



# The Lyon Village Bulletin

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Lyon Village Citizens' Association (LVCA)  
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## Fall Calendar

Nov. 7: Spaghetti Dinner  
Nov. 9: LV General Meeting, 8pm  
Dec. 13: Holiday Party

### Spaghetti Dinner, November 7

Plan on a night of family fun and community camaraderie. Join friends and neighbors for a delicious meal of spaghetti (meat sauce or marinara), salad, bread, wine, and baked goods:

- **First seating is 5:00pm - 6:30pm**
- **Second seating is 7:00pm - 8:30pm**
- **Tickets available at the door: adults \$10, children 2-10 years \$5.**

**Volunteering:** This long-standing LV tradition requires the work of 45 volunteers, and we currently have 15. There are positions available before, during, and after the event, and many require only an hour or less of time. Please volunteer via Volunteer Spot: [vols.pt/1uL37U](http://vols.pt/1uL37U). Sign-up is easy, and the only requirement is an email address (you are not required to create an account). If you'd prefer not to volunteer online, please contact Andrea Briere at [abriere@nas.edu](mailto:abriere@nas.edu) or 703-402-2232. Contributing your time is a wonderful way to get to know your neighbors and keep the tradition alive!

**Raffle:** This year we will hold a raffle, one per seating, for an iPad Mini. Drawings will be at 6:15pm and 8:30pm. Tickets will be \$3 each or two for \$5. You must be present to win. Good luck!

**Bake Sale:** Still hungry? Visit the bake sale for a dessert of scrumptious baked goods. To donate baked goods, please contact Heidi Morrison at [rvisek@msn.com](mailto:rvisek@msn.com) or 703-875-0324. You can also drop baked goods at the Community House on Saturday after 12noon.

**Donations:** The Community House is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to it.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on November 7th!

### LVCA Holiday Party, December 13

The holiday season is almost upon us! Mark your calendars for the Lyon Village Holiday Party in the Community House on Sunday, December 13, starting at 4pm. It will be potluck – bring holiday goodies, drinks, plates, cups, napkins and utensils. As always, volunteers are needed to help set up, run and clean up. Please contact our events coordinator, Steven Krieger, at [steven.krieger@gmail.com](mailto:steven.krieger@gmail.com). This is a great way to meet your neighbors!

Meanwhile, when doing your holiday shopping this year, please purchase a toy for the **Arlington Police Toy Drive** and bring it (unwrapped) to the holiday party. Or you can bring the toy to the “stuff a police cruiser” event on December 11 from 3-6pm or on December 12 from 6pm to midnight on Hudson Street. You can also drop it off at any of the participating Clarendon restaurants. Contact John Carten at [gjcarten@verizon.net](mailto:gjcarten@verizon.net) with any questions.

## LVCA General Meeting November 9, 8pm

Come join us to hear from and ask questions of Tom Hutchings, the Capital Projects Manager with the county's Department of Transportation, about the pending reconstruction of Clarendon Circle (the intersection of Washington, Clarendon and Wilson Boulevards), the final phases of the 13<sup>th</sup> Street reconstruction, and curb extensions at Wilson Blvd. and Hudson Street.

Our next General Meeting will be on March 14, but the *Bulletin* will be published monthly with the usual online updates between now and then. For the March meeting, we have tentatively scheduled a representative from Car2Go, the new car-share service in Arlington that is conducting an 18-month pilot program. Unlike Zip Car, Car2Go allows one-way use and pick-up and drop-off at any legal parking spot in the county, including metered spaces and neighborhood residential-district spaces. Cars picked up in Arlington must be returned to Arlington (DC Car2Go cars cannot be dropped off in Arlington and vice-versa).

## Development Update

**2401 Wilson – Hyatt Place Hotel.** Construction is moving ahead rapidly with exterior walls being installed. The developer has created a web site at [www.2401wilson.com](http://www.2401wilson.com) and installed a web-based camera on the roof of the Navy League building that takes a still photo every 30 minutes to document the progress of construction, <http://www.workzonecam.com/projects/2401wilson>.

**2401 Wilson – BeaconCrest Homes.** Demolition and construction will begin later this year to replace the four houses behind the building on 16<sup>th</sup> St. with four new homes. Completion is expected by the end of 2016.

**Red Top Cab development.** A final meeting before the Planning Commission is scheduled for November 4, followed by County Board consideration on November 14.

**Verde Pointe – Bergmann's Cleaners Site.** The MOM's food market will have its soft opening during a ribbon-cutting ceremony, Thursday, November 12 at 11:30am.

## Power Outages? Call Dominion.

Although last month's hurricane veered out to sea, there are nor'easters and snowstorms to come and our neighborhood will have power outages. When your power goes out, call Dominion Power at 866-366-4357. Please do this even if the outage is widespread and you figure your neighbors have already called! This will help Dominion determine the extent of the outage and help it set priorities for repairs. The larger the outage, the higher the priority will be for restoring power.

## Fixing Our Streetlights

The end of daylight savings has brought the condition of the neighborhood's streetlights to the fore. Many are out or dim. We would like to walk the neighborhood one evening to survey all of our lights in order to create a list of those that need to be fixed. If you would like to volunteer, send your name to [jatel468@gmail.com](mailto:jatel468@gmail.com). If you are aware of a bad light, send the location and the number on the pole to the same email address.

## Planning Lee Highway's Future, Nov. 7 and 8

The Lee Highway Alliance is holding a charette on the future of Lee Highway from Rosslyn to Falls Church. It is open to all residents and will seek ideas on how the roadway should look and what uses should be sought out and allowed along it. Redevelopment is coming to the corridor and this is our opportunity to weigh in on how that development will relate to our neighborhood. The sessions are scheduled for the weekend of November 7 and 8 at the Langston-Brown Community Center (across from Heidelberg Bakery). More info can be found at <http://projects.arlingtonva.us/plans-studies/land-use/lee-highway>.

## Scouts Food Drive, Nov. 7 and 14

Troop 167 will be conducting a food drive in our neighborhood on November 7 and 14, 2015. Scouts will distribute "Scouting For Food" bags on November 7 and pick them up on November 14, 9am.

Canned or boxed goods are preferred (pasta, peanut butter, breakfast food, tuna, soup, fruit, beans). Plastic jars are fine but no glass jars, please. Also, please do not donate paper products or toiletries as our system isn't set up for those. If you wish to donate more than one bag of food, please put outside your front door with note on it saying that it's a donation to Scouting For Food.

Donations collected in Arlington go to the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC). For more information about AFAC, go to [www.afac.org](http://www.afac.org).

## School Open House, Nov. 18

Saint Agnes Catholic School in Arlington, serving children from Pre-K through 8th grade, is hosting an open house on Wednesday, November 18, starting at 9am. Parents and their children are invited to tour the school, and meet the administrators and families. Learn more at <http://www.saintagnes.org/school/>.

## Scouts Clothing Drive, Nov. 20

Local Girl Scout Troop 3662 is holding its 6th annual Winter Warm-Up Drive through November 20. They are collecting coats and warm clothing, including men's, women's, and children's coats, sweaters, pajamas, mittens, and snow gear (no shoes, please). They are also collecting toys, household items, jewelry and accessories for their "Santa Shop". All items should be new or gently used (no stains, tears, missing pieces, etc.).

All donations will be distributed to affordable housing residents in South Arlington, in partnership with the Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing (APAH). To donate, please leave the items at 1804 N. Barton Street (front porch) by November 20 or bring donations to the Spaghetti Dinner on November 7.

## Washington-Lee HS Band Fundraiser

The Washington-Lee High School Band is holding its annual fruit and nut fundraiser. You can buy tangelos, oranges, and grapefruit by the half case (\$21) or full case (\$36). Also for sale are peanuts, cashews, honey roasted peanuts, milk and dark chocolate peanut clusters, and honey cinnamon almonds, each for \$10 a can. Donations are also accepted. Delivery on December 3 and 4. To order, please contact one of the following band members: [kponshaines@gmail.com](mailto:kponshaines@gmail.com), [mcsnooks@aol.com](mailto:mcsnooks@aol.com), [isabel.spitalney@gmail.com](mailto:isabel.spitalney@gmail.com)

## Village Market

For rent. Guest cottage in the Shenandoah. Check it out at <https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/4726204?s=olije5BJ>

**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.**

## Leaf Pick-Up Schedule

Arlington County started picking up bags of leaves November 2 and will start sweeping streets November 9. Sweepers will make two passes during November and December. Get email updates at [recycling.arlingtonva.us](http://recycling.arlingtonva.us) or recorded messages at 703-228-6565. Bags will be picked up the day after your regular trash day through January 9.

## New Streetlights Coming to Lee Highway

The County Board has approved a streetlights improvement project for Lee Highway between North Fort Myer Dr. and North Veitch St. These energy-saving lights will improve visibility and enhance safety for all roadway users. More information can be found in the county's [news release](#), and ongoing updates will be posted on the [project webpage](#) (which includes a project map).

## Defining Digital Arlington

Arlington County wants to make it faster, easier and more convenient for you to communicate and do business with the county. For one month, starting October 15, it will be gathering Arlington's ideas, developing insights and making decisions about what future mobile and online services would make it easier to engage with the county officials. Go to <http://insights.arlingtonva.us> or send a text to 703-270-0070 to participate and also see what others have to say.

## Phone Scam Follow-Up

In response to our item October *Bulletin* about the jury duty phone scams, an LV neighbor wrote: "I just got a bogus call from someone, claiming to be from the IRS. I called the number you listed in the Bulletin, was transferred two times and was given two other phone numbers. Apparently, the suggested process is to report via the website, <http://police.arlingtonva.us/online-police-reporting-system/>."

## Please Trim Trees and Hedges

Now that the growing season has just about ended, this might be a good time to take a look at the hedges and trees by your sidewalks. If they are hanging low or growing into the sidewalk right-of-way, please trim them back to allow our walkers to pass. Thank you!

## Halloween Post-Mortem

From a neighbor: "To the trick or treater on Halloween night who asked if the music we were playing was "Danse Macabre" (by Saint Saens) – you were absolutely right! The CD had changed from Night on Bald Mountain and I hadn't noticed! Thanks for identifying it correctly – and we were very impressed with your musical knowledge. Hope you had a great Halloween. Cory and Curt at 3116 N 18<sup>th</sup> St."

## 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, [www.lyonvillage.org](http://www.lyonvillage.org), or encourage new neighbors and reluctant technophobes to sign up!