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Calendar

LVCA General Meeting, May 8 LV Bingo Night, May 19

LVCH Bingo! May 19

Lyon Village Bingo Night will be Friday, May 19 from 6 – 9pm at the Community House. Prizes will take the form of a Yankee Swap. To participate, each participant must arrive with a \$10 item to contribute—one item per participant. Tacos, pizza, and beverages for all ages will be available for purchase (cash preferred; credit card accepted, minimum \$10 purchase). This is a neighborhood-only event. As always, we need assistance with events, so please volunteer at lvchevents@gmail.com. That's a Bingo!

Revamping Market Common, May 10

The developer will host an open house on the future of Market Common on May 10 from 6-9 p.m. at 2801 Clarendon Blvd. More about the project in Arlington Now, including possible plans for lota Café.

https://www.arlnow.com/2017/04/25/an-early-look-at-revamped-market-common-in-clarendon/#disqus_thread

I-66 Tool Signs Briefing, May 17

Senator Barbara Favola, in coordination with the Cherrydale HOA, has coordinated a meeting on May 17th, 7:30pm, where VDOT will explain the massive I-66 tool signs that have appeared on Lee Highway. The meeting will be held in Oakgrove Park at Quincy St. between 15th St N. and 17th St N. LV residents are welcome to attend.

General Meeting, May 8, 7pm Community House Focus: Real Estate

We will have our annual Real Estate meeting, which has been quite popular. The presentation will feature a discussion of the real estate market and sales trends in Lyon Village. It will feature presentations by Lyon Village residents and real estate agents Ruth Boyer O'Dea of TTR Sotheby's International Realty; Billy Buck of Buck & Associates, Inc.; John Plank of Long & Foster Real Estate, Inc.; and Bill Wooten of Long & Foster Real Estate, Inc.). Please come prepared with questions.

The meeting will start with a brief update by the Arlington County Police District Two Team on police activity around Lyon Village and Clarendon.

2017 - 2018 Lyon Village Officers

At the May meeting we will be electing the Lyon Village Citizen Association Officers. If you are interested in becoming an officer, please email John Carten at GCarten@verizon.net. There are a variety of roles so please indicate what your interests are.

Street Sealing and Paving

Several streets in Lyon Village are expected to be sealed or re-paved this spring and summer.

Four streets in LV are to be sealed: I) N. 16 St. (between Bryan and Adams), 2) N. 17th St. (between Hartford and Fillmore, 3) N. Barton (between Key and N. 16th. St) and 4) N. Custis (between Adams and Key). And two streets are to be paved: I) N. Hartford (between Key and N. 13th St.) and 2) N. Edgewood (between Key and Franklin).

According to the county website, hot-mix asphalt and slurry seal can be applied only in warm, dry weather. Temporary "No Parking" signs will be posted on your block displaying the times and dates work will take place. On a major street, only one lane at a time is resurfaced so that traffic is kept moving. However, residential streets are closed completely to traffic until the new surface is dry. After the signs are removed, you can drive and park on your new resurfaced street.

Vehicles parked on the street in work areas during prohibited parking dates will be towed. A notice letter will be mailed to all residents included in the effected streets about four to six weeks in advance of the start of the annual operation. Door hangers will be distributed to affected residents with more specific information 48 hours prior to the paving of their street.

Additional information on the County's Street Maintenance program, including maps on 2017 paving, slurry seal and micro-surfacing, can be found on the following link: https://transportation.arlingtonva.us/streets/street-maintenance/

Vandalism Alert

The police report that several cars were "keyed" or scratched with keys late at night on April 23 in the 1300 and 1400 blocks of N. Jackson Street. If you observe any suspicious activity, please call the police immediately at 703-558-2222. Also call them if you have been a victim of vandalism.

Village Market

For rent. 4 bedroom/3.5 bath house with garage apartment available for rent in Lyon Village starting June 15 or July 1. Contact Julia at <u>julia.hamm@gmail.com</u> or 202-997-1532.

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.

Stay Informed

There are a number of ways to stay informed about what is going on in Lyon Village and Arlington.

If you do not receive periodic email updates from us, you are missing out. Our *Lyon Village ListServ* sends timely information about crime, power outages, street closures, the occasional lost pet, and more. Sign up on our website, www.lyonvillage.org, or encourage new neighbors and reluctant technophobes to sign up! This update typically comes out once a week on Fridays.

Another source is Next Door Lyon Village, which is used by neighbors and others (Arlington County Police) to highlight events and information in and around the neighborhood. Go to Nextdoor@nextdoor.com to sign up.

Finally, get daily emails each afternoon from Arlington Now about important events, news or information about Arlington. Go to Arlington Now.com to sign up.

2016 – 2017 Dues Payments

Dues for the September 2016–August 2017 fiscal year are due. Dues are \$7 for individuals or \$10 per household.

Mail or deliver your payments to Don Gay at 1803 N. Highland St. (make checks payable to "LVCA") or go to lyonvillage.org to pay via PayPal.

Home Repair Fraud Alert

Each spring as the weather begins to improve and homeowners assess damage from the winter season, the need for home repairs rise. While the majority of work is completed by legitimate contractors, this is also the season when the Arlington County Police Department receives an increase in reports of tree trimming and home repair frauds. The police want homeowners to remain alert and understand your rights as consumers so you don't become a victim.

Homeowners should be suspicious of any contractor who:

- approaches you at home unannounced
- pressures you to make an immediate decision about the proposed repairs
- claims that they have leftover materials or that they happen to be working in the area
- refuses to provide copies of their insurance certificates and/or license numbers
- accepts only cash payment for services rendered.

When looking for a contractor, homeowners should consider the following:

- Shop around get multiple estimates from different contractors, review them closely and take your time making an informed decision after researching the contractor of your choosing. Check with other homeowners who had work performed by the contractor and call the Consumer Protection Hotline at 800-552-9963 to determine if there are any complaints against the contractors.
- Contact your homeowner's insurance agents – request a list of preferred contractors.
- Review the contact carefully ensure that the scope of work matches the agreed upon terms.
- Confirm that the contractor is licensed, bonded, and insured - ask for copies of their insurance certificates and license numbers.
- Inspect the work before making final payment never pay the total cost of a job prior to the work being performed,
- Time is on your side if the job is not an emergency, don't rush or feel pressured by the contractor to do the job immediately.

If you find that you were a victim of fraud or were a target, please file an online police report (https://police.arlingtonva.us/online-pol...). Individuals seeking more information about fraud can visit our website (https://police.arlingtonva.us/prevention...) or contact the Arlington County Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit at FinancialCrimes@arlingtonva.us.