

# The Lyon Village Bulletin

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Lyon Village Citizens' Association (LVCA) Arlington, VA

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#### Calendar

Nov. 4, LV Spaghetti Dinner Nov. 13, LVCA General Meeting

#### If it's not too late: Spaghetti Dinner, Saturday, Nov. 4

Join us for a night of fun and camaraderie at the Lyon Village Community House. First seating is 5– 6:30pm; the second is 7-8:30pm. Adults \$10, children \$5. The menu includes spaghetti with marinara or meat sauce, salad, and garlic bread. Also available for purchase will be wine, soda, and baked goods.

#### Lyon Village Yard Sale Recap

We had a very successful Lyon Village Yard Sale on Saturday, October 21. Over 30 families participated all across the neighborhood. Not only were people able to get rid of surplus items, it was a great opportunity to get out and talk with neighbors that one doesn't normally get to see. Many thanks to Tony Abreu for organizing the event. We are pleased to report that Tony has also volunteered to serve as the Lyon Village Volunteer Coordinator for other events!

### 3 Events at Clarendon UMC

Faith Food and Fellowship. Nov. 9, 12:00pm -1:45pm. Brad Krueger, Teddy Roosevelt Island Specialist, will tell the history of the island from the Native Americans to colonial farm, to its Civil War Role, and to the present. A special Thanksgiving meal will be provided for \$5. Please RSVP to the church office (703-527-8574) if you are coming for the meal, which is from 12:30 - 1:00. The program begins at 1:00. For more information, contact Jane Dixon (jdixon580@aol.com)

Annual Messiah Sing-a-Long. Nov. 26, 7:00pm. This is a 40-year-old tradition began by the late J. Reilly Lewis, the choirmaster of the church. A full orchestra will accompany a trained soloist and those who come to sing. Scores are available to use. A donation (\$20) is suggested to defray costs. For more information, contact the church office at (703) 527-8574.

Social Justice Book Club. Nov. 28, 7:30pm. Focus on Debby Irving's book, Waking Up White: and Finding Myself in the Story of Race. For more information, contact Laura Bishop at ljbishop I@gmail.com.

#### 2017 – 2018 Dues Payments

Dues for the September 2017-August 2018 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.

## General Meeting, November 13, 8pm **Community House**

Our next General Meeting will feature the following topics:

- The meeting will begin with an update on recent **Police** Activity around Lyon Village and Clarendon, led by Captain Wayne Vincent, head of the District 2 Police Team. Joining him will be Corporal Jim Masterus from the Clarendon Police Detail. Please bring any questions that you have about security, traffic or pedestrian issues in and around Clarendon.
- The new station commander at Station 4 in Clarendon, Captain Conde, will discuss Fire Safety in the home and what homeowners can do to prevent home fires. He will also discuss the causes of two recent fires in Lyon Village and one in Lyon Park.
- Long-time resident Martha Moore will brief us on proposed changes to Arlington's Regulations on Accessory **Dwellings**. The proposal is designed to relax regulations on homeowners' ability to legally rent to long-term tenants on a portion of their property. Among other things, this can help older Arlington residents to remain in their homes as they age. This proposal will be considered by the Arlington County Board at its November meeting.
- The Lyon Village Community House Board will hold its annual election of officers.

# Middle School Boundary Process **Continues—Comment by Nov. 3**

A new middle school is slated to open on the current H-B Woodlawn site, 4100 Vacation Lane in 2019. (The current 4th, 5th, and 6th graders will be 6th, 7th, and 8th graders in Fall 2019.)

Last week, Arlington Public Schools held its "What We Heard" meetings on the middle school boundary proposals. They presented two options (A & B) for community discussion. The maps are shown here: https://www.apsva.us/engage/ middle-school-boundary-change/ maps/

In both options, the entire Lyon Village community would be zoned for the new middle school. In Option B, the middle school Spanish immersion program would move from Gunston to Kenmore. But these are not the finalized maps. There will be another opportunity for the community to comment once the Superintendent makes his proposal to the School Board on November 14. For now, APS is accepting comments on this proposal until midnight on Nov. 3. There is a survey (https://www.apsva.us/engage/ middle-school-boundarychange/) or you can send an email to engage@apsva.us.

# **Community House Survey: Vote by** Nov. 5

The Lyon Village Community House Association (LVCHA) is seeking thoughts from residents on the types of events you would be interested in volunteering for and/or attending. The annual Spaghetti Dinner and Fourth of July celebration are well supported by the community, and the LVCHA would like to know if it should add other events to the calendar. Please provide your thoughts to have your say and continue to build the community spirit of our neighborhood! The survey will close on November 5th. You can take the survey online

at: https://goo.gl/forms/QXFC8gaS02qDEGkl2.

## Village Market

**Leaf-rakers.** 2 experienced neighborhood leaf-rakers in 8th and 4th grade. We have had a lot of practice in raking leaves, and enjoy it! Weekends only, please. Email <u>leafittously@gmail.com</u>.

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<sup>rd</sup> week of the month.

## Tis the Season...

Leaf collection is about to begin.

The first pass for Lyon Village will be week of Nov. 17-22. The second and last pass comes before Dec. 22. Schedule here:

https://recycling.arlingtonva.us/residential/yardwaste/leaf-collection/leaf-collection-schedule/

Bags are collected year-round; biodegradable only, no plastic.

Green organics bins also are collected year-round.

Looking ahead, Christmas trees will be picked up from Jan. 2-12.

# LVCA on Facebook

Tony Abreu has created a Facebook page for LVCA and will be updating it periodically. <u>You can find the</u> <u>page here</u>, or search Facebook for "Lyon Village Citizens Association."

We also encourage you to sign up for <u>NextDoor</u>, which is a website and mobile app for neighborhoods. There are nearly 700 neighbors already using it, as well as the ACPD and county.

## Friendly Reminders: Please Don't Park Your Car Across the Sidewalk

Please make sure to remind anyone visiting or servicing your home not to park on the sidewalk. Parking a vehicle so that it blocks the sidewalk isn't just illegal – it makes sidewalks less safe and accessible, especially for those using wheelchairs and strollers and those who are visually impaired.

To report a sidewalk being blocked by a vehicle or any other parking violation, call Arlington County Police Department, non-emergency number: 703-558-2222.

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## Improve Lyon Village: Report an Issue, Watch It Get Fixed

Litter? Car parked on sidewalk or blocking your driveway? Drivers running stop signs? Too much noise from a Clarendon bar? Street sign down? County authorities are more likely to respond to nonemergency issues when they are aware of them. Information on how to report a non-emergency problem to the county and to make a service request can be found at the following link on the County's website:

https://topics.arlingtonva.us/reportproblem/

This service is for non-emergency requests and is monitored during weekdays. For fire or police emergencies, call 911.

For suspicious activity, please call the non-emergency number immediately at 703-558-2222 so the police can respond right away to check out the incident.

Other reporting methods include:

--Traffic signal outages, noise, recurrent traffic violation issues, etc. call the non-emergency number: 703-558-2222

--Water or sewer emergencies: 703-228-6555 --Report financial fraud, waste and abuse online or call: 866-565-9206

# 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.