

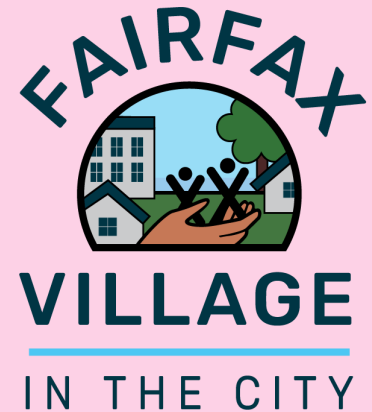


Parks and Recreation

February 2022 PRAB Report

Fairfax Village in the City Getting Organized!

As part of the FY22 Adopted Budget the City Council approved \$25,000 in funding to ward creating a village program in the City. For background the mission of Fairfax Village in the City, a joint effort of city staff and community volunteers, is to help residents aged 55 and up and those with disabilities to age in place within the City of Fairfax community. To that end, the Village works to build personal connections between neighbors, share useful information, and facilitate access to area resources.



The Human Services Division is spearheading the program and Parks and Recreation is providing support as needed. Jason Scadron, currently a Customer Service Representative, has taken on the role as Village Coordinator. Jason is splitting his time with Parks and Recreation and Human Services.

Currently an Advisory Board is being established. The Advisory Board will be made up of 9 to 15 members who are representatives from key stakeholder organizations along with 3 at-large resident members serving 3 year terms, and appointed by the City Council. Applications are currently being accepted.

Willard-Sherwood Health and Community Center Update

Two on-line outreach sessions were held the last week of January. The meetings were recorded and can be found on the City's Engage Fairfax webpage. Future meetings include:

Senior Center Lunch and Learn

Fairfax Police Youth Club

HOA's located near the site

Schools and Churches located near the site

In-Person Outreach meeting at Sherwood in late February

To date almost 400 people have taken the Engage Fairfax Survey and approximately 100 people attended the first two outreach meetings.

SHERWOOD PROGRAMS & CAMPS

KAREN LUSSIER

SUMMER CAMP 2022

City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department Staff are working very hard on planning for summer of 2022. The summer will look fairly similar to how it was operated in the summer of 2021. There are still many factors that are unsure, so we are diligently working to make sure safety is our number one priority.

- **Details about the 2022 Summer Camps will be sent out in February**
- **Registration will begin in March (date to be announced in February)**



Factors to consider for 2022:

- *Small Groups*
- *More health and wellness protocols*
- *Field Trip/Bussing is yet to be determined*
- *Lenient Refund Policy*
- *Longer sessions for consistency of children and staff*

Darlene's Fitness Classes at Sherwood

During COVID, 'Darlene's Fitness Classes' were moved from the Green Acres Center to Sherwood, due to Connected Care and social distancing factors. Darlene Wujkowski has worked teaching fitness for the senior population for over 20 years and has built quite the following. Classes are held Tues-Thurs. for three classes each day— Pilates/Yoga, Senior-cise and Zumba Gold. The class was very grateful to have nice place to workout and it went so well, it was determined that the class would continue to operate at the Sherwood Center.



Fitness Class Celebrates Gloria Toner's 94th Birthday!

We look forward to having this and more classes continue at Sherwood.

SPRING BREAK 2022 PROGRAMS

The Sherwood Center will be running a few in-person Spring Break programs during the week of April 4-8, during FCPS Spring break. New COVID related safety polices and procedures will be put into place for these programs.

The following programs are being offered (*with potential formore offerings*):

- **Fairfax City Theatre Drama Camp**
- **Tiny Chef's Cooking Camp**
- **Hi-Five Sports Camp**
- **Playwell TEKnologies Camps**

Limited Space available. Registration will begin the middle of February.

GREEN ACRES & SENIOR CENTER

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GREEN ACRES

January ENROLLMENTS			
Type	2020	2021	Difference
Youth	0	0	0
Adult	37	71	+34
Senior Classes	20	109	+89

Senior and Adult classes began in January at Green Acres with senior fitness classes continuing at Stacy C Sherwood Community Center.

Registration began in December for winter classes to include the second session which will start in February/March.

While we have decided to run all our classes and programs, several adult instructors have chosen to take the January and February months off due to COVID with hopes of a strong return in March.

Bocce courts are currently being repaired to improve the drainage and to be ready for our next Bocce season.



SENIOR CENTER

January SENIOR CENTER STATS			
	2020	2021	Difference
New Members	0	29	+29
Total Members	4140	4270	+130
Attendance	0	741	+741
Fitness Room	0	254	+254
Website Hits	614	836	+222

2021/2022 Senior Center Advisory Members

Kim Chu, Sam Crumpler, Susan DiMaina, Pat Hyland, Jay Lamb, Jeanette Mason, Pete Pollak, Sigrid Schipper, Charles Spasaro, and Sandy Moshos.

Senior Council Officers :

Sam Crumpler – Chair Charles Spasaro-Secretary
Pat Hyland - Vice Chair Sandy Moshos– Treasurer
PRAB– New- Chuck Pacey

Election of new Senior Advisory Council Members

Due to the unusual circumstances created by Covid, a decision was made to extend the existing council positions through summer 2022. The council plans to hold the election in August 2022.

Fundraisers in 2022: A discussion about the difficulties in planning such events because of Covid restrictions/limitations was held at the last meeting the Council voted to cancel our reservation at Sherwood for the March Fundraiser.

The Senior Council's next meeting will be held *virtually* on **Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. – new time.**

Our senior members had a busy December, but have slowed down a bit with the new COVID variant in January. We have continued to offer our regular drop in and paid class options. Programs were cancelled, including the day trips, as needed in January that did not meet the minimum enrollments or instructors chose to take off the month due to students decision to stay home until the Omicron variant wave passes through. Many activities continued to be well attended such a military history, with full classes, German, Knitting, Bridge, Lunch and Learns and Pickleball as well as daily use of the Game Room.

New memberships continue to happen with **29** new folks to the senior center registering for membership this month!

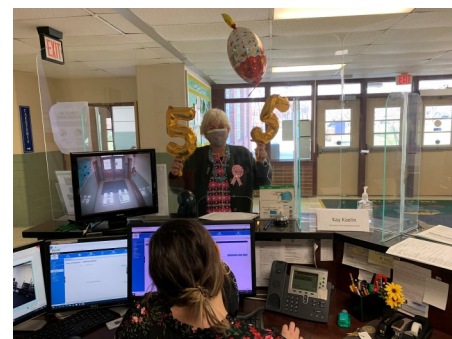
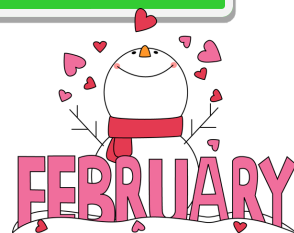
The Senior Center Newsletter continues to be emailed monthly through Gov Delivery [Senior Center Newsletter February 2022 \(govdelivery.com\)](#) and a complete newsletter on website and this month was mailed to seniors by request.

Virtual Programs Continue

Visiting the center and joining in with its activities provides socialization and friendships, but if seniors prefer to participate in programs from the comfort of their homes this winter, we are offering many virtual learning opportunities!

The City's Virtual learning page had **58** hits in January [Virtual Programing Center | City of Fairfax, VA \(fairfaxva.gov\)](#)

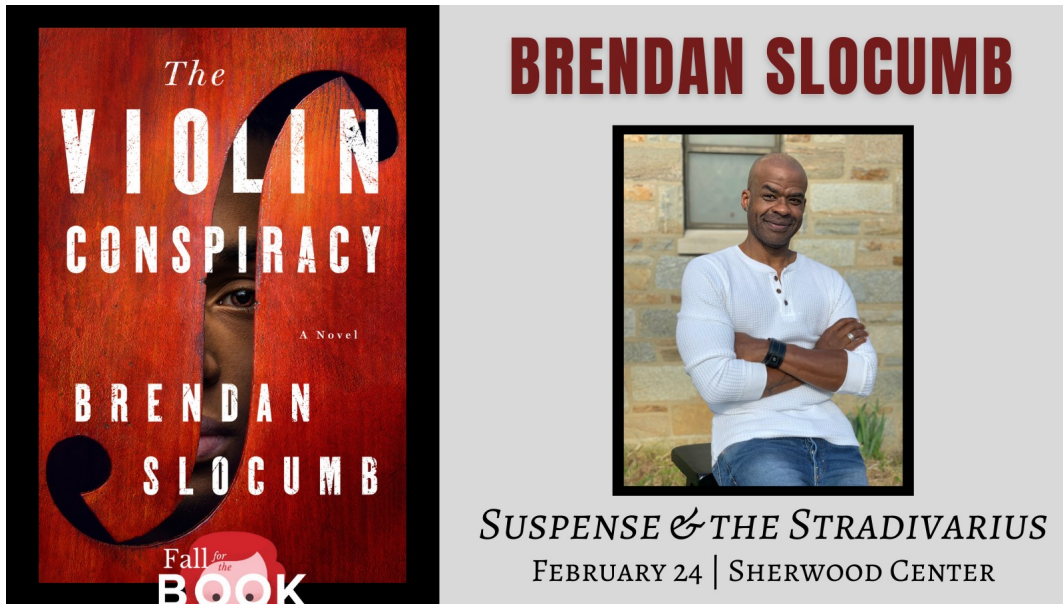
Fairfax County has enhanced their virtual learning site for our seniors to participate as well. Here they can connect with peers, engage in a variety of activities and discover useful resources. <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/neighborhood-community-services/virtual-center-active-adults>



CULTURAL ARTS

MEGAN DUBOIS

February Programming Highlight!



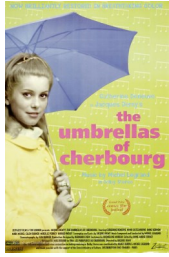
Suspense & the Stradivarius with Brendan Slocumb

7 p.m. Thursday, February 24
Sherwood Center

Music and mystery meet in this unforgettable crossover event. Professional violinist and author, Brendan Slocumb's debut thriller *The Violin Conspiracy* follows Ray McMillian, a Black man with an incredible talent, but an unpromising future, who discovers his grandfather's fiddle is a priceless Stradivarius and-- against all expectations-- takes the classical music world by storm. Until, that is, his violin is stolen and he receives a \$5 million ransom note. Slocumb will discuss his book

Upcoming Commission on the Arts Events

February 11



7:30 p.m.—ArtScreen

Umbrella of Cherbourg

Stacy C. Sherwood Center

8:00 p.m.—Bonita Lestina Old Town Hall Performance Series

U.S. Army Band Woodwind Quintet

Old Town Hall



February 12



10:30 a.m.—FAL Art Demo

Robert Yi

Zoom

February 25

8:00 p.m.—Bonita Lestina Old Town Hall Performance Series

QuinTango

Old Town Hall



March 4 *New Date*



8:00 p.m.—Bonita Lestina Old Town Hall Performance Series

Zachary Smith & The Dixie Power Trio

Old Town Hall

SPECIAL EVENTS



2022 Chocolate Lovers Festival

Unfortunately, due to the spike in COVID-19 cases in the city and the region, the 2022 Chocolate Lovers Festival has been canceled. All of the vendors and volunteers involved in planning this unique event are extremely disappointed. We're hopeful the public health situation next year will allow this fun midwinter celebration to resume.

2022 Independence Day Celebration

Parade Applications The 2022 Independence Day Parade applications have been sent to past participants of the parade. The application and guidelines are available on the city's website

This year's logo—the IDCC has selected the logo for the 2022 Independence Day Celebration



UPCOMING EVENT DATES:

Mayors' Fitness Challenge—March 19—May 7

City of Fairfax is competing again in the Mayors Challenge and is going to win this year! The format will be very similar to last year but staff will be posting weekly updates on Facebook about different trails within the City as well as a reminder to log in minutes.

Egg-streme Night Egg Hunt—April 7 at Blenheim

Enjoy an evening searching for eggs and prizes in the dark! Please bring a flashlight and a bag/basket so you can find and collect eggs. Visit with the Easter Bunny beginning at 7pm and test your agility on the obstacle course.

7th Annual Fishing Derby—April 16

Ashby Pond will be stocked with hundreds of trout! Fun for the whole family to enjoy. Bring your own Rod! Registration is available now.

2nd Annual Whiskey Basics—April 16

Come get schooled in Whiskey Basics. MurLarkey's Distiller will educate you through the various tastings offered as you on the grounds of Historic Blenheim and the Civil War Interpretive Center.

NEW EVENT: Fairfax Uncorked - Jazz and Wine Festival –May 7

This event will be held on the beautiful historic grounds of Historic Blenheim. You will be able to taste and experience local wines and food vendors while you enjoy the smooth sounds of live jazz musicians!



SPECIAL EVENTS (cont.)

SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS 2022

Event Permits are coming in slowly this year. We are anticipating seeing an increase again in event requests for Old Town Square and Veterans Amphitheater at City Hall therefore staff has request a rental fee for these locations.

	Feb 2021	Feb 2021	Difference
Approved Permits to Date	3	3	0
Applications Received to Date	3	5	2
Pending Applications	0	2	2
Denied Applications	0	0	0

ATHLETICS & FIELDS

ATHLETICS

We finalized all Winter permits, All groups are adhering to COVID 19 rules as well as their own RTPs. Applications are still being accepted for the Winter season. We are currently processing the Spring season applications.

Requests:

Fields: Adult groups used the majority the turf field space this season. FPYC usage was limited due to low demand from end users.

Gyms: We issued 14 gym permits to FPYC and CYO basketball. We are following FCPS COVID 19 protocols for gyms usage.

Tournaments: No requests received this Winter

Revenue: Declines are due to COVID and a much colder winter then last year.

Pending Revenue: FPYC and FFxLL baseball tryouts

ATHLETICS STATS

Winter February	2021	2022	Difference
Revenue	\$3,117.00	\$2,359.00	-\$758
Pending Revenue	TBD	TBD	0
Field Permits To Date	17	16	-1
Gym Permits To Date	6	14	+8
Applications Received To Date	14	15	+1
Approved Applications To Date	12	14	+2
Denied/Canceled Applications	2	1	-1
Tournaments Scheduled	0	0	0
Adult Groups Scheduled	7	7	0
Pending Applications	0	0	0

FACILITIES

BRIANNE BAGLINI

FEBRUARY STATISTICS

Old Town Hall	2021	2022	Difference
Utilization Rate for Feb.	27%	3%	-24%
Feb. Rentals	3	0	-3
Jan. Revenue	\$1,050	\$7,107.50	+\$6,057.50

Sherwood	2021	2022	Difference
Utilization Rate for Feb.	43%	77%	+34%
Feb. Rentals	10	34	+24
Jan. Revenue	\$1,670	\$31,315.50	+\$29,645.50

Blenheim	2021	2022	Difference
Utilization Rate for Feb.	4%	37%	+33%
Feb. Rentals	0	7	+7
Jan. Revenue	-\$50	\$2,771	+\$2,721

Green Acres	2021	2022	Difference
Utilization Rate for Feb.	63%	58%	-5%
Feb. Rentals	23	84	+61
Jan. Revenue	\$2,370	\$5,068.50	+\$2,698.50