
THE HIGHLANDS AT GUNSTON

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At the Highlands at Gunston we care about our homeowners and tenants. We welcome all new homeowners and tenants to the neighborhood and encourage your involvement in the HOA. We invite you to attend our Monthly Board Meetings which are held on the first Thursday in the first full week at 6:30pm in the Clubhouse. Want to make a difference in your community? Get involved by joining The Highlands at Gunston HOA Board!

SUMMER IS HERE, SCHOOL IS OUT, AND THE POOL IS OPEN!

Hours of Operations:

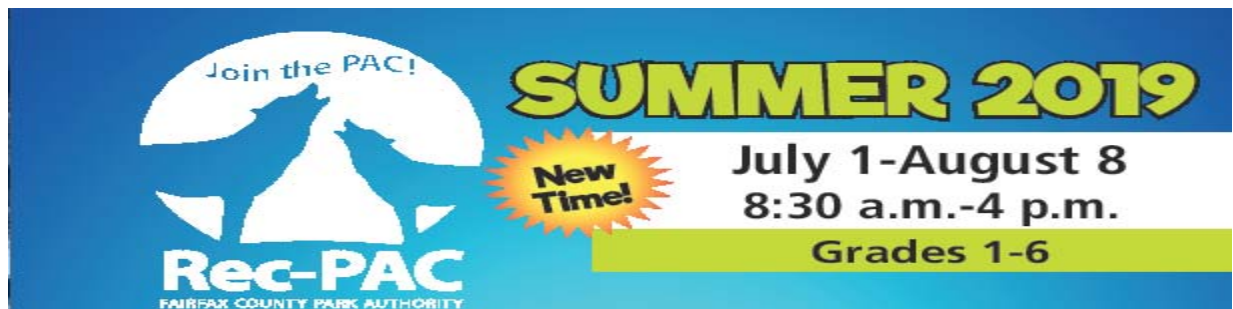
Tuesday- Friday 12-8pm

Saturday – Sunday 12-8pm

If you have not received your pool application or passes contact Patti Bernazzani with Terrace Towne Homes of Gunston, 703-339-7577 or contact your landlord.



GET INVOLVED IN REC- PAC



What Is Rec-PAC?

Rec-PAC is operated by the Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA), it is a six-week, structured recreation program for elementary school children. Participants will enjoy activities such as fitness, indoor and outdoor games, team sports, nature, crafts, special events, talent shows and play sessions. Weekly activities will incorporate character building activities. A ratio of at least one staff person to 18 participants is our standard. The enthusiastic leaders include college students and school teachers who bring a variety of skills.

To register, call 703-222-4664

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Now that warmer weather is upon us, be mindful that children are out playing. Please drive through the neighborhood slowly. Parents do not allow your children to play outside unattended. In addition, we have asked that you not allow your children to ride bikes or scooters that will cause damage to parked vehicles. Not to mention, that they may hurt themselves. **Children are prohibited from playing in parking areas.** Homeowners will be fined when identified of violation.



As many of you know we have a new community located near the Moose Community Center. Highlands has been notified that this is privacy property and you are no longer permitted to walk your dog(s) in that area. Some dog owners have been irresponsible and have failed to clean up after their dog(s). The

community has had to hire someone to clean the area weekly. Highlands has Pet Stations for your convenience. Please use the pet waste bins and do not allow your dog to poop on neighboring properties.



SAFETY TIPS



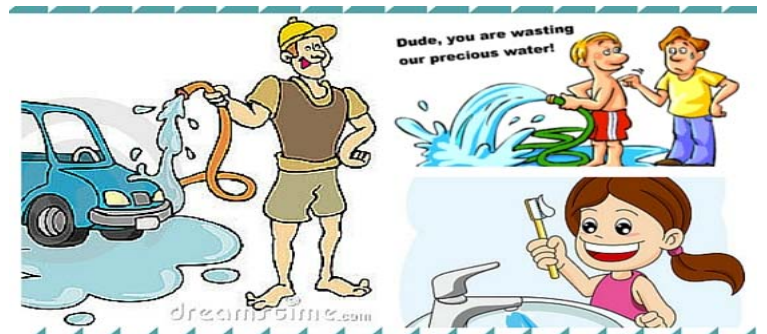
Please be safe while grilling. Keep your grill at least 6 feet from the house with open flames and make sure there are no hanging branches/bushes that can catch on fire. Do not leave your grill unattended.

FIREWORKS SAFETY

The Fourth of July just would not be the same without those breathtaking fireworks. However, those beautiful fireworks can turn your holiday into a tragedy within seconds. Many people are injured each year in Fairfax County due to fireworks. Some are injured seriously and left with permanent damage. Due to safety concerns The Fairfax County Fire Marshal has recommended homeowner association take action. The Terrace Towne Homes of Gunston and The Highlands at Gunston Association Boards accept this recommendation. **No Fireworks of any kind will be permitted on the Grounds, Fire lanes, Houses, etc of Hagel Circle.** Please have a safe Fourth of July and stay away from dangerous and illegal fireworks. Remember that there are many public displays available that offer a safe way to view fireworks.



WATER USAGE



Please help the HOA save money on the water bill. With warmer temperatures, the water consumption always increases. As the water bill increases, it takes from other things that need to be done throughout the community.

- Be sure to turn off water hose outside after use.
- Limit the number of car washes.
- Fix toilets that may be running, they use gallons of water a day with a continuous run.
- Fix faucets that are leaking. A constant leak has the potential to waste over ten gallons of water a day.
- Refrain from filling private swimming pools, including kiddie pools. The community pool is open to all residents.
- Do not allow your children to turn the water on and play with the water hose.

Notify the HOA if there is a broken water line outside. If you have a water leak, please contact a plumber for repairs. The Association no longer contracts with Water Management; however they will provide you with individual service for a fee.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS

- For safety reasons some overgrown bushes and trees have been cut back or removed.
- To prevent vehicles from parking on the grass wooden posts have been installed and chained off in 3rd and 4th circles.
- Rotten and damaged wooden borders have been replaced in the 4th circle.

- A wooden border has been put up in the 2nd circle. Additional lightening is being considered in the 4th circle.

The board will continue working throughout the community making enhancements.



WINDOW AIR CONDITIONERS

Window air conditioners are not allowed in houses in this community. You will be required to remove any window air conditioners unless it is medically necessary and you have approval from the Board. Statement from the doctor will be required.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Come out to the Hagel Circle Community Get-Together, Saturday, July 27, 2019, 12 -4pm at the Community Pool. Refreshments will be served from 12-2pm. Parents bring your children and join us for an afternoon of fun. Bring your pool passes.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IN LORTON PARK

Tuesday, August 6th is National Night Out, a nation-wide program to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. The Lorton Library, Lorton Community Action Center (LCAC) and South County Cares

are teaming up to host a fabulous evening for families in Lorton Park that night. Free hot dogs and drinks, arts and crafts projects, balloon animals, tattoos, and visits from our community police officers. The fun starts at 6:00 pm and runs until 7:30. But don't go home yet, because at 7:30 there will be a free concert by The Amazing Gospel Souls, a singing group made up of men who were all incarcerated at Lorton prison in the past. These men are now teachers, counselors, ministers, and pastors. They have a great sound, and between songs, share their amazing stories. You won't want to miss it. No sign-up necessary, and everything is free! Come and bring your neighbors.



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