

# The Lyon Village **Bulletin**

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#### Saving Lives Preventing Tragedies

CrisisLink has been providing Northern Virginia's crisis hotline services for nearly 40 years. Our volunteers answer calls from those in crisis who may be considering suicide. Volunteers receive comprehensive training and mentoring. A new volunteer class begins in October with volunteer opportunities available days and evenings at a convenient Lee Highway location. Learn how you can make a difference and join a number of your Lyon Village neighbors who already volunteer for this important organization. Call Lindsay Paulette-Chapman at (703) 527-6016 or visit: www.CrisisLink.org/volunteer.

#### Events at Central Library

September 21, 2008, 2:00 PM Hispanic Heritage Month -- San Miguel (El Salvador) Sister City Celebration A celebration of Arlington's sister city in El Salvador, featuring music, dance and Salvadoran cuisine. Central Library Auditorium

September 21, 2008, 7:00 PM Author Event -- "Pursuit: The Chase, Capture, Persecution and Surprising Release of Confederate President Jefferson Davis" Author Clint Johnson discusses the fascinating life of Jefferson Davis. "Pursuit" is latest of more than a dozen books by Johnson on the South and the Civil War. Copies of "Pursuit" will be available for sale and signing following the event. Central Library Auditorium

September 24, 2008, 3:30 PM Hispanic Heritage Month Storytime -- "In a Wild Way!" Join naturalist Alonso Baguettes and storyteller/librarian Mariela Aguilar as they tell Latin folktales and featuring animals from the wilds of South America. This storytime is ideal for ages 5 and up. Central Library Auditorium

September 25, 2008, 1:00 PM Author Event --"Red Rain: The Japanese Fire Balloon Assault on North America" Author Tim Wendt will discuss his latest book, "Red Rain," which looks at the Japanese attack of fire balloons on North American. Ration cake and other WWII-vintage snacks will be served. Copies of "Red Rain" will be available for sale and signing following the event.

A complete list of upcoming events at Arlington Public Library can be found at:

www.arlingtonva.us/departments/Li braries/LibrariesEvents.aspx.

Arlington Central Library is located at 1015 N. Quincy Street.

# General Meeting Monday Sept 8<sup>th</sup> At the Lyon Village Community House

On Monday, Sept 8 we will have our first General Meeting of the new fiscal year at 8pm at the Community House. The meeting will begin with a police update from Captain Brian Berke, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commander of the Arlington Police. Captain Berke and some of his officers will give us an update on recent police activity in Lyon Village and Clarendon. This will include news on thefts of catalytic converters from underneath cars.

The second topic of our meeting is a development update on Clarendon construction and new businesses. As can be seen in the article below *Major New Construction Projects in Clarendon*, we will be experiencing another wave of construction with numerous buildings under construction during the next year or so. This discussion promises to be an interesting one. Remember, the General Meeting is a great way to keep up on neighborhood news and to meet your Lyon Village neighbors.

# Spaghetti Dinner

## Save the Date - Saturday Oct 25th

The Lyon Village Annual Spaghetti Dinner has been scheduled for Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup>. As always, there will be 2 seatings: 5pm and 7pm. Enjoy a wonderful dinner with your friends and neighbors at your newly renovated community house! The spaghetti dinner is a fund-raiser in which the proceeds go to the maintenance of this wonderful community facility. There will be a silent auction as well so come prepared to bid on some terrific items. Consider volunteering for this event. It's great fun and a marvelous way to get to know your fellow Lyon Villagers. For general information on the spaghetti dinner or if you would to know how you can help, please contact either Melanie Cummings at <u>melcummings@verizon.net</u> and (571) 228-1785 or Rose Holliday <u>Rose\_Holliday@hotmail.com</u> and (703) 522-8336. Closer to the event, look for upcoming announcements on advance ticket sales as seating is limited!

## Major New Construction Projects in Clarendon

As will be discussed at this month's General Meeting, there are numerous projects for highrise towers under construction or shortly to begin in Clarendon. These new projects include two office buildings and a residential rental building currently under construction, and two additional residential buildings that are about to begin construction. Additionally, plans will soon be filed for a project on the block bounded by Highland, Washington Blvd and Garfield St (currently occupied by BB&T Bank and several other businesses).

The buildings under construction are on the Hard Times and Clarendon Center/Clarendon Grill blocks opposite the main Metro entrance. Both are BF Saul projects. BF Saul plans to build a 6-story office on the north block (the Hard Times block); the building housing Hard Times will remain and the architecture of the office building will closely match the Hard Times building. BF Saul plans to build a 9-story office building and 11-story residential building on the south block, where excavation has already begun. The Leadership Building at the corner of 11<sup>th</sup> and Highland will be preserved (Clarendon Grill is on the ground floor). The office building will be at the corner of Clarendon Blvd. and Highland, and the residential building at the corner of Garfield and Clarendon Blvd. Drawings can be view on their website at <u>www.saulcenters.com</u>.

ZOM, a Miami based developer, plans to build a 10-story residential building at the corner of N Irving St. and Washington Blvd. on our side of Clarendon. (ZOM bought the site the other year from another developer, Faison). The building will be called the Waverly. It will step down in height along Irving Street in accordance with the Clarendon Sector Plan, and be 4 stories at Irving and 13<sup>th</sup> Streets. ZOM's website indicates that the building will be completed in 2009; however, they have not begun excavation. As part of their approved site plan, ZOM committed to contributing funds to the County that will allow a continuation of the narrowing of 13<sup>th</sup> Street along our Clarendon edge west of Hudson Street. Drawings of the building can be found by visiting <u>www.zomusa.com</u>.

Another residential building is about to get underway at the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> Street and Washington Blvd, on the Lyon Park side of Clarendon. The buildings on the site, which will be torn down, recently housed a CVS store and the Sala Thai restaurant.

## Clarendon Day is Saturday Sept 7th

From noon to 7pm Arlington's biggest party *Clarendon Day*, a festival of food, art, music and fun, celebrates the unique offerings of Arlington's original downtown. There will be some exciting new additions to this year's festival, so don't miss it! Do keep in mind there will be traffic disruptions during the festivities.

## A Great Loss

While a new and energetic Spaghetti Dinner crew has evolved over the past few years, many of the long-time residents will always recall Dick Pons' famous sauce. Simmered for hours in great vats, rich in flavor and ingredients, and as far as we knew, a Pons recipe, this sauce drew thousands of Villagers over the years to the annual Spaghetti Dinner fund raiser. There were many "sous chefs" and "bottle washers," but Dick was the "go-to-Chef." Dick had many talents and gave of himself willingly to public service. His death in a car accident in July is a sad ending to a generous life. The Lyon Village community will remember him fondly.

#### Kids Stuff Sale

The Arlington Kids Stuff Sale is scheduled for Saturday September 27 from 8am to noon. The sale features used, seasonally appropriate kids clothes, toys and gear, plus maternity clothes, books, videos, kids furniture and more. From birth on up, we have the warm clothes kids will need this winter...and the books and toys to keep everyone busy! The consignment sale is held at St Andrew's Episcopal Church at 4000 Lorcom Lane, at the corner of Military Rd and Lorcom Ln. Plenty of parking and free admission. For more information, to qo kidsstuffsale.com.

Health Discussion Group Are you interested in a facilitated, informal discussion on health-care topics of importance to those in our neighborhood? Topics might include holistic health, stress relief, weight loss, exercise, meditation, alternative medicine, massage, and cutting health-care costs. As a clinical social worker (at Inova Hospitals) and a Lyon Village neighbor, John Craig has worked with patients dealing with a variety of issues, including cardiac disease, cancer, bereavement, HIV prevention, addictions, smoking-. cessation, terminal illness, psychiatric disorders, relationship stress. He has a strong interest in preventive health-care through natural foods. Supportive neighbors and networks can have great positive impact on our If interested, please health. John contact Craig, john.craig@aya.yale.edu, 703.528.1206.

#### Literature Group

A literature discussion group, focused on downloadable short selections (quick and easy to read!) will meet several times in Lyon Village this fall. Coming sessions may include selections from: The Sun Also Rises (Hemingway), Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man (James Joyce), Antigone (Sophocles), Leda and the Swan (WB Yeats), Sunday Morning (Wallace Stevens), Pages from Cold Point (story, Paul Bowles), song lyrics from Bob Dylan, Pink Floyd. Occasionally we read/enact scenes of plays (Shakespeare to Sartre). What would you like to read? We often meet Sunday afternoons, sometimes with a potluck/optional hike (Potomac Overlook Park). Parts of special sessions may be on Internet radio - - tune in! Please John contact Craig (john.craig@aya.yale.edu, 703.528.1206) or Peter Costolanski (pcostolanski@hotmail.com,

#### 703.623.2709).

Arlington 4-H Canines Club Dog training classes for youth ages 9 and up. Trainers from *WOOFS! Dog Training Center* will be donating their time. The Arlington County 4-H Canines Club meets Tuesday evenings starting in early September. Info: <u>Arlington4canines@gmail.com</u>, <u>Arlington4HARFClub@gmail.com</u>, 703.237.6136.

# In The Neighborhood

## Fourth of July Parade Thanks!

Our LVCA Volunteer Coordinator, Janice Gallant reminds us to thank all the volunteers who helped to make our July 4th parade and picnic such a success this year! And we want to give our special thanks to Janice for making the whole event come together. For the Parade: John Carten, Bill Gearhart, Bill Brydges, Joan Rohlfing, Lyn and Larry Pilot, Linda Maldonado, Colonel Brant, Tom Harrison; Publicity: Madison Gallant; Set-up: Kathleen Pous-Haines, Douglas Harpel, Don Gay, Lori Wright, Caroline Holt; Decorations: Caroline Hall, Sheri Grant, Fielding Winters; Food Purchasing: Don Gay; Grill Team: Alan Probasco, Dave Acerra, Mike Cummings, Rick Holliday; Games: Caroline Hall and Sheri Grant; Bakers for Cake Walk: Caroline Holt, Adrienne Wichard, Michelle Brydges, Tara Owens Antonipillai, Jodie Kelley, Nancy Grady, Maureen Treacy, Shoshannah Freilich, Andrea Briere, Scott and Caroline Hall, Sheri Grant, Rebecca Morrison, Terry Muckleroy, Tania Bowen, Michelle Villado, Lisa Beaman, Lisa Glassman, Dana Small, Erika Braddock; Tickets: Warren Nelson, Myra Probasco, Heidi Morrison; Food Service: Brad and Anne James, Jay Atkinson, Ruth and Margaret Milkman, Naina Mistry, Josh Fitzhugh, Barbara Angus, Allison Miller, Marolyn Hatch, Kara Probasco; Clean-up: Pete Marsh, Alan Probasco, Rick Holliday, Jane Miller, Paul Gallant, Bill and Sandi Stoppel; and to everyone who attended and helped to make this another terrific Lyon Village event!

#### While We're at It, Thanks to Andy

The neighborhood would like to offer its gratitude to Andy Barr for his invaluable help with the grounds at the Lyon Village Community House. His efforts help to make the neighborhood more beautiful for all of us!

#### New CVS in Clarendon

A new CVS pharmacy has opened at 3141 Wilson Blvd in Clarendon in the block previously occupied by the famous Queen Bee restaurant. Several older storefronts were removed to construct the new CVS; happily no historic buildings were lost. The new store frontage looks fine and incorporates a historic building at the corner. The store is quite large and is better looking than your average CVS. It offers a large selection of food items and is conveniently near Clarendon metro. The CVS at Washington Blvd and 10<sup>th</sup> St will soon be torn down.

#### Walgreens is Coming Too

A new Walgreens is coming to the site of the former NTW site at the corner of Edgewood and Wilson Blvd. The former NTW building, having been deemed historic by the County will not be altered in any significant manner. An invitation to discuss the issues concerning the new store has been offered by neighbors; however Walgreens has made no contact at this point. The Walgreens will offer convenience – right across from Whole Foods. On the other hand, the County has few restrictions on hours, among other issues. Many drugstores sell wine and beer and are open and well lighted 24/7, and this store has a parking lot that backs up to Lyon Village. The neighborhood needs to continue its efforts to meet with Walgreens to begin to address issues up front, before potential problems develop. If you are interested in participating in this effort, drop an email to maw123@gmail.com to be put in contact with others having the same interest.

# Village Market

**Full-Size Gafiano Cello** \$1300 or best offer, in excellent condition (purchased at FOX Music Company for \$2,100). Please call 703.243.3631.

**Mountain Getaway** 60 mi from Arlington. LV owner offers her furnished 3 BR/3BA mountain home for rent on a monthly basis with free \$100 gas card for LV residents renting for 2 months or more. Relaxing in the summer, gorgeous in the fall. \$1800/month. Lee 202-903-8550 or <u>alnesq@yahoo.com</u>.

**Need a House-Sitter or Tenant?** Professional, non-smoking Lyon Village couple (no kids or pets) seeks temporary low-cost housing (house or apt) nearby while our home is undergoing a major 'green' renovation Oct-June. Please contact Naina or Josh at 703-812-3339 or <u>nainam@erols.com</u>.

**Excellent House Cleaning Person** with references seeks more work in Lyon Village. Call Angela Manning at 703-527-7729.

**Items For Sale:** Roof rack for two bicycles. Fits vehicle with roof side rails. \$95. Footlockers; several standard and one flat (fits under bed/couch). \$25 ea. Stereo CD/tape player 110/220v; 50/60Hz. \$50. Contact Ed (703) 314-7957.

**Scan Sofa Chair** (extra wide upholstered chair) with a Sealy single pull-out bed, red-bluegreen plaid. Like new (it's been in storage for several years), \$100. Call 703-312-1155.

**House Cleaner**: Our house cleaner is looking for more houses to clean in our area. She will also clean apartments, stores and offices, Monday through Saturday, weekly, bi-weekly and monthly. Call Nora Saavedra at 571-276-0281 (English) or 703-250-0313 (Spanish). For details, call Sally at 703-527-1337.

**Trek Bike Attachment for Kids** - seat and one wheel attaches to any bike, almost new - \$125. Call 703-465-8027.

**Landscape Design/Installation** - Clarendon LandDesign specializes in the design and installation of smaller, urban yards for families and plant lovers alike. Call Erika at 703-282-5172.

**Honey Oak Baby Crib**, Italian-made with mattress - perfect condition. Crib converts to daybed/toddler bed. \$175 for crib and mattress. Call 703-465-8027.

**Compact Computer/Study Desk**. Oak. 1 Drawer, 2 shelves, keyboard tray. About 38 inches. Excellent condition. \$20. 703-522-9074.