



NewsBriefs

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Mary Hynes Celebrates Reading at Virginia Gardens

AHC Partners with The Reading Connection to Build Literacy



Arlington County Board member Mary Hynes joined elementary school children, The Reading Connection, and AHC Inc. to celebrate Read Across America at Virginia Gardens, one of AHC's affordable apartment communities. In addition to listening to Ms. Hynes read a Dr. Seuss book, children enjoyed birthday cake and various Cat in the Hat activities. AHC has partnered with [The Reading Connection](#) for more than 10 years. Once a week, volunteers read to youngsters, create craft projects together, and provide free books for the children to take home.

Gates of Ballston Continues to Grow and Improve

Strong Management Team and Community Investment in Community Center

The Gates of Ballston's community center is nearing completion. The 10,000-square-foot space will feature classrooms for after-school and teen programs; a preschool; computer lab; and meeting space for neighbors. The state-of-the-art center has received community support since its inception. In 2006, The Builder's Ball, which raises funds for charities providing housing, shelter, and education and training programs, donated \$70,000 to help build the center.

The strong management team at the Gates is also receiving recognition. [Audrey Johnson, Resident Manager](#), and [Richard Dickerson, Director of Maintenance](#), both received first place honors in the Property Management Association's Low Income Tax Credit Awards.

Mortgage Services Grand Opening a Success

Backed by 30 Years of Integrity and Community Experience

Community and business leaders joined AHC to celebrate the Grand Opening of our new [Mortgage Services](#) division last week. One of the programs that received the most "ooohs" and "ahhhs" was our **100% Financing with No Mortgage Insurance** program. This is a tandem loan with a first mortgage for 80% of the transaction and a second mortgage for the remaining 20%. Unlike other loan programs, this product has the SAME interest rate for the first and second mortgage. This is just one of our many products that provide stable mortgages with no gimmicks or hidden fees. For more information, contact: Jimmie Jones, jjones@ahcinc.org, or Myrna Marrero Perkins, perkins@ahcinc.org

A Wish List for Children's Programs

Here's a Chance to Donate Directly to Our Youth Activities

AHC's Resident Services program offers a wide variety of activities for youngsters, including our summer camp, after-school program, outdoor activities, and reading groups. Here's a [Wish List](#) that includes some materials that would be a huge help with some of these programs. For more information, or to donate, please contact Jennifer Cavaliere, cavaliere@ahcinc.org

Affordable Housing Workshop on April 22

New York City Commits \$7.5 Billion to Produce and Preserve Affordable Housing

Register now for "How to Build New Affordable Homes in an Expensive Urban Area," a workshop on Tuesday, April 22, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sponsored by Leadership Arlington, the lunch-time program will look at New York City's ambitious affordable housing plan, and review how the successes and challenges might apply to Arlington and the Washington metro area. Click [here](#) for more information or to register.

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