

# LBCA Fall Membership Meeting

## Sunday, Sept 28th 4-6pm at the Pool

Loch Braemar Community Association Fall Membership Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 4-6PM at the pool. In case of rain, we will meet at the Chesterfield Church of Christ on Providence Road. We will be electing officers for the coming year and planning activities. Please support our neighborhood by attending. If you are unable to attend, please use the proxy below to include your vote.

Proxy  
General Membership Meeting  
September 28, 2003 @ 4PM

## Proposed Loch Braemar Board of Directors 2003-2004

**Slate of Officers:**  
**Heather Moore, President**  
**Vacant, Vice President**  
**Carol Elliot, Secretary**  
**Kurt Woolley, Treasurer**

I/We the undersigned, do hereby appoint \_\_\_\_\_  
As proxy to vote my/our share as may be required to conduct business as brought before the Loch Braemar  
Community Association at the September 28, 2003 General Membership Meeting. This proxy will terminate at the  
conclusion of the aforementioned meeting.

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Voting members are those residents of Loch Braemar who have paid their common interest fees and pool membership for that year. If you fit that description and will not be attending the meeting, please use the proxy in this newsletter and give it to a voting member who is attending. If you don't know someone who is attending, return this completed form to Leslie Moore, 9700 Buteshire Rd. 745-0043.

# Loch Braemar Community Association

P.O. Box 36138, Richmond, Virginia 23235

# NEWSLETTER

## September 2003

## From the Vice President's Desk

My name is Heather Moore and I have served as Vice President of LBCA for the past year. The reason I am writing this is to extend a thank you to all of the volunteers and board members who have helped in our community and especially those who have helped me personally. When my husband and I moved here I was eager to meet people and participate in neighborhood social activities: I quickly realized that because everyone led such active lives, I would need to reach out to meet people on my own. I figured a good place to start would be at a board meeting and boy was it ever-I was elected Vice President at my first meeting!

Let me tell you-I was nervous. Not only did I know nothing about Loch Braemar but I also knew nothing about my new responsibilities. The beauty of this role was how incredibly helpful the present and past board members were in helping guide me down this path. Everyone has been patient and gone out of their way to make me feel comfortable and catch me up to speed. Not only have I made some wonderful friends but I also feel as though I have made some significant contributions to our neighborhood.

My thought is to reach out to those of you considering volunteering some of your time but may be nervous about not knowing people, time commitment or not knowing what to do or how to do it. Trust me-I was the same way and I have found that others will guide you, time commitment is minimal and it is easy and fun to meet people!

So please, if you have considered volunteering but have some questions, call me at 276-1466 so that I can explain how it works. As a member of the board, I can tell you that we have come up with some unique ideas for the upcoming months that will include adults, children and families but we need a little help to give birth to our ideas. Please consider giving me a ring to see how you can become involved and remember--I promise that your spare time will not be absorbed doing these things--I personally work over 55 hours per week and can not afford an exorbitant amount of time myself!

I would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time this past year and especially to all of our new volunteers for taking that extra step to participate! I look forward to hearing from anyone and everyone! Thank you for your time!

Sincerely, Heather Moore



## Loch Braemar Chili Fest

**Spice up your life** on Saturday, October 18, and join us from 7-11 p.m. for the “first annual” Loch Braemar Chili Fest (at LB tennis courts). After sampling the chili prepared by not-so-famous area chefs (neighbors), you can enjoy dancing under the lights to the music of the Down and Out Band – featuring neighbor Paul Albus and fellow band members. (See their website at [www.downnoutband.com](http://www.downnoutband.com))! Rain date will be the following Saturday, October 25.



Beverages, hotdogs, hamburgers and fixins will also be available. Pre-sale tickets including beer cost \$15, without beer cost \$10. We need to sell most tickets by October 11 in order to ensure that we can cover expenses. Some tickets will be available at the door (\$15 without beer; \$20 with beer). The first six “chefs” to sign up will receive a free ticket to this great event!

For information, to sign up as a chef, or to purchase tickets, contact:  
Leslie Moore @ 745-0043; Patty Pendleton @ 674-4905; or Heather Moore @276-1466.

### Telemarketing Scam

There is a deception underway by telemarketers to by-pass the government’s “Do Not Call” rules. An article in the 8/22/03 edition of the Richmond Times Dispatch stated that telemarketers have found one way around the limitations of the Do Not Call list.

They send in the mail an offer of something for free, I.E. 12 pack of Coca Cola. You return the card and they send you a voucher for the Coke. But in the fine print on the card that you returned is a statement saying that by returning this card you are authorizing this company to allow it's sponsors and co-sponsors to call you.

This is expected to spread to other offers in the mail on things one is interested in like investing, insurance, home repair, etc. So now we have to read the fine print on anything you are looking to respond to.

FYI

Rowe Stinnette

## Neighbor—to—Neighbor

### Neighborhood Bible Study Group for Women

Neighborhood women are invited to attend the Bible Study group that meets every Wednesday at 10am, and alternates meeting at either Sally Tan’s or Fay Sirk’s home. The group is currently working on the Book of Mark. If you’re interested in attending, please call Sally at 675-2801, or Fay at 675-0066.

### Web Site, [www.lochbraemar.com](http://www.lochbraemar.com)

Our neighbor on Falkirk, Rowe Stinnette, made several suggestions to improve the usefulness of the web site to Loch Braemar residents. I will incorporate as many as possible, and would like to ask all the neighbors to contribute your thoughts or opinions so that it truly is a neighborhood site.



I have thought of one thing that would be very helpful to Loch Braemar residents, a list of contractors that residents have used and are happy with. One of the things that makes it tough to keep up my house is finding good contractors. I could see residents looking through a list of type of contractors, name, date of service, residents comments, and resident to call to discuss the contractor.

The contractor cannot be listed unless a Loch Braemar resident has used, endorses, and is willing to discuss the contractor with other residents. Contractors that residents have used and were not happy with do not get listed (avoid deformation of character).

It would be helpful if there was a page listing phone, door-to-door solicitations and charity scams. As new ones appear in the news or someone runs up on one, it gets listed in the LBCA web page to inform neighbors. A list showing the newest scam first and date reported for publishing in web page.

How about a home and garden tip page with new questions and solutions by LBCA neighbors only, listed each month (get neighbor's to revisit the LBCA web site frequently). By being only LB residents it would help promote neighbor knowing neighbor.

Also there could be a neighborhood security page, listing the scams I mentioned earlier, as well as "Be on the look out for ...." lost pet, suspicious car or activity, etc. noted by other neighbors. As well as security tips and the newest security gadgets. ( I could be your gadget guru as I like new gadgets, drives my wife crazy - "No more remotes!" :-)

Rowe’s ideas are great, and I plan to work on incorporating them into the site with my next update. Please send your ideas along too — just send an email to [lisa@createdbylisa.com](mailto:lisa@createdbylisa.com) or give me a call at 402-9024. Thanks in advance for your thoughts, Lisa Briggs.