

ST. ASAPH SQUARE Newsletter *September 2019*

St. Asaph Square Website has lots of news and information! Just go to <http://www.st-asaph-square.com>

Board President's Report

Karen Millslagle, President



Hope all are enjoying the cooler weather and spending time outdoors. Please continue to bring to the attention of Serry and members of the board any issues about the Condo. While one does look around the building one can miss things. Thanks to all who comes to the monthly meetings and participate in the community.

Again- Thanks to all.
Karen

Landscape Committee



Bev Keane, Chair

The annual tree trimming will occur this fall. More news to come.

Social Committee

The Social Committee has had several volunteers. We will welcome them in the next issue.

Happy Hour

All are welcome to continue in that friendly spirit with Happy Hour each Friday at about 5:30. We're meeting in the South Pitt Street Lobby if the weather is inclement, but when the weather is warmer, Happy Hour will meet on the St. Asaph patio. Just bring a beverage of your choice -- soda, lemonade, wine, water, whatever sounds good to you at the end of a long week!

Welcome Wagon



The following new residents have moved into Saint Asaph Square during September.

Welcome to the New Residents

Ms. Chandra Goddard Unit 325
Mr. Leslie Jared Hyman Unit 430

The logo for "Management's Corner" features a blue and grey geometric shape on the left, resembling a stylized 'M' or a corner. To its right, the text "Management's Corner" is written in a black, cursive-style font.

Management's Corner

*Scott Hummel, CMCA, AMS
Chief Human Resource Officer
and Community Manager*

Fall is in the air...!!!

Notice of Annual Meeting for the Association

As a reminder to all owners, the Annual Meeting will be held in the Pitt St. lobby on October 15, 2019, beginning at 7:00 pm with a 6:30 pm (sign-in) registration. If you are unable to attend it would be greatly appreciated if you would complete your proxy form, sign it, have it witnessed and return so that there will be a quorum of the Association membership. There is no regular business conducted at an Annual Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to elect members of the Board of Directors to fill the expiring terms of office. This year there are 2 terms that are expiring. The terms are staggered with duration of 2 years. If you have an interest in running for the Board, please take time to submit your nomination form which was sent to your home by Management; often referred to as a "call for candidates."

The positions of the Board have specific duties as outlined in the governing documents. The positions are done by nomination and vote after the Annual Meeting in an organizational meeting presided by Management. If you have any questions regarding the Board, duties and procedures, or would like additional information, please send me an email.

The governance and decisions that affect the community and all the residents is dependent on the owners of the Association to become involved and volunteer to serve on the Board of Directors. The future of the Association, and the path which it follows, is not dictated by Management. It's the actions and the independent thought of each member of the Board of Directors.

I look forward to seeing our longtime residents this year at the Annual Meeting and to meet with the many new residents of St. Asaph Square.

Sewer Line Notice

Your immediate action is required to address a serious drainage issue we are having in your shared plumbing system.

We have incurred over \$4,000 in plumbing charges during the past week to resolve the clearing of our drainage system of non-biodegradable wipes.

The unit drainage system you are connected to is shared by other units. If you are flushing any wipes (of any kind) we need to stop immediately.

❖ **We are making every effort possible to determine the violator and will invoice the unit owner for all costs incurred to resolve this issue. Our plumber has informed us that only toilet paper should be used, and we cannot stress the importance enough that everyone abides by these guidelines.**

Please know that the Association will take all necessary actions to enforce these provisions and we ask that you continue to help make it a better place to live and to contact Management if and whenever you see someone who chooses to violate these rules and regulations of the Association.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Scott Hummel, by phone at 703-565-5019 or s.hummel@cardinalmanagementgroup.com

BICYCLE STORAGE

The Association provides bike racks for the use by all residents. Every year racks become overcrowded with bikes that are in disrepair. The Board would like to remind residents that all bikes must be contained inside the rack space and that no bike should be stored on the common area of the building. Bicycles that are chained to rails and not in rack space will be removed by the Association.

CONTRACTORS

Remember, there are certain guidelines that all contractors must follow when working inside the building. Mr. Serry in the site office has identification badges for your contractors to wear along with a complete set of rules and regulation for your contractor to follow. Please give him a call at 703-683-5858 or visit him during regular office.

Around the Building

By Yayah Serry

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FALL MAINTANENCE

We continue to be proactive in keeping Saint Asaph Square in good repair. The next major project will be the partial replacement of the aging pool and patio deck.

Please be advised that we will likely be starting the work sometime in September. The construction will last several months and will generate noise and concrete dust, which we will do our best to mitigate. Prior to that, we want to alert residents to allow them time to consider alternative solutions for telework or pets while the work is being done.

We understand this is an inconvenience. You will receive additional updates as we finalize location and start date, which is weather dependent. Should you have any concerns please reach out to us.

Wishing you all a nice Summer transition to Fall.



By Mary Ann Radebach

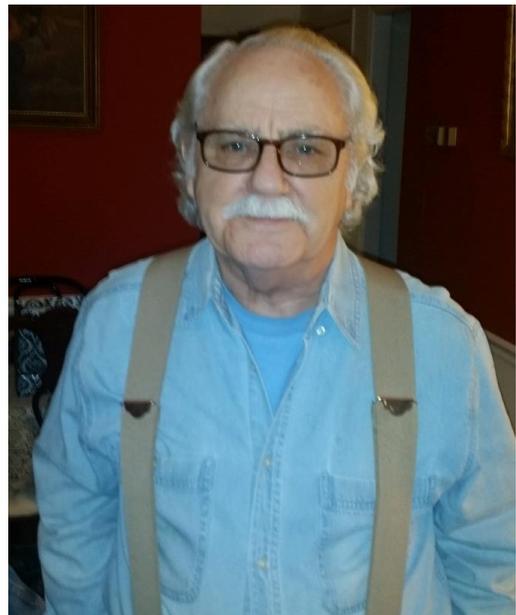
IN MEMORIAM FOR CHUCK MILLS

Chuck Mills was a long-time resident of St. Asaph Square

He passed away earlier this year.

He was originally interviewed for the St. Asaph Square Newsletter March & April 2015

The following is an update retelling his story.



CHUCK MILLS

Chuck Mills' life accomplishments are impressive. Circumstances led him to drop out of high school at age 16. However, he overcame many obstacles to eventually achieve a Master's Degree in Art History. Born in St. Albans, West Virginia, he was one of

seven children with 5 sisters and one brother. After dropping out of school, he falsified his age and entered the Marine Corps at age 16. As a Vietnam Era Veteran, he served in Da Nang in the supply field. He also took advantage of educational opportunities and earned his High School diploma. At age 23, using his VA benefits, he started college and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business and Art. Later he returned to school and earned a Master's Degree in Art History at West Virginia State College.

While in college, he went to work for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad as a teletype operator to help cover his expenses. In 1974, he took a leave of absence from the railroad and went to work for the Brotherhood of Railroad Clerks Union that had a contract with the US Department of Labor Job Corps program to train disadvantaged youths in transportation and clerical employment. Chuck was proud of the number of former Job Corps students he placed in good paying jobs that otherwise would not have been open to them. He worked with students until 1995 in centers in West Virginia, Oregon, Ohio, California and Washington, DC, training both males and females in jobs as electricians, mechanics, railroad engineers and brakemen.

In 1997 he opened his own business called *Wood Creations* on Colvin Street in Alexandria. Chuck always had the gift of using his hands. He was an artist and a perfectionist. When Chuck worked on a project, it was done right. His specialties included custom made toys, cabinets, beds and anything made from wood. Show him a picture and he could create it. Three days a week he worked for Alexandria Art League as the Faculty Manager for their two buildings in Alexandria.

In his spare time, Chuck was an accomplished cook and baker. His pecan and pumpkin pies were

favorites among friends and family during the holidays. For relaxation, he read Civil War History and drew and painted with watercolors.

After a ten-year courtship Chuck married his wife Debby in 1996. They lived together at Saint Asaph since then. He had one daughter from a previous marriage, who is a registered nurse in Portland Oregon and two grandsons.

Chuck was a good neighbor and is missed by his many friends at Saint Asaph Square.



Community Reminders and Notices

- Elevator Emergency protocol: If the elevator gets stuck, use the emergency call button. Press the button only **once**. Pressing it multiple times will interrupt the communication.
- Charitable donations to be picked up should not be left in vestibules or lobbies. Please arrange for pickup outside the manager's office or the loading dock.
- Parquet flooring-If you are pulling up the parquet floor tiles and replacing them with new flooring in your unit, please consider providing usable tiles to St Asaph Square. The tiles can be reused by other owners, which can save the association a lot of money in floor replacements when there are needed repairs.
- A large bulletin board for posting notices, such as 'for sale' items, etc., is located outside Mr. Serry's

office. Residents may also forward any items you believe to be of interest for posting in the new Community Bulletin Board.

- Shopping carts in the basement are the property of specific owners and are located at their respective parking spaces. Please return all carts to their original location. They are for the sole use of the individual who owns the parking space unless otherwise authorized.

- Dogs must be kept on leashes in common areas, at all times.

- REMINDER: To maintain the trash chutes please refrain from placing loose trash down the shoots. Please ensure that all trash and recycling items are placed in the receptacles in the garage trash rooms and that trash chute rooms are kept free of non-bagged waste. Boxes should be flattened before placing in all receptacles. Note: Single Stream Recycling is in effect.



- An excellent website with lots of information about recycling in Alexandria is... <http://alexandria.gov/tes/solidwaste/info/default.aspx?>

- Residents are reminded not to park in designated parking spaces unless they have the owner's prior approval. Visitors who use the outdoor visitors' parking spots need to register their vehicles with the office. If the office is closed, please put a sign on the dashboard indicating which unit the car is visiting. The complex reserves the right to tow non-registered vehicles.

- Residents with balconies and patios are reminded that they must be uncluttered and attractive. Please refer to balcony rules on our website.

- There is a 'NO SMOKING' policy in common areas and common patios of St. Asaph Square, including open-air balconies.

- Here's a handy link to the *City of Alexandria* site - you can submit online requests for the city to do something. Click here and let your voice be heard:

<http://request.alexandriava.gov/CCC/#tab=Find>

Serry's Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday and Friday:

8:30 A.M – 5:30 P.M.

Thursday: 10:30 A.M. – 7:30 P.M.

For emergencies during office hours, please contact Cardinal at 703-569-5797.

For after-hours emergencies, call 1-866-370-2989



Our Saint Asaph Square website has all kinds of helpful information. You can find a calendar plus St. Asaph forms & rules on the **Owners/Residents** tab, links to help you move around the DC metro area on the **Neighborhood Links** tab, weather, and more. Just go to <http://www.st-asaph-square.com>.

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