

## THE NEWSLETTER OF YOUR LOCAL CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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NEXT MEETING: CAPITOL HILL, WASHINGTON AND ARLINGTON -- SOME HISTORICAL SNAPSHOTS

Thursday, February 2, 8 p.m.,

Barcroft Community House, 8th and
Buchanan Streets. All Welcome!!

Mr. Fred Swengel, President of the Capitol Hill Historical Society, will enlighten and entertain our association at its February meeting. An impressive and well-known speaker on his subject in this area, Mr. Swengel will open up for us a slice of "Capitol Hill" which many of us may not have realized existed.

The slide show which will accompany his talk is the one now being displayed daily at the National Visitor Center. This will give us locals a chance to be "tourists" in our city.

For those of you who may only recently have moved to Barcroft, we extend a warm welcome. Our association is open freely to all Barcroft residents.

### ENERGY NOTES: A LOOK BACKWARDS

January's meeting on "Home Energy
Saving and Cost Cutting Hints"
is still generating results. At this
month's meeting we will have available
handout sheets listing some of the
information materials to which the
January speaker referred. In addition, there will be a display of
some of this material. Come, see
and get your copy.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER ....

Snow and ice have made Barcroft's roads and sidewalks difficult to traverse. Arlington County has sent its plows and snow crews through Barcroft, but in some places these efforts have produced little improvement.

The County clearly has a big job and (continued on reverse)

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## METROBUS SERVICE ON GEORGE MASON DR.

In response to the article in last month's Barcroft News, Eileen McCreight checked out plans for Metrobus service on George Mason. Tom O'Kane of Arlington County's Public Works Department told her that a public hearing on rush hour service may be called soon by "METRO" (the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority).

Residents along George Mason are concerned about this proposal. We will continue to watch this topic and try to keep you informed.

# SPAGHETTI SUPPER SCHEDULED BY THE BARCROFT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA

The PTA will have a spaghetti supper on February 14, Tuesday, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Call Eileen Melia, 892-6891, for reservations.

Funds raised will be used to take students on field trips.

Prices: Adults \$1.75, kids \$1.00.
All are welcome.

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cannot respond effectively to all citizen calls. This is where your Civic Association can help. Let us know of the major problem spots. Photograph or otherwise describe these problems which time and time again need special attention and don't receive it. Describe the problems which you have tried, without success, to get solved.

You can bring these problems to our attention at the next or upcoming meetings, or you can send your comments and photographs or drawings to our attention at the Barcroft Community House, 800 South Buchanan Street. We will compile the reports and get in touch with the County Government.

But in the meantime, let's all do what
we can to help each other dig out. Your
help in shopping for friends, giving
rides to those without cars, and lending
a hand to a person less able than you to
cross the ice and snow will go a long way
toward making Barcroft a better winter
neighborhood.

Dick

## REGIONAL PARKS -- THEIR SERVICES AND PLANNING -- PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED

In addition to the County parks that we Arlington taxpayers own, all of us also have a share in several fine parks which serve Northern Virginia, like the Bull Run or the Potomac Overlook Regional Parks. We share the cost of these with our neighbor jurisdictions such as Fairfax County.

The Northern Virginia Regional Park
Authority, which is responsible for these
regional parks, has just announced public
hearings on the planning, services and
use of our regional parks. Hearings will
be held at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington
St., Alexandria, on February 2, and at
George Mason High School, Falls Church,
February 9. Both hearings are at 8 p.m.

We hope some Barcroft residents will attend, listen, comment and let us know what was said. The public is welcome.

BEST WISHES TO ALL FOR THE NEW YEAR