

# Clifton Clatter



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## Art Council Host Second Art Show

The Art Council of Clifton is hosting its second art show on June 14th in conjunction with the Clifton Wine Festival. Local Clifton and Fairfax Station artists will have their work on display and for sale. Works include



oil, watercolor and acrylic paintings as well as photography. Sit for a bit and view a painting demonstration by Vicki Vidal Blum. The art show is from 11 am – 7 pm. For tickets to the Wine Festival please go to [www.cliftonwinefestival.com](http://www.cliftonwinefestival.com).

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## President's Corner



Michelle Stein

Sometimes we take things for granted. I am using a pen, paper and candlelight to compose this. There is no power. So, no lights, no water, no flushing. I take it for granted that the power will soon be restored and we will leave "colonial" living behind us. But this experience reminds me not to take our members for granted. So many of you do so much to achieve our goal of "bettering" Clifton. Thanks to you! Yes, you know who you are! Thanks. Help me by thanking our events sponsors. Our Clifton Caboose Twilight Run sponsors were:

- ✘ Delegate Tim Hugo
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- ✘ Jaeger Construction, Bob Martinisko
- ✘ The Clifton Store
- ✘ The Pink Pantry
- ✘ Peterson's Ice Cream Depot

Don't take them for granted! Look for their names and go out of your way to say "thank you" to them.

Clifton is quiet and beautiful in the dark. I will strive to appreciate it every day. Though I think I would appreciate it more if I could flush.

# Beautify the Town



Girl Scout Troop 1149 after helping plant flowers in town.

On Monday, May 19, 2008 – Clifton Girl Scout Troop 1149 led by Ms. Heather Gillies, Anne Boley, Barb Basi & Lynne Garvey-Hodge, (Town of Clifton Beautification Co-Chair) helped plant summer flowers with

the Town of Clifton Beautification Committee. Working for nearly an hour on a sunny day, these 17 budding gardeners learned how to dig, fertilize, plant and beautify the town! After their hard work – which will go towards a Girl Scout badge, the young ladies enjoyed ice cream at the Peterson Ice Cream depot. They all agreed that “Clifton Rocks!” and we hope you will, too, when you see their colorful work come to life as summer unfolds. Junior Girls Scouts who helped included:

Leigh Alfieris

Christina Anton  
Maddie Blesi  
Georgia Boley  
Sydney Bryant  
Carly Feldenkris  
Tessa Fletcher  
Mary Gillies  
Keiley McCarthy  
Miranda Mangahas  
Juliet Pascual  
Maddie Revell  
Kaki Ryan  
Ashley Weldon  
Savannah Willet  
Abby Wright

Thank you Troop 1149!

Lynne & Jennifer, Town of Clifton Beautification Committee Co-Chairs

## Cottage Art

*Cottage Art carries a delightful assortment of items for all occasions*

If you are in need of a quick and inexpensive gift, Cottage Art is the place to go. There you'll find a delightful assortment of items for all occasions.

Caspari napkins, Clifton pottery, Switchables stained glass nightlights (you have to see these) or Williamsburg peanuts make wonderful hostess gifts. For baby showers and newborns, Bunnies by the Bay and Angel Dear products are soft, adorable, and irresistible. We have flags, note cards, matted prints, mascot books, and chip and dip platters featuring Virginia Colleges - great gifts for grads, alumni, or recently accepted students. Need a child's birthday gift? We have Webkinz. Many of life's special moments are depicted by Willow Tree Angels and Jim Shore figurines, and we have a nice assortment of both.

With the Clifton Wine Festival and Father's Day just around the corner, Cottage Art is featuring a unique assortment of wine related gifts that will delight any wine connoisseur.

For summer fun, we have Switchflops! What an ingenious idea. You purchase one pair of flops and change the entire look with different straps to match your outfit or mood. Fun to wear while munching on chips and Stone-wall Kitchen salsa.

Cottage Art's product lines change frequently, and we are proud to offer many lines that are made in America. Cottage Art, 703-502-585, is located at 12644 Chapel Road, in the same building as the Post Office and All That Glitters - Clifton House Shoppes. If you have not been in the shop lately, please stop by on your next visit to town. We know that you will enjoy it!

Don't Miss the 2nd Annual

# Clifton wine festival



PLEASE JOIN US

## The Festival

We would like to invite you to our grand festival featuring approximately 15 Virginia wineries, along with gourmet cuisine, musical entertainment and a fabulous Arts & Crafts show.



Wine Tastings · Gourmet Cuisine from Local Restaurants · Music all Day · Arts and Crafts · Children's Corner with Exciting Activities

## Historic Clifton Virginia

Take a step back in time. Much of Clifton still looks as it did 100 years ago. Welcome to a place where neighbors know and care about each other and gather at local events throughout the year. Welcome to a place where you can park on the side of the road and walk through the town - rather than parking in a multi-level garage and taking public transportation to get from place to place.

Clifton's appeal is its beautiful location in Southwest Fairfax County, Virginia and feel of the country, while still being within 30 minutes of Washington DC. The historic buildings, quaint shops, narrow streets, and active railroad track running through the center of town, all add to the ambiance of the town.

The town of Clifton proudly hosts the second annual public wine festival in partnership with Capitol Roofing - USA

Tickets must be purchased for wine tasting: \$20 per person (\$15.00 pre-purchase select locations and/or online), Under 21 and designated drivers- \$10.00 per person, Children 2 & Under- Free!

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[www.CliftonWine.com](http://www.CliftonWine.com)



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In 2004 Margaret Yaglenski opened Artisan Kitchens & Baths. She is a graduate of The Fashion Institute of Technology and spent the 1<sup>st</sup> 15 years of her career as a Visual Merchandiser with major retailers in New York and the Mid Atlantic Region before entering the Kitchen & Bath Industry. Her designs have won several awards and have been featured in many publications locally and nationally.

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To schedule an appointment to discuss your plans, however large or small, please call Margaret at: 703-266-1005 or email to: [myag@cox.net](mailto:myag@cox.net).

# Clifton Caboose Twilight Run

The Clifton Caboose Twilight run took place on June 7th. There were 355 participants! A great turnout, considering the heat.



## NATIVE PLANT RESCUE

The Audubon Society of Northern Virginia has obtained permission to remove native plants from areas that are to be developed as the I-495 beltway is widened. They need volunteers to help dig the plants and transport

them to new homes. Most of the plants to be removed are small, as those are the ones most likely to survive being moved. Rescue missions are being planned now. If you can help for a morning, an afternoon or a few days, please email Elaine Franklin at [elaine@audubonva.org](mailto:elaine@audubonva.org).



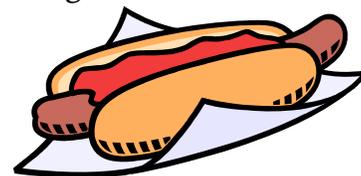
Voted "Best Ice Cream Shop" in

Northern Virginia by Northern Virginia Magazine!



## Peterson's Ice Cream Depot

Peterson's Ice Cream Depot is located at 7150 Main Street and is owned and operated by Tom and Jean Peterson. Tom and Jean are very proud that the business was recently voted as "Best Ice Cream Shop" in Northern Virginia by Northern Virginia Magazine. The premises has a very friendly and welcoming atmosphere which the loyal customers really enjoy, and the ice cream products are second to none. "Peterson's" offers chocolate and vanilla ice cream and no fat, no sugar yogurt and two different "flavors of the week," in addition to a variety of other tasty products. "The Dog Pound" hot dog stand recently opened on the other side of the building and has been an instant success.



# **Clifton Hometown 4<sup>th</sup> of July**



**Festivities begin a 4:00PM**

**Celebrate our freedom amongst friends and neighbors of Clifton.**

**Town parade at 4:00 followed by a potluck in the park.**

**Bring a dish to share and a comfy lawn chair. BBQ, beer, lemonade, cake, children's activities and fun will be provided.**

**Hope to see you all there!!!!**

## **Details for Parade:**

**When: 3:30 line-up  
Begins @ 4:00**

**Where: Main St.**

**\* 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place float winners will receive a great prize!!!**

# Audubon At Home in June, 2008

By Sarah Mayhew, Fairfax Master Naturalist

## Backyard Planting and Harvesting with Wildlife

Choosing the right plants for your yard makes all the difference in how much time you have to spend taking care of them. Two of the guidelines of the Audubon At Home program involve choice of landscape plants, and this article will discuss how to choose plants that follow those guidelines and may be right for your Clifton yard.

*Invasive plants out-compete the native plants and can stop forest regeneration.*

First, Audubon At Home advises that we avoid planting invasive, non-native plants. Although initially planted in your confined yard, invasive plants don't stay put. They are defined as plants that lack natural predators or diseases that would otherwise control their growth. They produce many seeds that disperse readily into neighbors' yards and local parks. Sometimes they travel by underground roots, like bamboo, that are difficult to eradicate. Invasive plants out-compete the native plants and can stop forest regeneration. They may not provide food for wildlife that the native plants provide. Some have become serious agricultural pests - - weeds that crowd out food plants in farmers' fields.

None of us would knowingly plant Kudzu, the vine that ate the South. However, you may not be aware that many beautiful, fragrant plants given prominent display space at our local garden centers are on the list of invasive, non-native plants to avoid. I always associate the fragrance of Japanese Honeysuckle with the start of summer. It is invasive. So are the common groundcovers English Ivy and Pachysandra. Buddleia, known as Butterfly Bush for its ability to attract adult butterflies, is on the invasive list. Burning Bush, also known as Winged Euonymus, that lovely scarlet bush that shines every fall, is on the list. So is deer-resistant Japanese Barberry. The "list" to which I refer is a twenty-plant list developed by the Fairfax County Park Authority of plants that have become serious problems in our parks. Their complete list can be found



Virginia Tech Weed ID Guide

Japanese Honeysuckle is very fragrant, but it is on the invasive list.

at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/resources/IMA/whatareinvasives.htm>. The National Park Service has a much more extensive list of invasive plants that it is trying to eradicate. You may find that at a website called "Weeds Gone Wild." <http://www.nps.gov/plants/alien/>. Once you become aware of the problems posed by these invasive, non-native plants, I hope you will join me and many other gardeners in not purchasing them in the first place and removing established plants from your yards.

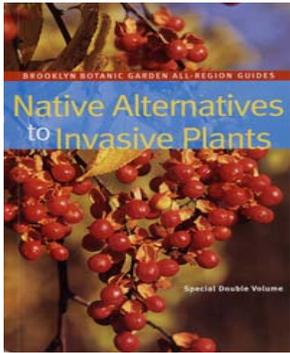
Trumpet or Coral Honeysuckle is a native plant and the flowers feed hummingbirds.



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## Audubon At Home *Continued*

I have replaced most of the invasive non-native plants in my yard with other plants that are just as attractive, but do not have the tendency to roam into wild areas. For example, I removed an Oriental Bittersweet vine and replaced it with a native Trumpet or Coral Honeysuckle, *Lonicera sempervirens*, whose flowers feed hummingbirds. I removed creeping Fortune's Euonymus and replaced it with native shade-loving Golden Ragwort, *Senecio aureus*, also an evergreen ground-cover. As more people have become aware of the problem posed by invasive plants, books to help us select plants to replace the invasive problem plants have



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arrived. My current favorite is a small book entitled “Native Alternatives to Invasive Plants” published by the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. The book lists hundreds of trees, shrubs, vines, herbaceous plants and grasses that can beautifully replace an invasive plant. For those of you who may move frequently, this “All-Region Guide” contains descriptions of native plants that

will thrive in each part of the United States. As the title

suggests, this book lists invasive problem plants and then suggests several alternatives. For example, if you have been using Bishop’s Weed, *Aegopodium podagraria*, as a shade-tolerant ground cover, it suggests using Canada Wild Ginger, *Asarum canadense*, which multiplies rapidly in moist soil in partial to full shade. For fall color, in place of Burning Bush, the book recommends Black Chokeberry, *Aronia melanocarpa*, or Highbush Blueberry, *Vaccinium corymbosum*. Both will grow under the same conditions liked by Burning Bush, will provide scarlet fall foliage and provide edible berries, too. The plant descriptions include pictures, growing requirements and mature size, as well as telling you the bad points of a native plant. For example, in suggesting the showy white-flowered, native Northern Catalpa

as a replacement for Princess Tree, the book recognizes that Catalpa self-sows freely and could be viewed as a native invasive when you are pulling the seedlings out of your lawn.

Finding native plants that you would like to try in your yard is becoming easier, too, as more people demand them from our local nurseries. Just ask the nursery employees to show you native plants first. Occasionally nursery employees are not very knowledgeable, so it helps to take a list of the plant names, including the scientific name, of the native plants about which you have read that you think you would like to try. Then the employees can locate the exact species. Two local non-profit organizations specialize in raising native species – Earth Sangha ([www.earthsangha.org](http://www.earthsangha.org)), located in Fairfax, Virginia with a nursery in Franconia and Chesapeake Natives ([www.chesapeakenatives.org](http://www.chesapeakenatives.org)), located in Tacoma Park, Maryland. They both have plants available at certain times of year, but are not retail nurseries. The Virginia Native Plant Society plant sales are another place to obtain interesting native plants. They list their sales on their website [www.vnps.org](http://www.vnps.org) (look for Po-

### The 20 species of Invasive Exotic Plants that Fairfax County is monitoring in Fairfax County Parks.

- Burning Bush
- Multiflora Rose
- Japanese Barberry
- Autumn Olive
- Privet
- Bradford Pear
- Pachysandra
- Bamboo
- English Ivy
- Oriental Bittersweet
- Japanese Honeysuckle
- Stiltgrass
- Asian Wisteria
- Chinese Lespedeza
- Tree of Heaven
- Garlic Mustard
- Porcelain Berry
- Mimosa/Silktree
- Mile-a-Minute/Devil's Tear Thumb
- Norway Maple

## Audubon At Home *Continued*

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If you are unsure what plants might work in your yard, but really want to try some wildlife-friendly native plants, the Audubon Society of Northern Virginia has volunteers who are willing to talk with you about your yard and give you suggestions based on their knowledge and training. These Audubon Ambassadors will also work with local civic groups, schools and churches that want to change standard landscaping into more wildlife-friendly habitats. To learn more about the Audubon At Home Ambassadors program, call Elaine Franklin, at 703-256-6895 or email [elaine@audubonva.org](mailto:elaine@audubonva.org).

## Clifton Beauty Queen

Lee Ann M. Tvrdik let us know that her youngest daughter, Jacqueline (Jackie), was CROWNED *Miss Virginia American Queen 2008* in the State Miss Virginia pageant. She also won the "fitness" award.

She entered the pageant as MISS CLIFTON 2007! She now will go on to represent Virginia in the MISS USA AMERICAN QUEEN 2008 National Pageant in Daytona Beach, FL which begins in late July. Best of Luck to Jacqueline.



**Jacqueline Tvrdik**, after being crowned **Miss Virginia American Queen**.

## Think Snow (maybe it will help keep you cool)!



A snowy day on January 17th of this year.

With these dog days of summer now upon us, thinking about snow might just help cool you down a little. In last December's issue, readers were asked to take a guess at what our deepest snowfall would be that winter? Well, the winner was Arlene Posner. She was the closest guess at 4 1/2 inches.

Thank you Arlene for reading the Clatter and for participating in the guessing game!



**Arlene Posner and her husband, Paul**

# Clifton Business Coalition



Thank you for supporting our businesses. We look forward to serving you.

- A Flower Blooms in Clifton
- All that Glitters
- Animal Clinic of Clifton
- Anthony Reid and Associates
- Antiques of Clifton
- Artisan Kitchens and Baths
- Canary Cottage
- Clifton Exercise Studio
- Clifton Saddlery
- Clifton General Store
- Cottage Art
- Counseling for Creative Growth
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- Market Financial
- Noodles and Noggins
- Peterson's Ice Cream Depot
- Pink Pantry
- Village Timesavers of Clifton
- Wellness Aware

*Redbird Ridge is located off Wesley Tyler Road which runs off Clifton Creek Rd.*

## Where is Redbird Ridge?

Redbird Ridge was formerly known as part of Wesley Tyler Rd. The new addresses for Redbird Ridge are as follows:



- Jim & Jan Wood, 12852 Redbird Ridge
- Roger Achtermann & JoAnna Natale, 12850 Redbird Ridge
- Bob & Sandy Crompt, 12848 Redbird Ridge
- Paul & Marilyn Stoney, 12847 Redbird Ridge
- John Powell & Kelly Waite, 12845 Redbird Ridge

## LOOKING FOR A BABYSITTER?

### Clifton Babysitters List

*The Clifton Betterment Association does not officially endorse any of the following individuals on the babysitters list. It is provided as a courtesy to our readers.*

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| <p>Diana Armendaris, 15<br/>703-968-2774<br/>The oldest of seven. Lots of experience with children of all ages.</p> <p>Dayton Coupland, 14<br/>(703) 830-4149<br/>Male, Robinson Honor Roll student.</p> <p>Nadia McQuade, 13<br/>703-802-2059</p> <p>Jelena Williams, 14<br/>703-988-0318</p> | <p>Meredith Ross, 17<br/>Emma Ross, 15<br/>703-830-7034<br/>(also available to help with schoolwork/tutoring for younger kids) Speak English and Spanish.</p> <p>Cara Wood 15<br/>Erica Wood 12<br/>703-988-0819<br/>Experience with newborns, toddlers and on up.<br/>Experience in cleaning kitchens after meals and picking up after the children.</p> |
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## Emmi's Membership Corner

### ***Regarding Renewals:***

No pink, no pressure...just a few friendly reminders. First, for the next group of families who need to renew, if you are listed here, your renewal date is Sept. 1, 2008. I will send you an email a month before that, unless of course, you are able to send it in before then. After all, that is three months away – and three months of summer brings lots of activities and distractions to get in the way of remembering.....

Second, a favor to ask - perhaps you know someone who has not received Michelle's email directing them to this newest issue of the *Clifton Clatter*. There are 22 families from Feb. 08 and 18 families from May 08 who have not yet renewed. I think many of them are oversights or just "being too busy." If you find someone who isn't "in the know" about all the wonderful CBA summer activities, please remind them to send me an email and request a membership form to update their memberships, or print one from this issue and give it to them.

Third, and another favor – perhaps you know some of the CBA's senior citizens listed below. Some don't use email and many haven't responded to phone calls or mailings. (BTW, my email has been working marginally, at best, for the last few weeks.) I need to know that they want to be renewed and I need their updated information on our new membership form which is included in the issue. Perhaps taking them a renewal form or asking them to call me would help.

Last, calling any Access pros who understand the date fields. I NEED your help. Please call!

Thank you all for your help in advance. Enjoy the hazy days of summer and all that they bring.

Emmi Holmes

(h) 703 830-1457 (c) 571 839-8832 [emmiholmes@cox.net](mailto:emmiholmes@cox.net)

### **September 08 renewal group**

**Please use form from newsletter. Send asap.**

Norman & Peggy Azouqha  
Paul & Kara Wade  
John & Andrea Neyland  
Mark & Janet Jaso  
John & Kathy Kinter  
Paul & Denise Murphy  
Bill & Bobbi Walter  
Paul & Marilyn Stoney  
Michael & Mae Shen  
Jeff & Melanie Harper  
Roger Achtermann & Jo Anna Natale  
Richard & Stacia Camby  
Rick & Kelly Layfield

### **Senior Citizen Group from Feb 08 & May 08**

**Please help them to let me know of their intents. Or have them call me.**

Dorothy L. Cobb  
Nancy Jarman  
Teresita Pascual  
Mark & Diane Reimers  
Grace Schmalenberg  
David & Diane Smith  
Richard & Jacquelyn Trefry  
Helen Vidovich  
Harold & Dolores Whalen  
George & Patricia Younts  
Morag Cole  
Mary Hampshire  
Tom & Anita Lovelace  
Barbara O'Donnell  
John St. Germain



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## CBA Membership Form

Date of application \_\_\_\_\_

Name (first & last names) \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names (or Others At Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Address : Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 P. O. Box \_\_\_\_\_  
 Town, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail 1 \_\_\_\_\_ in directory:  include  do not include  
 in email announcements list :  include  do not include  
 in newsletter distribution list :  include  do not include

E-Mail 2 \_\_\_\_\_ in directory:  include  do not include  
 in email announcements list :  include  do not include  
 in newsletter distribution list :  include  do not include

**All members must live within the Clifton Elementary School boundaries. If you're unsure, contact Emmi Holmes (703 830-1457, or [emmiholmes@cox.net](mailto:emmiholmes@cox.net)) or the school for information.**  
**All Senior Citizens (65 and over): Send in this form (for our records) and you will receive free membership.**

**Please check type of membership:**

<b>Family Membership</b>	<b>Single Person Household Membership</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> \$45 2yr. family membership	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 2yr. single person membership
<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 1yr. " " " "	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 1yr. " " " "

**Sr. Citizen**  Check here and return form for free membership.

**Please indicate your areas of interest, i.e. where you might volunteer:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Birthday Party	<input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation
<input type="checkbox"/> 5K Race	<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising
<input type="checkbox"/> Fourth of July	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/> Clifton Day	<input type="checkbox"/> General Worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Children's Holiday Party	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Contact Emmi Holmes, Membership, (703 830-1457 or [emmiholmes@cox.net](mailto:emmiholmes@cox.net)), if you have questions.

Mail form and check, made out to CBA, to:  
 Emmi Holmes, CLIFTON BETTERMENT ASSOCIATION, P. O. Box 94, Clifton, VA 20124

# CBA Membership Corner

**New Members/Address Changes since Last Newsletter**— Welcome to these five new families who have joined/rejoined the CBA since the publication of the last newsletter. Also please note the updates of phone numbers and emails for several other families.

*You may want to save this page and add it to your directory.*

**NEW CBA MEMBERS**

**BLUM, David & VICKI**

David  
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[vvidal@mortgagebankers.org](mailto:vvidal@mortgagebankers.org)

**DENNARD, Anthony & Wendi**

Max & Harrison  
6808 Bluff Ridge Lane  
Clifton, VA 20124  
(703) 815-6397  
[Wendi@WeDoTheLegwork.com](http://Wendi@WeDoTheLegwork.com)

**HODGES, Jerry & Cindy**

12646 Water St.  
Clifton, VA 20124  
(703) 830-4789  
[jerryncindy45@cox.net](mailto:jerryncindy45@cox.net)

**KERN, Kevin & Hoa**

12720 Clifton Heights Lane  
Clifton, VA 20124  
(703) 543-7274  
[hoatlam@hotmail.com](mailto:hoatlam@hotmail.com)  
[kjkern@hotmail.com](mailto:kjkern@hotmail.com)

**MATRICCIANI, Christopher & Janet**

Noah, Gabriel & Alyssa  
13220 Compton Rd.  
Clifton, VA 20124

**ADDRESS/PHONE CHANGES**

**FERENCE, Bill & Brenda**

New email address:  
[Brenda@windowdecor.us](mailto:Brenda@windowdecor.us)

**LITTLE, Jerry & Rancee**

New phone number:  
(703) 795-5057



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- Wood Blinds
- Mini/Micro Blinds
- Vertical Blinds
- Motorized Shades With Radio Frequency Remote Control

Ask for your Clifton neighbor Brenda Ference at 703-352-2588

**HunterDouglas** Gallery

## Who Is That Man Around Town?

Who is the man many of us have seen around town painting those beautiful scenes of Clifton? His name is Palmer Smith. He comes in from Warrenton, Virginia because he likes our town and thinks it has many beautiful subjects for his artwork.

Palmer is a plein air, which means his paintings are executed out of doors and represent a direct response to the scene or subject in front

of the artist. In other words, he paints in the open and not in a studio. He is a professional oil painter and has been at it for over 30 years. He sells those oh so familiar scenes around Clifton and he is available for commission work. Feel free to stop and chat with him the next time you see him in town. He can be reached at (c) 540-878-3520 or (h)540-347-3853.



Palmer Smith, of Warrenton, Virginia, has been seen around town a lot lately.

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