



# The Lyon Village Bulletin

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## **New Address Information**

Are you new to Lyon Village or has your information changed? Updates for the LV Directory can be sent to markweinress@msn.com. The new Directory will not be out for quite awhile, but address information can be published in the Bulletin so that your LV neighbors can update their copies of the Directory. The revised information will be compiled for a future publication of the Neighborhood Directory.

## **Pot Luck Oct 16**

The LV Women's Club will have a Pot Luck Supper Sun Oct 16th at 5pm. We will be collecting foods and personal items such as cereal, tuna, toothpaste, hotel size toiletries, baby wipes, and toilet tissue for donation to *Doorways for Women and Families* (formerly TACTS). If interested please call Meg MacKenzie 703.524.4482.

## **Winter Art Show December 2nd to 4th**

The Arlington Artists Alliance presents the Winter Art Show at Fort C. F. Smith Park located at 2411 N. 24th St. The Alliance is made up of local fine artists living in Arlington County. Come and browse works of art for yourself or special gifts. All events are free and open to the public. Meet the artists at the Opening Reception on Friday, Dec 2 from 6-8pm. Saturday hours are 10am-5 pm; from 2-4pm Tbonemanbill, the original New Orleans One Man Band, will perform. Open Sunday from 12-4pm, the show will feature the Star Dust Dance. For further info contact Beth Hudgins at (703) 5 3 2 - 4 4 5 0 o r tghbhudgins@msn.com.

## **The Bulletin Online**

Did you know that the Lyon Village Bulletin is available online well before it is delivered to your home? When the Bulletin goes to print it is posted on the Lyon Village website at LyonVillage.org. Check out the website to get all the latest news and information. Our thanks to Jo-Anne Fouad for managing the web site.

## **General Meeting 8pm Monday October 10th At the Community House**

### **Candidates Night!**

At our October membership meeting on Monday, October 10, 8:00 pm at the Community House, we will have our annual candidates night. Joining us for the meeting will be the School Board, County Board and State Delegate candidates. Each candidate will make an opening statement, followed by a Q&A session with questions first from Lyon Village residents, followed by a concluding statement. Be sure to attend this important meeting to show the interest of the neighborhood in this important election. Also be sure to come prepared to ask questions about the issues that concern you and the community.

### **At September's General Meeting...**

We had Marolyn Hatch, our Lyon Village CERT team member provide a terrific presentation on Emergency Preparedness at our last General Meeting. Marolyn spoke of how to prepare for the type of situation that our Southern neighbors experienced with Katrina. It is important to prepare now. In a major emergency there is a strong likelihood that it may be necessary to shelter in place (at your home) or to evacuate with virtually no notice.

Marolyn went over how to make a "Be Ready Plan." This includes having a meeting place for your family to regroup (even if it's just down the block in the event of a fire in your home). It also includes having packed backpacks ready with supplies including medications, flashlights and a battery or crank operated radio. At our October General Meeting a limited number of handouts from the meeting will be available. For additional information please contact markweinress@msn.com and your requests will be forwarded. We thank Marolyn for her engaging talk on a subject none of us really want to think about. Please keep in mind that those effected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita still need our donations.

Following Marolyn's talk, Faison presented their latest plans for the 1200 Irving Street project (see last month's Bulletin). This presentation was followed by a lively discussion.

## **Neighborhood News**

**Please let us know your thoughts on the issues at  
lvec2005@msn.com**

### **Lyon Village Playground Moves Forward**

Construction of the playground at Lyon Village has been awarded to Custom Park Services; the company that built Langston Brown Playground and is completing Penrose Park. Signs will soon be posted around the park informing users of the park closure and beginning of construction, and the beginning of our new LV playground!

### **Dues Are Due**

With the start of our fiscal year, we ask that Lyon Village Citizens Association Members make their annual contribution to the neighborhood. Dues are \$7 Individual, \$10 Household. This keeps you an active voting member of the neighborhood. Please mail or deliver your 2005-2006 LVCA dues payments to: Carl Mattick, 1428 N. Fillmore St. Call 703-525-0819 or email cmattick@cmattick.com with any questions.

### **A Lyon Village Lot Consolidation**

A Consolation Plat for Lots 613 & 614, Lyon Village, Section 3, has been submitted to the Arlington County Dept of Public Works. The property, at 1600 N. Highland, currently consists of two plats totaling 19,418 sq ft. The two lots will be consolidated into one parcel. The location of 1600 N. Highland is at the northwest corner Highland and 17th Streets. The current home at 1600 is built virtually on the lot line between the two plats and the garage appears to straddle the two plats. Please contact the County for further information.

### **P.O. Murals on View**

View Auriel Bessemer's historic New Deal-era murals at the Central Library at 1015 N. Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22201, in the first floor auditorium. The murals are on loan from the United States Postal Service during the restoration of Arlington's Main Post Office. Bessemer (1909-1986) was commissioned by the Treasury Department's Section of Fine Art to paint *Historical and Industrial Scenes - Sketches of Virginia* for the Main Post Office as part of a national effort to beautify new federal buildings. This is the first opportunity to view the murals at eye-level since they were installed at the post office in 1940. The murals were restored this summer by the Fine Art Conservation Group in New York City and will be reinstalled in the Main Post Office fall 2006.

### **Hotline Volunteers Needed**

CrisisLink's 24-hour suicide, crisis, and information and referral Hotline provides callers with the tools they need to help themselves. Staffed by trained volunteers and crisis line workers, this free service gives individuals problem-solving skills and information regarding community resources so that they may better cope with emotional trauma, personal and family crisis. CrisisLink also staffs the 1-800-SUICIDE and the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The local number for help is (703) 527-4077. With nearly 150 volunteers answering phones, providing community training, and advocating for services, our volunteers work on programs that save lives, enliven hope and build our community. Join The Crisis Hotline team; training classes start in October. Learn more at [www.crisislink.org](http://www.crisislink.org) or 703-527-6603.

### **Meals on Wheels Needs our Help!**

If you can spare 1 to 2 hours a day, Monday through Friday, *Meals on Wheels* could sure use your help. Some of the drivers are folks who are working, but use their lunch hour to deliver a few meals one or two days a week. Volunteers pick up the lunches from the First Presbyterian Church parking lot (near N. Carlin Springs Rd. & N. Glebe Rd. intersection). *Meals on Wheels* is a vital community service delivering meals to over 150 homebound individuals. For information call Sue Swisher, 703-528-2866 or e-mail: [SCSwisher@erols.com](mailto:SCSwisher@erols.com).

### **On This Site...**

Most of us know the building at 3185 Wilson Boulevard at Irving Street, where Clarendon Ballroom is located. What many may not know is that this building was originally the Clarendon Woolworth store. This significant structure, designed in the Streamline Modern style of architecture, was built in 1934. After housing Woolworth's, the store became ABC Liquidators selling new and used household furniture at "Factory Outlet" prices. The Woolworth building is indicative of the shift in 1930's Clarendon from neighborhood oriented shopping to its role as a regional center of chain stores, including several major department stores. Beginning in the 1950's, the shift to the outer suburbs began and Clarendon's downtown area became sleepier, to be rescued in the seventies by becoming a center for Vietnamese retailers. Currently, we once again see our downtown area attracting major chain stores and becoming a regional shopping center.

### **How Did You Spend Your Summer?**

Lyon Village residents Bill and Alex Wooten and Ben Carten spent their summer cycling across the country. They left Stafford, VA on June 25 and arrived in San Francisco 49 days later, traveling 3,725 miles. They traveled through all types of terrain including riding over mountain peaks well over 11,000 feet high. Family and friends were able to track their travel this summer by accessing their web site <http://www.angelfire.com/scary/cyclexc/> which they updated weekly. Also on the trip were Wes Lyons, a fellow WL grad, and George Mangouni who drove the chase vehicle with all the supplies. The web site contains a detailed chronology of the trip along with a picture of the group in front of the Welcome to Arlington (Colorado) sign. Alex, Ben and Wes and are juniors in college and Bill recently retired from the federal government and has always been an avid cyclist.

### **Help Arlington's Homeless**

The Arlington Science Focus School and the FannieMae Foundation invites community members to participate in a *Walk for the Homeless*, Thursday, October 13, at 15 minute intervals all day from 9:30 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. The mini-walk (on the bike trail and the surrounding communities of the school) includes an educational program on the homeless for the students. Funds raised will benefit the Residential Program Center, a 44 bed homeless shelter in Arlington operated by Volunteers of America. FannieMae will donate \$2000 to the Residential Program Center if 100 students register, and \$5000 if 250 students register by October 11, 2005. Registration is \$15.00 for students and \$25.00 for adults. Science Focus is at 1501 N. Lincoln St, across from Hayes Park. For information contact Marguerite Farrell at [maggiefarrell@comcast.net](mailto:maggiefarrell@comcast.net).

### **Seeking Volunteers for Neighborhood Beautification**

Do the public areas of Lyon Village make a positive contribution to its attractiveness? Do we have outstanding tree specimens in the neighborhood which ought to receive County recognition? The *Arlington County Beautification Committee* is seeking volunteers to serve on the Committee, giving our neighborhood the opportunity to have an enhanced voice in its beautification. The Committee as a whole meets only a few times during the year and most of the work is done at the convenience of the volunteers. For more information see: [www.arlingtonva.us/prcr](http://www.arlingtonva.us/prcr) or contact Lola Rogers, Chair at 703/528-2928 or Rebecca Feldberg, Natural Resources Program Coordinator, Arlington County Parks & Natural Resources Division, 703/228-6521, [rfeldb@arlingtonva.us](mailto:rfeldb@arlingtonva.us).

### **E-Care Event**

On Saturday, October 22, from 9am to 3pm Arlington County's Dept. of Environmental Services is sponsoring an *Environmental Collection and Recycling Event*. In addition to collecting household hazardous materials, there will be opportunities to recycle bicycles, computer equipment, small metal items, shoes and eyeglasses. E-Care is at Thomas Jefferson Middle School in the West parking lot at 125 S Glebe Rd, one block East of Glebe and Rt. 50.