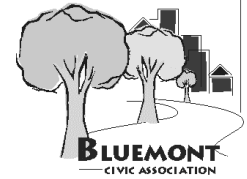


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Learn about Senior Services at February Meeting

Staff from Arlington County's Aging Services office will make a presentation on aging services available in Arlington at the February 25 BCA meeting at 7:00 p.m. in Arlington Traditional School.

Come and learn more about services such as: real estate tax exemptions and deferrals, Arlington's senior centers, senior citizen advocates, available health services, available transportation services, and many more. They will have plenty of handout materials. ■

Safe Driving Signs

Bluemont Civic Association has obtained a small quantity of signs that urge drivers to "Keep Kids Alive—Drive 25" for Bluemont residents to display on their property along neighborhood streets (i.e., 25 MPH limit).



The signs were provided by the Neighborhood Conservation (NC) Program, with the assistance of Arlington County Board Member Paul Ferguson. They are printed on corrugated plastic panels, approximately 18" by 24" and come with a metal stand for planting them into the ground. Signs can only be placed on private property and not in the public right-of-way (usually 6-12 feet from the curb).

The signs are approved by the Code Enforcement Office. Please direct inquiries about the use of these signs to NC Program Coordinator Chris Nixon (703) 228-3820. To obtain a sign, contact BCA NC Representative Kate Mesches at mesches@aol.com or (703) 525-8262. ■

Volunteers Needed for Arlington Marathon

On May 2, the first Arlington Marathon will be run through Bluemont. The route passes through Bluemont Park on the W&OD Bypass Trail and up the Bluemont Junction Trail to Wilson Boulevard.

The event is conducted by the Arlington County Running Club. The club is seeking volunteers to set up and operate one or two spirit stations on the Bluemont portion of the course, to provide water, snacks and encouragement to runners. If interested, please call (703) 218-2726 or write racedirector@att.net. ■

Local Winter Weather Information Centralized

Arlington has consolidated all of its snow-related cancellations and schedule changes on a new "Winter Weather" web page – www.co.arlington.va.us/winter. There you'll find cancellations and closings, public transit status, Arlington snow plowing map and policy, winter preparedness tips and hotline numbers.

The hotlines are: Snow Clearing Status: (703) 228-6485; Parks Information: (703) 228-6525; Sports Information: (703) 228-4715; Cultural Affairs: (703) 228-6966; Potholes: (local roads) (703) 228-6485, (state roads) (888) 383-8368. You can view a list of state roads at www.co.arlington.va.us/newsreleases/state.htm. ■

Upcoming Arlington Historical Society Programs

The Arlington Historical Society offers monthly programs on various topics of local interest. The programs are held the Central Library and are free and open to the public. Upcoming programs include:

On Thursday 2/12 at 7:30 p.m., in conjunction with the Arlington Black Heritage Museum, "A Visit with Sojourner Truth." On Thursday 3/11 at 8:15 p.m., "Pre-Columbian Arlington." The speaker is Karl Van Newkirk. On Thursday 4/15 at 10:00 a.m., "Arlington Reunion: The Heights of Arlington," moderated by Chris Nixon, Neighborhood Conservation Program Coordinator.

For more information about these programs or the Historical Society, call (703) 892-4204, visit www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org, or visit the Historical Society's museum, located in the former Hume School at 1805 S. Arlington Ridge Road. The museum is open from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, except in February. ■

Singing Valentines

Treat someone special to a serenade of two love songs, a one pound box of chocolates, and a lovely card delivered by a women's quartet from Potomac Harmony Chorus of Arlington, the 2002 Blue Ridge Regional Champions of the Sweet Adeline's International.

You may have this "Singing Valentine" delivered to your home, office, or restaurant for \$50, or by phone for \$20 for the two love songs only. Delivery is available February 13 or 14 anywhere in the Washington DC metropolitan area, including the Northern Virginia and Maryland suburbs. To order, or for more information, call (703) 764-3896, e-mail potomacharmony@yahoo.com, or visit www.potomacharmony.org. Orders will be accepted through February 6. ■

BCA Calendar

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. at Arlington Traditional School, 855 N. Edison Street
General Membership meeting, Jan. 28, 7:00 ATS
Executive Board meeting, Feb. 10, 7:00 ATS
General Membership meeting, Feb. 25, 7:00 ATS

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BCA Annual Membership Renewal Form—Final Notice

All BCA memberships expired at the end of the year. If the mailing label above indicates that your membership has expired, this will be your final newsletter. To renew, please send a check for \$12.00 (payable to Bluemont Civic Association) and the mailing label above to: BCA Treasurer, P.O. Box 5134, Arlington, VA 22205. Please make any corrections to the mailing label in the form below.

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