

Parks & Recreation

## Live Life Connected Important Dates

Oct. 4, 18, 25 Funday Monday, 10:30am, @ OTH

#### Oct. 9

45th Annual Fall Festival, 10am-5pm After Fest Concert, The Reflex, 5:30-8:30pm, OTS

#### Oct. 13

Mason Arts, Reva & Sid Dewberry School of Music Strings, 7pm @ OTH

#### Oct. 14

PRAB Meeting, 7pm @ Online and in-person

#### Oct. 14-31

Fall for the Book Festival, Hybrid "On Demand". Visit: fallforthebook.org

#### Oct. 15

OTH Performance Series, Calvin Earl, 7:30pm, @ OTH

#### Oct. 21

Friday Morning Music Club, 12pm, @ OTH

#### Oct. 22

Rock The Block, The Darby Brothers, 6:30pm @ OTS

#### Oct. 29

OTH Performance Series, Project Locrea, 7:30pm, @ OTH

# Parks and Recreation October 2021 PRAB Report

# **Fall and Winter Park Projects**

This fall and winter the Parks Division will be busy with the following projects:

- City Community Garden Extension
- Installing water at the Dog park
- Bocce Court Drainage Improvement
- Green Acres Pickleball Courts
- Fence Replacement and Repair along trails
- Asphalting Trail Heads and bridge aprons
- Maintenance on Old Town Square landscaping at Old Lee Highway and North Street
- Replacing Playground at Dale Lestina Park
- Build and replace 25 picnic tables and 25 benches
- Repair Basketball Court asphalt at Ranger Road
   Park using Proffer money
- Installing "FenceGuard" on outfield fences

# SHERWOOD PROGRAMS & CAMPS

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### SCHOOL DAY OFF PROGRAMS

We will be offering several programs for the upcoming FCPS school holidays and teacher workdays on October 11 and November 1-2. These programs will be held at the Sherwood Center and Van Dyck Park. These contracted programs continue to be popular among school age children and their families.



# PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

The Little School at the Sherwood Center opened its doors on Sept 7th! There are now 14 children enrolled in this preschool. This program operates five days a week, from 9:30am-12:30pm. This program is VA State licensed childcare and had it's first successful inspection of the school year on the second day of school, Sept. 8th.

Michuchutren Spanish Immersion Preschool started out the school year in Sept at the Sherwood Center due to a licensing inspection issue, but this was quickly resolved in less



than two weeks. On Sept 17, the program was able to successfully move over to their new permanent location, Green Acres Center. This program is now able to offer program that are full day (9am-4pm) which they were not able to do at Sherwood due to logistics. The program now has 15 children

and the program is a traditional preschool that is 100% immersion in the Spanish language.

# **GREEN ACRES & SENIOR CENTER**

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## **GREEN ACRES**



Green Acres News
Introducing the
Green Acres Game
Room

GA classroom 112 was converted into a game room over the summer and opened for the first time in September. The room

was a big hit and a welcome surprise for our seniors!

The space so far consists of 5 games: ping pong, pool/billiards, shuffle board, fuse ball and air hockey.

After senior center hours, this room will be available to rent. Come join the fun.

SEPTEMBER ENROLLMENTS AT GREEN ACRES			
Туре	2020	2021	Difference
Youth	0	0	0
Adult	25	64	+39
Senior classes	32	135	+103

The Fall class sessions successfully started in September at Green Acres offering a variety of classes options.

All previous virtual classes are transitioned back to in person.

We will continue to offer our senior fitness plan and select fitness classes at the Sherwood location this Fall.

## **SENIOR CENTER**

SEPTEMBER SENIOR CENTER STATS				
	2020	2021	Difference	
New Members	0	32	+32	
Total Members	4141	4174	+33	
Attendance	0	649	+649	
Fitness Room	0	415	+415	
Website Hits	356	837	+481	

#### SENIOR CENTER COUNCIL NEWS

Senior Council Officers: Sam Crumpler - Chair Pat Hyland - Vice Chair Sandy Moshos - Treasurer Charles Spasaro - Secretary vacant- PRAB representative

2020/2021 Senior Center Advisory Members: Kim Chu, Susan DiMaina, Jay Lamb, Jeanette Mason, Pete Pollak and Sigrid Schipper

The Senior Council continues to work on behalf of the senior members and staff while the center is closed. During the June meeting, the board decided and voted unanimously to skip the Board Elections this year and continue with the present Board until elections in the Spring of 2022.

Next meeting: October 19 at 1pm

Council voted to cancel the Annual Young at Heart Flea Market/Halloween Happy Hour this year due to COVID.

#### Our the Senior Center reopened in September!

We welcomed our seniors back to Green Acres with an **Open House** Tuesday, September 7, to safely reconnect with their friends , participate in drop in activities as well as see the new upgrades to Green Acres and the Senior Center.

60 people came for opening day and groups have been returning back to the pre-covid activities as they feel comfortable with our COVID guidelines in place.



The most popular groups have been Military History, who are returning from their COVID location- Blenheim , outdoor sports, bridge groups and the **lunch and learn** seminars.

Other groups are coming back slowly, but still holding their activities such as Bingo, card games and pickleball.

#### **Senior Programs**

**NVSO** was held at Green Acres on **Sept 30** with athletes from all over Northern Virginia ranging in age from 50–90+ to compete in Bocce and Horseshoe events. We are excited to announce our very own Nick Garito won the Gold medal for Bocce in the **90+** age bracket.

All game results/winners are posted on the NVSO website.

Our own senior center Bocce season came to an end this month, concluding with an awards ceremony and prizes given to our winner—next season begins in May 2022.

## Virtual Programs offerings Continue

The City's virtual website continues to offer seniors a variety of opportunities. The Virtual learning page had **30** hits in the month of September.

Fairfax County has enhanced their virtual learning site to include new partners and programs for our seniors to take advantage of this Fall.

https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/neighborhood-community-services/virtual-center



# **CULTURAL ARTS**

# MEGAN DUBOIS The Bomita Lestina

# **Old Town Hall Performance Series**

# Returns to In-Person

Unless otherwise noted, all performance take place at Old Town Hall, Doors open at 7:30 p.m. — please arrive early seating is available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Please note that masks are required in all City of Fairfax Facilities regardless of vaccine status.

We are requiring preregistration for these concerts. Go to Cultural Arts | City of Fairfax, VA (fairfaxva.gov) to sign up.

October 15 Calvin Earl - Soundtrack of Our Lives Singer/Songwriter - Spiritual



Soundtrack Of Our Lives Music Concert - With his acoustic guitar & soothing vocals he brings to life the simple beauty of America's greatest 'Oldies but Goodies' songs. Choosing from the Americana music genres of Blues, Jazz, Standards, Rhythm & Blues, Soul, Country, Folk, Spirituals, Show Tunes and even a little Rock & Roll he brings to life the songwriters vision for the song. No digital enhancement, no gimmicks, no flashing lights, just a beautiful song enhanced with the elements of peace and love. Join Calvin for an evening of relaxing & fun music of days gone by, energized with a little bit of soul.

PROTECT LOCREA October 29 **Project Locrea- Global Voices World Music** 

Project Locréa is a new musical alliance formed between high caliber musicians introducing audiences to the different musical traditions of the world. Combining traditional instruments with western classical and jazz instruments, the project's focus is on bringing a better understanding and a deeper connection between cultures.

# More exciting Events this Fall!

#### **Mason Arts at Old Town Hall**

Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Oct 13— Reva and Sid Dewberry School of Music Strings

Nov 10—Best of Film and Video Studies (At Sherwood!)

## **Friday Morning Music Club**

Thursdays, Noon at Old Town Hall Oct 21



# **Next Reflex Dance Company presents "Flight"**

5:00 p.m. October 30 at Blenheim

Come in costume and bring the littles for a costume parade!

5:00 p.m. November 13 at Ashby Pond



# Fall For the Book October 14 – 31

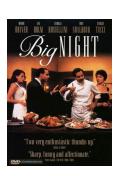
Go to fallforthebook.org/ for full schedule

## ArtScreen

November 5—Big Night

**Sherwood Center** 

Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Movie Starts at 7:30 p.m.



# **FACILITIES**

## **BRIANNE BAGLINI**

# **OCTOBER STATISTICS**

Old Town Hall	2020	2021	Difference
Utilization Rate for Oct.	22%	35%	+13%
Oct. Rentals	2	5	+3
Sept. Revenue	\$2,650	\$3,550.88	+\$900.88

Sherwood	2020	2021	Difference
Utilization Rate for Oct.	33%	84%	+51%
Oct. Rentals	10	42	+32
Sept. Revenue	-\$210	\$41,472	+\$41,682

Blenheim	2020	2021	Difference
Utilization Rate for Oct.	22%	32%	+10%
Oct. Rentals	5	7	+2
Sept. Revenue	\$2,475	\$3,532.50	+\$1,057.50

Green Acres	2020	2021	Difference
Utilization Rate for Oct.	89%	67%	-22%
Oct. Rentals	36	56	+20
Sept. Revenue	\$920	\$5,668.25	+\$4,748.25