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Election of New Board Members

The 42nd Annual Meeting was held virtually on Wednesday, May 27 and concluded last evening Thursday the 28th. Board President Scott Buchanan announced the election results for the 2020-2021 Board of Directors.

Scott Buchanan retained his seat for Ward 4, Dave Bush was elected for the At-Large position and Jeff Lisanick was elected to the Ward 3 seat.



PARKFAIRFAX ANNUAL MEETING ELECTION RESULTS

	Total:	Votes Weighted Percentag		
Ward 3, Three year term				
Jeff Lisanick		56	3.40%	
Nate Davis		47	2.98%	
Ward 4, Three year term				
Scott Buchanan		96	5.83%	
At-Large, Three year term				
Dave Bush		393	23.35%	
Karen Elsbury		184	9.48%	
Paula Matori		1	0.05%	

Covenants Committee Member Needed

There is one open spot for appointment at the June 17, 2020 Board meeting. If interested, please contact Dana Cross at dcross@parkfairfax.info no later than June 11, 2020.

2021 Assessments, 0.25% Increase

Model Name	FY21	Model Name	FY21
1A Jackson	389.53	2B1 Madison	490.87
1B Jefferson	422.05	2C Washington	476.51
1C Monroe	412.22	2D Cleveland	543.06
1D Adams	384.23	3A Van Buren	570.29
1E Garfield	399.36	3B Harrison	599.03
2A Lincoln	460.63	3C Collidge	635.34
2A1 Lincoln	478.77	4A Roosevelt	766.19
2B Madison	476.51		

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Meetings begin at 7 p.m. at the Association Office. The meeting agenda is posted on the bulletin board outside of the main office. Board package material is available for residents to review at the Association Office and website, www.parkfairfax.info.

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Letters to the Editor of 150 words or less are welcomed from owners, mortgagees or residents of Parkfairfax. It must be signed and include your unit address and phone number (address and phone number will not be published) and submitted by the 10th of each month preceding publication.

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May Board Meeting Highlights:

Stay tuned for the May board highlights to be uploaded on the web and next months newsletter.

2020 Bike Permits Are Now Due

If you have not obtained a 2020 bike sticker, please fill out the bike application included on page 8 and stop by the office to purchase a new permit. Please affix the new sticker to the post beneath the riding seat so that it is easily visible. After July 1st, any bicycles in any laundry room that do not have current Parkfairfax 2020 decals will be subject to impoundment.



Stored bikes must be in rideable condition and properly stored in the provided bike racks. Please do not take up more than one bike space in storing your bike. Unregistered or improperly stored bikes will be marked as noncompliant for no less than 14 days. If after 14 days, the bike is still not I compliance, it will be removed and held in locked storage for 60 days. After 60 days, any unclaimed bikes will be disposed of and donated to charity without further notice.

There is a \$70 fee to retrieve a bike once it has been impounded. Registration forms and permit stickers are available from the Association Receptionist at 3360 Gunston Road, on the Parkfairfax website at www.Parkfairfax.info or call 703-998-6315 for more details.



New Residents Reception Update

NEW RESIDENTS: The Parkfairfax Community Outreach
Committee usually hosts New Resident Receptions twice
a year. The events will not take place until late in the fall,
but you can acquaint yourself with some specifics about
living in Parkfairfax by going to
www.parkfairfax.info/resources/
welcome-videos/ and viewing our
videos for new residents
(Welcome To Parkfairfax,
Changes In Your Condo,
and Parking In Parkfairfax).

JUNE USP SPECIALS

Water-Saving Toilets



Premier Elongated Toilet

\$255.00 (Includes wax ring, supply tube, bolts & labor)

Non-Special Price: \$201.00 (not including labor)



Premier Round Toilet

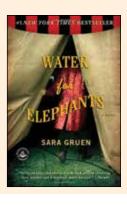
\$245.00 (Includes wax ring, supply tube, bolts & labor)

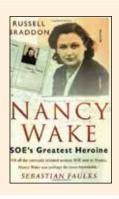
Non-Special Price: \$177.53 (not including labor)

BOOK GROUP: Update for the Group—

The Parkfairfax Book Club will meet again once it is determined that is safe for us to meet again as a group. We will continue where we left off with the following books:

Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen, and Nancy Wake: SOE's Greatest Heroine by Russel Braddon.





Covenants Corner - General Reminders

Just a friendly reminder that we all as residents of Parkfairfax must do our part to maintain the cohesive, pleasant appearance of our community. Owners and tenants are asked to be sensitive to the appearance of items that are visible to surrounding units when planning changes to the exterior of a unit and placing items on a stoop, porch, or anywhere around your unit.

Listed below is a portion of Administrative Regulation #2 which provides guidelines regarding the outside of your unit. You can also find it on the website at http://www.parkfairfax.info/about/governing-documents/administrative-resolution/. It provides a multitude of information regarding Parkfairfax rules and regulations.

Common Elements, Stoops, Porches, Porticos, and Breezeways: Items left overnight on the General Common Elements (which does not include the limited or reserved common elements) shall constitute a violation and will be removed by the Association, with notice, at the expense of the unit owner. Nothing may be placed on the common elements which will present an eyesore, hazard, cluttered appearance, or would otherwise be disharmonious with the common elements.

Any items which are not properly maintained or are improperly stored on the common element may be removed by the Association, with notice, at the expense of the unit owner. Any material or items that may be considered a hazard may be removed immediately by the Association without notice.

Except for an express few, no items may be placed on the common or limited or reserved common elements without first obtaining approval.

The following are examples of items that will not be permitted to be installed or to be left on any part of the general, limited, or reserved common element, unless otherwise expressly approved by the Board of Directors. Such Items will be removed by the Association, with notice, at the expense of the unit owner.

- Permanently installed outdoor barbecues
- · Monolithic concrete slab paving
- Empty flower pots and other gardening supplies and equipment not in use
- Storage sheds
- Playhouses, dog houses or similar structures
- Free standing flag poles
- Campers/RV's

- Boats (including canoes and kayaks)
- Tents/awnings
- Rugs/carpets
- Appliances
- Trash cans and recycling bins
- Furniture (other than outdoor lawn furniture)
- Excessive or poorly maintained outdoor lawn furniture
- Bicycles, motorcycles or mopeds
- Building materials
- Electronic insect traps
- Solar collectors
- Flammable materials, including gas, kerosene, or propane tanks unless attached to a grill, etc.
- Wading pools
- Motorcycles or mopeds, except on lanes and cul-de-sacs
- Fire pits

The following are permitted without approval, on the stoops, porches, breezeways and porticos:

- Potted plants.
- Statuary (natural, ceramic, unpainted, no more that 24" in height).
- 1 grill per unit (not to exceed 45" in height and 27") can be placed immediately adjacent to the stoop on the common elements.
- Chimineas are permitted, but cannot be within 10 feet of combustible materials and cannot be placed within 15 feet from the building and 4 feet from shrubs and trees and must comply with City ordinance, subject to change by the City of Alexandria.
- On stoops, outdoor furniture of a size appropriate to the stoop. (Indoor furniture is not permitted on the stoops overnight.)
- On breezeways, porticos and porches: 1 free standing swing, or 1 bench, or 2 outdoor chairs and a table not to exceed 24" in diameter are permitted for each unit.

Should you have questions concerning covenants issue please contact Dana Cross at 703 998-6315 or via e-mail at dcross@parkfairfax.info.



MANAGER'S CORNER

Mark Miller, CMCA, AMS
General Manager

Mold and Condensation in Parkfairfax Units

Back when Parkfairfax was built, fuel oil was cheap (coal was used in the very beginning). New York Metropolitan Life constructed the buildings with minimal insulation in the exterior walls, and provided no provisions for ventilating the units other than to open the windows. In the winter, if the radiators made the units too hot, people would open their windows. This had a side benefit of allowing some of the pent-up moisture to dissipate to the outside air. In the summer, when it was hot and steamy, residents would have to open their windows and buy a fan. The oral history recalls that mold and mildew was more of a problem during the summer, just as it was through much of the South before air conditioning was in common use. With a few exceptions, Parkfairfax residents did not have air conditioning until about 1970 (some of these a/c units are still operating today). Summertime condensation faded as a property-wide concern and the environment within the units improved dramatically as a result.

During conversion to condos, the Developer (IDI) abandoned the old heating system, installed electric baseboard heaters (and electric metering for each unit), and installed storm windows on the interior side of the old casement windows. No insulation was added to the walls, and no forced ventilation or exhaust fan systems were provided. Very early on, some residents began to notice new problems with wintertime condensation and the inevitable mold that accompanies it. The Developer had his engineering firm, Shefferman & Bigelson Company, study the problem. The engineers studied many perceived causal factors, but ultimately concluded that the primary sources of moisture within the units were from: weather conditions, residents' daily activities, and renovation/redecorating activities. Keep in mind that the Developer's perspective was founded during the conversion of the property and painting, plastering, plumbing, etc. was widespread and pronounced. The engineers noted that the old heating system helped to alleviate condensation problems because residents had to routinely open their windows and air out their unit, even on the coldest days. The engineers suggested that residents could improve interior air quality by drying it. They offered two methods: Ventilation by opening windows while cooking and bathing (exhaust fans are now allowed with covenants approval), and using dehumidifiers

(which is still a good option). Finally, housekeeping activities were suggested to remove mold from wall surfaces before it became a major problem.

Parkfairfax' current maintenance staff also has years of experience with this issue- both as service employees and as residents. Our own observations of condensation and mold problems, causes and cures, include the following:

To lessen high electric bills, some residents have made some ill-advised energy conserving decisions that make humidity and mold problems much worse-

- They keep their unit closed up and rarely provide ventilation with outside air (moisture levels can build up).
- They provide minimum heating levels (the warmer the air, the more moisture it can hold; cooler air cannot hold as much moisture and condensation will occur much more readily).
- They turn their heat off during the day and only use it while they are home (the walls can become chilled, resulting in condensation as soon as the resident cooks or bathes).
- They use their oven (or a kerosene heater) as a source of heat (natural gas and kerosene release water vapor as a by-product of combustion). This can make the unit's air unhealthy- not a good idea, and the life expectancy of the oven decreases.
- They have an unvented clothes dryer. Weigh your clothes while wet, and then after drying. All of that water has to go somewhere.
- They never, or rarely, use their air conditioner in the summerno matter how humid the air gets (the a/c will dehumidify the air).
- They keep closet doors closed; they have storage tightly packed in closets or along exterior walls. This is particularly important to be aware of if you have a closet (or any other) wall surfaces along an exterior wall that is partially below ground, facing north, or predominately shaded. These tend to stay cooler. Condensation occurs on the cooler surfaces first.
- They ignore the first signs of mold growth- this should be a regular house cleaning activity. X-14 is an over-the-counter cleaning product that works great. The CDC recommends one cup of bleach to one gallon of water; the American Lung Association recommends one cup of bleach to five galloons of water, plus some detergent. Whatever you use, these cleaning solutions are potent. Provide plenty of ventilation; wear goggles, a facemask, and rubber gloves. Make sure you dry the walls once the mold has been treated (killed). If you simply spray your walls down and walk away, the active ingredients will evaporate into the air leaving you with a wet wall... that can grow new mold!



Mark your calendar now for these exciting upcoming 2020 events!





Annual Doggie Dip at the Lyons Lane Pool

Sept 12th Noon-2:00

**Dogs must be well socialized in large groups, UTD on vacs and for safety reasons, no expandable leashes please



Concerts on the Coryell Open Space Lawn, 6:00-8:00:

July 18th Karl Stoll & The Danger Zone

August 15th Holly Montgomery

Scheduled Preventive Maintenance

Ward 5 Painting

The contracted exterior painting in Ward 5, Palmer Brothers has this project. Parkfairfax in-house painters will do the entry doors. All affected residences will receive notification in advance of the work. Warranty painting will take place in Ward 2.

 Casement Window Painting in Ward 5: Please note that the Association and Palmer Brothers provide numerous notifications as a part of the exterior painting. Pre-notifications lead paint notices, door paint scheduling, and window painting notices. These windows are usually painted in a closed/ locked position.

When the paint dries, they may be difficult to open later ("painted closed"). Do not put your hand through the glass in attempting to open a window that has been "painted closed". Do call Maintenance at 703-998-6315 and we will open it for you, for

free. One additional aspect is the re-glazing of casement windows, if this is required, maintenance will perform the task following set procedures.



Carpentry Repairs

Carpentry repairs and replacements Property Wide will continue in-house and with contracted assistance.

Sidewalk and Entry Stoop Repairs

Entry stoop replacements and sidewalk replacements will continue as approved. The in-house Exterior Crew will also be making sidewalk repairs as well as mortar joint tuck point repairs at various locations around the property, some funding has been established for contracted assistance in these other areas should the need arise.

Humidity in your unit—How much is too much?

My neighbors and I have experienced extreme humidity levels in our units these past few years. One neighbor had 90% humidity in an above-ground Madison unit and mold in their closet by the front door. Another had 95% humidity in a Washington unit, their ground floor level wood floors were wet to the touch, and they had mold in the closet by the front door. I have a Lincoln Unit and the front closet has had repeated mold issues over the years, with recent humidity readings between 72% and 85%, depending on when it last rained.

In all three cases, an exterior building issue caused the extreme humidity in our units. The Madison owner discovered that their neighbor had a roof leak and saw the humidity of their own unit drop down into the 60%-range after the roof leak was fixed. The Washington owner discovered a drainpipe that was supposed to carry rainwater away from the building on the patio next door was completely blocked by a tree root, and water was actually flowing backwards into the foundation of the building, thoroughly saturating the concrete slab and crawlspace. Once the blocked drainpipe was replaced, humidity levels fell dramatically and the wood floor dried out, though paint is now peeling throughout the first floor.

In my Lincoln unit, a tarp & duct tape solution applied in prior years on the exterior corner as a water proofing measure was discovered to have failed and was actually funneling water into the closet so that the closet interior wall was wet to the touch. After removing the failed tarp solution and applying updated waterproofing to the exterior walls, the closet now reads humidity in the mid 60%'s after it rains. I have talked with 2 other Lincoln unit neighbors in the last week and discovered that one has had extreme mold in the same front closet, and

the other actually found standing water in a back-bedroom closet where I recently have found mold in the same backbedroom closet.

How much humidity is too much? The American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers recommends keeping the humidity level below 65% (ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2016 in Technical FAQ 92) to "reduce the likelihood of conditions that can lead to microbial growth." The Environmental Protection Agency advises keeping humidity levels below 60%, and ideally in a range between 30% and 50% in the EPA Publication: "A Brief Guide to Mold, Moisture, and Your Home".

There are any number of dehumidifying measures you can take: DampRid containers or packets in a closet, air conditioners, dehumidifiers and ceiling fans running 24/7, installing vents in closet doors or leaving the doors open. However, no amount of dehumidifying measures will be enough to prevent damage to your unit, let alone mold and related health issues, when your building needs repairing where water enters your unit. If you are experiencing humidity levels in your home in the 70-90%+ range, there is something wrong outside of your unit.

So don't go it alone thinking this is just what you have to put up with living in a unit in an older building. ParkFairfax's Board of Directors wants to maintain these buildings as a viable community and needs you to report extreme humidity levels and issues like the above. The source of the water intrusion into your unit needs to be found and resolved by Parkfairfax management.

Janna Hartsock

Account verified in Tops & C3: ____

Employee Name

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ANNUAL BIKE REGISTRATION FORM

Parkfairfax Condominium provides 50 common element laundry rooms throughout the community. There's a bike rack in each laundry room. Resident unit owners and residents are permitted to secure their bikes to the common element bike racks in these common element laundry rooms according to the following terms and conditions:

Registration. Each bike must be registered annually using this Annual Bike Registration Form ('registration form"). Beginning June 1, 2019, the annual registration fee is \$10.00 per bike, paid by check or money order only. Each year payment must accompany a completed copy of this registration form returned to the Management Office at 3360 Gunston Road, Alexandria, VA 22302.

You may hand deliver your completed registration form to the Management Office during Management Office open hours and receive your current bike sticker(s) while you wait. You may also either hand deliver your completed registration form to the drop box located to the right of the front door at 3360 Gunston Road or you may mail your completed registration form to the Management Office; in either of these two (2) latter options, allow two (2) weeks for the delivery by mail of your bike stickers good for a respective bike registration year.

- Time of Registration. Any bike secured to a common element bike rack must be registered by June 1st of each new bike registration year. The bike registration year runs from June 1 to May 31. Bike stickers are issued as a part of the bike registration process. Bike stickers for the upcoming bike registration year are available on April 1. Any bike sticker issued prior to April 1 for the then current bike registration year must be updated during the following April or May for the succeeding bike registration year that commences on June 1st.
- Bike Stickers. Affix a current bike sticker to each bike you secure to a bike rack. Each bike sticker should be affixed to the post beneath the riding seat (saddle) so that it is clearly visible. Use of any particular bike rack is on a space available basis.
- Other Rules. (a) A bike must be secured to a bike rack with a lock or a chain/cable and a lock; otherwise, bike storage in a laundry room is prohibited; (b) gas powered bicycles, mopeds, scooters, etc., are prohibited in laundry rooms and will be removed immediately without prior notice.
- Notice. Parkfairfax is not responsible for damage to bikes or the theft of bikes from common element storage areas.

Resident's Name (please print clearly using ink)

Address			
Phone #s (h)		(w)	
Email			
Bike #1 Make/Model		Color	
Bike #2 Make/Model		Color	
Bike #3 Make/Model		Color	
Enforcement. The permitted bike rack us enforces bike rack usage by placing a 14-c the Association will attempt to contact the labove by the bike owner. If the bike sticke and a \$70.00 bike removal fee per bike pable(s) remain(s) unclaimed for 60 days fo Waiver. The bike rack user subscribed be Directors, employees, agents and member incidental damages, including attorney's fewhich the bike rack user may sustain or called the bike rack user subscribed be Association, its Board of Directors, employ any consequential and incidental damages.	day notice on any bike that do bike owner 2 weeks prior to the on such bike is not updated ayable to the Association will be allowing removal, the bike(s) we show hereby agrees to be fully a from any and all injuries, co sees arising out of or resulting frause as a result of or related to excribed below hereby agrees to be sees, agents and members from any including attorney's fees, ari	es not bear a current bike sticker on the removal of a bike from a laundry roughly during those 2 weeks, staff will remove required prior to the return of the bill be given to charity. It is the given to waive and release the sts, damages, causes of action, claim rom any loss, injury including death of the bike owner's use of an Association indemnify, defend, reimburse and from any and all injuries, costs, damages ising out of or resulting from any loss.	or after June 1; by various mear from using the information given ove the bike from the laundry roo pike owner's bike(s). If such the Association, its Board of ms and any consequential and for damage to person or property ation common element bike rack. Forever hold harmless the es, causes of action, claims and an injury including death or damage.
to person or property which the bike storage common element bike rack.	je area user may sustain or ca	ause as a result of or related to the b	ike owner's use of an Associatio
Agreed to as regarding all the above: Resi	dent's Signature:		Date:
Office Use Only Below Off	icial Use Only Below	Official Use Only Below Offic	cial Use Only Below
Bike #1	Bike #2	Bike #3	

Amount Paid: ___

Check/MO #: _

Birding Close to Home

By Christine Payack

I am an elementary science teacher now teaching from home. When school first closed, being home on weekdays was a novel e

closed, being home on weekdays was a novel experience for me. During my work life, I was not privy to nature's daily activities happening right outside my front door.

Throughout the cycle of the day, I walk my two greyhounds through the now-quiet Parkfairfax neighborhood. At first, I was amazed by the number of resident and migratory birds I heard and saw around me. A teacher I work with exclaimed, "I am seeing so many birds during the day! Is this something new or am I just not home to notice them?" Well, we are home, and without the hustle and bustle of cars, buses and human activity, we are certainly getting the chance to notice them! And perhaps they feel safer, too, in the tranquil and clear surroundings.

Starting April 20, I recorded each species I saw and/or heard. Here is my list thus far—in alphabetical order by last name:



Brown-headed Cowbird White-throated Sparrow
American Crow European Starling
Fish Crow Chimney Swift
Mourning Dove Wood Thrush
House Finch Tufted Titmouse
Purple Finch Eastern Towhee

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Northern Flicker Red-eyed Vireo
American Goldfinch Blackpoll Warbler

Common Grackle Black-throated Green Warbler

Blue Jay Black-and-White Warbler Dark-eyed Junco Yellow-rumped "Myrtle"

Northern Mockingbird Warbler

White-breasted Nuthatch Downy Woodpecker

Baltimore Oriole Red-bellied Woodpecker

Northern Parula Carolina Wren
Common Raven House Wren

American Redstart Common Yellowthroat

Please look, listen and enjoy the beauty of birds with whom we share our Parkfairfax homes. I am attaching links to help you begin or add to your birding pursuits.

Get to Know These 15 Common Birds

https://www.audubon.org/news/get-know-these-15-common-birds

https://www.birds.cornell.edu/home/

https://www.allaboutbirds.org/news/



White-throated Sparrow

Parkfairfax Can Now Accept Payments for USP, Storage, and Gas Shut Offs by Phone!

That's right! Thanks to our resourceful receptionist Miranda Harrington who figured out the system, Parkfairfax can now accept credit and debit card payments over the phone for the USP Program, Storage Rental and Gas Shut Offs. When you call in just let staff know that you would like to pay your bill over the phone, and you will be taken care of from there.

At this time, we can't accept payments over the phone for bike registration, access cards and party room rental. We also can't accept payments for rent checks for those who are tenants of Parkfairfax.

All condo fees still go to Barkan Management Company. Cheers!



You Can Make It!

The next dog-waste bin is only seconds away. Please, take those extra steps.

CLASSIFIEDS

HEALTH & WELLNESS

King Street Chiropractic Wellness Center offers gentle chiropractic care as well as massage, personal training, and nutrition. With a personalized treatment plan, our goal is to keep you pain free and moving confidently at every stage of life. Feel Younger. Be Healthier. Call 703.578.1900 for a wellness consultation.

www.kingstreetwellness.com

Luxurious In-Home Massage:

Enjoy a restorative massage in the comfort of your home by an experienced, fully licensed Parkfairfax therapist for a very affordable price. Therapeutic and relaxing 90-minute massage for \$90. First-time special: 90 minutes for \$80. Call Mark Herrenbruck, Encore Massage (703-987-0283).

NAMASTE: Looking to learn Yoga? Increase your yoga skills? Practice yoga at home with tailored asanas? And/or how to meditate? Call Francisca 703-399-4532. www. facebook.com/warriorsevenyoga. www.warriorsevenyoga.com. Licensed and insured.

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Chelsea Paint and Paper: Professional Painting and Wallpaper—Clean, neat, reliable. 25 years' experience. Painting, plastering, wallpaper hanging and removal. Licensed, bonded and insured. References available. Free Estimates. Contact Steve Chute at 571 216 9338 cell or 703 912 1450 landline.

DLC Electrical Contractors, LLC:

Doing all phases of electrical. Panel box upgrades, installation of new circuits, electrical, plumbing and venting for washer & dryer installations, kitchen & bathroom remodeling. For a free estimate call 703-477-8935, godsblessing4me@gmail.com.

Home Remodeling and Repairs: From floor to ceiling, we update

and remodel kitchens, bathrooms or any room. Also provide handyman services to include plaster, paint, plumbing, tile and more. More than 20 years Parkfairfax experience. Great rates! Morning-Star Plumbing Plus, plumbinghopeplus2@gmail. com, 703-869-7552. Licensed and insured. 10% discount for Veterans and Elderly.

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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

1634 Mt Eagle Place: The Jefferson, Parkfairfax's largest 1 bedroom with 824 square feet of living space, light from all 4 sides of the building, large private attic, and located on the elegant Spanish Steps. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, replaced double paned windows. The johnANDjohn TEAM, RE/MAX Allegiance, 703-820-9723 www.Parkfairfax.com

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Some simple steps that can be taken to lessen humidity and subsequent mold/mildew are:

- · Maintain uniform heating or air conditioning
- Use a dehumidifier when humidity levels are high
- Install (ceiling) fans to move and distribute the air
- Install an exhaust fan in the kitchen and/or bathroom to create ventilation and an air exchange with the outside air; even opening a window for short periods of time will help
- Vent clothes dryers to the outside
- Install a louver in your closet doors to allow for air movement
- Do not misuse ovens, and keep in mind that...

Replacement windows and storm doors make it much harder for condensation to form on those surfaces and will help stop cold air drafts inside your unit. They do not remove moisture from the air. Ventilation, dehumidification, and/or increased heating levels are still needed to help prevent mold from forming in closets, corners, etc.

Finally, when painting, most new paints have antimicrobial properties but if not ask to have mildew inhibitors added to the paint. This painting treatment can be very effective. Make sure the walls are clean (mold is dead and gone) before applying the paint. Remember that many home renovation and cleaning activities add a lot of moisture to the air for short periods of time. Increased ventilation and heat (or air conditioning and fans) should be provided when painting, shampooing carpets, etc.

Association related issues/repairs pertaining to mold:

- Exterior gutters (clogged, damaged, or leaking)
- Gutter downspouts leader drains (clogged, disconnected or collapsed)
- Roof leaks (broken or damaged roof tiles)
- Waterproofing (old parge coating has disintegrated)
- Crawl space water line leaks

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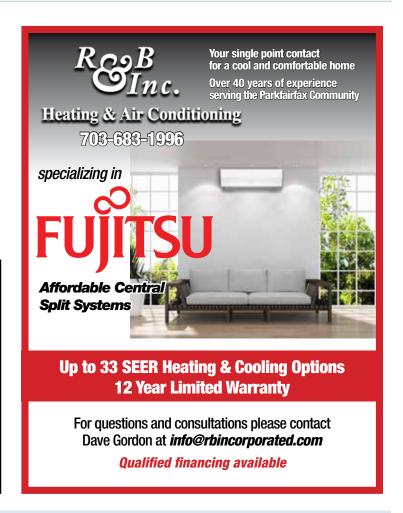
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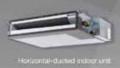
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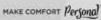












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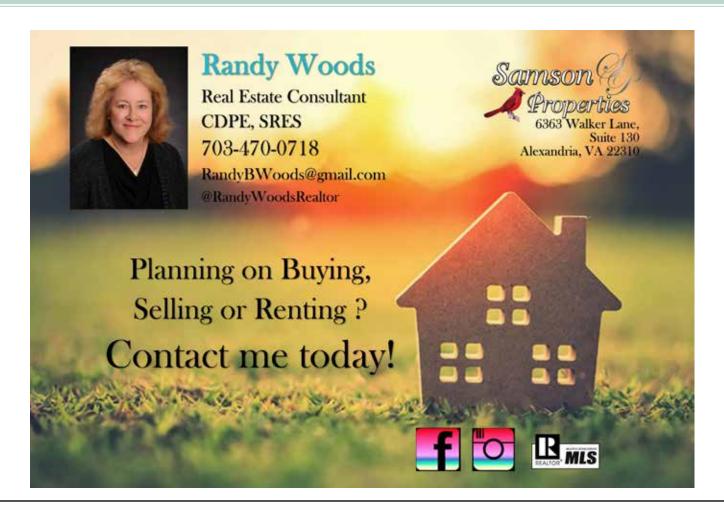
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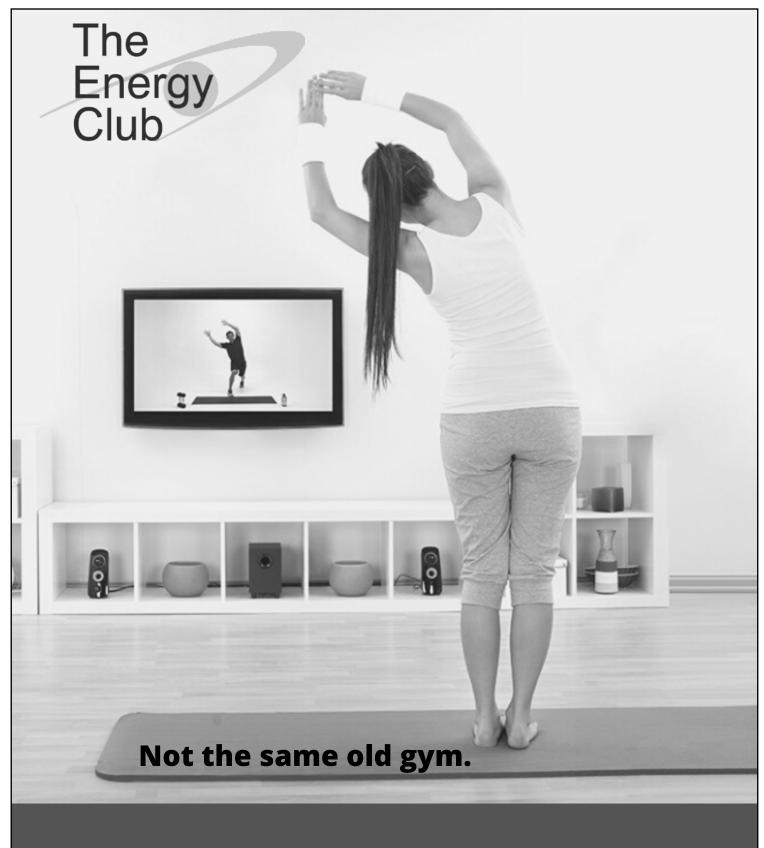
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