



The Luxmanor

# Greensheet

Serving Luxmanor, Windermere, and The Oaks

North Bethesda, Maryland

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[www.luxmanor.org](http://www.luxmanor.org)

## **The LCA ..... YOUR Association!!!**

As the community reflects upon our recent October General Membership Meeting and prepares for several upcoming community meetings, now is a good time to remind EVERYONE that the Luxmanor Citizens Association is YOUR community—its actions should reflect YOUR concerns, your priorities and, most importantly, YOUR involvement!

Towards that end, this Fall's General Meeting focused upon a problem that we all deal with on a daily basis: deer. From deer deterrent recommendations from your neighbors to an informational presentation on what would be involved in a deer hunt in the community (or nearby parklands), the evening was full of information, food for thought and an opportunity for everyone to gain more information in a respectful, cooperative environment. Whether you were an avid hunter, a card-carrying PETA member or just a person who wanted to protect their tulips, there was the opportunity to ask lots of questions, share concerns and generally increase your knowledge base.,

This spirit is one that we hope to install as a Luxmanor tradition—allowing neighbors to come together, exchange ideas and information and work together to come up with solutions to our community's problems. This spirit extends through the listserv, the monthly Board meetings and even the Greensheet!

Talk to any local community group and you will hear the same concern—the greatest threat to their ability to advocate for their community or to get things done is NOT external, but the lack of involvement and participation of the majority of the community.  
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How can **YOU** be the change you want to see in your community? Easily:

**1) Volunteer for an LCA Committee— from Environment to Traffic to Planning to E-Communications—no one is turned away! WE ARE ACTIVELY SEEKING CHAIRS AND MEMBERS!**

**2) Attend Membership Meetings/Board Meetings!** Our Board Meetings have been streamlined so that they generally last no more than 60-90 minutes!

**3) Stay Informed** — Read the Greensheet, the listserv, etc. so that you know what is happening in your community—and make your voice heard sooner, rather than later!

**4) Be a Good Neighbor**— Community is not a matter of formal events or membership. Some of our neighborhood's finest moments are when neighbors come together to help one another—from the people who shared power during snowstorms to the folks who write in helpful hints for dealing with fruit flies on the listserv—we are all strengthened by helping one another! It's easy to lose sight of the fact that, ultimately, we ALL want our neighborhood to be a safe, happy place to live and we need to keep this perspective in mind, even when we disagree about particular points.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND BEST WISHES FOR A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!**



## Luxmanor Citizens Association

The Association serves Luxmanor, Windermere, and The Oaks.

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### Highlights of LCA Board minutes October, and November 2011

- Discussion of revising the listserv AND website was held. It was agreed that a survey be published on both the listserv AND Greensheet.
- Due to increased fees from the County, Meeting Budget was increased from \$200 to \$400.
- Discussion of a presentation on the state of health of the Gulf of Mexico was proposed—need for a host home and an organizer was stressed—LCA is happy to promote such events. Interested parties should contact Nathalie Silver Or the LCA Board.



**The Sedgwick Lane Special Exception hearing (Dental Clinic) was postponed (again!) by Park & Planning at the applicant's request.**

**New hearing date is February 2nd**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

**All neighbors should plan to attend!** Time of the hearing, carpool arrangements, etc. to be announced in January





## UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

- Early February 2012
  - ◇ Cookie Exchange— Date TBA—Get your sweetest recipes ready!! Host home and volunteers needed!
  - ◇ LCA Traffic Meeting—Date TBA— Learn the status of traffic concerns raised last year, actions taken and actions needed!
  - ◇ Josiah Henson Update—Date TBA—Hear about recent findings from the archeologists and how YOU can help preserve the unique history of our neighborhood treasure!



## Neighborhood History Project!

For those who may not be aware, our neighbor, Dan Dwyer on Luxmanor Road, has been compiling a history of the Luxmanor neighborhood. He has created a FABULOUS website chronicling the history of our community:

[www.threefernsfilms.com/Luxmanor](http://www.threefernsfilms.com/Luxmanor)

Dan is actively seeking comments and corrections for this wonderful resource.

Please, visit the website, enjoy learning more about the place we call home and join us in thanking Dan for his effort and community spirit!

## 'Tis the Season... for Safety!

Contributed by MCPD, at the request of Hal Quayle, LCA Public Safety Chair

### A FEW WAYS YOU CAN RUIN A PICKPOCKET'S DAY!!

Beware and be wary. There are pickpockets around Bethesda and Friendship Heights and there's nothing they'd like better than to make you a victim.

#### KEEP YOUR WITS ABOUT YOU WHENEVER YOU'RE OUT!

Remember that pickpockets love rush-hour crowds. You can take precautions to protect your valuables.

#### HERE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS YOU CAN DO:

1. Be aware of where you are, and who's around you.
2. If you carry a purse, keep your hand on the closure and keep the purse close to your body.
3. If you carry a wallet keep it inside your coat or in a side pocket – never in that rear pocket! And it's a good idea to have a couple of stout rubber bands around it. Makes it harder to extract.
4. Watch out for loud arguments or commotions. If someone drops change or other personal items, chances are that this is being staged as a distraction and that your pocket may be picked if you stop to help.
5. If you're jostled in a crowd, watch out! A pickpocket may be responsible. You're at special risk in elevators – especially if the elevator is crowded.
6. If your pocket is picked, immediately yell out to warn others. Don't be afraid to shout. Ask for help.
7. Remember that pickpockets often work in teams. One person may appear to be helping you in some way, but chances are that his/her accomplice is after your valuables while you're distracted.



If you have been victimized CALL THE POLICE. The emergency number is 911, of course. The number for non-emergency calls is 301-279-8000.



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