



Mount Vernon Civic Association

PO Box 61

Mount Vernon, VA 22121

www.mountvernoncivicassociation.org

Welcome to the neighborhood!

On behalf of the Mount Vernon Civic Association, the Board of Directors, and all of your new neighbors, we would like to welcome you to your new home and our community! Our neighborhood is decorated with history and is home to the Washington Mill Elementary School Colonials, the Mansion House Swim, Dive, & Tennis Club, the Mansion House Yacht Club, and the Mount Vernon Yacht Club and is next door to many other great amenities.

The Mount Vernon Civic Association (MVCA) was organized by local residents in 1971 and during the past 40 years has grown from representing approximately 400 households to more than 900. MVCA is a non-profit and consists of volunteers who donate their time and resources to make our community a better place for everyone.



The MVCA is a member of the Mount Vernon Council of Civic Associations and the Fairfax County Federation of Civic Associations. The Association represents its members through direct contact with local elected leaders and through its participation in the Mount Vernon Council and Fairfax County Federation.

The MVCA serves the needs of the local community through service projects, such as the annual community clean-up, neighborhood watch, and support to neighborhood schools and organizations.

The Association is governed by a Board of elected officers and directors and appointed committee chairs who represent MVCA members' interests in areas ranging from Budget and Finance to Transportation. Elections are held bi-annually with Board members serving two terms. General membership meetings are held four times a year in January, March, May, and October.

Although MVCA Membership is voluntary, the vast majority of your neighbors renew their membership annually. Please consider joining to help support our community. We know you will find our neighborhood a great place to live!

Sincerely,
Mount Vernon Civic Association
Welcome Committee

MVCA Officers

Interested in volunteering or helping out?

Go to www.mountvernoncivicassociation.org to learn more!

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Sarah Fidd - 703.780.0816

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Committee Chairs

Budget and Finance

Kirsten Quackenbush

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Membership/Directory

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Public Safety

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John Reiser – 703.780.4824

**You will find additional information on the MVCA website:
*www.mountvernoncivicasociation.org***

MVCA Website

Another way to stay in touch is through Nextdoor.com. Once you become a neighbor on Nextdoor.com, search MVCA and join the group!*

**Unfortunately, Westgate is not included in the boundary line. Nextdoor.com is working on resolving this issue.*

- Copies of previous newsletters
- MVCA Board contact information
- MVCA event calendar
- Neighborhood event photos
- Committee news and reports
- History of Mount Vernon and Fairfax County
- Membership join/renew information
- Block Captain program information
- Community projects
- Volunteer information and opportunities
- Fairfax County resources and important numbers



Public Safety Resources

Woodlawn Fire Station (non-emergency) - 703.780.0110

Mount Vernon Police (non-emergency) – 703.360.8400

Storm Drainage/Sewer Emergencies/Flooding – 703.323.1211

Animal Control – 703.830.1100

Recycling and Trash

American Disposal Services 703.368.0500

Nightingale Trucking, Inc. (NGT), locally owned – 703.360.6634

Republic Services (AAA) 703.818.8222

I-95 Landfill (Lorton) – trash, DIY debris, recycling, household hazardous waste – 703.690.1703

Community Resources Important Numbers

Dominion Power – 866.366.4357

Report Power Outage (Dominion Power) – 888.667.3000

Fairfax Water – 703.698.5800

Washington Gas – 703.750.1000

Oil delivery – there are many reputable companies that service our area. Please ask your neighbor or member of the board if you would like a recommendation.

VOLUNTARY NEIGHBORHOOD GUIDELINES

The following good neighbor guidelines were adopted by your civic association in order to promote the continued beauty and desirability of our community.

Maintaining Our Yards and Homes

Grass, Trees and Shrubs. We are fortunate to live in a beautiful area where trees are bountiful and our large lots have plenty of green grass. To enhance the neighborhood, please keep your grass cut neatly and as needed, trim your shrubs and trees.

Paint, Gutters, Patios and Down Spouts. We should all make an effort to keep our houses in good repair by maintaining our shutters and not allowing our painted house trim and other painted surfaces to peel, discolor, or deteriorate so that the deterioration is noticeable as people walk or drive by.

Fences and Boundary Markers. If you have a fence or other boundary marker, please try to keep it in good repair and painted, if applicable. Hedges should be kept in reasonable trim.

Picking Up After Your Pet. When walking a pet or pets, clean up after them. Fairfax County code permits a fine of up to \$250 to those who choose not to do so.



Minimizing The Outside Use Of Temporary Items, Such As Work Materials, Debris And Signs

Construction and Home Repair Materials. We all have work, such as painting, repairs, or construction, done around our homes whether we do it ourselves or hire contractors. The resulting work materials, which may include sand, mulch, gravel, forms, ladders, work gear, cement, asphalt, commercial mixers, buckets and other items, should not be allowed to accumulate in outside areas within public view for any significant period of time. Every effort should be made to remove these types of materials from public view at the end of the working day.

General Trash and Other Debris. We all should find an area on our own property where, prior to pickup, trash can be kept temporarily that will not detract from our house's appearance. We should store our garbage in closed sanitary containers to protect it from scavenging animals. Yard waste, such as tree branches, leaves and grass clippings should not be moved and raked to the curbside or street boundary and abandoned until pickup has been arranged within a short period of time. Also, newspapers lying at the end of a driveway for several days are unsightly. If the paper has been on your neighbor's driveway for several days, be a good neighbor and put the paper out of sight. Your neighbors will appreciate not having their house advertised as "no one home here."

Yard Signs and Advertisements. We should limit any display of signs in our yards to property advertisements placing the property on the rental or sale market or for political signs during campaigns. "For Sale" signs on cars or boats are not attractive. There are areas in the region specifically set up for parking vehicles offered for sale, including a lot at Ft. Belvoir for use if one is registered with the Provost Marshall's Office. Use of the lot is open to all area residents. Other types of signs should not be displayed except for brief periods of several days.

Bicycles, Balls, Toys and Children's Playthings. Children's playthings will last much longer if taken in overnight. This will also prevent theft.

Outside Holiday Decorations. We all enjoy everyone's holiday decorations, lights and displays, during the season, but these lose their attractiveness when left up too long. If used for just short holiday periods, they also last longer.

Minimizing Vehicle And Boat Maintenance And Storage

Vehicle Maintenance. While non-commercial vehicle maintenance is appropriate for properly registered vehicles in private driveways or garages (but not on the street), we would not like it to detract from your home or the neighborhood. If vehicles are repaired outside, every effort should be made to complete repairs promptly. Please do not leave a car on jacks or blocks unattended for any significant length of time. Also, residual parts and vehicle components (used filters, tires, wheels, tools, etc.) should be recycled or properly disposed of after the repair is complete. Please make every effort to clean up oil, grease, gasoline and antifreeze products if they spill. It is to be noted that spilled anti-freeze is sweet tasting but poisonous to animals.

Parking. On March 10, 2008, the Board of Supervisors approved the Mount Vernon Community Parking District. The geographical area for this CPD is the entire Mount Vernon Magisterial District.

Vehicles that are restricted include:

- Boat Trailer
- Watercraft (boat)
- Motor Home
- Camping Trailer
- Trailer or Semi-trailer, even if attached to a vehicle
- Vehicle ≥ 3 axles
- Vehicle with a gross vehicle weighted rating (GVWR) $\geq 12,000$ lbs

Vehicles temporarily parked (for up to 48 hours) for the purpose of loading, unloading or preparing for a trip are exempt. More information is available at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/large_cpd.htm



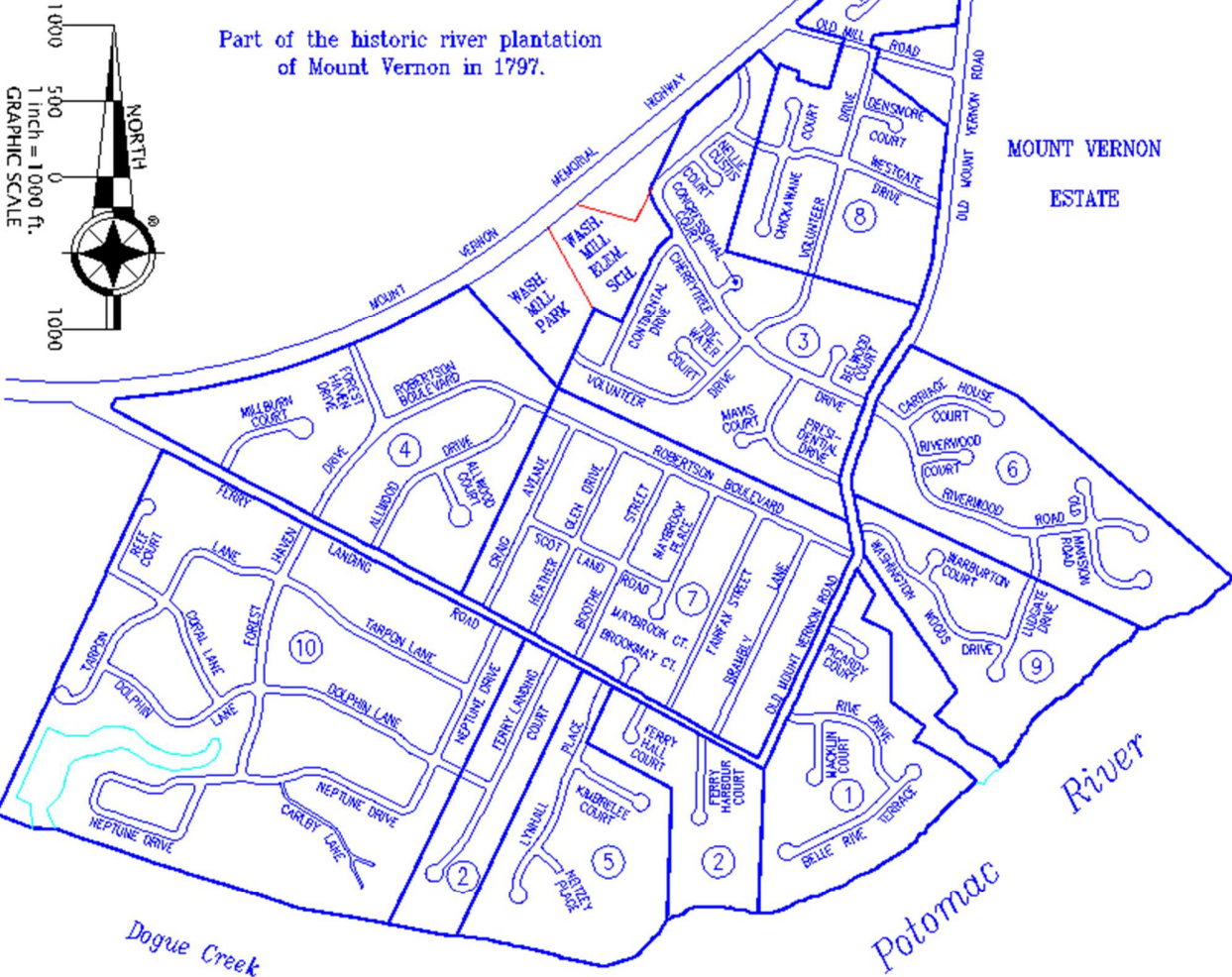
Also, some of our subdivisions have covenants that prohibit parking on the street, and the Fairfax County code prohibits parking commercial vehicles in residential areas except, for example, while a contractor is doing work at a house. Commercial vehicles include: buses, trucks (over $\frac{3}{4}$ ton, pickup size), trailers, motor homes, wreckers, commercial use vehicles (usually denoted by exterior signs and markings). Only properly registered vehicles should be in the streets and driveways.

Parking of Boats and Fishing Gear. If you have a boat, please park it in your driveway or behind your home.

Note: These guidelines do not in any way supersede or replace the formal covenants of individual subdivisions.

The Ten Areas of the Mount Vernon Civic Association

Part of the historic river plantation of Mount Vernon in 1797.



Section	Map Area	Neighborhoods Included	Section	Map Area	Neighborhoods Included
①	Belle Rive	Belle Rive	⑤	Oxford	Oxford
②	Ferry Landing	Ferry Landing Estates Ferry Landing Villa Ferry Point Estates Riverwood	⑥	Riverwood	Riverwood
③	Mount Vernon Forest	Mount Vernon Forest	⑦	Vernon Square	Mount Vernon Grove
④	Mount Vernon Park	Mount Vernon Park	⑧	Westgate	Westgate
			⑨	Wycliffe	Wycliffe on the Potomac Washington Woods
			⑩	Yacht Haven	Yacht Haven Estates Riverbend



Mount Vernon Civic Association MEMBERSHIP FORM

The MVCA strives to:

- Ensure our neighborhoods are represented to our local government leaders
- Protect and advocate for our community
- Provide support to local community groups and schools

Membership dues go to work right away and support:

- Printing and mailing of quarterly newsletters and biannual Directory
- Monthly utilities for landscaping lighting on the neighborhood signs
- Website and signs throughout neighborhood to keep the neighborhood informed
- Social events such as: food and drink for quarterly member meetings, annual neighborhood picnic

Please consider joining to help support our community. They can be paid two ways.

1. \$25 check made payable to: *Mount Vernon Civic Association*

Complete the form below and mail along with your check to: Mount Vernon Civic Association
PO Box 61
Mount Vernon, VA 22121

2. Pay by credit card (Paypal – no account needed), go to: www.mountvernoncivicassociation.org and click on the “Join/Renew Here”.

New Membership

Honorific/Title _____ Last Name _____ First Name _____

Honorific/Title _____ Last Name _____ First Name _____

House Number _____ Street Name _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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If you are interested in volunteer opportunities, please go to the MVCA website for more information! Thank you!