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Calendar

March 12, LVCA Meeting

March 10: Clarendon Bar Crawl

The next Clarendon bar crawl will be on March 10 from 1pm-9pm. The Clarendon Police Detail will be staffed up for the day and night shifts to keep the event as safe as possible. Based on the number of attendees expected, this one should be on par with the last three, which resulted in very little alcohol-related harm.

The police will be conducting an outreach event from 2-4pm that day on N. 11 Street at Highland Street. They will be joined by the Washington Regional Alcohol Program, Lyft, and the Arlington Fire Department.

As usual, if you observe unsafe or suspicious incidents, call the non-emergency police/fire line at 703-558-2222 or 911 if it is an emergency. Police and fire personnel will be nearby and able to respond quickly to any incidents or concerns.

Water Main Replacement

The county's Department of Environmental Services will conduct a water main replacement on North 18th Street from Cleveland to Danville Street. The contractor, D.H.C. Corporation, is scheduled to start on March 19, and is expected to complete the work by late May 2018, barring complications.

While the water main serving your house is being replaced and out of service, the contractor will arrange a temporary above-ground bypass connection to provide uninterrupted service.

The county construction managers will be Miguel A. Diaz (703-228-7821, mdiaz@arlingtonva.us) and Roosevelt Thompson III (703-228-3695, rtthompson@arlingtonva.us). Contact them if you have questions. For after-hours water emergency, please contact the Arlington County Water Control Center at 703-228-6555.

General Meeting, March 12, 8pm, Community House

The March meeting will include reports on recent police activity, tips on sustainable gardening practices, and an overview of the Arlington Animal Welfare League.

Police Update. Captain Wayne Vincent and his District Two Policing Team will provide an update on recent police activity in Clarendon and Lyon Village.

Gardening Tips. Master Gardeners Nat Ames (from Lyon Village) and Joan McIntyre will offer some tips on sustainable gardening practices for the residential yard and lead a discussion on how Lyon Village homeowners can enhance the beauty of their community (and their property values). As a follow-up, Nat will be hosting a Yard Tour on Sunday, April 15, 1pm – 3pm, to share a number of ideas to improve and beautify your properties. The local Master Gardeners chapter, representing Arlington and Alexandria, is just one of thousands of chapters across the country whose mission and passion is to enhance our green spaces with scientifically based practices.

Animal Welfare League of Arlington. Ever lost your cat, found a stray dog, or had a wild, unwanted tenant in your attic or on your roof and wondered what to do or who to call? Samuel Wolbert, President & CEO of the Animal Welfare League of Arlington (AWLA) and Jennifer Toussaint, Chief of Animal Control, will discuss these various issues. They will share the wide range of programs and services that AWLA offers to county residents.

Changes for Key and Science Focus Schools?

The Arlington Public Schools has begun an elementary planning initiative that will either (1) recommend new boundaries and sites that may result in some "option" schools becoming "neighborhood" schools and vice versa, or (2) simply recommend new boundaries and maintain schools at current sites. The main reason for this push is to increase the number of students who can walk to schools to save money.

One possible result could be to move the Immersion program from Key School to another location and change Key School to a neighborhood school, and/or move the Arlington Science Focus (ASFS) program to Key School or elsewhere, or change the ASFS boundaries. The current Key walk zone includes almost all of Lyon Village.

This is a fast-moving process. Community input is now being gathered online and through task groups. Community meetings will be held in March and April, with the School Board scheduled to act in June. If you care about these issues, we highly encourage you to visit the website and provide input. <https://www.apsva.us/elementary-school-boundary-change/>

Report Potholes

With the cold winter causing havoc on our roads, be sure to report any potholes that you see in the neighborhood to the county. You can call 703-228-6570 or go online to <https://topics.arlingtonva.us/reportproblem>.

Village Market

House wanted. Lyon Village father, his three children and one dog are looking for temporary housing while their Lyon Village home is being remodeled. Preferred rental dates for a house or apartment are from August 1, 2018 to January 31, 2019. Please contact Thomas at tstratma@gmu.edu.

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 3rd week of the month.

2017 – 2018 Dues

Payments

Dues for the September 2017–August 2018 fiscal year are due. Dues 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.

LVCA on Facebook

Tony Abreu has created a Facebook page for LVCA and will be updating it periodically. [You can find the page here](#), or search Facebook for "Lyon Village Citizens Association."

We also encourage you to sign up for [NextDoor](#), which is a website and mobile app for neighborhoods. There are nearly 700 neighbors already using it, as well as the ACPD and county.

Stay Informed

There are a number of ways to stay informed about what is going on in Lyon Village and Arlington.

If you do not receive periodic email updates from us, you are missing out. Our *Lyon Village ListServ* sends timely information about crime, power outages, street closures, the occasional lost pet, and more. Sign up on our website, www.lyonvillage.org, or encourage new neighbors and reluctant technophobes to sign up! This update typically comes out once a week on Fridays.

Another source is *Next Door Lyon Village*, which is used by neighbors and others (Arlington County Police) to highlight events and information in and around the neighborhood. Go to Nextdoor@nextdoor.com to sign up.

Finally, get daily emails each afternoon from *Arlington Now* about important events, news or information about Arlington. Go to [Arlington Now.com](http://ArlingtonNow.com) to sign up.