



Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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Treasurer – Connie Lauther

Vice President Leightley provided information on voting options in the City. President Larson spoke about involvement with local groups supporting the police.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 PM.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 4 November, 2020
12:00 PM
Zoom

ISCC Minutes

President Larson called the Zoom meeting to order at 12:06 PM. Ten individuals representing 11 organizations participated. President Larson gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

OFFICER REPORTS

Minutes of the June meeting and the Treasurers Report were accepted as presented.

Vice President Leightley had nothing to report.

Immediate Past President Conklin was not present.

President Larson deferred to Business

OLD BUSINESS

Volunteer of the Year Update – Some organizations have submitted VOY selections. Many who say they plan to submit have not sent in fee yet. Need to redo recognition certificates, but time is flexible on pulling everything together.

Roster – reminder to send updates to Kathy Hoffman if anything has changed.

NEW BUSINESS

Dues are due 1 October.

2020-2021 Officer Election – There being no additional nominations, the slate as presented at the June meeting was elected unanimously.

President - Al Leightley

Vice President – Susanne Grimsley

Secretary – Cathy Kelleher

City of Fairfax



Parks and Recreation

Connected Care Camp

Small group child care setting to assist with virtual learning & recreational activities.

- Tuesday - Friday
- 7:30am - 5pm

Connected Care Book Donations

Fairfax City Connected Care is collecting books! Our program supports many families in Fairfax City who may not have access to books at this time because their school library is closed! Our goal is to have a small library at our site that children can borrow books from to read.

- Donate used books: [Find out more on the donation tab!](#)
- Purchase a book from our [Amazon Wishlist](#)

Virtual Fall Festival

Due to the pandemic, we adjusted our annual Fall Festival to be virtual this year. Shop and support your favorite local vendors from the Fall Festival online now!

www.fairfaxfallfestival.com

Starting in November we will be creating a similar virtual site for our annual Holiday Craft Show as well.

FANG-TASTIC Halloween Fun!

<https://www.fairfaxva.gov/government/parks-recreation/special-events/community-events>

Drive By Pumpkin Patch – Carved pumpkins by the community will be displayed at Lion Run on Oct 30 from 6 -9pm

Great Pumpkin Carving Contest – This virtual contest runs from Oct 16 – 28th.

Registration is free but required on our website. Email photos to specialevents@fairfaxva.gov

Trick or Treat Trail – First ever trick or treat drive thru! Located in the parking lot of City of Fairfax Police Department, we'll be handing out candy and giveaway while supplies last on Oct 31 from 10 am – 1pm

Spooktacular Science Show – Mad Science of DC will be putting on a free show in Veterans Amphitheater on Oct 31 at 1:30pm

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

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Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce

Small Business Focus. Big Business Results.

Like most businesses, our world was also turned upside down in mid-March when the pandemic hit. Our revenue stream was hit hard when we cancelled events and pushed back membership renewals by three months to give our members a break. We had to shift gears quickly in order to continue to serve the membership and the community. Being small has its advantages - we are nimble and successfully moved to offering virtual events and an expanded events calendar.

Over the past seven months, we:

- Created a dedicated COVID19 Resource page (<https://www.cfcc.org/keeping-fairfax-strong-and-together/>). This page includes more than 150 links to resources and information that the Chamber researched and vetted and made available to its members and the public, saving small business owners hours of time trying to locate information.
- Offered Chamber-hosted virtual events that specifically addressed COVID, mental health, accessing resources (35+ events)
- Filled the Calendar with events hosted by groups like the SBA, Greater Washington Board of Trade, Small Business Development Center (SBDC), U.S. Chamber of Commerce (more than 150 events!)
- Participated in Town Halls and other similar events that allowed the

Chamber to share DIRECTLY with Sen. Kaine, Sen. Warner, Congressman Connelly, Governor Northam, State Senator Chap Petersen, and the SBA feedback on the assistance programs, the impact of COVID on small businesses, etc.

- Delivered meals to Healthcare Workers at Inova Hospital (A project of the Young Professionals Committee)
- Sold reusable masks LOVE FAIRFAXCITY with proceeds benefiting the Lamb Center. [Order your mask\(s\) here.](#)
- Pushed back annual membership dues renewals back three months in order to give our members a little breathing room.
- Served as an Information & Referral service for our members and the business community.

Even as we dealt with COVID19, Chamber business continues to push forward! We have:

- Introduced our new [Telehealth Program](#) that provides an AFFORDABLE, time-saving Health Care option
- Created a New Promotion Video ([Check it out here!](#))
- Issued a statement on "[Equity for All](#)"
- Launched two more [committees](#) - Veterans and Youth
- Added a [Private Facebook Group](#) for Chamber Members-Only
- Updated our Website Content in the "About Us" Section
- Created a Nonprofit Roundtable for our Nonprofit Members
- Begun planning our new Podcast and Video Chat Series which will launch this fall
- Added a Savings Program for Office Supplies Ordered from Office Depot/OfficeMax
- Begun to explore a 401K program for members

This month we conducted a direct mail campaign to encourage local businesses to join the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce. We are offering a special through the end of the year - join the Chamber and receive three months additional membership for free and we will waive the joining fee. I extend this offer to each member of the ISCC. Contact Jennifer Rose at executivedirector@cfcc.org for OUR current Membership Information Packet.

Jennifer Rose: Jennifer@cfcc.org



**Civitan Club of
Fairfax**

It is a strange time of multiple zoom "meetings" and sometimes tentative steps toward a new normal world, complete with face masks, social distancing, mostly staying at home, but some cautious visits to stores and eateries. It is hard for service organizations to find ways to do service projects "together," but we as individuals try to be helpful in our various communities. Further, at a time when more people need more financial help, Civitans and other organizations which normally raise considerable sums of money to give to worthy organizations and causes, now—because of the Pandemic—find important fund raising sources are closed down or are otherwise non-accessible.

Fairfax Civitans has held its "first Thursday" Club meetings. In September our speakers were from the Alzheimer's Association. About 35 persons participated viz zoom. Our October meeting features a speaker from the Northern Virginia Therapeutic Riding Center. October is the beginning of the Civitan fiscal and program year, with a new set of officers and board members, year-end financial reports, and so on.

In mid-September, the Chesapeake District of Civitan held its Annual Convention—via zoom.

Our Club was well represented at the Convention. The day before the Convention there was a zoom board meeting of the related (but legally separate) Foundation for Children with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (FCIDD). The president and most recent past president of the FCIDD are members of the Fairfax Club, and at least three past Governors of the Chesapeake District are as well. The meetings went well.

As we start a new Civitan year, our Fairfax Club is actively selling White House holiday ornaments.

Another “highlight” is our Club sponsoring and sending an application and various documents to the FCIDD asking the Foundation to join with our Club to support upgrading and making more handicapped accessible one of the bathrooms in a small group home run by the Langley Residential Support Services.

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Downtown Fairfax Coalition

Jim Wyckoff, Jr.: jewyckoffjr@aol.com



FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

Ferns meet by zoom on Sept.14. Next meeting by zoom is Oct 19 We will be decorating Old Town Hall in November for the holidays.

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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

Fall offers the best time of the year for riding and every weekend presents terrific opportunities for members and guests to ride together to interesting places and “giving some back to the community along the way”.

Community support activities te last week of August included a Healing Heroes Ride to generate funds and support for veterans and their families recovering from PTSD. In addition we joined the Jill’s House Ride to generate funds and support for families with challenged children.

On 9/11, Chapter members remembered and honored those who suffered with the treacherous attacks on our nation and those who came to the aid of the victims especially at the Pentagon. Our 18th annual 9/11 Memorial Ride to the Pentagon Memorial as usual was inspiring, humbling, unforgettable, profound....and **we will never forget**. The Pentagon Memorial is a hallowed place and offers a quiet space for reflection and remembrance to honor and remember those who were lost that day. It is open 24/7. Please go.

On October 3rd we spruced up our section of Fairfax Boulevard and in front of City Hall as part of the Adopt-a Spot Program in the City.

Other upcoming events include Thanksgiving at the Lamb Center and the Salvation Army Christmas Program for needy families in our community. Both programs will be different this year, but the needs are greater than ever. We will all find a way to help.

The Fairfax Harley Owners Group is a diverse and energetic force of over 350 members. The Chapter publishes a monthly newsletter and maintains its own webpage at www.fairfaxhog.com

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**Fairfax City
Regional Library**



**Friends of
Fairfax Station**

**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.

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The City of Fairfax Regional Library offers a wide range of events for all ages, including children's programs, ESL Conversation groups and tutoring, technology help, book discussions, genealogy and local history programs, and much more.



<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/events/>

The October zoom meeting of HFCI's Board will be held October 14, virtually. If you would like to join us, let me know.

We are happy to see the library open again and thankful to all the librarians who are working so hard.

HFCI has 1 opening on the Board. This opening is a Counsel appointee. For information call Hildie Carney at 703 591 5305.

We were able to sponsor a lecture for Fall for the Book in September. We will continue to fund some on line children's programs through January. Right now there are no plans to take donations of books or hold our large sales for the next year.

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.

The friends are sponsoring an expanded ongoing book sale in the library. These are pre-covid19 books that were donated prior to March,2020. Dedicated group members are replenishing the sale books shelves 3 times a week to keep up variety and interest. In response to patron inquiries, we have added many children's books to this sale. We are trying to get the word out to the public. Soon you will see a banner in front of the library advertising our sale.

As a member of HFCI, not only are you supporting history, you receive a discount on products in our gift shop and you also receive a quartley newsletter which features a local historical story each issue. Please pick up a brochure and send in your application. 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.

.Katie Clary: kvclary@mindspring.com

Share your story with HFCI, s ORAL HISTORY PROJECT. If you or if you know someone who has lived in the City for most

of their life; our oral history program shares information about the past!

HFCI applied and was granted funds to further the "advanced imaging project" in the attic of Blenheim. Wallpaper in a bedroom will be taken off with the hopes there will be more names of civil war soldiers names to decipher.

HFCI allotted funds along with the City to replace the windows in the Blenheim house.

The Old Lee Highway project will not affect intruding on the Blenheim property.

The County of Fairfax will be taking down the artifacts on the Courthouse front lawn. The Board of HFCI wrote and sent a letter to City Council to acquire the Marr monument and the 2 cannons on the Courthouse property to rehome them in the City.

Historic Resources staff has been involved in choosing a new name for the Sidney Lanier Middle School. Citizens were asked to submit appropriate names.

ISCC members who have supported the fundraiser "Taste of the Vine" in the past should have received a letter from HFCI asking for a donation. Due to Covid, the Board has cancelled the actual event for 2020 Thank you for your continued support to HFCI. These funds are used to further the renovations at Blenheim.

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

POSTPONED. DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED** October: Virtual. "Susan Gray tells the story of Kate Waller Barrett, mother of Kitty Pozer." Cami St. Germaine tells the story of Helen and Jeannie Moore, sisters. Two of the first woman in the Town

of Fairfax who advocated for Women's Suffrage.

BLENHEIM CIVIL WAR INTERPRETIVE CENTER, 2PM on Saturday.

Open to the public from 11 to 3PM. Limited tours.

3610 Old Lee Highway

October Program TBA.

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**Kiwanis Club
of Fairfax**

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**Knights of Columbus
Father Diamond Council 6292**

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

Held a very successful Jambalaya Louisiana Dinner fund raiser on Saturday 26 September at Providence Hall. Served over 135 meals including Grab-N-Go and dine in. Louisiana Dinner fund raiser on Saturday 26 September at Providence Hall.

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Oct 2020 Activities:

- 17 Oct - Garage Sale (7 AM to 12 PM) – In front of St Leo's School
- 24 Oct – Chicken Pot Pie sale in support of KOVAR (Charity for the intellectually challenged). See details below.

Chicken Pot Pies for Kovar:

Father Diamond Council will be selling homemade Chicken Pot Pies. Cost is \$15 for 9 inch pie (Feeds 4) or \$5 for a single pie. Strictly pickup event. All orders must be received by Tuesday, October 20th. Pickup Saturday October 24th at Providence Hall (Behind St Leo the Great Church on Old Lee Highway) between 5 and 7 PM. Orders may be e-mailed to:

KofCchicken6292@gmail.com. State time of pickup when ordering.

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Fairfax Lions Club



We Serve

Since 1951

Two Fairfax Lions Receive Award

For their support of LIONS PROJECT FOR CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE (CCI), Fairfax Lions Karen and Harry Parker have been presented the **Abdul Award**. (Abdul was the first service dog placed by CCI in 1979.) Since then, CCI has bred, trained and placed over 6000 assistance dogs nationwide, free of charge to the clients who receive them.

CCI dogs are trained to do many tasks to assist their clients. Hearing dogs

alert people to sounds such as doorbells, alarms and timers. PTSD dogs are trained to help veterans deal with issues associated with battle psychosis. People with chronic diseases like MS or MD are also served by CCI dogs, as are veterans with significant injuries or amputations.

Since 1983, Lions have raised over \$4.5 million for the mission of CCI.



New Northern VA Eyeglass Recycling Center to Open

Lions had to vacate the previously donated eyeglass recycling center, as it was being torn down. A new center has been acquired, and is planned to open in October assuming resolution of virus health containment and use permits. Last year, Fairfax Lions collected over 10,000 pair of donated eyeglasses, and the Recycling Center has given over 3.5 million glasses to the poor.

November Citrus Fruit Sale

Fairfax Lions have planned a "no-contact" fruit sale, with both advance payment and exact cash or credit sales. The sale runs Thursday, Nov 19 - Saturday, Nov 21 (weekend before Thanksgiving). As usual, ads with coupons will go to past customers via email.

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The Fairfax Rotary Club continues to hold its weekly meetings via Zoom. Preliminary reports indicate we raised just under \$25,000 in our annual golf tournament held in late August! Currently, we are holding our "Everyone Can Use a Little Extra "Dough"" raffle. Normally, we hold a Trip Raffle. With COVID hanging over our heads, we chose to offer cold hard cash for the prize. We are selling 100 tickets at \$100/each. Prize is \$3,000 with a second prize of \$500. The Drawing will take place at our weekly meeting on November 2. If we sell fewer than 51 tickets, the prize will revert to 50-50 split with one winner. [Purchase your ticket\(s\) here.](#)

Our membership continues to grow - we have added 11 new members since July 1!

Jennifer Rose: Jennifer@cfcc.org



Salvation Army

Women's Auxiliary

The Salvation Army assisted with the back to school program in August with distribution of over 800 backpacks.

The holiday assistance program has started with the Fairfax Corps now taking reservations. With the covid crisis, In lieu of filling stockings this year, the Fairfax Corps will use gift cards. If your organization has filled stockings in the past, please ask your members to contribute a gift card for the amount usually spent - \$10/\$15/\$20 with Target and Walmart as good sources. The

Corps asks that online cards not be used and that no names be placed on cards that provide space for same. Stacy Burke at the Corps is handling the gift card program - 703-385-8700 ext 11. For those groups that have adopted families through the Angel Tree, gift cards will be used. Contact Major Jean Wilson for more information on family adoption. 703-385-8700 ext 21.

The Corps has organized a learning center for youngsters of working parents. They have a class room in the gym with protected desks that 22 children can connect virtually with their schools. Lunch and physical activities are also provided with the youngsters staying through the school day. The cost per student is \$75.00 per week. Donations for those in need are being accepted. The Corps is currently searching for qualified individuals to assist with the program. Major Jean Wilson has more information. 703-385-8700 ext 21.

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UPCOMING EVENTS AND COMMUNITY CAMPAIGNS

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Shepherd Center Fairfax Burke (SCFB)

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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 SCFB significant future and below activities see our web site www.scfbva.org.

DUE TO THE COVID RESTRICTIONS THE ONLY PROGRAMS CURRENTLY OPERATING ARE MEDICAL AND SHOPPING TRANSPORTATION IN BOTH FAIRFAX BURKE AND SOUTH COUNTY, CHAIR YOGA AND BOOK CLUB VIA ZOOM, FRIENDLY CALLER AND CARE GIVER PROGRAMS. AIL, LUNCH N LIFE, FRIENDLY VISITOR, HANDY HELPER AND MOVIES ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

1. Transportation Program – 300 Medical and Shopping Drives for SCFB and 99 Medical drives in South County in the last quarter.
2. Chair Yoga – Had 2621 participations in SCFB Exercise Program conducted via Zoom, 3 times a week during the last quarter
3. Care Giver Support – 17 Clients contacted during the quarter.
4. Friendly Caller – 405 calls made during the quarter.
5. Book Club is being reestablished to be conducted virtually.

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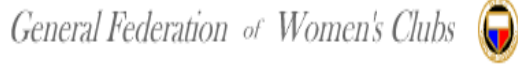


Soroptimist

International of Fairfax County

Selling White house Christmas Ornaments and trying to figure out what we can donate to whom due to canceled fundraisers.

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Woman's Club of Fairfax

We have had two or three ZOOM meetings; one was to revisit the by-laws, another one was to discuss the budget. In another one, we also discussed fundraising ideas. At our next meeting, we will vote on our budget.

Obviously this is an unusual year, so we are having a couple of virtual fundraisers. One is Flower Power, whereby you can purchase spring bulbs via the internet. If anyone is interested, I will be glad to give you the information.

We will also be selling Christmas wreaths and greens, furnished by Wreaths Across America, the company that donates the wreaths placed upon the graves at Arlington National Cemetery.

Club members will be donating gift cards to the Salvation Army this year, in lieu of its usual stocking drive.

Speaking of Christmas, our club will host a booth at the Fairfax Holiday Market, if the event is held this year.

Our club members are donating either money or hats to Ellie's Hats, a charitable organization which gives hats to children suffering from pediatric cancer.

Members are also encouraged to donate to Amazon Wishlist for Inova Fairfax Child Life Department.

Club members have been sending "thinking of you" notes to residents of Little River Glen Retirement Community.

And members continue to donate to Lamb Center and food banks.

We continue with our monthly book club, of course held virtually (sigh).

Stay safe, everyone.

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