



The Luxmanor

Greensheet

Serving Luxmanor, Windermere, and The Oaks

North Bethesda, Maryland

May, 2010

www.luxmanor.org

Neighbors in Luxmanor, Windermere, and The Oaks:

There are two events coming up that are very important. They are not other people's events. They are **your** events. They can affect you, your family, and your neighborhood. Please see our website, Luxmanor.org for additional information on submitting traffic proposals to be discussed at the second meeting.

LCA's

May General Meeting

Thursday, May 20,

7:30 PM

Luxmanor Elementary



**Traffic Information
Discussion**

Monday, May 24,

7-9:00 PM

Luxmanor Elementary



President's Letter

Dear Members,

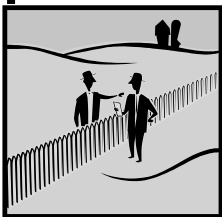
Spring is upon us and that always means neighborhood events and activities! The Art Show, superbly curated by Varda Avnisan, was a fantastic success and I encourage you all to view the photos on our website. If you couldn't make it to the Art Show, fear not - the Spring Fling, Garden Tour, Softball Game and other events are coming up so come out and join the fun! A hearty thank you to our Special Events Chair, Judy Abramson, who works so hard to coordinate all this!



This year's annual meeting is on May 20th at 7:30. Only paid members who are present at the meeting can vote, so clear your calendars and make sure your dues are paid up – this meeting determines the LCA officers for the next year, the budget, and you can be sure that many other important matters will be discussed and decided upon. We also owe a big Thank You to our Nominating Committee: Jonathan Jones, Harris Leonard and Debby Orsak. These folks worked hard to develop the slate on page 4.



Our Traffic Information Meeting will be May 24th – plan on attending to ask questions from DOT, learn more about their recent study and voice YOUR opinion. As discussed in last month's Greensheet, you can also submit your thoughts, ideas or concerns prior to the meeting – visit our website or give me a call to learn how.



Enjoy the weather, come meet your neighbors at one of the terrific events and have a great May!

Della Stolsworth
President, LCA

Luxmanor Citizens Association

The Association serves Luxmanor, Windermere, and The Oaks.

Officers

President	Della Stolsworth	984-4475
Vice Pres.	Harris Leonard	897-8588
Rec. Sec.	Sander Davidson	493-4810
Corr. Sec.	Barbara Gold	571-0173
Treas.	Judy Morenoff	881-3132

Trustees

Paula Bienenfeld	984-2944
Lynn Waters	530-3620
John Beamer	881-7174

Committee Chairs

Directory	Robert Wilkinson	881-4321
Environment	Nathalie Silver	881-0861
Greensheet	April Chang	881-3021
Membership	Marilyn Hammerman	881-0011
Planning/Dev.	Paula Bienenfeld	984-2944
Public Safety	John Beamer	881-7174
Roads/Traffic	Bill King	881-2199
Schools	Ellen Paul	897-0022
Signs	Hilary Lavine	530-7616
Special Events	Judy Abramson	255-0035
Website/Yahoo	Todd Berman	468-6707
Welcome	Beverly Piccone	530-7449

Highlights of LCA Board minutes of April, 2009

- Funds allocated in this year's budget for cutting the bamboo on the Roseland – Huntover path
- It was determined that \$500 in unallocated school funds would be contributed to the Paul Silver Scholarship Fund at WJHS
- Draft budget for next fiscal year was discussed and amendments made [revised budget is on pages 5 and 6]
- Reinstatement of the LCA Charter will cost only \$150
- New membership invoice was discussed as well as need for explaining change in billing time

**Join Us for LCA's
Annual Spring Fling**

**Friday evening May 14th
6:00pm-8:30pm**

**Gail and David Klein's
6112 Tilden Lane**



Honor new neighbors and old with many wonderful hors d'oeuvres,
wine, and good conversation.
An event you won't want to miss.

RSVP to Judy Abramson at judy.abramson@verizon.net and let her know what
kind of appetizer or sweet you'll be bringing.



Don't forget :

Elections at May General Meeting

Thursday, May 20, 7:30 PM Luxmanor Elementary

Paid members will be asked to vote on the nominations shown below for next year's officers and on the budget, a draft of which is shown on the following two pages.

This slate of nominations was presented by the Nominating Committee:

President	Della Stolsworth
Vice President	Harris Leonard
Treasurer	Judy Morenoff
Recording Secretary	Joan Suwalsky
Corresponding Secretary	Barbara Gold
Trustee (3 year Term)	Ellen Paul

Brief Bios:

Della Stolsworth and her husband Gary have lived in Luxmanor since 1997. She previously served on the LCA Board as Treasurer, Vice President and is this year's President. For nearly ten years, Della has volunteered full-time in a nationally-recognized program she started to help County nonprofits make better use of volunteers. She is a former CPA with a Master's in Organizational Counseling, and uses both skill sets as the mom of a teenage daughter.

Harris lives with his lovely wife in the Windermere section of Heritage Walk. He is glad to help his neighbors in Luxmanor and work with them to make a better environment for all. He served one year as Vice President of Luxmanor Citizens Association. He is a retired teacher who appreciates the patience and wisdom it takes to raise a child in our society.

Judy Morenoff has lived in Luxmanor since 1971. She served on the boards of the Luxmanor, Tilden, & WJ PTAs and was President of the LCA in 2005-2007. She is currently serving as Treasurer. She works for the Board of Elections during election seasons. She enjoys politics, mysteries, and spending time with her 3 sons, 1 daughter, and 4 granddaughters.

Joan Suwalsky and her family have been residents of Luxmanor since 1987. A research scientist at NIH, Joan is also a potter and a gardener and has served as Recording Secretary on the LCA Board in the past. Her children April and Teddy attended Luxmanor Elementary School, Tilden Middle School, and Walter Johnson High School. Widowed in 2009, she loves Luxmanor and plans to continue living in and contributing to this wonderful community.

Barbara Gold has lived in Windermere since 1993. She has previously served on the LCA Board as Vice President and is currently serving as its Corresponding Secretary. Barbara is a full-time attorney in downtown DC, and she and her husband Alan have a daughter who will be graduating this May from Tulane University.

Ellen Paul has lived in Windermere since 1994. She has previously served on the Windermere Board and LCA Board and is currently serving as LCA Schools Chair. She and her husband Martin have a daughter and son in college and another daughter attending Walter Johnson. Her community interests include schools, traffic, and development issues.

**LUXMANOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2011
(June 1, 2010 – May 31, 2011)**

ITEM	2010 Budget	2010 Actual (as of 4/16/10)	2011 Budget	Notes
<u>INCOME</u>				
Memberships	20,400.00	21,090.00	21,000.00	
Advertising	2,750.00	1,800.00	3,320.00	
Directory Ads		[1,800.00]	[1,800.00]	
Greensheet Ads		--	[20.00]	1
Website Ads		--	[1,500.00]	1
Interest	25.00	30.30	50.00	
Other	--	980.09	10.00	2
Total Income	23,175.00	23,900.39	24,380.00	
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
Greensheet Production	6,000.00	3,459.90	5,500.00	3
Directory Production	2,800.00	2,981.96	3,000.00	
Website Costs	1,050.00	557.06	2,200.00	4
USPS	2,680.00	2,185.00	2,685.00	
Permit	180.00	[185.00]	[185.00]	
Mailings	2,500.00	[2,000.00]	[2,500.00]	
Insurance	2,300.00	2,168.20	2,200.00	
Bank Charges	10.00	--	10.00	
School Grants	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	5
Meetings	200.00	159.77	300.00	6
Special Events	2,500.00	1,252.88	2,500.00	
Books & Brunch		[26.94]		
Cookie Exchange		[35.94]		
Art Show Picnic		[1,200.00]		7
Softball Game		--		6
Spring Party		--		6
Garden Tour		--		6
Other		--		
President's Discretion	250.00	301.65	300.00	
Reviving Incorporation Fee	150.00	150.00	--	8
Thank you Gifts and/or Sympathy Gifts	500.00	404.25	500.00	9
Committees:				
Environment	300.00	--	150.00	
Gardens & Landscape	600.00	511.25	250.00	10
Membership	500.00	538.64	750.00	11
Planning & Development	300.00	101.75	150.00	
Roads & Traffic	500.00	--	300.00	
Safety	100.00	--	100.00	
Welcoming	100.00	100.00	200.00	12
Total Expenses	22,440.00	17,559.46	23,195.00	
Unallocated Balance (Income—Expense)	335.00		1,195.00	

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Luxmanor Budget FY 2011 (continued)

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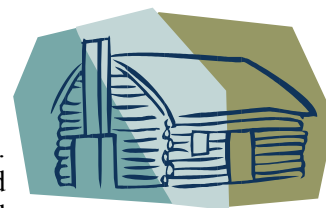
ITEM	2010 Budget	2010 Actual (as of 4/12/10)	2011 Budget	Notes
Multi-year expenses from reserves:				
Signs	15,000.00	9,202.50	5,797.50	13
Deer Stations + Insurance	5,000.00	--	--	14
Bank Account Balances	6/1/2009	4/16/2010		
Checking Account	5,617.63	1,775.78		
Money Market Account	<u>34,575.37</u>	<u>41,736.59</u>		15
Total	40,193.00	43,512.37		15

Notes

1. Policy & pricing for website & Greensheet ads will be developed.
2. \$980.09 was a 1 time refund from the North Bethesda Congress.
3. Costs may be reduced if many residents opt for email delivery.
4. Includes funds for possible website redesign.
5. Grants are made to Luxmanor, Tilden & Walter Johnson.
6. Costs of May events are not yet reflected in 2010 Actual column.
7. \$1,200 includes a \$500 security deposit which will probably be returned.
8. A one-time expense.
9. Sympathy gifts of this size are not anticipated to be a recurring expense.
10. Budget includes about \$130 for semi-annual cleanup of plantings in Luxmanor Rd traffic circle; Actual includes \$450 for cleanup of winter storm tree damage on Huntover/Roseland path, not expected to be an annual expense.
11. FY 2011 membership invoices to be mailed in May with follow-up mailing in the fall.
12. Further expense expected before end of fiscal year.
13. A good site for a second sign has not yet been found, so there may not be one.
14. It seems likely now that the LCA will be working with Montgomery County on deer stations, rather than installing our own in the neighborhood.
15. \$630.09 of this amount actually belongs to the Tilden Woods Assn.

Yet Another Success!

Contributed by Judy Abramson



The weather was perfect, the setting, ideal, for LCA's second Art in the Cabin. Over 200 neighbors and friends visited the show over the two day period, and what a show it was! Luxmanor has within it a thriving artist community, and those artists who participated were true professionals in every sense of the word. Varda Avnisan, Art Show Chair, utilized her creativity, professional skills, and sense of humor to create a show that was simply outstanding. Words of thanks aren't enough, but we will find a way to express our gratitude to you for all you did!

And thank you, once again to our participating artists: Ellie Kleinman; Gabriela Roitman; Robert Wagner; Irene Kirpatrick; Allan Kirpatrick; Alfred Moritz; Carol Vorosmarti; Daniel Kaufman; Grace Evans; June Walker; Lou Kozloff; Mary Rosenberg; Marilyn Hammerman; Nan Fuhrman; Phil Burlina; Sandy Siman; Susan Goldman; Tali Waksman; Richard Nowitz, Varda Avnisan; Nancy Heindl; Sue Wilson; Francisca Re-cio; and Celine Silver, of Blessed Memory.

Setting up the show, "working" the shifts so that there was always a Luxmanor person there at all times, typing the "plates" for the art pieces, and supplying and putting out the refreshments was a huge part of this event. Once again, a simple thank you is not enough, but it is a beginning, so to: Irene Kirpatrick; Allan Kirpatrick; Marilyn Hammerman; Paula Bienenfeld; Emlen Myers; Barbara Gold; Judy Morenoff; and Leni Haffner, THANK YOU for all you did to help make the show the success it was! We truly could not have done it without all of you.

Neighbors' News

So many Luxmanor residents have had children at Luxmanor elementary over the years. So, we have been invited to celebrate:

Mrs. Rehm's Retirement

Who: Luxmanor community, students, co-workers,
friends & family

What: A Luxmanor Picnic

When: Friday June 4, 2010 @ 6pm

Pizza will be available for purchase, cookies and drinks provided

Where: Luxmanor Field

Why: To celebrate the 24 years
that Mrs. Rehm has been part of the Luxmanor
community!



There will be a memory book in the front office for everyone to come and sign. Books will also be at the picnic. Please call (301) 230-5914 or email Mrs. Kuhlman (Martha_L_Kuhlman@mcpsmd.org) to RSVP (by May 7th).

Good Words

Contributed by Marilyn Reside at the Davis Library

May is Family Wellness Month, and the memoir, *Making Toast*, follows one family finding wellness one moment at a time. As a veteran writer, Roger Rosenblatt applies his expertise to an emotionally complicated topic, the unexpected death of his 38-year-old daughter Amy.

On the day of Amy's death, Rosenblatt and his wife drive from their home in Quogue, New York to Bethesda, Maryland to live with Amy's husband and three young children. Slowly, they learn how to rebuild a family in the midst of grief. Mastering the specific toast preferences of the youngsters is one of the many small ways that Rosenblatt seeks well-being for himself and his family.

Try getting the kids to think about families this month with Allen Say's picture book, *Grandfather's Journey*. The muted colors of this Caldecott winner set a mood of quiet reflection as a man fondly remembers his grandfather who could not decide between love of his native Japan and his adopted home, the United States. Older children might enjoy *Saffy's Angel* by Hilary McKay, which follows a British family of four sisters through laughter and tears. If it peaks a child's interest, there are four other books in the series to try.



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Egads.

Say what??

You might want to go. Really.

What if they vote to use your street to re-route the White Flint traffic?

Naaa..... probably pretty dull. Who cares anyway....

You going to the meetings?