

The Lyon Village Bulletin

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Calendar

Oct. 10: LVCA Meeting, 8pm Nov. 11: LVCHA Spaghetti Dinner

Lyon Park/Ashton Heights Tour, Oct. 2

Lyon Park & Ashton Heights' biennial home and garden biennial tour is back. The tour will include contemporary custom homes, older historic bungalows, and renovated properties. The Villa & Vistas '22 event will conclude with a festive reception at the Lyon Park Community Center at 414 N Fillmore Street. The tour will be held from noon-4pm, the reception from 4pm-6pm. Get your tickets and the tour map at the Lyon Park Community Center. More information at https://lyonpark.org/events/homeandgarden/

Plan Langston Boulevard Tour, Oct. 16

Arlington County's planning team has just released the <u>Preliminary Concept Plan</u> (PCP) for the Langston Boulevard corridor, which will guide development over the next several decades. Based on community input, the PCP refines the previous ideas into a preferred concept for Langston Boulevard and describes planning goals and policies for development.

On Sunday, October 16, there will be a walking tour of the Lyon Village area of the plan on both sides of Langston Blvd. Meet at the Lyon Village Shopping Center at 1:00pm to learn about the plan, with the walking tour beginning promptly at 2:00pm. The tour will take about two hours. Feel free to join the tour for all or part of it.

Learn more about the plan and find out the schedule for the public meetings at: https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Projects/Plans-Studies/Land-Use/Plan-Langston-Boulevard/Meetings/Plan-Langston-Boulevard-PCP-Design-Studios

Fall Bazaar, Oct. 29

Clarendon United Methodist Church (606 N. Irving) is having its annual Bazaar on Saturday, October 29, 9:30am - 1:00pm. Household goods, children's toys, jewelry, clothes, handmade crafts, frozen dinners, and much more. All proceeds will be donated to Bridges to Independence and other local charities. For more information, contact Jane Dixon (jdixon580jd@gmail.com).

Fall 8-Week Walking Challenge

The event lasts from October 10-December 5. Register now and receive access to all the wellness resources, including free weekly classes and discounts from Arlington fitness centers, accountability partners, goal-setting tools, and weekly health and wellness tips. Registration is open until October 7.

https://www.walkarlington.com/WalkArlChallenge/

October Membership Meeting Monday, Oct. 10, 8:00pm via Zoom

We will have our annual candidates night. The meeting will feature the three County Board candidates: Audrey R. Clement (I), Matt de Ferranti (D), Adam Theo (I).

The candidates will make opening statements, followed by a question-and-answer session, and concluding with a closing statement by each candidate. Please bring your questions for the candidates. ust like other recent meetings, this will be virtual. You can use the following Zoom link to join the meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5894383938?pwd=VjEwQVBvaCsyL29wZzhHRV NKekw3Zz09. Meeting ID: 589 438 3938 Passcode: 562649. Please plan to join the meeting by 7:55pm so we can start on time.

Spaghetti Dinner Is Back, Nov. 11

The Lyon Village Community House Association (LVCHA) invites you to join us on Friday, November 11 at 5pm or 7pm for the return of the Spaghetti Dinner! This long-standing Lyon Village tradition brings together volunteers, donors, and families from across the neighborhood and demonstrates the strong sense of community we are lucky to have surrounding our homes.

The menu includes spaghetti with marinara or meat sauce, salad, and garlic bread. Wines and baked goods will also be available for purchase.

The LVCHA, a separate entity from the Lyon Village Citizens' Association, is responsible for the management and maintenance of the Community House. During the height of the pandemic, LVCH experienced lengthy periods without rentals. The LVCH Board used that time to complete some modest renovations to the Community House and the Board is excited for neighbors to see the recent improvements. The funds raised from this year's Spaghetti Dinner will go directly toward continued efforts to refresh the interior of the House.

Missing Middle Housing Update

The County Board says it won't vote on the controversial plan until January, so there's still time to share your views. Find the email addresses of the County Board members at Lyonvillage.org to. It is important for you to share your thoughts on this proposal.

The current Missing Middle proposal would permit the construction of duplexes, triplexes, and larger units, up to eight units, to be built on virtually all, if not all, lots in single-family residential zoning districts in Arlington -- which is substantially all the non-commercial property in the county. Under the proposal, the number of units that could be built would be dictated by the size of the lot. The larger the lot, the more units could be squeezed in.

Under this proposal, an empty single-family-zoned lot, such as a lot created by tearing a house down, would allow the lot owner or a developer to build two or more living units. The size of the structure would be subject to existing rules for single-family homes, in terms of setbacks and height, coupled with reduced on-site parking requirements. This would have the potential to turn streets into a hodgepodge of building forms and uses, encourage much larger structures, exacerbate water runoff problems, cause loss of trees, and cause noise, parking, and street access problems.

Order Missing Middle Signs

To order a Missing Middle Sign, opposing this proposal, go to https://forms.gle/qcpToL1Mia3HXD5n8 or find the link at LyonVillage.org

Village Market

Stock club seeking partners. Long-standing, buy & hold stock club is seeking new members. Partnership meets in person or via Zoom once a month (2-3 meetings per year in Lyon Village). If interested, please send a brief introductory email with investment experience and any questions to Chris M. at the.mayor.of.oceanaire@gmail.com.

Soccer coach for young kids. 10-year-old 5th grader interested in coaching 1st, 2nd or 3rd graders in soccer. Lives in Lyon Village. \$10 per training session of 45-60 minutes. Text or call Jeff at 703-861-8318.

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.

Development Update

For both the Joyce Motors and Silver Diner sites, LVCA will be a part of the Site Plan Review process, examining the proposals and working with other neighborhoods on the design elements.

Joyce Motors Site

The Site Plan Review Committee process is currently underway for the Joyce Motors site. The site is located in Clarendon at the intersection of N. Irving Street and 10th Street North and is approximately 32,000 square feet (~0.74 acres). The site currently contains the Joyce Motors automobile repair shop and an associated surface parking lot. The applicant proposes redeveloping the site into a multifamily residential building totaling more than 190,000 sq. ft.), which includes preservation and reconstruction of the Joyce Motors façade. The proposed building would contain up to 241 residential units, a maximum of 186,254 square feet of residential space, and a maximum of 3,825 square feet of ground floor retail space. The proposed building would be 110 feet high (exclusive of elevator overruns and mechanical equipment) and served by 140 below-grade parking spaces: about 0.58 spaces per residential unit (140 spaces) and one space per 957 square feet of retail (four spaces).

Silver Diner Site

Bingham Center Holdings LLC proposes to redevelop the site (consisting of two office buildings, the Silver Diner restaurant, an auto repair facility, outdoor beer garden, and surface parking) with hotel and multi-family residential buildings including ground floor retail. The site is 81,000 square feet. It is located at 3200 Wilson Blvd. and bordered by N. Irving Street to the west, Washington Boulevard to the north, and 10th Street to the south.

Sign Up for New ListServ!

Everyone must resubscribe to the online listserv. Sorry. We inadvertently lost the email addresses for the LVCA listserv when we converted the website. So, we need folks to resubscribe--or subscribe for the first time—by going to the Lyon Village website (lyonvillage.org) and using the easy sign-up form (just your email). It's a great way to stay up to date on all Lyon Village-related news and events, including very time sensitive matters. As always, we won't sell your information, but use it only for official LVCA email messages, including online delivery of the *Bulletin* newsletter. Thank you.

LVCA Directory Update

Lyon Village is approaching 100 years old! With our centennial just around the corner, we are beginning to not only make celebratory plans but also update the *Lyon Village Directory*. 2023 will mark our centennial, and we will again be publishing the directory.

We ask everyone to please submit your contact information for inclusion in the guide. To submit, please send an email to lyonvillagedirectory@gmail.com. A sample entry:

3175 21st St., N O'Dea, Francis and Ruth Boyer O'Dea 703.338.2277 (Emails: if any to include)

Make any changes you'd like!

Sierra Club Seeks Proposals

LV's Joan Kelsh writes: The Sierra Club's Potomac River Group is looking for proposals for new projects that will advance the Sierra Club's mission of environmental sustainability and climate health. To that end we offer 1-2 mini-grants each year, not to exceed \$500. Applications can be submitted at any time and will be reviewed as soon as possible after submission. We are especially interested in new, creative ideas for environmental advocacy or education projects that will engage members of the larger community and lead to significant new programs or policies. To apply, please fill out the application at https://www.sierraclub.org/virginia/potomac-river and email it to: John Bloom at Johnbloom@gmail.com.

Key County Contact Numbers

Police/Fire/Rescue Emergency: 911 Police Non-emergency: 703-558-2222 Animal Control: 703-931-9241

Street Light Outages: 703-228-5000 (provide exact location

and pole number)

DES Water, Sewer, Streets Emergencies (24hrs): 703-228-6555

24-hour Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline: 703-237-

1880

Emergency Behavioral Health: 703-228-5160