



Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 6 December
12:00 PM
Moose Lodge

ISCC Minutes 4 October 2023

President Hoffman called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Twenty one individuals representing 20 organizations were present. Eleanor Vincent and Dara Aldridge from Pathway Homes, were our guests and speakers. Herb Zimmerman gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

OFFICER REPORTS

Minutes of the September meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer Clary reported a beginning balance of \$500.59. There were no expenses, and \$250 in club dues were received. Closing balance was \$750.59. Vice President Grimsley introduced our speakers.

Eleanor Vincent, Chief Operating Office of Pathway Homes gave a lengthy presentation about Pathway Homes, which provides long-term housing and independence for disabled and mentally challenged individuals. Ms Vincent spoke about the evolution of the mission, and the considerable growth in their ability to support vulnerable members of the community.

There was no New or Old Business

Club representatives gave brief reports.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 PM.

City of Fairfax



Parks and Recreation

Upcoming Events:

Holiday Craft Show

November 18 and 19
Fairfax High School
Saturday: 10am – 5pm
Sunday 10am – 3pm
Tickets:

Daily Admission: \$5
Two-Day Admission: \$8
18 and under are free

Photos with Santa (SUNDAY ONLY) from
11am – 2pm (free).

The biggest craft show in the DMV returns this year! Shop from over 200+ crafters.

Holiday Market

First two Weekends in December (Dec. 1 – 3
and Dec. 8 – 10)

Old Town Square

Fridays: 5pm – 8pm

Saturdays: 12pm – 6pm

Sundays: 12pm – 5pm

Photos with Santa (free) on Sunday, December
3 from 1pm – 4pm.

Paws and Claus (free) on Sunday, December
10 from 1:30pm – 4:30pm.

Support our local crafters and do some holiday shopping, while you enjoy live entertainment!

Festival of Lights and Carols

Saturday, December 2

Old Town Square
12pm – 6pm (Tree Lighting Ceremony at 5:30pm)
Live music, shop from local vendors, kids' crafts and activities, petting zoo, and more!

Claus and Cookies

Saturday, December 9
Old Town Hall
11am and 12:30pm
*Tickets Required – open November 1st
Meet with Santa and decorate your own holiday cookie!

Chocolate Lover Festival



Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee-

All of your favorite chocolate- themed events will be returning this year, including the Golden Ticket, which we missed last year! We are already full on vendors for the Taste of Chocolate, we'll have the Eye Candy there (weather permitting), the library will be full of children's crafts and entertainment, the court house will continue their various children's games, the cake walk, and so much more!

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

We are in the process of choosing our theme and will vote on our 2024 in our November meeting. If anyone has suggestions for a theme,

please feel free to send them to me at deanna.payne@fairfaxva.gov. Additionally, please help support the IDCC by purchasing wreaths from Wreaths Across America. As of this year, you can now choose any location, not just Arlington Cemetery, to lay a wreath.



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Civitan Club of Fairfax

Thank you to all from Fairfax Civitan had fun working a total of 57 hours helping at the beer garden by the main stage at the 14 October Fairfax City fall festival. Unfortunately, the weather did not encourage drinking cold beer. Looking forward:

- Our November Club meeting is going to be held in conjunction with a Regional Civitan meeting;
- On 4 November, we will work at the last Arlington Garage flea market for the season;
- We continue to gather non-perishable foods to benefit the Arlington Food Assistance Center;
- A new "November" project is to gather goods, organize and fill "snack packs" for the clients of Phillips school;

- A December project is to gather Toys for Tots;
- On 9 December our Club will enjoy a holiday party to be held at the ServiceSource Oakton building.

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Downtown Fairfax Coalition

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FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

Next meeting is November 13 at the City of Fairfax Library . November 27 the Ferns will decorate Old Town Hall .

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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

Fall is a great time of the year for riding and enjoying all of the terrific roads and fall foliage in Virginia. The weather and the foliage have been ideal and very enjoyable. As we head for the holiday season riding gives way to getting involved with family and friends and giving back along the way.

On October 25th Chapter members dressed up themselves and their bikes in Halloween costumes and rode in the Vienna 77th Annual Halloween Parade. As always this is a great community event, attended by thousands of children and townfolks, many dressed in Halloween costumes cheering on a parade of 108 units.

The Chapter will host a Thanksgiving dinner on November 22nd for homeless guests supported and served by The Lamb Center. The Chapter and members donate food and service to make this truly a family style event. Many of the dishes have become highly anticipated. Several Chapter members will also be involved in serving 150 guests and helping with the meal. We look at the Lamb Center as close neighbors and are proud and blessed to know and support them.

The Chapter has again enthusiastically joined with the Salvation Army's Holiday Program. Holiday Stockings are being filled with all kinds of surprises for kids and families in Fairfax County who otherwise would not have much. Gift Cards are also welcome and will be used by the families to purchase gifts and needed food. Chapter members will also be on hand before Christmas to assemble bikes and then assist with distributing the Holiday packages to families in need. Captains Jowens and Kadian Merone are the leaders at the Salvation Army, Fairfax.

The Fairfax Harley Owners Group is a diverse and energetic force of 230 members. The Chapter publishes a monthly newsletter and maintains its own web page at www.fairfaxhog.com . If you wish to know more, please contact me.

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Fairfax City Regional Library

The Friends of the Fairfax City Library held their annual election meeting and elected Dawn Keene as president and Mariann Gabor as VP. Other officers remained the same.

This week is our big book sale which runs 10 to 4 on Friday and Saturday and 10 to 3 on Sunday which is bag day.

We have funded \$3,835 for Children's programs so far this fiscal year and \$525 for adult programs.

There are an amazing number and variety of programs offered at the Fairfax City Library. Check out Events on the FCPL web site.

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Friends of Fairfax Station

Halloween Carnival at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum

The Halloween Carnival is back. Join Fairfax Station Railroad Museum for their Annual Spooktacular Halloween Carnival on Sunday, October 22, 2023, from 1-4 p.m. The Museum is located at 11200 Fairfax Station Road in Fairfax Station, VA.

Enjoy multiple Halloween Themed games. In addition to candy and fun, silly, and weird Halloween prizes, win tickets to place in the box of different prize baskets. There will be several to choose from and you do not need to be present to win.

Costumes are optional, but we love to see them; please bring a Trick or Treat bag to collect your goodies. Additional instructions for the event and game play will be provided at the admissions table. Adults \$6.00 (13 and above); Youth \$3.00 (5 to 12); Children FREE (4 and under). Admissions will open at 12:30

The Fairfax Station Railroad Museum presents: FallFest Featuring The Original Bavarian Dance Group of Washington

Start your Holiday Season with Fairfax Station Railroad Museum's FallFest on Saturday, November 18th from 12:30 to 5pm. The Museum is located at 11200 Fairfax Station Road in Fairfax Station, VA. Admission: Adults (13 and up) \$5, Youth (5 to 12) \$4, Children 4 and Under are Free. We offer Senior and Military Discount Admissions of \$4. Museum members are free.

Come for the day and join FSRM as we host the original Bavarian Dance Group of Washington 'Alt Washingtonia' for dancing, yodeling, cowbell ringing, Alphorns, and traditional German Food and Crafts. 'Alt Washingtonia' will provide entertainment in the true Bavarian style, come and watch, but come to learn and participate. Performances are at 1, 2, 3, and 4. You can join in the dancing, try your hand at blowing an Alhorn, ringing a cowbell, and more.

Enjoy German Food and Snacks (extra fee) and create and learn about traditional German Holiday Crafts. One craft per person (a ticket will be provided at admission). If you wish to make additional crafts purchase, tickets for \$1 each (all while supplies last). www.Fairfax-station.org, www.Facebook.com/FFXSRR, 703-425-9225.

Available Crafts:

Moravian (Froebel) Star

Candy Cone (candy provided)

Nutcracker or Lebkuchenherzen (Gingerbread Cookie Heart Paper Craft) Ornaments

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Historic Fairfax City Incorporated

HFCI held its regularly scheduled meeting on October 11 at City Hall. We welcomed Adam Basinger as a new member of the Board.

HFCI's Taste of the Vine event on October 6, 2023 at the Blenheim Civil War Interpretive Center was moderately successful, but the number of attendees was down a bit.

HFCI assisted the Office of Historic Resources at the Fall Festival and offered White House Christmas Ornaments for sale. We will be present at the Holiday Craft Fair on November 18 and 19 and will have the Ornaments for sale again.

Eric Forman from the City Planning Staff and James Feather from the Planning Commission were guests to present the Board with information about the Five-Year Comprehensive Plan Review. One of the Goals of the Plan is to Protect and Enhance Historic Resources. The Board was encouraged to hear that the action items being considered under this goal include:

1. Developing an inventory of historic and archaeological resources on the City's website;
2. Working with neighborhoods to gain support for new locally designated historic districts and landmarks; and
3. Encouraging preservation of existing buildings of historic or architectural significance.

There was also discussion of the impact of new development on the Historic District. This coming spring all boards and commissions will have the opportunity to review draft sections of contemplated plan.

On Saturday November 4, the Annual History Conference will be had at The Sherwood Center from 8:30 to 3:30. The theme will be "A County of Nations" celebrating our Muslim, Asian and Latino Citizens. Former Congressman Tom Davis will be the keynote speaker. Attendance can be in person or virtual. There is no charge unless food is purchased.

On November 18, there will be a book talk and signing with author Jill Newmark who has written a book entitled "The Courageous Lives of Black Surgeons." The event will be at the Blenheim Civil War Interpretive Center from 2 to 3:30 pm.

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Kiwanis Club of Fairfax

We will be doing Christmas stockings for the Salvation Army, We will also do gift cards for Bright Paths for Thanksgiving and meals for young minds.

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Knights of Columbus Father Diamond Council 6292

The Council holds business meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays 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 in person.

November Activities:

- Nov 10 – Parish Feast of St Leo the Great
- Nov 12 – 0 AM Mass Corporate Communion and Memory of Deceased Members
- Nov 18 Thanksgiving Food Basket Distribution
- Nov 18 Feed the Homeless in DC
- Nov 21 – Grey GOST Luncheon
- Nov 26 – Commence annual Christmas Tree Sales At St Leo's Until Dec 22

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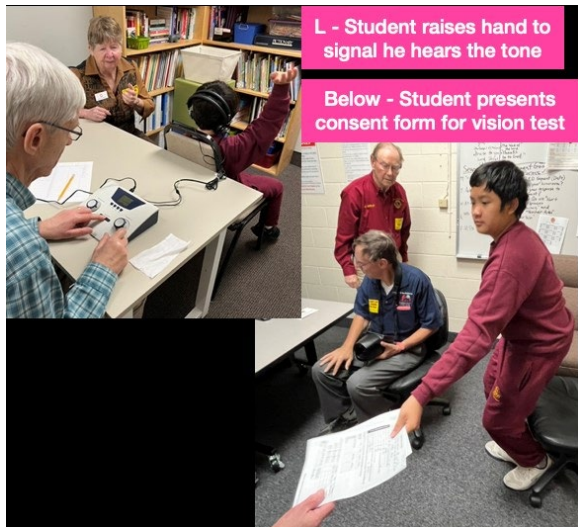
Fairfax Lions Club



We Serve

Since 1951

1. Lions have started a series of vision and hearing screenings for elementary students at local Catholic churches. This week we screened about 150 children at St Leos (Fairfax), and St Timothy's (Chantilly). Some children's test results showed they need to see a professional; notification was sent to their parents



Order now for products to be picked up at our fulfillment site (American Legion parking lot), November 16 to 18, 2023 at:
<https://fairfaxlions-november.square.site/>

And from December 14 to 16, at:
<https://fairfaxlions-december.square.site/>
 Don't forget to use your discount code
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Centreville Moose Lodge #2168

On October 6 we proudly hosted 55 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 George Mason's ROTC Honor Guard. The ROTC performed a special POW/MIA empty table ceremony. Lunch, donated by Chic-Fil-A at the Circle in Fairfax, was delivered to all at the Army Museum on Ft. Belvoir.



Our participation in the Fairfax Fall Festival (Oct 14) was rained out. However, we will have our booth at the City's Spooktacular Jack O'Lantern Stroll on October 29. We will have our Tommy Moose in person, Tommy Moose Pegboard game with great prizes, and Halloween candy treats.



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

for the ceremony.

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



On November 4 we will be holding our second Casino Night as a fund raiser for our various charities.

We will be providing a free Thanksgiving dinner to all members in our Social Quarters on Thanksgiving Day and a complete Thanksgiving dinner to the 12 residents at Robinson House.

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Salvation Army

Women's Auxiliary

The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary meets on the third Wednesday of each month (September through May, excluding December) at 10:30 AM at the Fairfax Salvation Army Corps headquarters located at 4915 Ox Road in Fairfax, VA.

The Auxiliary met on October 18. Discussions continued on several new springtime fundraising possibilities. In addition, October's ISCC Summary reported our expected participation in Fairfax County's planned community yard sale at the Oak Marr Community Center on October 7. Unfortunately, the community yard sale was cancelled due to forecasted rain. Instead, the Women's Auxiliary was invited by the Corps to participate in the Salvation Army's Fall Festival on October 21 to display and sell our donated fashion accessories. Considering the Fall Festival was geared towards children (with parents present), the Auxiliary's sale was very successful. We look forward to additional sales in the spring.

The Auxiliary had a more detailed discussion with Captain Kadian on the logistics of obtaining the summer camp supplies for 50 children. With numerous issues raised and resolved, we are ready to proceed with this important special project.

Captain Kadian reported that over 600 children have been registered for Angel Tree gifts. The deadline for the gifts to be delivered to the Corps is December 1. She has asked for the Auxiliary's assistance in reviewing the gifts for appropriateness and to ensure the requested sizes and items have been delivered for each child. In addition, the Auxiliary will also be reviewing the Christmas stockings. The Auxiliary will be assisting the Corps during the week of December 4.

The Captains are still looking to hire some Red Kettle Bell Ringers at \$14/hour (age 17 and above). In addition, volunteers are still needed (with no Salvation Army budget impact, of course). More information can be found on the Fairfax Salvation Army's Facebook page.

The next meeting for the Auxiliary is scheduled for November 15.

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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.

September /October Support Statistics:

- Medical and Shopping Drives – 244 drives
- Exercise Class (Chair Yoga) 10 Classes, average attendance – 49 per class
- Friendly Caller/Visitor to isolated seniors - 223 Calls, 53 visits
- Adventures in Learning – 103 Participants
- Lunch N'Life – 70 Participants

SCFB social activity in Nov:

Lunch N'Life Thursday Nov. 16 at 12 noon at Fairfax Presbyterian Church, 10723 Main Street, Fairfax. The guest speaker is Rev Henry G. Brinton, pastor of Fairfax Presbyterian Church. Rev. Brinton has written several locally grounded mystery novels. Cost of luncheon is \$15. Advance reservations are required. Call Bea Stephenson (703-273-5730).

Volunteer Drivers and event volunteers are critically needed. Please pass to your organizations. They can contact me at 703-273-2089 or Leightley8@verizon.net if interested.

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Soroptimist International of Fairfax County

We are delighted to have multiple applicants for our grant to female head of households. We hope to award two this year.

Fall festival was a disappointment for ornament sales, so we are still looking for opportunities to sell.

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General Federation of Women's Clubs 

Woman's Club of Fairfax

This past Friday, Woman's Club members volunteered at Fairfax City's Rock the Block, checking IDs, and pouring wine and beer. There was a good crowd.

Members are getting ready for our Bake Sale at the upcoming Fairfax City Holiday Craft Show, which is November 19th at Fairfax High School.

We have "adopted" a family and we will provide Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners to them, plus Christmas gifts for the children.

Members are filling Christmas stockings for the Salvation Army's annual Christmas stocking project.

We continue to collect gently used tennis shoes to be recycled. We are also collecting tabs from cans that will be recycled.

We continue with our "Flower Power" program, selling bulbs on-line

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