

## President's Message

### RHCA Will Try to Figure Out Local, State, and Federal Taxes at Tuesday, March 26 Meeting

It may be impossible, but we will try to figure out the new Federal taxes that went into effect on January 1, 2013, the proposed new state taxes that are part of the new Virginia transportation plan and update you about the current County budget deliberations that will determine the local tax rate at our March 26 RHCA meeting. It all begins at 7 p.m. at the John Marshall library.

Anyone with knowledge of the new federal taxes is invited to attend and pass on the information. The cost won't become evident until next year, but it would be nice to know what is already law that will affect our taxes for 2013. It appears there are new taxes now in force or are on the horizon of which we need to be aware. For example, the Social Security payroll tax already has returned to 6.2 percent after two years at 4.2 percent. And the threshold for payment has increased to \$113,700.

Although the Virginia transportation bill has been passed by the state House and Senate, it has not yet been signed by the Governor. The bill is drastically different from what the Governor first proposed and he has the option to make amendments which then must be ratified by the legislature. We won't know the

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final outcome until early April.

We do know that the Virginia bill as proposed will raise the sales tax to six (6) percent on all purchases other than food in Northern Virginia. There also is a transfer tax on the sale of houses, the formula for which fluctuates depending on the price of the house. The tax on gas changes at the pump, but taxes are added at the wholesale level which no doubt will be passed on at the pump. Vehicle registrations and tags also are slated to increase. We'll try to figure out all of the proposed new taxes. Anyone who can help is invited to join the conversation.

At the County level, the Board of Supervisors and the public is evaluating a budget proposed by the County Executive for the fiscal year beginning July 1 that would add two cents per hundred of assessed value for each property. The rate for FY 2014 would be \$1.095 per hundred as opposed to \$1.075 last year. The average tax per household would total \$5,099.56, an increase of \$262.45.

Those attending the March 26 meeting will receive pie charts outlining where the money comes from to support the county and another outlining the proposed expenditures. Of course, nothing is final until the Board of Supervisors adopts a budget on April 30. On behalf of RHCA, I already have voiced concern about the continued inadequate level of patrol officers who protect our community. The County executive boasts that he is increasing the number of officers this year, but they all will be assigned to Tysons Corner and the new Metro Silver line. Nothing for stations such as Franconia. The rest of the county has yet to see any restoration of the dozens of patrol officer positions cut in recent years. The thin blue line is too thin out here on the cul de sacs! At the same time, RHCA has questioned the millions

### Next RHCA Meeting: March 26, 7:00 pm John Marshall Library

#### RHCA Officers

- President:** Carl Sell, 703.971.4716, sellcarl@aol.com  
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of carryover (unspent) funds included in the school budget while the salaries for school resource officers are charged to the police budget. The schools receive 52.6 percent of its funding (1 billion, eight hundred eighty-nine million, three hundred fifty six thousand and three hundred and eighty dollars) from the total disbursed by the County.

Come and learn the new federal and state tax rates and where your local tax dollars are being spent. After all that, we'll join together for some nourishment for the soul. We'll need it!

### **Members Needed**

We're a little behind in the number of RHCA members as compared to where we were at this time last year. If your name is not listed on Pages 4 or 5 of this month's Rambler, please clip the handy membership form and send it, along with your check, to RHCA at Box 10891, Franconia, VA. 22310. We need your support if we are going to be able to continue to be an effective voice for the community with the county and state governments. Your membership enables us to print the Rambler nine times a year, support the Rose Hill Beauty contest, several local charities and provide snacks for those who attend our monthly meetings. By far our largest expense is the printing of the Rambler. Our dues, set at \$10 by our bylaws, don't produce adequate income to pay the printing bill. That's why we ask for donations. For example, the Rambler delivered to your doorstep costs more than \$4 per issue. The yearly cost is more than \$35 per household. We deliver it to everyone so all are aware of community issues and county rules and regulations. If you have any questions about our finances, our books are open and can be viewed by any member at a mutually agreeable time arranged with our treasurer. Come to a meeting, keep up with local issues and then share stories with friends both old and new during our social hour. RHCA operates on a shoestring, but we need your help. We have an army of volunteers who deliver the Rambler and serve as members of the important Neighborhood Watch program.

### **Neighborhood Watch**

Thanks to John Thibeau for installing

many of the new Neighborhood Watch signs now posted at each entrance to Rose Hill. Donny Krause installed the one in front of Rose Hill Elementary and Rick Ballard put up the one at Rose Hill Drive and Telegraph Road. Visitors are now totally on notice that Rose Hill has an active, ongoing Neighborhood Watch program. The signs were provided free by the Fairfax County Police through the cooperation of Officer Jim Reid at the Franconia station. We still need watchers on several streets, including Apple Tree Drive and Leewood Drive. Volunteers also are welcome on any street as the more we have the less territory all have to cover. We ask that you keep an eye out in your area for suspicious activity and report it to the police. Call 911 if you see a crime in progress. Call the non-emergency number at 703-691-2131 for anything or anybody that seems out of place. If a vehicle is involved, try to get a license plate number and description. We also ask our Neighborhood Watch volunteers to report street light outages, zoning or parking violations and look out for their elderly neighbors. You don't have to give your name to report suspicious activity or violations, but you can report it in the name of RHCA. We want the police and county personnel to know Rose Hill will not tolerate activity that puts our community in danger, disrupts our community or diminishes the value of our property. RHCA will provide you with numbers to call. Again, as a member of Neighborhood Watch, you can report it in the name of RHCA. We ask EVERYONE to keep an eye on Rose Hill Elementary School and John Marshall Library on each trip past them on Rose Hill Drive.

### **Springfield Assaults**

Although there have been NO incidents in Rose Hill, we want to make sure everyone is aware of the sexual assault incidents in the Springfield area. All but two have taken place on the west side of Interstate 95, including one in a community next to Lee High School. And the others were just west of the Interstate. As of this writing, there have been 23 recorded incidents of women being groped by a suspect described as a Hispanic male between 5 feet, 6 inches and 6 feet. He has facial hair and wears a baseball cap and blue jeans. Police have heightened patrols in the area in an effort to apprehend the suspect. They have asked anyone with any information to call

the non-emergency number at 703-691-2131. The suspect approaches women from behind in broad daylight and gropes them before fleeing. Some attacks have happened to joggers, others to shoppers and even mothers visiting local elementary schools. Police are reminding joggers and those walking to travel in pairs. Although police patrols have increased in the Springfield area, this is another reason why we need additional officers on the street. The best way to deter crime and assaults such as these is to have a visible police presence and a strong Neighborhood Watch program. The County has cut the number of police patrol officers in recent years and has resisted calls to restore them. Although this year's budget calls for extra police to handle Metro's new Silver Line and growth in Tysons Corner, it does nothing to increase the number of patrol officers in the rest of the county. RHCA will continue to be vocal in insisting that public safety should be our top priority. Lets be safe, not sorry.

### **Election of Officers**

Our annual election of officers will take place at the March 26 meeting. The current president, vice president and treasurer have agreed to continue to serve. Only members are eligible to vote. The list of those who are eligible is listed in this issue of the Rambler. Although they are not officers, RHCA owes a debt of gratitude to Jim Sapp, who maintains our website and e-mail list, and Richard Downey, the Rambler editor. Jim no longer lives in Rose Hill, but he keeps in touch through the website, donating his time and the cost of licensing the site on the web from his home on the eastern slope of the Rockies in Colorado. Jim lived in Rose Hill for more than 30 years. Richard grew up in a Rose Hill home that was very community oriented and is continuing the tradition.

### **R-3 Zoning Means Residential**

Residents are reminded; especially newcomers and absentee landlords, that Rose Hill is a RESIDENTIAL community and commercial uses of more than a small nature are NOT permitted. We also are part of a residential parking district that allows only ONE small commercial truck per property. Home businesses are allowed as long as customers

do not visit the site. Child care operations are OK as long as they maintain certain limitations and are licensed by the Commonwealth of Virginia. Property owners also are required to abide by certain zoning restrictions involving occupancy, trash accumulation, noise, parking, animals and various other restrictions found in the Fairfax County zoning ordinance. RHCA is committed to protecting the property value of all who live in Rose Hill and will report alleged violations to the County upon a question or complaint by a neighbor. For minor violations, we notify the homeowner in the hope that it is just an oversight and will be corrected. And, residents of Rose Hill Drive are reminded that the grass strip between the road and the sidewalk belongs to the Commonwealth of Virginia and parking on it is prohibited. We greatly appreciate the community effort to keep the grass cut on the strip in front of each house!

### **Franconia:Then and Now**

A map by a young local artist depicting current and historic sites in the Greater Franconia area is on display at the Franconia Museum. It was drawn by Nathaniel C. Lee, who attended Franconia Elementary School and Twain Middle School while living in Green Meadows. He moved to New Charleston on Franconia Road and graduated from Lee High School. This remarkable pen and ink drawing was produced by a young man who has been afflicted with cerebral palsy since he was a child. It blends both modern and historic sites, informing local citizens and visitors about the Franconia area. Stop by the Museum any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Saturday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and take look at Nathaniel's work. You won't be disappointed. Copies can be purchased and ordering information is available at the Museum.

- Carl Sell

## 2013 Membership List

Nouri & Suham	Abbou	6115 Rose Hill	Anna	Fish	6301 Cottonwood
Danny	Adams	6412 Cottonwood	Trigg & Beverly	Flannagan	6514 Haystack
Augusto V.	Alvarez, Sr.	6507 Carriage	Michael Smith/	Rati Friend	6111 Leewood
Nancy	Anderson	4500 Apple Tree	Barry & Zoe-Ann	Frietag	6303 May
Leonida	Antonio	6406 May	Barbara Jean	Gayles	6626 Telegraph
Rebecca	Bagdasarian	6214 Driftwood	Erika & John	Good	4604 Roundhill
Frank & Rayma	Bale	6315 Willowood	Mike & Bonnie	Greek	6330 Willowood
Rick & Patti	Ballard	4519 Lark	Kyle	Graumann	6424 Haystack
Margie	Beach	429 Roundhill	Johanna	Guccione	6013 Leewood
Vicky	Beaty	4415 Roundhill	Chris & Susie	Guinto	6515 Haystack
Ruth Connie	Beatty	6428 Rose Hill	Joe & Lorraine	Hatcher	6102 Leewood
Shirley	Bennington	6405 May	Alice	Haupt	6208 Thornwood
Philip & Carol	Bishop	6310 Climbhill	L.	Hestvik	4515 Sturbridge
Jeannette	Bottomley	5003 Eastchester	Y.	Hull	6113 Cottonwood
Bill	Braswell	6307 Climbhill	D.J.	Jamison	4707 Split Rock
Gary	Bravy	6214 Climbhill	F & P	Jencks	6416 Willowood
Mark & Lorraine	Broxterman	6424 Haystack	Marvin & Frances	Justice	6402 Rose Hill
Nguyen The	But	6512 Rose Hill	Jason & Heather	Justice	4713 Apple Tree
Ron & Nancy	Buzalsky	4434 Roundhill	Etta & Kamrah	Kahn	6119 Dew Grass
Cabrera Family		6428 Haystack	Stephen & Brianne	Kalach	6220 Driftwood
Wallace	Calhoun	4523 Apple Tree	Jamie & Michael	Kaun	6510 Carriage
Tracy	Campbell	6402 Cottonwood	Ana & Charles	Kimberley	6504 Cottonwood
Ralph	Carico	6112 Leewood	D & D	Krause	6300 Rose Hill
John & Penny	Cashmire	4907 Silo Road	Edward J.	Lewis	6117 Leewood
Raul & Kelli	Castillo	6413 Willowood	James	Lockwood	6114 Clovergrass
Roger & Carol	Christianson	6409 Maryview	Jamey & David	Lord	6208 Redwood
Bob	Ciccotelli	6511 Haystack	Allan & Wanda	Lohr	6411 Willowood
Helen	Coffer	6216 Saddle Tree	Thanh & Mai	Luu	6411 Rose Hill
Sally	Coler	6401 Hayfield	Thien Luong &	Nahn Phan	4608 Mayor
Craig	Collins	6110 Leewood	Madge	McKay	6402 Wayside
Craig & Carol	Contradi	6517 Haystack	George & Susan	McKittrick	6113 Clovergrass
Natalie & Alexander	Cook	6111 Clovergrass	Donald & Nancy	McMinn	4804 Apple Tree
Lois	Corbin	6221 Blossom Lane	Mimi	Minarik	6518 Telegraph
Steve	Corbin	4901 Split Rock	Edna	Mitchell	6305 May
Walter F.	Dailey	6307 Cottonwood	John & Lori	Murname	6513 Carriage
Bill & Sally	Dankers	6511 Carriage	Harold & LaVerna	Murray	5003 Treetop
Barbara	Digman	6217 Blossom	Herbert & Grace	Newman	4910 Silo
Robin & David	Dodson	6400 Wayside	David & Linda	Nichols	6416 Rose Hill
Holly & Steve	Dougherty	4522 Round Hill	Wellington & Anna	Machmer	6200 Willowood
Dennis	Dzierzawski	6210 Thornwood	Mary	Mayo	6122 Leewood
Beverly	Eppolito	6217 Driftwood	Jeanmarie	Nagle	6509 Cottonwood
Tom	Felleisen	6406 Hayfield	Jeanette	Neidermeyer	6500 Haystack
			Jack & Kathy	O'Connor	6519 Haystack

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William & Janelle	Park	6417 Willowood	Fred, Steve & Mary	Stinnette	4520 Apple Tree
Bill	Perry	4515 Lark	Ray	Stone	4528 Roundhill
Charles	Pfefferle	6503 Haystack	Tom	Strah	6421 Rose Hill
Robert C.	Pinkham	6514 Carriage	Tinker & Don	Szamborski	4615 Winston
C. Roy & Susan	Poff	6328 Maryview	Barbara	Taylor	4433 Roundhill
Jo Ann	Ponce	6203 Willowood	Alberta J.	Taylor	6308 Cottonwood
Joshua & Meghan	Primrose	6219 Climbhill	Judy Taylor &	Carlos Rolon	6503 Rose Hill
Monica	Reed	6422 Rose Hill	Stanly/Cynthia	Thomas	4701 Split Rock
Adam & Rita	Rice	6431 Carriage	Joanne M.	Thompson	
Jim	Ridgell	6513 Cottonwood	Jean	Thompson	6302 Cottonwood
David & Nancy	Ridgeway	4609 Cottonwood	Nina	Tisara	6408 Hayfield
Jim & Nancy	Richey	4402 Roundhill	James	Troy	5004 Eastchester
Sylvia & Dennis	Robison	4514 Sturbridge	Stein	Van Egmond	6508 Cottonwood
David Johnson &	Shari Schaftlein	6504 Carriage	H.E.	Varney	4520 Roundhill
Ann	Schappi	4914 Treetop	Wanda A.	Violette	6408 May
Carl & Marti	Sell	6601 Cottonwood	Linda	Walton	4900 Silo
Arlene	Shapiro	6216 Driftwood	Fran	Watts	6508 Haystack
Marie	Sherfey	6415 Rose Hill	Don & Nina	Weber	6120 Dew Grass
Diana & Martin	Shupack	6419 Haystack	Polly Anderson &	Gary Wheeler	6404 Wayside
George & Jean	Simms	6434 Carriage	Karen	Wheless	6709 Greendale
Burton & Debbie	Slack	4803 Appletree	Louise	Westgate	6708 Greendale
Carolyn	Slenska	6308 Climbhill	Crystal & Kenneth	White	6422 Haystack
Marlene	Hass Smith	6304 Cottonwood	Tom Mangum &	Alice Wilder	6413 Rose Hill
Don & Nita	Stallings	6407 Willowood	Charles	Wimberly	6506 Haystack
Jean & Bill	Stemple	6306 Cottonwood	Charlie & Sandy	Worley	4513 Roundhill

## RHCA Membership Form

***To join or renew your membership in the Rose Hill Civic Association...***

Please fill out this form or online at [myRoseHill.com](http://myRoseHill.com) and mail, along with your check, to the  
RHCA, P.O. Box 10891, Alexandria, VA 22310.

If you have questions, feel free to call any of the officers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

- Enclosed is a check for:
- \$10 Membership
- \$\_\_\_ Donation for upkeep and landscaping of the Rose Hill entrance sign
- \$\_\_\_ Donation for RHCA General Fund

## Special Notes & Happenings

### THE ENCHANTMENT OF BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

After a powerful witch is rejected by a selfish prince, she places a curse on him and condemns him to be a "beast" until he learns to love. Years later, a poor widow plucks a forbidden rose and though Beast sentences the woman to death, he allows her to say good-bye to her family. Her daughter, Beauty, goes to the Beast and promises to stay if her mother's life is spared. Beast falls in love with Beauty; she is like a princess to him. In a hilarious and thrilling scene, not only is there a battle with the Beast, but also with the furniture, too! But can Beauty ever love Beast? Come see for yourself!

Performances will be held at Edison High School (5801 Franconia Rd, Alexandria) on Friday, May 17th at 7pm and Saturday, May 18th at 7pm. Tickets will be available at the door (\$5 for adults, \$3 for children). Concessions will be available.

### Volunteers Wanted!

Calling all volunteers!!! The National Capital Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is looking for volunteers for the MS Walk in Manassas. The Walk will take place on Saturday, April 13, 2013, with check-in between 7:30 and 9:00, with the Walk beginning at 9:00. The course is approximately 5K (approximately 3.10 miles). If you are interested in volunteering, please visit [http://walk-dcw.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Walk/DCWalkEvents?fr\\_id=19506&pg=entry](http://walk-dcw.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Walk/DCWalkEvents?fr_id=19506&pg=entry) for more information.

## Lee Franconia Football & Cheerleading Register today!

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**Email: [iffifootball@yahoo.com](mailto:iffifootball@yahoo.com) • Phone: 571 274-9110**



### Programs for 2013

#### Football Camp

- ▶ July 22–Aug 2
- ▶ Boys & girls 6 – 16

#### Fall Football

- ▶ Boys & girls 7–16

#### Cheerleading Camp

- ▶ July 22–Aug 2
- ▶ Girls 6 – 16

#### Fall Cheerleading

- ▶ Girls 6 – 16



# Rose Hill Community Calendar

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## Around Rose Hill

- ★ **Every Wednesday and Saturday.** BINGO!  
Franconia Volunteer Fire Dept. Early Bird, 7pm.  
Regular sessions, 8pm.

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## John Marshall Library

6209 Rose Hill Dr., 703.971.0010. Call ahead to register for events. Hours: M,T – 10am - 9pm; W, F – 10am - 6pm; Th - 1pm - 9pm; Sat – 10am - 5pm.

- ★ **Please note new hours.**
- ★ **Ongoing Event.** Personalized Computer Training. Basics for beginners: Internet and Microsoft Word. Call for appointment. Adults.
- ★ **Ongoing Event.** Book Sale! Throughout the month.
- ★ **March 25.** A to Zoo Preschool Storytime. 10:30am. Come for stories and activities. Ages 3-5 w/ adult.
- ★ **March 26.** Get Read to Read: Background Knowledge. 10:30am. Learn enjoyable ways to help children develop reading skills. Ages 3-5 w/ adult.
- ★ **March 28.** Get Read to Read: Vocabulary. 10:30am. Learn enjoyable ways to help children develop reading skills. Ages 3-5 w/ adult.
- ★ **March 29.** Get Read to Read: Phonological Awareness. 10:30am. Learn enjoyable ways to help children develop reading skills. Ages 3-5 w/ adult.
- ★ **March 30.** E-Book Workshop. 1:00pm. Get your eBook questions answered. Bring your eBook reader and library card. All ages.
- ★ **March 30.** Fairfax County Libraries Closed for Easter Holiday.
- ★ **April 9.** Toddler Time. 10:30am. Come for stories and activities. Ages 13-23 months w/ adult.
- ★ **April 11.** Friends of John Marshall Library Annual Meeting. Adults.
- ★ **April 13.** E-Book Workshop. 1:00pm. Get your eBook questions answered. Bring your eBook reader and library card. All ages.
- ★ **April 16.** Fun For Twos and Threes. 10:30 am & 11:00 am. Come for stories and activities. Ages 2-3 w/ adult.
- ★ **April 18.** Book Discussion Group. 7:15pm. Please call branch for title. Adult.
- ★ **April 20.** John Marshall 50th Anniversary. 10:00am. Join us as we celebrate with activities for the whole family. All ages.
- ★ **April 20.** Uno Dos Tres Con Andres. 10:30am. Join us as we learn some Spanish, move and dance

with music from Latin America. All ages.

- ★ **April 20.** Travelers Player Ensemble. 1:30pm. Presentation of David Mamet's play for children, "The Poet and the Rent". All ages.

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## Thomas Edison High School

5801 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310  
Office – 703.924.8000; Fax – 703.924.8097



- ★ **SAT Essay Workshops.** SAT Essay Workshops. Please see school website for dates.
- ★ **March 25 - 29.** Spring Break.

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## Mark Twain Middle School

4700 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, 22310  
Office – 703.313.3700, Fax – 703.313. 3797



- ★ **March 25 - 29.** Spring Break.

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## Rose Hill Elementary School

6301 Rose Hill Dr., Alexandria, VA 22310  
Phone: 703.313.4200  
Fax: 703.313.4297



- ★ **March 25 - 29.** Spring Break.
- ★ **April 9.** PTA Meeting. 7:00-8:30pm. RHES cafeteria.

# Rose Hill Business Directory

*Only those residents who are members of the Rose Hill Civic Association or provide services in kind will qualify for a free listing in the business directory. Membership dues are the source of funds for the printing of The Rambler.*

## HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING

**Dove Heating and Air Conditioning.** We service and install heat pumps, air conditioners, furnaces, hot water heaters, and humidifiers. David and Linda Nichols, 703.971.8897. The Nichols have been in business for 27 years and have lived in Rose Hill for 38 years.

## REAL ESTATE

**Exit Metro Realty.** Angie Vereen, 571-233-6395, [angie@exitmetroliving.com](mailto:angie@exitmetroliving.com). Our extensive experience and expertise in the Alexandria, Lorton, and Vienna real estate market will benefit you whether you are looking to buy or sell a home in the area. Licensed in Virginia and Maryland.

## HOME IMPROVEMENT

**ABM Engineering.** 703.499.3380. Local, sustainable, family-run business specializing in unique home renovations. Call us for a free estimate on your kitchen or bath remodel, stone wall, patio, shed, tiling and concrete work.

## LAWN SERVICES

**Fortney Lawn & Garden.** David and Jimmy Fortney, 703.960.8869. Although they live in Virginia Hills, the Fortneys work closely with RHCA to maintain the median landscaping on Rose Hill Drive.

**Freedom Lawn & Landscape.** Matt Downey, 571.218.2881, [freedomproviders@gmail.com](mailto:freedomproviders@gmail.com). We would like to thank all of our Rose Hill clients for their business in 2012! We are preparing to make 2013 our best year yet and would love to add more Rose Hill clients! Have your home make this year's Rose Hill Beauties list! Discount for RHCA members. FREE estimates for all!

## HOUSE CLEANING

**Ingrid Hayslip.** 703.362.5672. A 14 year resident of the Rose Hill area, I clean houses including move-in and move-outs.



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**Evergreen Maid Service.** 703.971.7160. Owned and operated by Nour Barakat and Mike Zalatoris. Our residential cleaning business is celebrating 25 yrs of service in Alexandria and for the last 22 yrs from our home in Rose Hill. We offer reliable and affordable home and office cleaning for all local residents, and we are happy to offer a special 25% discount to our neighbors to celebrate our anniversary. Call 703.971.7160 for a free estimate and to schedule your cleaning. Thank you Rose Hill for being our happy home! (See our ad in this newsletter.)

## PHOTOGRAPHY

**Tisara Photography.** Nina Tisara, 703.838.8098. Tisara Photography is a family business with a studio in Old Town Alexandria since 1990. They specialize in portraits and special events. Nina lives on Hayfield Place.

## PET SITTING

**Welcome Waggin' Professional Pet Sitting.** Jonathan and Janelle Welch. 703.819.0809, [jlw@welcomewaggin.com](mailto:jlw@welcomewaggin.com). Serving the Alexandria area since 2000.

## DECK AND FENCE

**B&B Deck and Fence.** Cliff James, Owner. 6412 May Boulevard. Quality work, 25 years experience. Telephone: 703.719.7015/703.627.9935, Fax: 703.922.3779.

## SPEECH-LANGUAGE THERAPY SERVICES

Speech Beginnings, PLC is a speech therapy private practice in Rose Hill. We offer speech-language screenings, evaluations, therapy and consultations. Services are provided by a licensed and certified speech-language pathologist with more than 20 years experience. Please call 571.481.4344 or visit our website at [www.speechbeginnings.com](http://www.speechbeginnings.com) for more information.

## FIREWOOD

Firewood available in 3x3x1.5 ft. bundles, 2x4x8 ft. half chords, and 2x8x8 ft. chords. Will deliver in the 22310 zip code or you can pick up locally. Please request prices for delivery outside the 22310 area. Pricing is as follows: (pickup/delivered and dumped) bundle \$60/75, half chord \$125/140, full chord \$200/230. Please call 703.509.8286 for more information.

## NEED HELP?

Pet Services (dog walking, vet appointments); Errands (pharmacy, dry cleaning, drop off and pick-up product repair); Personal Shopping (grocery, post office, exchange & item returns); Vehicle Services (vehicle license & emission renewal, vehicle service repair, vehicle inspection); Home services (house sitting, light yard work, wait at home for service personnel); Travel & Transportation (transportation

to and from); Medical Concierge Services (doctor appointments, pre/post operations assistance) Contact David Sell at 703-971-4716, or email [dksell@hotmail.com](mailto:dksell@hotmail.com).

## HANDYMAN

The Grumpy Handyman is available for home repair. "Small jobs for a small price" means that fixing all those annoying items is more affordable than you may realize. John and Dorothy Thibeau have lived in Rose Hill over 25 years. Call John at 703-927-9501.




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**FORTNEY  
LAWN & GARDEN**

**COMPLETE LAWN MAINTENANCE  
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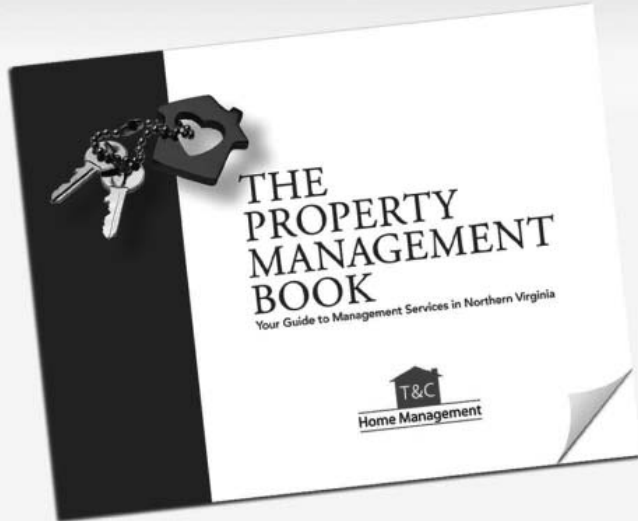
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