

The Lyon Village Bulletin

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Lyon Village Citizens' Association (LVCA) Arlington, VA

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Calendar

July 5. Parade and picnic, I I am

Library Express Service Expands July 6 Express service includes:

- Browsing up to a maximum of 30 minutes
- Holds pickup
- Check out using the self-service stations
 Physically-distanced assistance for account
- Physically-distanced assistance for account management and wayfinding
- Masks and social distancing required

Express service is currently available at Shirlington and Westover. The three branches that will open for express service July 6 are the Central Library, Aurora Hills and Columbia Pike. The Cherrydale and Glencarlyn branches hope to reopen for express service in the fall. The Plaza branch remains closed for renovations.

Meeting rooms, seating, indoor storytime, public PCs, the Shed, and the makerspace continue to be unavailable. The weekly outdoor storytime series at Central and the Shirlington branch will continue. Operating hours have not yet been determined. The library is having trouble finding sufficient staff to restore additional services.

National Night Out, Aug. 3

The Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) invites neighborhoods and organizations to celebrate outdoor <u>National Night Out</u> events on Tuesday, August 3, from 5pm to 8pm. NNO is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our communities safer and improve quality of life.

"This annual event is a great opportunity for officers and the Arlington community to come together to strengthen neighborhood spirit and build stronger relationships which are vital to maintaining public safety. I truly believe we are at our best when we are working collaboratively with the community and hope you will join us on August 3," said Chief Andy Penn. We are working on an event for Lyon Village that evening, please stay tuned. If you would like to help with the event, please contact John Carten at gicarten@verizon.net.

Lyon Village Fourth of July Parade and Picnic

A great Lyon Village tradition continues this year! And unlike last year where we had to limit it to just a parade, this year we will have a fun time in the Lyon Village Park after the parade. **Please note:** The parade will begin promptly at **I1:00am on Monday, July 5th** at the corner of Key Blvd. and N. Jackson Street. Come and start lining up at 10:30am. Included in the parade will be antique cars, and police and fire vehicles. We are encouraging people to patriotically decorate the front of their houses. Or come and march in the parade with family and friends.

Line up for the parade will be on N. Jackson Street just before Key Blvd. The parade this year will travel east on Key Blvd. to Edgewood Street, where it will turn left, and continue to the Lyon Village Park. You can see the parade route map at LyonVillage.org. Following the parade, we encourage folks to enjoy a good patriotic picnic in the park with family and friends. **Bring your own picnic. We will provide ice-cold water and popsicles.**

We are also putting out a special call for all antique car owners to sign up in advance and join the parade. Please email John Carten at GJCarten@verizon.net.

Volunteers needed!

Below are volunteer opportunities. To volunteer, Email GJCarten@verizon.net.

- Set-up
- Clean-up
- Servers
- Games for kids

Re-Cap: Special Meeting on Lee Highway Plan for Lyon Village

On June 21, LVCA held a meeting via Zoom to discuss the plan developed by the Lee Highway Alliance and the county to guide the long-term development of Lee Highway in Arlington. 100 people participated in the meeting (Zoom participant limit), with others unable to join. Paul Holland, Chairman of the Plan Lee Highway Community Forum, presented general background information as well as two scenarios affecting Lyon Village. Also present was Paul Vignes of the Arlington County Planning Staff.

Both scenarios proposed increased commercial/mixed uses as well as increased building heights and density on the south side of Lee Highway up to the northern side of N. 18th Street. Participants strongly criticized both scenarios. In response, Holland said he'd ask the County Board to have the planning group develop alternative scenarios.

We encourage Lyon Village residents to contact the Lee Highway Alliance, county planning staff and the County Board to express their opinions about the current plan. A suggested letter, relevant email addresses, a video of the Monday meeting, and select chat comments from the meeting are available on the Lyon Village web site (<u>lyonvillage.org</u>). The LVCA Executive Board is developing a formal response to the plan, which will also be posted to the Lyon Village web site when complete.

We apologize to those who tried to join the meeting but could not due to Zoom's 100-participant limit. We also appreciate the support by those who were able to join for their encouraging comments and continuing efforts to keep Lyon Village a viable and livable residential neighborhood.

Village Market

For sale. A new beautiful white bookshelf, 67"long, 28"wide and 14.5" deep. If interested, please email <u>bbogetic2@yahoo.com</u>. Will provide pictures, if requested.

Babysitter and dog-walker available. 16-year-old American Red Cross-trained babysitter and dog-walker available June 21 through July 2, July 12-24. and the month of August. Please call Lauren Hauser at 703-351-1179 or e-mail <u>lovesbigcoats@gmail.com</u>.

Mother's helper available. II-year-old is available this summer to work as a mother's helper for young children. Call/text Kirsten Mallonee (mom) at 646-765-0976 for more information.

Nanny available. Our long-time nanny has hours available full time or part time. She has been with our family for 16 years. Needless to say, she is excellent! Call/text Linda at 202 251-9882 for more information.

Lyon Village residents are invited to send their notices of garage sales, nanny searches, and more to the Village Market by the end of the 3rd week of the month.

LV Park Sprayground Reopens for 2021!

After a year of no fun at all, Arlington's spraygrounds are now open for the summer. Sprayground season started in late May and ends Labor Day weekend. Also nearby is the sprayground at Hayes Park (1516 N Lincoln St).

Hours	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Lyon Village	I0am- 3pm	I0am- 3pm	2рт- 8рт	Closed	2рт- 8рт	Noon- 8pm	Noon- 8pm
Hayes Park	I0am- Зрт	2рт- 8рт	Closed	I0am- Зрт	2рт- 8рт	Noon- 8pm	Noon- 8pm

Key Blvd. Water Main Replacement Project

The county's Regan Carver reports that the project is now scheduled to start on July 6, beginning at the intersection of N. Herndon and N. Jackson Streets. This project will replace the main water main along Key Boulevard from N. Jackson St. to N. Danville Street. This new line will replace the existing water main, which was built in 1927. The new pipe will improve fire flow capacity and support future demand in the neighborhood. The project has been on hold since early May due to late arrival of project materials.

Washington Boulevard & 13th Street Improvements

This project began in May and will convert Washington Boulevard between Clarendon Circle and North Kirkwood Road into a four-lane road by removing the reversible lane and eliminating the "pork chop" at the 13th Street intersection. 13th Street North will be realigned to create a conventional "T" intersection at Washington Boulevard. When in the area, beware of temporary lane and sidewalk closures.

Bulletin Back in September

We're off in August.

For the latest Lyon Village and Arlington County news and events, please check out the Lyon Village website: Lyon Village.org. It is updated daily by our webmaster, Tom Piwowar.

Please send September Village Market items to <u>adam@ksaplus.com</u> by Aug. 26. Happy Summer!

Auto Larcenies and Thefts Continue

The police are putting a special emphasis on stopping these crimes. Larcenies from auto and vehicle thefts are often crimes of opportunity, with suspects taking advantage of unsecured doors and windows to steal items left unattended or out in plain view. Based on surveillance video, witness accounts, interviews with victims and interviews with suspects apprehended in past cases, the evidence suggests that multiple suspects work together, often using a stolen vehicle, to travel into residential neighborhoods and try door handles of parked vehicles. The suspects will enter vehicles that are found to be unlocked, rummage through items and steal vehicles with accessible spare keys and fobs. In recent cases, suspects have also entered garages that have been left open or when a garage door opener is located inside an unlocked vehicle. Once inside the garage, suspects have entered occupied residences through unlocked doors and stolen personal property from the victims.

Police recommend:

- Close and lock all windows and doors when you park. Double click the lock button on the key fob to receive a confirmation beep/chirp or pull on the door handle to verify it's locked.
- Never leave valuables in your car in plain view. Take these items with you, or secure them—all the time, every time.
- Do not leave your keys, key fobs, or valet keys in your vehicle. This includes keys to a secondary vehicle.
- Take your garage door opener out of your vehicle when you park. If a thief can get into a vehicle, they can have access to a garage door opener and can gain access to your home.
- Never leave the area while your vehicle is running.