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History of Parkfairfax: The New Community and Early Tenants

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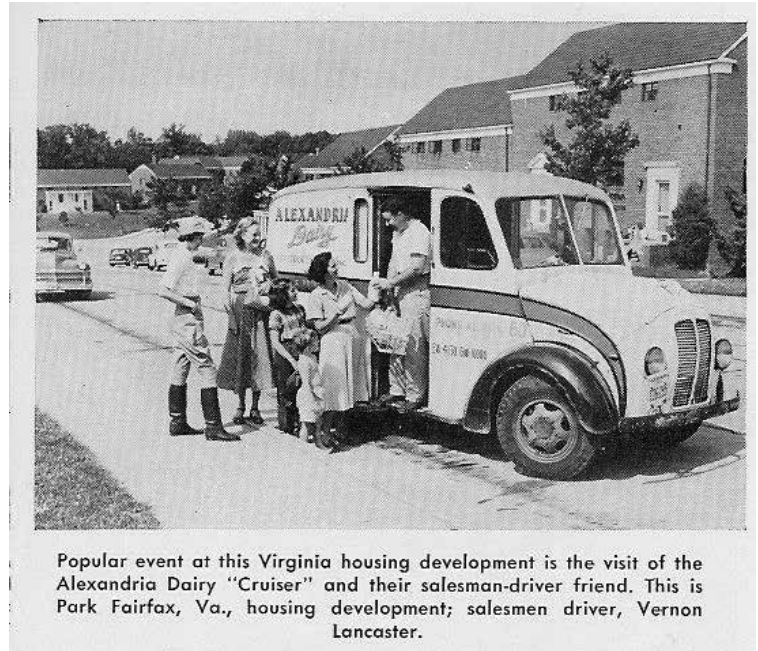
The construction of Parkfairfax was completed in early 1943 and the complex was ready for tenants. In April the monthly rent scale was announced: Monthly rent for one-bedroom apartments averaged \$61.25; two-bedroom apartments averaged \$78.75; and three-bedroom apartments averaged \$90.00. All rents included gas, electricity, and refrigeration. Prospective tenants were asked to apply to the leasing office in writing so that appointments for interviews could be arranged. Because Metropolitan Life wanted the community to be inhabited primarily by families, prospective renters were asked to bring pictures of their families to rental interviews. As in many neighborhoods at that time, African-Americans and Jews were not welcome.

The first lease was signed May 1, 1943, by an Army major employed at the Pentagon, who had been living with his family in Baltimore and spending four hours a day commuting by train and bus. The first families moved in on October 1, 1943, and three months later, the complex was fully leased. Occupations of early tenants included "...lawyers, economists, engineers, analysts, secretaries, examiners, statisticians, and accountants employed in government agencies, as well as many families of officers of the Army, the Navy, the Air Corps, the Marine Corps, the WACS, and the WAVES."

To achieve a sense of stability and quality within the community, a number of rules were drafted. No dogs or cats were permitted. Tenants could only grow flowers, and not vegetables. Single people were not allowed, except for a few widows. There were even strict rules about what types of families could occupy which units. For example, a married couple with one child was not permitted to rent a one-bedroom apartment; if a married couple renting a one-bedroom apartment decided to have a child, they were required to move to a two-bedroom apartment. Adherence to these restrictions did contribute to the stability, as well as the homogeneity, of the development.

According to early residents, a staff of 80 Metropolitan Life employees maintained both the buildings and the grounds to the highest standards. Parkfairfax even had its own greenhouse, which supplied plants for use throughout the neighborhood.

Metropolitan Life was committed to creating a community that would prosper, as well as one that would be financially successful, and took strides to provide the amenities necessary



to assure their tenants a good quality of life. At the request of the City of Alexandria, the company donated a parcel of land on

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June Board Meeting Highlights:

- The Board PASSED a motion to approve a second pet application for a resident of Quaker lane.
- The Board PASSED a motion to approve the proposed 2021/2022 Budget/Election Schedule.
- The Board PASSED a motion to appoint Deborah Perez as a member of the Covenant Committee.

July Board Meeting Highlights:

- The Board PASSED a motion to approve a second pet application for a resident of Gunston Road.
- The Board PASSED a motion to approve the May 2020 Reserve Expenditures in the amount of \$75,542.61 with funds to come from GL 9901.015, Reserve Expenditures.
- The Board PASSED a motion to approve the 2020 Plan for the Summer Concert Series.
- The Board PASSED a motion to approve the movie night on a date to be planned by the Recreation Committee and also move funds that were allocated to the Activities Committee for the purpose of the movie night to the Recreation Committee budget.
- The Board PASSED a motion to approve Dynasty Community Services, LLC to replace all exterior fascia, gable vents and gutter guard on the buildings in the 100's.
- The Board PASSED a motion approving management to remove the holly bush and complete the final section of waterproofing adjacent to the stoop of 1621 Ripon Place above 1619 Ripon Place.

How to Find Information Fast on the Parkfairfax Website

There is a wealth of information on the Parkfairfax website, www.parkfairfax.info, but sometimes it can be challenging to find it. Fortunately, there is a remedy for this issue.

Go to Google search and type in site:parkfairfax.info patios (or whatever information you're trying to find). Google will search only the Parkfairfax website and return all possible web pages or documents for your search term. Be sure to put a space between info and your search term.



Fall Cleaning Reminders and Property Wide Inspections

As we now move into the fall season staff will be out on the property after Monday, September 21st to do a full property wide inspection of building components including roofs, façade, gable, trim, shutters, brick and mortar joints etc. Any deficiencies will be photographed and noted and then will be given to the applicable contractor(s) for correction, including any warranty painting and composite trim work.

We will also be inspecting the outdoor space areas. We ask that residents please tend to their individual areas near their units, particularly patios, front stoops, porches, and breezeways. The Association has both resolutions and covenant guidelines that allow or prohibit certain items. Below are several of the more common issues that residents need to be mindful of and for the complete list please access AR#2 at:

<http://www.parkfairfax.info/content/uploads/2011/05/Administrative-Resolution-No.-2.pdf>

Staff will be inspecting and noting any areas/items that fail to heed to the guidelines. We will leave a copy of our inspection form with any noted issues and per our guidelines you will have 7 days to correct any deficiencies.

Front Stoop/Breezeway/Porch

- Empty pots
- Dog waste bags
- Shovels/brooms/gardening supplies
- Building materials
- Propane tank (unless attached to grill)
- Grill (Unless stored on stoop, breezeway or placed against building)
- Bird houses/feeders

Side

- Anything placed along the side of the building other than approved plants.

Back Patio

- Building materials
- Propane tank (unless attached to grill)
- Storage sheds
- Fire pits
- Dog waste bags
- Hammocks that are not free standing
- Lights that are attached to trees or building

Voting by mail? Ensure your vote counts!

By Linda Klinger

This year, registered voters in Virginia can vote by mail with absentee ballots. But to ensure your vote is counted, you must act quickly to submit your application, then complete your ballot and mail it back as soon as you can.

Here are important dates for Alexandria voters to keep in mind:

- **Today:** Request an application for an absentee ballot. Registered voters in Alexandria can request one online (vote.elections.virginia.gov); by phone (703.746.4050); or pick one up at the Alexandria Office of Voter Registration & Elections (132 N. Royal Street, Suite 100).
- **ASAP after you receive the application:** Complete it and either mail or drop it off at the Royal Street office. One week after you submit it, call 703.746.4050 or check online (vote.elections.virginia.gov) to ensure your information was entered correctly.
- **September 18:** This is the date after which the Registration & Elections office will start mailing ballots, using information from the applications. When you receive your ballot, complete it, sign it, and mail it back as soon as possible — the earlier, the better.
- **September 18 through October 31:** You may also vote in person with absentee ballots; this is the in-person absentee voting period. Locations and hours for in-person absentee voting will be posted as they are finalized on alexandriavoter.org. If you've received your absentee ballot and want to vote in person during this period, bring your ballot (and ID) to your absentee voting location, surrender it, and they will process you for in-person voting at that time.



- **October 23:** This is the deadline when the Alexandria General Registrar's office must receive all applications for absentee voting by mail. As noted earlier, however, it's very important to request your application as soon as you can.
- **November 3/Election Day:** Voters who did not yet mail their absentee ballots may return their completed ballots to the Royal Street office by 7 p.m. on Election Day. Absentee ballots that were mailed must be received at the office by 7 p.m. on November 3, or by 12 p.m. on Friday, November 6, if it has a November 3 postmark.
- **One more option:** If you received your absentee ballot but did not mail it back before November 3, you may take your ballot to your regular polling place on November 3, surrender it there, and they'll process you for in-person voting at that time — and don't forget to bring your ID!

We need to allow the USPS an extra 7 to 14 days this year to deliver mail-in ballots. So double-check your ballot to ensure you completed it correctly, sign it, and mail it in as soon as you can.

Questions? Contact:

Alexandria Office of Voter Registration & Elections
703.746.4050
Suite 100, 132 N. Royal Street
alexandriavoter.org

Or visit the Virginia state website (vote.elections.virginia.gov); the FAQs and Absentee Voting pages are especially helpful.

Thanks to the staff at the Alexandria Office of Voter Registration & Elections, who provided this information.

SEPTEMBER USP SPECIALS

Door Hardware and Locks



- Knocker, Mail slot, Peep hole & Mortise lock – LH: \$350.00
- Knocker, Mail slot, Peep hole & Mortise lock – RH: \$325.00
- Hardware w/ Deadbolt: \$389.00
- Hardware Only: \$182.00
- Mortise Lock Only – LH: \$166.00
- Mortise Lock Only-RH: \$146.00
- Dead Bolt Only: \$84.00

Laundry Room Doors

To maintain the security of the laundry rooms, please make sure you **close and latch** the door all the way when exiting the laundry room. If you use a laundry room where the door does not *completely* close on its own when you exit, notify the Office. If you pass a laundry room and the door is propped open, take a moment to see if anyone is inside and then shut the door.



MANAGER'S CORNER

Mark Miller, CMCA, AMS
General Manager

Insurance and Disasters

Are You Adequately Insured?

Condominium owners sometimes assume that the association's master insurance policy is all the coverage they need. The master policy only covers the building, not your personal belongings, or any upgrades you've made to your unit. For example, upgraded flooring, new cabinets or appliances, or renovations are generally not covered by the master policy. Neither does it cover parts of the building that are used only by you—like the patio or the pipes that feed into your unit from the main pipes.

All residents need their own insurance for the insides of their units, their belongings, and any damage that might be caused by something within your unit (such as a leaking toilet). In a few rare cases where coverage is provided under the master policy, you will still be responsible for the deductible. To have your personal belongings and any deductibles covered, you need to invest in a condominium owner's insurance policy, available from most carriers. If you rent your unit be sure to ask about "loss of income" coverage. Please remember the even after a fire or other catastrophic event, your monthly assessments must still be paid. These policies generally cost only a few dollars each month and are well worth it! Be sure to ask about water or sewer backup coverage. Sewer backups are not unheard of, and a standard policy won't cover the damage to your unit without a sewer backup rider.

If you have any questions regarding what type of coverage you need, please contact your insurance agent. The association's agent is also very familiar with the type of coverage condominium owners need and can help you avoid double coverage or gaps in coverage between your personal insurance and the association's master policy.

Be Prepared for Disasters

If you think hurricanes, wildfires, tornadoes and floods won't happen to you or that you don't need to insure against these disasters, you're among the nearly half of U.S. homeowners and renters who lack the insurance coverage to deal with potential losses, according to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC).

In a recent NAIC national survey, about 48 percent of homeowners and renters said they did not have an inventory of their possessions. Of those who reported having a checklist, 32 percent had not taken any pictures and 58 percent had no receipts validating the cost of their possessions. In addition, 44 percent of respondents acknowledged that they had not stored their inventory in a separate location.

Here are some tips from the NAIC to help you prepare for disasters:

- Take an inventory of your valuables and belongings. This should include taking photographs or a video of each room. This documentation will provide your insurance company with proof of your belongings and help to process claims more quickly in the event of disaster.
- To enable filing claims more quickly, keep sales receipts and canceled checks. Also note the model and serial numbers of the items in your home inventory.
- As you acquire more valuables such as jewelry or antiques, consider purchasing an additional floater or rider to your policy to cover these special items. These types of items typically are not covered by a basic homeowner's or renter's insurance policy.
- Remember to include in your home inventory those items you rarely use such as holiday decorations, sports equipment and tools.
- Store copies of all your insurance policies in a safe location away from your home that is easily accessible in case of disaster. You may want to store your policies and inventory in a waterproof, fireproof box or in a safe location such as a bank safe deposit box.
- Consider leaving a copy of your inventory with relatives, friends or your insurance provider and store digital pictures in your e-mail or on a website for easy retrieval.
- Know what is and is not covered by your insurance policy. You might need additional protection depending on where you live. Make sure your policies are up to date. Contact your insurance provider annually to review and update your insurance policy.
- Keep a readily available list of 24-hour contact information for each of your insurance providers.
- Find out if your possessions are insured for the actual cash value or the replacement cost. Actual cash value is the amount it would take to repair or replace your home and possessions after depreciation, while replacement cost is the amount it would take to repair or replace your home or possessions without deducting for depreciation. Speak with your insurance provider to determine whether purchasing replacement coverage is worth the cost.

Coming Soon—Composting in Parkfairfax!

Greetings friends at Parkfairfax,

Over the last several months, 100+ households in our community have organized a grassroots initiative in support of a compost pick-up service in Parkfairfax. **The resolution proposed by the residents was unanimously passed by Members of the Board during the August 19, 2020 Board Meeting.** This exciting moment is a result of hard work and organizing by committed residents, alongside continued guidance from Members of the Board.

WHAT IS A COMPOST PICK-UP SERVICE?

A compost pick-up service mirrors two well-understood concepts: a trash pick-up service and an Amazon delivery service. Participating homes are given a sealed, odor-proof and pest-proof 5-gallon compost bin to collect their organics and food scraps. A sprinter van will come to the resident's front door one day each week. The compost pick-up service collects the odor-proof, pest-proof and sealed compost bin from the resident's front door. The compost service places a clean, washed and sanitized compost bin at the resident's front door. It is just like receiving a box from Amazon or USPS. The resident collects the bin and puts it back inside their home. Participating residents pay for the program.

(As a part of the service, garden compost/soil is shared with participating homes twice each year.)

LOGISTICS OF THE SERVICE:

1. **Composting Partner Name:** Key City Compost
2. **Collection Day:** Thursday
3. **Collection Time:** 7:30a.m. – approx. 3:30p.m.
(end time depends on number of homes signed up)
4. **Collection Location:** Front door of the resident's home

BENEFITS OF THE SERVICE:

1. **Environmental Benefits:** If a composting service is offered in Parkfairfax, the community will have an opportunity to eliminate approximately 300 to 500 tons of methane from entering the atmosphere each year. That's the methane equivalent of the weight of 60–100 elephants.
2. **Solving Our Pest Problems:** We need to think about our community's pest problem as one arising from our own behaviors and actions, rather than blaming them on external/unseen factors. Rodents, squirrels and birds are a nuisance because we invite them into our trash bags. Every morning, homes across the association put out food that rots for hours (or longer) before it is collected. Even if trash bags are placed outside after 7a.m., trash collection doesn't happen for several hours. This exacerbates our pest issues and causes garbage to be strewn about our sidewalk, yards and streets. Compost pick-ups will help us address this problem.



3. **Societal Hygiene and Community Health Benefits:** It is irresponsible, unhygienic and detrimental to public health to throw food waste inside flimsy trash bags. We need a pragmatic alternative. As a society, we are grappling with a pandemic. We need to improve societal hygiene by following basic sanitary principles. Compost pick-ups will lead to better hygiene and foster community health.

ONE SIMPLE AND IMPERATIVE RULE:

1. The compost bin is to be kept outside **only** on the day of the pick-up, i.e., Thursday.

If the compost bin is found outside the resident's home on a day other than Thursday, Parkfairfax Association will send letters of violation and a monetary fine will be levied.

THE BIG PICTURE

The vision of this program is bigger than all of us. A community program like this brings us together in a spirit of collective action. This is a somber time our nation, but a program like this offers hope and affirms there is still an opportunity to collaborate and propel a mission bigger than each of us to better our community.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

1. The enrollment window for the service is open, please use this link: <https://accounts.keycompost.com/create-account>. (\$15 will be charged for the first month of service to your card.)
2. To join the residents' google group and learn other details, please sign up here: <https://cutt.ly/compostpickup>

For more information about what we do, visit us at <https://keycompost.com/>.

Please join us to spread some earth love,
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A Remarkable Transformation!

By Christine Payack

Last September, there were many Monarch butterfly eggs on the milkweed plants in my schoolyard. My students and I observed the lifecycle of these beautiful butterflies right before our eyes. The wonder of watching these insects ignites awe, questions, and a lifelong love of the natural world.

Monarch butterflies belong to a group that includes the brush-footed butterflies. Their front pair of legs are reduced and covered with short bristles. These butterflies often look four-legged.

From August to October, huge numbers fly south to hibernate along the mountains of central Mexico. They stop to feed on nectar and roost together at night. At one time, hundreds of millions of butterflies would gather at the protected wintering sites in Mexico, covering the trees with their bright orange wings.

In the spring, Monarchs fly north by themselves. Females lay a single egg on a milkweed plant, often on the bottom of a leaf. Each female might lay 100 to 300 eggs during her life.

It takes two generations to reach the northern United States by June. But the late summer eggs will produce the generation of Monarchs that will journey south.

Monarch metamorphosis from egg to adult is completed in about 30 days.

Monarch eggs are about 1 mm long. They are creamy yellow and covered in longitudinal ridges. A very hungry caterpillar, or larva, will hatch in 3 to 4 days.

The caterpillar will feed on the milkweed leaves and grow through a series of molts. Chemicals in milkweed make both the larva and adult distasteful to predators, as advertised by their bright “warning colors.”

After the caterpillar stops eating, it hangs upside down from a twig or leaf and molts into a green jewel-like chrysalis. Inside the chrysalis, the caterpillar transforms. According to scientists, the caterpillar digests itself! But certain groups of cells survive, turning the caterpillar soup into eyes, wings, antennae and other adult structures.

Once the adult emerges, the butterfly pumps body fluids into its wings. Males have a black spot on a vein on each hind wing and females do not.

Adult Monarchs visit a variety of flowers to sip the nectar through an unfurled proboscis.

If they make it to Mexico, they can survive the entire winter by relying on their stored food energy.

Unfortunately, Monarch numbers are drastically declining. Climate change, habitat loss, pesticide use, and the decline of milkweed are a few of the reasons Monarchs are in critical peril.

What can you do to help this magnificent insect?

1. Do not use pesticides in your garden.
2. Avoid genetically engineered seeds.
3. Plant native milkweed.
4. Buy Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified wood.
5. Create a Monarch Way-Station.
6. Join the fight to stop climate change.
7. Learn as much as you can about Monarchs and other butterflies and moths.

Sources:

biologicaldiversity.org
<http://www.xerces.org/bringbackthepollinators/>
 journeynorth.org
 monarchwatch.org
 www.saveourmonarchs.org



Top left: The caterpillars eat milkweed. Top right: The chrysalis. Above left: The adult emerges. Above right: Released in the schoolyard.

New Residents Reception Canceled

Several years ago, the Community Outreach Committee began hosting twice yearly New Residents Receptions to welcome new owners and renters to Parkfairfax and provide information on the community's amenities, rules and regulations. This year's reception in March was canceled when most of the country was shutting down due to the Covid pandemic. As the fall reception date approached, the committee considered ways that we might conduct the event following all the guidelines of social distancing. All the possibilities, however, had significant challenges, so we decided to cancel the October reception.

While we can't welcome new residents with smiles, coffee, and doughnuts, we can provide links to information that we would normally present. Here, then, are some helpful online resources to help newcomers get started: Parkfairfax Website (www.parkfairfax.info/), Welcome Videos (www.parkfairfax.info/resources/welcome-videos/), Welcome Packet (www.parkfairfax.info/resources/welcome-packet/).

Additionally, there are several Facebook pages devoted to the community. Parkfairfax Condominium Association (the official page maintained by the Association), Parkfairfax Unit Owners page, Parkfairfax Residents page (open to owners and renters), Parkfairfax Parents Group, Parkfairfax Buy, Sell, Give Away, and Parkfairfax Flora and Fauna.

One of the great features of the New Residents Reception is the question and answer time when committee members or Board members or other residents can address an issue vexing one owner or renter. Since we will not be live in October to address individual questions, we encourage new residents to contact the Association office at 703-998-6315 or Board members, whose names and contact information is in the monthly newsletter or any of the committee chairs, whose contact information is also in the newsletter.

To our new residents we offer a fond welcome and apologies that the pandemic has altered our schedule. We hope to see new residents at our spring reception in 2021.

'Manager's Corner' continued from page 5.

- Find out if your policy covers additional living expenses for a temporary residence if you are unable to live in your home due to damage from a disaster.
- Appraise your home periodically to make sure your insurance policy reflects home improvements or renovations. Contact your insurance provider to update your policy.

For more information, visit www.InsureUonline.org.

'History' continued from page 1.

Martha Custis Drive on the edge of the complex, along with a cash gift of \$50,000, to be used for the construction of a public elementary school. In October 1943, the first Charles Barrett School opened with forty children and four teachers in attendance. This white, frame, temporary, prefabricated structure, containing six classrooms and a kitchen, was built by the U.S. Works Projects Administration. The school was named for a Marine Corps general killed in World War II, who had graduated from nearby Episcopal High School in Alexandria.

The original portion of the present brick structure was built in 1949 at a cost of \$400,000, and contained twelve classrooms, library, cafeteria, auditorium, shop, home economics department, music room, offices, teachers' lounge, and clinic. This original section is still visible amid numerous later additions. Both buildings existed on the same site until 1955, when the first school was razed.

Parkfairfax proved to be a successful development in terms of tenant occupancy and it also received the attention of design professionals when it was featured in a January 1944 issue of *Architectural Forum* magazine. One feature that made Parkfairfax desirable had less to do with its design than its location. Its easy accessibility to the Pentagon and Washington made Parkfairfax a sought-after residence. The construction of the Shirley Memorial Highway (I-395) only added to the advantages of its location.

The Shirley Highway was designed to connect the newly built Pentagon with Fort Belvoir, and to relieve congestion on Route 1 from Washington south through Alexandria. Completed in 1944, the Shirley Highway significantly improved access to the Pentagon, the Navy Annex, and Washington, D.C., allowing a sparsely settled area to be more intensively developed.

Compiled from various sources.

Janet Schrader

If you or your parents grew up here, or just lived here for a few years, and have memories or photos of the time, please consider sharing. You can send stories and/or pictures to Belinda Jones at bjones@parkfairfax.info



100 Percent Visible

Visitors are always impressed by the appearance of the Parkfairfax neighborhood and much of that appearance is due to the building exteriors. The clean and sharp outlines of door frames, decorative woodwork, window shutters against brick facades are the result of regular re-painting, which protects the wood — and metal of window frames and handrails—from the eroding effects of rain and snow.



There are more than 280 buildings in Parkfairfax, so our exterior painting contractor provides re-painting on a rolling basis for each of five sections—you can see the boundaries by going to

[http://www.parkfairfax.info/resources/community-maps/and opening “Painting Sections Map.”](http://www.parkfairfax.info/resources/community-maps/and-opening%20Painting%20Sections%20Map.)

The contractor provides a two-year warranty, so if there is peeling or cracking within that time frame, Parkfairfax staff members will inspect the area and determine whether or not the contractor needs to repair the places where the integrity of the paint is compromised.

Sections 1 and 2 are currently within the two-year period of warranty repair. Submit a work order request in Buildium, or contact Service Coordinator Guy Andrew (703-998-6315, ext. 103, or gandrew@parkfairfax.info), if you notice caulk failure or paint peeling or flaking on:

- trim around front and back doors
- wood thresholds at the back doors of patio units
- wood shutters alongside doors and windows
- original windows’ black paint (white vinyl replacement window maintenance is the responsibility of the unit owner)
- cupolas or attic louvers
- fascia boards under the gutters
- the exterior walls of white sand brick buildings.

Keeping up the appearance of Parkfairfax is one way to continue impressing visitors—and potential new neighbors.

Bike Inspection and Control



A bike inspection was conducted in August 2020 and all bikes without current 2020 bike decals or that were improperly stored (not secured in the provided bike racks) were tagged. The tag gives a 30-day deadline for compliance. Owners of the non-compliant bikes received notifications asking them to renew their bike decals.

During the last week of September, any bikes found in violation will be removed to a secure location in the Parkfairfax maintenance yard for a period of no less than 60 days. There is a \$70 fee to retrieve an impounded bike and bikes may only be retrieved during Association working hours. Those bikes which are not claimed will be given to a charitable organization.

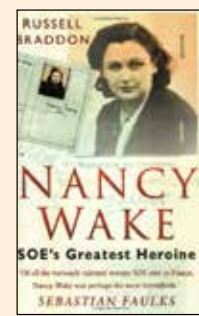
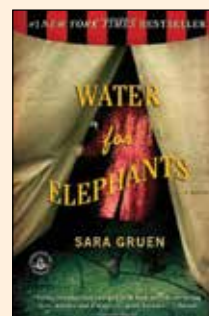
If you haven’t done so already, please stop by the main office to purchase your bike decal today. The cost of each bike decal is \$10.00.

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:

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- **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”. Please 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 and replacements** in Ward 5 will continue in-house and with contracted assistance.
- **Entry stoop replacements and sidewalk replacements** will continue as approved. The in-house staff will mark sidewalks for 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.

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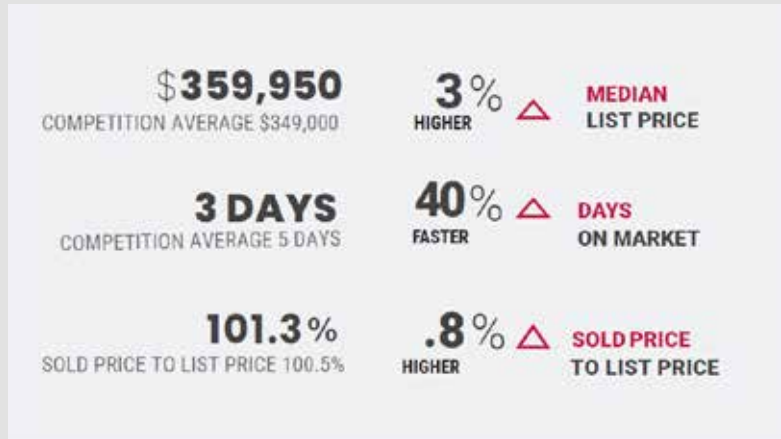
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		1 Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30pm Landscape Committee Meeting, 7pm	2	3	4 Office Closes at 12pm	5
6	7 Labor Day! Office Closed	8 Covenants Committee Meeting 7pm	9	10 Newsletter Submission Deadline Transportation & Land Use Committee Meeting 7pm Large Item Pick Up	11	12 Office open 9am – 12pm
13	14	15 Book Club [TBD] 7pm	16 Board Meeting 7pm	17	18	19 Summer Concert Coryell Open Space 6 – 8pm
20	21	22 Building and Utility Committee Meeting 7pm	23	24 Large Item Pick Up	25	26
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10