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Winter Calendar

Jan 10

LV General Meeting

Tracking Development Around LV

Lyon Village Citizens Assn. (LVCA) is actively tracking edge development along the borders of our neighborhood. Below is a short summary. Please contact H.K. Park, LVCA President, if you have additional questions (hkpark100@hotmail.com).

1. New basketball and tennis courts. The County's contractor applied the wrong grade of asphalt which has delayed completion. LVCA is pressing the County to resolve before summer 2011.

2. New Lyon Pointe condos. LVCA and immediate neighbors will be meeting with the developer in January. The current plan is for a fourstory building with eight condo units.

3. New grocery store. LVCA and neighboring civic associations have met with the developer of the Bergmann's Cleaners site who wants to build a grocery store and an apartment building (rental). The developer is still finalizing its plans.

4. New hotel. LVCA has negotiated with the developer to minimize the impact (building height, light and noise, and truck traffic) of the proposed hotel that will border single-family homes.

January LVCA Meeting Monday, January 10, 8pm, Community House

Police Update. The meeting will begin with members of the District 2 Police Team providing an update on police activity in and around Lyon Village and Clarendon.

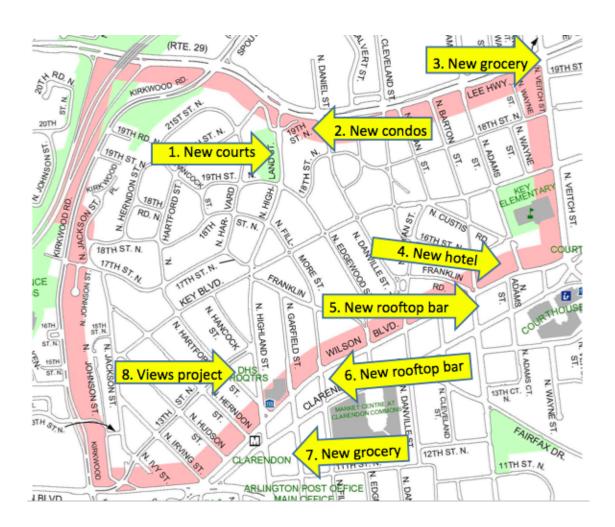
Neighborhood Traffic Calming. Kevin Sweeney, chair of the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Committee, and Jeff Sikes of County staff will talk about the Arlington County Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program. You will have an opportunity to ask them questions about your traffic concerns.

The program was created to support the County Board's vision of the "urban village" by reducing the impact of vehicular traffic and improving the pedestrian and bicyclist environment within and around neighborhoods. The program combines public education and physical measures such as speed humps, roadway narrowing, gateways, and traffic circles that reduce the negative effects of motor vehicle use, alter driver behavior, and improve conditions for all street users. The program only addresses streets designated as "neighborhood" in the Master Transportation Plan.

5-6. New rooftop bars. LVCA is monitoring the neighborhood impact of the new rooftop bars above Delhi Dhaba and Whitlows (noise, litter, drunken behavior, etc). Please let us know if you encounter problems.

7. New grocery store. Trader Joe's is expected to sign a lease soon and open its store in early summer. LVCA has encouraged Trader Joe's to provide bike racks, stroller parking, and senior citizen access. We'll keep you posted on the grand opening.

8. Views at Clarendon. LVCA has complained to the developer about construction trucks parking in front of homes and cutting through LV. If you encounter any problems, please let us know.



Lyon Village Holiday Party -- Thanks

Thanks to this fantastic community, the Lyon Village Holiday Party was another great success! We enjoyed cookie decorating, kid crafts, hanging out, catching up and enjoying delicious food and drink provided by local restaurants. Special thank you to LV residents Steve Fedorchak and Kirstin Gibbs, proprietors of The Liberty Tavern, Lyon Hall and Northside Social, who generously donated mouth-watering pizzas, delicious desserts and a bevvy of grown-up beverages. We also thank one of our newest eateries, Fireworks Pizza, for some great signature pies, Restaurant 3 and Rocklands for their mac & cheeses, Bertucci's for its incredible Tira Misu and The Corner Bakery and Cosi for their scrumptious cookies and cakes. Please make sure to stop in soon and thank them in person while dining at their establishments!

None of this could have been possible without the volunteer efforts of Loria Porcaro, Don Gay and Caroline Holt for securing food donations; Rachel Bedell, Jay Brodsky, Fielding Winters, Heather Buck, and Steve Fedorchak, who decked the halls; Mike Villado and Don Gay, who picked up the delectables from local restaurants; Lorraine Nordlinger for donating the cookies to decorate; HK Park, Susan Omberg, Lori Wright, Lisa Rados, and Loria Porcaro, who managed the craft, cookie-decorating and kid chaos; Warner Young who was an INCREDIBLY jolly and engaging Santa; Michael Porcaro for collecting emails for the LV listserv; and Adrienne Wichard-Edds, Jon Obenberger, Donna Norman, Loria and Michael Porcaro, and John Carten, who left the Community House cleaner than we found it! And Caroline Holt who organized and volunteered throughout the evening. Great job, all

Christmas Tree Collection and Recycling

Scheduled for January 3-14 on your regular refuse day. Please remove the tree stand, lights, and decorations and don't place the tree in a plastic bag. Trees will be ground into wood mulch for garden use. Special unbundled brush or metal pickups will be suspended during this time. After Jan. 14, holiday trees will not be recycled, but will be collected as trash on your regular trash collection day.

After Jan. 14, residents may also resume making requests for special curbside pickup of unbundled brush and metal by telephoning the Department of Environmental Services at 703-228-6570 (703-228-4611 TTY) the day before regular collection from 8am-5pm weekdays.

Also, the last leaf bag collection will be January 10.

Update on Lyon Village Park and Courts

As you have likely noted, the pavilion roof was not ready by the end of October. However, the infrastructure is now complete, and we will see the plant life added in the spring. It's in a greenhouse somewhere in the southeast starting to grow, but once the plant life is installed, we will have a "green roof" that will bloom, self-water, and provide some much-needed shade at the Lyon Village Park.

As you may have heard, the county's contractor poured the wrong type of asphalt on the courts. The below-freezing temperatures will not allow them to redo the courts before spring. As such, they will likely leave some temporary lines and redo the asphalt then. We will keep you posted on timelines, traffic on Highland, implications for the fencing and Community House parking lot via the listerv as they become available to us.

Questions about this project? Reach out to At Large Exec Committee member, Miles Mason, on <u>milesandlara@comcast.net</u> and he will try to track down the answers from the County.

Don't Forget: LVCA Dues for 2010-11...

Please make your annual LVCA dues payment if you haven't done so yet. Dues are \$7 Individual, \$10 Household. This supports the newsletter, directory, web site, and LVCA-sponsored events throughout the year and keeps you an active member of the LVCA. You can pay your dues online at www.lyonvillage.org, or mail or deliver your payments to: Carl Mattick, 1428 N. Fillmore St. Dues envelopes were distributed in October for your convenience. Call 703-525-0819 or email cmattick@verizon.net with any questions.

Village Market

Part-time babysitter. Roxana Monje available on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9am-2pm. Contact Moira Jacobsen, 646-831-7961 for a great reference.

Seeking part-time nanny/mother's helper. We are looking for a fun, energetic, loving person to help care for our wonderful 18-month-old son, weekdays from 4:30-6:30pm. Mornings from 7-8:30am would be great as well, but not necessary for the job. Please contact Kelly at kellyrussell29@hotmail.com or 917-570-8846.

Found. A set of keys found in front of our house at 2005 North Hancock Street on December 12. Please contact Diane with a description (<u>smithd@sainc.com</u>).

Snow shoveling. LV teen available. Call Zack at 703-850-2669.

House for rent. Intersection of Key Boulevard and Custis Road. Modern kitchen, three bedrooms including a master suite with full bath, 2.5 bathrooms, living room, family room, garage, basement, front porch, back patio, and landscaping. \$3,900 per month, plus utilities; owners pay for lawn service. Email <u>wewinner@ncsu.edu</u> or call 919-900-0387.

Clarendon Barber and Hair Stylist. Established local business providing good, reliable service at 1407 Garfield Street, offers first-time free haircuts for kids under 2, free lip waxing when you have eyebrow waxing, and discounts on men's and women's haircuts. Daily walk-in service. Call Sarah, the owner, for details, 703-527-5588. Please mention this notice when you call or visit.

Pet care. Going out of town? For pet care, call Ben or Katherine at 703-732-0990 or 703-309-7698. We can feed and exercise your pets during all hours of the day. LV references available.

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 3^{rd} week of the month.

Lyon Village Movie Night

Please join us for the first Lyon Village Family Movie Night of 2011 in late January (exact date TBD, check our web site and listserv). Warm up, see old friends, meet new ones, and enjoy "The Wizard of Oz." BYO picnic dinner/snacks and drinks. Bring your picnic blanket and/or lawn chairs for a night of fun!

Reporting a Snow Issue to the County

Arlington County has created a new e-form on the County web site to assist residents and employees in reporting snow-related concerns and issues, such as streets that need additional plowing or treatment, or sidewalks that remain untreated. To access this form, go to: <u>http://egov.arlingtonva.us/snowrequest/Home/ESRI</u> The Report a Snow Issue form replaces the email address 'snow@arlingtonva.us' as the main communications channel with the County and its snow removal teams. You can also call 703-228-6485 during a winter weather event

for the latest snow update and learn whether the snow removal team is taking requests.

And please be sure to look for opportunities to help your LV neighbors, particularly seniors and those with disabilities. When out shoveling your walk, see if you can do theirs at the same time.

Stay Up to Date!

Sign up for our e-mail updates. Currently, fewer than 700 of approximately 2,500 LV residents receive periodic e-mails about crime, street closures, the occasional lost pet, and other time-sensitive info. You can sign up for the e-mail listserv at <u>www.lyonvillage.org</u>.