The Lyon Village

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Lyon Village Citizens Association (LVCA) Arlington, VA

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Winter Calendar

Jan 9: LV General Meeting, 8pm

Recycling Update

Don't forget to recycle your Christmas tree! Trees will be collected on your regular trash day from January 3-16. Remove the tree stand and all decorations, and please do not put the tree in a plastic bag.

Also, although the curbside vacuum leaf collection is done for the year, the county will be collecting leaf bags through Jan. 13.

Did You Know?

- Established in 1847 as Alexandria County, the name was changed to Arlington in 1920.
- Estimated population: 210,280
- In 2000, 13th most densely-populated jurisdiction in the U.S. (7,287 persons per square mile); in 2011, the population density was 8,150 per square mile.
- Highest % of people with bachelor's or graduate/professional degrees in the DC area
- 21,082 PK-grade 12 students from 126 countries, speaking 96 languages
- About 89% of all high school graduates attend college
- About 27% of residents speak a language other than English at home
- Land area: 25.8 square miles
- Highest point: 461 feet above sea level
- Rosslyn Metro station has the third longest continuous escalator in the world (194 feet, 8 inches).
- About 150 public parks
- 86 miles of biking/jogging trails
- 13 community centers
- 7 live stage theaters
- 8 libraries
- 630 restaurants

Thank You, Edward Powell

Edward Powell recently completed his Eagle Scout project at the Lyon Village Community House. The project consisted of building and installing a bench, creating and planting a new garden, and making other landscaping improvements in the front yard. In addition, the old and well-weathered signs, hand-made long ago, were restored. The signs needed repairs, sanding, new gold paint and sealing. Edward led groups of volunteers to complete this project. He is a member of Boy Scout Troop 149 and a senior at Washington-Lee High School.



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LV Community House

There will be two items on the agenda. A representative from Dominion Power will speak about energy conservation initiatives and its Dominion Green Power program. The Dominion Green Program helps reduce the need for traditional energy sources over time and creates environmental benefits.

Then, we will briefly discuss making the three brick LV neighborhood signs on Highland, Kirkwood and 13th streets more legible. The county, which owns the signs, is prepared to trace the letters with durable paint. After a brief discussion, we will vote on whether to proceed. LV residents who are current on their dues are eligible to vote. See the "before" and proposed "after" photos below.



Thanks to all the LV Holiday Party Volunteers

Thank you to all who helped with and joined us for the annual Lyon Village Holiday Party. Neighbors of all ages enjoyed sharing merriment, delicious food and beverages from very generous local businesses, arts & crafts, cookie decorating and a visit from Santa! Please take a moment to visit and thank the incredibly generous businesses that made this year's holiday party a delicious success!

Our biggest benefactors (contributing more than half of the food and beverages were The Liberty Tavern Group (the beer & wine, pizzas, and desserts) and newcomers Pete's New Haven (those incredible salads, pizzas, pastas and lasagnas). Our meal wouldn't have been complete without the tasty Mac & Cheese from Restaurant 3, Hard Times and Rocklands, the pizzas from Fireworks and the sweet treats from Cosi and Corner Bakery. We asked other local businesses who declined; these guys have gone out of their way each year to give back to our neighborhood!

We could not have done it without the food donation solicitations of Loria Porcaro, Barbara Smith, Caroline Holt, Andrea Briere and Stephen Fedorchak; the shopping by Caroline Holt, Lisa Rados and the MacPhail family the cookie baking of the McHale family; the setup prowess of Andrew Cooke, Kami Ragsdale, Susan Omberg, Jamie & Rich Walker, Peter Glassman, Eileen Smith, Caroline Holt, Rachel Bedell and Steve Kvaelog; the food deliveries by the Fedorchak family, Joel Mehra and family from Pete's New Haven, John Armstrong, Craig Cummings, Andrea Briere and Barbara Smith; the dues accounting work of Caroline Holt, Andrea Briere & the Weismueller girls; our beloved Santa (who bears a striking resemblance to Werner Young); the craft and cookie supervision of Michelle Villado and Fielding Winters; and the spic-n-span cleanup team comprsied of Selene Ko, Tania Bollman, Kim Beg, Lori Wright, Adrienne Wichard-Edds, Tara Antonipillai, Andrea Briere, Steven & Fiorela Kvalevog, Barbara Smith, Caroline Holt and Loria & Michael Porcaro.

We also thank everyone who brought donations for AFAC: 30 pounds of donations this year!

Happy New Year to all!

Reminder: LVCA Dues for 2011-12...

Please make your annual LVCA dues payment if you haven't done so yet. Dues are \$7 Individual, \$10 Household. This supports the *Bulletin* (printing costs have recently increased), the directory, website, listserv and LVCA-sponsored events throughout the year and keeps you an active member of the LVCA. You can pay your dues online at www.lyonvillage.org, or mail or deliver your payments to: **Carl Mattick**, 1428 N. Fillmore St. Dues envelopes were distributed in September for your convenience. Call 703-525-0819 or email cmattick@verizon.net to confirm if you are current.

Update on James Hunter Park

The county recently told us that construction bids for the park (corner of 13th and North Herndon Streets) came in higher than expected late in the fall. As a result, staff will re-bid the project in early 2012. After it is rebid, we will have better idea of when construction could begin, likely in late winter/early spring 2012. During construction, the county will install signs at the park asking dog owners to use one of the county's other canine areas.

Village Market

Lost. Eternity wedding band on 12/27 on Highland Street or near Trader Joes or Clarendon metro. If found, please contact Dena at dmgc28@yahoo.com or 703-647-0686. Thank you!

Skates for sale. Girls' white Riedel ice skates, size 1, purchased new last March for \$100. Worn only six times before daughter outgrew them. \$50 OBO. Contact scharlton@cov.com.

Wonderful nanny available. Full-time childcare and household help. Currently with a LV family but seeking new family starting in January/February. Has car and driver's license and has worked with other LV families, excellent references. Please call current employer, Emily O'Gorman, 202-412-5866.

Seeking house in Lyon Village. We are a family of four and have been renting in Lyon Village for over five years. We are beginning to look for a home to buy and would love to stay in the neighborhood. Our timing is flexible and we are not looking for a tear-down. Please contact Jeremy if you hear about any houses coming on the market. Call 703-664-0495 or email iteres@gmail.com.

Pet care: Going out of town or need help during the day? Call Ben, 703-732-0990. Can feed and walk your pets during all hours of the day. LV references available.

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.

Clarendon: 1949

