Lafayette Village
Community Association

Spring 2019 Newsletter

Arbor Day/Earth Day Celebration
Saturday, April 13

Lafayette Village will hold its 13th annual **Arbor Day/Earth Day Celebration** on Saturday, April 13, 2019. The events for the day are as follows:

10:00 a.m. - Noon - Everyone meets at the Pool House for a Community Cleanup Event, including a *Treasure Hunt* and *small toys for children who participate in the event.*

Noon – 4:00 p.m. - The party moves up to the common area on Trammel Court and includes:

Food: Hot dogs & snacks to eat and sodas to drink

Moon Bounce: Parents must chaperon their children and children should remove their shoes before entering

Visits from our local politicians

1:00 p.m. –Commemorative Tree Planting of a *Deodar Cedar* in the common area on Trammel Court

Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to join your neighbors for a fun filled day.

The Deodar Cedar is a grand spreading tree with a broad habit of growth, pendulous branches and shimmering needles; best used for its majestic architectural qualities as a solitary landscape accent. It has attractive silvery blue foliage and the needles are highly ornamental and remain silvery blue throughout the winter.

If you like free things, here's an opportunity. Energy Action Fairfax and the Fairfax County Public Library are partnering again this year to offer free LED lightbulbs, up to five for each household. The first LED is complimentary, but residents can exchange old incandescent or compact fluorescent (CFL) bulbs for additional LEDs. Bring in four bulbs and take home five! The exchange program begins in early April at selected libraries, but the closest exchange in Mason District will be at the George Mason Regional Library, 7001 Little River Turnpike in Annandale, on Saturday, May 18, from 10 a.m. until noon. Last year, 8000 LEDs were distributed to about 1600 people. Save money (LEDs consume less energy) and save the planet (last year's savings were equivalent to keeping 280,000 pounds of carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere). You can save $75 a year by replacing your five most frequently used bulbs with LEDs.

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LAFAYETTE VILLAGE COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

Board Meetings – Meetings are typically the second Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at Mason Crest Elementary School, 3705 Crest Dr., Annandale, VA 22003

ACC Meetings – Meetings are held at 3713 Yorktown Village Pass. Date and time is to be determined. If interested in attending contact Angela Cutter at aicutter 50@gmail.com.

Grounds Committee – 4th Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at 7920 Brunswick Forest Pass

Finance Committee – Meetings are held at 7900 Peyton Forest Trail. Date and time is to be determined. If interested in attending contact John Alexander at jmalex14@msn.com.

Neighborhood Watch – TBD

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

All residents, including renters, are invited to attend scheduled meetings.

LVCA Formal Complaint Procedures:

The Association has a formal complaint procedure, providing a **written process for resolving complaints about Association actions** from members, residents and citizens. A copy of the resolution and its related forms can be found on the website at https://lafayettevillage.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Complaint-Procedures.pdf. If you are a new homeowner, you should also have received a copy of this document in your disclosure packet.

If you have a complaint about the Association, these complaint procedures provide you a way to have your issue addressed by the Board and resolved quickly through a defined and equitable process. Complaints should address actions, inactions or decisions by the Board, the management company or the Association that you allege are inconsistent with applicable Virginia laws and regulations governing homeowners associations.

Use this process if you feel that an action taken by the Association violates or is inconsistent with Virginia law. **Do not use this form if you are simply asking the Association to correct a problem you've identified** – in that case a simple email to the President or a Board member will suffice. If you are not satisfied with the Association's response, then use the formal complaint process.

Thanks to contributors to this newsletter: Thank you to Donna Jacobson, Amy Phipps, Angela Cutter, Lisa Conoly, Mike Nutbrown, Carl Iddings, Anne Sansbury, and those who submitted ads. Thanks as well to the delivery crew – John Wolken, Greg Johnson, Tina Snapp, Kathie French, Christie Prucker, and Larry Dunham.

A Note from the President…

Important Information on the Asphalt Rejuvenation Project of the Community Streets

이 소식지는 앞으로 시행할 도로포장작업에 관한 중요한 정보를 포함하고 있으니 주의깊게 읽으시기 바랍니다.

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번역을 요청하시기 바랍니다.

This spring Lafayette Village is going to be having Tri Technologies perform an Asphalt Rejuvenation of the community streets. **This project is scheduled for Monday April 29th through Friday May 10th.** The project itself will only take 6 days and Tri Technologies works from Monday through Saturday, as needed. The extra days are incorporated into the schedule in case of weather delays.

The community streets will be worked on in blocks, with each block of streets taking 2 days to complete. When the work is being done on your street and for 24 hours afterwards, the street will be unavailable. This means that cars, bikes, children's toys, people, pets and whatever else, cannot use the street until Tri Technologies indicates that the street is usable again. Vehicles will need to be moved by 7:00 a.m. on the day that your street will be worked on. We will be receiving a schedule from Tri Technologies in mid-April and I will distribute this schedule to all residents.

This project will create many issues for residents, including the following:

1. **Parking:** I've been given permission by Captain Brooke D. Wright, Commander of the Mason District Police Station, for residents to park any where along Lafayette Village Drive for the duration of the project, **including the "No Parking" areas**. Residents will not receive parking tickets during this time. If you should receive a ticket by mistake, please contact me and I will take care of the problem. Also, residents can park in the "**LVCA Visitors**" spots on streets where work is not being done, without receiving a parking ticket from the Association. Residents are also free to park on **Merrimac Trail** and **Trammel Road.** Unfortunately the pool parking lot will also be worked on, so residents cannot park their cars in the pool parking lot at that time, or they will be towed.

Donna Jacobson, President
LVCA Board of Directors

2. **Trash/Recycling:** In these situations**,** it is the policy of Patriot Disposal Services that if a street is inaccessible for Patriot's trash trucks, residents need to bring their trash/recycling to Lafayette Village Drive, if they want it to be picked up. Luckily, residents should only miss one trash/recycling day due to the work schedule and can chose to wait and put their trash/recycling out at the next pick up. However, for those of you who think this is quite an inconvenience, I agree!
3. **Mail/Package Deliveries:** The Post Office, Fed Ex and UPS have stated that their trucks will be parking on Lafayette Village and walking the deliveries to the appropriate location whenever possible. The one problem which is still being decided is the mailbox on Mt. Airy which is located on the island. I am currently working with Tri Technologies to see if anything can be done about that problem. I will include that information in future LVCA Announcements.

A Note from the President, continued…

4. **Towing of Residents' Cars:** Unfortunately, cars that are left on a community street that is being worked on that day will need to be towed to another parking spot in the community, with the towing cost being billed to the resident. Please keep in mind that the last thing which the Association wants to do is tow a resident's car, so we will work with residents in every way possible to avoid this. Tri Technologies is supposed to send me a work schedule by April 10th and I will distribute this information to residents. Also, every evening I will send out an Announcement and post information on Nextdoor concerning the status of the work and what streets will be affected the next day. If you are going to be out of town during this time period, please make arrangements for your vehicle. Also, if you are not already on **Nextdoor**, now would be a good time to join.

   If you want to join **Nextdoor**, please read the article about Nextdoor in the Winter Newsletter, which can also be found on our website at https://lafayettevillage.org/resources/lvca-newsletters. Both home owners and renters can sign up for Nextdoor, which is a free and effective way to share information concerning issues and events which affect our community.

5. **School Buses:** There will be no change for children who usually are picked up by their school bus on Lafayette Village Drive. I am currently in contact with Fairfax County School Transportation Coordinators concerning how to handle cases where children are picked up by a school bus at their front door. I've been told that the bus driver will probably call the parent from his cell phone to let you know where to meet the school bus on Lafayette Village Drive and the parent will need to walk their child to the bus and meet the bus there in the afternoon when their child returns. When I receive more information on this procedure, I will include it in a future LVCA Announcement.
6. **Repairmen:** Any workers scheduled to work on residents' homes will need to park their vehicles on Lafayette Village Drive, Merrimac Trail or Trammell Road and use the sidewalks to get to your house. Make sure to arrange in advance to have any necessary materials delivered to your house before work starts on your street.

As we get closer to the date of the Asphalt Rejuvenation Project, further information concerning the project will be dispensed via LVCA Announcements, Nextdoor posts and a letter mailed to residents, so please keep your eyes open for this information. Also, please talk to your neighbors about this project, especially neighbors who are renters or who speak English as a second language. The more we work together as a community, the easier this project will be for everyone.

If you have any question at this time, or during the project, you can send them to me at LVCA.bod.president@gmail.com and I will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for your cooperation during this project

Sincerely,
Donna Jacobson, President.

Lafayette Village Swimming Pool Opens May 25th!

Please send in your pool registration form before May 15th. A late registration could delay your passes for up to two weeks. See pages 14 through 15 for the 2019 pool rules and the last page of this newsletter for the pool registration form. Don't forget the Pool Committee report on pages 5 and 6.

The Pool Committee is sponsoring a Pool Opening Barbecue on Sunday, May 26th at 4:00 p.m. Celebrate an early start to summer with burgers, dogs, and chips, and a glistening blue swimming pool!

Committee Updates ….

Architectural Control Committee (ACC) – Angela Cutter, Chair

We finally got a Spring Inspection performed on schedule, thanks to a break in the endless rains. Our agent, Dale Edwards, recorded 128 violations, spread over about 90 homes. By the time you read this, most things should have been taken care of, since many issues were fairly minor and inexpensive. If you still have outstanding violations then time is running short, especially if you plan on relaxing at the pool this summer. The inspection timeline allows a period of 6 weeks to correct items. Exceptions to this timeline are only granted when repairs are projected to be lengthy and expensive, such as replacing windows.

This is also a great time to be outside and take care of yard work. We live in close quarters and all need to make sure that backyards, as well as front yards, look good. (several people were cited for "junky" backyards this year.) Trees that were removed from front yards need to be replaced, unless you have received, in writing, a waiver from the ACC. Any missing/dead bushes along the foundation wall of your house should be replaced with evergreens. Since yard ornaments of any kind are not allowed in the front or side yards of the townhomes, the garden gnomes and pinwheels need to hang out in your backyard. But you're strongly encouraged to add personality and color to the community by planting flowers in the front. And, to keep everything looking great, all trash containers need to be removed from sight. (They can make their brief appearances from the evening before a collection day to the evening of that collection day.)

After more than 30 years here I'll be moving from the neighborhood at the end of April, so this is my last Newsletter article. (yaay!) It will be very difficult to leave such wonderful friends and neighbors. It's been an honor to volunteer in such a lovely community and I thank all the people who've worked with me on the Architectural Control Committee. Lafayette Village is so lucky to have had wonderful, hardworking, governing Boards, committee members, and an excellent agent, over the past several years, and I will miss the pride that everyone brings to making our community. It is such a great place to live. I can only hope for anything nearly as good in my new home.

Pool and Recreation Committee – Lisa Conoly, Chair

The covers are off the pools and work has begun to ready the pools for the upcoming pool season. The pool furniture has been sent out for restrapping. The color scheme is changing from teal green to a beige and blue combination that will match the furniture in the patio area. With the restrapping, there will be no more dangling straps and the life of the furniture has been extended at a lower cost than if we were to purchase new furniture. We have also purchased some new lower sand-style chairs to be used in the wading pool area. In addition to regular maintenance required to open the pool, Atlantic Pools will be installing a new pool pump in the equipment room and whitecoating both pools. What you will notice with the new whitecoating is that the bottom of the pool will feel smoother and it will repair the "patchiness" that you may have seen in the wading pool last summer. The pool will open on Saturday, May 25.

This edition of the newsletter includes the Pool Rules and Registration Form for the 2019 season. Please review the rules with your family, paying particular attention to the "lap swim" rule that replaced what had previously been known as "break" or "adult swim." All residents and their guests are expected to comply with these rules.

New whitecoating and restoration work has been under way ensuring our pool is in tip top condition for the summer!

Committee Updates, continued ….

In order to receive pool passes, residents must fill out the Registration Form (even if you have submitted a form in the past) and return it to Sequoia Management by May 15 in order to have passes for opening day. Registration Forms submitted after May 15 may take up to two weeks to process. Each household in good standing (no outstanding HOA fees or ACC violations) will receive 5 passes and/or stickers **that will be mailed to applicants.** If you have received a violation letter from Sequoia, you must correct the violations or contact Sequoia with an action plan before your passes will be issued. There will be a grace period before pool pass enforcement begins - **pass enforcement will begin Saturday, June 1.**

Current pool passes are lime green and are the only passes that will be accepted for admittance to the pool. Each pass must also display a "2019" sticker. You will need to keep your passes for reuse in future years. If you have lost your passes, replacement cost is $5 per pass (see the Registration Form for details).

We will be offering a **water fitness program** again this year. Classes are currently planned for twice a week beginning in mid-June. Watch for more details at the pool and on Nextdoor as the pool season gets underway.

The patio area continues to be available at no charge to residents in good standing to reserve for small gatherings during pool hours. See the Pool Rules for details. The application to reserve the patio can be found on the website at https://lafayettevillage.org/.

We're also continuing our **Reader Exchange bookcase** in the pool house, available to all residents during pool hours. If you see a book you'd like to read, take it; if you have a book you'd like to share, leave it.

Plan to join us on Sunday, May 26 for our **Summer Kickoff Cookout** and pool party to celebrate the start of the pool season. The Association will provide burgers, hot dogs, chips, drinks and condiments. Neighbors are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. The grills will be fired up from 4:00 - 6:00pm or until food runs out, whichever comes first, and the pool will remain open until 8:00pm. Come out and meet your neighbors! If you can volunteer during the cookout, especially to man the grill, please contact me at lisac_234@hotmail.com.

Additional events are planned throughout the summer, including the popular "Swim Under the Stars" nights. See the full schedule in this newsletter. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us!

Reminder: When the pool is open, parking in the pool parking lot is restricted to pool users and gardeners. Violators will be ticketed, and repeat violators may be towed.

We look forward to a safe and successful 2019 pool season and the hope for many sunny days.

2019 Pool Events

Mark your calendars for these exciting events!

Summer Kickoff Cookout	Sunday, May 26, 4:00-8:00 p.m. (Rain date Monday, May 27)
Swim Under the Stars Night	Saturday, June 15, 8:00-10:30 p.m. (Rain date Saturday, June 22)
Adult Wine and Cheese Mixer	Saturday, July 13, 8:00-10:30 p.m. (Rain date Saturday, July 20)
Swim Under the Stars Night	Saturday, August 3, 8:00-10:30 p.m. (Rain date Saturday, August 10)
End of Summer Cookout	Sunday, September 1, 4:00-8:00pm (Rain date Monday, September 2, 3:00-8:00pm)

Committee Updates, continued ….

Communications Committee – Donna Jacobson, Chair

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Are you enjoying our new feature, *Meet Our Neighbors*? Do you or someone in your household (even a pet!) have an interesting or unusual hobby or accomplishment you'd like to share with our community? We'd love to publish your story in the newsletter and get to know more about our Lafayette Village neighbors!

We always welcome the opportunity to include any of your story ideas, photos, or ads in our upcoming newsletters! You can contact me via email at newsletter@lafayettevillage.org.

Grounds Committee – Mike Nutbrown, Chair

Spring brings the biggest event of the year for the grounds committee – our annual Earth/Arbor Day cleanup, cookout, and tree planting. Please join us Saturday April 13 at 10 a.m. at the pool house for our annual trash cleanup. Last year was a great success, covering more ground than in past years, but it's both incredible and depressing to go back out the next year and see how much new trash has arrived. After we clean things up, clean yourself up and meet us at Trammel Park (near the playground) for a cookout and bounce house around noon and our annual ceremonial tree planting around 1 p.m.

We did award a new grounds maintenance contract to Shenandoah Landscape Services. We walked the community with a few of their representatives on March 26th to highlight our areas of concern and try to set expectations from both parties. I'm hopeful we'll see better results this year.

As nothing moves very quickly, we're still getting quotes for drainage and erosion issues. They are sure to be costly but necessary improvements to our grounds. I'd like to say you'll see these projects kick off soon, but we're still waiting on two proposals before a decision is made, so there's no estimated start date at this time.

We sent our list of new plantings (trees, shrubs, and grass) for quote and are hoping to have that back soon so we can get new things in the ground. We'll need to decide what gets planted in the spring versus fall depending on how soon they can get in the ground.

At our walkthrough with Shenandoah, we requested a price to clear the encroaching vegetation behind 7816 - 7846 Ashley Glen Road. Hoping this work can get done in April before things really start growing again.

A contract was signed last year to have our streets "rejuvenated" early this year. It will be a big deal with the need to move cars on certain streets on certain days similar to a few years ago when the streets were re-paved. I'm sure Donna Jacobson is covering this in her section of the newsletter, but be on the lookout for flyers and emails with all of the details on this project which is expected to take place between the last week in April and first week in May.

I'm happy to introduce the newest member of the grounds committee, Alexandra McKenrick. She will be focusing on the "recreation" aspects of our grounds including the playground, basketball court, and multipurpose court. We're expecting to replace playground equipment next year (per the reserve study) and the courts were actually due to be replaced last year, so it's great to have someone who will put thought into the best options for our community.

We're always on the lookout for new members in the committee to give input and get these tasks done. Please reach out if you'd like to join the grounds committee or would like to attend a meeting. You can reach me by email at grounds@lafayettevillage.org.

Lafayette Village Arbor Day/Earth Day Resolution 2019

On Saturday, April 13th, Lafayette Village will hold its 13th annual Arbor Day/Earth Day celebration with a Community Cleanup and Treasure Hunt, a Cookout, a Moon Bounce and the planting of a **Deodar Cedar**.

In honor of this day, the LVCA Board of Directors adopted the following resolution on March 31, 2019:

Whereas, Earth Day was founded through the efforts of Senator Gaylord Nelson and first celebrated on April 22, 1970, and

Whereas, Earth Day's purpose is to raise recognition and awareness about the earth and how we can better protect our environment, and

Whereas, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and,

Whereas, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

Whereas, Earth Day and Arbor Day are now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and

Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products,

Whereas, a clean, tree-filled environment in our community increases property values, enhances the economic vitality of business areas, and beautifies our community,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved: that Saturday, April 13, 2019 be observed as Earth Day and Arbor Day in Lafayette Village, all residents being urged to celebrate Earth Day and Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our environment including our trees and woodlands, and

Be It Further Resolved: that all residents are urged to assist LVCA in cleaning our grounds and planting trees in the common area to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Adopted March 31, 2019 by the Lafayette Village Board of Directors

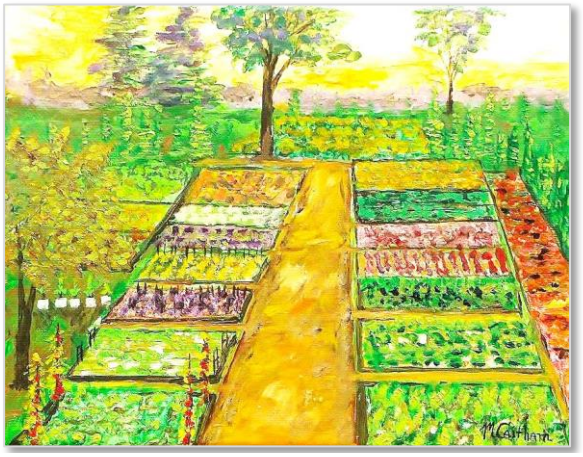
ATTEST: Donna Jacobson, President

Notes on the Community Garden ….Food For Thought!

By Anne Sansbury, LVCA's Garden Sage

Working in the garden is good for the body and refreshing for the soul. Or you could say that a garden itself nourishes both the spirit and the body, as plants mature and make their way to the dinner table.

Gardening is wonderful, the more the better, but we all have time constraints, and there are ways to be more efficient about your gardening. That's why perennial vegetables are handy. Perennial vegetables are not only delicious, but they come back on their own, year after year, and they require less water and fertilizer than other plants, while their deep roots benefit the ecosystem.



Some favorites?

- Asparagus: It can take 2 or 3 years of growth before you can harvest this hardy perennial, but it's one of the first signs of spring in the garden, and it's oh, so delicious with just a little olive oil, salt, and pepper!
- Chives: They grow easily, aren't fussy about soil, and will thrive in partial shade, and you can even grow them in containers on your windowsill. The leaves and flowers are both edible—and quite tasty.
- Jerusalem artichokes (sunchokes): This tuber is neither an artichoke nor from Jerusalem, but it is related to the sunflower, and you can cook the roots mashed or roasted just like you would potatoes or even eat raw in salads.

Whether you're planting perennial or annual vegetables, the secret to gardening success begins before the seeds ever hit the ground. Some plants prefer an indoor start, while others need specific soil conditions in order to thrive

Carrots, for instance, like to be planted 3 to 5 weeks before the last spring frost, which means that if you live in warm sections of the country, you could be planting as early as February. Sweet corn, on the other hand, likes soil temperatures at 70 degrees or higher. And it's a good idea to start your cucumbers and peppers indoors. In fact, cucumbers do well on top of the refrigerator or water heater, where the seeds can get a little extra warmth.

Or, you can drive to a garden shop and buy plants that are ready to put in your garden that day.

There are many options for the backyard gardener as well. "Patio Pride" snap peas can be grown in an 8" or larger pot and you can eat them straight from the plant. "Little Bing" tomatoes need a container at least 18 - 24" in diameter, and you can eat red cherry tomatoes straight from those plants too. Sweet "Take 2 Director's Cut Pepper Combo" has two types of mild pepper plants in one pot, and "Dragon Roll" shishito peppers are good for a sweet burn. They are about one-tenth as hot as jalapenos and have a smoky taste when they're immature. And don't forget all the herbs that can be grown in pots to provide you with access to flavors that cost a lot at the store and don't keep that well once you get them home. If you have an overabundance, however, you can easily freeze or dehydrate your herbs for future use.

Want broccoli? 'Aspabroc Baby' broccoli (the original broccolini) produces small, tender broccoli heads atop thin, tender stems. You can fit four plants in a 24-inch-long window box. 'Pomegranate Crunch' lettuce is also a perfect container vegetable. This colorful lettuce produces small, dense heads with cherry leaves and light green hearts.

You can even grow cheese in containers. Well, you can grow 'Hungarian Cheese' peppers, anyway. These 28-inch-tall plants produce quickly, and the flat, fluted sweet peppers are great for stuffing or eating just like they are. For extra vigor and numerous blooms that set fruit, give them a magnesium boost by scratching ¼ cup of Epsom salts around each plant once it's established.

Did you know that you can also grow peas, blueberries, and celery in a container garden?

If you have a desire to nourish body and soul while digging in the dirt, sign up for our LVCA Community Garden by emailing asansbury@gicgroup.com. You may get a plot right away or you may have to be on our waiting list for a while. Either way, please let us know of your interest in gardening, or if you just have questions, please ask.

Sources: Internet and Farmer's Almanac

Meet Our Neighbors ….

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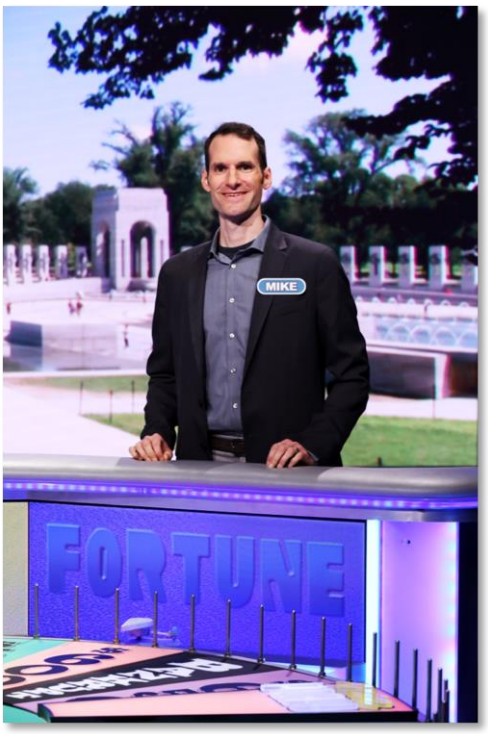


Lafayette Village resident and Grounds Committee Chair, ***Mike Nutbrown****, recently shared the story and some photos of his experience as a Wheel of Fortune contestant.*

My wife saw the Wheelmobile was coming to Dulles Town Center back in July last year and I was looking for something different to do that weekend, so that was perfect! We went and my name was pulled from the bin to come up on stage and audition. I guess I did well enough to get a callback for a second audition (including a written test!) and got the final nod to be a contestant on the show.

Two weeks after finding out I would be a contestant I boarded a plane to Los Angeles for the taping of the show. It aired November 15, 2018 - so if you missed it you can still search it on YouTube if you search that date.

With how quick you have to think on Wheel of Fortune, I can't imagine how much harder Jeopardy must be! The Wheel giveth and the Wheel taketh away and you never know if you'll land on $5000 or Bankrupt. They make it clear it's a "once in a lifetime" opportunity, so while I'd love to go back and do it again - that's not happening.

I don't like to spoil the results of how I did, since you can still catch it on YouTube if you really want to know, but I definitely recommend going out and dropping your name in the bin the next time the Wheelmobile comes to town. For all of the build up with the rounds of auditions and flying out for the taping and all of the stress and excitement it was crazy how quickly it was over when I finally got to watch it on TV. Now it's history!

Election Information: Primary Day is Tuesday, June 11

What you'll be voting for: Primary Day is soon approaching. There will be Democratic Party primary elections for the Democratic nominee for the District 38 state delegate seat and for the Democratic Party nominee for Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chair. As of the newsletter deadline, there were no Republican Party primary elections. For more information about what will be on the ballot and to see a sample ballot, go to https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming-june-2019-primary-elections.

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. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11. 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 https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/absentee. Early voting will also be available at the Mason District Government Center, but…

Early voting: If you know you won't be able to vote at our Packard Center polling place on Primary Day, you can still vote "absentee in person" at the Government Center Office of Elections, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, starting around April 26th. Check at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming-june-2019-primary-elections later in April for the complete schedule. In-person absentee voting ends Saturday, June 8. If you want to vote absentee by mail, this website will provide you the information you need: http://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/index.html -- June 4 is the deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail.

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

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

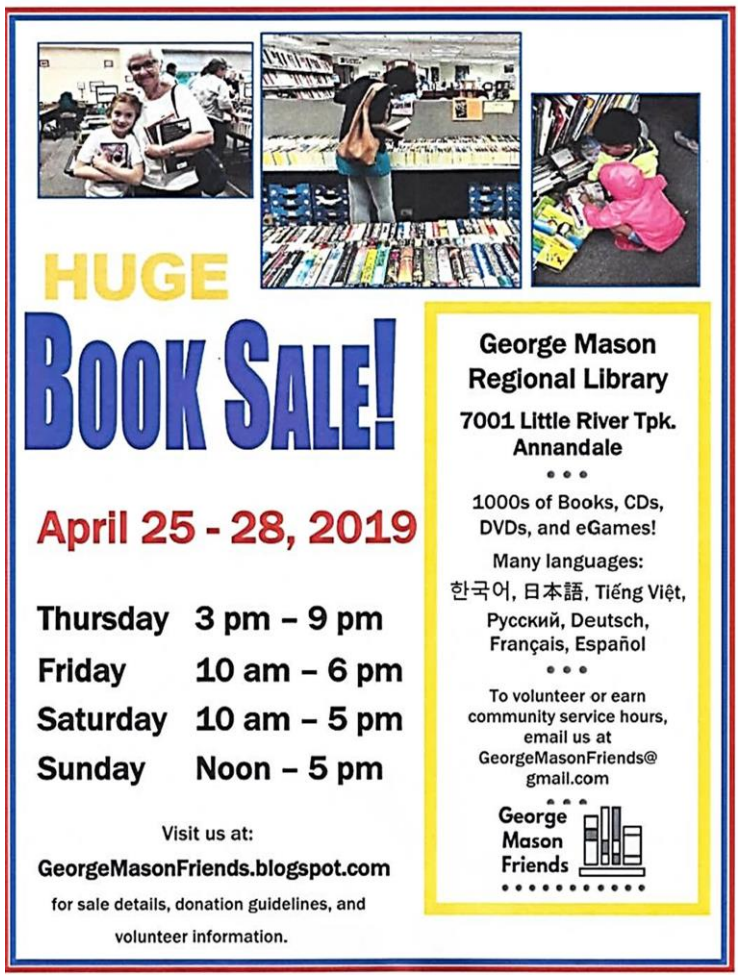
- Military photo ID
- Federal, Virginia, or local government-issued ID, including a passport
- Employer-issued photo ID
- Virginia college or university student photo ID
- Tribal enrollment or other tribal ID

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

Verify your voter registration: You can verify your registration information at the Virginia Board of Elections website, https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation where you can make any necessary changes.

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.

Mason District news and information ….



Annandale Carnival
April 4 – April 14

4217 John Marr Drive
Annandale VA 22003

Source: The Annandale Blog

Mosaic District is losing its farmers market

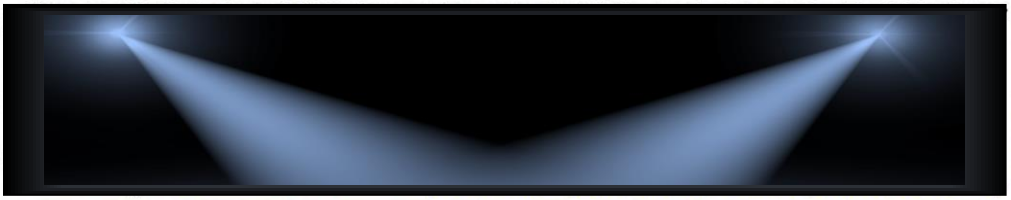
The market at Mosaic.

The Mosaic Central Farm Market, after six years at the Mosaic District in Merrifield, is moving to George Marshall High School, 7731 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, in two weeks.

The new market, to be known as NOVA Central Farm Market, will operate on Sundays, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. There will be giveaways and freebies at the Grand Opening on April 7. Meanwhile, the Mosaic farmers market will be open for two more Sundays.

In a March 21 email to customers, Central Farm Market says, "we were told, with just a few weeks notice and for no reason, that we had to leave the [Mosaic] property. As you can imagine this has been a very difficult time for us and our vendors. In a matter of weeks, we had to find a new location, enroll vendors, and take care of all of the business matters associated with such an enormous move."

Coming Attractions



- **Culmore Multicultural Day 2019 "Healthy Environment, Healthy Community"** will be held on **Saturday, April 27**, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Woodrow Wilson Library, 6101 Knollwood Drive in Falls Church. Enjoy live music, folkloric dancers, children's activities, and more. For more information, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/culmore-day, or call 703-324-8514; TTY 711.
- The Friends of the **George Mason Regional Library** will co-host the popular, **semi-annual book sale** on **Thursday, April 25**, 3 - 9 p.m.; **Friday, April 26**, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; **Saturday, April 27**, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; and **Sunday, April 28**, 12 - 5 p.m. (Library services begin at 1 p.m.) The book sale will be at the library, 7001 Little River Turnpike in Annandale. For more information, call 703-813-6616 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/george-mason-regional.
- The **DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day** is set for **Saturday, April 27**, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., and unused or expired prescription medicines may be dropped off at all Fairfax County Police Stations. For more information and locations near you, visit the DEA Web site after **April 1** at www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/index.html.
- The Annandale (Station 8) and Bailey's Crossroads (Station 10) Volunteer Fire Departments invite you to an **All You Can Eat Crab Leg and Shrimp Feast** on **Saturday, April 27**, 2 - 5 p.m. at the Annandale Volunteer Fire Department Station, 7128 Columbia Pike in Annandale. Tickets available online at www.avfd.org or www.bxrvfd.org. For more information, call 703-941-1328, or send an e-mail to crabfeast@avfd.org.

Community Ads ….

Interior Decorator and Home Organizer: I'm a professional organizer and interior decorator living in Lafayette Village. A New Year is here, let's declutter and put some spark back in your home! We can start as a small project or the entire house 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 for more information and to receive an estimate.

Land and Cruise Planners in the neighborhood! Specialized in all cruise lines, land, tour, all-inclusive vacations around the USA, Caribbean, Europe, Asia and Africa – All around the world. Specialized in individual and groups travel, family or high school reunions, meeting and corporate incentive travels, weddings and honeymoons. For your family travel or vacation needs, please email me at pascasie.adedze@cruiseplanners.com or visit passycruisevacation.com or call 703-559-3626 (home) and 217-721-5152 (cell).

Interior Painting: Contact Mark Rhodes, Lafayette Village resident and a skilled interior painter, for free estimates. Call or text Mark at 571-236-5634. Landline is 703-560-8329. Recommendations on the Nextdoor app.

Day Care Provider: Kids First day care for kids 0-11years old. State and County Licensed daycare provider, trained in CPR and First Aid. Lafayette Village location. For more information, please call Maha at 703-347-2876 (9 a.m. – 5 p.m.) or send an email to maha_kidsfirst@yahoo.com.

Election Officers Needed! – The Fairfax County Office of Elections needs Election Officers, particularly residents who speak Korean or Vietnamese, for the upcoming 2019 elections. Election Officers must be registered voters in Virginia and complete required training and forms. You may choose to accept the $175 stipend for a full day, or volunteer your time. **There is a particular need for Language Election Officers, who speak Korean or Vietnamese in the Annandale and Falls Church areas.** To apply, complete and submit the online form at: www.vote4fairfax.com/apply. Training begins in April. For more information, visit the Office of Elections website (www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/election-officers/working), or call 703-324-4735, TTY 711.

2019 LVCA Pool Rules and Regulations ….

The following rules are designed for your protection and safety. The Pool Committee has attempted to keep them short, simple and clear. Ultimately, however, we rely on your good judgment and consideration for the rights of other residents. Keep the pool safe, clean and enjoyable for everyone -- observe these rules and see that **ALL** members of your household and your guests do, too. **You are fully responsible for the activities of your children at the pool.** Be sure that they obey the rules and the instructions of all pool management staff members.

The careful observance of these rules by the residents will keep our pool in compliance with Fairfax County regulations and the provisions of our insurance coverage. Violations of Fairfax County regulations can lead to immediate closing of the facility. Unannounced inspections by County officials will take place on a frequent basis.

All residents use the pool at their own risk and are liable for any property damage incurred by themselves or their guests. The pool management staff and the LVCA are not responsible for loss of personal property.

POOL MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

Atlantic Pool Service, Inc. is the pool management company for the 2019 pool season. The pool manager functions as the agent of the LVCA Board of Directors and is responsible for operating the pool in a safe, hygienic and orderly manner, supervising all personnel, and enforcing all rules and regulations. The pool manager is authorized to make on-the-spot decisions regarding all rules and regulations, as well as their enforcement. This authority includes the expulsion or exclusion of any resident or guest as necessary. Any expulsion or exclusion will be reported in writing to the LVCA Board of Directors within 24 hours of the action.

SEASON: SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019 through MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2019

HOURS:	Weekdays:	May 28-June 7:	4:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
	Weekdays:	June 10-August 30:	11:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
	Weekends and Holidays:		11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

POOL PASS CONTROL - ADMISSION TO THE POOL

Five passes have been issued to each household at the property address provided to the management company. These are to be used by residents and/or their guests. Passes must be given to the lifeguard to enter the pool area. The guard will return the passes upon exit from the pool. One pass per person, **including children,** is required to enter the pool. The Board at its discretion can issue pool passes to the owners and residents of 4020 Lafayette Village Drive.

CHILDREN

- A responsible person age 18 or older must supervise children under age 12 at all times. Should pool management deem it necessary for the safety of a child, a basic swim test will be given by the pool manager or his/her designee.
- For the safety of the child, strollers must be kept well away from the edge of the pool. Children in strollers must have personal and direct adult supervision.
- Any person who is incontinent, or children not potty trained must wear appropriate waterproof clothing. Cloth diapers with snugly fitting rubber pants or swim diapers must be worn in either pool. Any type of disposable diapers are not allowed because they can clog the filter system. In the event of an unsanitary mishap, pool staff must be notified immediately.
- There will be a 15 minute restricted swim period from 45 minutes to the top of each hour for “lap swimming or water walking only”. This period will be signaled by a long blast of the lifeguard whistle at its beginning and end.

2019 LVCA Pool Rules and Regulations, continued ….

WADING POOL

- Only children 4 years and under may use the wading pool.
- An adult within the wading pool enclosure must supervise children in the wading pool at all times.

RESTRICTED ADMISSION/POOL CLOSING

- If the pool becomes overcrowded, the pool management staff may restrict admission.
- The pool management staff is authorized to close the pool **for any reason** it deems fit, including: electrical storms, equipment breakdowns and pool chemical problems.

CONDUCT, HEALTH & SAFETY

- **No glass containers** are allowed within the pool enclosure.
- **No food** is allowed within the pool enclosure except in the designated picnic area.
- No alcoholic beverages or intoxicants of any kind are allowed in the pool area.
- Chewing gum is not allowed anywhere within the pool enclosure, including the pool house.
- Smoking, including vaping, is not allowed anywhere within the pool enclosure, including the pool house.
- Boisterous or unsafe behavior, including running, pushing, splashing, dunking, rough play or profanity is not allowed in the pools or on the pool grounds.
- The use of basketballs, footballs, soccer balls and other sports equipment not designed for use in a swimming pool is prohibited.
- Rafts or toys will be allowed at the discretion of pool management staff.
- Personal musical devices must be used with headphones so as not to disturb others. One radio, managed by the lifeguard staff, may be played.
- Sunbathers must shower before entering the pool.
- No person may swim with large bandages, open wounds or skin disorders.
- No cut-off shorts and/or T-shirts may be used as swimsuits.
- Litter must be disposed of properly.
- No pets are allowed within the pool enclosure.
- Anyone unable to pass a swimming test is not permitted in deep water.
- Diving in the shallow end or off the sides of the diving board is not permitted.
- A lap lane will be designated for the exclusive use of lap swimming on a first come, first served basis.

PENALTIES

- Anyone entering the pool enclosure before or after operating hours, without permission, may be barred from using the pool and is subject to prosecution for trespassing.
- Residents in violation of the above rules and regulations may have their pool privileges suspended for up to sixty (60) days after notice and opportunity for a hearing. See Bylaws Article VII, Section 1 (b).
- The Board of Directors reserves the right to amend these rules/regulations at any time.

LVCA Pool Picnic Area Rules ….

This will be the only area of the pool deck where eating is allowed. The Picnic Area is available to reserve for small gatherings during regular pool hours on a first come first served basis.

CONDUCT, HEALTH & SAFETY:

- Pool passes are required to enter the picnic area.
- Seating is available on a first come, first served basis. Usage will be limited to a one hour period so that all residents have an opportunity to utilize the picnic area.
- Residents may not place their belongings on tables to "save" them.
- No glass containers are allowed within the pool picnic area.
- No alcoholic beverages or intoxicants of any kind are allowed in the pool picnic area.
- Smoking is not allowed in the pool picnic area.
- Litter and recycling must be disposed of properly. Anyone not cleaning up after themselves may be barred from using the pool and picnic area.
- Grilling is not allowed.

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RESERVATIONS:

- Only Association members in good standing may reserve the pool picnic pad.
- To reserve, contact the Pool Committee Chair by email at least 2 weeks in advance.
- To reserve, the member must have a valid pool pass.
- To reserve, the member must also complete the LVCA Pool Picnic Pad Agreement, which the Pool Committee Chair will provide to the member.
- The Picnic Area may be reserved for a period up to 3 hours.
- Dated wristbands will be provided for up to 10 guests. All event attendees must have a wristband or valid pool pass.
- During reserved periods, one table must be made available for other pool guests to use.
- Each household may reserve the Picnic Area a maximum of 3 times during the pool season.
- The Picnic Area will not be available to reserve on holidays or during pool special events.

LVCA POOL REGISTRATION FORM - 2019 APPLICATION

OWNER:	RENTER:
ADDRESS:	ADDRESS:
PHONE: (H)	PHONE: (H)
(W)	(W)
(C)	(C)
Email:	

FAMILY MEMEER'S NAMES	Ages of Children (A=Adult)
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	

Renewal Stickers	New Homeowner Passes	Replacement Passes
Number requested = ____	Number requested = ____	Number requested = ____ x $5
		Total Enclosed = $ ____

Each household will be issued five passes (not dependent on how many people actually live in your home). **If you are a new homeowner, your first five passes are provided at no charge.** Passes should be kept and reused each year. Stickers for the current year will be provided to all residents at no charge, and are required in addition to the passes for pool admission. If you have lost your passes, replacements cost $5 each. Please send your check made payable to **Lafayette Village Community Association** with your application.

I/we and our invited guests agree to abide by all rules and regulations related to the use of the pool facility. I/we and our guests agree to hold harmless the Lafayette Village Community Association and its Board of Directors, the Lafayette Village, Sequoia Management, Inc. and their employees and Atlantic Pool Service and their employees for any injuries or losses while at the pool facilities.

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SIGNATURE **DATE**

Registration form must be mailed or emailed by May 15, 2019 to ensure you receive your passes by pool opening. Pool passes will be mailed to homeowners who have applied for them beginning in mid-May.

IF YOU SUBMIT YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AFTER MAY 15, 2019, IT CAN TAKE UP TO A WEEK BEFORE YOU RECEIVE YOUR PASSES IN THE MAIL

SEND THIS FORM TO:

LVCA POOL REGISTRATION
C/O Sequoia Management, attn. Mayoly Ayala
13998 Parkeast Circle
Chantilly, VA 20151-2283
email: mayala@sequoiamgmt.com (You can include the information requested on this form or fill out the form posted on the LVCA website. Put LVCA Pool Pass Registration in subject line)

FOR COMMITTEE USE ONLY:
ASSESSMENTS PAID:_____ IN GOOD STANDING W/ACC_____ NEW HOMEOWNER____