message, or both. To register online, visit the PWCS Web site at pwcs.edu and in the blue "How do I?" box at the top-right of the page, select "Receive email news."

Superintendent of Schools Steve Walts sent a letter home to parents on November 1 with detailed information on closing procedures. To read the letter, visit pwcs.edu/admin/closingpolicies.html .

When schools open two hours late or close for the entire day, information is given to radio and television stations to be broadcast beginning at 5 a.m. and at repeated intervals thereafter. Special codes are included in the announcements that affect employees. "Code Red" means that employees do not report for work, and "Code Green" means all 12-month employees and all administrators shall report for work. Annual leave may be requested by those employees unable to report for work (liberal leave).

While road conditions may change, vary from one end of the county to the other, or look normal later in the morning, the decision to delay the opening of schools is made at 4:45 a.m. This delay allows commuter traffic to clear and hazardous road conditions to improve, or allows school officials to make a subsequent decision to close schools for the day.

Parents/guardians should not bring students to school early when a delayed opening is in effect because school staff members may also be delayed in getting to schools.

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Let's Share Travel Insight: Travel Smart

This article will come to you in each issue of The Star. It strictly serves the purpose of educating the traveler, as well as keeping the traveler up-to-date with current travel concerns. This article will also contain travel tips, recommendations from the writer's personal experiences on places to visit, local and abroad. If you are a traveler and have information to share, or questions send them to, thestar@southbridgeva.us. We will do our best to address your questions in the next issue.



Taking a Road Trip?

If your taking a road trip and you have a DVD player in your car, sign up with Redbox (www.redbox.com). You can rent and return movies at more than 9k locations around the country. There's even one in your neighborhood Wal-Mart store. This way you can avoid packing your videos from home and have new movies to watch the entire time.

Cool Idea

If you're planning a vacation and want to bring cold drinks to the beach, use a six-pack cooler as a toiletry bag. When you get to your destination, unload your toiletries in the bathroom, and the bag can be used as a cooler for the rest of the trip.





Traveling Abroad



When traveling out of the U.S. many of us refuse to pay the overseas prices on our cell phones and it becomes a hassle having to call the cell phone company. With the \$49 Mobal World Phone you can be contacted on the same number no matter which country you're in; use as often as you like or as little as you like without penalties. There's no monthly fee and you pay only for the calls you make and receive. Charges are listed on their website. Visit www.mobal.com

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Here's a list of the best sites to search for condo, vacation-homes and B & B:

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Tennis Court Information

Tennis court keys are available at the Southbridge Swim & Racquet Club office for a one-time cost of \$10.00. The application forms are available at the office and a copy of the completed form will be made part of your unit file. A copy of the Southbridge Community Association Policy Resolution No. 11 that addresses the Tennis Court Use is also available. If more info is needed, please refer to the Facilities section of the Southbridge website at www.southbridgeva.us.



RENTING THE CLUBHOUSE

The Clubhouse is available for rent to Southbridge residents. Anyone interested in renting the Clubhouse should contact our Management Office at (703) 221-7716 or e-mail:

office@southbridgeva.us

A package containing all the information on renting the center such as rules, rental procedures, fees, and an application can be picked up at the Management Office.



YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU!

The Southbridge HOA is looking for energetic members to help out on various committees. The time commitment is minimal, once a month for a couple of hours, and the pay off is huge. Without volunteers, we might not be able to enjoy some of the events, special projects, improvements, and overall community unity that the HOA volunteers make possible.

Currently, we are seeking:

- ♦ Activities Committee volunteers
- ♦ Communications Committee volunteers
- Facilities & Grounds Committee volunteers
- Government & Business Relations Committee volunteers
- ♦ Teen Activities Committee volunteers

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Needle in the Haystack

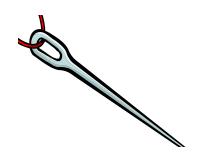
We have hidden a photo of a sewing needle in this issue of The Southbridge Star. The newsletter is your "haystack". The needle will only be in the printed version of our newsletter. Watch your mailbox for your copy.

Find the needle and email the location to the star@southbridgeva.us no later than the close of business Monday, January 26, 2009. Those emails with the correct answer will be placed into a bucket and a winner pulled on January 27, 2009 at our monthly Board of Directors Meeting. The winner will be given a gift card to a local business. The winner will be notified by email or telephone and given 30 days to pick up their prize. In lieu of email, you may send your guess or drop it off at our Management Office with your name, address, and telephone number and mark the outside of the envelope "Needle in the Haystack" Good luck to all.

DISCLAIMER

- ♦ Board of Directors and their families are not eligible for this contest.
- ♦ Communications Committee members and any others proofreading the newsletter and their families are not eligible for this contest.
- ♦ Those entering must be residents of Southbridge on the Potomac.
- ♦ Winners must show proof of residence in Southbridge on the Potomac.

Congratulations to the winner of our last Needle in the Haystack Contest Kathy Thompson



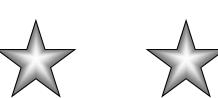






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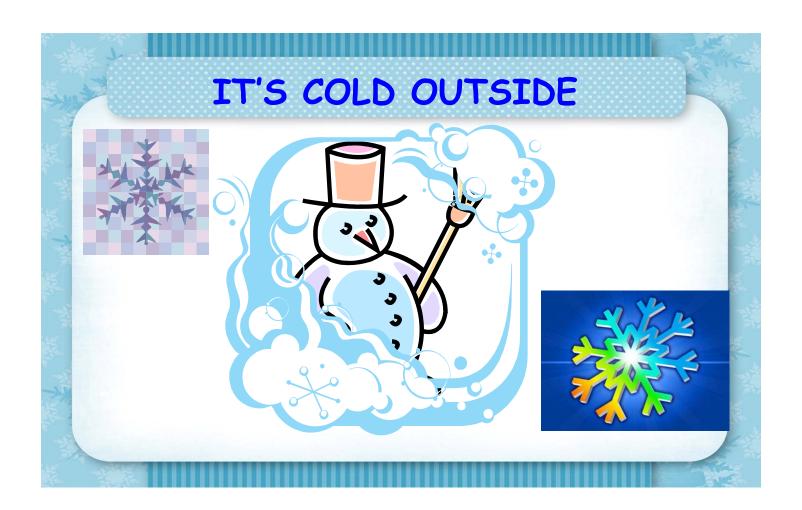
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