

## Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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#### Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 1 November 2023 12:00 PM Moose Lodge

#### ISCC Minutes 6 September 2023

President Leightley called the meeting to order at 11:59 AM. Seventeen members were present. Matt Easley from the Fairfax City Economic Development Office was a guest speaker. Kathy Hoffman gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Easley announced a City Neighborhood Connected Grant Program for non-profit organizations to encourage business development in the City. Three grants will be approved, fostering economic development, job development and entrepreneurship.

#### OFFICER REPORTS

Minutes of the June meeting were approved as provided.

Treasurer Clary reported a balance of \$500.59. She reminded everyone that Club dues are payable by October 15.

Vice President Grimsley and President Leightley had nothing to report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Larry Larson reported the VOY event was very successful. Twenty individuals were honored, along with two first responders. Larry acknowledged the City's support, especially that of Katie MacCammon.

Organization Sign Renewal – Five organizations have replaced their signs. Fast Signs was recommended as a source for organizations wishing to revitalize their signs.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Officers for the 2023-2024 ISCC Year were elected and sworn in. President: Kathy Hoffman; Vice President: Suzanne Grimsley; Secretary: Cathy Kelleher; Treasurer: Kate Clary

Clubs gave their reports.

The meeting was adjourned at?

## City of Fairfax



Parks and Recreation

## Fall Festival

October 14 10AM – 5PM

After Fest Concert from 5:30PM – 8:30PM Featured Band: Scorpion Rose 3 Stages of Entertainment, Children's Area, 3 Beer Gardens, over 400+ vendors, and more!

#### Rock the Block

Friday, October 27 Old Town Square – 10415 North St., Fairfax 6:30pm – 9:30pm Featured Band: Gonzo's Nose



#### **Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee-**

We have officially begun our meetings for the 2024 Chocolate Lovers' Festival! As a reminder, if there are any organizations interested in participating in this event, please feel free to reach out and join us at our monthly meetings.

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<u>Independence Day Celebration Committee</u> (IDCC).

The IDCC will have its first meeting in November. For those who are interested in joining the committee, please feel free to reach out and join us at our monthly meetings.



Small Business Focus. Big Business Results.

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# Civitan Club of Fairfax

On Saturday,30 September 2023, our Region/District of Civitan held a major hybrid event. Given the size of the Region, participants could participate at one of a number of "in person" gatherings, or they could join via Zoom. Some of us met "in person" at the ServiceSource Oakton building. There was "business" in the morning; fellowship over lunch: and then a service project in the afternoon. The next day—1 October—a number of Fairfax Civitans participated in a "walk" and gathering led by the Down Syndrome Association. The day after our ISCC luncheon, the Civitan Club of Fairfax will hold its 5 October Club meeting. The guest speaker is Mimi Hess, and she will talk about a non-profit called ArtStream that works with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through the medium of the performing arts. Business at the Civitan meeting will include approval of a budget for our year beginning 1 October. On Saturday 7 October, many Fairfax Civitans will be working at the huge Arlington flea market/garage sale. We also will be gathering nonperishable foods that day to benefit the Arlington Food Assistance Center.

We expect in October to sell a lot of this year's White House ornaments. We also have a number of "older" ornaments available for those trying to complete a "set."

And on 14 October, Fairfax Civitans will be helping at one of the beer "gardens" at the Fairfax City Fall Festival.

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### **Downtown Fairfax Coalition**

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## FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

October 16 is the next General Meeting at the City of Fairfax Regional Library at 6:30 p.m. The program is "Gardening with the soil food web" presented by the Master Gardeners of Green Springs.

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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 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Healing Heroes Ride to generate funds and support for veterans and their families recovering from PTSD and related injuries. 500 participants and friends generated \$47,000 for the Boulder Crest Foundation. On September 16<sup>th</sup> 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 first responders who came to the aid of the victims especially at the Pentagon. Our 21st 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 7th we will spruce 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 the Vienna Halloween Parade on October 25<sup>th</sup> and Thanksgiving at the Lamb Center supporting less fortunate in our community and the Salvation Army Christmas Program for needy families in our community. 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 200 members. The Chapter publishes a monthly newsletter and maintains its own webpage at <a href="https://www.fairfaxhog.com">www.fairfaxhog.com</a>

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Fairfax City Regional Library

The Friends of the Fairfax City Library are offering their first Children's Book Sale since

Covid the first weekend of October. We set up on Friday the 6th and sell on Saturday the 7th and Sunday the 8th from 10:00 to 4:00. We anticipate a large turnout.

Our Big Book Sale is coming up the first weekend of November. There have been some incredible donations of special books, several boxes of books in Russian that have already sold for over \$400 and even a yearbook with a high school picture of Marilyn Monroe. Can't wait to see what these specials bring at the dealer's sale on November 2nd. (early registration required) The main sale will be November 3-5.

We continue to support the staff with free coffee and a holiday party, the library with programs for children, adults and citizenship. We buy some of the library's furniture and magazines, and fund the volunteer appreciation luncheon. We support the Library Foundation, the Chocolate Lovers' Festival and Fall for the Book among other things. We sort donated books every Tuesday starting at 10:00a.m. and welcome new volunteers.

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Friends of

**Fairfax Station** 

The Northern Virginia NTRAK members will hold a N gauge Train Display at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum on Sunday, October 15, 2023, from 1-4 pm.

The Northern Virginia T-TRAK members will hold a N gauge Model Train Display at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum on Sunday, October 8, 2020, from 1-4 pm.

The Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area LEGO® Train Club (WamaLTC) members will hold a two-day LEGO® based train show at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum. All trains, buildings and scenery in the display are built from LEGO® blocks and shapes. Donations of unwanted LEGO® pieces and sets are appreciated to help support WamaLTC's efforts to bring fun and education to all ages through its activities. Saturday, October 28th, 2023 from Noon to 4:00

p.m. and Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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## **Historic Fairfax City Incorporated**

HFCI resumed its meeting schedule on September 13 at the Blenheim Interpretative Center.

HFCl's Taste of the Vine event will be held on this coming Friday, October 6, 2023 at the Blenheim Civil War Interpretive Center beginning at 6:30 pm. Wine tastings will be provided by Stone Tower Winery – "Virginia's Premier Family Winery." Food provided by Artistry Catering. Silent Auction as usual. All are invited and encouraged to attend. Tickets available on line at historicfairfax.org.

Al Leightley announced that he will be stepping down at the end of this year after some 12 years on the HFCI Board and faithful service as Treasurer. We will miss Al's energy and leadership tremendously.

The recipient of this year's HFCI George Mason History Department Scholarship has been chosen and will be announced sometime in the future.

On Sunday October 8 at 2 pm Alex Campbell, Executive Director of the Reston Museum will give a talk at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center about Planned Communities of the DC Metro Area. There is an exhibition at the Museum on the same topic.

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## Kiwanis Club of Fairfax



We will be inducting club officers, helping with the fall festival doing beer pouring and painting pumpkins, and packing meals for young minds.

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## Knights of Columbus Father Diamond Council 6292

The Council holds business meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 8 PM in Providence Hall at St Leo the Great Catholic Church. Web site: <a href="https://www.6292.kofc.com"><u>WWW.6292.kofc.com</u></a>. All meetings currently are in person.

## The following awards were made this summer:

- Young Man and Young Women of the Year were presented savings bonds.
- Two Father Diamond Council members children were awarded college scholarships by the Virginia State Council at the annual state meeting.
- Knight of the Year, Grand Knights Award and Family of the Year

#### October Activities:

- Oct 8 Family Breakfast after 7:30 & 9 AM Masses
- Oct 14 Support concession stand at the Fall Festival
  - Oct 17 Grey GOST Luncheon

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## **Fairfax Lions Club**



Since 1951

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## Centreville Moose Lodge #2168



On September 16 the Women of the Moose held our Annual All-U-Caneat Shrimp Feast as a fundraiser for Mooseheart and Moosehaven. There

were over 90 people in attendance. The event was very successful.

On September 22 we proudly to hosted 50 veterans and their guides, from the Appalachian Highlands Honor Flight, for dinner and lunch the following day. The evening included a special visit from Ember, a K-9 Caring Angels



Therapy Dog and Chantilly high school's Airforce JROTC Honor Guard. The JROTC performed a special POW/MIA empty table ceremony. Despite the tropical depression and resulting rainfall, our veterans were able to visit the Vietnam and Korean memorials on Friday night, the Navy memorial, FDR memorial and Army Museum on Saturday and the VMI museum on Sunday.



On October 6 and 7 we will host our 4<sup>th</sup> Honor Flight from the Appalachian Highlands. We provide dinner and lunches for 50 to 60 veterans and their guides.

We will participate in the Fairfax Fall Festival (Oct 14). We will have our Tommy Moose Pegboard game with great prizes, Halloween candy treats, and Safe Surfin' Child ID stations in our booth.

On Sunday, October 15, we will celebrate the completion of our four (4) year renovation project with a ribbon cutting ceremony.



On October 28 we will hold a Pumpkin carving contest and a Halloween themed Bacontober Fest for our members.

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## **Salvation Army**

## Women's Auxiliary

The Salvation Women's Auxiliary meets the third Wednesday of month

Fairfax, VA.



Army

each

(September through May, excluding December) at 10:30 a.m. at the Fairfax Salvation Army Corps headquarters located at 4915 Ox Road in

The Auxiliary met twice in September. On September 20, members met informally at the Corps headquarters to take inventory of and organize lightly used fashion accessories which have been donated. We are planning to participate in a community yard sale on Saturday, October 7 at Oak Marr Recreation Center from 8 am to 12 noon.

On September 27, Auxiliary members attended the official monthly meeting and discussed various fundraising efforts, and were updated on Corps programs held over the summer.

Captain Kadian Merone reported that the Angel Tree registrations began in mid-September. To date, they have already received 592 registrations for children for the program, and have a goal of providing gifts to 1,200 kids. Registration is continuing and they plan to travel to Annandale to register additional needy kids for the gift giving program. For volunteers who

wish to prepare Christmas stockings, they are now available for pick up at the Corps headquarters. Distribution of Christmas stockings and Angel Tree gifts will take place on December 12 and 13.

The Fairfax Corps is looking for Red Kettle Bell Ringers for this holiday season, because last year they were not able to meet their donation goal. Due to the shortage of bell ringers last year, they are looking to hire a few individuals at \$14 per hour, but of course prefer that more volunteers would come forward

Captain Kadian also discussed the Summer Camp program and has requested that the Auxiliary sponsor the program next summer by providing needed supplies for about 50 children who will be participating. Many times, the children arrive at camp without the needed linens and basic toiletries, so she would like for the Auxiliary to sponsor the program and provide the supplies needed for camp (sheets, towels, sunscreen, personal toiletry items, etc).

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will take place on Wednesday, October 18.

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### **Sagan Brummett**

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Provided Back to School supplies to children in the shelters.

Annual Golf tournament fund raiser is coming up.

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#### **Shepherd Center Fairfax Burke (SCFB)**

### Shepherd's 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), 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.

## **August Support Statistics:**

- Medical and Shopping Drives 301
- Exercise Class (Chair Yoga) -10
   Classes, average attendance 48 per class
- Friendly Caller/Visitor to isolated seniors
   74 calls, 30 visits

**Handy Helper Services:** The program has restarted helping seniors to remain in their residence. Support includes minor yard work,

minor home repairs and tasks. The resident is responsible for providing the materials. To register for assistance, call 703-323-4788.

SCFB indoor social activities in Sept: Lunch N'Life The next luncheon is Thursday Sept 21 at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Presentation on Inova Medical House Call program and will talk on Art of Aging in Place. Adventures in Learning, Four sessions were held each Wednesday of September. Program topics were:

Sept 6 – Fraud Prevention Sept 13 – Older Drivers Start Your Engines

Sept 20 – Washington Trolley Story

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## Soroptimist International of Fairfax County

Pleased to have several applicants for our grant to female head of household pursuing career development. We hope to grant two grants this year.

We will sell White House Ornaments at the Fall Festival

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General Federation of Women's Clubs



## Woman's Club of Fairfax

Our fundraiser for scholarships annual Fashion Show was a great success, raising over \$6300, despite the rain.

We collected can foods as part of a service day sponsored by the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

It's that time of year ... members took Christmas stockings home at our last meeting to fill for the annual Salvation Army Christmas Stocking Program.

We have identified a family for whom we will provide Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas dinner and gifts, along with other items they need.

Our members are volunteering at the October 27 Fairfax Rock the Block.

We are collecting both used sneakers and tabs from cans for charity and programs.

We are assisting local girl scouts with a "Paint the Rock" program. The rocks will be placed in a pocket park in Fairfax City, off of Route 123, that the Woman's Club has "adopted" to maintain.

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**Membership** – Zonta Club of Fairfax County is looking for new members. We are having a meeting/membership brunch on Saturday, October 14 at 11 am at Brio Italian Grill. At our September 9<sup>th</sup> club planning retreat, it was suggested that we reinstate the mentor role, ask new members what they want from membership in Zonta and recruit virtual members (we already have three)

Service – During the summer, two members continued to shop monthly for Fairfax DVAC for \$125 of items. Cleaning supplies are now a great need for DVAC clients according to DVAC. Our Service Chair will check with DVAC about continuing needs, starting shopping by members or to provide gift cards, and what they wish for Christmas support. She is also collecting funds from members to purchase Thanksgiving baskets from Giant for the

Thanksgiving Program at Cornerstone in Reston.

We are looking at additional service ideas and projects at Bethany House, Cornerstone and Shelter House.

To have funds for various service projects and our scholarships, we continue our fundraising. We continue our annual holiday wreath fundraiser, will consider the on-line bulb sale for Fall 2024 and will have a Wine Tasting Seminar in May 2024. We are looking at Saturday, May 11 2-4 pm at the Total Wine in McLean. I will keep you posted. The annual wreath sale has begun. If you or your club members would like to have a beautiful live wreath delivered by our club members around Thanksgiving or the first week of December, see me.

Advocacy - ZONTA USA Caucus continues to send out the Friday texts and e-mails for advocacy support of issues that have legislation pending. Recipients of the texts and e-mails are asked to contact, through the e-mails and texts, their congressional representatives to ask for their support of the legislation in question that affects women and girls. If you would like to receive these texts, I will get the information on how to sign up to you. ZONTA USA is working on ending child marriage with a focus on Virginia this year for our club. It is also working on issues of climate change and its effects on women. Our club will participate in the ZONTA USA campaign on this topic, March 1-10, 2024. Members are working with others on the discharge petition on Capitol Hill to get the ERA published as part of the U.S. Constitution. One of our members is working on getting CEDAW to a hearing in the Senate and a national adoption of CEDAW. Fairfax County adopted CEDAW last year.

Club meetings – At our retreat in September, the members decided to continue alternating virtual and in-person meetings – First Saturday for virtual and first Monday evening for in-Person. Our October meeting is the meeting/membership brunch on October 14 at Brio Italian Grill. The November 4, meeting is virtual with a speaker on child marriage. The December 4 meeting our holiday gathering inperson will be at Olive Garden or Brio Italian Grill. Meetings in 2024 will feature speakers on Amelia Earhart, CEDAW, climate change and more. We are looking forward to a challenging and invigorating year.

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