

Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 5 June 2024 12:00 PM Moose Lodge

ISCC Minutes 3 April 2024

President Hoffman called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM. Seventeen members representing 18 organizations were present. Blanch Anderson gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Lydia Patrick of Webclearly was a gust and speaker.

OFFICER REPORTS

Minutes of the March meeting were approved as provided.

Treasurer Clary reported a beginning balance of \$1,100.59. Expenses \$100.00 for the Fairfax High School Graduation party. Ending balance \$1,000.59.

Vice President Grimsley had nothing to report. President Hoffman provided a new roster and asked for correction or updates.

Guest Speaker Lydia Patrick spoke about the ISCC web site and addressed member suggestions for additions/modifications. She will provide proposals to add links to member organization scholarship information and volunteer opportunities with member organizations. She will provide proposals and pricing.

Volunteer of the Year – Announcement is out asking for nominations. Treasurer Clary noted that the \$20.00 fee was not mentioned in the announcement, but Clubs can bring the fee to the meeting.

Organizations gave their reports.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.

City of Fairfax



Parks and Recreation

Antique Car Show Saturday, May 18th

10am – 3pm

Kid's Safety Day Activities

- Free Bike Raffle and Helmet Exchange
- Fingerprinting
- Pop Up Traffic Garden (Biking, scooter, and walking obstacle course)
- Fire Safety Activities

Rock the Block

May 24 – Season Kickoff!! Old Town Square- 10415 North St., Fairfax 6:30 – 9:30pm

T-shirt Sales:

June 8th at City Hall front steps from 9am – 12pm

June 22that City Hall from 9am – 12pm
The Hometown Celebration is on June 30th at
City Hall from 5pm – 8pm. The City Band will be
giving their concert at 7pm and family-friendly
activities will take place prior to the concert.
There will be crafts, field games, a dunk tank, a
balloon artist, face painter and more!

Fairfax Pride:

June 1st from 5pm – 7pm at Old Town Hall (3999 University Dr., Fairfax)

The event will feature informational vendors, children's crafts, live music, VIP speakers, and more! Please check our website for a full list of events happening during Pride Month.

Mayors' Fitness Challenge:

The Challenge ends on May 11th, so be sure to add in your minutes to help us win the cup!

Chocolate Lover Festival



Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee-

Meetings will resume in November 2025. If there are any organizations or individuals who would like to join the committee, please email us at specialevents@fairfaxva.gov.

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

July Fourth Schedule:





Small Business Focus. Big Business Results.

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Civitan Club of Fairfax

Civitan is all about sharing.

We share with other Civitan Clubs. For example, on 17 April, the Arlington Civitan Club invited our Fairfax Club to join in a Zoom meeting featuring a presentation by a Civitan International Research Center scientist. A Regional meeting of various Civitan Clubs was held on 27 April to share reports and ideas. On 4 May, the Arlington and Fairfax Clubs work

together again to "staff" the huge Arlington Open Air Market.

Fairfax Civitan regularly supports various worthy organizations. Some we support with modest financial gifts. Some we championed by gifts from our Club and also by sponsoring them for larger financial gifts from the Foundation for Children with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (FCIDD). Other projects and organizations benefit from Club service projects.

One example: Fairfax Civitans has long admired a therapeutic riding organization now named the Cloverleaf Equine Center. Each year a modest sum is budgeted for the Center. A few years ago, with Club and especially FCIDD resources, a sizeable financial gift was provided to cover the out-door lighting of the Center complex. Also, a friend of the Center is a member of our Club and is very active both with the Center and with our Club. A number of Fairfax Civitans will "visit" the Equine Center on 11 May. Some of us will again watch the Center work with clients. All of us will spend part of the afternoon painting fences....

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FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

Our 2024 activities are already rolling and we have some terrific new rides planned for the rest of the riding season. There have been some ideal days for riding as well.

Work is progressing on our 24th annual "Ride of the Patriots" event which will be held on Sunday, May 26th. Our program for this event will be similar to previous years and will feature, an opening ceremony to honor those in uniform who serve our nation and protect our liberty. This year the Ride of the Patriots will join Rolling To Remember at the Pentagon.

This is a community event that is supported by City, County, Fairfax High School, Patriot Harley-Davidson and Fairfax citizens. Everyone is invited to come see the bikes and help honor those in uniform who put life and limb on the line to defend our families and our nation. This event attracts riders from across the USA who come to remember and honor friends and relatives in uniform who have served our nation unselfishly. Lest We Never Forget...

If there is an interest by any of the City of Fairfax InterService Club Council member groups in participating, please let me know. Your questions or suggestions will be most welcome.

The City of Fairfax is planning for the 2024 Independence Day Parade on July 4th. Our FHOG Chapter will participate and help celebrate our nation's Independence Day.

The Fairfax Harley Owners Group is a diverse and energetic force of over 250 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

Friends of the Fairfax City Library concluded successful spring back to back book sales grossing \$20,000. We think enabling credit card sales boosted our income. Now we need to spend money on long term goals for the library and the community. We are also planning our annual luncheon for members who helped with the sale.

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We will be holding club elections and have our scholarship dinner.

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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: <u>WWW.6292.kofc.com</u>. All meetings currently are in person.

May Activities:

- 18 May - Spaghetti Dinner Fund

Raiser

- 18 <ay – Fairfax Antique Car Show Concession

- 21 May Grey GOST Luncheon
- 1 June Grand Knight's Ball

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Fairfax Lions Club



Since 1951

Blood Drive

Fairfax Lions participated in a Blood Drive held at Providence Presbyterian Church on April 4th. The club assisted the American Red Cross in registering donors at the door and also donated blood. Thanks to Providence Presbyterian Church for hosting the event which drew 28 donors and 28 "good units" of life saving blood.



Lion Mike Greeley gives blood

Vision Screening

One April 11 & 12, Fairfax Lions conducted vision screening at Fairfax United Methodist Church Preschool. We screened 22 students, aged 3-5. Only one needed to be referred to an optometrist for further testing. The Fx County Health Department joined us to screen hearing of pre-schoolers.



Lions screen vision of Pre-school staff

Charity Fund raiser for Sprout

Our Club donates to **Sprout**, whose equestrian programs offer physical, social, emotional & cognitive growth for disadvantaged persons. Therapies are individualized; see **this video**.



Joe Breda with Founder of Sprout - Brooke Waldron.

Donation to The Lamb Center

The Lamb Center attended a Lions Club dinner meeting and accepted a donation from the Lions.



Lion Greg DeRosa presents check to The Lamb Center

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Centreville Moose Lodge #2168

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CENTRAL FAIRFAX OPTIMIST CLUB

Last Wednesday we honored our Essay Contest winner, Elizabeth Anna Philips, at our dinner meeting at the Elks Lodge. She presented her essay and was quite dynamic. We hope to hear more from her in the coming months.

We are starting to raise \$15,000 to build a new middle school so the children don't have to walk 2 hours to school in a different village. It will be furnished with desks, chairs, books, computers, and even a place for a sick or injured child can rest or be treated. If any of your club members or clubs would like to contribute money to reach this modest goal, we would really appreciate it.

Our Capital Virginia District Oratorical contest for the \$2,500 scholarship will be held Saturday, May 18th in Colonial Heights, VA. The winner will compete at Regional and International levels for more scholarship money.

The deadline for our Limburg Scholarship was April 30th. That competition is ongoing.

A new Board of Directors will be elected this month.

Safety Patrol members at Laurel Ridge and Oak View Elementary schools will be honored in May or June.

Our two Cub Scout Packs and two Scout Troops (1 boys, 1 girls) have been active and have one candidate for Eagle Scout

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- 1. We continue to have our meetings in person on Mondays at The American Legion Post #177.
- Our second Global Grant Scholar winner Natalia Lopez is attending Oxford University and recently ran in (and completed) the London Marathon on April 21st. She is also finishing her semester's studies and participating in London Rotary events.
- 3. Our Annual Golf Tournament is on the Monday after Mother's Day (May 13th) and is still looking for sponsors and players. No need to have a full foursome, individual golfers are more than welcome.
- 4. Our sponsored students from Fairfax High School, both won our Rotary Clubs' District's Speech and Music competition! At our April 28 meeting, we were "Wowed" by an incredible speech about the importance Rotary's mission in the world and mini-concert from our winning student cellist!!
- 5. We will be honoring our teachers of the year at our June 13th meeting.
- 6. Our Rotary year ends on June 30th, and we will be inducting our new officers, including President Joe Catalano.

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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 April 17, 2024. Captain Kadian was in attendance in additional to several of the Auxiliary Members and two guests.

Discussions continued on recent and possible future fundraising efforts including:

- Sale of gently used fashion accessories at a craft and vendor show on April 13 at Osbourn High School in Manassas
- Sales of some higher end donated items posted on Facebook Marketplace.
- A possible Tea Party in the fall or spring with attendance on a smaller scale of 60-80 people
- Working with a local restaurant to dedicate a certain percentage of a day's sales to the Women's Auxiliary
- Consideration of making and selling pet accessories

The Nominating Committee reported difficulty in selecting new candidates for the open leadership positions. The Auxiliary will be seeking advice from Captain Kadian at the next meeting.

A new Volunteer of the Year nomination was received. There are now 2 nominees, and further discussion and voting will take place at the May meeting.

As previously discussed, the Auxiliary has funded camp supplies for 50 children attending camp at Camp Rappahannock. After the general meeting on April 17, a few of the Auxiliary members assembled some of the supplies in bags for the children. Immediately after the next general meeting in May, assembly will be completed.

Captain Kadian provided the dates for the Angel Tree Program. Registration will take place on September 9 through September 12 in person at the Corps. Distribution will take place on December 16 and December 17. Times will be

provided in the near future. Goals for this year are 450 families and 900 children. Captain Kadian described the successful Music Camp weekend at Camp Rappahannock on April 12 through April 14. Thirty children from the Fairfax Corps participated in the Choir Singing Competition and did very well even though they did not win. Four children participated in the Solo Competition for brass instruments, and one child placed 3rd. Captains Kadian and Jowens discussed the plans for Salvation Army Week to be held between May 13 through May 19. A Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held at 5:00 on May 18 where Captain Jowens will be seeking sponsorships of children attending the Corps' 5week Summer Day Camp. This is a new initiative. Sponsors can choose to pay \$50 for 1 child for 1 week or \$200 for 1 child for the entire camp. It was reported last month that Hope Dmuchowski, who serves on the Salvation Army National Advisory Board, was scheduled to speak at the dinner. However, these plans have changed. Instead, Captain Jowens will be asking three to four parents from Woodburn Elementary School in Annandale to describe how the Corps' After School Program has benefitted their children. This area of Annandale experiences high crime and gang activity, and the Salvation Army has taken the lead to work with this school in protecting the children from predators after school. Many children from Woodburn are transported to and from the Corps and enrolled in the After School Program. The Auxiliary's next general meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2024. This is a week earlier than the regularly scheduled meeting due to scheduling conflicts with 2 key members of the Auxiliary.

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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.

March Support Statistics:

Medical and Shopping Drives – 252

drives

- Exercise Class (Chair Yoga) 12 Classes – 551 Participants
- Friendly Caller/Visitor to isolated seniors
 67 Calls, 15 visits
- Hand Helper -2 Tasks

SCFB social activity

Lunch N' Life will be held in May.16th at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church. The guest speaker will be Jeff McKay, Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. Cost of Luncheon is \$15. For reservations contact Larry Velte, 703-851-2561 or e-mail <u>Livelte@aol.com</u> prior to May 14th

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

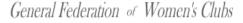
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Soroptimist International of Fairfax County

Two members will attend Regional conference this weekend.

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Woman's Club of Fairfax

Some of our members volunteered at the April 27 His Tree event at Blenheim.

Other members helped at the Fairfax Band concerts, handing out programs and tickets.

Our scholarship committee is still accepting applications but will soon be making a decision on our awardees.

One of our members was recently elected President of the Woman's Club of the Northern District of Virginia.

We are continuing with our clean-up project at the School Street Park in Fairfax City.

And of course members continually participate in on-going fundraising efforts, including donating used sneakers, collecting can tabs, and selling flower bulbs.

At every meeting, members bring specified items for donation to the Lamb Center.

An interesting fact about the General Federation of Women's Clubs: Eleanor Roosevelt encouraged the Federation to purchase 3 buildings In Washington, D.C. as its headquarters. One of the buildings houses the Iron Gate Restaurant

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