



# *Lafayette Village Community Association*

## *February/March 2017 Newsletter*

### **ACC Inspections to begin March 13**

The Annual ACC Inspection of all Lafayette Village homes will begin on March 13. These inspections ensure that all homes in our community meet our architectural guidelines, defined in the ACC guidelines document located on the LVCA website at <http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/RevisedACCGuidelinesAugust2016.pdf>. These inspections also help you identify maintenance needs for your home you might otherwise miss.

The inspection schedule follows:

- March 13: Inspections start, weather permitting
- March 22: Inspection violation letters mailed to homeowners, with 30 days allowed for correction or a response
- April 24: Second inspection, to verify those corrections that have been made and to identify violations that remain uncorrected with no plans for correcting them
- May 1: Second inspection violation letters mailed to homeowners, with 15 days allowed for correction or a response.
- May 17: Re-inspection of all properties receiving 2<sup>nd</sup> inspection violation letters. Pool passes reviewed.
- May 22: Results of Spring inspection to ACC, Board of Directors, Pool Committee
- On or after May 22: 2017 Pool pass stickers mailed to all homeowners in compliance
- July 10: ACC Violations Hearings

Since we've had a mild winter, take the opportunity to give your home a critical review and begin planning for spring maintenance. If you do receive a violation letter, **don't ignore it** – respond to it promptly. And either correct the violation, or respond to the management company with a plan indicating when your violation will be corrected. Some violations take time to correct, but if you let Sequoia know what your plan is and when the violation will be corrected, you will be considered in compliance. If you don't respond to the violation letter and don't correct the violations, you will lose your pool privileges and may be subject to violation charges and the loss of your parking spaces!

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**Volunteers Needed!** Volunteers are the lifeblood of Lafayette Village, ensuring the community remains a great place to live, raise a family, and even retire! We rely heavily on a dedicated group of volunteer committee members to accomplish much of the planning and detailed work that makes our community excellent.

While all our committees can use additional members, we especially need volunteers for the Finance Committee and the Neighborhood Watch Committee. If you're interested in contributing to your community, consider volunteering for one of these committees. Send an email to [lvcapresident@lafayettevillage.org](mailto:lvcapresident@lafayettevillage.org) for more details.

## Our Community Information...

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### Patriot Disposal Services

Phone: 703-257-7100 (call for special trash pickups)

### **Consider Electronic Payment for HOA Fees.**

To avoid hassles with locating your coupon book, remembering to pay your quarterly HOA fees, and dealing with pesky late fees and interest payments, sign up for Automatic Direct Debit payments. The Authorization Agreement for Direct Payments form is on the website at

<http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/AutomaticDebitFormLVCA.pdf>.

### LAFAYETTE VILLAGE COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

#### **Monthly Meetings (Check Website for Details)**

**Board Meetings** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month at 7:00 PM in the library at Mason Crest Elementary School, 3705 Crest Drive (March 13, April 10)

**ACC Committee** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of month at 7:00 PM at 3713 Yorktown Village Pass (March 16, April 20)

**Grounds Committee** – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of month at 7:30 PM at 7884 Hampton Village Pass (March 27, April 24)

**Finance Committee** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of month at 7:00 PM at 7833 Byrds Nest Pass (March 21, April 18)

**Neighborhood Watch** – Third Wednesday of month at 7:00 PM at 7876 Hampton Village Pass (March 15, April 19).

**Fairfax Federation** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of month at 7:30 PM at Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Dr, Fairfax (February 16; March 16)

**All residents, including renters, are invited to attend scheduled meetings. Please check the website for the most current information:**

<http://www.lafayettevillage.org/>

### **Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

Don't forget – when you turn your clocks **forward** one hour on March 12<sup>th</sup>, also **change the batteries in your smoke alarms throughout your home**, and check the expiration date on your carbon monoxide detector.

This simple act could save your family's lives!

### **Save the Date: Fairfax Animal Shelter Hosts Low-Cost Rabies**

**Clinic for Pets in Annandale:** The Fairfax County Animal Shelter and Pender Veterinary Clinic will host a low-cost rabies clinic on **Sunday, April 23**, 12 to 2 p.m., for dogs, cats and ferrets, in the Main Community Room of the Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike in Annandale. All dogs **must** be on leashes, and cats and ferrets **must** be in carriers. Vaccination cost is \$15 per pet. Fairfax County 2017 dog licenses will be sold separately and cost \$10. Cash and checks **only** will be accepted for payment at the clinic. For more information, call 703-830-1100, or visit the Fairfax County Animal Services Division Web site at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/animal](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/animal).

## A note from the President



### Subdivided Residential Units (aka Basement Apartments) resolution adopted:

On February 21 via an email vote, the Board adopted the resolution establishing the LVCA Board Policy for Addressing Subdivided Residential Units, commonly called “Basement apartments.” As you may know, our covenants provide that “No portion of any dwelling (other than the entire dwelling) shall be leased.” Subdivided residential units (or basement apartments) are clearly a portion of a dwelling that has been leased separate from the entire dwelling. As part of its fiduciary duties, the Board enforces the provisions of our covenants. This newly adopted resolution explains **exactly** how the Board will enforce this provision.

You can read the adopted resolution on the website at

<http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/ResolutionAddressingSubdividedHomesinLV.pdf>.

The resolution contains 5 sections. The first section defines a “subdivided residential unit” as a part of a Lafayette Village townhouse or detached house leased for the exclusive use of one or more tenants. In our community, these are typically basement apartments with a separate entrance used solely by the tenant to access the apartment. The second section defines how the Association will identify a “subdivided residential unit.” Once such a unit had been identified, the third section outlines the actions the Association will take to enforce the covenant prohibiting such units. These actions potentially include (1) asking the Fairfax County Office of Code Enforcement to investigate the apartment (the apartment could be a zoning violation), (2) issuing a violation letter asking the homeowner to correct the violation or attend a hearing before the Board, and (3) requesting the Association’s attorney send a formal demand letter to correct the violation.

The fourth section describes the Board’s procedures if a homeowner does not correct the violation or claims that the Association has wrongly issued its violation notice. Finally, the last section explains the enforcement options the Board can take, which potentially include legal remedies before the Fairfax County General Court.

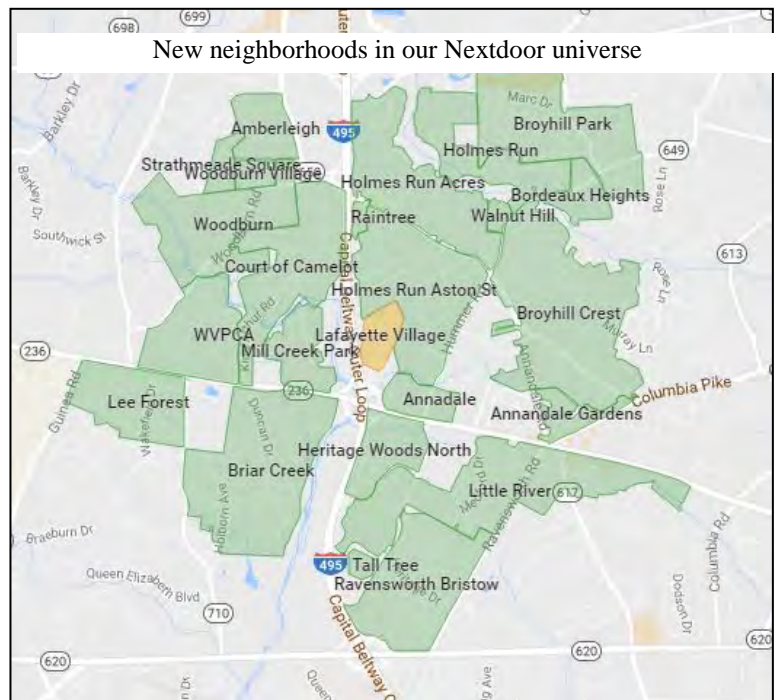
The Board exists in part to enforce the Association’s covenants, which all homeowners agree to when they purchase a home in Lafayette Village. While it may be tempting for a homeowner to rent out a portion of his or her home as a “basement apartment”, that would be a violation of a provision that the Board has a responsibility to enforce.

### Changes to Nextdoor:

Recently, Nextdoor updated its formula for identifying nearby neighborhoods, which resulted in a major expansion of Nextdoor neighborhoods that can communicate with Lafayette Village Nextdoor members. You’ve probably noticed that we have started receiving lots more messages from folks outside of Lafayette Village.

Because of these new neighbors, I think we need to pay more attention to Nextdoor etiquette. We need to consider our audience before posting. Now that we have access 3000+ neighbors, we need to think who of those 3000+ people would find our messages relevant and tailor our message to that audience accordingly.

You can find out how to tailor the audience for your message at



[https://help.nextdoor.com/customer/en/portal/articles/1101740-what-is-the-nearby-neighborhoods-feature-?b\\_id=98](https://help.nextdoor.com/customer/en/portal/articles/1101740-what-is-the-nearby-neighborhoods-feature-?b_id=98).

## Committee Updates

### Finance Committee – Jim Franklin, Chair

The Finance Committee is in the process of reviewing the 2015-2016 Draft Audit, and our initial impression is that the Association remains in good financial health with Sequoia doing a great job of managing our finances. The investment account at Wells Fargo Advisors is growing, and our Replacement Reserve is well supported by our cash reserves.

The absence of major snow storms and tree damage is a positive for our budget spending as well, and the scheduled Grounds Committee projects for landscaping and retaining wall work will begin anew this spring. Additional replacement reserve projects over the next two years involve serious repairs of our infrastructure and erosion control along with replacements for the community lighting. While these projects will take some time, they are in the master schedule and are covered in the budget. You can review the reserve study on our website at <http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/LVCA2016ReserveStudy.pdf>.

The Association financial position remains strong and we are continuing to monitor expenditures and capital improvements. The coming pool season and spring cleanup are good examples of your Board providing improvements and protecting the investments of the community.

The Finance Committee is always looking for input, and if you are interested in assisting the Association with financial management and fiscal policy, please contact Jim Franklin at [franklin-assoc@msn.com](mailto:franklin-assoc@msn.com) or call at (703) 205-9087. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 21st, at 3733 Yorktown Village Pass, and all interested community members are invited to attend. And remember that you can view the Association's most recent monthly financial statements on the website at [http://www.lafayettevillage.org/lvca\\_MonthlyFinancials.htm](http://www.lafayettevillage.org/lvca_MonthlyFinancials.htm).

### Pool and Recreation Committee – Lisa Conoly, Chair

With the arrival of spring-like temperatures, preparations have begun for the upcoming pool season. Our contract with Atlantic Pools ended in December. Based on pricing and past performance, at its December meeting, the Board awarded Atlantic a new three-year contract. Look for the 2017 Pool Pass Application form in the April/May issue of the newsletter. Email me any comments or suggestions at [lisac\\_234@hotmail.com](mailto:lisac_234@hotmail.com).

### Grounds Committee – Mike Nutbrown, Chair

2017 is shaping up to be a busy year for the grounds committee. We have a new reserve study which tells us we should be replacing a number of retaining walls around the community this year. The reserve study recommends that retaining walls be replaced with masonry walls instead of the classic timber walls you see throughout our community at present. These will be the first round of replacements that will be continued two years from now and again two years from then until all original walls have been replaced.

The study also recommends replacement of street lights and poles. We are likely to replace with LED lights, but are trying to see some in a real setting before committing to such a large change. The models we have been looking at do not use protective side panels which tend to get broken. This is estimated to be a costly project, so we want to see something that enhances the attractiveness of our community while saving in both energy and maintenance costs going forward.

We expect to perform a reduced set of spring plantings this year while we prepare a more comprehensive community plan to use plantings for both beauty and function. We need to employ a mixture of plantings and stone or other drainage solutions to address a number of erosion concerns across the neighborhood that certainly are not getting better on their own. We hope to make better progress this year than in past years to address these concerns.



This stream by the retaining wall near the meadows was a focus of the clean-up

## Committee Updates, continued

Finally, we held a short-notice community cleanup on the morning of February 18, 2017. I'd like to thank everyone who came out to help. We collected quite a lot of garbage around the community. I'd like to thank Jim Franklin, Susan Dudley, Donald Harmon, An Phan, Khang Phan, Teresa Fraile, Koyama Nobu, Amanda Sansbury, Anne Sansbury, and my wife Leigh for pitching in and making a difference for our local environment. (There may have been more volunteers who didn't write their name on the sheet – if I missed you, thank you for volunteering!) We'll still do the annual cleanup for Earth/Arbor Day. I'm sure there will be more trash by then. That work is never done.



Mike Nutbrown with the bags of trash collected during the clean-up

We're always open for new members of the community who have an interest in the maintenance and beautification of our grounds to join the grounds committee and help make it a better place for everyone. If you are interested, please send me an email at [grounds@lafayettevillage.org](mailto:grounds@lafayettevillage.org).

### Neighborhood Watch – Steve Longstreet

No crimes were reported in Lafayette Village over the last three months (Dec-Feb 23). However, as the temperature rose, the neighborhoods to our east experienced six reported thefts from vehicles between Feb 10-12. To keep our neighborhood safe we need to keep it boring from a thief's perspective. Our motto remains:

- Lock your house and car doors
- Keep valuables out of your car (especially at night)
- Call 911 if you see anything suspicious as requested by Fairfax Police Department

Keep up the rhythm and help us close out the "winter" crime free.

#### Neighborhood Watch:

In a further effort to discourage crime I am looking for more volunteers to occasionally walk or drive the neighborhood. You won't be committed to a time slot, we'll take any time you can volunteer. However, for your safety all volunteers must take neighborhood watch training and coordinate their walks with me in advance.

#### Training:

- The training for neighborhood watch takes 45 minutes and is offered regularly through the George Mason District Station. Alternatively, and with enough interest, we can host a training in the neighborhood.
- George Mason District Station - The next date is March 1. To enroll - please email Kat O'Leary to coordinate attendance at [fcpdmasoncpo@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:fcpdmasoncpo@fairfaxcounty.gov)

Training in the neighborhood - If a minimum of 6 people are interested in training in the neighborhood then I'll set it up. Please let me know at [slongstreet@gmail.com](mailto:slongstreet@gmail.com)



### Architectural Control Committee (ACC) – Angela Cutter, Chair

Sequoia Management will conduct the Annual Spring Inspection beginning on March 13<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting. . The inspection serves two purposes:

- To identify issues with your house or yard before they become serious problems for you.
- To ensure that all properties are compliant with ACC Guidelines designed to maintain the overall appearance (and property values) of our community.

Violation letters will be mailed by March 22<sup>nd</sup>. You'll have 4 weeks to take action, and ideally everything should be taken care of before the reinspection on or about April 24<sup>th</sup>. As you complete the work let me and Dale Edwards

## Committee Updates, continued

know. If the work required is extensive, or particularly expensive, and you need an extension, contact us as soon as possible and the ACC will consider your request. Please don't wait until the deadline!

**Before doing any exterior work, check the ACC Guidelines on the LV website.** Many things require you to submit a Request for Exterior Improvement for approval. For instance, if you need to replace a door or do any painting. This approval process saves you from spending time and money on things that may not be in compliance. Contact me at [aicutter50@gmail.com](mailto:aicutter50@gmail.com) if you have any questions, or need clarification, and I'll get back to you ASAP. When you do submit a request, include as much detail as possible, including pictures or links, so I can forward everything to the committee for their review. The more complete the information the faster we can get back to you. And for your convenience, a copy of the Request for Exterior Improvement form is attached to this newsletter!

Because the inspection takes place very early in spring, many trees and shrubs won't have leafed out by then. A later walkthrough will identify any plantings that need to be replaced. (The window for planting is small so, again, please don't wait until the deadline.)

It's very important not to wait too long to correct things. Sequoia won't issue pool passes to homeowners (or their tenants) if there are outstanding violations. Tenants get understandably upset if they're denied passes because of something out of their control, so it's incumbent on absentee owners to act quickly.

Homeowners still in violation of community guidelines in June will be asked to attend a Hearing with the Board of Directors. At that time the BOD may impose fines or even revoke parking privileges.

The ACC would like to thank you all in advance for your cooperation with the inspection process. Your neighbors will thank you too!

### Communications Committee – Carl Iddings, Chair

The Communications Committee is responsible for this newsletter, for maintaining the Association website, [www.lafayettevillage.org](http://www.lafayettevillage.org), and for managing the community email notification list. We rely on residents, committee chairs, and the Board to provide interesting content relevant to LVCA homeowners and residents. The website contains a repository of our governing documents, guidelines, regulations, newsletters, and Board meeting minutes.

The next newsletter will be distributed at the beginning of April 2017. It will contain the 2017 pool pass application form and details about our upcoming Arbor/Earth Day celebration..

## Community Ads

**Interior painting:** Contact Mark Rhodes, Lafayette Village resident and a skilled interior painter, for free estimates.

**Fence Repair and Power washing:** Juan is highly recommended for fence repairs and power washing, all done at a very reasonable price. Contact him at 703-855-3184.

**Kids First Day Care:** Kids First day care provider for kids 0-4 years old. For more information please call Maha at (703)347-2876 (9am-5pm) [Maha\\_kidsfirst@yahoo.com](mailto:Maha_kidsfirst@yahoo.com).

**Interior Decorator and Home Organizer:** I'm a professional organizer and interior decorator living in Lafayette Village. Let me help you achieve your goals in 2017! We can start as small as a single room to achieve results you will be proud of. If interested, please call me at 703-217-4707 or email me at [betty.marie.harmon@gmail.com](mailto:betty.marie.harmon@gmail.com) for more information and to receive an estimate.

## Prepping for the ACC Inspection

### Preparing for the ACC Inspection: Give your house a critical review!

With the Spring ACC inspection coming up in March, now's the time to give your house a critical review. You can see what might need a bit of touching up, and get a head start on the inspection! One area homeowners often overlook is the roof. Here are some issues to look out for:



Upper story siding has come loose!

Second story siding along the roof line frequently comes loose, as in this house. Here the siding is so loose, it can't perform its job of shedding rain and water. Instead, water and snow can easily penetrate the siding and begin affecting the common wall between these two townhomes. A competent handyman can easily repair a situation like this without having to replace the siding (although, in this case, replacing it's not a bad idea).



Rake board needs attention!

The rake board on this house needs repair – notice the break in the board at the bottom right of the photo – and repainting. Without this maintenance, the board is in danger of rotting and affecting the integrity of the roof. These boards are often difficult to see, so to get a good look, you may need to walk out to the middle of the street or into the common grounds at the back of your house.



Tree needs to be replaced!

This front yard tree was removed, but hasn't been replaced yet. Our ACC Guidelines require that all townhome trees must be retained and must be replaced as soon as practical. While the fall is the best time to plant trees, spring planted trees can grow successfully if you remember to mulch them and water regularly.



Gutter needs cleaning!.

Our ACC guidelines state that gutters and downspouts must be maintained. At this home, the gutters have not been cleaned for a while, leaving stains on the gutter that probably resulted from leaves left in the gutter over several seasons. This lack of maintenance can end up damaging your house – water overflowing the gutters can seep into your windows and siding, and the gutters themselves can pull away from the fascia board, both resulting in expensive repairs.

## Community Notes....

**Pet waste:** Dog poop continues to accumulate in the community. When you are walking your dog, you need to collect any animal waste your dog produces. Not only a courtesy to your neighbors, cleaning up your pet's waste is also a Fairfax County law. There are two doggy bag stations in the neighborhood, one on Lafayette Village Drive and one on Trammell Road, where you can pick up plastic animal waste bags, and many public trash cans where you can dispose of this waste. Please be a good neighbor and pet owner, and scoop your pet's poop!

**Trash and Litter:** Trash and litter, especially on Lafayette Village Drive and Trammell Road, continues to accumulate. Part of our trash problem stems from residents failing to seal their trash and recycling containers when placed outside for collection. Please make sure to use sturdy bags or containers for your trash and recyclables. And part of the trash problem stems from **individuals simply littering**. If you have littered, please stop and place your trash in one of the many public trash cans the Association provides. And if you see someone littering, ask them to please stop – that just trashes our community!

**Visitor Parking Spaces:** One of the distinctive features of Lafayette Village is the number of visitor parking spaces in our community. The Association provides almost 30 visitor parking spaces, **reserved for guests only**. Visitor parking spaces are located on Butterfield Lane, Byrds Nest Pass, and Yorktown Village Pass. These spaces are available for all guests of Association residents.

Residents are not permitted to park their personal vehicles in visitor parking spaces. Vehicles violating this rule are subject to towing after a warning ticket. Towing charges currently are \$125, and several resident vehicles found parking improperly in visitor parking spaces have been towed recently! Don't be one of those whose cars have disappeared after parking in one of these visitor spaces!



Normally, the February/March Newsletter contains several photos showing winter's onslaught – cars buried in snow or Lafayette Village Drive impassible. But during this strange winter, all we can show is a **tree blooming in February! Amazing!**



## *Around Town...*

**Free Tax Assistance** – Once again, AARP volunteers are offering FREE tax preparation assistance at the Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike in Annandale. April 18 is the deadline for federal taxes, and the Virginia tax deadline is May 1. AARP volunteers will provide walk-in service from **now through April 18: Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 8 p.m.; Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.; Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.** All returns are filed electronically. Remember to bring documents, such as last year's tax return, a photo ID, and all Social Security cards. Residents with illnesses or infirmities, which confine them to their homes, may schedule appointments with AARP for tax preparation services by calling 703-594-6576. For more information about AARP Tax-Aide, visit [www.aarp.org/money/taxaide](http://www.aarp.org/money/taxaide), or call 1-888-227-7669.

**Fairfax County Annual Native Seedling Sale** – The Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District's annual seedling sale is in progress for 2017. Two packages are available: The Shrub and Small Tree package (\$16.95) features Gray Dogwood, New Jersey Tea, Common Ninebark, Arrowwood Viburnum and Smooth Sumac. The Tree package (\$11.95) includes Northern Red Oak, Sassafras, and Bald Cypress. A full, non-refundable payment must accompany the order and your order must be received by Wednesday, April 12, 2017. You will receive a confirmation receipt to show when you pick up your order. Orders may be picked up on Friday, April 21, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., or Saturday, April 22, 9:00 a.m.-noon at the Packard Center in Annandale Community Park. For more information, visit the Web site at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/seedlingsale.htm>. All plants are Virginia native species, designed for our climate and habitat.

**Community Shredding Event** – NBC 4 is sponsoring a community shredding event on **Saturday, March 25, 2017** between **8 and 11 am** at the NOVA Community College Annandale campus, 8333 Little River Turnpike. Your vehicle must be in line by 10:45am. Up to four boxes of residential material of a sensitive nature such as tax documents, financial records, etc., will be accepted. However, items such as magazines and junk mail should be recycled through Patriot's regular recycling collection. Do not try to shred items such as binders, books, plastic document covers, wet papers, and anything metal (remove all clips and hanging file folders) or plastic.

## *Water Meter Wells becoming a tripping hazard...*

As we all know, Lafayette Village is a mature community, having been developed over 30 years ago, and as a result, things have changed over time.

And over time, some of our water meter wells have changed as well. Due to soil and hydrostatic pressure, some of these concrete wells have been squeezed above the soil line. You can see the consequences in the photo to the right, showing a water meter well on Hancock Forest. A water meter well such as the one to the right presents a serious tripping hazard.

Fortunately, Fairfax Water can reset these water meter wells back in the ground. If you notice that the water meter well in front of your house has risen up, you **can call Fairfax Water at 703-698-5800 to report the problem**. A Fairfax Water technician will show up within a day or two to correct the problem, of course at no charge to you.



This water meter well on Hancock Forest has risen up over time and now presents a serious tripping hazard.

## ***Hidden Oaks Summer Programs Registration has Started...***

Living in Lafayette Village, we are fortunate to have a great resource, Hidden Oaks Nature Center, right in our back yard. Besides the walking trails, the different woodland environments, its animal exhibits and nature programs, Hidden Oaks offers eleven different and exciting summer camps for children ages 4 through 12 within easy walking distance of our homes!

Here are just a few of these summer camps:

### **Animal: Zoology Fun for Kids**

Explore the woods, creeks, and ponds as we look for all sorts of critters. Learn about frogs, toads, birds, mammals, snakes, turtles, fish and insects through hikes, projects and games. Have lots of fun learning about animal life science

June 12-June 16 9 am-12 pm Ages 4-6 yrs. Code: 308 224 9301 \$195

June 19-June 23 1:30 -4:30 pm Ages 4-6 yrs. Code: 308 224 9302 \$195

### **Dinosaur Days Camp**

Explore the dinosaur world as campers become junior paleontologists. Naturalists lead discovery of the latest in dinosaur knowledge plus create crafts, play games and unearth fossils

June 5-June 9 1:30 -4:30 pm Ages 4-6 yrs. Code: 308 222 4201 \$195

June 26-June 30 9 am-12 pm Ages 4-6 yrs. Code: 308 222 4202 \$195

July 10 -July 14 1:30 - 4:30 pm Ages 5-9 yrs. Code: 308 222 4401 \$195

July 31– August 4 9 am-12 pm Ages 5-9 yrs. Code: 308 222 4402 \$195

August 14-August 18 9 am - 12 pm Ages 5-9 yrs. Code: 308 222 4403 \$195

August 28-September 1 9 am-12:30 pm Ages 4-6 yrs. Code: 308 222 4203 \$195

### **Native American Survival Skills**

Discover what daily life was like for the Eastern Woodland Indians. From animal tracking to shelter building, children learn survival skills through outdoor activities, games, crafts and stories. Camp focuses on the culture and daily lives of the Powhatan.

August 21-August 25 9 am-12 pm Ages 5-9 yrs. Code: 308 222 3801 \$195

### **Tea Parties, Picnics & Storybooks**

Ever wanted to go to Miss Spider's Tea Party or the Teddy Bear's picnic? Meet the Lorax, play Pooh Sticks and enjoy recreating games, plays and activities from favorite children's literature. Meet a not-so-quiet cricket, a turtle like Yertle and many more live animals featured in storybooks. \$10 supply fee due first day

June 5-June 19 9 am-12 pm Ages 4-6 yrs. Code: 308 224 8201 \$195

June 19-June 23 9 am-12 pm Ages 4-6 yrs. Code: 308 224 8202 \$195

### **Wildlife Caretakers**

Have you ever wanted to work at a nature center? Go behind the scenes to set up tanks and ensure the health of exhibit animals. Venture into the park to participate in wildlife surveys and habitat projects.

August 14-August 18 1:30-4:30 pm Ages 8-12 yrs. Code: 308 220 7201 \$195

August 21-August 25 1:30-4:30 pm Ages 8-12 yrs. Code: 308 220 7202 \$195

### **Wildlife Rangers**

Join our naturalist on outdoor adventures and field studies in nature. Learn about the amazing animal world and the natural sciences. This is for serious nature lovers who don't mind getting dirty. Campers learn outdoor survival skills such as using maps, making fires and building shelter. Experiments, games, activities and observation skills help us explore the many habitats in our parks. Bring lunch and drink daily.

July 17 - July 21 9 am-3pm Ages 6-9 yrs. Code: 308 223 7901 \$259

August 7 –August 11 9 am– 3 pm Ages 6-9 yrs. Code: 308 223 7902 \$259

To see the full schedule of camps this summer, go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/hidden-oaks/summercamps.htm>.

All camps are held at Hidden Oaks. You can register online through Fairfax County Park Authority Parktakes <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes/> using the 10-digit code, or call the Parktakes registration staff (703-222-4664) Monday through Friday, 9am -4pm

**REQUEST FOR EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENT FORM**

To: Chair, Architectural Control ACC  
Lafayette Village Community Association  
c/o Sequoia Management, Attn. Dale Edwards  
13998 Parkeast Circle  
Chantilly, VA 20151

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to the By-Laws and A.C.C. regulations of the LVCA the following exterior improvements to my property located at: \_\_\_\_\_ are proposed:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sketches, pictures, diagrams, color paint chips and further details of my project (as necessary) are attached to help preclude further inquiries that slow the A.C.C. process and delay my work.

I am aware that A.C.C. approval for the project is contingent upon quality workmanship and timeliness of work. I further understand that A.C.C. approval is not a substitute for compliance with applicable Fairfax County building codes, ordinances or any other regulation or restriction (such as easements) and that compliance with the above is the responsibility of the homeowner. Any cost relating to compliance will be borne by the homeowner.

I further understand that it is Association policy that the homeowner is responsible for repairing, to Association satisfaction, any damage done to common properties that might be caused by the homeowner and/or parties contracted by the homeowner during the execution of the project.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**ENDORSEMENT**

Date of ACC action: \_\_\_\_\_

The ACC, having carefully considered the above request, hereby:

- approves as submitted
- approves the proposal as modified below
- regretfully cannot approve the project for the reasons cited below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

A follow-up inspection will occur after completion to ensure compliance. Thank you for your cooperation.

Chair, Architectural Control Committee (ACC)

(You can also email this form to Dale Edwards, our community manager, at [dedwards@sequoiamgmt.com](mailto:dedwards@sequoiamgmt.com).)