

Lafayette Village Community Association February/March 2014 Newsletter

ACC Inspections to begin March 10

The Annual ACC Inspection of all Lafayette Village homes will begin next month on March 10, weather permitting. 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/Revised ACC Guidelines January 2013.pdf. These inspections also help you identify maintenance needs for your home you might otherwise miss.

The inspection schedule follows:

- March 10: Inspections start, weather permitting
- March 19: Inspection violation letters mailed to homeowners, with 30 days allowed for correction or a response
- April 21: Second inspection, to verify those corrections that have been made and to identify violations that remain uncorrected with no plans for correcting them
- April 25: Second inspection violation letters mailed to homeowners, with 15 days allowed for correction or a response.
- May 13: Re-inspection of all properties receiving 2nd inspection violation letters. Pool passes reviewed.
- May 20: Results of Spring inspection to ACC, Board of Directors, Pool Committee
- June 9: ACC Violations Hearings begin

Once the weather warms up, 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 for when your violation will be corrected. Some violations take time to correct, but if you let the management company 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 for more details.

Our Community Information...

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LAFAYETTE VILLAGE COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

Monthly Meetings (Check Website for Details)

<u>Board Meetings</u> – 2nd Monday of month at 7:00 PM in the library at Woodburn Elementary, 3401 Hemlock Drive at Gallows Road. (February 10; March 10)

ACC Committee - 3rd Thursday of month at 7:00 PM at 3713 Yorktown Village Pass (February 20; March 20)

<u>Grounds Committee</u> – 4th Thursday of month at 7:00 PM at 7884 Hampton Village Pass (February 27 and March 27)

<u>Finance Committee</u> – 3rd Tuesday of month at 7:00 PM at 7833 Byrds Nest Pass (February 18 and March 18)

<u>Neighborhood Watch</u> – TBD. We need a new chairperson for this important committee. Please email <u>president@lafayettevillage.org</u> if you are interested in volunteering for this position.

Fairfax Federation – 3rd Thursday of month at 7:30PM at Mason District Government Center (February 20; March 20)

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

http://www.lafayettevillage.org/

Presidents Corner - Carl Iddings, LVCA President

7842 Ashley Glen Road: The Association exists in part to enforce the covenants that are attached to the deeds all homeowners receive when they purchase homes in Lafayette Village. Those covenants are enforced through ACC inspections, Board hearings, and fines and liens issued against those homeowners who fail to maintain their properties. This process has served the community well over the years – we have an attractive community with rising property values, reflecting a desirable place to live.

For one property, 7842 Ashley Glen Road, this process failed. Since the homeowners abandoned the property 7 years ago, the Association has been unable to convince them to maintain the property according to community standards. As the house deteriorated, even appeals to the mortgage holder, Bank of America, failed to bring about the needed maintenance to bring the home up to our standards. BoA was willing to pay the taxes on the property, but wouldn't perform routine maintenance!

In the summer of 2013, the Board agreed to take our ultimate step – the Association would bring a foreclosure suit against the owners, as provided in our covenants. Working with our legal counsel, we filed suit. On January 23, 2014, our suit was heard in Fairfax County General District Court, where the Association prevailed and a Special Commissioner of Sale was appointed to sell the property, as a forced sale under court order.

That's where things stand today. The property has been listed for sale, and the Special Commissioner will be accepting purchase offers. I hope to report in the next newsletter that the court has accepted the Special Commissioner's sale recommendation, and that a new owner for this property has started the needed repairs and will make this property an attractive residence in our community.

LVCA Milling and Paving Project Update

Though many of you have lived here longer than me, this is the coldest winter I can remember in the last 13 years. Growing up in Maine, where I lived until joining the Army, these temperatures seem normal. But in Virginia, these prolonged spells of sub-freezing days and nights have an especially harsh impact on pavement. Driving through the community recently, I found numerous cracks, frost heaves, and pot holes emerging. These are caused by the pavement going through extreme temperature changes, as well as the moist ground beneath the pavement freezing and expanding. Well, not to worry...your Board has a plan in the works to make everything well again come springtime!

Our request for proposal has been released to several contractors, and Falcon Engineering, our consulting engineer, is in the final stages of receiving bid packages from interested companies. In the next few weeks,



Street deterioration in Lafayette Village – soon to be milled and repaved!

we expect to be reviewing the proposals and considering Falcon's recommendations to determine the best value offer to repave Lafayette Village community streets, and repair our sidewalks and curbs. Once a contractor is selected, we'll begin planning the actual work sequence and schedule.

As the work gets closer to beginning, the Board and selected contractor will work hard to make sure plans are shared and our residents are notified of how work will be completed. To ensure you stay up to date, make sure we have an updated email address for you – if you do not regularly receive emailed LVCA Announcements send your email address to lvcawebmaster@lafayettevillage.org to be added to the Association mailing list. Notices will be sent frequently leading up to and during the work. But this work will take many weeks to complete, meaning disruptions in parking and access to community streets will test everyone's patience. The best way to avoid getting surprised is to remain informed. We'll continue to communicate via this newsletter, the web site, door-to-door notices, and email. You, of course, are always welcome to attend our monthly Board meetings (next one February 10th) to stay abreast of developments and ask questions.

If you would like to help during this process, you're in luck! We would like to establish a network of street "captains," who would deliver notices to residents about upcoming work affecting each street. If you are interested, send an email to J. Gaston at lvca.secretary@yahoo.com.

— J. Gaston

Shai needs a home....

We recently found out that our lovely cat Shai will not be able to join us at our next assignment overseas due to strict quarantine regulations. We are therefore looking for a home for him. Shai is a bit shy (hence the name) but once he warms up to you he is very friendly. He is also great with other cats. He is neutered and has all his shots. If you are interested in providing a home for Shai please contact me at jjohns20@hotmail.com or at 206-660-2789.



Shai is looking for a new home.

Committee Updates

Finance Committee - Jim Franklin, Chair

It is my pleasure to report that the financial health of the community association is solid and prepared for the major capital project coming up this spring. The 2014 budget has been circulated and approved, and is located on the financial document section of the web site. The annual results for 2013 showed that the Sequoia management team stayed within budget on all significant line items allowing for a healthy contribution to the reserve fund. The reserve funding will be sufficient to pay for the major paving and milling project that will be completed this spring, and our plan is to begin building back reserves over the next several years to provide for future infrastructure maintenance.

Wells Fargo Advisors has taken over the management of our cash and short term assets to maximize returns and to ensure the fiscal viability of the reserve funds. Sequoia Management and Wells Fargo are working with LVCA to implement the financial management plan. Finance Committee meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month and are open to the membership. Meetings are convened at 3733 Yorktown Village Pass, and please feel free to contact the Treasurer at (703) 205-9087 or at jim@prodigycapitalconsulting.com with any questions or suggestions.

You can view the Association's most recent monthly financial statements on the website at http://www.lafayettevillage.org/lvca MonthlyFinancials.htm.

Pool and Recreation Committee - Lisa Conoly, Chair

Although the weather may be cold, plans are underway for this year's pool season. At the end of last year, our contract with Atlantic Pools ended. After reviewing several proposals, the Board, once again, awarded a three-year contract to Atlantic Pools based on pricing and past performance. The Grounds Committee is currently working on a plan to add an area to the pool deck where eating would be allowed. We are still looking for a water aerobics instructor. If you know an instructor, please email me at lisac_234@hotmail.com. Look for the 2014 Pool Pass Application form in the April/May issue of the newsletter. We welcome your comments and suggestions regarding the pool.

Grounds Committee - Jay Jarvis, Chair

The annual tree pruning and removal has been completed with some great looking results. In addition to appearance, the work will allow increased sunshine to fall on our grounds, which translates into more grass and less erosion. The wood chips from the tree work have been spread on the many Lafayette Village hiking trails. To help correct a lot of erosion, Grounds Committee Member Jim Bell is compiling a list of areas that need work and the full committee will prepare a plan for spring erosion work at our upcoming meeting.

This spring the community will also be getting new trees planted throughout including Crape Myrtles, Maples, Arborvitaes, Sycamore, Cedars; as well as a number of Azalea shrubs. You can see a map detailing exactly where

trees and shrubs will be planted at

http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/TreeWorkMap2013.jpg.

PRIVATE PROFERTY
RESTRICTED PARKING
TOWING ENFORCED
IF TOWED CALL 6912131

Say "goodbye" to these old signs.

Committee Member Mike Nutbrown is working on a design for new parking regulation signs at the entrance of LVCA streets. Fairfax County requires all such signs to have basic standardize wording and designs. In addition to showing signs of age and deterioration, the community's old signs don't meet the updated regulations.

The extension on the community garden will be completed in time for spring planting. Committee Member Anne Sansbury says the expansion gives more residents the

opportunity to have a garden plot. The newly expanded garden has four extra plots available to rent. Please notify Anne Sansbury at asansbury@gicgroup.com if you are interested in renting a plot this summer and are not currently on the waiting list. Current gardeners – if you are not going to rent again this year, please also contact Anne so we can add your plot to the list of those available.

Committee Updates, continued

There is a new footbridge at the end of Newport Glen over the new rock swell leading into the trail through the woods. This will help keep the rock swale from being damaged and help prevent walkers from tripping on the rocks.

Committee member Carl Iddings and Board member J. Gaston have been putting the final plans together for repaying all of our community streets this spring. The project should be completed in early summer. See the article on page 3 for more details.

Committee Member Courtney Gorham is working with the local 4H Clubs to develop a bee hive under the big power lines in an area where there are only briars. The bees are



New footbridge to Newport Glen trail entrance.



Tulips, coming soon this spring!

needed to help pollinate flowers, shrubs and vegetables in our community. There has been an alarming decline in the number of honey bees throughout the United States and LVCA plans to do its part to help.

Please look for the 1,500 tulip that will be blooming this spring throughout Lafayette Village. They have been planted over the last few months and just waiting until winter ends to show their colors.

The Grounds Committee has been working with the Pool and Recreation Committee to design and build an area behind the current pool fence, dedicated as a food and

party area. The new area can be used by those who want to have a snack (or more) without leaving the pool itself. The area will have a drinking fountain and new outdoor lighting. You can view a detailed plan of this area on the website at http://www.lafayettevillage.org/docs/PoolPicnicPad.pdf.

Lastly, the committee would like to encourage residents on each of our streets to participate in making their streets more attractive. If someone would like to have a park bench and/or new trees and shrubs added, please send an email to Committee Member John Alexander at jmalex14@msn.com.

The grounds of LVCA continue to look good, primarily because of the members of our Grounds Committee: Jay, Jarvis, John Alexander, Courtney Gorham, Jim Bell, Anne Sansbury, Carl Iddings, and Michael Nutbrown.



Bench on Hampton Village Pass

Neighborhood Watch - Vacant

Again, for the past two months Fairfax County Police reports show **no reported incidents** Lafayette Village. Our community remains remarkably crime-free.

We are currently looking for a volunteer chairperson to lead the Neighborhood Watch. The committee chair is responsible for organizing the Association's annual "National Night Out" celebration, monitoring crime in the community, and coordinating Neighborhood Watch patrols, when needed. The chair will work closely with the Mason District Police Department and its Crime Prevention Officer, Cpl. Brendan Murphy. Training will be provided by the Police Department. If you are interested, please email Carl Iddings at president@lafayettevillage.org.

In the meantime, here are some web links to help you monitor crime in and around our community:

- http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/gisapps/myneighborhood/mynpolice.aspx?fxmResolution=1024x768#police provides access to police incident listings by month and location
- http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/crime/blotter/2014dailydefault.htm -- The daily police blotter listing
- http://sex-offender.vsp.virginia.gov/sor/ -- The Virginia sex offender registry
- http://spotcrime.com/va/fairfax+county Another way to access the police crime blotter via geographic location

Fairfax Police also have a presence on Facebook and Twitter.

Committee Updates, continued

Architectural Control Committee (ACC) – Angela Cutter, Chair

Just as people have been suffering from frigid weather, our homes have been affected too. The freezing temperatures can cause burst pipes inside (first-hand experience here) and, on the outside, ice dams can damage gutters and seep between siding and mortar.

Spring is coming someday, but before its official start, our management agent, Dale Edwards, will begin the annual Spring Inspection. We have many new residents, so here's a recap of the inspection process. Remember, the ACC Guidelines apply to owners and renters alike.

Weather permitting, Dale will begin physically inspecting all homes on March 10th and violation letters will be mailed by March 19th. If you receive a letter and disagree with a violation, or need clarification, contact the ACC and Dale immediately. Everyone has 30 days to correct problems. Extensions may be granted for major repairs and on a case by case basis. When the work is corrected please notify Dale.

On April 21st, we will begin reinspecting to verify corrections. People who have not completed the necessary repairs, cleaning, etc., or have not contacted Dale with a plan to complete the repairs, will receive a second violation letter, and eventually may be called to a hearing with the Board of Directors. See page 1 for more details about this process.

Home inspections fulfill two main purposes. The first is to help you monitor the exterior of your house in order to head off potential major repairs in the future. The second is to maintain the overall appearance of Lafayette Village. An attractive, well maintained community is both an appealing place to live and directly affects the value of our homes. And, as an extra benefit, communities that are well kept and well lit have lower crime rates.

Finally, Christmas is long past, so it's time to take down any exterior decorations or window displays from that holiday. And last but not least, here's my annual plea to everyone: plant some flowers in your yard this spring. It makes a big difference in the curb appeal of Lafayette Village and your neighbors will love you for it.

Communications Committee - Carl Iddings, Chair

The Communications Committee is responsible for this newsletter, for maintaining the Association website, 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 2014. It will contain the 2014 pool pass application form and details about of Arbor/Earth Day celebration, Saturday, April 26.

Community Ads

Interior painting: Contact Mark Rhodes, Lafayette Village resident and a skilled interior painter, for free estimates. Call 703-560-8329

Seamstress Wanted: Seamstress to make couch cushions. Please contact Angela at aicutter50@gmail.com

Babysitter wanted: We are looking a baby sitter for our 21 months b/twins. We can offer flexible part time once or two times a week. If interested please send an email to zitagita@gmail.com



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TUES-SAT 11AM-7PM

LOOSE LEAF TEA SPICE BLENDS BBQ RUBS SUGARS - NATURALLY FLAVORED SEA SALTS PEPPER CORN GRAIN AND PASTA

COOK BOOKS TEA/SPICE ACCESSORIES

Martin Luther King Day Celebration, January 20, 2014

For the 2014 Martin Luther King Day of Service, the Association decided to organize a food drive to support Food for Others, a county food bank that provides direct food assistance to unemployed and low-income residents in Northern Virginia, including Annandale. You donated 359 pounds of food that was delivered to the Food for Others warehouse in Merrifield on Martin Luther King Day. Special thanks to J. Gaston and Jay Jarvis, who staffed the collection site, the LVCA Pool House. And thank you again to all who donated – this food drive was a fitting way to honor the legacy of Martin Luther King!



2938 Prosperity Avenue Fairfax, Virginia 22031 703-207-9173 703.207.9204 Fax www.foodforothers.org rrice@foodforothers.org

January 20, 2013

Lafayette Village Community Residents c/o Carl Iddings 3674 Yorktown Village Pass Annandale, VA 22003

Dear Friends at Lafayette Village:

Thank you for your generous donation of 359 pounds of food in support of Food for Others. Please know that we are truly grateful for your kindness, and your belief in what we are doing—and delighted that you chose to make a difference in our community by supporting our programs.

As you know, your contribution will be utilized to provide free food to individuals and families in need of help in Northern Virginia. Your donation helps make it possible for our staff and volunteers to feed hundreds of hungry people every week-night at our warehouse and at sites in 16 low-income neighborhoods. We also provide bulk food to over 25 smaller food pantries, shelters, and other community-based programs that rely on us for help collecting and storing food. Our newest program aims directly at elementary school children who get little to eat between Friday's school lunch and Monday's school breakfast. Our Power Pack Program gives a nutritionally balanced package of weekend meals to these children – helping them eat, which helps them to learn. Your support makes all this happen!

We will continue our commitment to fighting hunger in our community and your faith in us, as well as your support of our programs, means so much. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Jessica Cogen

Director of Development and Outreach

Thank-you letter to the Association from Food for Others



Jay Jarvis and Carl Iddings with some of the food LVCA residents donated on Martin Luther King Day, January 20, 2014.

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:



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, that's not a bad idea).

Upper story siding has come loose!



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.



The siding on this house has started to separate, as you can see on the upper left of this photo. Siding that comes loose like this can no longer protect the inner wall of your house, allowing rain and snow to enter, possibly causing mildew or otherwise deteriorating the sheathing making up your outside walls. This can be repaired easily by a competent handyman.



Erosion underneath steps needs to be addressed.

The soil has eroded away from the base of these front door steps, and from the sidewalk leading up to the steps. This is unsightly and can provide a home for rodents and other vermin. If left in this state, it can lead to the failure of the steps, with cracking and subsiding to the point where the steps and walkway will need to be replaced. You can replace the dirt and used landscaping to prevent the dirt from eroding away in the future.

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. This is not only a courtesy to your neighbors, but also a county law requiring you to clean up after your pet. There are two doggy bag stations in the neighborhood, one on Lafayette Village Drive and one on Trammell Road where you can get 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!

Winter weather updates: The groundhog has forecast another six weeks of winter, and February has already been stormy and icy. See the December/January Newsletter for an explanation about the guidelines Blade Runners uses to determine when to treat our community streets – http://www.lafayettevillage.org/newsletters/Dec13Jan14NewsletterFinal.pdf, page 6. And to receive regular snow and other updates from the Lafayette Village email list, register your email address by sending an email to lycawebmaster@lafayettevillage.org.

Ice-Melt: With the recent snow and ice, some residents have used rock salt to clear their sidewalks. That is generally a bad idea – rock salt can damage the concrete, kills grass and plantings close to the sidewalk, does not work well in temperatures below 24 degrees, and can burn or irritate the paws of dogs or cats walking over the treated area. Better alternatives include **de-icers containing calcium chloride or potassium chloride**, available at hardware stores and pet supply stores.

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!

First snow of 2014!





Around Town...

Electric Sunday – Next two events on February 23rd and March 23rd

Electric Sunday Events Continue in 2014! - The widely successful e-waste recycling program, *Electric Sunday*, continues in 2014, and provides residents with an opportunity to recycle televisions, computers, monitors, printers, scanners, speakers, keyboards, mice, and external drives. Residents also may recycle fluorescent light bulbs at these events. Better yet, *Electric Sunday* events are a free service for Fairfax County residents! And for Lafayette Village residents, Electric Sunday is the perfect place to recycle your old TV for free!

The 2014 events will be held at the Fairfax County's Recycling and Disposal Centers at the I-66 Transfer Station in Fairfax (4618 West Ox Road), and the I-95 Landfill Complex in Lorton (9850 Furnace Road), from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on the following specified dates and locations: Feb. 23 (I-66 Transfer Station); March 23 (I-95 Landfill Complex); April 27 (I-66); May 18 (I-66); June 22 (I-95). The schedule for the rest of the year will be available in the April/May 2014 Newsletter. For more details about Electric Sunday, visit the Web site at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/electric-sunday.htm.

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 15 is the deadline for federal taxes, and the Virginia tax deadline is May 1. AARP volunteers will provide walk-in service from February 1 through April 15: 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, 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 2014. Two packages are available: The Shrub and Small Tree package (\$16.95) features two Winterberry, two Buttonbush, two Indigobush, two American elderberry, and two Serviceberry seedlings, for a total of 10 seedlings in the package. The Tree package (\$11.95) includes two seedlings each of American Plum, Black Gum, and Persimmon for a total of six seedlings. A full, non-refundable payment must accompany the order and your order must be received by Monday, April 28, 2014. You will receive a confirmation receipt and a map to the pickup site. Orders may be picked up on Friday, May 2, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., or Saturday, May 3, 9:00 a.m.-noon. You can find the order form at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/seedlingsale_htm. All plants are Virginia native species, designed for our climate and habitat.

Registration for Mason District Little League Open until March 14! – In anticipation of the spring baseball season, the Mason District Little League (MDLL) has on-line registration available now until March 14, 2014, for boys and girls born between May 1, 2001 and April 30, 2010. For more information and to register, visit www.mdll.org. Opening day ceremonies will begin promptly at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 5, 2014, at Mason District Park, 6507 Columbia Pike in Annandale.

Great Backyard Bird Count Begins Feb. 14th – If you can tell a robin from a Red-tailed Hawk and you have 15 minutes to spend in your backyard, a local park, or even at your living room window, then you can participate in the Great Backyard Bird Count. A joint project of the Audubon Society, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, and Bird Studies Canada, the GBBC unites birders from more than 100 countries around the world in a common goal: tallying and discovering more about the birds in their community. GBBC data tells scientists how weather influences bird populations, where irruptive species occur, how current year migrations compare with previous years, how bird diseases affect population, and more. If you would like to participate in this fun event, visit the website at http://gbbc.birdcount.org/.

To: Chair, Lafayette Villag		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:						
	res, diagrams, color paint chips and further deferther inquiries that slow the A.C.C. proce	etails of my project (as necessary) are attached ss 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.						
Association sat	tand that it is Association policy that the hon isfaction, any damage done to common propo ontracted by the homeowner during the exec	erties that might be caused by the homeowner				
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Date of ACC ac	etion:					
() ()	ng carefully considered the above request, he approves as submitted approves the proposal as modified below regretfully cannot approve the project for the					
A follow-up ins	spection will occur after completion to ensure	compliance. Thank you for your cooperation.				
Chair, Archite	ctural Control Committee (ACC)					
(You can also email this form to Dale Edwards, our community manager, at dedwards@sequoiamgmt.com .)						

FALLS CHURCH HIGH SCHOOL All-Night Graduation Celebration ANNUAL MULCH SALE Fundraiser



3 Cubic Foot Bags of Double Shredded Hardwood Mulch, \$5.50 each (\$5.25 if order is placed by 2/28!) 15 bags or more, free curb delivery within 5 mile radius 14 bags and under, pick up at FCHS School

Order Deadline: Monday, March 24, 2014 Delivery Date: Saturday, March 29, 2014

Pickup: Falls Church High School between 10AM and 3PM

Please fill out Order Form below and return it with a check to:

All-Night Graduation Celebration (ANGC)
Falls Church High School
7521 Jaguar Trail
Falls Church, VA 22042

Name:	Su	bdivision:	
Address:		City:	
Home Phone:	zip-code (9 digit):		
Email:	Cell Phone:		
Number of Bags:	x \$5.25= Total \$	(by Feb 28)	
Number of Bags:	x \$5.50 = Total \$	(after Feb 28)	

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