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Calendar

April 2: Easter Egg Hunt

April 11: LVCA Meeting, 8pm

Easter Egg Hunt, April 2 – Save the Date

The Lyon Village Women's Club is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 2nd for all neighborhood children ages two through eight. This family event will begin at 10:00am at the Lyon Village Park. In addition to the egg hunt, there will be games and refreshments and, perhaps, a surprise guest! While there is no charge to participate in the Easter Egg Hunt, you will need to RSVP prior to the event through the following link: <http://evite.me/jNdzcG1CXu>

If you are interested in volunteering for this event or joining the Lyon Village Women's Club, please send your name and contact information to LWVC22201@gmail.com.

Tis the Season: Part 1

Time to clean up the yard. Leaf bags are available from March 14-April 29 while supplies last. Nearest pick-up location: Courthouse Plaza. Plus Langston-Brown Community Center, TJ Recreation Center, or the Solid Waste Bureau. You can also put all the organic waste in the green carts. Remove stones, dirt, sod, and other debris.

Place small branches and limbs less than 4 feet in the cart, bags, or next to the cart. Bundles should be tied with natural fibers, less than 4 feet long, and under 50 pounds. For limbs over 4 feet, schedule a pick-up at solidwaste.arlingtonva.us or call 703-228-5000. Pick-up occurs on your normal trash collection day. Note: Yard trimmings in plastic bags won't be collected. Details:

<https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Programs/Recycling-and-Trash>

Tis the Season: Part 2

Arlington County will clean out its tap water networks starting Monday, March 21, repeating a safe, annual process.

Service will continue through May 16. During that time, drinking water from the tap may taste slightly different but the water is essentially unchanged thanks to the purification process. During the spring cleaning, local water authorities continually monitor drinking water for safe chlorine levels as well as conduct system-wide flushing to enhance water quality. Residents may see open fire hydrants as part of the routine.

April Membership Meeting: Monday, April 11, 8:00pm via Zoom-- Upcoming Major Projects

We are pleased to have Jim Lantelme as our guest speaker at the April meeting. Jim is a long-time resident of Lyon Village, former president of the Lyon Village Citizens Association, current member of the Arlington Planning Commission, and Chair of the Long Range Planning Committee. Jim will be discussing two of the upcoming major development projects that are close to Lyon Village.

- **Court House West Project** where the county is considering what height and density to put on the block bounded by Wilson Blvd., Danville Street, Clarendon Blvd. and Cleveland Street. This includes height options of up to 180 feet, which would be an 18-story residential building. The current Court House Plan envisions commercial buildings of one to four stories.
- **The Langston Blvd. Plan** where a revised plan for the corridor will likely be released sometime this spring. An initial version of the plan was released last spring and drew a lot of LV opposition for providing incentives to demolish the houses in the first two blocks between Langston Blvd. and N. 18th Street. This include homes in Lyon Village that are on the national register of historic places. Our focus is on the part of the plan that affects Lyon Village. Jim will be discussing how neighbors can participate in the county planning process for these two projects.

Just like other recent meetings, this will be virtual. You can use the following Zoom link to join the meeting: Meeting ID: 821 0042 5541 Passcode: 929473 Please plan to join the meeting by 7:55pm so we can start on time.

Flooding or Related Problems? Please Let Us Know.

The Lyon Village Citizens Association (LVCA) is participating with eight other civic associations to promote solutions for storm water management in our area. The Spout Run Watershed is one of five critical watersheds identified by the county for stormwater capacity improvements. The Spout Run Watershed includes Dominion Hills, Waverly Hills, Cherrydale, Maywood, Woodmont, North Highlands, Ballston, VA Square, Lyon Village, and Ashton Heights. This work will be coordinated with the next stages of the Plan Langston Boulevard process, which hasn't provided recommendations for stormwater management to date.

Problems with storm water management stem in large part to the undergrounding of streams into culverts in Arlington many years ago when the county had much more green/open space and fewer people. That infrastructure was designed at that time to meet the needs of the "10-year" storm. Issues of storm water management were brought to the forefront recently when Arlington experienced severe flooding after a July 2019 storm.

One area of concern for Lyon Village is the intersection of Langston Boulevard, Spout Run and N. Kirkwood Road, which is regularly flooded during rainstorms.

We'd like to hear from you if you have experiences, such as flooding in your street or sidewalk, water running overland through your property during/after heavy rain, or significant (greater than 6 inches) of water running into/through your basement. Please send an email to:

andrew.rude@gmail.com.

Additional information:

- <https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Programs/Sustainability-and-Environment/Stormwater>
- <https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Programs/Sustainability-and-Environment/Stormwater/Stormwater-Capacity-Improvements/Spout-Run-Stormwater-Improvements>

Village Market

Wanted. LV teenager to mow our lawn and do some weeding this summer. Contact adam@ksaplus.com.

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.

Wanted: Newsletter Delivery Person

The LVCA is looking for a person to take over a delivery route for the newsletter. Route 19 is bounded by Harvard St., Hartford St., Key Blvd, and 18th St. The newsletter is delivered once a month, with a break in the summer. The newsletters arrive in a small bundle on your doorstep the weekend of delivery, and you walk them around. It's a great way to see neighbors and get a tiny bit of exercise. If you're interested, please contact Bob Braddock - bobbraddock@gmail.com

Camp Heat 2022, June 20-24

Each summer the Arlington County Fire Department sponsors a free youth camp for Arlington teens that focuses on generating interest in a career in the fire and rescue service. The camp is open to young women and men, ages 15 – 18. The dates of the camp are June 20 – 24 and the application process will open in April and stay open until early-mid May. The camp is free. For further information: ACFDCampHeat@Arlingtonva.us.

Teen Police Academy

The first annual Teen Police Academy is for rising Arlington 10th – 12th grade students who want to explore a career in law enforcement. The free, week-long academy will begin on July 18. Application details: <https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Departments/Police-Department/ACSTEP>

Summer Safety Patrol Camp

Safety Patrol Camp is for rising Arlington 4th or 5th grade students who would like to be Safety Patrols for the upcoming school year. Four week-long sessions are being held from June - August. Application details: <https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Departments/Police-Department/ACSTEP>

What To Do About Noise Complaints

In response to questions about Arlington's noise rules, county police shared the following information with us.

Citizens can call the police non-emergency number (703-558-2222) at any time for noise concerns, residential or commercial. Once you call, an officer will be sent to investigate and work with the person(s) responsible to lower the volume. A Noise Violation Report will then be sent to Code Enforcement so they can issue a civil violation if they deem it necessary.

NOTE: Commercial areas (such as Clarendon) have somewhat different rules: "No sound or audio or video entertainment, including but not limited to television or radio playing of music and/or sports events, may be piped into, or played so as to be visible or audible from the outdoor café areas before 9am or after 11pm on Fridays and Saturdays and before 9am or after 10pm on Sundays through Thursdays."

This following website provides additional information about the Noise Ordinance and also gives more numbers to call: <https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Programs/Building/Codes-Ordinances/Noise-Control-Ordinance>

LV Neighbor Makes It Easy to Donate Bikes, Other Items Before ECARE Event

Want to get rid of scrap metal, obsolescent electronics, and household hazardous materials? You can attend the county's ECARE event on Saturday, April 23, from 8:30am to 3pm, at Yorktown High School.

OR you can make it easier on yourself by leaving your items with Lyon Village's Keith Oberg before Friday, April 2, in exchange for a \$10 or more cash or check donation to Bikes for the World, a nonprofit he started. Keith will accept as many bikes and bike-related items as you want and a "reasonable" number of other items: one large piece of electronics (such as a TV), a box of small electronic items, or a box of HHM or scrap metal. A receipt good for tax purposes is available for all bicycle-related donations, which will be dedicated to providing access to work, school, and health care locally and around the globe. To make arrangements, or for further info, write keithoberg@gmail.com or call 571-212-4139.

Wanted: LVCA Board Members

In May we plan to elect officers for the Lyon Village Executive Committee, the governing board of the Lyon Village Citizens Association. There are a variety of roles that folks can serve in. It is a great way to meet your neighbors and get involved in our wonderful neighborhood. If you would like to consider being an officer, please contact John Carten at GJCarten@verizon.net.

Wanted: Community House Board Members

Are you looking for a greater role in your community? The Lyon Village Community House Board needs additional board members to help us expand the ways the facility can serve our neighbors. Creative thinkers, bookkeepers, and handypersons are all welcome and needed! Call 703-399-2130 if interested or email lvchsecretary@gmail.com.

Wanted: Web Master for the Lyon Village Web site

The Lyon Village Citizens' Association is seeking a volunteer to manage our website. The website has recently been greatly streamlined and is hosted on a simple content management system. No coding expertise required. Just a willingness to help us share timely LV-relevant news items with your neighbors. Should take about an hour, or less, a month. If interested, please contact John Carten (GJCarten@verizon.net) or Adam Kernan-Schloss (adam@ksaplus.com).

Please submit items for the MAY *Bulletin* by April 25 to adam@ksaplus.com.