

North Cravens Community Group

NCCG Newsletter

neighbors building neighborhoods

(VFNA) Christmas and Charity Projects

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Last year some of the North Cravens neighbors joined forces with surrounding neighborhoods to participate in a season charity project. We welcome the opportunity to again support the efforts of the Villages of Fairfield Neighborhood Association.

This year the VFNA Christmas and Charity Project is going to support the [Arlington Animal Shelter](#) and **Arlington Night Shelter**. Lists are provided for both organizations. Please be sure to read the specific instructions regarding those items needed by the Arling-



ton Night Shelter and the Arlington Animal Shelter.

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NCCG Social Media

[NorthCravens.com](#)

[Facebook](#)

[Nixle](#)

[Arlington YouTube](#)

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What is The North Cravens Community Group?

The North Cravens Community Group has been serving the neighborhood north of Cravens Park over the past few years.. Our organization is not a homeowners group, but, rather a group of neighbors dedicated to a

safe, clean and desirable neighborhood. We do not require that you belong to any particular affiliation or possess any previous memberships to join our organization. We do ask that you support our organization

through regular participation in activities and the community watch.

Please make sure you are on the [e-mailing list](#) and ask your neighbors to participate..

Christmas and Charity Projects *continued*



Arlington Night Shelter (new items preferred)

- Bath Towels
- Blankets
- Coats - men, women and children
- Colognes and Perfumes for men and women - must be unopened and new.
- Cough Drops
- Disinfectant Spray (such as Lysol)
- Disinfecting Wipes (Clorox type wipes)

- Gloves - men, women and children
- Hand sanitizer
- Hats
- Scarves
- Socks - men, women and children
- Tissues (Kleenex type - either boxes or pocket-size)
- Underwear - men, women and children - must be new

- Vicks Vapor Rub
- Wash Cloths

Arlington Animal Shelter

- Blankets
- Food - any brand or size bags or cans
- Newspapers
- Toys

[Print list](#)

[Email for drop off locations](#)

817.999.9776

Life Work Balance

*"Do not fear going forward slowly; fear only to stand still."
Chinese Proverb*

5 Tips to Kick Your Time Wasting Habits.....

It seems like the world is running at such an accelerated speed that we barely have any time to catch our breath. We

start the day running out the door at full tilt; only keep going until we crash into bed from exhaustion. Then we get up and do it all over again day after day. The weekends don't seem to offer much relief either, because we have soccer

practice, ballet recitals and business social events. While most of us would consider ourselves effective time managers, few of us actually are.

[Read more...](#)

How do I



15 Home Repairs for \$15

Keeping your home in tip-top condition doesn't have to mean taking on big, expensive projects. Here are 15 repairs that can be accomplished for less than \$15. Despite relatively small investments of time and money, each of these repairs helps make your home more comfortable, attractive and cost efficient....

[Here are some suggestions](#)

The NCCG Mission Statement

The mission is to preserve the Neighborhood Character

•**Goal:** Encourage property maintenance and reinvestment in the neighborhood. In addition to maintenance of structures themselves, it is also important to maintain those aspects of the properties that contribute to the overall atmosphere of the neighborhood, primarily the lawns, shrubs, trees, fences, mailboxes

and any outbuildings on the properties. For these reasons, the neighborhood would like to focus on the following recommendations in hopes of encouraging residents to comply with City codes for the benefit of the entire neighborhood:

Sense of Community

•**Goal:** To preserve the quality of life offered to neighborhood residents and to promote a sense of

pride in the community.

Safety and Crime Prevention

•**Goal:** To increase safety in the neighborhood.

Neighborhood Traffic and Transportation

•**Goal:** To ensure that neighborhood traffic does not adversely affect the quality of life in the neighborhood.



The NCCG Website

The website

www.NorthCravens.com is designed to be a source of information and links to information. Including

- Code enforcement
- School information
- Graffiti removal
- Animal control
- And many more useful links

It also includes contact info for our City Council and The Police Officers that patrol our area. Please feel free to make suggestions for the website.

The “our phone pole” section is designed for notices, lost pets etc.

Please consider joining our social media pages

- [Facebook](#)
- [Twitter](#)

And don't forget Arlington's [YouTube Page](#)

"Until you commit your goals to paper, you have intentions that are seeds without soil."

Author Unknown

Other Notables Events



National Night Out was a success

Our National Night Out on Oct. 4th was a great success. We had more than 80 neighbors participate ,enjoying pizza and visiting with representatives from the Fire Department, Police Department and other city officials. We want to thank our sponsors who donated over \$700 worth of door prizes. [Visit sponsors](#)



Arlington's Southeast Branch Library Closing for Repairs

Beginning on Nov. 28 Southeast Branch at 1000 S.E. Green Oaks Blvd. will close for repairs. re-opening is scheduled for February 2012 [more info](#)

HOME SAFETY

- Make your home appear occupied even when you are not there.
- Put timers on televisions, radios, and lights. Have them in different rooms and have them on at different times.
- Have a friend or neighbor pick up your mail and paper so it appears you are still home.
- After opening gifts do not advertise what you just received. Break down boxes, turn them inside out, and dispose of them.
- Do not display your Christmas tree and presents in front of a window where they can be seen by people passing by.
- Do not share your holiday travel plans through digital media such as Facebook and other similar sites.
- Make sure to always keep your doors and windows locked. Check them daily.
- The holidays are a good time to update, or create, your home inventory. Make a list of all your valuables and record their serial numbers. If it is an item with no serial number take a close up photo.

SHOPPING SAFETY

- Always park in well lit areas.
- Shop with family or friends. There is safety in numbers.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Walk with a purpose and with your head up so you can observe any possible threats.
- Have your car keys in hand so that you can quickly and easily enter your vehicle.
- Ask the store for an escort, to your vehicle, if you feel unsafe .
- Store packages in the trunk of your vehicle.
- Make sure children know that if they get separated from a parent to go to a Police Officer, Security Guard or store employee for help.
- Only carry one or two credit cards and a limited amount of cash with you.
- Carry a purse close to your body, under your arm, and keep a wallet in the front pants pocket.



Contact Your City

Stay Involved.....

For more Crime Prevention Tips visit the Arlington Police Departments web site at arlingtonpd.org.

