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Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 3 November, 2021 12:00 PM American Legion

ISCC Minutes 1 September 2021

President Leightley called the meeting to order at 12:09 PM. Twelve members and two guests (speakers) were present.

President Leightley gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

OFFICER REPORTS

Minutes of the June meeting were approved as provided.

Vice President Grimsley had nothing to report.

Treasurer Lauther reported club dues invoices are out. Dues are payable in October. The treasurer's report was approved as provided.

Immediate Past President Larson deferred to Old Business.

President Leightley introduced Juliana Drolhe form the new Fairfax Sun Rise facility on Arlington BLVD.. She gave a brief presentation on the new facility as well as "Fall Prevention."

OLD BUSINESS

2020-2021 Volunteer of the Year wrap up. Immediate Past President Larson summed up the event. Sixteen volunteers were honored, including for the first time First responders. The event used the entire meeting space at the Sherwood Center for the first time. The arrangements worked very well. Katie McCammon again did the program for us.

NEW BUSINESS

The slate of officers Hildie Carney presented at the June meeting was approved.

President – Al Leightley
Vice President – Suzanne Grimsley
Secretary – Cathy Kelleher
Treasurer – Connie Lauther

Club reports were provided by the representatives.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:24 PM .

City of Fairfax



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Civitan Club of Fairfax



Our Club met on 2 September. At that meeting, the officers and other Board members for the coming year were installed, with the new Civitan year starting on 1 October. Our Club holds a program/business zoom meeting the first Thursday of each month. Our 14-member Board of Directors meets at least every other month, on the third Thursday. Between meetings we are in touch frequently by phone, e-mail, or in person as we try to raise money and/or provide volunteer support for worthy causes and organizations, especially those that encourage and support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities

The speaker at our September meeting was Lisa Lewis, a magician, and a leader of the Omnium Circus. *Omnium's multi-ethnic, multi-racial, and multi-abled cast truly creates a reimagined "Circus."* **Omnium Circus**

(www.omniumcircus.org), the innovative circus dedicated to inclusivity and diversity, debuts its live show under the big top tent at Tysons III, in Tysons, Virginia, from November 18 through January.

KJ Crum, a Senior VP of ServiceSource and a member of our Civitan Club, will speak at our 7 October Club meeting. His topic is ServiceSource, the Pandemic, and the Future, how his organization continued working on its mission during the challenges of COV1D 19, and ServiceSource's plans for the future.

Fairfax Civitan was chosen by Fairfax City to run one of the "beer gardens" at the 9 October Fairfax Fall Festival. We have 19-20 volunteers lined up to help. Now, all we need is nice weather.....

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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 the last week of August included a Healing Heroes Ride to generate funds and support for veterans and their families recovering from PTSD. On September 18th many members joined in supporting the Officer Down event at the Manassas Fairgrounds. This event helps the families in our area who have lost loved ones in the line of duty

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 19th 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 2nd 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 supporting less fortunate in our community and the Salvation Army Christmas Program for needy families in our community. We are hoping that that both programs will be more normal this year. 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 300 members. The Chapter publishes a monthly newsletter and maintains its own webpage 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.

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/

We are collecting donated books again.

Sorting takes place on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 to about 11:30.

Our next large sale will be in April, 2022. There is an ongoing sale of adult and children's books near the stairs to the 2nd floor. Most are high quality for re-gifting.

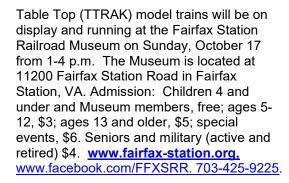
Support your local library!

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Friends of

Fairfax Station



Get an early start to your holiday shopping with an Estate Sale for model railroading items at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum on Sunday, November 14, 2021 from 1-4 p.m. The sale will feature HO, O and G scale model trains and accessories that have been donated to the Museum. Many of the donated items are in very good condition and are priced below comparable items listed on Ebay.

In addition to the Estate Sale, the Station's Gift Shop will feature a variety of new items celebrating the history of Fairfax Station and railroading. All estate and Gift Shop sales directly support Fairfax Station's mission and outreach.

Admission is free and open to the public.

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The October meeting of HFCI's Board will be held October 13 at 7PM. If you would like to join us, let me know. (location to be announced)

The HFCI Board has filled the 20 member status but if you are interested in serving, please call and you will be placed on a waiting list.

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.

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.

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!

The Fairfax Museum and the Blenheim Center are open for visitors. Docents at the sites are back and tours are being held. Rentals for the space is open. Masks are mandatory indoors.

THE WHITE HOUSE ORNAMENTS ARE IN: HFCI will be selling them in front of the Ratcliff-Allison-Poser House at the Fall

Festival on October 9. (Also available at the Museum and 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

October 10: A virtual presentation of CANNING AND FOOD PRESERVATION: What is old is new again! (call the Museum for the link)

Blenheim: Civil War Interpretive Center

October 16: 9:30 AM: Hosting George Mason students for special tours.

October 23: 2PM: "Voices from the Attic"— An account of two Vermont brothers serving in their many military campaigns during the Civil War.

EXHIBITS Fairfax Museum and Visitors Center

October thru December: "The Long Tradition of Virginia Canneries" A Traveling exhibit from the Blue Ridge Institute in Ferrum. Stories from cannery workers, production images and displays of canning equipment.

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Kiwanis Club of Fairfax

We will be doing a beer stand at Fall Festival. The installation of officers for the coming year.

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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. All meetings currently are hybrid (In person and virtual).

October Activities:

- Oct 9 Fairfax Fall Festival Concession Stand
- Oct 17– Parish Family Breakfast
 Providence Hall
- Oct 23 Filipino Eat in or Take out fundraising dinner

Keep Christ in Christmas Cards sales start 6/7 November 2021 at St Leo the Great

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Fairfax Lions Club



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Centreville Moose Lodge #2168

In early September we were happy to provide 36 stuffed "Tommy Moose" dolls to the Fairfax City Police. These dolls are placed in police cruisers and are there to assist officers in calming young children who they may find in stressed situations. The gift was very much appreciated by the Police Department. We hopoe to be able to deliver more Tommy Moose dolls in the future.

Through our food donation collection program, we were able to donate approximately 100# of canned goods to the Lamb Center and 40# of food to the VanDyke Park Blessing box sponsored by the Girl Scouts. We also donated enough Oktoberfest food (pork chops, German potato salad, kraut, and sweet red cabbage) to the Robinson House half-way center to feed 20 people.

On Sunday, October 24, we will be holding an open House at the Moose Lodge at 3529 Chain Bridge Road. It will be a free pancake and sausage breakfast from 8:00Am to 11:00 AM. We invite everyone to come and see what the Moose are all about and to see our newly renovated lodge.

Scholarship contests. Our Oratorical Contest participant became the Optimist International World Champion, and earned \$32,000 in scholarships!

At the Club level, we awarded the Limburg Scholarship to a deserving graduating high school senior, and awarded the Grabowski Good Citizenship Scholarship to a deserving graduating high school senior from the alternative high school Mountain View.

Childhood Cancer is one of our main programs, and we donated hundreds of toys to the INOVA children's cancer ward. In December, we supported the Salvation Army with bell ringing. Our other Optimist International programs included Youth Appreciation and Excellence in Education with an Educator of the Year Award. Our ISSC Volunteer of the Year was Susan Bond.

Looking ahead to the 2021-2022 Optimist Year, we will be doing even more! Our challenges include adding new members to our 37 member Club, and raising money to support our programs and scholarships. Hopefully, we will be able to meet more in person than online.

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On September 30, the Central Fairfax
Optimist Club ended the 2020-2021 Optimist
year. In spite of everything, we have
remained a very active club. During that time,
we supported the Optimist International
Junior Golf Tournament, sponsored Cub
Scout Pack 228, conducted Optimist
International Oratorical and Essay



Salvation Army

Women's Auxiliary

The Salvation Army Auxiliary spent the first meeting after the summer hiatus discussing

fund raising possibilities. A Spring Yard Sale was discussed as well as possible venues and dress shops for a Spring Fashion Show.

The Salvation Army has stockings available for distribution. They are for ages 3 to 12. You can arrange to pick them up from Stacy Burke at the Corps - 703-385-8700 ext 11. The Corps is now registering for holiday assistance. Angels will be available for adoption later in October and are due back December 7. Call Major Jean Wilson at 703-385-8700 ext 21 for more info. Volunteers are needed for the Kettle Campaign which begins November 12 and runs through December 24. Time slots and locations are available through Major Don Wilson at 703-385-8700 ext 20

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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. 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 Group (for those who have loved ones with dementia), low-cost exercise and yoga 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. 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.

But Shepherd Center is still active, current activities,

- Transportation Program –continued Medical and Shopping Drives by SCFB drivers during month of September including taking a number of clients to get their COVID Vaccinations.
- 2. Chair Yoga SCFB Exercise
 Program conducted via Zoom, 3
 times a week during the last month
 and average 70 participants per
 session.

- Friendly Caller continued making contacts for the month September.
- 4. Book Club conducted virtually monthly.
- 5. Oct 9th will support the evening Beer Garden at Fairfax City Fall Festival

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Soroptimist International of Fairfax County

We will be selling White House Ornaments at the Fall Festival, and are planning a Yard Sale for 30 October

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General Federation of Women's Clubs



Woman's Club of Fairfax

Our first in person meeting will be Monday, October 4. Our Fall Fashion show which was held on Saturday, September 28, will be discussed. There were about 80 people in attendance, and 88 tickets sold. The Silent Auction was very successful. We were happy we could finally hold our Fashion Show, our main fundraiser, which of course has been delayed since the COVID epidemic started.

The Woman's Club is participating in the Fairfax City Holiday Market on December 5. We will sell hot chocolate and s'mores and

other baked goods and have a children's table where they can make decorations.

We are collecting items for gratitude bags to distribute to the teachers at Daniels Run school around Thanksgiving.

We are also putting together care packages to be handed out at the COPS Kid/Teen program ... items such as granola bars, candies, nuts, Kleenax, etc.

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The Zonta Club of Fairfax held its annual planning retreat by Zoom on Saturday, September 18, 2021. Topics included ideas for service projects, advocacy opportunities and fundraising options.

Service projects for the fall will be continued support of the DVAC through monthly grocery shopping and potential adoption of a family for the Holidays, donating Thanksgiving food baskets to families through Cornerstone in Reston and providing gift cards for Gifts for Kids at Cornerstone.

Advocacy is continuing at the international level with the Stop Child Marriage campaign. The Zonta Club of Fairfax is still working on a way to support the billboard campaign in Virginia. The new advocacy effort is to encourage and have the Fairfax County Board of Supervisor pass a resolution supporting CEDAW. CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women) was adopted in 1979 by the UN General Assembly. It has been endorsed by 189 countries. The United States is one of the few countries that has not signed in support of the convention. A draft resolution is available. The League of Women Voters and other organizations like the Zonta Club of Fairfax would like other local clubs and organizations to comment on

the resolution and to be supporters. If any club in the ISCC would like to review the document and/or support the effort, please email me and I will forward it to you. (blanchewa@msn.com)

With the pandemic, several of our regular fundraising activities were cancelled. As more of the annual activities like Rock the Block start up again, the Zonta Club of Fairfax will again participate. Our next opportunity is the Tyson's Block Party on October 23. The club will continue the holiday wreath sales (orders now until November 2 - \$39 with delivery after November 23). Our on-line fundraisers with Abby Candles and Boon Supply continue year round.

Joe Furman reported on the progress of the new club website. The work is nearing the end of Phase 1. Joe requested club activity photos. He will continue to work on content with the small committee and on moving forward with the consultant to Phase 2.

We have a winner! The Edith Clark Nalls Scholarship offered to graduate students at George Mason University is awarded to Melissa Alba. Melissa begins her 2-year Master of Social Work this fall. She wants to work in adoption or foster care. She wants to make a difference in the lives of children.

The club will re-establish the NOVA Community College Scholarship in the Spring. The scholarship will be promoted through scholarship websites, the ISCC newsletter and any other club newsletter, if a club offers to help.

The Zonta Club of Fairfax is the sponsor for a Z Club at Oakton High School. A Z Club is a service club aligned with Zonta and its mission at the high school level. It promotes service and advocacy for women and girls by young women at the local level. The club is just beginning its year and is looking at a variety of ways to serve in the community. More to come.

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11/10/2021