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### LIGHT POST

(continued)

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Kenna's Cookies  
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with Mary Kay Cosmetics

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with Wine Shop at Home

Glory Days Grill

Starbucks Coffee

Cracker Barrel

## Special Thanks

to our 50 Exhibitors

Don't forget to turn in your exhibitor passport to be eligible to win a valuable door prize today!



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November 13, 2010

Dear Neighbors,

Welcome to the City's Fourth Annual Neighborhood Conference! We are very excited that you are here today to share information, ideas and success stories with your neighbors from across the City – and beyond.

Our theme is "Volunteering Promotes Healthy & Stable Communities," and our award-winning Neighborhood Services team has put together a full day of workshops to help you become more fully engaged in the life of your community.

You are the reason the City of Manassas is a great place in which to live. Because of volunteers like you, we are continuing to build a strong foundation of community partnerships with local businesses and non-profits so that we can accomplish whatever revitalization goals we set.

A major milestone occurred this year. On April 24, 2010, the City, along with our community partnerships with local businesses and non-profits, was able to accomplish the national pilot of the "1 By Youth" program in Georgetown South. Our successful deployment of 1,000 adult and youth volunteers in a one-day, one-community, one-impact project made a lasting impression. The project was recognized in Roanoke with the State Neighborhood Youth Group Effort of the Year award. Because of our success, "1 By Youth" is returning to Manassas on May 14, 2011 in the Point of Woods 1 & 2, and Point of Woods 3 neighborhoods.

We would like to challenge you to make the most of today, and to take away at least one suggestion you can do to make your neighborhood better.

Best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

Harry J. "Hal" Parrish II  
Mayor, City of Manassas

Lawrence D. Hughes  
City Manager, City of Manassas



# City of Manassas 2010 Neighborhood Conference

## Volunteering Promotes Healthy & Stable Communities

### Kids' Zone/Youth Café Schedule

### Adult Conference Schedule

9:00 am to 10:00 am  
**Registration** ▶ Lobby  
**Face Painting** ▶ Blue Gym

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**Registration** ▶ Front Door, Lobby  
 Pick up your goodie bag, workshop handouts and exhibitor passport  
**Exhibits Open** ▶ Lobby, Blue Gym

10:00 am to 10:15 am  
**Welcome and Opening Announcements** ▶ Wood Gym

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**Youth Café Morning Session**  
**My Defining Moment** ▶ Blue Gym  
**Kids' Zone Morning Session**  
**Thanksgiving Turkey Craft** ▶ 2nd Floor Ceramics Room



10:15 am to 11:30 am  
**Adult Workshop Morning Session**  
**Volunteering Can Lead You to a New Career** ▶ Wood Gym  
**Social Networking for Neighborhoods** ▶ 2nd Floor Multipurpose Room  
**Common Enemy: HOA Boards vs. Residents** ▶ 2nd Floor Library  
**Landlords & Tenants Roundtable** ▶ 2nd Floor Computer Lab

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**Skit: HOA Board Meeting Dos and Don'ts**

1:15 pm to 2:30 pm  
**Youth Café Afternoon Session**  
**Basketball Clinic** ▶ Outside Basketball Courts  
**Kids' Zone Afternoon Session**  
**Build-A-Bear T-Shirt** ▶ 2nd Floor Ceramics Room



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**Modification Program for Mortgages in Distress** ▶ 2nd Floor Computer Lab

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**Closing Announcements** ▶ Wood Gym

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### Neighborhood Awards \* Door Prizes \* Pet Photo Winners

Will be announced at 2:30 PM TODAY in the Wood Gym!

◆ Best Curb Appeal ◆ Best Back Yard/Storage Area ◆ Best Neighborhood Group Effort ◆ Best Neighborhood Communication/Involvement ◆



Housing Counselors with the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service are available for free private consultation throughout today's conference. Ask at VCE's exhibit booth.

### Morning Session (10:15 am - 11:30 am)

### Afternoon Session (1:15 pm - 2:30 pm)

#### Kids' Zone (ages 8 and under)

**Thanksgiving Turkey Craft** ▶ 2nd Floor Ceramics Room

**Candice & Eugene Brown** will work with the children to create a Thanksgiving Turkey Craft out of handprints, a poem and construction paper. Children will be able to take the craft home with them at the end of the day. Parents or older siblings are welcome to observe.

#### Youth Café (ages 9 and older)

**My Defining Moment** ▶ Blue Gym

**Tina Murray**, Director of Project Infusion, will lead youth in "My Defining Moment," an exercise to help them explore and celebrate their individual gifts and talents, leading toward volunteer service to the community. Murray is a community youth leader and mentor. She has ministered to incarcerated women, and is a seven-year abuse overcomer. Project Infusion is her mission to reunite, unify and restore people to faith through youth, music and more.

#### Adult Workshops

**Volunteering Can Lead You to a New Career** ▶ Wood Gym

**Tanisha Smith**, National Director of Volunteer Services for Volunteers of America, will speak about the value of volunteer work and opportunities that can benefit and connect you to your community. Volunteers of America is one the nation's largest and most comprehensive human services organizations, serving more than 2 million people each year in over 400 communities in 44 states. Visit [www.VolunteersofAmerica.org](http://www.VolunteersofAmerica.org) to learn more about the mission and faith-based ministry.

**Social Networking for Neighborhoods** ▶ 2nd Floor Multipurpose Room

**Al Radford**, Public Relations Specialist, Manassas City Public Schools, leads this session with plenty of time to share your success stories, ask questions and exchange resources. Learn how Facebook, Twitter, Google groups and websites can increase communication with your neighbors. Engage your neighborhood, share information and provide a platform for residents to engage the city directly.

**Common Enemy: HOA Boards vs. Residents** ▶ 2nd Floor Library

**Jennifer McCarthy**, with the Law Office of Jennifer Epler McCarthy in Manassas, leads this discussion about how to get along with your neighbors and avoid costly and time-consuming conflicts. Do your talks with neighbors revolve around "us" and "them"? Are only 20 percent doing the work of 80 percent? Time for a reality check: We are all stakeholders in our neighborhoods.

**Landlords & Tenants Roundtable** ▶ 2nd Floor Computer Lab

**Mickey Rhoades**, Housing Manager & Advocate, City of Manassas, leads this morning-only session. Tenants and landlords join us at the conference. Find out the latest changes in landlord-tenant laws, tenant protection in foreclosure act, and more.

#### Kids' Zone (ages 8 and under)

**Build-A-Bear T-Shirt** ▶ 2nd Floor Ceramics Room

**Master Builders**, **Seymour Landsdowne** and **Tina Murray**, Director of Project Infusion, will assist the children in designing and airbrushing small T-shirts for Teddy bears. The finished non-toxic bears will be donated to Children's Hospital as a memorial in honor of Seymour's nine-year-old son, Sey-J Landsdowne, a Boys and Girls Club member who died of leukemia this summer. Parents or older siblings are welcome to observe.

#### Youth Café (ages 9 and older)

**Basketball Clinic** ▶ Outside Basketball Courts

Professional Coach **Rob Weaver** of Dream Basketball Training leads this clinic to support youth in fitness and self awareness. Weaver teaches the benefits of athletics, especially when it comes to health, nutrition and physical rewards like greater levels of strength, agility and endurance. Athletics boost self-esteem and academic discipline and bridge the transition from childhood to early adulthood.

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**Roundtable: Modification Program for Mortgages in Distress** ▶ 2nd Floor Computer Lab

**Mickey Rhoades**, Housing Manager & Advocate, City of Manassas, leads this afternoon-only session, along with Housing Counselors with the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service. Are you stressed about your mortgage? Join this roundtable discussion of current programs available to help you through these difficult times.

### Special Thanks

#### Comcast

Stephanie Williams, Panorama Latino

#### Face Painting

Master Builders

#### Welcome and Opening

Color Guard, Stonewall Jackson AFJROTC, Lt. Col. Robinson

Glenn Vickers—Branch Director, Boys & Girls Club of Manassas

Douglas W. Keen—Chief of Police, City of Manassas

Lawrence D. Hughes—City Manager, City of Manassas

Harry J. "Hal" Parrish II—Mayor, City of Manassas

Christen Zenich—Neighborhood Services Coordinator, City of Manassas

Our Conference Planning Team and Many Volunteers

#### Lunch Speakers

Community Emergency Response Training (CERT)—Robert Kelly

Skit: HOA Board Meeting Dos and Don'ts—Al Radford and Jose Paiz

Pet Parade—Karen Hayo, Chief Animal Control Officer, City of Manassas

#### Closing/Neighborhood Awards

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#### Food Vendors

Costco

George Richa's Old Town Caterers

Godda Love Cakes, Culpeper

Apples courtesy of "Farmer Dan"



Ribbon cutting on the new playground at Wildwood Condos