**COMMUNITY WEB SITE UPDATE**

Our Community Web site was launched in late 2012 and can be accessed at [http://windingridgehoa.com](http://windingridgehoa.com). The site includes regular updates on trash pickup and other services; a directory of Board Members; previous newsletters; and a directory of Community documents, such as the Architectural Change Application.

To save limited Community funds for important infrastructure and maintenance projects, future newsletters, announcements, and general communications from the Board will appear on the Web site—so be sure to check it regularly! You can subscribe to updates by clicking on the “Follow” button at the lower right hand side of the page. You can also contact the Board or Summit Management Services through the site.

Don’t have Web access? Fairfax County’s Public Library branch here in Centreville at 14200 St. Germain Dr. has free Internet access through its sixteen computer workstations. Don’t worry, though! We’ll still reach out to Community members to alert you to important events and dates, but the most up-to-date information will always be posted to our Web site.

**2013 BOARD MEETINGS**

Dates and times for the 2013 Board of Directors meetings have been set! All meetings will take place in the library at Centreville Elementary School, located at 14330 Green Trails Blvd. (see map below), and will begin promptly at 7:30 PM.

The first meeting for this year was on January 15; future meeting dates will be April 23, July 16, October 22, and December 3.

As always, we encourage the active participation of all Community members—Winding Ridge is your community and will function best with your active involvement!

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**HEY, MARIO ANDRETTI... SLOW DOWN, PLEASE!**

Please remember that the posted speed limit for Winding Ridge Lane is **10 MPH**. For the safety of your neighbors and children in the vicinity, please adhere to the limit! Speeding is especially dangerous early in the morning and during twilight hours when visibility is at its worst, so please drive carefully!

If you see other Community members racing down the road, consider asking them to slow down and save a life—it just might end up being their own!

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**COMMUNITY RESOURCES**

Summit Management Services: [www.summitmanage.com](http://www.summitmanage.com) • Tel. 703-945-1428 • 8405A Richmond Highway, Alexandria VA 22309

AAA Recycling and Trash Removal: [www.aaatransh.com](http://www.aaatransh.com) • Tel. 703-818-8222
**TRASH AND RECYCLING**

Trash and recycling are normally collected twice every week in our Community: Tuesday mornings for trash and recycling, and Friday morning for trash only. “Yard waste,” consisting of grass trimmings, leaves, small branches (no larger than six inches in diameter and four feet in length) is typically collected on Wednesdays.

Collection when holidays fall on Tuesdays typically will shift to Friday morning; call AAA Trash at 703-818-8222 or check our Community Web site to make sure.

Christmas tree collection dates vary by year; you can always find the most up-to-date information on AAA’s Web site: [www.aaatrash.com](http://www.aaatrash.com), or check our community Web site, [www.windingridgehoa.com](http://www.windingridgehoa.com); or call Summit Management at 703-945-1428.

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

Keeping our Community clean and tidy is important both to maintain a congenial and engaging public space and to limit the spread of vermin and the diseases they carry. To this end, the Community’s Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (“Declaration”) sets forth commonsense regulations regarding the disposition and collection of waste and recyclable materials within the Community.

A copy of the Declaration is available on the Community’s Web site in the “HOA Documents” section and can also be obtained from Summit Management.

Review and enforcement of Community standards regarding garbage and recycling has been limited during recent years. The Board is determined that regulations will be enforced in 2013; homeowners who fail to abide by them will be contacted for correction, and repeated failure to correct infractions will result in further action by the Board, Summit Management, and/or other appropriate agencies.

Article IV, Section 2, Paragraph K of the Declaration states that “No garbage or trash shall be placed or kept on any property within Winding Ridge except in covered containers… approved by the Architectural Committee. In no event shall such containers be maintained as to be Visible from Neighboring Property except to make the same available for collection and then, only the shortest time reasonably necessary to effect such collection. … All rubbish, trash, [and] garbage shall be removed from the Lots and shall not be allowed to accumulate thereon.”

**ARCHITECTURAL GUIDELINES**

At the time of writing, Spring is just around the corner here in Northern Virginia. With the change in season comes the desire to spruce up, repair, and replace what’s old and worn out.

The Architectural Control Committee (acc) is undertaking a significant project in 2013 to collect, review, revise, update, and make all of the Community’s architectural standards—including paint colors and selections—current and available to all Community members. Once complete, this document will be available on the Community Web site and from Summit Management (a fee may be charged for printed copies).

The acc hopes to have a common paint guide, complete with color names from the local Sherwin-Williams, available in late February or early March 2013. The guide will also be available online and from Summit Management.
PARKING AND PUBLIC SAFETY

As any resident of a congested city could tell you, parking is always a problem. Even in a quiet suburban neighborhood like our Community, there never seem to be enough spaces to meet everyone’s needs—whether it’s a graduation party or just a family with a lot of drivers, there are just not enough spaces for everyone.

While it certainly is frustrating not to be able to fit everyone’s vehicles in our limited space, Winding Ridge is not in a position to be able to open up new parking spaces.

With Winter weather still around, it is important for all residents and homeowners to keep the Community’s parking regulations in mind. Regulations are available on the Community Web site or from Summit Management.

1. There are a limited number of visitor spaces in the Community. Residents with more than two vehicles should not park their additional vehicles in visitor spaces.

2. Visitor spaces are not to be used for long-term vehicular storage, regardless of who owns the vehicle.

3. Parking on lawns is prohibited. This includes parking “partially” on the lawn, such as angled parking at the end of a driveway.

4. Vehicles are prohibited from being parked in such a way that the sidewalk is obstructed and an average adult would have to step into the street to pass behind them.

5. Vehicles are prohibited from parking with any portion hanging over the curb into the street, such as illustrated on this page.

6. Vehicles outside of those of a temporary delivery or service provision nature are prohibited from parking on the street at any time of the day or night.

7. Commercial vehicles, trucks over one (1) ton, trailers, boats, and trailers are prohibited in any parking space.

Please consider the impact your parking choices will have on others in our community and the general public.

The convenience of parking in a manner that violates the Community guidelines presents real threats to public safety—particularly when visibility is poor or streets and sidewalks may be slippery. Ask yourself, before you park in an unsafe manner, whether the convenience of doing so is worth the potential injury of passersby or damage to your property from an accident.

The Board will be reviewing and exploring its options and obligations to ensure personal safety within the Community in the early months of 2013. Your feedback on this topic is welcome either via our Web site or through Summit Management at 703-945-1428.

Don’t let this happen here—park considerately!
BE A CHAMP—SCOOP THE POOP

Who doesn’t love a dog? The family Fido, “Man’s Best Friend,” from the smallest teacup terrier to the greatest of Danes, dogs are an integral part of American society.

Unless you are one of the lucky few to have a canine breed that can be trained to use a litter pan like a cat, one unavoidable part of owning a dog is taking him out to “use the facilities.”

Dog feces are a bit like land mines—invisible until you are too close to do anything to avoid stepping into disaster. Unlike most land mines, however, dog waste disasters can be avoided—by a simple expression of common courtesy and the use of an appropriate disposal container. Widely available at pet supercenters, grocery stores, and big-box retailers like Target, pet waste bags are inexpensive and sanitary ways of keeping community spaces clean and inviting.

Unfortunately, while most pet owners in our Community do an exemplary job at keeping fido’s leavings off the shoes of others, the Board has recently seen an uptick in complaints about the presence of dog waste in public areas and on homeowner lawns. If you own a dog, please make sure to carry (and use!) pet waste containers when you walk him or her in the neighborhood. The presence of piles of poo is unsettling to residents and visitors alike; and sends a message to prospective new neighbors that the Community is unclean and uncaring about animal waste. They are also violations of Fairfax County law, Section 41.1-2-6, which is available online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/consumer/codes.htm, and will be treated accordingly.

YOUR COMMUNITY BOARD

Members of the Winding Ridge Homeowners Association Board for 2013:

President: Denise Smith
Vice President: Jerry Noble
Treasurer: Jeff Adams
Secretary: David Bartlett
Member-at-Large: David O’Donnell

Have a question or concern about the Community? You can contact the Board directly by sending an e-mail message to windingridgehoa@gmail.com.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Architectural Control Committee (acc) is looking for a new member representative from the 13000 block of Winding Ridge Lane. If you are civically-minded, conscientious, and want to contribute to the Community in a positive fashion, please consider joining the ACC! We will be undertaking our annual Community Inspection in late Spring (tentatively scheduled for late April) and want to ensure involvement by members from both blocks of Winding Ridge.

If you are interested in joining the ACC, please send an e-mail to that effect to windingridgehoa@gmail.com; be sure to include a telephone number and the best time to reach you. You can also indicate your interest by telephoning Katie Kight, Community Manager, Summit Management company, at 703-945-1428.

STREET RESURFACING PROJECT

The roadway surface of Winding Ridge Lane has passed its reasonable lifespan and it is time to have the road reworked. This project will require a great deal of planning and funds to complete. The Board is confident that our Community reserves are sufficient to meet the requirements and will be soliciting bids from contractors in Spring.

Asphalt paving is easier (and less expensive) to install when the ambient temperature is high; as of publication, the Board anticipates executing the replacement paving in late July. The process is expected to require two days to complete.

RESIDENTS WILL BE UNABLE TO PARK IN THE COMMUNITY DURING SURFACE REPLACEMENT.

The Board is investigating options for parking during the project and will make further announcements as soon as possible.