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Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 4 September
12:00 PM
Moose Lodge

ISCC Minutes

President Hoffman called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Sixteen members representing 17 organizations were present. Larry Larson gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

OFFICER REPORTS

Minutes of the April Meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Clary reported a beginning balance of \$1,000.59. Web Clearly fee of 594.00 was paid, leaving a balance of \$406.59. Treasurer Clary reminded the Counsel that insurance fee of approximately \$300 is coming up in late May.

Vice President Grimsley introduced our Speaker from the Friends of Fairfax County Animal Shelter.

President Hoffman had nothing to report

Representatives from Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter reported on their work for the animals turned in to the shelter. They raise money for veterinary care, including medical, dental, parasite prevention, spay and neuter. They also provide collars, leashes and tags.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR – Larry Larson reminded members that nominations are due in June.

WEB SITE DISCUSSION: Need to make sure key words are there to facilitate searches. Also discussed ways to identify which member organizations have scholarships or volunteer opportunities. Key words may be the way to direct searchers. Also discussed the possibility that ISCC member might be able to update.

Because of the speaker and Web discussion, Club reports will be in the Newsletter

Due to the absence of both President and Vice President at the June meeting, Past President Larson will preside at eh June Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:54 PM.

City of Fairfax



Juneteenth

Saturday, June 15

10AM – 4:30pm

Old Town Square (10415 North St., Fairfax)

The event kicks off with an Opening Ceremony from 10am – 11am followed by live entertainment, food trucks, informational and historic vendors, and children’s activities.

Movies Under the Moon

Friday, June 14th

8PM

Van Dyck Park (3720 Blenheim Blvd., Fairfax)

Featured Movie: Elemental

Rock the Block

Friday, June 28
6:30PM – 9:30PM
Old Town Square (10415 North St., Fairfax)
Featured Band: Scorpion Rose

Chocolate Lover Festival



Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee-

Meetings will resume in November. If you're interested in joining the committee, please email Deanna Payne at deanna.payne@fairfaxva.gov. Thanks!

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

IDCC T-Shirt Sales

Saturday, June 8
9am - 12pm
City Hall Front Steps (10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax)
Saturday, June 22
9am – 12pm
City Hall Front Steps (10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax)
July 4th Parade
Thursday, July 4th
10am – 12pm
City Hall front, next to the reviewing stand (10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax)

Hometown Celebration

Sunday, June 30
5pm – 8pm

Veteran's Amphitheater, next to City Hall (10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax)
Crafts, lawn games, children's activities, and food vendors from 5pm – 7pm, followed by the City Band performance at 7pm.

Independence Day Celebration – Thursday, July 4th

Parade:

10am – 12pm
Downtown Fairfax

Evening Show

6:30pm – 10pm
Fairfax High School (3501 Lion Run, Fairfax)
**Please check the city's website for more information



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Civitan Club of Fairfax

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The Civitan Club of Fairfax ordinarily meets the first Thursday of each month, and these full Club meetings include a presentation and discussion about some worthy organization and activity. In May, the presentation was from the CEO of Community Resources Inc. (CRi (Choice, Respect, independence). CRi serves persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities; some CRi clients are members of Fairfax Civitan; and our Club provides some financial support to the CRi organization.

The new president of the Foundation for Children with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (FCIDD) will be present at our Fairfax Club June meeting, and she will share some of what the Foundation does. While Civitan and FCIDD are separate organizations, they are mutually supportive. For example, on 1 May, our Club was represented at the Opening Ceremony of the restructured Ellmore Farmhouse in Frying Pan Park—and our Club and the FCIDD covered the cost of an elevator in the Farmhouse.

Recent volunteer projects for our Club included a sizeable group of us on 11 May painting some of the fences at the Cloverleaf Equine Center. The first Saturday of each month found many of us working at the Arlington Open Air Garage sale—a good fundraiser.

Looking forward:

We are preparing to once again run a food stand at the 4th of July Fairfax City Parade. We have picked our Volunteer of the Year. And the Civitan International Convention will be held in early August.

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FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

Memorial Day is an opportunity for all citizens to remember and honor those in uniform who without hesitation put life and limb on the line to protect our freedoms and democracy. 1,750 motorcycles and riders gathered along Fairfax Boulevard on a sunny Sunday morning for the 24th annual "Ride of the Patriots" in support of Rolling to Remember on May 26th. The Opening Ceremony event included:

Community recognition of Memorial Day with help from the City of Fairfax Fire & Rescue Departments, City of Fairfax and Fairfax County Police, two Fairfax High School Band members, and Joint US Military Honor Guard, American Legion Riders, Patriot Guard Riders and a member of the Fairfax City Band.

We were honored especially by remarks by Mayor Catherine Read and the presence of Council Members D. Thomas Ross and Billy Bates. State Senator Saddam Salim also was present and provided remarks.

We were most especially honored to have Afghanistan War veteran US Army Major Gerald Gangaram address the attendees. America the Beautiful was beautifully sung by Ev Black followed by a minute of silence which was shared to honor those who have fallen and those who remain in harm's way followed by TAPS performed by Fairfax City Band trumpeter Glenn Maravetz.

An extraordinary turnout of the community here in Fairfax as well as on all the overpasses on the

way to the Pentagon turned out to support our military and first responders.

It was a great day in every respect that included tremendous community interest and involvement. The Ride of the Patriots proceeded via I-66 to join Rolling to Remember at the Pentagon where we had the opportunity to support our military and honor the sacrifices they make for us. We are indebted to the City of Fairfax Police, Fire Department, Public Works and Fairfax County's motor squad for their effective support to insure a safe and secure Ride of the Patriots.

Along with numerous organized rides, several community events will take place this summer including:

- Adopt-a-Spot on June 1st
- participation in the City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade
- support for the Salvation Army Back-to-School Back Pack Program.

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**Kiwanis Club
of Fairfax**

Our international convention will be in Denver, CO. The district convention will be in Portsmouth, VA. We will be participating in the 4th of July parade

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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.

June Activities:

- 1 June– Grand Knights Ball
- 5 June – Support City Hall Annual Picnic
- 15 June – Support St Leo's Family Fest
- 18 June – Grey GOST Luncheon
- 25 June - End of Fraternal Year Steak Night

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Fairfax Lions Club



We Serve

Since 1951

On May 31st, FX Lions presented 42 books (for children ages 3-5) to the Main Street Child Development Center library.



FX Lions Club and [Main Street Child Development Center](#) are partners in several programs serving deserving families and young children in our community.

Received thank-you letters for donations made to Food for Others, George Mason University (veterans' scholarship), and Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Fairfax Lions collected 3,754 pairs of donated eyeglasses in May - all go to the Lions Northern VA Eyeglass Recycling Center.

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Centreville Moose Lodge #2168

May 2024 was a very busy time for us at the Moose Lodge here in Fairfax. We celebrated Star Wars Day (May the 4th – be with you) and Cinco de Mayo. We hosted 55 veterans and their guides, from the Appalachian Highlands Honor Flight, for dinner and lunch on May 17 & 18. This was the second honor flight 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. We celebrated Mother's Day providing cards and roses to all our members coming to the lodge who are mothers.

On June 8 we will hold a Casino Night as a fund raiser for Health, Happiness & Hooves Farms, a (501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, providing services to disabled children and adults suffering from PTSD. On June 15 we will present \$25,000 in scholarships to five (5) Fairfax High School students. On June 29 we will hold our Texas Hold'em Tournament at the lodge. The last week of June we will be preparing our float entry into Fairfax's Independence Day parade.

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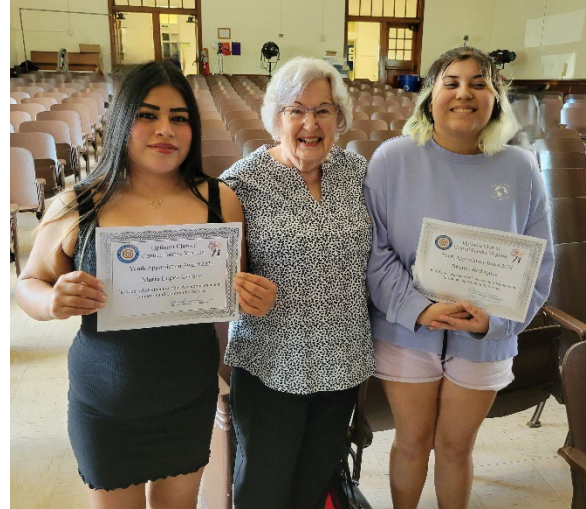


CENTRAL FAIRFAX OPTIMIST CLUB

May has been a busy month for The Optimist Club of Central Fairfax. The Respect for Law certificates were presented to the 128 crossing guards at Oakview Elementary and Laurel Ridge Elementary Schools. The winner for the Peter Drake award as Leader of the Crossing Guard

patrols was Reese Predreson, chosen by the teachers at Laurel Ridge.

We celebrated our Limburg Scholarship winner from Fairfax HS, Duong, at a dinner at Olive Garden. He is a very well-spoken gentlemen from Cambodia and will do well in the future.



The winner of the Norbert Grabowski Citizenship Scholarship is Asanda Motsumi who is from South Africa and has overcome many challenges adapting to a new culture. She has excelled in academics at Mountain View and became an engaged member of the community. She will further her education by attending Longwood University.

The Central Fairfax Optimist Club participated in the Awards Ceremony at Mountain View High School May 30th. They awarded Youth Appreciation Awards to Maria Lopez Gomez who is from Guatemala and left school to take care of her family at age 15; moved to Virginia and faced many more obstacles in her life but found solace in the foster care system. She has transformed her life to become a very successful and confident student.



Brianna Rodriguez is an excellent student with a positive attitude and excellent work ethic. She has been involved in the Get2Green initiatives and participates in many other activities at school. She plans to become a counselor and continue to help others.

The recipient of the Excellence in Education award is Michael Todd, a counselor who has been at Mountain View HS for 13 years and is a well respected member of the staff. He states that this role was a life changing event for him and is exactly where he belongs!

Twisha Sinha, one of our Oratorical Contest speakers, won the District Contest in Colonial Heights. She will go on to the Regional Contest and, if she wins, on to the World Contest. She is an amazing young lady! Twisha has started a

group at her school to collect slightly used computers for children in Lebanon and also to contribute to our Ghana school project!

Our project for raising \$15,000 to build a new middle school in Ghana so that children will not have to walk 2 hours to get to school in another village is underway. 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 would like to contribute money to reach this modest goal, we would really appreciate it.
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The Optimist International Convention will be held in Niagara Falls, Canada at the end of June.

A July picnic is scheduled for our next meeting.

Have a happy summer.

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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 May 8, 2024. Captain Kadian was in attendance in addition to several of the Auxiliary members and a guest.

The Auxiliary members completed the assembly of 50 bags for the summer campers. In addition to the supplies, the Auxiliary members wrote individual notes to each of the 50 campers to provide encouragement and let them know what they can expect

A fundraising effort that has been discussed for several months within the Auxiliary is finally coming to fruition. The CEO of the Capital Restaurant Group (including Paisano's) has agreed to donate 20% of his Paisano's sales for one day to the Salvation Army. Two points of contact with the Salvation Army will coordinate with him for this donation.

A member of the Auxiliary has been selected as our ISCC Volunteer of the Year. The necessary documentation, including a biography of the nominee, will be submitted to Larry Larson no later than the deadline of June 7.

Captain Kadian has provided the dates for the backpack assembly and the Angel Tree Program as follows:

Registration for backpacks will take place on July 15 through 18. Assembly will take place on July 29 through 31. Distribution will take place on August 5 and 6.

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 Jowens is still seeking sponsorships of children attending the Summer Day Camp to take place at the Corps between June 24 and July 26. Sponsors can choose to pay \$50 for 1 child for 1 week or \$200 for 1 child for the entire camp. Checks for sponsorship should be made payable to Salvation Army Fairfax with Summer Day Camp noted on the Memo Line.

The Salvation Army is planning a 5K walk/run on Saturday, September 28. The walk/run begins and ends at the Corps at 4915 Ox Rd, Fairfax, VA 22030. All proceeds raised will benefit the Corp's After School Program

The Auxiliary does not meet over the summer. The next scheduled meeting is September 18.

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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.

April Support Statistics:

- Medical and Shopping Drives – 203 Drives
- Exercise Class (Chair Yoga) 13 classes 479 Participants
- Friendly Caller/Visitor to isolated seniors - 64 Calls, 6 visits
- Hand Helper –1 Task

SCFB social activities

Lunch N' Life was held in May.16th at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church. The guest speaker

was Jeff McKay, Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

Next Lunch N' Life is Scheduled for Thursday July 18th at Burke Presbyterian Church at noon. It features the "Vienna-Falls Daytimes a Cappella Women's Barbershop Group." The cost of the luncheon is \$15. For reservations contact the SCFB Office (703-323-4788) and leave your name and desire to attend on SCFB answering machine or send an e-mail to scfbmgtassist@gmail.com. Deadline for reservations is July 15, 2024. Mail your payment check to SCFB Office 4019 Olley Lane, Fairfax, VA 22032.

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 will be holding a Summer Social on June 19 to welcome new members.

Fall Regional meeting will be October 26.

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General Federation of Women's Clubs 

Woman's Club of Fairfax

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SERVICE

Joe Furman is the primary deliverer of monthly food and supplies, or gift cards requested for the DVAC pantry. The DVAC Pantry sent a thank you to Zonta for its faithful and continuing support, especially the work of Joe Furman. We are looking at our service projects for 2024-2025 which begins June 2024. The Board will meet in early August to consider the International Goals from the International Convention in Brisbane this summer. Denise Sylvester will represent the Club.

MEMBERSHIP

We are planning to add another new member this summer. We hope to add new members from attendees at our October 26th Wine Tasting.

ADVOCACY

Elimination of Child Marriage in Virginia – HB994. The bill passed the Virginia House of Delegates and the Virginia Senate. The bill was signed by the Governor on the last day for his signing or vetoing of bills. Our coalition of Zonta Club of Fairfax, VANOW, Unchained at Last, and Tahirih Justice Center worked together on this bill.

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

As part of our learning more about women's suffrage and the 19th Amendment and the ERA, the club met on Saturday, June 1 at the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial in Occoquan Regional Park. The nineteen panels tell a truly courageous story of women fighting for the right to vote. They tell the story of the role of the Lorton Work House and its brutality that was the "turning point" in the struggle. The 20th panel awaits the passage of the ERA. I highly recommend visiting this memorial. The whole memorial is a beautiful and striking one. The club inducted new officers at the May 4th and June 1st meetings.

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

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

The club will work at the June 28th Rock the
Block this summer. Wine Tasting in October is
both a fundraiser and a membership event.

FUTURE EVENTS

Early August: Board Planning Meeting Zoom
Meeting

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

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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.**

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