

# The Lyon Village Bulletin

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# Spring Calendar

April 13: LV General Meeting, 8pm April 18, 19: Clarendon Art Fest, 10am-6pm April 25: Clarendon Restaurant Tour, 10am May 11: LV General Meeting, 8pm

#### Thank You to Hard Times Café!

The LVCA wishes to thank Hard Times Café for its generous donation of delicious chili and wings for our March 9 General Meeting. If you missed the meeting, you missed out! Neighbors, please continue to support our local businesses that support Lyon Village!

### NC Plan Survey

Attached to this issue of the LV Bulletin you will find the LV Neighborhood Conservation (NC) Plan Survey. The first page of the survey provides background information and links for learning more about the NC Plan Process. Please take a few minutes to respond to the survey via one of the means listed. Your input is needed! The deadline to respond is May 31, 2015.

# Clarendon Art Fest: April 18 and 19

The Clarendon Art Fest, sponsored by the Clarendon Alliance, will be held April 18 and 19 from 10am – 6pm both days. Vendors will set up on Highland St. and westbound Washington Blvd. Street closures begin at 4am Saturday morning and will continue until 9pm Sunday night.

# Sign Up for Clarendon Restaurant Tour for LV Residents: April 25

The Clarendon Restaurant Tour for Lyon Village Residents is being arranged by the 2nd District Police Team as a way for neighbors to meet restaurant/bar owners, ask questions, and tour some establishments you may never have visited before. The police team hopes this will help strengthen the relationship between residents and the restaurant/bar owners and patrons.

We will meet at Whitlow's at 10:00am on Saturday, April 25, where the owners of seven restaurants (Whitlow's, Clarendon Grille, Mr. Days, Mad Rose Tavern, Clarendon Ballroom, Spider Kelly's, and Don Tito's) will present information and answer questions. We will then move from restaurant to restaurant, ending at Don Tito's at 12:00 noon, where Don Tito's will provide lunch. (Note: The other bars may have snacks and non-alcoholic drinks, too.)

A minimum of 20 residents is required in order to hold the event. The maximum number of participants is 50. If you want to participate, please contact Loria Porcaro at <a href="mailto:loriap@att.net">loriap@att.net</a> and provide your name and address. You must RSVP by 5pm on April 24.

## LVCA General Meeting: April 13

The Arlington County Transportation Department will present information on the Transportation Policy Framework and provide updates on service, current transportation projects, and longer-term planning.

### LVCA General Meeting: May 11

The final General Meeting before the summer break will feature the election of new LVCA Executive Committee members for the 2015 – 2016 year and a presentation from the Arlington County Police. The police will provide an update on crime stats/upcoming events, a representative from the Emergency Communications Center will discuss the citizen/dispatch communication protocol, and an officer from the Midnight Patrol that patrols Lyon Village will speak.

### LVCA Needs Volunteers!

Elections for the 2015 - 2016 LVCA Executive Committee will be held at the May 11 General Meeting. The Executive Committee is always looking for more volunteers! The Executive Committee meets the first Monday of each month at the Community House from 8-9pm.

If you have ever considered volunteering for the Executive Committee, please contact John Carten (gicarten@verizon.net) to discuss joining. One open position is Events Coordinator, who is responsible for organizing the July 4 Parade and Picnic, Holiday Party, Halloween Parade and Potluck, movie nights, and any other events the LVCA decides to host. In order for training to occur, we must have a new Events Coordinator identified by May I. If no one volunteers, we may need to cancel the July 4 Parade and Picnic and all other events until someone does volunteer.

Note: Our Assistant Events Coordinator will be staying on to help.

## Improvements to 13th Street

Thanks to the diligence of our residents, the small piece of 13<sup>th</sup> St. from Johnson to Kirkwood may finally be made safer by the addition of sidewalks and new stop signs through the Neighborhood Conservation (NC) Program. The proposed plan can be seen at <a href="https://www.lyonvillage.org">www.lyonvillage.org</a>. If the plan passes the NC funding meeting on June 11 and receives County Board approval in August, we should see the new sidewalks sometime in 2017.

# LV Residents Appointed to Facilities Planning Committee and Committee for the New Stratford Middle School

Miles Mason (milesandlara@comcast.net) has been appointed to the Facilities Planning Committee, and Caroline Holt (walsh2holt@gmail.com) and Jeff Turner (jturner@programmanagers.com) have been appointed to serve on Stratford's Building Level Planning Committee. Please contact them if you have ideas or concerns that you would like to convey about County facilities or the learning/recreational environment for the new school. In addition, while it is likely that some portion of Lyon Village will be drawn into the new Stratford boundaries, no boundary decisions have been made.

# Help Needed with Traffic Circle Watering

Help is needed with watering the traffic circle at Fillmore and Key. If you have time to assist, especially in August, please contact Loria Porcaro (loriap@att.net).

## **Property Development Group**

Lyon Village resident Steven Krieger is organizing a group of LV neighbors interested in working together to purchase and redevelop properties in LV. The group's details, including structure and operation, will be resolved by the interested neighbors, so please email Steven at <a href="mailto:steven.krieger@gmail.com">steven.krieger@gmail.com</a> to express your interest in participating and/or investing when the opportunity arises. An initial meeting will be held in May at a time and location convenient to those who express an interest.

# Street Sweeping: April 14, May 12, and June 16

To help rid our streets of the remaining salt and sand from this winter and to protect the Chesapeake Bay, the county will be sweeping LV streets on April 14, May 12, and June 16 between 7:30am and 3pm. Please do not park on the street on these days, if possible. Crews may be out longer the day of the first pass (April 14), so try to keep your cars off the street as late as possible. More info, <a href="http://recycling.arlingtonva.us/residential/street-sweeping/">http://recycling.arlingtonva.us/residential/street-sweeping/</a>

# E-CARE Recycling Event: April 18

Arlington's Environmental Collection and Recycling Event (E-CARE) will be held on Saturday, April 18 from 8:30am to 3pm at Thomas Jefferson Middle School. E-CARE allows residents to safely dispose of household hazardous materials (HHM) and recycle bikes, small metal items, shoes, clothing and much more!

HHM are products found in the home that are flammable, corrosive, poisonous or potentially hazardous. They include items such as automotive fluid, car care products, fluorescent light bulbs, corrosives, household cleaners, and propane gas cylinders. For a full list of acceptable items, go to: <a href="http://recycling.arlingtonva.us/household-hazmat/e-care/">http://recycling.arlingtonva.us/household-hazmat/e-care/</a>.

Also, you may put your old, unwanted bicycles to good use by donating to Bikes for the World at the **E-CARE** event. For information on the bicycle project, visit <a href="https://www.bikesfortheworld.org">www.bikesfortheworld.org</a> or contact <a href="mailto:info@bikesfortheworld.org">info@bikesfortheworld.org</a> or 571-212-4139.

\*New this year: Exchange your old CFL lightbulbs for new LED bulbs as part of the Arlington Initiative to Rethink Energy (AIRE).

# Washington-Lee PTA Plant Sale: April 25

The sale from 10am-3pm will feature a variety of flowering annuals and popular hanging baskets. To guarantee getting the plants you want, shop online at <a href="https://www.w-lplantsale.com">www.w-lplantsale.com</a> and pick up your plants on the day of the sale.

## Village Market

**For sale.** Kawai piano. Purchased for \$3,400, asking \$1,000. Excellent condition. Call Ray at 703-524-3828.

For sale. Wood bunk beds. Excellent condition. They can be used as two twin beds or bunk beds. There is a guard rail for the top bunk. The wood is lightly stained "pear" color. \$300. Please email for pictures or more information, <a href="mailto:pbtrapanese@northlandcontrols.com">pbtrapanese@northlandcontrols.com</a>, 650-799-9167.

**Home wanted.** U.S. Foreign Service Officer family looking to rent Lyon Village home while stationed in the US. Looking for 3-4-bedroom home for family of four. Please contact Peter Wiebler at <a href="mailto:pawiebler@yahoo.com">pawiebler@yahoo.com</a>.

**Delicious deal.** LV's Deborah Diffee writes: Support the Washington-Lee High School softball team's fundraiser for its first-ever tournament trip. Purchase the team's cookbook (\$25) packed with fabulous recipes from the team and get coupons valued at over \$100 for free food from local restaurants and discounted auto services (including a \$9.95 oil/filter change) from an Arlington auto dealership. Please contact Deb at dladiffee@gmail.com.

For sale. Two Opera Met HD Tickets. Ballston Movie Theater will show "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I Pagliacci" live transmission from New York's Metropolitan Opera at 12.30 pm, Saturday, April 25, 20015. Offered at \$23 (half-price) for both tickets by Sally at 703-527-1337.

Lyon Village residents are invited to send their notices of garage sales, nanny searches, and more to the Village Market by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month.

# Noisy Lawn and Construction Work

As the spring and summer gardening and construction season gets underway, please be aware that the county limits the hours during which noisy work can be performed, from 7am - 9pm weekdays and 10am - 9pm weekends and holidays. These hours apply to all work that makes noise, not just major construction projects.

Noisy work includes lawn work, home repairs, etc., whether it's being done by a contractor or the homeowner. It is each homeowner's responsibility to ensure that workers you hire understand and adhere to these hours.

On weekdays, you may contact the Code Enforcement Office at 703-228-3232 to report a violation. On weekends and holidays, you may call the police non-emergency number, 703-558-2222, and an officer will be dispatched to the site. Violations can result in fines.

## 2014 - 2015 Dues Payments

Fiscal 2015 dues (September 2014–August 2015) are \$7 for individuals or \$10 per household. Mail or deliver your payments to Don Gay at 1803 N. Highland St. (make checks payable to "LVCA") or go to lyonvillage.org to pay via PayPal.

## Sign up for the LV Listserv

If you do not receive periodic email updates from us, you are missing out. We send timely info about crime, power outages, street closures, the occasional lost pet, and more. Sign up on our website, <a href="https://www.lyonvillage.org">www.lyonvillage.org</a>, or encourage new neighbors and reluctant technophobes to sign up!