Lafayette Village Community Association
October/November 2017 Newsletter

LVCA Annual Meeting: October 5, 2017

Please join your neighbors and fellow homeowners on **Thursday, October 5th** for the Lafayette Village Community Association annual meeting. Association members will have the opportunity to elect one homeowner to serve a three year term on our Board of Directors. Details of the meeting are found in the box to the right. All homeowners should have received a notice of the Annual Meeting, along with an agenda, the draft minutes from the 2016 Annual Meeting and a proxy form. These forms are also available on the Association website at http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/2017AnnualMeetingPacket.pdf. If you cannot attend the Annual Meeting, please be sure to fill out your proxy vote and give it to a board member or someone who will be attending the meeting. You will find a copy of the proxy on the website in the Annual Meeting packet or on the last page of this newsletter. Once completed, call or email a board member to have your proxy form collected.

Annual Meeting Highlights:

- One Board of Directors seat is up for election.
- The Nominating Committee will submit at least one candidate for this seat.
- Nominations can be made from the floor.

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RAFFLE! RAFFLE! RAFFLE!
WIN YOUR NEXT ASSOCIATION DUES PAYMENT

Homeowners attending the LVCA Annual Meeting in person will be entered into a raffle. The next quarterly association dues payment will be waived for the winner. Come to the Annual Meeting and you could be the winner!

Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 5th

Don't forget – when you turn your clocks back one hour on November 5th, also change the batteries in your smoke alarms throughout your home, and check the expiration date on all your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

This simple act could save you and your family!

Remember that all smoke alarms have an expiration date 10 years after you purchase them and activate them. The hard-wired smoke alarms installed in Lafayette Village homes have all expired and should either be replaced or supplemented with battery-powered alarms. It's easy to replace the hard-wired smoke detectors in our homes – step-by-step instructions can be found at http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/HowToReplaceSmokeAlarm.pdf.

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REMINDER: Fourth Quarter Assessments are due October 1, 2017. Make it easy on yourself by signing up for the Direct Debit program, and have your payments automatically paid from your bank account at the beginning of each quarter! Complete the direct payment form at http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/AutomaticDebitFormLVCA.pdf and send it to Sequoia Management, 13998 Parkeast Circle, Chantilly, VA 20151-2283, Attention: Dale Edwards.

LAFAYETTE VILLAGE COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

Monthly Meetings (Check Website for Details)

Board Meetings – 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (October 5 at the Mason District Government Center, Main Meeting Room, 6507 Columbia Pike and November 13 in the library at Mason Crest Elementary School, 3705 Crest Drive)

ACC Meetings –3rd Thursday of month at 7:00 p.m. at 3713 Yorktown Village Pass (October 19, November 16)

Grounds Meetings – 4th Monday of month at 7:30 p.m. at 7920 Brunswick Forest Pass (October 23, November 27)

Finance Committee – 3rd Tuesday of month at 7:00 p.m. (October 17, November 21)

Neighborhood Watch – 3rd Wednesday of month at 7:00 p.m. at (October 18, November 15)

Fairfax Federation – 3rd Thursday of month at 7:30 p.m. at Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Dr.

All residents, including renters, are invited to attend scheduled meetings. Please check the website for the most current information: http://www.lafayettevillage.org/.

Mason District's Resilience Summit and Expo: Thursday, October 12, from 2 – 9 p.m., Mason District Governmental Center, Main Community Room, 6507 Columbia Pike in Annandale

Are you READY? Whether it is a weather related emergency, a family emergency, or an individual challenge, resiliency is a person's capacity to overcome adversity by preparing for it in a healthy and productive way. Mason District's Resiliency Summit, hosted by Supervisor Penny Gross, will feature public safety personnel, citizens corps, health care professionals, and more.

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Senior Safety Seminar
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. - Resilience Expo
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – General Session

A Final Note from the President…

As you recognized from the front page of this newsletter, our Annual Meeting will be held this upcoming Thursday, October 5th. Please plan to attend – our association is made stronger by the active participation of **all our homeowners.** We have an election to fill the Board seat I am currently occupying. And after the Annual Meeting, the Board will hold a brief meeting where, in addition to addressing other business, the Board will appoint a homeowner to fill the seat vacated by Jim Franklin.

Since this is my last note while I'm serving as president, I want to write about the state of Lafayette Village and our Association**. In a sentence, our community is as strong as it's been since I've lived here.**

Financially, we are in excellent shape, as you can tell by our most recent balance sheet (http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/2017-08LVCAFinancialStatement.pdf). We have close to $600,000 in our reserve funds; we will end the fiscal year with a small surplus. We continue to fund our reserve funds at the level recommended by our most recent reserve study, completed this past year. The Board has been able to achieve this without raising our HOA fees in the past eight years, in part because we have aggressively competed our major contracts and signed long-term contracts that lock in our expenses for these items. In addition, we continue to receive clean audits from our auditors. We have very few delinquent accounts and no active foreclosures for the first time since the Great Recession of 2008/2009.

The Board has accomplished a lot this year, as well. In addition to completing a reserve study last November, the Board has in the past year:

- Contracted for a new snow removal service, to ensure the fiasco of January 2016 wouldn't happen again;
- Purchased two new CDs for our reserve fund;
- Adopted a new financial management plan, ensuring the Board retains control over our reserve funds, while giving flexibility to Sequoia to manage our operational expenses;
- Adopted new ACC Guidelines for electric vehicle charging stations;
- Adopted a new regulation addressing subdivided residential units (aka, basement apartments), to establish a formal process to enforce the covenant prohibiting such units;
- Authorized the purchase of a gas grill to be used for community events.

In short, we are a well-managed Association, with an active Board and an effective and efficient management company.

All this has contributed to Lafayette Village being a highly desirable community. Homes are selling at prices we haven't seen since the recession. We have beautiful grounds, a great location, and homes that are well maintained. This latter is key to our status as an attractive community – homeowners have improved and maintained their homes, and the care we all take shows our pride in Lafayette Village. And that translates into being a community people want to be a part of. So the state of our Association is strong thanks in large part to you, Lafayette Village residents and homeowners.

It has been an honor to serve as your Association's President these past six years. Thank you all for the opportunity.

All Residents Are Encouraged To Attend the Annual Meeting

When: Wednesday, October 5, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Where: Mason District Government Center, Main Meeting Room, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale

Note that only homeowners in good standing can vote on issues that come before the membership.

Committee Reports….

Finance Committee – Vacant:

The Finance Committee is in need of a chair. If you are interested in assisting the Association with financial management and fiscal policy, please send an email to president@lafayettevillage.org detailing your interest.

For a recap of our community's current financial status, be sure to read Carl Idding's "A Final Note from the President" on the previous page.

And remember that Association monthly financial statements can be found on the website at http://www.lafayettevillage.org/lvca_MonthlyFinancials.htm.

Grounds Committee – Mike Nutbrown, Chair:

The grounds maintenance contract ends with this calendar year and requests for proposals have been issued to several local contractors including our current contractor. We should have the results back in October with some time to spare to make sure we have a smooth transition if moving from one contractor to another. Winter months don't usually require much from our maintenance contract since snow removal is a separate contract so it's a good time to make a change if necessary.

Fall planting, pruning, and removal projects will all take place between now and the end of the year with times to be determined. The planting list was approved by the grounds committee, but bids haven't been received yet and the Board will still have to approve the work. It's uncertain if any retaining wall projects will be completed this year due to time constraints, but whatever doesn't get done this year will be pushed to next calendar year.

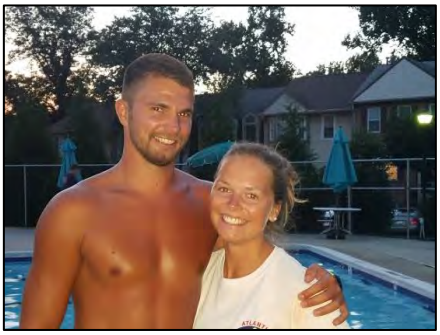
You'll soon see a pair of new reserved parking signs in the pool parking lot. They didn't get there in time for this pool season, but they should be there for many years to come.

We are in need of 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. The committee has lost several members in the past year which puts additional work on the remaining members. If you have any interest in improving our common areas, please send me an email at grounds@lafayettevillage.org.

Pool and Recreation Committee – Lisa Conoly, Chair:

The pool closed on Labor Day after a busy summer. Some highlights of the season included:

- We had a safe pool season thanks to Atlantic Pool Service and our lifeguard staff of Connor, Tamas, Gabe and Pavlina.
- We expanded our water fitness classes from two days a week in 2016 to four days a week this summer. We also offered a discount card this season. Look for a version of the program to return next year.
- We held two well attended cookouts, one to kick off the pool season and one to say goodbye to the summer, with the Association providing burgers, hotdogs, chips, condiments, and bottled water. Thank you to Larry Dunham and Jim Miller for acting as grill masters at the End of Summer Cookout. Also thanks to Carl and Carolyn Iddings for doing the shopping and to Christine Hathaway and Bonnie Weiss for helping with setup and cleanup.
- We purchased a grill to be used for our community cookouts.



Lifeguards Tamas and Pavlina

Committee Reports, continued…

- We held two of the always-popular "Swim Under the Stars" nights. We turned on the pool lights, turned up the music, and kept the pool open late. The third time was the charm for the second "Swim" night. After having to cancel twice due to rain, we had one of the best turnouts ever for a "Swim Under the Stars" night.
- We hosted our third annual adults only "Wine and Cheese Mixer." We kept the pool open late for the one night of the summer reserved exclusively for the adults in the community to have a drink with their neighbors in our wonderful patio area. Attendance at this event has continued to grow.
- Several families took advantage of the opportunity to reserve the pool picnic pad for small parties. This opportunity is available to all residents in good standing.
- We continued our Reader's Exchange bookcase. Readers can take a book they'd like to read or leave a book they'd like to share.

On Labor Day, we provided kids at the pool with a surprise snack of chips and juice boxes. Thanks to Anne Sansbury for providing the chips.

Swim Under the Stars

One disappointment of the summer was that due to school beginning before Labor Day, for the final week of the pool season, weekday hours reverted to 4:00-8:30 p.m. This is a clause in our contract with Atlantic that has never needed to be enacted before. When this contract expires, we will be sure to explore what options are available to us with this change to the school calendar.

Thank you to the many people who volunteered their time and talents to make our events successful. And thank you to everyone who helped make this a safe and enjoyable pool season for all of us.

Remember to save your pool passes for reuse next year so you don't have to pay for replacement passes. Look for the 2018 Pool Pass Application in the April/May newsletter.

The pool continues to be a great gathering place for the community. We hope to continue to make improvements and add events to enhance this wonderful resource. If you have comments or suggestions regarding the pool, please email me at lisac_234@hotmail.com.

Neighborhood Watch Committee – Vacant:

The Neighborhood Watch Committee is in need of a chair. If you are interested in helping keep Lafayette Village crime-free, please send an email to president@lafayettevillage.org, detailing your interest. The Mason District Police Department will provide you training, and we already have volunteers ready to serve on the watch.

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

Lafayette Village has had a lot of turnover in ownership this year so I thought it would be useful to address some of the basics of why there's an ACC, what we do, what we cannot do, and your role in the partnership.

Who we are:

The name "Architectural Control Committee" is designated in our Covenants, but it might be more accurate to consider it as the Architectural Coordinating Committee. It's our job, in conjunction with the management company and the Board of Directors (BOD), to apply the Guidelines that have been established over the last 30+ years. (We've been very lucky to have an excellent BOD and property manager over the last several years.) To keep our community looking great the

guidelines must be enforced as uniformly as possible, and exceptions are rare. The bottom line is we all want to live in a safe, attractive neighborhood with high standards and good house values. Again, this year, homes sold quickly, and often with multiple offers, so the combined work of the volunteers of the ACC and the Grounds Committee continues to pay off.

What we do:

The committee consists of 6 people and we review all applications for exterior work that affect the appearance of the home. This includes major things like windows, roofs and fences, as well as smaller things, like painting the front door or removing a dead tree or keeping your backyard tidy. Each thing by itself may not seem a big deal. But multiply that by 200+ and you can see the potential impact that uncoordinated work could have on the community.

Your proposal may require that we all go to look at your house, or we may ask for more information before we can reach a consensus.

We work closely with you and the management company, especially after the Spring Inspection, to try and bring every property into compliance. We're all Lafayette Village homeowners and have the interests of the community close to our hearts.

From time to time we review the Guidelines to keep them up to date with current developments, like new materials or technology.

What we cannot do:

We can't act on a moment's notice. If you've received bids and/or signed a contract, then you've had plenty of time to contact the ACC. We're community volunteers and may be busy with work or travelling so please don't wait until the last minute – we don't want you to be upset if the turnaround isn't instantaneous and the contractor is ready to begin work.

We can't force people to do the right thing – much as we may want to! Consistent non-compliers will be referred to the BOD and they will impose penalties as necessary.

We can't change the rules just for you. The Guidelines were developed for the good of the overall community and sometimes this means having to say no to an individual request. Everyone bought into an HOA so everyone bought into complying with the governing documents. Paying your dues is a requirement and so is following the ACC guidelines.

We can't recommend specific contractors. However, the "Nextdoor" app can be a great forum for that.

Your role:

Be aware of, and comply with Lafayette Village Guidelines. Ignorance really is no excuse – all guidelines are on the Lafayette Village website and I'm an email away if you're not sure if you need approval.

Submit the Request for Exterior Improvement, with as much detail as possible. Attaching sketches or other documentation is always helpful. Make sure any contractor is aware of our restrictions too. They may tell you that staining that new fence will look lovely (and give them more profit) but it's up to you to know that any stain that changes the color of the natural wood isn't allowed. Any project undertaken that doesn't follow the Lafayette Village Guidelines must be corrected.

Correct any violations in a timely way. Instead of sending out reminders and making repeat visits to inspect a property, our agent can use that time for other important tasks, like negotiating contracts.

Committee Reports, continued…

Landlords should inform their tenants of the guidelines. Ultimately you will be held responsible by the BOD for any violations so give them a paper copy and refer them to the Lafayette Village website. Some of the most frequent complaints we receive are about renters ignoring the basics, like storing trash or personal possessions in front of the house

It seems your role is greater than ours, but that's how it should be.

Lafayette Village is a great neighborhood with wonderful people and we can all take pride in living here.

Communications Committee – Vacant

During the past year, the Communications Committee worked hard to keep the Lafayette Village homeowners and residents informed about the community: It prepared and distributed 6 newsletters totaling 77 pages at a cost of $1975. It also sent out 30 LVCA Announcements to the Association email list, informing everybody about board meetings, community events, criminal activity, Hidden Oaks programs, and Mason District events. If you aren't receiving these announcements (critical during big snow and other weather related events!), you can join the email list by sending an email to president@lafayettevillage.org with a request to be added. Don't miss out on announcements important to Lafayette Village residents and homeowners.

Also, the Association uses Nextdoor as an additional way to communicate with you. Nextdoor has proven to be a very useful tool for neighbors to post questions, contractor recommendations, items for sale, etc. We already have 358 members on Nextdoor, across 237 homes, meaning about 75% of all Lafayette Village homes participate. If you haven't yet signed up for Nextdoor, its easy and free – just go to www.nextdoor.com, enter your name and address, and you're signed up! Let's try to get 100% participation by next year's Annual Meeting.

Finally, several changes have come or will be coming to the Association's communications toolset. Carl Iddings has stepped down as editor and has been replaced by Cheryl Ryefield as of the August/September newsletter. Also, at its September meeting, the Board authorized the expenditure of reserve funds to develop a new, more attractive and easier to maintain website. The new website will contain the same detailed information about the Association, but with a modern look that will make it easier for you to find what you might be looking for. Given all these changes, we will need a new chair for the Communications Committee. If you would like to volunteer, please send an email to president@lafayettevillage.org to express your interest.

Election Information: Election Day is Tuesday, November 7….

What you'll be voting for: Election Day is soon approaching. Candidates for Virginia state offices – Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and House District 38 Delegate – will be on the ballot. There will also be a Fairfax County school bond issue for you to vote on. More information about what's on the ballot is available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming.htm, or through the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area, www.lwv-fairfax.org. Information about the school bond referendum can be found at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bond/. While the ballot is not long, a few minutes spent reviewing the ballot now will speed your way through the lines at your polling place.

Election Information, continued…

Where you will vote: All residents of Lafayette Village reside in Hummer Precinct, and vote at the Packard Center at 4022 Hummer Road. The polling site will be open from 6:00 a.m.am to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7. If for some reason, you know you'll be unable to vote during polling hours, you can instead vote by absentee ballot. **You can find out more about absentee voting** at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/absentee.htm. **You can also vote early** at Mason District Government Center daily except Sunday starting October 16.

Voter Registration: If you are a new resident in Lafayette Village and haven't yet registered to vote or haven't changed your voting address, you can find out how to register or change your registration at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/vregis.htm. You have a number of options to register. You can register or change your registration online at http://www.elections.virginia.gov/voter-outreach/. You can register in person at the Fairfax County Office of Elections at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 323, Fairfax. Or you can register by mail – instructions can be found at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/vregis.htm.

This is the voting machine you will use to record your paper ballot in the upcoming election.

Photo ID requirements: **You will need to show an acceptable photo ID** before you will be allowed to vote. These photo IDs are acceptable:

- Valid Virginia driver's license, even if it has your old address
- Military photo ID
- Federal, Virginia, or local government-issued ID, including a passport
- Employer-issued photo ID
- Virginia college or university student photo ID
- Tribal enrollment or other tribal ID

For voting purposes, an expired ID remains valid for 12 months after its expiration date.

If you don't have a photo ID when you come to vote, you will be required to vote a provisional ballot. In order for it to count, you will then have until noon on the Friday after the election (Nov. 10) to deliver a copy of acceptable photo ID identification to the Fairfax County Electoral Board at the Office of Elections in the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax.

Verify your voter registration: You can verify your registration information at the Virginia Board of Elections website, https://www.vote.virginia.gov/ and make any necessary changes then.

Expressing support for your favorite candidate: Our Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Guidelines allow you to display one sign pertaining to the current political season. You must remove the sign immediately following the election.

Remember to Vote on Tuesday, November 7!

Notes on the Community Garden….

by Anne Sansbury, LVCA's Community Garden Sage

What can we do with all our produce from the garden? For that matter, what can we do with extra produce from the grocery store? If the idea of canning food is overwhelming, think about dehydrating, freezing, fermenting, or pickling your overabundance.

Have you ever thrown out herbs because they turned black before you could use them? The simplest remedy is to freeze them in plastic freezer bags with all the air removed, nicely labelled so you can later distinguish basil, oregano, thyme, chives, parsley, mint, lemon balm, tarragon. You can also chop up herbs -- or kale, collards, turnip greens – and freeze them in ice cubes or oil cubes. You can very easily freeze tomatoes, beans, asparagus, zucchini, winter squash, berries, potatoes, carrots, parsnips, and radishes.

Dehydrating herbs, tomatoes, peaches, apples, figs, carrots, and potatoes is pretty easy too, by hanging herbs upside down, by drying foods in a low temperature oven, by microwaving, or by using a dehydrator.

Almost any vegetable can be fermented, which enhances the nutrient content of the food and provides extra probiotic protection, and finally, a really great option is pickling. You can pickle carrots, peppers, onions, beets, green beans, ginger, and garlic, in addition to thin-skinned cucumbers. For a really fast and delicious treat, make a jar of "refrigerator pickles," ready in 2-3 days with no fuss whatsoever.

Just google the particular task you want to accomplish and you will find plenty of instructions for saving produce so you can enjoy it all winter.

There may be a few garden plots opening up next spring, so please add your name and contact information to our waiting list for next season by emailing Anne at asansbury@gicgroup.com.

Short-Term Rentals in Fairfax County

by Donna Jacobson, LVCA's representative to the Mason District Council

Short-Term Rentals (STRs) are currently not legal in Fairfax County; however, the county is now considering whether or not to allow STRs and if so, in what districts. The county had three community meetings in September and may schedule more in October. If so, these meetings will be posted on Nextdoor.

Of the Fairfax County residents who have attended these meetings, some have been in favor of STRs, but many have been concerned about having them in their neighborhoods. The most significant issue that residents seem to have concerns about is that of enforcement of regulations in regard to STRs.

I met personally with several staff members of Fairfax County from the Department of Code Compliance and the Department of Planning and Zoning, who talked to me about the enforcement problems associated with STRs. I was told that if there is a problem with an STR in the neighborhood after normal business hours or on weekends, it would be best to call the police since Fairfax County Code Compliance Specialists need to have overtime approved for these times. However, the police have limited authority when it comes to STRs. They cannot enter a house to investigate the situation unless they are invited in or have a warrant. They can require the occupants of the STR to lower the noise level but they do not have access to leasing information to determine if the occupants of the STR are in violation of the STR agreement.

Short-Term Rentals continued ….

Therefore, just because the police are called to an STR in response to a disturbance, the police response may not necessarily mean that a verifiable complaint against the STR can be filed. Also, I was told that even when a verifiable complaint is obtained; it is difficult to have it upheld in the court system because judges are hesitant to impose on a home owner's rights. When I asked about the rights of those residents who are neighbors of an STR, I was told that it is a complicated situation and that the county is trying to balance the needs of all residents.

I think it would be wise for residents to become aware of the issues associated with STRs and especially those in relation to enforcement of STR regulations. The Mason District Council, which is a nonprofit group composed of representatives from communities in the area, is trying to work to ensure that residential communities are protected from the negative issues associated with STRs. They are encouraging the county to restrict STRs to Commercial and Mixed Use Districts, at least until it can be determined how effectively enforcement issues are handled by the County.

I encourage residents to write to Fairfax County with any questions, concerns or comments you might have. You can contact the county at ordadmin@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-324-1314, TTY 711. I would encourage residents to write also to the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors at chairman@fairfaxcounty.gov and voice your opinions concerning STRs.

Get Rid of Unused Medications
Prescription Take-Back Day - October 28th

Do you have expired, unused medications that you no longer want or need? The Fairfax County Police Department, in collaboration with the Drug Enforcement Agency, will collect unneeded, unused, and expired medications on Saturday, October 28, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. In Mason District, residents may drop off prescription drugs at the following locations:

Mason District Police Station
6507 Columbia Pike in Annandale

Franconia District Police Station
6121 Franconia Road in Alexandria

West Springfield District Police Station
6140 Rolling Road in Springfield

Please bring prescription medications in their original containers, and cross out identifying information. Drop off is free.

VolunteerFest 2017 Coming Oct. 28; Make a Difference

http://www.volunteerfairfax.org

Lend a hand, at this feel good - do good event on *National Make a Difference Day*. *VolunteerFest*, Saturday, October 28, is our local celebration of *Make A Difference Day*. We are mobilizing hundreds of volunteers—tall and small--to help nonprofits in our neighborhoods tackle projects-- large and small. Go to http://www.volunteerfairfax.org/individuals/volunteerfest.php to find out more and sign up. Other VolunteerFest projects are available on October 20-29. Deadline to register is October 20. Register today for the best project selection. **Together we can make a difference!**

Community Notes….

Need a Notary? – Notarial services are available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Office of Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross, located in the Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike in Annandale. Please call 703-256-7717 to schedule an appointment.

Farmer's Market Continues this fall at Mason District Park – The Farmer's Market at Mason District Park is open every Thursday morning, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon through October 26 at Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike in Annandale. For a complete schedule, and information about the Farmer's Markets visit the Fairfax County Park Authority Web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/, or call 703-642-0128; TTY 703-803-3354.

Taste of Annandale Set for October 14th! – The third annual "Taste of Annandale" is scheduled for Saturday, October 14, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., along Tom Davis Drive, between Columbia Pike and John Marr Drive. This community event opens with a 5K Race at 10 a.m. Runners can register for the 5K at www.njuko.net/2017tasteofannandale5k/select_competition. For more information, visit the Taste of Annandale website at https://tasteofannandale.com, or on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/TasteAnnandale2017.

Community Ads and Contractor Recommendations….

INTERIOR PAINTING: Contact Mark Rhodes, Lafayette Village resident and a skilled interior painter, for free estimates. Call **703-560-8329.** Check out his recommendations on Nextdoor!

Day Care Provider: Kids First day care for kids 0-11years old. Licensed daycare provider, trained in CPR and First Aid. Lafayette Village location. For more information, please call Maha at 703-347-2876 (9am-5pm) or email Maha_tayar@yahoo.com.

Did you know? You can find lots more recommendations for contractors and services on LVCA's Nextdoor social network, www.nextdoor.com. Click on the "Recommendations" link, a new feature on Nextdoor.

Around Lafayette Village ….

End of Summer Cookout, August 26

Swim Under the Stars, August 19

Our neighbors witnessing the Great American Solar Eclipse, August 21

L A F A Y E T T E V I L L A G E C O M M U N I T Y A S S O C I A T I O N

PROXY/ABSENTEE BALLOT

KNOW BY ALL THOSE PRESENT that the undersigned Unit Owner(s) of Lafayette Village Community Association does/do hereby constitute and appoint: (M UST FILL I N NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ACT AS YOUR PROXY - DO NOT FILL IN YOUR OWN NAME):

_____as the true and lawful voting representative, proxy and stead of the undersigned and the undersigned's unit in the Lafayette Village Community Association as further identified below, to act, based upon the ownership standing in the name of the undersigned, at the Annual Meeting of the Association to be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 5, 2017. My above-named proxy shall have full authority to vote upon any and all matters which may be presented, considered and voted upon at such meeting, pursuant to the By-Laws and in accordance with the instructions set forth below as fully and with the same effects the undersigned could have if personally present at said meeting. The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that the proxy may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this proxy/absentee ballot:

(An uninstructed proxy allows the holder of the Proxy to vote in place of the unit owner on all matters that come before the meeting.)

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The undersigned has executed this Proxy this day of , 2017.

_____ _____

Owner's Signature on Site (Unit) Address

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Owner's name printed

Expressed Instructions: I/we do expressly direct and instruct my/our proxy to vote as indicated below:

Mark One: ( ) I/we instruct my/our proxy to be counted for quorum purposes only.

( ) I/we instruct my/our proxy to be counted for quorum purposes and to cast my vote for any matters that may be presented at the Annual/Special meeting or the Semi-Annual Meeting.