

# The Rambler

Newsletter of the  
Rose Hill Civic Association

## President's Message

### Special Thanks to Veterans and the Season at November 24 RHCA Meeting

Join your neighbors to give special thanks to our veterans and the season at the November 24 meeting of the Rose Hill Civic Association. It will be held at the John Marshall Library beginning at 6:30pm. RHCA chaplain Dave Nichols will lead us in a tribute to the veterans and a prayer of Thanksgiving. Any resident of the community or faith is invited to make appropriate comments.

As a special treat, we will be serving homemade chicken potpie compliments of Chef Linda Nichols. Salad, bread, and ice tea will also be provided. Take a break from your busy schedule and holiday preparations to join us in thanksgiving for our veterans and the season. Dessert item donations would be greatly appreciated.

Remember that the meeting will be held at the Library and will begin at 6:30pm. Serving will continue until 7:30 or when the potpie is gone, whichever comes first. We must vacate the library at 8pm because of early closing hours due to budget cutbacks.

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There is also some business on the agenda. We need to authorize participation in the annual Christmas Eve dinner for the police at the Franconia station and support for the needy through Koinonia. We also will be asking for approval to support Edison High School's all night graduation party next June at Lee District Recreation Center.

The Police Community Advisory Committee provides dinner on Christmas Eve and breakfast on Christmas Day for our local police because area restaurants are normally closed. Koinonia delivers food and clothing to area needy families throughout the year with a special emphasis on the holidays. The graduation party keeps our local teens occupied and safe on their special occasion.

RHCA historically donates \$100 to each activity. We encourage additional personal contributions to Koinonia at 6037 Franconia Road, Franconia, VA 22310. For information call 703.971.1991 or visit [koinoniafoundation.org](http://koinoniafoundation.org).

#### Christmas Lights

The Rose Hill Civic Association will award certificates to those in the community who go beyond the call of duty in lighting up their houses and property for Christmas and the Holiday Season. The judges will be out and about on Monday and Tuesday, December 21 and 22, so be sure to have your lights turned on those dates. And remember, it takes hours to tour the community so try not to turn them off before 9pm. Winners will be published in the January edition of

### **Rose Hill Civic Association Meeting Tuesday, November 24, 6:30pm John Marshall Library**

**Topics: Thanksgiving, Annual Charitable Support**

#### **RHCA Officers**

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[www.myRoseHill.com](http://www.myRoseHill.com)

*The Rambler*. Pictures of some of the best properties will be part of a special slide show on our website, myRoseHill.com. We invite input from any resident who wants to nominate his or her property or that of a neighbor; that way we'll be sure not to miss them! Call or email Linda Nichols or myself and we'll pass along the nominees. Rose Hill usually is awash in holiday lights and cheer and we expect the same this season.

### **Linda's Christmas Party**

Once again, Dave and Linda Nichols are opening their home for a Christmas party and dinner. The event will be held starting at 6pm on Saturday, December 19, at the Nichols' residence, 6416 Rose Hill Drive. Bring a dish to share. Be prepared to join in the singing of Christmas carols. Call Linda at 703.971.0755 and let her know what you plan to bring so she can coordinate the menu.

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***Dues are only \$10 but we do ask you to consider a contribution to either the maintenance of the landscaping at our entrance sign and/or the general fund.***

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### **Membership Drive**

Because there is no RHCA meeting in December and therefore no *Rambler*, we kick off our annual membership drive with the November issue of *The Rambler*. The drive will run through the first quarter of 2010. Dues are only \$10 but we do ask you to consider a contribution to either the maintenance of the landscaping at our entrance sign and/or the general fund. Dues are set at \$10 by our bylaws, but that doesn't provide enough revenue to pay for nine issues of *The Rambler*, let alone other community programs such as the Rose Hill Beauty awards each spring and contributions to specific worthy activities that benefit our community. The more members we have, the more things we can do for the community. We are blessed with a large group of volunteers who deliver *The Rambler* and keep our community safe as Neighborhood Watch captains. We always can use more help. We also need sufficient funds to operate. As usual, our books are open to anyone who asks and a financial report is printed yearly in *The Rambler*. There is a membership form on Page 3 in this issue or go online to myRoseHill.com and print one out. Thanks for your support!

### **October Gang Update**

More than 40 members of the community turned out at the October RHCA meeting at Rose Hill Elementary to hear an update from the police on gang activity both within Northern Virginia and our immediate area. The bottom line is that although there is gang activity in our midst, our schools and police seem to have a handle on the problem. They stressed they depend on information from the teachers, school staff, and the community to keep tabs on gang activity. Most interesting was the information as to how police turn graffiti into identification of gangs and individuals. If you see graffiti, take a picture of it, and call the police. Having the photo provides a record in case it disappears. Gang members usually wear the same color on a particular piece of clothing. Be aware of gatherings of groups of young people in the same spot and report any unusual activity to the police non-emergency number 703.691.2131. Never, never confront suspected gang members. Call the police. Information pieced together from several sources can help thwart gang activity in our area. There's more information online at preventgangsnova.org. The police representatives were impressed by the turnout, saying that showing of support such as they saw in Rose Hill is a huge help in the effort to control gang activity. And, everyone enjoyed the pumpkin bread and cider!

### **It's The Law!**

As of November 18, 2009, it is illegal to park watercraft, motor homes, campers, trailers, vehicles greater than or equal to three axels, vehicles with a gross weight of 12,000 pounds or more, and vehicles transporting more than 16 persons (except school buses) on ANY public street in Rose Hill. The law also applies to any public street in any residentially zoned community in Lee District. Until December 18, police will be issuing warning tickets. After that date, tickets will be issued warning owners to remove the vehicles within 48 hours. If the vehicle is not moved within that time frame, a ticket will be issued. Forty-eight hours later, the vehicle will be subject to towing and storage fees will begin to accrue. Owners are advised to understand the limitations of parking on private property if they intend to do that. This new law is intended to improve vehicle passage in communities such as Rose Hill with narrow streets. RHCA suggests that owners of unlawful vehicles move them as soon as possible to avoid fines and storage fees. Our Neighborhood Watch captains will be on the lookout for violators.

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**Nationals Ticket Group**

There is an opening in my Nationals' baseball season group if anyone is interested. There is one full slot for 10 games or two slots for five games each. We have four tickets for each game located in the first row of upper deck Section 309 behind the third base dugout. Great seats! The price is \$20 per seat or \$80 per game (no increase for premium games). You must take either 10 or 5 games, or you and a friend can split two tickets for either 10 or 5 games. We hold a lottery to select games. Watching Ryan Zimmerman play third base is worth the price of admission! The stadium is easily accessible via Metro or the best bet is to drive to RFK Stadium and take the FREE shuttle to Nationals' park. Give me a call at 703.971.4716 or email me at sellcarl@aol.com.

**Another Rose Hill**

Although not an incorporated town, Rose Hill shows up on the Virginia map on Route 58 in the extreme southwestern part of the state. The border

with Kentucky is not far north and the border with Tennessee isn't far south. The community is located in Lee County and once was the site of Martin's Station, the westernmost fort on our country's frontier in 1775. The area also was known as Boone's Path because it is about 20 miles east of the Cumberland Gap, Daniel Boone's passageway into Kentucky. Sources of community pride are the library and Rose Hill Elementary School (enrollment 220). Sound familiar? The school is on the original site of Martin's Station Fort. It was built in 1952 and has 15 teachers. Another source of pride is the annual Christmas parade in early December sponsored by the Thomas Walker Civic Club. There are two banks, two food stores, and a number of other businesses. More than 20% of the workforce is self-employed, three times the national average. As of the 2000 census, there were just over 700 people in Rose Hill. It advertises itself as a warm and friendly community on its website, rosehillvirginia.org.

—Carl Sell

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**Health Tips for Parents**

- ★ Teach your child cough/sneeze etiquette
- ★ Teach your child to wash his/her hands with soap and water
- ★ Have your child stay home if he/she is sick

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**To join or renew your membership in the Rose Hill Civic Association...**

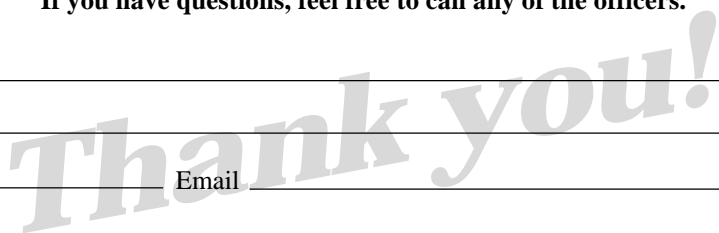
Please fill out this form or online at myRoseHill.com and mail, along with your check, to the RHCA, P.O. Box 10891, Alexandria, VA 22310.

If you have questions, feel free to call any of the officers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_



- Enclosed is a check for:
- \$10 Membership
  - \$\_\_\_ Donation for upkeep and landscaping of the Rose Hill entrance sign
  - \$\_\_\_ Donation for RHCA General Fund

## Additional FY 2011 Budget Meetings Scheduled

Due to public demand, Fairfax County and Fairfax County Public Schools will hold three additional community dialogue sessions to discuss the FY 2011 budget on Wednesday, December 2. The sessions will run from 7 to 9pm at three locations:

- Hayfield Secondary School
- Herndon High School
- Lake Braddock Secondary School

To register for one of these sessions, visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/budget](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/budget). Additional information is available on the County's budget website or by calling 703.324.2391, TTY 711.

—FCPS

### Position Available: *Rambler* Editor

**Requirements:** proofreading, editing, experience with a layout software program. Contact: Marty Williams, 703.910.6316 or [marty@fabrications.us](mailto:marty@fabrications.us).

## Former RHCA President Michelle Park Dies

Michelle Savine Park, age 85, passed away on October 29, 2009, at the Greenspring Retirement Community in Springfield, VA, in the company of her children. Michelle and Kenneth Park moved to 6221 Climbhill Road in 1953 where she remained until her move to Greenspring in 2001. Michelle, born in Paris, France, was a survivor of the Nazi occupation of France and was active in the French resistance movement. Following World War II, she met Kenneth Lothrop Park while he served in the US Army Air Corps at Orly Air Field in France. In 1947, she moved to the US to accept Kenneth's marriage proposal and began work as the secretary to the French Consul in Washington, DC. She was naturalized as an American citizen in 1952.

She taught French at Burgundy Farm Country Day School in Alexandria from 1970 to 1989. She was active as a leader of Girl Scout Troop 464, was a founding member of Hope United Church of Christ in Alexandria, and volunteered as the President of the Rose Hill Civic Association and Rose Hill Elementary PTA. She maintained a stubborn stance in several instances of her life such as when she was removed as a Rose Hill Precinct Republican Judge of Elections after publicly endorsing Democratic candidates and, whenever teased by her children about her French accent, she would refrain "when you speak French as well as I speak English, then you can criticize." She was an avid birder and recycler beginning in the 1950s. She campaigned against the introduction of non-biodegradable shopping bags and fought bulk mailing rates because they encouraged junk mail. She enjoyed volunteering and restoring books at the John Marshall Library.

She was preceded in death by husband Kenneth on November 11, 1977. She is survived by her brother Jean-Antoine Savine and sister-in-law Marie-Therese Six of Embrun, France; daughter Aline Park Brinckman and son-in-law Douglas Brinckman of Blacksburg, VA, and grandchildren Jason, Anne, Matthew, and Kenneth; daughter Christine Park Pryplesh and son-in-law David Pryplesh of Fairfax, VA, and grandchildren Catherine and Jonathon; and son Andrew Savine Park of New York, NY. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org), or to Susan G. Komen for the Cure, [www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org).

—Andrew Park

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# Rose Hill Community Calendar

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## Around Rose Hill

- ★ **Tuesday, November 24, 6:30pm.** Rose Hill Civic Association Meeting. John Marshall Library. Topics: Thanksgiving and Annual Charitable Support.
- ★ **Every Wednesday and Saturday.** BINGO! Franconia Volunteer Fire Dept. Early Bird, 7pm. Regular sessions, 8pm.

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## John Marshall Library

6209 Rose Hill Dr., 703.971.0010. Call ahead to register for events. Hours: M, T, W – 10am-8pm; Th, F – 10am-6pm; Sat – 10am-5pm.

- ★ **Ongoing Event.** Personalized Computer Training. Basics for beginners: Internet and Microsoft Word. Call for appointment. Adults.
- ★ **November 26 and 27.** Library closed.
- ★ **Fridays in December, 12pm.** Lunch Bunch. Bring your lunch and join us for stories. Birth-5 with adult.
- ★ **Saturday, December 5, 10:30am.** Blue Sky Puppets. Join us for family fun as "Rufus the Rednosed Raindog" comes to Santa's workshop. All ages.
- ★ **Tuesday, December 8, 10:30am.** Fun With Twos and Threes. Stories and activities. Age 2-3 with adult.
- ★ **Monday, December 14, 3:30pm.** Early Reader Book Discussion. Join us for early reader book activities. Please call for title. Ages 6-8 with adult.
- ★ **Tuesday, December 15, 7pm.** Mother-Daughter Book Group. Join us for a lively book discussion. Call for title. Age 9-11 with adult.
- ★ **Wednesday, December 16, 6:30pm.** Book Discussion Group. Call for title. Adults.
- ★ **Monday, December 21, 3:30-4:15pm.** Read to the Dog. Read aloud to a trained therapy dog. Call or sign up online for a 15-minute session. Age 6-12.
- ★ **Thursday, December 24, 1pm.** Library closes.
- ★ **Friday, December 25.** Library closed.
- ★ **Thursday, December 31, 5pm.** Library closes.
- ★ **Friday, January 1, 2010.** Library closed.
- ★ **Friday, January 8, 2010, 12pm.** Lunch Bunch. Bring a lunch and join us for stories. Birth-5 with adult.
- ★ **Saturday, January 9, 2010, 10:30am.** Animals in Winter. Join a naturalist from Hidden Pond Nature Center to learn about the animals in your neighborhood. Who's awake? Who's asleep? Presentation includes live animals. All ages.
- ★ **Monday, January 11, 2010, 3:30pm.** Early Reader Book Discussion. Join us for early reader book activities. Call for titles. Age 6-8 with adult.

- ★ **Tuesday, January 12, 2010, 10:30am.** Fun for Twos and Threes. Join us for stories and activities. Age 2-3 with adult.
- ★ **Monday, January 18, 2010.** Library closed.
- ★ **Tuesday, January 19, 2010, 7pm.** Mother-Daughter Book Group. Join us for a lively book discussion. Call for title. Age 9-11 with adult.
- ★ **Wednesday, January 20, 2010, 6:30pm.** Book Discussion Group. Call for title. Adults.
- ★ **Friday, January 22, 2010, 12pm.** Lunch Bunch. Bring a lunch and join us for stories. Birth-5 with adult.

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## Thomas Edison High School

5801 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310; Office – 703.924.8000; Fax – 703.924.8097



- ★ **Class of 2012 Honey Baked Ham Sale.** The Class of 2012 is sponsoring the Honey Baked Ham fundraiser for Christmas. The Edison prices are the same as the prices at the store, so please consider buying your product from us. Plus there is no line to wait in at Edison to pick up your product. Orders are due no later than Monday December 14. Payment is due no later than Wednesday December 16. Pick up is Tuesday December 22 from 2 to 7pm. Products and prices can be found at <http://www.fcps.edu/EdisonHS/updates/HBH%202009-2010%20Price%20List.pdf>. To order or if you have any questions, please email Mr. Kuesters at [PJKuesters@fcps.edu](mailto:PJKuesters@fcps.edu).
- ★ **2010 Yearbook.** There are two easy ways to order your 2010 Talon: via phone at 1.866.287.3096 (use order number 5211) or online at [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com) (use order number 5211).
- ★ **Interested in buying a Senior Ad?** Email Ms. Allie Weiss, yearbook adviser at [allie.weiss@fcps.edu](mailto:allie.weiss@fcps.edu). Please include your first and last name, your child's first and last name, and your child's grade.
- ★ **Mentoring at Edison.** The Edison High School Improvement Plan has implemented a school-wide mentoring program that identifies and pairs students with faculty members to engage in conversations and activities that promote academic and life achievement through a school-based mentoring program. Many of the selected students are part of the Focus 9th grade transition program; however, the mentees are very diverse and represent the various student groups at Edison High School. The mentees and mentors will meet at least twice each month to discuss academics and other areas of student interest. The faculty members volunteer their time and have committed to

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## Rose Hill Community Calendar, continued

serving as mentors for the entire school year. For more information about the mentoring program or the Focus 9th grade transitional program, please contact Mr. Henry Thompson or Ms. Jennifer L. Platt.

- ★ **All Night Grad Party 2010.** We need volunteers to help with the All Night Graduation Party--a party to congratulate seniors and to make sure they are safe the night of their graduation. For more information, go to <http://www.fcps.edu/EdisonHS/parentgroups/angp.htm>
- ★ **Concession Help Needed.** The Athletic Boosters is in need of a Concession Manager, Seasonal Sports Chairperson, and Concession Purchases Chairperson. Please contact Leon Ellison at [buckeye39@cox.net](mailto:buckeye39@cox.net) or Margi Lawrence at [margi.lawrence@att.net](mailto:margi.lawrence@att.net).

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### Mark Twain Middle School

4700 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, 22310;  
Office—703.313.3700, Fax—703.313.3797



- ★ **November 23, 8:30-11:30am.** Career Day 3-4:45pm. Turkey Trot (late bus transportation)
- ★ **November 24.** Honor Roll assemblies: 7th - 8:30am; 8th - 9:45am.
- ★ **November 25.** Team activity day; early dismissal
- ★ **November 26 and 27.** No school
- ★ **December 2.** Twain birthday celebration/cupcakes at lunch courtesy of PTA
- ★ **December 5.** TJ admissions test: students arrive at 8am and test begins promptly at 8:30am
- ★ **December 10, 6pm.** PTA meeting
- ★ **December 10, 11, and 12, 7:30pm.** Fall production/Twain's World
- ★ **December 16, 6pm.** CPP parent/student dinner
- ★ **December 17, 7pm.** Choir/orchestra concert
- ★ **December 18.** Interims distributed
- ★ **December 23.** Early dismissal
- ★ **December 24 through January 1.** Winter break
- ★ **January 4.** Students return

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### Rose Hill Elementary School

6301 Rose Hill Dr., 703.313.4200  
Fax: 703.313.4297



- ★ **November 23.** Picture make-up day; Key Club celebration, Library, 9am, Grade 6
- ★ **November 24.** Wear Your Favorite Sweatshirt Day; Key Club celebration, Library, 11:45am - Grade 4, 1:30pm - Grade 5
- ★ **November 25.** Early dismissal
- ★ **November 26 and 27.** No school
- ★ **December 2, 6-7:30pm.** Preschool Pot Luck in Cafeteria
- ★ **December 3, 7:30-8:30pm.** Thursday evening tutoring, Library
- ★ **December 4.** Red, White, and Blue Patriotism Day
- ★ **December 8, 7pm.** PTA meeting
- ★ **December 10, 7:30-8:30pm.** Thursday evening tutoring, Library
- ★ **December 16, 3:30-5pm.** GEMS, M4
- ★ **December 17, 9:45am-12pm.** 6th Grade field trip, Building Museum (Nichols, Shumann, & Van Kila)

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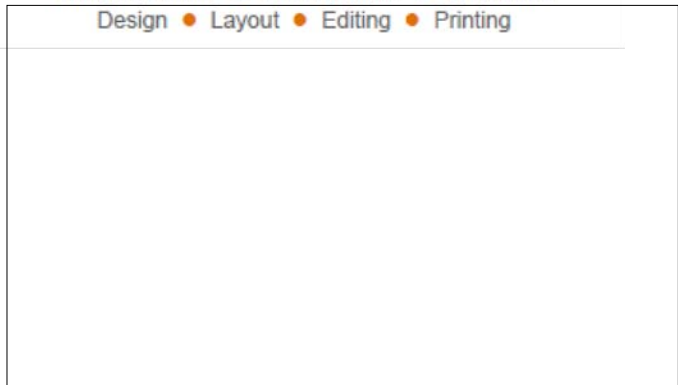
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# Rose Hill Business Directory

**Starting in January 2010, only those residents who are members of the Rose Hill Civic Association or provide services in kind will qualify for a free listing in the business directory. Membership dues are the source of funds for the printing of *The Rambler*. A membership form for 2010 is included in this issue.**

## **AUTO BODY**

**D All American Auto Body Inc.** Jose Denis, 703.440.5839. Located at 7643 Fullerton Rd., Springfield, VA 22153. Jose has lived in Rose Hill for 14 years, has local references, and with more than 30 years of experience, specializes in body repair, refinishing, painting with life time warranty, general mechanical work, and A/C & heating. Services include computer diagnostics, towing, and free estimates. Works with any insurance. 10% off on any repair over \$100.

## **CHILD CARE**

**Mama High's Pre-School and Day Care.** Children ages 3 weeks through 5 years old. Excellent preparation for those starting kindergarten. We talk with babies and toddlers in simple language. State Licensed, full- or part-time. 4613 Cottonwood Place, 703.971.0741.

**Llewellyn Family Daycare.** 14 years experience providing care for children of all ages. State Licensed, CPR- and First Aid-Certified. Accepting applications for full-time and part-time care. Before and after school care. Transportation provided for Rose Hill Elementary School. Hours of operation are Monday - Friday 6:30 am-6:30 pm. Weekend and evening care available upon request. Year-round preschool curriculum. Fun-filled days of learning and exploring. Every month a different theme. Daily activities include reading, arts and crafts, circle time, letters, numbers, colors, shapes, and outdoor play. Plenty of space for activities! Excellent references. Fairfax County Child Care Assistance Program accepted. To schedule an appointment, call Jessica at 703.765.1661.

## **DECK AND FENCE**

**B&B Deck & Fence, Inc.** Cliff James, Owner, 6412 May Boulevard, T-703.719.7015, F-703.922.3779.

## **DIGITAL DESIGN**

**DG Designs.** Web pages, registration, scanning services, hosting, and custom graphic art work. Ronald G. Dillon, 1.877.233.2224, 703.971.2125 or www.dgdesigns.com. Ron, Donna, and their daughters live on Winston Place.

## **ELECTRICIAN**

**Electrical Solutions.** 703.922.2040. Electrical service upgrades, whole house surge protection, troubleshooting, repairs, additions, & remodeling. Audio/video sales and professional installation (high definition TV calibration), and much, much more! Same day service, FREE phone estimates, Class "A" contractor, licensed (VA, MD, DC), bonded, insured. 24 hour emergency service. Your friendly neighborhood electrician for your home or office.

## **GRAPHIC DESIGN**

**Fabrications – graphics and designs, LLC.** Websites, invitations, flyers, announcements, menus, business cards, brochures, newsletters, mailers, books, proposals, journals, and all your editing, printing, paper, and digital needs. Marty Williams, Desktop Specialist, has more than 13 years experience and can be reached at 703.910.6316, or [marty@fabrications.us](mailto:marty@fabrications.us). She is the Editor of *The Rambler*.

## **HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING**

**Dove Heating and Air Conditioning.** We service and install heat pumps, air conditioners, furnaces, hot water heaters, and humidifiers. David and Linda Nichols, 703.971.8897. The Nichols have been in business for 24 years and have lived in Rose Hill for 34 years.

## **HOUSE CLEANING**

**Ingrid.** 703.362.5672. I've lived in the Rose Hill area for 13 years. I clean houses in the general area and also do move-outs.

## **INVITATIONS/PERSONALIZED STATIONERY**

**Sicks-Pack Productions.** Sara Sicks, 703.922.6299. Sara offers personalized stationery and invitations for every occasion—from weddings to birth announcements to parties—all at 10 to 20% less than what you would pay if you bought the same item at a stationery store. Come by to browse the selection with no obligation. Sara lives on Cottonwood Drive.

## **LAWN SERVICES**

**Fortney Lawn & Garden.** David and Jimmy Fortney, 703.960.8869. Although they live in Virginia Hills, the Fortneys work closely with RHCA to maintain the median landscaping on Rose Hill Drive.

**Dan's Lawn & Leaf Service.** Daniel P. Bishop, 703.719.7806. We guarantee fast, friendly, and affordable service. Located in the Rose Hill subdivision and serving its residents for 4 years.

**Independence Landscape and Lawn Care.** For all your landscape and lawn care needs please call Curt Greene at 703.967.7639. Our services range from mowing, lawn care, leaf removal, and snow removal to patios, landscape design, and construction. Using the latest most efficient methods and equipment gives us the advantage to effectively service our customers at a competitive price. Discounts offered to all Rose Hill residents. Check us out on the web at [www.independencelandscape.com](http://www.independencelandscape.com). Curt lives on Thornwood Drive.

**Freedom Landscaping.** Matt Downey, 571.218.288. Freedom Landscaping is proud to provide high quality landscaping and home needs at affordable prices. Ranging from mowing, trimming, weeding, and mulching, to power washing, leaf removal, trash removal, and everything in between. FREE ESTIMATES and discounts to Rose Hill residents. You Deserve Freedom!

## **PAINTING**

**Sherry and Cindy's Painting.** Sherry Matey, 703.921.9422. Exterior/interior, drywall repair, deck staining, pressure washing. Sherry has lived in Rose Hill for more than 20 years and has received well-deserved referrals from many residents [including your editor].

## **PET SITTING**

**Welcome Waggin' Professional Pet Sitting.** [www.welcomewaggin.com](http://www.welcomewaggin.com), 703.819.0809. Welcome Waggin' is a small company offering extremely personalized service. We do mid-day dog walking as well as pet sitting visits to the home for people who are away on business or vacation. Bonded, insured, and references available. Proud members

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## Business Directory, Continued

of the National Association of Professional Pet Sitters and The Northern Virginia Professional Pet Sitters Network. Janelle Welch lives on Sturbridge Place.

### PHOTOGRAPHY

**Tisara Photography.** Nina Tisara, 703.838.8098. Tisara Photography is a family business with a full-service studio in Old Town, Alexandria, since 1990. They specialize in portraits and special events. Nina lives on Hayfield Place.

### PIANO/KEYBOARD

**Chris McCay.** Chris McCay teaches piano/keyboard in your home. Special discount for Rose Hill residents is \$25 for a half hour lesson. Chris lives with his family on Willowood Lane, two doors down from where his wife, formerly Melissa Anderson, grew up. 571.237.5559.

### QUILTS

**Hand-Made Quilts.** Sally Dankers and her mother, Marjorie Parkyn, make quilts for sale. They are one of a kind and very beautiful. If interested, please call 703.971.8064 or email [oraclemarjorie@aol.com](mailto:oraclemarjorie@aol.com).

### REAL ESTATE

**Exit Metro Realty.** Angelique Vereen can be reached at 703.740.2260 (business) or 571.233.6395 (direct). Her office is located at 114 S. Pitt St., Alexandria 22314. She and her family have lived on Thornwood Dr. for many years. The Vereen house always sparkles with holiday lights!

**Re/Max Allegiance.** Karen Davidson, 703.927.4448. [www.homesdatabase.com/karendavidson](http://www.homesdatabase.com/karendavidson), [www.karen-davidson.com](http://www.karen-davidson.com), email: [kedavidson@aol.com](mailto:kedavidson@aol.com). Karen lives on Roundhill Road.

**Re/Max Metro 100.** Steve Dougherty, 703.971.3886 (home) or 642.3380 (office). Steve, his wife Holly, and their 6 children live on Roundhill Road.

### ROOFING

**Timothy's Roofing Company, Inc.** Timothy Jenkins, 703.820.6065. Timothy has installed several roofs in Rose Hill since moving to our neighborhood (Appletree Drive) in 2002. He has a Class A Contractors License and has been in business for 24 years. Free estimates.

### TREE SERVICE

**Arbor Experts.** Brad Campbell, 703.339.6451. Removal, trimming, pruning, etc. Brad lives on Roundhill Road and wants to serve his home neighborhood in Rose Hill. Local references available.

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