



Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 1 February, 2017
12:00 PM
Red Lobster

ISCC Minutes 7 December 2016

President Conklin called the meeting to order at 12:03 PM. Sixteen individuals representing 17 organizations were present. Councilman David Meyer was a guest. President Conklin gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thought for the Day

"A river cuts through rock, not because of its power, but because of its persistence">
Unknown

OFFICER REPORTS

Treasurer Lauther reported a balance of \$1,223.05 as of 31 October. She also noted that lunch prices have gone up, as she indicated they would several months ago. The minutes of the November meeting were approved as read.

Vice President Jones was traveling.

President Conklin reported on discussions by the Executive Council:

The immediate Past President was added to the Executive Council

Members were asked to sign up to work on subcommittees to review and update the By Laws, increase membership, update the pamphlet and website, speakers, visitations, coordination with Fairfax City, Volunteer of the Year, and exploring the value and difficulty of becoming a 501(c)3.

OLD BUSINESS

The group discussed the possibility of a different meeting site. Hildie Carney has spoken with the owners of Dolce Vita, who

would be willing to let us use the separate building on site, but has not discussed details. Parking could be an issue there. Service Source is another alternative. Civitans already meet there and Service Source caters their meal for \$15.00 a head. Where ever we consider, we need to discuss total cost, including tax, tip and beverage.

Councilman Meyers, a candidate for Mayor in the upcoming Special Election, spoke briefly about himself and his aspirations for the City. The meeting was adjourned at 1:01 PM.

City of Fairfax



City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department

Craft Show Applications – The applications for the upcoming craft shows have gone out.

Parade Applications- Independence Day Celebration Parade Applications have gone out.

Chocolate Lovers Festival – Saturday, February 4 & Sunday, February 5 – see more information under the Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee

New this year, we will have a Cake Walk in Old Town Square during Chocolate Lovers. Let me know if your organization is interested in participating. It is a great way to get information out to the public about your organization.

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 Katie MacCammon at 703-385-1710 or katherine.maccammon@fairfaxva.gov for more information.

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Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee (CLFC).. Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee (CLFC)

is busy putting the final touches on the activities for the 25th Chocolate Lovers Festival to be held on February 4 & 5, 2017. Every1 Can Work d/b/a Cameron's Coffee and Chocolates was selected as the 2017 grant recipient. If your organization would like to sponsor a cake walk at the Festival, please visit our website for the application and information. It will only take about an hour and a table will be provided for your organization to have hand-outs, give-aways, etc., during your hour - applications are due NLT January 13, 2017. For more information about the Festival or if you or your organization would like to get involved, visit our website at www.chocolatefestival.net. Have a wonderful holiday and a fabulous new year!

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Independence Day Celebration Committee (IDCC). Independence Day Celebration Committee (IDCC)

is in full swing with 2017 July 4th preparations. The logo – VOLUNTEERS LIGHT UP FAIRFAX – was chosen as the then for 2017. Letters have been sent to local graphic designers to submit their logo design. If you, or you know of someone would like to submit a logo, please email Mitzi.taylor@fairfaxva.gov for rules/regulations. The evening show entertainment was selected at our November meeting and, since we decided to take off for the holidays, the logo will be selected at our January 19 meeting. A reminder that the

valentines that are redeemable at the Taste of Chocolate can be purchased from the City of Fairfax Museum & Visitor's Center of the Parks & Recreation Office. The picture for 2017 depicts the "original" Woody's Ice Cream and the cost of this collector's item is only \$5 – they make perfect holiday gifts. Parade applications will be going out in January 2017 and we're hoping all of the ISCC organizations will participate in the 2017 parade. Happy Holidays to all!

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Civitan Club of Fairfax

As noted in our last monthly report, December was a month of "parties"—parties Fairfax Civitans hosted for the ladies in several group homes and a big annual holiday party providing fellowship for members of our Club and guests from neighboring Clubs.

Our 5 January 2017 dinner program features a presentation by Rikki Epstein, the Executive Director of the ARC of Northern Virginia. "The Arc of Northern Virginia is a local chapter of the largest non-profit organization supporting thousands of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) and their families."

Later in the month, on 19 January, the Board of Directors of Fairfax Civitans will meet at the Hartmann home for pizza and the planning of future activities and programs.

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Downtown Fairfax Coalition

Jim Wyckoff, Jr.: jcwyckoffjr@aol.com



FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

Fairfax Ferns decorated Old Tow Hall for the holidays. Decorations were removed Jan 3. Next meeting is a dinner on January 14. The Ferns will be dormant until spring when work on the gardens will once again begin.

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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

As the cold weather reduces our riding time, we are taking a short break to plan our 2017 program of rides and activities. A group of over forty Harley riders headed out for the first official ride of 2017 on our Wind Chill Ride on a very pleasant New Year's Day. At the same time a group of 18 chapter members put on a New Year's Day Brunch for well over one hundred wounded and recovering service men and women at the USO at Walter Reed Bethesda Army/Navy Hospital. A great start to 2017.

The Chapter enthusiastically joined with many other groups and individuals in the Salvation Army's Christmas Program. Well over 100 Christmas Stockings were filled and delivered to the Salvation Army for distribution to far less fortunate families in the county. Chapter members also proudly donated bikes, many loose toys, clothes, and over \$300.

The Chapter also spent four days helping out at the Salvation Army. Thirty members manned the Elf Shop on a Saturday to assemble 120 bikes and help with other tasks. Over a span of two days, twenty Chapter Elves helped move boxes and bikes from the assembly area to the family vehicles coming to receive them. Oftentimes getting a combination of bikes and boxes into a small vehicle containing two moms and several children is challenging and certainly amusing.

What the Salvation Army does for those less fortunate in our community is truly amazing. We are blessed to have them serve in our community.

A summary of our Chapter's 2016 charitable activity shows that just over \$21,000 was generated and distributed to charities in five categories including; kids, community outreach, veterans, police-fire-rescue and critters. In addition the Chapter has contributed a considerable amount of non-financial effort to several causes such as the Show & Tells, Adopt-a-Spots and Blood Drives.

The Chapter has elected and appointed its slate of Officers for 2017. Cliff Wilke remains our Director. Joe Livingood is our new Community Relations Officer. Planning of 2017 activities will be completed during January. In addition to organized rides and safety training, community support activities will be similar to 2016 and a solid component of our 2017 Program. Our annual Have a Heart Blood Drive at INOVA Fairfax is coming up on February 11th.

The Fairfax Harley Owners Group is a diverse and energetic force of over 600 members. The Chapter publishes a monthly newsletter and maintains its own web page at www.fairfaxhog.com

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Fairfax City Regional Library

**10360 North Street
Fairfax, VA 22030**
703-293-6227 | TTY: 711
Sun.: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Mon. - Thurs.: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Fri.: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat.: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Genealogy Help Desk Bring your family history stumpers to an expert. Make an appointment at the Virginia Room desk or call 703293-6227, option 6. Adults.

One-on-one English Conversation Practice speaking English with a volunteer tutor. Call to make an appointment. Adults.*

Personalized Internet/Microsoft Office Tutoring Learn how to use the Web or increase your skills. Call for appointment. Age 13 & up

Tales to Tails Read aloud to a friendly, trained therapy dog. Call for dates and times or register online. Age 6-12.

Tuesdays in January, 10:30 Tuesday Morning English Conversation Group Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adults.*

Tuesdays in January, 2:00 Library Tech Help Get your library-related electronic resources questions answered. Includes help with eBooks and compatible devices. Adults.*

Tuesdays in January, 7:00 Tuesday Evening English Conversation Group Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adults.*

Wednesdays, Jan. 4, 18, 10:30 Drop-In Storytime Enjoy stories and songs while building your child's early literacy skills. Age 2-5 with adult.*

Thursdays, Jan. 5, 19, 10:30 Mother Goose Storytime Enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays while laying a foundation of early literacy skills for your baby. Birth-23 months with adult.

Thursday, Jan. 5, 2:00 Genealogy Databases Search for your ancestors using the library's genealogy databases and other free Internet databases. Adults.

Thursdays in January, 7:00 Library Tech Help Get your library-related electronic resources questions answered. Includes help with eBooks and compatible devices. Adults.*

Saturday, Jan. 7, 10:00 One-on-One English Conversation Practice Practice speaking English with a volunteer tutor. Call for appointment. Adults.

Saturday, Jan. 7, 10:30 Monday, Jan. 23, 7:00 Creative Writing Prompts Join us for a fun session of short creative writing prompts. Your choice of a Monday evening or Saturday morning program. H.S.-age teens and adults.

Saturday, Jan. 7, 11:00 One-on-one English Conversation Practice Practice speaking English with a volunteer tutor. Adults.

Saturdays, Jan. 7, 21, 28, 2:00 Growth and Inspiration through Volunteering and Education (GIVE) Volunteers from Thomas Jefferson H.S. and Robinson H.S. offer tutoring in math, reading, writing, science, social studies and ESL. School age.*

Thursday, Jan. 12, 10:30 Preschool Storytime Build your child's early literacy skills while enjoying stories, songs and activities. Age 3-5 with adult.

Thursday, Jan. 12, 7:00 Family Movie Night: "Zootopia" Animated Disney comedy. Snacks provided. All ages.*

Saturday, Jan. 14, 2:00 Family Math Games Build your children's math and logic skills while having fun. Games for all levels with tips for parents to use at home. All ages. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2:30 Microsoft Word Learn the basics of word processing with Microsoft Word. Age 13 & up

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 7:00 Tuesday Evening Book Discussion Ask for title. Adults.

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 4:30 Make and Take
Reuse materials and craft supplies to make
your own unique masterpiece. Age 6-12.

Thursday, Jan. 19, 12:30 Thursday
Afternoon Reading Group Ask for title.
Adults.

Saturday, Jan. 21, 10:30 Family Storytime
Enjoy stories, songs and activities. Age 2-6
with adult.

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 4:30 Bilingual
Storytime Build your child's early literacy
skills while enjoying stories, songs and
activities in English and Spanish. Age 3-5
with adult.

Thursday, Jan. 26, 10:30 Toddler Time
Library staff share stories, songs and
activities while parents learn to cultivate
early literacy skills. Age 2-3 with adult.

Monday, Jan. 30, 10:15, 11:15 Music and
Movin' with Miss Susan Join Miss Susan for
singing and moving to music with your little
ones. Cosponsored by Friends of the City of
Fairfax Regional Library. Age 6 months-5
years with adult.

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**Friends of
Fairfax Station**

Museum open Sundays, 1:00 to 4:00 PM

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The January meeting of the **HFCI Board will be held on January 11th at 7PM .**

There is an opening for a Board member. If you are interested in the preservation of history please call Hildie Carney at 703 591 5305 and join us at the party.

Officers were elected at the December Holiday Party: President: John Keith, VP: Hildie Carney, Treasurer, Al Leightley and Secretary, Chris Kelley.

If you are a member of a club or organization and would like to know about what HFCI represents, ask for a 20 minute presentation. Call Al Leightley at 703 273 2089.

Our annual membership drive is now on. Please pick up a brochure and send in your application. One of the perks is receiving the wonderful quartly newsletter which features a local historical story each issue.

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:

MUSEUM: Programs are at 2PM every other Sunday

Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 10209 Main Street, 703 385 8414

January 8: "Educating Freedmen in Fairfax County During Reconstruction"
Historian Debbie Robison will share research on the 15 schools established for African American students. Local historian and

author of HFCI newsletter, Page Johnson will speak on the City's first African American school

February 12: 12 to 2PM: "African American Schools and Desegregation".

New Exhibit: Chalkboards to Smartboards: Free Public Schools in Fairfax County and the City of Fairfax. Through July 9, 2017

BLLENHEIM CIVIL WAR INTERPRETIVE CENTER, 1PM
3610 Old Lee Highway

January 28: "The CSS Shenandoah and the Last Shot of the Civil War":
Author William Connery will speak on the Confederate Navy's last ship.

Save the Date: Sunday, February 12th.
HFCI Annual Meeting and Program:
"Rosenwald" a remarkable story of a Jewish partnership with African-American Communities. A film.

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**Kiwanis Club
of Fairfax**

We are working on our pancake breakfast.

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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.

The council completed a very successful annual Christmas Tree fund raiser in December selling 460 trees and selling out by 17 December.

January Activities:

- 01/08 - Council Bowling League starts
- 01/09 - Bingo at Fairfax Nursing Home
- 01/14 - Rosary to End Abortion
- 01/15 - Family Breakfast
- 01/27 - March for Life in Washington, DC

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Fairfax Lions Club



We Serve

Since 1951

Each year, Lions around the world hold a contest for young person's to create artwork celebrating peace. At our dinner meeting on Dec 6, Lion Jeff Root introduced the Fairfax Lions Club 2017 Peace Poster contest winner: 7th grader Hyesoon Lee of Rocky Run Middle School. Hyesoon titled her artwork "Singing the Peace." Hyesoon was accompanied by her mom, little brother, and Rocky Run art teacher Linda Ledbetter.



the sellout was sooner than our expectations. We can only thank the awesome generosity of our community neighbors who support our charity programs by buying fruit - thank you!



On Dec 19th, 15 members of the Fairfax Lions Club delivered nutritious Holiday Dinner meals to 25 needy families in the local area (feeding a total of 92 persons in those families). A photo of a person we all know, loading up a meal to deliver:

On Dec 20, Lions and families celebrated the Christmas season with a dinner party at the Waterford in Fair Oaks. A wonderful musical combo led by Andrea Lockard entertained the party. For the program, Andrea demonstrated "Music Therapy." Children's gifts and door prizes were handed out, and everyone had a grand time.



On Dec 16th, the Lions Club completed its second citrus fruit sale this year. Despite the bitterly cold weather, by early afternoon Friday we sold out our fruit inventory for the December Sale - a day earlier than usual. The early sellout was influenced, in part, by a 50 orange carton shortfall from our fruit supplier (we will fix that next time). Even so,



Lions will conduct vision screening Jan 17-19 at the Lamb Center, and again on Jan 20 at the Green Acres Senior Center.

We will participate in the Chocolate Lovers Festival on Feb 4 with vision screening as we did last year.

It's great to be a Lion!

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We started December with bell ringing for the Salvation Army and a Club holiday party. The ice storm prevented us from SafeAssuredID with the Fairfax City Police Department, but that will be rescheduled. We responded regarding the article in the Connection Newspaper about the need for food to support needy families whose children are attending Daniel's Run Elementary School. There are about 80 families with 100 children who needed food during the 2-week holiday break. We delivered 10 bags of groceries to help support them. On January 3rd, we had our monthly dinner meeting and program. One of our members, Claudia Morcelo, talked about her trip to Peru where she delivered backpacks and school supplies to children living in three villages. We saw a movie of this event, and we were able to see the reaction, appreciation, and faces on the kids as they also received presents. This month we are working on four scholarship contests: one for high school seniors, an Essay Contest, a Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and an Oratorical Contest. We also look forward to the annual Cub Scout Pinewood Derby at Daniel's Run Elementary School.

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[1.] As of January 1, the **membership stood at 74**, 70 Active and 4 Honorary Members.

[2.] December Saturdays of 3, 10, and 17 it was Fairfax Rotary's "**Annual Christmas Kettle Drive**" in front of Giant Food on Jermantown Road and Safeway Foods in the Courthouse Plaza for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Program.

[3.] December 9 was the night Santa put in an appearance for the Club's "**Annual Christmas Party for Children**" with gifts and buffet dinner for about 40 kids and their parents - compliments of club members and their companies.

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

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Salvation Army

Women's Auxiliary

The Salvation Army of Fairfax is wrapping up a most successful holiday assistance program. Many, many thanks to all the volunteers who contributed by filling stockings, gathering clothes and toys as Angels, ringing the bell, working at Santa's workshop and assisting in distributing the food, toys and clothing on 12/20 and 12/21!

SAVE THE DATE. The Salvation Women's Auxiliary of Fairfax will hold the 37th Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon fund raiser on March 24, 2017 at the Waterford Fair Oaks. You are promised a fun afternoon with fashions by Lord and Taylor, a delicious lunch and wonderful shopping opportunities with a Silent Auction and Granny's Attic

bric-a- brac. The ticket cost is \$50.00 and can be obtained by contacting Connie Lauther at 703-909-8423.



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Shepherd Center Fairfax Burke (SCFB)



Our Annual Holiday Giving Campaign was quite a success! This year, we were able to support 13 Veterans in need and their families by supplying them with tangible gift items off their personal holiday wish lists. Donations poured in from local sponsors and faith based organizations to support these 56 individuals with a total estimated value of contributions coming in at just over \$15K. During the weeks leading up to the gift delivery, we had over 60 volunteers walk through our doors, almost all new to ServiceSource, who supported the campaign by donating their time wrapping the items.

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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.

ACTIVITIES

During November, SCFB provided 151 medical and campaign shopping drives to our clients. Over the last year our volunteer drivers drove over 32,000 miles providing 2,000 drives to clients who can no longer drive.

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 January 13th at Lord of Life Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd. Fairfax.

The Program is Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Players from George Mason University. The cost is \$10.00; checks payable to SCFB. Call Bea Stephenson for reservations at 703-273-5730 by January 10th for reservations. If transportation is needed, call the SCFB office (703) 323-4788.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED as DRIVERS & OFFICE WORKERS!

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke serves those 50+ and who no longer drive.

Volunteer Drivers are needed for trips (Monday - Friday) to medical appointments

and Companion Shopping within the Fairfax/Burke area. [Office Workers are needed](#) to answer phones in the SCFB office (Monday - Friday) of individuals requesting rides and match an available driver for each request. If you can volunteer your time, please contact the SCFB office at 703-323-4788.

If you **no longer drive** and need a transportation to a medical appointment or up to 3 shopping errands, please contact the SCFB transportation phone number 703-323-4788

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Soroptimist International of Fairfax County

In December we provided presents for the ladies served by Bethany House and wrapped up White House Ornament sales.

In January we will plan our donations, as we did not receive any applicants for our major awards this year.

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General Federation of Women's Clubs 

Woman's Club of Fairfax

We do not have our meeting in January because of the holidays, so our next meeting will be in February. At that meeting, we have a potluck dinner and we bid on "mystery gifts" donated by members, which helps to add additional monies to our treasury.

At our December meeting, we turned in our Christmas stockings members had stuffed for the Salvation Army's Christmas stocking project. We also discussed the dinner and gifts for our adopted family, which a couple of our

members were going to purchase and deliver to the family's home.

In February, we will act as hostesses at the Ford House when it is open to the public as one of the events of the Fairfax City's Chocolate Lovers Festival. Our members purchase bags of chocolate to put in a bowl in the foyer of the building for visitors to take (always popular with the children).

It will soon be time to announce that we are accepting applications for our annual scholarship award. We will also be planning our spring fashion show, which is our major fundraiser for the scholarship fund.

Here's to a productive 2017 for all of us !

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As previously noted, the club filled baskets for three families at Thanksgiving for Cornerstone in Reston, as well as delivered others.

In addition, in December, the club held a holiday party and collected presents for a family (single mom, son, daughter, and baby on the way) from the County Domestic Violence Action Center (DVAC). We will also continue our monthly food and personal item collections for the Zonta food pantry at DVAC.

This month, in addition to our regular meeting, we are planning a joint program with George Mason University students and staff to show a film on human trafficking and host a panel of speakers. This free event is tentatively planned for January 30th.

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