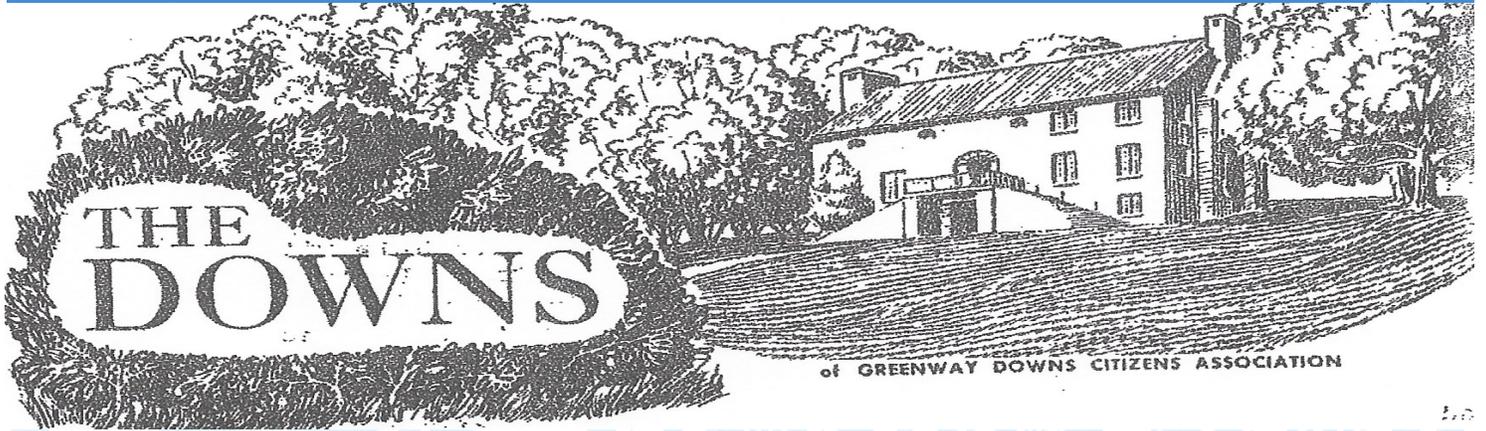


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Go Green! We are green! Save a tree!  
 Email Sara at [edward.f.kelly@verizon.net](mailto:edward.f.kelly@verizon.net) to receive future newsletters electronically

**Greenway Downs Citizens Association**  
[www.greenwaydowns.org](http://www.greenwaydowns.org)

The Greenway Downs Citizens Association (GDCA) is one of the oldest civic associations in Northern Virginia. Our non-partisan policy and the dedication of nearly 100 hardworking volunteers has brought our community life and vibrancy.

This year residents have come together for the Custis Park Stream clean-up, enjoyed the Halloween parades for kids and pups, and reinstated our senior citizens luncheon group.

This is just the beginning!  
 There is no CommUnity without "U"

**Save the Dates!**

December 15-18	Holiday House Decoration Contest
December 20	Caroling & Festival Event (weather date: December 21)
January 14	Senior Luncheon (weather date: January 21)

**Greenway Downs Holiday House  
 Decorating Contest  
 December 15-18**

Back by popular demand, the GDCA is sponsoring a Holiday House Decorating Contest. Houses will be judged in the following categories:

**Griswold:** The bigger, the better! The most lights, the biggest inflatables, the most outlandish display!

**Dickensian:** Best use of classical holiday design elements. Simple, tasteful, but still exemplifying the Holiday spirit.

**Kitchen Sink:** The most creative holiday display. Bring your best ideas!

**People's Choice:** The most popular winner as voted on by your neighbors! Come to the Caroling Festivities and vote for the winner!

**Winners will receive a \$50 gift card.**

Winners will be announced at the Caroling Festivities (see p. 2)  
 Winners need not attend caroling to win.

Questions?  
 Contact Lisa at [lisamarietrench@gmail.com](mailto:lisamarietrench@gmail.com)

A big round of applause for all the Greenway Downs volunteers who helped produce and distribute the Greenway Downs Directory! A Herculean task well done!!

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Would you like to serve on the GDCA Board?

Please email Sara at Edward.f.kelly@verizon.net with your name, street address, and any particular community issue you are interested in.

### Holiday Caroling & Festival Event Sunday, December 20 6-8 p.m.

Gather with your neighbors, family and friends on Sunday, December 20 to sing and enjoy holiday festivities on the Custis Parkway cul-de-sac at John Mastenbrook Park.

Sheet music will be provided. Bring a flashlight!

Light refreshments will be served.

(weather date: December 21)

If you would like to help with this event, please contact Ashley at wood.jd@gmail.com or call her at 202-250-0707 by December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Senior Luncheon Round Table

Greenway Downs held its first senior luncheon last week at the Italian Café. Nearly a dozen seniors enjoyed meeting each other and discussing community issues such as: cut-through truck traffic, speeders ignoring the red light at Marshall and blaring car radios.

### Our next Dutch Treat Luncheon:

Anthony's Restaurant  
January 14, noon  
(weather date: January 21)

RSVP

Mary Millsback emeraldil39@verizon.net or  
Scot Walker scotwalker2004@yahoo.com

### Greenway Downs Photo Project

Do you have vintage pictures of Greenway Downs to help us create a photo history. If you do or would like to work on the project, email Sara at edward.f.kelly@verizon.net

### Greenway Downs Scoop the Poop Campaign

Top 5 reasons to join the neighborhood Scoop the Poop campaign!

- More awareness = a cleaner neighborhood
- If our neighborhood looks good, you look good (and your property value does too!)
- You'll feel safer about letting your kids play in or near Custis stream
- You'll be helping yourself and your neighbors stay healthy
- You'll save someone a \$250 fine

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## The Hungry Hippo

By Scot Walker [Scotwalker2004@yahoo.com](mailto:Scotwalker2004@yahoo.com)

One man's opinion of the best of our local Greenway Downs restaurants and eateries, all of which earned 5 hippos—for the best eats.



THE FAIRFAX DELI (American), 7173 Lee Highway, Greenway Downs, Falls Church, VA, (703) 532-5981. Where do I begin—I've eaten in delis on five continents, and this one is the best! (Okay, I'm prejudiced; it's practically next door). The service is fast and friendly, the prices are low and the food is delicious! My favorite is the steak and cheese (\$4.95 small; \$7.95 large) but I'm also a fan of most of their sandwiches—the Mr. Ed, hot sausage, pastrami, melted Swiss cheese, with onion, Cole slaw and spicy mustard, is awesome (\$5.95 small; \$8.95 large). So is the BLT (\$4.95 small; \$7.95 large). Our community has another friendly owner, in a great local place to hang out . . . and great food. Okay, how can a deli earn five hippos? Well, I say, "How can it not!" Five hippos with a hip hip hurray.

THE PRESENT (Vietnamese), 6678 Arlington Blvd. in Jefferson Village, Falls Church, VA, (730) 531-1881. I was "present" at the Present during their opening week a decade ago and am still impressed with their awesome chef, their service and their ambience. Like most of our local restaurants, the owner is almost always there and will either welcome you at the door or drop by your table for some marvelous conversations. The menu is extensive, but don't be deterred, ask for help or order any of my favorites: gregarious lemongrass chicken (\$13); duck in tamarind basket (\$15); basking on sandy beach (soft shell crabs for \$20); or cow in the open field ( \$15). Yes, every dish has a unique and delightful name! There's also an extensive bar and the entire restaurant is converted to an after hours/ late evening club on the weekends. In fact, the table you sit at for lunch or dinner converts to a coffee table after hours—with live music to entertain you. If you haven't given yourself a present in a while, do it now. Don't wait, the gift wrapping is solid gold! Try as I might, I could not recommend the Present more and even though I give the Present five hippos, I wish there were a few dozen more to line up here. If you haven't spent an evening at the Present, give yourself a gift and hurry down. Five hippos.

**Keep up with your neighborhood news!**

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## Phase One For Residential Parking (RPPD)

by  
Scot Walker

A residential permit parking district is a restricted parking district that applies to specific areas studied by VDOT and then petitioned to alleviate commuter parking.

### The Process Takes up to 18 Months!

- Neighbors request an RPPD.
- VDOT conducts a parking study.
- Petitions are sent to Greenway Downs canvassers who speak to all those affected. Once 60% sign, the petitions are delivered to Supervisor Smyth.
- The Board of Supervisors approves.
- Signs will be erected and parking permits, including guest permits, will be issued.

### Where Are We Now?

- Petitions are in Supervisor Smyth's office. We expect approval by May 2016.
- Please note, in phase one, only the following houses qualify: Cavalier: 6801 and 6803; Summerfield: even numbered houses: 2756-2764 and odd numbered houses: 2759-2843; Greenway: 2754-2804 even numbered and 2757-2805 odd numbered.
- Nothing else will be included in this RPPD.

### What's Next?

Until phase one goes into effect, we cannot expand the area. In the future, if other areas are affected, we can repeat the process. For more information go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot>

## Greenway Downs Neighborhood Watch

By Jeff Taylor

Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program that involves neighbors working with police to keep their communities safe.

Currently, our Greenway Downs Watch Team consists of 10 volunteers monitoring the neighborhood going about their regular walking routines (some with dogs), driving, and bicycling. Some team members take a weekly drive around of our streets and display our magnetic "Greenway Downs Neighborhood Watch" signs to let residents know that neighbors are watching out for fellow neighbors.

### Greenway Downs Patrol Boundaries

- Lee Hwy to the north, Custis Parkway on the south, Woodlawn Ave. to the west, and Bolling Road to the east.
- Two short blocks of Marshall St. and Greenway Blvd. located between Custis Parkway and Chestnut Ave.

Volunteer now for your Neighborhood Watch Team. Contact me, Jeff Taylor, at 571-277-2121.

This year, Greenway Downs has experienced reports of petty theft. Despite this, Greenway Downs is a safe place to live and all residents can take an active part to keep it that way!

- Call 911 if you see a crime in progress.
- Call Fairfax County Police non-emergency number 703-691-2131 to report suspicious activity.
- Report broken streetlights to Virginia Dominion Power at 866-366-4357.