



Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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Next Meeting:

Wednesday, February 4, 2015
12:00 PM
Red Lobster Restaurant, Fairfax

December 3, 2014 Minutes

President Larson called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM. Fifteen individuals representing 16 organizations were in attendance. President Larson gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thought for the Day

"Anything unattempted remains impossible, an opportunity lost." Anonymous

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary Kelleher read the minutes of the November Meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Vice President Hoffman reported that the revised roster was transmitted electronically this morning.

Treasurer Lauther reported a balance of \$1,151.14 as of 31 October. She met with the restaurant and the only price change was an increase to the price of the Tilapia dinner.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership update – all clubs have paid their dues. However Ferns have not yet named a new representative to the Council. The web site committee will meet on 12 December to begin scoping the requirements.

NEW BUSINESS

President Larson has not been able to meet with the City Public Works Department about

the signboards because they are busy with road repairs.

LAST MINUTE THOUGHT & ADJOURNMENT

"Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves."

Sir James M. Barrie

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.

City of Fairfax



City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department

Craft Show Applications – The applications for the upcoming craft shows are going out in the next few weeks.

Parade Applications- The Independence Day Celebration Parade Applications will be going out this week.

Chocolate Lovers Festival – Saturday, February 7 & Sunday, February 8 – see more information under the Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee

Volunteers Needed for Special Events

The City of Fairfax is looking for volunteers that would be interested in working a variety of special events in the city to include the 4th of July Parade, Fall Festival, Holiday Craft Show and Festival of Lights and Carols. A small time commitment (2 or more hours) is requested to help with administration duties prior to an event and working the actual event (activity leader, balloon handler, etc.)

There are many fun jobs to be had. Please contact Mitzi Taylor at 703-385-1710 or mitzi.taylor@fairfaxva.gov for more information.

<http://fairfax2015.com/volunteer>

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Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee

Everyone can enjoy this annual two-day festival held on February 7 & 8. Among the events planned are the Taste of Chocolate held at Old Town Hall and sponsored by the Independence Day Celebration Committee (IDCC); the Chocolate Challenge sponsored by GMUs' Department of Nutrition and Food Studies and held at their classroom at the corner of North Street and University Drive; at Fire Station #3 will be the the ever-popular Pancake Breakfast, Bake Sale, and Face Painting, sponsored by the Fairfax Kiwanis; and held in the Historic Fairfax Courthouse and sponsored by the Fairfax BAR the Chocolate Caper and So You Think You're Smarter than a Lawyer. Other highlights of the festival include children's activities; open houses at historic buildings; and much more.

Please visit www.chocolatefestival.net for locations, times, and any fees that might be associated with some events.

The IDCC, again, is selling advance valentines for the Chocolate Lovers Festival and the 2015 valentine is of the Fire Station #3. The valentines cost \$5 each and include a matted, signed picture by local artist Jackie Liedl and a card good for five (5) free pogs at the Taste of Chocolate. Valentines can be purchased from the City of Fairfax Parks & Recreation (Room 123) and Community Relations (Room 316), the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street, or any member of the IDCC.

At this time, vendors are being wait-listed for the Taste of Chocolate. Applications are still be accepted to enter the Chocolate Challenge (both amateur and professional); visit www.chocolatefestival.net for the

application and rules and regulations for the Taste and the Challenge as well as a tentative list of all activities.

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Beverly Myers: bmyers@wcsr.com

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

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Civitan Club of Fairfax

After a flurry of activity in December (see December report and below) Fairfax Civitans took a deep breath at the start of January and started off 2015 at a more measured pace. Amanda Hemmilla from the March of Dimes will be the speaker at our 8 January dinner/program meeting.

There certainly were a number of highlights from December. Here are just two—and, as often the case, Civitans worked to support other worthy organizations:

On 15 December, a large party for NOVACO and other Shelter House supported families escaping from domestic abuse was held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fairfax. Other churches also supported the party, as did Mars Corporation. Civitans support focused on providing a very warmly received Santa and Mrs. Santa.

On 17 December, Civitan representatives delivered a check for \$27,143 from Fairfax Civitans and from the Chesapeake District Foundation to Janet Samuelson, CEO of ServiceSource. The money will provide the equipment for an Assistive Technology Demonstration and

Lending Suite at the new ServiceSource National Capital Area Disability Resource Center in Oakton.

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Downtown Fairfax Coalition

Looking forward to a prosperous new year!

Jim Wyckoff, Jr.: jcwyckoffjr@aol.com



FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

The January 12th Night party will be held on January 17th at the home of Margaret Pfeifle. Members bring a guest and a discussion as to the events for the last year are discussed and submitted to the Garden Clubs of America for evaluation.

On January 5th, the members undecorated The Old Town Hall.

We welcome 2 new members this month. Come and join us to hear about our programs and how you can join.

Hildie Carney

President: Mary Ann Barton
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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

As the cold weather reduces our riding time and opportunities we are taking a break and planning our 2015 program of rides and activities. A group of over forty Harley riders headed out for the first official ride of 2015 on our Wind Chill Ride on New Year's Day.

The Chapter enthusiastically joined with many other groups and individuals in the Salvation Army's Christmas Program. Well

over 90 Christmas Stockings were filled and delivered to the Salvation Army for distribution to over 1,000 far less fortunate families in the county. Chapter members also proudly donated fifteen bikes, many



Fairfax City Regional Library

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Friends of Fairfax Station

Station is open Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

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The January meeting of the **HFCI Board will be held on January 14 at the Blenheim Civil War Center at 7PM.**

Are you interested in being a volunteer or docent for historic sites? Call 703 385 8415 and find out more about it.

Would you like to be remembered forever as a citizen of Fairfax? Buy a brick with your name on it for \$100. The bricks are placed in front of the Fairfax Museum.

Programs at the Fairfax Museum and Blenheim:

**Kiwanis Club
of Fairfax**

MUSEUM: Programs are at 2PM every other Sunday
Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 10209
Main Street, 703 385 8414

January 11: "Experiment In Freedom: Arlington's Freedman's Village"
Prof. Jimmy Price, speaker: The largest "contraband" camp created in Northern Virginia for emancipated African Americans.

February 1: The Art of Historical Dressing: Newbold Richardson, Speaker
The demonstration of dressing figures for museum exhibitions.

Exhibit: Through February 15, 2015: "Dressing for the Occasion" Costumes through the ages.

**BLENHEIM CIVIL WAR INTERPRETIVE CENTER, 2PM
3610 Old Lee Highway**

January 24: Honoring President Robert E. Lee"

William Connery, speaker, Lee's post- Civil War role as President of Washington College in Lexington, VA

February 28: "D-Day (+1) thru the Battle of the Bulge: 70th Anniversary.
Jim Lewis, Speaker, American battles across France and Germany from June – December, 1944.

Exhibit: "War of 1812: War on the Doorstep" through January 17.

Website: historicfairfax.org Check us out for all our programs and news!!

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Getting ready for our pancake breakfast.

Mariann Gabor: mgabor@earthlink.net



**Lions Clubs
International**

Next fruit sale March 12-15, 2015.

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**Knights of Columbus
Father Diamond Council 6292**

The Council holds business meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday's of the month at 8 PM in Providence Hall.
Web site: WWW.6292.kofc.com.

Jan Activities:
4 Jan – Bowling League Starts
12 Jan – Bingo Fairfax Nursing Center
18 Jan – Family Breakfast
20 Jan – Grey Gost Luncheon
22 Jan – March for Life Washington, DC

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Pat Richter: pat.richler@richler1.com



Optimist Club of Central Fairfax

Completed the following activities for November/December: In November, We provided food baskets to two families on the 21st. Our dinner meeting on the 25th featured Youth Appreciation with the Mountain View students. In December, we had a Holiday social on the 9th, did Bell-Ringing for the Salvation Army on the 13th, provided three big bags of toys to the Fairfax Inova Hospital's Children's Cancer Ward on the 15th, and supported two families from November with gifts for Christmas.

The following activities are planned for January. We will support our Cup Pack with their Pinewood Derby on the 24th and will have a New Optimists Wanted program for our dinner meeting on the 27th.

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Helping Those with Intellectual Disabilities

Parents & Associates, NVTc

Elaine & Ed Senft: esenft@comcast.net



[1.] As of January 1, the **membership continued at 84**, 79 Active and 5 Honorary Members.

[2.] In the December Saturdays of 6, 13, and 20 it was Fairfax Rotary's "**Annual Christmas Kettle Drive**" in front of Giant Food on Jermantown Road and Safeway Foods in the Courthouse Plaza where 35 club members raised several thousand dollars **\$2,104.51** for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Program.

[3.] On Monday, December 15, the Club's "**Fairfax Rotary's Outreach Party for Children**" was held in the banquet hall of American Legion Post 177. It was a special dinner for 112, with gifts just for kids, that was the theme of the evening.

[4.] See all of the year-round activities and events of **Fairfax Rotary on Facebook** and at <http://www.fairfaxrotary.org/> .

Irby Hollans, Jr: ihollans@earthlink.net



Salvation Army

Women's Auxiliary

The Salvation Army Auxiliary assisted the Fairfax Corps with holiday preparations in December by sorting and organizing hundreds of stockings. The Fairfax Corps served 966 families for a total of 4162 individuals of which 2052 were age 12 and under. Toys and clothing were provided for each of the youngsters.

The Corps is coordinating the distribution of funds from both Virginia Dominion Power and Washington Gas for utility assistance. The food pantry can use canned food.

SAFE THE DATE The Auxiliary will hold the 35th Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon fund raiser on Friday, April 17, 2015 at the Waterford Fair Oaks with fashions by Lord and Taylor.

Connie Lauther: lauthers2relo4u@cox.net



Shepherd Center Fairfax Burke (SCFB)

SCFB is dedicated to helping older adults continue to live independently, and to providing enrichment and social networking opportunities that keep life exciting and rewarding for them. Programs include Accompanied Medical Transportation and Companion Shopping (for older people who are no longer able to drive), Friendly Callers/Visitors (for people who are mostly homebound), Caregivers Support Groups (for those who have loved ones with dementia), low-cost exercise classes (to promote strength, balance and flexibility), and Lunch N' Life, Adventures in Learning, and Wednesday at the Movies which all provide mental stimulation and socialization opportunities.

SCFB significant future activities, for more information on the below activities see our web site www.scfbva.org:

LUNCH N' LIFE

Are You 50 or Better? Please join us for the next *Lunch N' Life* sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke on Thursday, **January 15, 2015** (12:00-2:00 p.m.) at **Fairfax Presbyterian Church, 10723 Main Street, Fairfax**. The Program will feature the Tallwood Trio with singer, Nancy Riley with music from The Great American Song Book. For reservations, call Faye Quesenberry, (703) 620-0161, **by January 9th**. The cost is \$10.00; checks payable to SCFB. If Fairfax County schools are closed due to weather, reservations will be credited to May's Lunch N' Life. If transportation is needed, call the SCFB office (703) 323-4788. See www.scfbva.org for more information. *Here is the link to the flyer:*

http://www.scfbva.org/files/jan_2015_inl_nov_26.pdf

DRIVERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax Burke serves those 50+ and who no longer drive. Volunteer **Drivers** are urgently needed for trips (Monday - Friday) to medical appointments and Companion Shopping within the Fairfax/Burke area. If you can volunteer your time, please contact Barry Wickersham at 703-359-2918 or John Taylor at 703-239-2898

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SCFB is sponsoring a Luncheon Fashion Show by Draper's – Damon's on March 19th at Church of the Good Shepherd 9350 Braddock Road, Burke VA 22015. Flyer and reservation information will be provided at a later time.

Albert Leightley: Leightley8@verizon.net



Soroptimist International of Fairfax County

SIFC will choose a Violet Richardson Award winner (young female volunteer) at our January meeting. We will also collect household products for Bethany House.

Cathy Kelleher: dandckelleher@cox.net

General Federation of Women's Clubs **Woman's Club of Fairfax**

Woman's Club of Fairfax does not hold a meeting in January. Our next meeting will take place on February 2, at 6:30 pm at the Fairfax United Methodist Church, which will be a potluck dinner and outside guests are welcome to attend. Interested persons should contact President Diane Tuininga (diane8294@aol.com).

Our club's historical exhibit will be open for tours at the Ford House, on Saturday, February 7, from 10 am to 4 pm during the Fairfax Chocolate Lovers Festival. Stop by to see documents related to the history of the civil war era building and the story of one resident, Antonio Ford, who served as a confederate spy.

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Zonta provides an ongoing food pantry support for the Fairfax County Domestic Violence Action Center (DVAC). The food pantry provides emergency supplies for clients of the DVAC.

In November, we prepared and delivered Thanksgiving food Baskets for needy families. Also the advocacy committee and membership committee had a meeting for planning and action.

In December we celebrated Christmas at our President Judy Johnson home, while preparing and drawing gifts. Also it was decided that in March 2015 our president and vice president, Gale Allen, and few members will participate at the UN Commission on the status of women in New York.

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