

BARCROFT NEWS

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MARCH MEETING

Arlington Hall will be the focus of the BSCL's monthly meeting on March 5 at 7:30 PM. Great strides have been made on the National Guard portion of the property along George Mason, but what's going on with the Foreign Service Training Center behind it? What will become of the park land on our side of George Mason? Will the General Services Administration permit the County to reclaim the baseball diamond and picnic tables?

Come to the meeting and find out. Representatives from the State Department, the National Guard, GSA, and the County will be there to answer your questions.



Hogar Hispano: Hispanic Family Center

Hogar Hispano, a United Way Agency located in the old Barcroft Baptist Church at 915 S. Wakefield, offers its services to the Hispanic community and refugees from Vietnam, Cambodia, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, and other nations. Founded in 1981 by area Hispanic leaders and the Bishop of the Arlington Catholic Diocese at that time, Thomas J. Welsh, its

ultimate goal is to help immigrant and refugee clients become self-sufficient and productive members of American society.

Their services include emergency financial assistance, a food and clothing bank, a dental clinic, medical assistance and referral, a 24-hour hotline with job and housing information, translation and transportation help, income tax services, Christmas food baskets, Basic English classes, a large Christmas party and one-week summer camp for needy Hispanic children, two annual senior citizen trips, and ongoing assistance to unwed mothers.

In 1986 Hogar Hispano began to help applicants through the amnesty program. Since then, its Immigration Office has helped thousands of people with a full range of immigration services. The Migration and Refugee Services Office coordinates family reunification and refugee resettlement programs under the auspices of the U.S. Catholic Conference and a grant from the U.S. State Department.

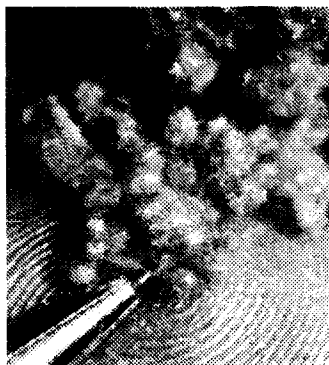
Volunteers interested in teaching the Basic English classes or assisting with another program can call Sister Charlotte Hobelman at 970-1705, 9 AM - 5 PM, weekdays. Clothing donations are also accepted during these hours.

Destroy Gypsy Moth Eggs Before They Hatch

Before you receive the next *Barcroft News*, any gypsy moth eggs you have not ferreted out will hatch, and the caterpillars will begin eating your trees. Then the County will have to spray stuff on the trees to preserve them. Thousands of caterpillars will emerge from that one egg mass you may have missed.

Hunt down those eggs now, while they are still in their little furry, tan, marble-sized lumps. You will find them in almost any protected spot, such as window frames, door frames, porches, firewood piles, or the underside of fence boards and tree limbs. When you find masses, **drop them in Clorox, alcohol, or ammonia or burn them in your fireplace.** Do not scrape the egg mass on the ground or try to crush it with your feet; the eggs are still protected as if in the mass and will hatch in the spring.

This is your last chance for 1992.



Gypsy moth egg mass shown on a fingertip along with the tip of a ballpoint pen.

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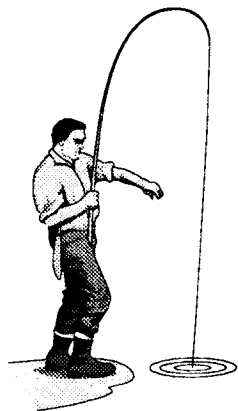
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Trout Season Opens March 21



The County will again stock Four Mile Run with rainbow trout this year. The trout will be running from Barcroft Park (below George Mason Dr.) northward to Bon Air Park (above Wilson Blvd.).

On opening day, Bon Air Park above Wilson will be reserved for children aged 15 and under. Volunteers from the Northern Virginia chapter of Trout Unlimited will be on hand at the picnic shelter and Rose Garden in Bon Air Park to instruct and help the children.

State fishing regulations will be enforced. Virginia residents aged 16–65 are required to have a Virginia fishing license; nonresidents must purchase either a nonresident fishing license or a five-day trip license. Senior citizens born after June 30, 1923 (you know who you are!) are required to purchase a \$1 annual fishing license. A state trout license is not required to fish for trout in Arlington County. Creel limit is 6 per day per person, and dip netting is not permitted.

A stream cleanup day is scheduled for March 14, before it is stocked. Individual Arlingtonians and groups such as Scouts can take part. Call 358-3403 to sign up for the cleanup day.

For a recorded message on trout events, call the County's Trout Hotline at 358-4400.



Kid's Books on Tape

Arlington Housing Corporation is a non-profit organization that finds and subsidizes affordable housing. The organization provides an after-school 4-H program in one such development. The program is promoting literacy by having books on tape so that the kids may listen to the words while looking at the book.

As a service to this program, I am collecting books and blank tapes and finding teenagers, in addition to myself, to record the books on tape. If you have any old children's books or blank tapes that you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please drop them off at 616 S. Wakefield St. Thank you in advance for your donations. Please call 979-5818, if you have any questions.

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February Crime Report Causes Stir

Last month's crime report gave all the information provided by the Arlington County police, including ethnic origin and race. We are not accustomed to seeing that information in most publications, although almost every crime report anywhere does list the sex of the offender and other basic information needed for possible identification. One reader misinterpreted our listing such information as prejudice, and others were jarred by it.

In deference to neighborhood sensibilities, we will not be including race, sex, or ethnic origin unless the suspect escaped and

complete description is necessary for protection against future attempts. When we do include that information, no slur against the particular race or ethnic origin is intended. African Americans, Hispanics, Jews, and Caucasians help us write and publish the *Barcroft News*. We believe our neighborhood is as free of prejudice as any in Arlington.

Who Supplied the Food?

The president of the BSCL, Larry Goldschmidt, and the president of the Woman's Club of Arlington, Anne Nelson, wish to thank all those who made contributions of food for the second Christmas luncheon held December 19, 1991, to honor the service people who make Barcroft a fine place to live.

The following people contributed spaghetti, bread, salad, dessert, coffee, and tea (please forgive any omissions):

Scott Allard	Kathy Kerr
Patricia Bass	Dorothy Kinsella
Marinda Barnes	Phyllis Kinsey
Nora Lee Broches	Pauline Meehan
Peg Butner	Eileen Melia
Susan Christopher	Anne Noll
Florence and	Susan Sarcone
Louis Cohen	Ethel Schafer
Chloe Davies	Mabel Slover
Margaret Davis	Ann Swain
Carolyn Doyle	Randy Swart
Betty Handy	Harriet Terry
Dorothy Haney	Sharon Tope
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For Sale Norfolk Island Pine, just under 5 ft. It has outgrown the space allotted to it and is looking for a good home. \$45 or best offer. Call 521-0527.

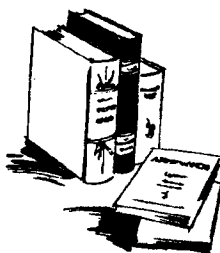
From a satisfied classified advertiser:

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You can find new homes right here in the neighborhood for your excess furniture, construction materials, appliances, cats, or whatever. Mail your ad or drop it off with Sara Leigh Merrey, Editor, 4669 Fourth St. S. Non-commercial ads are free to Barcrofters. For commercial ads, talk to Virginia Reinecke, Advertising Manager, 528-6600.



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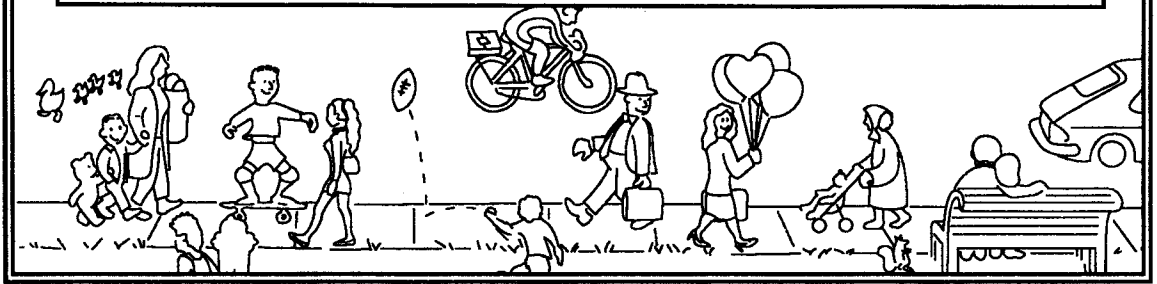
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- ◆ Personal Injury Accidents
- ◆ Business and Commercial Law
- ◆ Traffic Court Cases
- ◆ Domestic Relations

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Around the Neighborhood With Kathy Kerr



Last Halloween, trick-or-treaters didn't get any sweets from Pam and Dave Auerbach over on 2nd St.S. The Auerbachs were busy at Arlington Hospital—having a baby! Congratulations on their new baby, Natanya. They have lived in Barcroft for 6 years and really appreciate Barcroft's friendly neighbors and Neighborhood Watch (formal and informal).

Pam, an architect, is currently seeking a job. Dave does computer networking for BT North America. He also enjoys computers and electronics as hobbies.

The Auerbachs try to attend BSCL meetings but, like many of us, find that when those reminder signs go up around the neighborhood, something else has come up to prevent their going. Let's all keep trying! The meetings are fun and informative—and there is always a great snack!

The Beaver Update

Greg Zell, a naturalist at Long Branch Nature Center, reports that while the Redskins were busy winning the game on Super Bowl Sunday, a beaver (or beavers) felled a tree in Sparrow Swamp. They're back—or perhaps they never left?



Imagine my surprise when I looked out my back window and saw a huge bird sitting on my lawn! It was brown and white with a white breast and was much larger than a crow. I whipped out my camcorder and taped it as best I could. I spied it again a few weeks later much closer to the house, but I couldn't get my camera out fast enough. I got back just in time to see it fly into a neighbor's yard across the street. I finally took the tape over to Long Branch Nature Center, where Greg identified it as either a red-shouldered or red-tailed hawk. Wow! Wow! If I saw this in my yard, you could too! A friend over on S. Aberdeen in Arlington Forest said that he has seen hawks in his yard several times. He says that when he hears the crows "complaining," he looks out, and sure enough, there is a hawk out there. Greg says that hawks are frequently sighted in our area.



My neighbor and I were having a neighborly chat in my front yard when we observed an unusual event. It's no surprise to see a car

March Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 MATCH , 7:30 PM, Dunn Loring United Methodist Church; call 791-6264.	3 Civic Federation Mtg. , 7:45 PM, Arlington Hosp.	4 ASH WEDNESDAY	5 BSCL , 7:30 PM, Community House. Call 521-3746 for info.	6	7 Columbia Pike Artist Studios Open House , 11 AM-4 PM, 932 S. Walter Reed Dr.
8	9	10	11	12	13 Opera Theatre of No. Va. , The Prodigal Son & Amelia Goes to the Ball, 8 PM, 549-5039.	14
15 Arlington Symphony , 8 PM, Rossini, Wieniawski, Dvorak, 528-1817. Opera Theatre , 3 PM, 549-5039	16	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY	18	19 PURIM	20 Cub Scout Pack Meeting , 7:30 PM, Arlington Forest U. Meth. Church.	21
22	23	24 Teatro de la Luna (in Spanish), Los Aparatos by Enrique Wermique, 8 PM, 358-6960.	25 Teatro de la Luna , 8 PM, 358-6960.	26 Shizumi Dance Theatre , Dances from Japan, 8 PM, 358-6960.	27 Arlingtons Barber-shop Concert , Thomas Jefferson Theatre, 8 PM, 536-2025.	28
29	30	31	2/28-3/8 Cinderella , Children's Theatre of Arlington, 548-1154. 3/11-14 Candide , Touchstone Theatre, 8 PM, 358-6960. 3/20-4/4 Driving Miss Daisy , Dominion Stage, 683-0502.			

speeding down my street (4th St. between Abingdon and Pershing), but this car was being followed by a police vehicle. At first I wondered if it was some sort of police chase. By the time the car got to the corner, the police turned on the flashing lights and pulled

the speeder over—hopefully for a big, fat speeding ticket. I've lived here in Barcroft for 11 years, and my neighbor has been here nearly 40 years. Neither of us has ever seen a car pulled over for speeding on a side street! Have you?

Barcroft Elementary School News

Turn in Your Cash Register Receipts

The Giant program that provides computers and other equipment and supplies to schools for the cash register receipts they collect is coming to a close. Barcroft Elementary School needs your receipts by March 4. Please drop them off at the school or leave them in the door at Nora Rumpf's house, 4607 3rd St. S. Don't delay—by the time you read this the deadline will be less than a week away!



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Call the Neighborline

If you called the Barcroft Neighborline at 521-1116 during February, you heard a message on how to recycle your telephone books. Susan Christopher was picking them up from a drop point in our neighborhood and taking them over to Wakefield High.

That program is over now, but you can still call the neighborline to find out what else is happening in Barcroft.

Watch This Space For Upcoming Restaurant Review

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[Editor's Note: From time to time we publish bits and pieces from the original Barcroft News. The following pieces are the balance of the first page of the inaugural issue (all that we have) and parts of another issue in the first year of publication. We hope you enjoy the manner of expression they used, as well as the fact that some things never change.]

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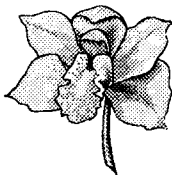
NEWSLETS

The "White House," near the mill, is soon to be occupied by Mr. W. D. Johnston.

The Barcroft Mill, under the new management, is furnishing an abundance of the best "water-ground" meal.

WRIGHT MAN IN RIGHT PLACE

Mr. S. P. Wright is making many improvements in the property recently purchased by Mrs. Fox. He is building a beautiful cottage just east of the lake on Cedar Street [actually Columbia Pike—the name did not stick!] and has sold two lots adjoining Miles Away to Miss Johnston and another lot to Mr. Kolb.



BARCROFT NEWS

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by **O. Edw. Haring—Editor**

PERSONAL

Miss Kate Roberson is spending this week with Miss Edith Corbett at Bethesda, Md.

Misses Alice and Ethel Smith left last week to spend several weeks in Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson.

Mr. Ben Smith and Mr. C. E. Lightfoot are both quite ill with malaria. Miss Lou Loeb, of Washington, is visiting Miss Kate Munson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradbury have returned

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from a trip to Lexington, Va.

Judge John Pelham left last week for his home in Alabama.

Capt. Bales and his charming daughter, Miss Inez, were the guests of Miss Johnston at Miles Away last Sunday.

Mrs. Chamberlain is quite puffed up. This is due rather to poison oak, however, than to pride.

Mrs. B. R. Dewey and Stuart, her son, are the guests of Mrs. Schick.

Major and Mrs. John D. Russell, of Washington, are spending the day with the Maryes.

Capt. L. L. Bridges, of Hyattsville, Md., who has been "under the weather" for "quite a spell" is very much better.

Mrs. J. R. Sprigman and her daughter, Miss Mary, are visiting Mrs. Schick.

Mr. Barbour will preach at the chapel every Sunday at 3:30 p.m. until further notice.

Misses Mary and Emma Pelham, of George, nieces of Judge Pelham, are spending a part of the heated term at Miles Away.

Mr. Richard Wirt, of Alexandria, paid Barcroft a visit yesterday, and took some of our young ladies to town in the evening to see the fireworks.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnston and their daughters, Dorothy and Nan, have taken up their summer residence at the White House.

Miss M. E. Girdner, of Thomasville, Ga., on her way to Boston, stopped over yesterday to call on Miss Mary Pelham.

Capt. Merrifield "pulled off" a typical New England village Fourth of July at Falls Church, a small town up the road, between Barcroft and Herndon. The captain is a "down Easter" who makes railroad trains, elections, festivals and all else with which he has to do Merry. Here's to the captain and to the flag that "sot us free"—from England.

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There is some talk of the property owners hereabouts getting out an injunction restraining electric road surveyors. So many have been about these diggings lately that they are trampling the crops.

TOO CRITICAL

Editor Barcroft News:

Dear Sir—The "Monitor" has seen fit to publish a number of articles reflecting on the architecture of the steeple of the Arlington Methodist Church. The congregation would have much preferred a handsomer steeple, but were necessarily governed by the contents of their pocketbooks. The garment was cut according to the cloth. It was large enough, at least, to attract the lightning. If others are dissatisfied, they have the privilege of contributing toward the erection of one more in keeping with the dignity and honor of the church. We consider this matter one that concerns only ourselves, and object to having misleading statements made. Respectfully, A FRIEND.

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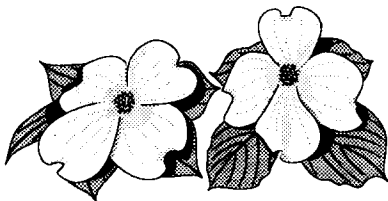
DRAMATIC

"Grandmother's Family Album" was given at the Arlington Methodist Church on June 26, to the delight of a large and appreciative audience. Miss Rachel Lewis' rendition was one quite out of the ordinary. It was simply splendid. Miss Lewis is a native of Fairfax County and is a great credit to the Old Dominion. She will be heard from in the lecture field in the near future. The entertainment was for the benefit of the church, and even Miss Kate Roberson was satisfied with the amount realized. Much credit is due to Miss Minnie Keys for the success achieved in exhibiting the living pictures.

Barcroft Crime Report

Crimes reported during January. If you have information about an incident, please call the police at 558-2222.

- 12/31 4800 S. Columbia Pike Suspect filled bag with video tapes and gave to a second suspect
- 1/3 4800 S. Columbia Pike Suspect removed from restaurant 3 times in 30 minutes, arrested for drunk in public
- 1/6 000 S. George Mason Dr. Parking lot lights smashed
- 1/7 600 S. Wakefield Student stole money from another student
- 1/9 900 S. George Mason Dr. Car broken into, property stolen.
- 1/15 600 S. Taylor Stolen vehicle recovered.
900 S. Buchanan Car tags stolen
- 1/17 900 S. George Mason Dr. Toyota stolen from parking lot at apartment house
800 S. Buchanan Suspect rammed subject's car repeatedly while subject was in it
- 1/18 000 S. George Mason Dr. Break-in, property stolen
- 1/20 S. Pershing Runaway, took family vehicle
- 1/21 4700 6th St. S. Known suspect took car, was arrested and found to have drugs
- 1/22 900 S. Buchanan Stolen car
- 1/24 900 S. Buchanan Ring stolen from unlocked car
- 1/30 200 S. George Mason Dr. Electrical wire



Voter Registration Change of Address Form

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