



# Madison Manor Citizen

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*The newsletter of the Madison Manor Citizens Association*

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Hello, Neighbors!

It is a pleasure to live in Madison Manor and a privilege to serve as the President of the MMCA. My wife and I have lived in Madison Manor since 1989 and seen it go through many changes - from the many original owners who were here when we moved in to the latest wave of families with young children. Through it all, we're all enjoyed living among such wonderful people. I look forward in the next year to seeing old friends and meeting new ones.

Can Fall be here so soon? The summer got off a great start with the Memorial Day Bike Parade (thanks, Adam Green), followed by a fantastic picnic in June (Rebecca Barnes and her team) and the popular movie nights in the Park (Karyn Ewart). By the time you read this the neighborhood yard sale will be over (Dick & Cathy Brooks). October brings our first quarterly meeting, followed by the Halloween decorating contest and bonfire. And it's not too early to think about the Holiday decorating contest in December. Finally, if you're really ambitious, you can be preparing your voice for the caroling on December 15th.

Our new welcome committee has been busy making our new neighbors feel at home. If you have new neighbors, let Maureen know at [bucci1004@gmail.com](mailto:bucci1004@gmail.com). But don't outsource this task entirely - make a point to say hello to your new neighbors and personally welcome them to the neighborhood.

As always, the MMCA needs help in keeping all these activities going. See our help wanted section elsewhere in the newsletter to see how you can help. Remember none the MMCA activities happen unless volunteers make them happen.

As you probably are aware, our McKinley school is scheduled to be renovated in a few years and planning has already started. Madison Manor has several representatives on both the County and School Board committees. We'll do our best to keep you updated. Sign up for emails on our MMCA group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/mmcaAnnounce/info> to receive updates on this and other items of interest.

Membership dues are being collected this month - still only \$10! We've been inconsistent collecting dues in the past but our goal is to consistently collect dues in September of each year. We can proudly say that Madison Manor's high membership is the envy of other civic associations. Please return your dues by October 31 to be included in the directory which will be distributed later this year.

See you around the neighborhood,

Jim Frison

**QUARTERLY MEETING – 10/15 @ 7:30 IN THE MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY LIBRARY**

## MMCA Officers for 2013 - 2014

President	Jim Frison
Vice President	David Blair
Treasurer	Steve Elsberg
Secretary	Jenny Capone
Past President	Justin Hall
CivFed Primary Delegate	<b>Vacant</b>

## Committee Chairs

Bonfire	Judy Henderson
Egg Hunt	<b>Vacant</b>
Holiday Caroling	MaryLu Mahoney
Holiday Decorating	Last year's winners
House Tour	<b>Vacant</b>
I-66	Miriam Rollins
Membership	Carly Kelly
Memorial Day Parade	Adam Green
Movie Nights	Karyn Ewart
Neighborhood Conservation	Parker Harrington, Zach David
New Neighbor Welcome Newsletter	Maureen Yacobucci
Newsletter Distribution	Suzanne Plimpton
	Martha Kile, Julie Stradling, Errin Matechak
Pot Luck Picnic	Tracy and Becca Barnes
Stream Clean Up	Hank Ickes
Web Site	Tara Claeys
Yard Sale	Dick and Cathy Brooks
Young Entrepreneurs	Tammi McKinley

## Madison Manor Citizen

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## Calendar of Events

### Quarterly Meeting

– October 15, 7:30 p.m.

### Halloween Decorations Judging

– October 27

### Bonfire

– October 31

### Caroling

– December 15

### Holiday Decorations Judging

– December 15

## Join the MMCA e-Mail Listserv and MMCA Discussion Listserv

Go to [www.madisonmanor.org](http://www.madisonmanor.org) to sign up to get important updates and to discuss neighborhood issues.

You can also go to Facebook and “like” us for all of the latest updates and to share information.

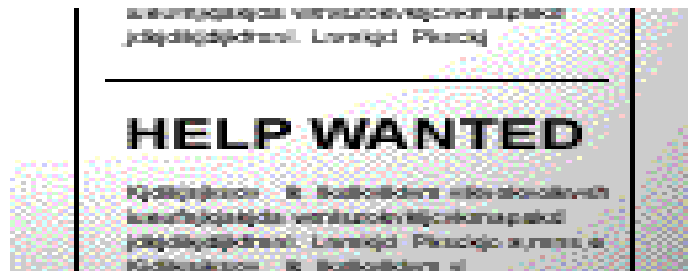
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## Got News? Got Pictures?

If you have community news or photos you'd like to share in our newsletter, we want to hear from you! Please send your stories or announcements to Suzanne Plimpton at [shplimpton@comcast.net](mailto:shplimpton@comcast.net)

News should be no more than 300 words in length and photos must be digital.

**MMCA newsletters are now available online.**  
**Check out our website at [www.madisonmanor.org](http://www.madisonmanor.org) for posted newsletters and lots of great information.**



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### **Co-chair for Easter Egg Hunt**

This popular spring event needs someone to work alongside our current chair who will be out of town on the day of the event (April 19, 2014).

### **Co-chairs for Home Additions Tour**

There have been many new home additions since MMCA did a tour since 2008. We know we have some neighbors willing to show off their homes but we need a few volunteers to take charge and lead this event. We've done tours before so you can use those as a template.

### **Representatives to the Arlington Civic Federation**

The Federation focuses on County-wide issues and its input is taken seriously by the County board. The Federation meets once a month (usually the 1st Tuesday from September to June). MMCA tries to have several people take turns attending. If you are interested in what is going on throughout the County, this is a good way to be informed and involved. See [www.civfed.org](http://www.civfed.org) for more information.

### **501(c) Status**

If you or someone you know is knowledgeable about filing for 501(c) status, MMCA could use your help. Due to changes in the IRS filing rules, the MMCA 501(c) status with the IRA has expired. We need some help in re-establishing this status. Contact Steve Elsberg ([elsberg01@comcast.net](mailto:elsberg01@comcast.net)) or Jim Frison ([mmcapresident@gmail.com](mailto:mmcapresident@gmail.com)).

### **NEIGHBORHOOD BOOK CLUB**

Madison Manor has a brand new book club, and currently, members are meeting the first Thursday of the month, and the selections for October and November follow:

**No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt - The Home Front during World War II** by Doris Kearns Goodwin - **Thurs, October 3 @ 7:30 pm.**

**Brooklyn** by Colm Toibin - **Thurs, November 7 @ 7:30 pm.**

For more information about joining and/or hosting, please contact Ann Kurzius via email: [annkurzius@gmail.com](mailto:annkurzius@gmail.com) or by phone: [703-241-1685](tel:703-241-1685)

## Young Entrepreneurs

*Need a helping hand? Contact these young entrepreneurs in our neighborhood!*

### **Regan and Braeden's Pet Care Services**

Homeschooled children available during the week, as well as weekends. Regan and Braeden have two dogs and a snake. To hire them, call 703-237-6136. They come to your home to walk your dogs and care for your cats and you can bring your fish, birds and hamsters for sleepovers.

References include dogs, cats, rats, gerbils, a rabbit, and bearded dragons.

### **Braeden's Mowing and Snow Shoveling**

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**Corrie Steele** (age 16): Red Cross-trained babysitter, Pet Care, Typing and Data Entry, Soccer Skills and Tutoring.

**Brian Taylor Steele** (age 14): Snow Shoveling, Dog Walking, Pet Sitting. You may reach Corrie or Brian at 703-532-2496 or [julie.steele@hok.com](mailto:julie.steele@hok.com).



**Laura Misra** (age 18) is a Red Cross-certified babysitter. You can reach Laura at 703-533-1565 or [lauramisra22@gmail.com](mailto:lauramisra22@gmail.com).



**David Aronson** is a computer wiz and can hook up electronic equipment. David has done cat sitting and house sitting (checking basement after rain, watering plants, etc.). 703-534-4718.

### **Matthew and Alec's Twin Services**

Experience walking and taking care of dogs; raking; picking up mail and newspapers when neighbors are away. References available upon request. 703-842-4821 or 703-869-4259.



**Patrick's Pets** Patrick (age 11) is available to watch your pets while you are away. Reasonable rates and references available. Willing to take small animals home for full-time attention. Can also pick up mail, water plants, etc. Dogs will be considered if they have a fenced-in back yard. For more information, please contact 703-237-7975, or [dhramp@yahoo.com](mailto:dhramp@yahoo.com).



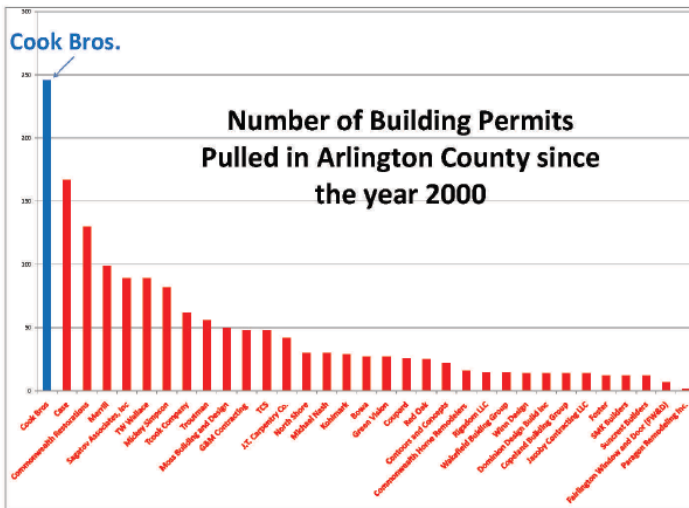
**Reliable Dog Walkers** Do you need someone to walk your dog? Do you need someone to take care of your dog when you are away? Mary, Lauren and Liz can help! They are students at Swanson and are dog owners. Email them at [dudeswalkingdogs@gmail.com](mailto:dudeswalkingdogs@gmail.com) or call 703-536-8719 for more information.

*If you know a young entrepreneur who would like to be added, please e-mail Tammi at [tammi@novamidwife.org](mailto:tammi@novamidwife.org)*



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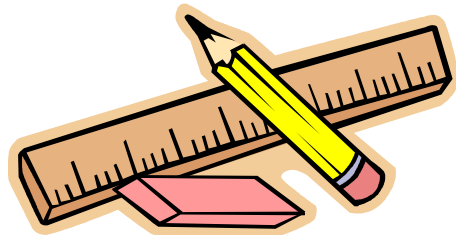
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**MADISON MANOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION**

**2013-2014 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Join the Madison Manor Citizens Association (MMCA)! The \$10 annual membership fee subsidizes your favorite neighborhood activities—including the Halloween Bonfire, Easter Egg Hunt, Memorial Day Parade, Potluck Picnic, and Summer Movie Nights.

**The current membership year runs from September 2013 through August 2014.** If you are unsure about whether you have paid your 2013-2014 dues already, please contact Carly Kelly, MMCA Membership Chair, at 703-533-3994 or carlykelly@gmail.com.

Name(s): (Please fill in names as you would like to appear in the directory.)

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Children/Others in Household: \_\_\_\_\_

- ✓ If you were listed in the most recent MMCA directory, and you want the same information included in the next directory, check here \_\_\_\_\_.
- ✓ If you would like to make any changes from the information included in the current directory, or you would like to **exclude** certain information from the next MMCA directory, please indicate:

\_\_\_\_\_

- ✓ If you would like to support MMCA with your dues, but do not want to be listed in the directory, check here \_\_\_\_\_.

Your ideas for new MMCA activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Activities you might be willing to help with: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE MAKE YOUR \$10 CHECK PAYABLE TO “MMCA”**

*Mail to Carly Kelly, 894 N. Nottingham Street, Arlington, VA 22205*