



Parks & Recreation

Live Life Connected

Important Dates

May 18
Antique Car Show
10am-3pm, City Hall and
Armstrong Street

Children's Safety Day,
10am-1pm, City Hall

May 24 and June 28
Rock the Block!
6:30-9:30pm

May 26
Ride of the Patriots

May 27
Memorial Day, City
Holiday, offices and
facilities closed

May 28—June 8
"We Didn't Know How to
Write, but We Knew How
to Live" Korean
Grandmothers'
Autobiographical Painting
Exhibition @ Sherwood

June 6 and 20
Hometown Thursdays
6:30-8pm
Old Town Square

June 10, 17, 24, 31
Funday Monday
10:30am at Old Town Hall

June 30
Hometown Celebration
featuring the City of Fairfax
Band
5-8pm
Veteran's Amphitheatre

July 4th
Independence Day Parade
10am
Fireworks and Evening
Entertainment
6pm
Fairfax High School

Parks and Recreation

May 2019 PRAB Report

FY2020 Budget Update

The City Council for the City of Fairfax has approved the municipality's \$145.5 million General Fund operating budget for fiscal year 2019-20, an increase of \$3.5 million, or 2.5 percent from the prior year. The total approved budget for all funds is \$170.0 million, a 1.0 percent decrease from the previous fiscal year's budget. The city's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.

The FY 2019-20 budget reflects the strategic goals of the City Council, which seeks efficiencies and opportunities in service delivery and to increase the city's commercial base. These initiatives include providing additional resources to the Economic Development effort, enhancing transportation efforts via multimodal innovation and maintaining the city's award-winning and safe neighborhoods.

The 2019 real estate tax rate increased from the current real estate tax rate of \$1.06 to \$1.075 per \$100 of assessed value; of this, 3.0¢ is dedicated to the Stormwater Fund (a 0.25¢ increase). The real estate tax rate increase is 1.5¢. The average annual residential real estate tax bill will increase \$104 (1.95%) or about \$8.67 a month. The average commercial property owner's tax bill increases by 2.9 percent from their prior year's tax bill; based on an increase of 0.8 percent in commercial real estate values, a 1.5¢ real estate tax rate increase and a 1.0¢ increase in the Commercial and Industrial (C&I) tax rate to 12.5¢ per \$100 of assessed value.

The recommended budget is designed to advance Council directives and goals by investing in the following:

Economic Development and Redevelopment

- Provide additional resources to the Department of Community Development and Planning, Economic Development Office, Economic Development Authority and other city operations to create and implement strategies for key commercial centers, and, more specifically, to fund the development and completion of small area plans in the Northfax commercial activity center and Old Town (\$700,000)

Transportation

- Fund a project manager for Public Works to manage the city's transportation construction projects, helping with strategic planning, securing funding and critical program administration (\$85,000)

Neighborhoods

- Implement new e-ticketing system in Police Department to help keep neighborhoods safe (\$19,500)
- Fund the City Work program in conjunction with the Lamb Center (\$60,000)
- An increase of 0.25¢ for the storm-water real estate tax rate to support critical infrastructure

Governance

- Fund an enhanced tax-relief program to allow more city residents to qualify and to be on par with Fairfax County's program (\$75,000)
- Increase the unassigned fund balance to 12 percent of current revenues as part of a long-term financial stability effort (\$415,000)
- Set aside \$435,000 as initial funding of the Budget Stabilization Fund
- Provide a 2.6 percent COLA to employees to maintain regional compensation parity and to support the city's recruitment and retention efforts (\$744,100)
- Fund an upgrade to the Electoral Assistant Registrar position, converting part-time personnel to full-time — ensuring this department continues to set the standard for excellence in voting transparency and innovation in the Commonwealth (\$45,000)

SHERWOOD PROGRAMS & CAMPS

KAREN LUSSIER

CAMP REGISTRATION 2019

2019 Camp Registration is off to a FANTASTIC start! We currently have over 500 individual campers registered for our traditional camps!

Camp Training and Hiring

This summer we are welcoming some great new additions to our staff at both the leadership level and counselor level. We pride ourselves on having the best summer camp staff and will continue that this summer. Our camp training will be held the week before camp starts, June 18-21, at the Sherwood Center. We are working with a number of other departments to assist in areas of the training such as mandated reporting, stop the bleed training, first aid, staff bonding, and mental health.

We are looking forward to another great summer!

Camp Site

% of Spaces Filled as of 5/14/19

Sunshine Daniels Run	96%
Sunshine Providence	97%
Providence Day Camp	75%
Daniels Run Day Camp	64%
Lanier Day Camp	67%
Teen Adventure Camp	100% +waitlist

SPECIALTY CAMPS 2019

Specialty Camps are designed for children of various ages and focus on specific activities. The interactive camps will help children learn while having fun this summer. There are a variety of camps that are offered from Jun 17-Aug 23. Many of the camps are offered during the time when our traditional camps are not (Jun 17-21 and Aug 12-23).

There are currently over 400 registration for these specialty camps.

- **Last Blast Camp**
- **Artbug and Abrakadoodle Art Camps**
- **Play-Well TEKnology Camps**
- **Mi Chu Chu Tren Spanish Immersion Camp**
- **Skateboarding Camp**
- **Drama Camp**
- **Girl Entrepreneur and Business Girl Camps**
- **Tiny Chef's Cooking Camp**
- **UK Elite Soccer Camp**

Sherwood

Movie Night

Friday, May 17, 7:00pm

'Small Foot'

FREE!

Perishable food donations are accepted for Britebaths at all movie nights!

Now Accepting Registrations for Preschool 2019/2020!

The Sherwood Center now has registration available for preschool programs for the 2019/2020 School Year. These programs will include Little School for ages 3-5yrs and Mi Chu Chu Tren Spanish Immersion Preschool for ages 2yrs and six months to four years. All programs have a two day, three day or five day option available. These are VA State Child Care licensed preschools and financial assistance is available for City of Fairfax residents in need.



GREEN ACRES & SENIOR CENTER

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GREEN ACRES



Second session of spring Senior, Adult and Youth classes started successfully continued in April. The fitness classes continue to be popular with instructors teaching Monday – Friday mornings and afternoons; Line Dancing on Monday mornings and Thursday afternoons; Tai Chi on Friday mornings; Aerobic Dancing and PM Pilates on Tuesday & Thursday evenings; Mommy & Me Dance Fit on Thursdays; our Personal Fitness Trainer Teresa also teaches Monday morning Fit Ball and Cardio & Strength Circuit, leads Exercise Equipment orientations in the Fitness Room on select Saturdays as well as Small Group Fitness classes. Evening drop in Pickle ball numbers continue to grow and be a popular program.

APRIL ENROLLMENTS AT GREEN ACRES			
Type	2018	2019	Difference
Youth	24	18	-6
Adult	211	305	+94
Fitness Pass Usage (Non-Senior Member)	34	16	-18

Try a Free Class at Green Acres **May 1-7** Open House week!

SENIOR CENTER

APRIL SENIOR CENTER STATS			
	2018	2019	Difference
New Members	37	56	+19
Total Members	3364	3770	+406
Attendance	2469	2757	+288
Fitness Room	752	667	-85
Website Hits	1247	799	-448

SENIOR CENTER COUNCIL NEWS

2019 Senior Council Officers

Frank Krempa– Chair
 Sam Crumpler -Vice Chair
 Sandy Moshos– Treasurer
 Charles Spasaro-Secretary
 Sandy Moshos– PRAB representative

On the Agenda during the April meeting :

- Committee Reports
- Green Acres Parking Program
- Enhancing the Senior Center Experience
- City of Fairfax Senior Center Council By-Laws
- Fourth of July Parade– King and Queen selection
- Older Adult Volunteer Recognition Ceremony (50th Anniversary) Selection of our outstanding volunteer

Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 1pm.

Next meeting will be May 21 at 1pm in room 111. All are welcome.

April Program Highlights

PARTY TIME- We honored and recognized our hospitality committee ladies during our spring potluck with personalized aprons sponsored by the senior council. For all their dedicated service. Friday April 13 with a spring-inspired salad potluck party filled with spring flowers, laughs and fellowship.

BOCCE LEAGUE - Orientation meeting of the new Bocce teams took place April 25 to include lessons. Opening day of the Young at Heart Bocce league season is set for Thursday May 2. Join us Thursdays at 9:00am May—September. Is it not too late to join in the fun!



Older American's Month Celebrated at the Senior Center all month long!



Every May, the Administration on Aging, part of the Administration for Community Living, leads our nation's observance of Older American's Month. The 2019 theme is Connect, Create, Contribute.

Wednesday May 2 at 11am we kicked off the month with a successful **Open House** at the Senior Center. Seniors learned of services /programs offered throughout the City and County as well as the senior center activities. **May 14** at the City Council meeting will be the presentation of the **Proclamation of Older Americans month** at 7pm.

Other special activities planned this month include Lunch and Learns, **Mother's Day Tea 5/10**, **Memorial Day picnic 5/24** and will conclude on **Wednesday May 29 with National Senior Health Day** we will offer free fitness classes during senior center hours – 8am-5pm.

INDOOR/OUTDOOR PICKLEBALL- M-F 1pm –3pm Outside weather permitting behind Green Acres on the black top.

Please see attached May calendar



CULTURAL ARTS

MEGAN DUBOIS

APRIL 26 - MAY 12, 2019

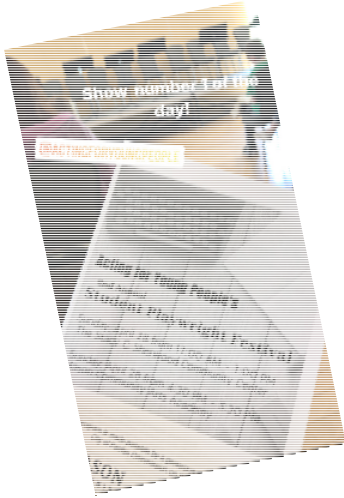
FAIRFAX SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS presents AN AQUARIAN EXPOSITION in FAIRFAX, VA

3 WEEKS of PEACE & ARTS

www.FairfaxSpotlight.org

SpotlightArtsFestival @ffxarts

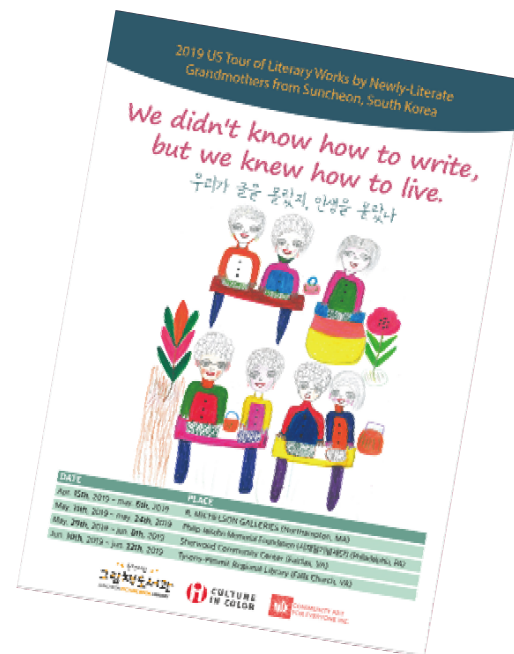
Spotlight had lots of Fun in City Venues and Parks!



Upcoming Events Summer 2019

“We didn’t know how to write, but we knew how to live”

An Exhibit of Korean senior’s autobiographical fairy tale paintings. Koreans now in their 70s and 80s experienced very dynamic environments like the Japanese colonial period, the Korean War, democratization, Korea's rapid economic growth and the technetronic boom. Their paintings will offer us a glimpse into their emotions and help us understand better their perspective of the world. In a rapidly changing society this exhibition will force the audience to contemplate what is precious in this life and how to live in the future.



This will be on display in the Rotary Gallery at the Sherwood Center from May 28 – June 8. The Opening Reception is on May 29, from 6 – 9pm.



Concerts at Veterans Amphitheater

- June 30 Hometown Celebration with City Band (7pm)
- July 11 City Band Children’s Concert (7:30pm)
- July 18 Main Street Community Band (7:30pm)
- July 25 City Band Concert (7:30pm)

SPECIAL EVENTS



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

2019 Official Logo

This will be the logo for the 2019 Independence Day Celebration.

Parade Line-Up

The Independence Day Celebration Committee held the parade line-up meeting on April 24 at Green Acres Center. Approximately 8 members spent 2 hours sorting through the multitude of parade applications and carefully placing them in the parade divisions to make for a very colorful, entertaining and musical parade. Parade participation have received an acceptance email and confirmation letters will be mailed in June.

UPCOMING EVENT DATES:



Hometown Thursdays

1st & 3rd Thursday—May, June, August and September

6:30-8:30pm

Old Town Square

This series will host local bands from the Fairfax Area. The schedule for the summer is:

May 2— Cinema Hearts/Abby Rasheed
May 16—Abbey Roads Jazz Ensemble
June 6— Main Street Band
June 20—Hypnotic Willie

August 1— Lesson Zero
August 15—Witness Protection
September 5 — Dirty Gold Brass Band
September 19 —Hickory Grove Blue Grass & Folk Band



2019 ROCK THE BLOCK

The first Rock the Block of the summer concert series will open on May 24 at Old Town Square. The Rockets will be the band. Eight businesses selling food and the non-profits have been picked to pour beer. Twenty percent of the net profits go back to the non-profit organization. The schedule is below:

May 24—The Rockets
June 28—JunkFood
July 26—The Reflex

August 23—Dr. Fu/Herr Metal
September 27—Kristen and The Noise
October 25—The Excellent Drivers

1st Annual Beer in the Burbs—Saturday, June 1

Introducing Fairfax City's first craft-beer festival: This celebration of suds will be one of the region's biggest events that raises a mug to Virginia craft breweries — from Loudoun to Virginia Beach and from Roanoke to Richmond. We're showcasing more than 15 breweries for this family-friendly event in the perfect Old Town Square setting, with plenty of food trucks, live music and more. Every year this festival will have a different theme – this year is celebrating the 50th anniversary of Woodstock! If you love Virginia craft beers, this is your Super Bowl.



SPECIAL EVENTS (cont.)

SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS 2019

Event permits and being submitted and approved for 2019—events will include the returning Fit Foodie Race (New in 2017), Pacers Turkey Trot & New Years Eve Run, Labor Day Car Show and more. We are anticipating seeing an increase in event requests in 2019 due to the new Old Town Square regulations and the popularity of the Veterans Amphitheater at City Hall.

	2018	2019	Difference
Approved Permits to Date	21	12	+3
Applications Received to Date	23	15	+4
Pending Applications	0	3	+1
Denied Applications	0	0	0

ATHLETICS & FIELDS

ATHLETICS

All winter gym and field permits have been issued. All grass fields are closed December 1st through February 28th. We will continue to process winter requests as they are received. Draper Drive Turf fields are closed for renovations December thru February. We received the Spring 2019 applications from groups and will start to process them over the next month.

The field users are the regular groups: FPYC and two adult groups. We are not able to issue permits to the other 6 adult groups because Draper is closed. The primary field space is Stafford and FHS Turf field. Stafford is not scheduled Monday thru Friday

because we do not have lights.

The gym permits are primarily issued to FPYC basketball with a couple spaces going to CYO.

Tournaments: None

Revenue: Will be much lower this year since Draper Drive is not available

ATHLETICS STATS			
WINTER	2018	2019	Difference
Revenue	\$2,703.00	\$427.50	-\$2,275.50
Pending Revenue	\$1,600.00	TBD	-\$1,600.00
Field Permits	20	7	-13
Gym Permits	15	16	+1
Applications Received	17	8	-9
Approved Applications	16	7	-9
Denied/Cx Applications	1	0	-1
Tournaments Scheduled	0	0	0
Adult Groups Scheduled	7	2	-5
Pending Application	0	0	0

FACILITIES

BRIANNE BAGLINI

MAY STATISTICS

Old Town Hall	2018	2019	Difference
Utilization Rate for May	54%	30%	-24%
May Rentals	3	7	+4
Apr. Revenue	\$17,544.50	\$19,027	+\$1,482.50

Sherwood	2018	2019	Difference
Utilization Rate for May	61%	59%	-2%
May Rentals	36	42	+6
Apr. Revenue	\$40,196.25	\$35,419	-\$4,777.25

Blenheim	2018	2019	Difference
Utilization Rate for May	54%	48%	-6%
May Rentals	16	17	+1
Apr. Revenue	\$17,721.50	\$15,655.80	-\$2,065.70

Green Acres	2018	2019	Difference
Utilization Rate for May	66%	71%	+5%
May Rentals	79	99	+20
Apr. Revenue	\$9,222.50	\$15,662.50	+\$6,440

PARKS

Dog Park Site Work Continues!
Dog Park dedication is scheduled for June 15th @ 11 a.m. the



New Tsunami at Van Dyck Park is a big hit!

George Snyder Trail Advisory Group Kick-Off

Meeting is scheduled for May 22nd, 7pm @ the Sherwood Center. The following people are in the group:

Brian Cipriano
Kat Dodd
Doug Stewart
Chuck Monng
Bob Reinsel
Chloe Ritter

Role of the group is:

- to provide input on what we want trail to accomplish – transportation and recreation, connection to neighborhoods, interpretation and education opportunities, etc.
- to provide input and feedback on trail design
- to assist with public outreach as needed
- to assist with public meetings, council meetings – attend, speak

Agenda includes:

- Overview of the project
- Project schedule
- Public outreach
- What's next