

Prosperity Heights Newsletter

Fall 2012

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Prosperity Day ROCKtoberfest on Oct 13!

Please plan to join your neighbors on Saturday, October 13 from 4:00 – 7:00 pm on Sevan Court. It should be loads of fun for everyone with good food, a moonbounce, balloon sculptor, face painting, crafts, and musical entertainment!

For those of you who have never been to Prosperity Day, it is our annual block party for Prosperity Heights residents. It's a great way to get to know your neighbors! This year's festivities will be located on Sevan Court. Your Homeowners Association will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, Boca burgers and all the fixings, as well as soda, juice and water. The grills will be going from 4:30 – 6:30, so be sure to come get some dinner!



IMPORTANT! In addition to the grilled items that will be provided (until about 6:30), we are asking the residents to please contribute food (see below for what to bring). If time, energy or talent is lacking in your kitchen, feel free to bring something yummy from a store or restaurant. If you have a particular specialty dish, please feel free to bring it, ethnic dishes are encouraged. Please tape a piece of paper or an index card to the food you bring telling what it is (including main ingredients), and don't forget serving utensils. In addition, if you'd like your dish back after the party, please use masking tape and a permanent marker to label it with your name and phone number. **PLEASE BRING FOOD TO THE PARTY BY 4:30 pm so everyone can enjoy it.**



Volunteer Form is on the reverse side of this page!

Please return the form as soon as possible, **BUT NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 1st**, to Alana Cober at 8462 Sevan Court, or email to Alana_cober@hotmail.com

PLEASE BRING FOOD TO THE PARTY BY 4:30 pm so everyone can enjoy it.

If your last name begins with

A – M, please bring a salad or snacks (chips, pretzels, fruit, veggies & dip, etc.)

N – Z, please bring a dessert

We need everyone to pitch in to make this event a success. Please return the response form and let us know what you will be able to volunteer to help with during the event or what we can borrow. You are also welcome to email us the information. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

Back by popular demand -- for the third year, we will be raffling off 2 \$15 iTunes giftcards for any teenagers who want to volunteer for shifts during Prosperity Day. Help is needed at the crafts table, popcorn machine, set-up, and clean up. Volunteers will get one entry for every half hour of volunteering. The drawing will occur at the conclusion of clean up. Parents, please encourage your teenagers to volunteer!

Still have questions? Don't hesitate to contact Alana Cober at 703-671-3214 or Alana_cober@hotmail.com.

Prosperity Day ROCKtoberfest Volunteer Form

We will need loads of volunteers!! Please let us know what item(s) you can assist with:

- _____ Set-up (roughly 2:30 pm –4:30 pm)
- _____ Clean-up (roughly 7:00 pm–7:30 pm)
- _____ Grilling/food preparation
(Adult: times you are available: _____)
- _____ Monitoring Moonbounce
(Adult: times you are available: _____)
- _____ Monitoring Craft Table
(Teenager: times you are available: _____)

Please let us know if you could loan any of the following items (please write quantity):

- _____ Grill
- _____ Cooler/Tub
- _____ Tent or canopy (open on four sides)
- _____ Child-size plastic chairs and/or children's picnic tables

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

We also need to borrow certain items from residents. This will help with the success of Prosperity Day and also help keep our rental costs down. Please let us know if you could loan any of the following items (*please write quantity*):

Please return the form as soon as possible, BUT NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 5th to Alana Cober at 8462 Sevan Court, or email to Alana_cober@hotmail.com

11th Annual Halloween Parade!



Mark your calendars for our tenth annual Prosperity Heights Halloween Parade! Before trick-or-treating, bring your ghouls, goblins, superheroes and princesses to show off their costumes and strut their stuff!

The parade is on Halloween night—**Monday, October 31, at 5:30 pm.** PLEASE

NOTE: We are reversing the route again this year.

We will gather at 8458 Van

Court at the Dresser's House to start the parade, and end at the Cober's House at 8462 Sevan Court.

Like to contribute treats? Just email Andrea Shore at prosheights@aol.com to let her know. Residents not participating in the parade are encouraged to come out and enjoy the show!!



Road Work: COUNTDOWN TO COMPLETION

Gallows Road/Merrifield/INOVA Hospital

As reported in our previous issue, INOVA Fairfax Hospital has established a new Wellness Avenue entrance at a traffic signal controlled intersection on Woodburn Road. With this change, the Grey Entrance on Gallows Road closed. The Emergency Entrance only is now located along that portion of the hospital's Gallows Road perimeter. The Blue Entrance remains unchanged.

Work progresses speedily throughout the Gallows Road/Route 50/Route 29 road construction site. VDOT anticipates completion of these much needed improvements late in November as the Merrifield area continues to see many major residential and retail renewal projects take shape.

Capital Beltway

VDOT also confirms that work on four new I-495 Express Lanes (two in each direction) remains on target for completion by the end of this year. Covering a distance of 14 miles each way (28 miles total) from the Springfield Interchange

to just north of the Dulles Toll Road, this project began over four years ago. More than 50 aging bridges and overpasses have been replaced, 10 interchanges upgraded, along with improvements for new bike and pedestrian access.

495 Express Lane tests occurred in August in anticipation of full operation by the December 2012 target date. These new high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes will operate 24 hours a day, seven days week. To obtain further information, learn how these new Express Lanes will work, open an E-ZPass account or acquire an E-ZPass, visit www.495ExpressLane.com.

In Spring 2013, a landscaping and re-forestation plan will be implemented as the final step in this corridor-wide project. Some 20 species of trees and over a dozen varieties of shrubs and grasses are to be planted along the VDOT rights-of-way.



No Dumping in Common Areas in Prosperity Heights

It has come to the HOA's attention that there has been dumping of tree branches and yard waste in some of the common areas in the neighborhood. There was an increase of dumping (especially behind fences and property lines) after the storm caused many branches and trees to come down. Please always dispose of all yard waste, downed branches properly, either through the county pick up, a private company or transport the waste yourself to the dump.

NO DUMPING



It is an advantage to all of us to keep our common areas protected, healthy and clean. Dumping trash or excess yard waste deteriorates water quality, clogs drains, and detracts from the beauty of the common areas. Areas with streams are especially vulnerable to dumping.

Common areas include the park, the woods, and the storm drain management pond at the end of Van Ct. and surrounding areas.

Part of your HOA dues go to maintaining the common areas. Since we all pay to maintain the areas, please keep them clean!

Don't Forget Homeowners Dues!

\$450
due August 31, 2012

Make check payable to Prosperity Heights HOA

Mail to:
3340 Monarch Lane
Annandale, VA 22003

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IMPORTANT NEWS

From Prosperity Heights Homeowner's Association

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