



Red Spotted Newt – Photo P. Firth

Summer afternoon - summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.

- Henry James

TYSONS WOODS TYLINE

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News and Information for Tysons Woods

Editor's Corner

Teaming with life. I've worked three more terraces into the recalcitrant red clay of our shady eastern yard. My wildflower garden, "fern gully" is bursting with diversity. The ferns have all unfurled and the wildflowers are blossoming in enchanting waves. Who knows what butterflies and friendly pollinators may find a home there?

NOTES from the PREZ:

A Big Thank You to Bob Van Heest, our Vice President of the Board, for coordinating the Yard Sale this spring. It was another successful event and another beautiful spring day for the event.

Any new neighbors? I would like to welcome any new neighbors that moved recently to Tysons Woods. We hope you are enjoying the neighborhood, and I urge you to take the opportunity to join our neighborhood activities. Please drop me a note so we know who you are and can get you into our neighborhood database for the next directory. We would like to get the current Directory into your hands so you can get to know your neighbors, and also have this handy reference for local resources.

Interested in serving on the Board? We continue to look for one additional board member to serve our community. We would like to have someone from the north side of Electric. If anyone living on Electric Avenue, Litwalton, Chestertown (north of Electric), or Connirae is interested in serving on the Board, please call me at (703) 573-4780. It is neither time consuming nor hard work, but it is important work. Please consider volunteering.

Good news –The Fairfax County Park Authority finished repaving the access path to the W&OD Bike Trail at the end of Malraux Drive. See enclosed article for more details.

Summer Social!—Don't miss it on June 6th. Our last activities before summer break. Please mark this date on your calendar.

We continue our request to have residents give us their email address(es) so we can do more timely contacting. The email addresses are held in strict confidence and are not given out to any other resident or any group. Just email your address to me at Randy@GBBVA.com.
YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A MEMBER OF THE TYSONS WOODS CIVIC ASSOCIATION TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS. ALL ARE WELCOME!

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QUARTER-PAGE AD: \$5. SEE ANNOUNCEMENT INSIDE.



SATURDAY SATURDAY June 6 June 6

Tyson's Woods Summer Social

SATURDAY June 6, 2009 - 4:00 -7:00 p.m.

Just bring your favorite side dish and a comfortable outdoor chair. TWCA will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, soft drinks, water, and paper goods. We are also planning LIVE ENTERTAINMENT and a *MOON BOUNCE*

You do NOT want to miss our Summer Social this year. We are having it at the cul-de-sac on Litwalton. There will be Face Painting and Animal Balloon Art that both kids and adults will enjoy plus a moon bounce for the kids only (Sorry adults!). So please plan to attend this event... your kids will thank you for it. It starts at 4PM and ends at 7PM, **PLACE IT ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!**

Needed: folding tables, portable BBQ units, gas or charcoal, portable canopies

If you can loan yours, contact Godwin Agbara or Stephanie Heffernan (phone numbers below) THANKS!

Cameras are always fun, and friendly leashed pets are welcome. Help with the planning, cooking, or cleanup: contact: Godwin Agbara 703-573-7940 or Stephanie Heffernan at (240) 432-6820

Rain Date: Sunday, June 7

2009 TWCA Membership Dues:

Each year, Tyson's Woods Civic Association sponsors a variety of events to help draw our neighborhood a little closer together. To fund these events, we request a \$20 voluntary dues payment. Last year, your dues funded:

Summer Social (Including a moon bounce and entertainment)

Neighborhood Yard Sale

Adult Winter Event

Children's Halloween Parade & Party

Tyline Newsletter

Donations to Marshall High School and the Dunn Loring Fire Department

Please send checks for 2009 membership in the amount of \$20.00 payable to:

"TWCA" PO Box 267, Dunn Loring, VA 22027

An envelope has been included in this edition of the Ty-line for ease of payment. Or you can drop it off with our treasurer, Lisa Kazden who lives at 2232 Richelieu Drive, OR bring your check to the Summer Social on June 6th..

Thanks!



The new paved entrance that connects Tyson's Woods to the W&OD trail opened earlier this month.

Great thanks are due to a resident who cares deeply about the safety of our neighborhood and the aesthetic beauty of our neighboring parklands. This resident --- who wished to remain anonymous --- spent a great deal of time and effort working with the County to ensure that this project was completed.

Thank you from all of us!



House Beautiful

As of May 15, 2009

Information provided by: Karen Hogan
Weichert Realtors (703) 609-4680

8534 ELECTRIC AVE, VIENNA, VA 22182 List Price: \$529,900. Detached Colonial. 1972. 4 BR:: 3 FB; 1 HB; 3 Levels; 2 Fpls 2 Gar/Carpt/Assign; Full Basement. Fully Finished, Rear Entrance; Heat Pump(s), Electric

2222 MALRAUX DR, VIENNA, VA 22182. Status: WITHDRN. List Price: \$2,600 Detached Split Foyer. 1974. 4 BR; 3 FB; 2 Levels; 1 Fpls; #Gar/Carpt/Assign: 2; Fully furnished basement Forced Air, Natural Gas heat

8708 LITWALTON CT, VIENNA, VA 22182. Status: CONTRACT. List Price: \$569,000. Detached Contemporary. 1972 4 BR; 2 FB; 1 HB; 2 Levels; 2 Fpls; #Gar/Carpt/Assign: 2 Int Sqft: 2268 Basement Type: Heat Pump(s), Electric, Nat Gas Avail Close Date: 30-Jun-2009

8526 MINERVA CT, VIENNA, VA 22182. Status: ACTIVE. List Price: \$2,600 Detached Split Foyer. 1974. 4 BR; 3 FB; 2 Levels; 1 Fpls; #Gar/Carpt/Assign: 2. Basement Type: Fully Finished Heat: Forced Air, Natural Gas market.

What's Cooking?



Bread Penny Firth

Prove the yeast:
Mix 1 pkg yeast + 1 t sugar + 1 c warm water
Watch for bubbling after 5-10 minutes.

When the yeast has proved itself worthy, in a very big bowl combine:
4 T olive oil
4 t salt
4 c liquid total (including the yeast mixture plus 3 c warm water or milk)
4 c bread flour (part whole wheat flour is OK)
Optional: I like to add a half cup of wheat germ at this point for the nutrients. It does not affect the flavor.

Mix briefly and let it set for about 10 minutes while you finish your breakfast or stretch your smile muscles.

Mix in another few cups of flour, then turn out onto a pile of flour on the counter and gently work the flour into the sticky dough. Gradually add more flour while kneading until the dough is silky smooth and no longer sticky. Takes ~10 minutes. Total amount of flour depends on the moisture content of the flour you are using. ~8-10 cups would be in the right range.

Grease the bowl with olive oil, turn the loaf in the oil to coat the top and let rise ~1.5 hours while you putter around the garden. Knead down and repeat the rise while you write a letter to a dear one.

Make into loaves or rolls, save a hunk for pizza tomorrow. Let rise 1.5 hours or a little less. Preheat oven to 425 F. Bake until rich brown and sounds hollow when tapped. Remove from pans and pop back into turned-off but still hot oven to crisp up the outsides. Cool on a rack. Serve with plenty of affection.

This makes a lot of bread but it freezes and gives away well. I'm here if you have a question.

THE INCREDIBLE YARD SALE

By Mary Foltz

Helped by the first gorgeous day of spring, the 2009 TWCA Yard Sale had a big turnout. **Best financial planner:** 5 ½ year old Julia Hurst on Electric sold stuffed toys with a purpose...finance a pair of ice skates - go Julia! **Newest Street Musicians:** Samantha Van Heest and Nozomu Honda serenaded shoppers with their violins on Chestertown - nice ambiance! **Hottest hotspot:** The kids swarmed down Chestertown to the Tynch's, not just for the fresh popcorn and see-saw Joey set up, but to ask the burning question of the day: "are the puppies here yet?" Heather: "We needed a puppy fix...so we're taking in a litter of foster puppies, 8 fox hounds, born prematurely. We'll keep them until they are old enough for adoption. Since they'll be kept in the kitchen...guess we'll be eating out a lot." **First to sell out:** Nidia Haberlie said she and Doug were almost entirely sold out by 10AM except for the freezer; office furniture and bookcases went fast. **Hardest bargainer:** mild mannered Margie McClure... got her target price for a framed nature scene - free! **Hottest selling item:** one buyer filled his pickup truck with every bicycle he could buy in the neighborhood, particularly kid's bikes. He fixes them up and resells them. **Surprise history:** a shopper spotted a small rug Howard Nickell was selling, and explained that it was a Persian prayer rug. Howard: "it was my mother's, a teacher. One of her students must have given it to her as a gift... I had it all this time and never knew what it was." **Neighbor talent discovery:** Carole Heller sold a chair to Marja Nekimken and was delighted to learn that Marja teaches piano lessons... what a great resource right in our neighborhood! **Instant benefit:** the Foltz's bought lovely dessert glasses from the Nickells and ate a yummy chocolate mousse out of them that same night. Jim and Ginny McCowan noted an interest in antiques, particularly ink pens and inkwells. An antique dealer wanted to see more but Ginny declined his offer to come inside ... "No thanks, we're still living here!" (Check out Jim and Ginny's gorgeous canna lilies on the northwest corner of Electric and Chestertown.) Thanks to everyone who participated! A good time was had by all, and Ron Levy summed up the day perfectly: "Buy High, Sell Low!"

LOCALEATS

By Stephanie Heffernan

Church Street Pizza

Authentic and delicious New York Style pizza can be found in Vienna at Church Street Pizza.

Their pizza is perfection – big slices with just the right amount of cheese and tomato. The dough is hand thrown, the crust is perfectly crunchy, and each bite has a bit of sweetness to it. They offer all the topping options you could want. They also serve fresh salads that are the perfect start to a meal.

Church Street Pizza does not deliver but they do offer ample parking. You can also buy pizza by the slice. Place an order this weekend and make Church Street your go-to pizza joint.

115 Church Street (703) 938-1155

Safekeeping

By Grace Firth

In *Living the Natural Life*. 1974.



"A very poor man who nevertheless walked with great elegance told us, "Every process has its law." We were giving him a lift into town when the significance of his wilderness philosophy struck us and we questioned him. The lone man, a bachelor, had made a batch of bread that morning, and had set the dough to rise, when he remembered that it was his sister's birthday. Bundling the dough, he put it under his overcoat and was hoofing down the road when we picked him up. With a good natured laugh he brought forth his fragrant dough and rode with it on his lap. "This lump contains the great secret of the world," he told us, patting the pale bread dough. "It's hidden. Earthly bread or call it bread of heaven; the process of the risen bread is bound by law."

I would have liked to talk with the man longer but he tucked his dough beneath his coat and swung out of the car at a stop light. Thanking us, he said he'd step over to his sister's, that she enjoyed fresh-baked bread, that she was blind, and he didn't have anything else to give her. The man's words tumbled into the car, then the door slammed and he was gone.

Baking bread in the home is gladness itself; all the senses worship: sight, smell, taste, touch, the sixth sense of love; only the sense of hearing is not involved, but if you listen to the groans of pleasuring eaters, homemade bread becomes audible."

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Advertising is available for any TWCA resident who owns a business and would like to advertise in our Tyline. Ads are on a space-available basis and are limited to 4 x 3 inches (quarter page). Ads cost \$5 per ad per issue or \$15.00 for the year (4 issues), paid prior to the publication date. Email your ad to Penny Firth with a copy to Randy Foltz. Payments (check made payable to "TWCA") must be sent or given to our treasurer Lisa Kazden (contact information on front page of TyLine).

The *Community Bulletin Board* in the Tyline is available for announcements of interest to the community (e.g. new baby, want to form a club, have an item for sale, etc.) Send it to Penny Firth with a copy to Randy Foltz. Limit is 100 words. No charge. Board reserves the right to review each announcement and accept or reject the request.



When you get to where you're goin', the first thing to do is take care of the horse you rode in on.

Texas Bix Bender

'Don't Squat with yer Spurs On!'