

Hello neighbors

We have several updates for you: on Halloween, Strawberry Run, and the Bradford Pear trees. We are sending these newsletters to at least one email address per household (as long as we have an email on file). However, if your household would like them sent to a second email address at your home, please let Susan Clark-Sestak, sclarksestak@icloud.com, know and she will add them to the distribution list. (Our limitation is that we cannot exceed 500 emails per transmission.)

And, a reminder: our neighborhood's first leaf collection is scheduled for 2 November.

First, on **Halloween**: So far, 12 homes have signed up for the house decorating competition and 7 homes on the pumpkin decorating. If you would like to join in either competition, here is the link (please paste it into your browser): <https://cutt.ly/SRCAhalloween>. If you have problems with the link, please provide your information to Kate Hennigan, kate@bertlesrealestate.com, and the events committee will complete the form for you.

As a preview, those homes that have already registered for house decorating are:

134 Sylvan Court	Kim
3970 Fort Worth Ave	Reynolds
620 Fort Williams Parkway	Finleys
3721 Fort Worth Ave	Hennigan
4105 N Garland St	Goodhart
813 Saint Stephens Road	Sutherland
3816 Colonel Ellis Ave	Gray
3570 Tupelo Place	Clark
4100 N Garland Street	Montgomery
1116 St Stephens Rd	Watkins
3805 Fort Worth Ave	Doucette
4008 Sharp Pl	Ridenhour

Those homes that have already registered for pumpkin carving are:

4120 Fort Worth Place	Sweet
620 Fort Williams Parkway	Finleys
3815 Fort Worth Avenue 22304	Parises
4105 N Garland St	Goodhart
3816 Colonel Ellis Ave	Gray
4100 N Garland Street	Montgomery
1116 St Stephens Rd	Watkins

We will send out a final list the morning of 30 October, along with a map showing the locations. We encourage everyone to view and vote for your favorite(s)

Also, if you would like to participate in the SSSAS Spectacular Spooky drive-through, here is the link to register (please paste it into your browser):

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgX_1IXcuS_r9mayfYo7ytzQ6OYiL3RB9uGhu8x8J1Zq6Dmq/vie/wform

Second, **Strawberry Run Stream Restoration Project Update Meeting**, as posted by the City:

The Department of Transportation & Environmental Services, Stormwater Management Division and the Department of Project Implementation will host a community outreach [meeting](#) on Wednesday, October 28, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., to provide an update on the Strawberry Run Stream Restoration project. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic emergency, the meeting is being held electronically ... unless a determination is made that it is safe enough to be held in person in the City Council Chamber at 301 King Street.

Please register to join. This event will be recorded.

Wednesday, October 28, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Registration link: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8qfJ2ILWQ7eiM0kXMVMY0A

Meeting ID: 963 8410 4859

Passcode: 527093

The meeting presentation is expected to be posted on the project web page in advance of the meeting at www.alexandriava.gov/118208. Public comments will be received at the meeting and can also be submitted using the [Strawberry Run Stream Restoration Project feedback form](#). The feedback form will remain open through Friday, November 20. For questions or additional information, please contact Brian Rahal at brian.rahala@alexandriava.gov, call 703.746.4057, or visit the [stream restoration web page](#). *To request a reasonable disability accommodation, email geralyn.taylor@alexandriava.gov or call 703.746.4084, Virginia relay 711.*

Third, on the **Bradford Pear tree** issue, the city has informed us, in reply to the SRCA letter regarding removal of the Bradfords, that no action will be taken until the city arborist meets with the SRCA board at its next meeting, 5 November, having considered our letter's input. We intend to also work toward a neighborhood discussion with the City following the Board meeting.

SRCA Board:

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