



Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 2 October
12:00 PM
Moose Lodge

The meeting was adjourned at 1:19 PM.

ISCC Minutes 5 June 2024

Acting President Larry Larson called the meeting to order at 11:59. Fifteen members were present, including new member Frank Burns of the Elks. President Hoffman and Vice President Grimsley were absent. Larry Larson gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

OFFICER REPORTS

Minutes of the May meeting were approved as provided.

Treasurer Clary reported a beginning balance of \$406.59. Insurance for the VOY event was \$380,00. Early Dues of \$25.00 received. Seven organizations have paid VOY dues. Ending Balance of \$166.59.

President Hoffman and Vice President Grimsley were absent.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Lary Larson reported that Katie McGannan will provide camera support. Larry nominated Cathy Kelleher as the ISCC Volunteer of the Year. The recommendation was approved.

WEBSITE

It was suggested that a list of organizations they have volunteer opportunities and/or scholarships be included so that those interested could visit the organization's web site, rather than trying to keep the ISCC web site updated with that kind of information.

Organizations gave their reports.

City of Fairfax



Labor Day Car Show

Monday, September 2
Special thanks to the Clifton Lions Club for all their work on another successful show! The event was extremely well attended by both car owners and attendees, and a very generous donation will be made to local charities from the event proceeds.

Movies Under the Moon

Friday, September 13
8pm at Van Dyck Park
Featured Movie: *Onward*
* Bring your own chairs, blankets, and movie snacks! This is the last one for the year!

Rock the Block

Friday, September 27
6:30pm – 9:30pm
Old Town Square – 10415 North St., Fairfax
Featured Band: Dr. Fu and Herr Metal

Chocolate Lover Festival



Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee-

The first meeting will be on 9/4/24 at 3:30pm in City Hall (10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax), to begin planning for the 2025 festival.

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

Meetings for the 2025 parade and evening show will resume on Thursday, September 19.



Central Fairfax *Chamber of Commerce*

Small Business Focus. Big Business Results.

There's so much exciting news coming from the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce! Last May, we hired Kim Luckabaugh as our part-time Events Manager. This has freed up time for our Executive Director, Jennifer Rose, to finalize the formation of the Chamber's foundation - The Fairfax Forward Foundation! Having a foundation will open many doors for funding of a variety of initiatives that will better serve you, our business community! The Fairfax Forward Foundation is dedicated to support the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce in its efforts to advance the economic vitality and overall well-being of our community through strategic initiatives, innovative programs, and collaborative partnerships. The mission of the Foundation is to support the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce in its efforts to foster economic growth, empower businesses, promote community development, and create a thriving environment that enhances the quality of life for all in Central Fairfax. The Foundation shall achieve its mission through various initiatives, programs, and partnerships that align with the goals of the Central Fairfax business community. Our Commitment: At the Fairfax Forward Foundation, we are committed to Economic Empowerment, Workforce Development, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Community Collaboration, Education and Training, Quality of Life Enhancement, Advocacy and Representation, and Philanthropy. Our Vision: The Fairfax Forward Foundation envisions a community where businesses flourish, individuals prosper, and collaboration propels us towards a vibrant and sustainable future. Through our mission-driven

initiatives, we strive to create lasting positive impacts that extend beyond the business realm, fostering a community that is resilient, inclusive, and filled with opportunity. Stay tuned for more information, including how to support the Fairfax Forward Foundation!

We also have several outstanding community events coming up including:

[Women's Entrepreneur Empowerment Luncheon](#) on Wednesday, September 25 from 11:30am - 2pm

[Fairfax City Candidate Meet & Greet](#) on Wednesday, September 25 from 7:30pm - 9pm at the Sherwood Center.

Fairfax's Finest Valor Awards on Friday, October 25 at 7:30am at the Sherwood Center.

Halloween Trick or Treating in Old Town Square on Sunday, October 27 from 4pm - 6pm.

Also, The City of Fairfax is celebrating "[Get There Differently](#)" during the month of September — which includes Car Free Day on Sept. 23 — by encouraging residents to try an alternative to drive-alone commuting. There are several ways to participate: **Join their #FFXCityGetThereDifferently campaign on social media.** Participants will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a [\\$50 Flex card](#) to use at businesses throughout the city! **Take the pledge to put down your keys on [Car Free Day](#).** Participants will get the chance to enter a raffle for even more great prizes from Commuter Connections. **Rent a Capital Bikeshare bike for FREE.** Just use promo code **TryBikeshare24** for a free day pass on the city and/or get \$20 off your membership using promo code **GetThereByBike24.** **Hop on a Lime or Bird scooter.** New users can get 25% off their first three rides in September with the promo code **TryScooters24!** **Ride the CUE Bus.** Our Prize Patrol will be making surprise appearances throughout the month to give away fun prizes to our riders!

As always, we would love to answer any questions you may have about membership in the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce! Reach out to Jennifer Rose at executivedirector@cfcc.org or "Zoom" in for our next [Chamber 101](#) webinar on Friday, September 13 from 8:30am - 9:30am.

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Civitan Club of Fairfax

Fairfax Civitan highlights of the summer included running a food stand on the Fairfax City 4th of July parade route; the early August National Convention of Civitan International; and the celebration on 7 August of our and other Volunteers of the Year.

Our Club continues to ordinarily meet hybrid fashion (both "in person" and via Zoom) the first Thursday of each month. The first weekend of each month we work at the huge Arlington garage sale. The third Thursday each month our Board of Directors meet via zoom. Occasional service projects continue to take place. And one annual "administrative" task underway is the recruiting of officers and Directors for our Civitan year starting 1 October.

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Downtown Fairfax Coalition

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ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX ELKS LODGE #2188

Thank you to the members of the Inter-Service Club Council of Fairfax for approving Lodge 2188 for membership in your organization, and special thanks to Trinket Troy for introducing us to the ISCC and arranging for a relationship that should have happened many years ago. Pardon the temporary absence of a logo for the Lodge. We have selected one but have experienced technical difficulties in employing it for this report.

The Arlington-Fairfax Lodge has operated at its Arlington Boulevard location since the early 1960s and has served the local community with financial support and the recognition of many members of the community during those many years. My wife, Sandy, grew up near Five Oaks

and Sayre Roads and remembers going to Friday night dances at the Lodge when she was in high school. It was our effort to provide a safe and fun environment for the high schoolers of the community.

We have over 500 members in the Lodge and offer a very active social schedule for our members and their families. We are open a minimum of five days a week and have special events every week. Assorted organizational elements of the Lodge meet regularly on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We have bingo and trivia burger nights on alternate Thursdays throughout the year. On Friday nights we have dinner and dancing to live entertainment. We have busy weekends, with "soup lunch Saturdays" and many special events to celebrate the seasons. And yes, we watch baseball, basketball, football, and sometimes, even golf at the Lodge on the weekends and Monday nights.

Consistent with the principles of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, we engage in extensive service to the community. I will not attempt to list our extensive service activities here but will take the opportunity to report on them throughout the year as they occur. I am delighted to be able to provide news on some priority activities for us in this report. Members of the Lodge visit the USO lounges at Reagan National Airport and Fort Meyers twice a month to restock their snack freezers so that the military personnel who visit the lounges can have a snack on Arlington-Fairfax. We also had special activities with the lounges this past summer, when we hosted and staffed a taco lunch for the soldiers and staff at Fort Myers and a barbecue luncheon at Reagan. When soldiers were recently stuck at Reagan due to inclement weather, we provided some hotel rooms at a local Hyatt so they did not have to camp out at the airport. We just received twenty boxes of new dictionaries which we will provide to the third graders at several local elementary schools in the next few months. And with the kids back in school, we have already begun food shopping to prepare for our "Backpack Lunch" program, which operates throughout the school year. This is just the beginning, and we are grateful for the opportunity to participate with you in recognizing good people who serve our community through volunteer organizations.



FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

Summer is always packed with many riding opportunities. Along the way many of our members have also supported the Fairfax community.

On July 4th fifteen Chapter members rode in the 58th Annual Independence Day Parade in the City of Fairfax. It was a HOT day for sure. We were proud to be a part of this event and to celebrate the Birth of our Nation.

The Chapter did its part in keeping the City of Fairfax Streets looking their best on August 3rd as part of the City's Adopt-A-Spot Program.

On August 2nd we were pleased to take part in the Annual Volunteer Recognition Program hosted by the InterService Club Council at the Sherwood Community Center. We proudly presented Jim Egbert as our "Volunteer of the Year". We were glad to have his volunteer efforts in the community recognized, as well as the generous support given to our Harley Owners Group. He joined the other nominees similarly recognized and we applaud all of them for their unselfish effort in our community and in their organizations.

Another event, The Healing Heroes Ride on August 17th involved many members and other riders who generated \$26,000 to support outreach to wounded warriors at Boulder Crest Retreat.

Coming up in September we are focused on 9-11 recognition events including our Annual 9-11 Memorial Chapter Ride to the Pentagon on September 11th. Proceeds from this event go to the Pentagon Memorial Foundation. We will also be riding on September 21st to join the Officer Down Memorial Ride to *Remember the Fallen*.

The Fairfax Harley Owners Group is a diverse and energetic force of over 245 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

The Fairfax City branch of the public library has a new head librarian, Alana Quarles. Many of you knew Laura Raymond whom Alana replaced. Laura was promoted to a position that oversees all the libraries in our region of the county library system.

The Friends of the Fairfax City Library continue to empty donation book bins daily and to sort the retained books each Tuesday morning from 10 AM until around noon. We are looking forward to our next sale the first 2 weekends in November. Our sale is scheduled around the presidential election and Veterans Day which makes logistics a bit tricky. A Board meeting next week will hopefully sort that out. We will continue to take credit cards for our sales as that seems to be popular with our buyers. We have welcomed several new members this summer and continue to look for ways to expand our membership.

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Kiwanis Club of Fairfax



We will be having our installation this month at East Wind

We will be packing meals for young minds

We are working on the details for fall festival.

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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.

September Activities:

- 8 Sept – Support the Mass honoring the Military and 1st Responders
- 17 Sept– Grey GOST Luncheon
- 21 Sept– Support St Leo the Great Parish Picnic

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Fairfax Lions Club



We Serve

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Centreville Moose Lodge #2168

In July and August, we continued with our Heart of Community Activities including donating over 200# of food to Robinson House and the Girl Scouts Blessing Box in Van Dyke Park. We also donated approximately \$400 worth of used clothes and personal items to Salvation Army, INOVA Children's Hospital Store, Robinson House and Purple Heart.

We attended the Virginia Moose Association Annual Convention on August 15-18. Our Lodge received the Moose International Premier Lodge Award and the VMA Shining Star Award for Lodges with 400-800 members. In addition, our Lodge President and Lodge Administrator

received Leadership Awards for their efforts in growing and strengthening our lodge.

On September 14 the Lodge is holding our Annual All-U-Can-eat Shrimp Feast as a fundraiser for Mooseheart and Moosehaven. On September 20 we are proud to host 55 veterans and their guides, from the Appalachian Highlands Honor Flight, for dinner and lunch the following day. This is the third honor flight we have sponsored this year. The Moose fraternity has a special designation for those who are or have served. They are our Valued Vets. Our Moose Legionnaires sponsor the Honor Flights and make sure that all our Moose Valued Vets are invited to attend so we can honor them as well.

In October we will host our 4th Honor Flight from the Appalachian Highlands, participate in the Fairfax Fall Festival, hold a Pumpkin carving contest, Bacontober Fest, and LifeLine Screening at the Lodge.

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CENTRAL FAIRFAX OPTIMIST CLUB

The end of the Optimist's year was busy. In June we honored 74 Safety Patrol members at Oak View Elementary and awarded the 6th grade Peter Drake Award.

Members attended the Optimist International Convention in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada and came away with new insight for our club.

The Optimists had a Red, White and Blue potluck picnic dinner meeting in July and had a great time with our Educator of the Year Awardee and our Youth always a favorite. Appreciation Awardee. Great BBQ was from Mission Bar-B-Q, which is

The Ghana School Project is still underway, and we have developed a Go Fund Me page to help with funding. We are at our halfway goal!

August was a vacation month for the club and there were no Optimist meetings.

Our member, Maxwell Anokye, was our Volunteer of the Year, but sadly was not able to attend the ceremony because of COVID. We plan to honor him at our September meeting.

Our new Optimist Year will begin in September with the installation of officers at our dinner meeting at the Fair Lakes Olive Garden, Sep 27th. We are looking forward to a new season with new opportunities for our youth.

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Salvation Army

Women's Auxiliary

The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary last met on May 8, 2024. During and after that meeting, several of the members completed the 50 bags of supplies and camp essentials for the children attending the summer camps.

The Women's Auxiliary also chose Carolina Hurtado as its 2023-2024 Volunteer of the Year and would like to congratulate her on this accomplishment. She was recognized at the ISCC Volunteer of the Year Ceremony that was held on August 7, 2024. Carolina officially joined the Women's Auxiliary of Fairfax in

October 2021, but she has a long history and friendship with the Auxiliary. For many years, from 2003 through 2019, she volunteered her time as one of the models of the fashions for the Auxiliary's annual fashion shows. Since Carolina works full time, she is unable to attend the monthly morning meetings (3rd Wednesday of each month). Despite her job commitment during weekdays, Carolina has stayed up-to-date on the Auxiliary's news and events. She has communicated with the Auxiliary's President regularly, offering feedback on fundraising ideas. She has also always been the first to volunteer for the Auxiliary's weekend fundraising events. She has definitely played a major role in the success of the Auxiliary during this past year, and the Auxiliary thanks her for her contributions.

The final discussion in the May meeting concerned the future of the Auxiliary. Due to diminishing membership and the inability of most of the existing members to assume any new leadership roles and take on any new responsibilities or volunteer for new fundraising events, the Auxiliary members made the difficult decision to disband.

Questions regarding activities at the Salvation Army-Fairfax Corps should be directed to Captain Jowens Merone or Captain Kadian Merone at 703-385-8700.

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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, and Out and About which all provide mental stimulation and socialization opportunities.

Welcome In June, Shepherd's Center Fairfax Burke welcomed our new Executive Director Beth Kilgore- Robinson. She comes with significant experience in social work and supporting seniors.

July Support Statistics:

- Medical and Shopping Drives – 170 Drives
- Exercise Class (Chair Yoga) 14 classes 546 Participants
- Friendly Caller/Visitor to isolated seniors - 82 Calls, 11 visits
- Hand Helper –none

SCFB social activities

Lunch N' Life was held Thursday July 18th at Burke Presbyterian Church at noon. It featured the "Vienna-Falls Daytimers a Cappella Women's Barbershop Group." We had 50 guests.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Lunch N'Life will be held Thursday September 19th at noon at Jubilee Christian Center. Address is 4650 Shirley Gate Rd, Fairfax. Cost of luncheon is \$15 per person. Program is "The View from the Pilot House with Potomac Riverboat Captain John Gennaro." For reservations call SCFB Office 703-323-4788. For payment on line with credit card: <https://scfbva.networkforgood.com/events/74417-lunch-n-life-9-19-2024>

Out and About Winery Event Monday October 7th at Paradise Springs Winery from 2 to 4 PM. The winery is at 13219 Yates Ford Rd, Clifton. The event will include tour of the grounds including 4 wine tastings' gourmet snakes with 2 additions tastings in the barn. Limit is 25 Persons. Cost is \$45 per person. Reservations and payments by September 15th. For reservations call SCFB Office 703-373-4788. For payment on line with credit card: <https://scfbva.networkforgood.com/events/74978-winery-tour-and-tasting>.

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

A busy summer. Our then president attended the Federation meeting in Washington state in late May. She is now the Region leader elect. Our new local officers were installed at our August meeting. Our club will co-host the Region meeting in October.

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Woman's Club of Fairfax

Not much to report, as our first meeting after the summer break is not till September 9th. However, some members attended a summer meeting planning session for the upcoming months. Also, we continually items to the Lamb Center. And the book club continues to meet during the summer.

We are sponsoring a food donation/shredding event on September 28 at Fairfax High School from 10:00 am till 1:00 pm. It is a free event, but you are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to donate to the Fairfax High School food pantry.

Planning continues for the annual Woman's Club Fashion Show to be held on Saturday, October 19th, 11:30 am. at the Fairfax American Legion Post 177. This is our big fundraiser of the year for our scholarship fund.

The upcoming fall season will be a busy one!

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SERVICE

We are looking at our service projects for 2024-2025 which begins June 2024. The Club is holding a Retreat on September 8th to discuss and adopt new service projects. The International Goals from the International Convention in Brisbane this summer will be included in this discussion.

MEMBERSHIP

We hope to add new members from attendees at our October 26th Wine Tasting.

ADVOCACY

Our current major advocacy project is Sign for ERA. This is a national petition to the Congress asking it to pass a resolution to make the ERA an amendment to the Constitution. The ERA has received the needed number of state legislative bodies to pass it. Virginia was the last to approve to bring the number needed.

BUSINESS

The club inducted new officers at the May 4th and June 1st meetings.

President: Linda Sudi
Vice-President: Lynne Strobel
Secretary: Joe Furman
Treasurer: Kim Perdos

Directors: Judy Johnston, Blanche Anderson, Ina Fernandez, and Paul Beechler

The club worked at "Rock the Block" on June 28. All participants enjoyed the event and the work. As a fundraiser it was very successful. With tips and sales, the club made almost enough for a scholarship for next year. Our Wine Tasting in October is both a fundraiser and a membership event.

FUTURE EVENTS

September 8 (Saturday) 10 am – 1 pm

Club Retreat to plan for service, membership, and fundraising

October 26 (Saturday) 2-5 pm

Membership/Fundraiser Wine event. Location: Paradise Springs - We will be in The Loft, which is the top floor of the building adjacent to the main winery entrance.

Cost: \$45

The event will go as follows:

2-2:15pm - Check in for first tasting and receive ticket (but all are welcome to check in now.....even the later tasting folks.

2:15-3:15pm - tasting #1

3:30-4:30pm - tasting #2

4:30-5pm - final bidding on items and announcement of winners

Everyone to whom we sell a seat is welcome to be at the winery during the entire 3 hour time frame. There will be a table for 20 set up for the actual tasting, but there will also be other seating for those doing the other tasting. Those not involved in the tasting at 2:15 can still enjoy the food and bid on the items.....and just enjoy

the ambience of the winery. Then, when their tasting is over, they can swap places with the others, and they can enjoy the snacks and bid.

Please put the date on your calendar and share it with your club members. We would love to have you join us. I can sell you tickets. Don't miss this delightful event. *Tickets are still available at both times. Get yours now!*

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