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The History of Parkfairfax: Times of Change

Fourth in a series

For more than two decades Parkfairfax remained a rental property owned and operated by Metropolitan Life. Then during the Sixties, changes came. First Metropolitan Life hired a realty company to manage the community for two years, and then in 1968 Metropolitan sold the buildings to Arlen Realty Corporation for \$9.8 million while granting Arlen a 99-year lease on the land.

Arlen Realty, a New York development company, improved the property in numerous ways from 1970 to 1978, including installing new harvest gold stoves and refrigerators, boilers, in-wall air conditioners, and the Martha Custis Drive swimming pool. The changes were welcomed until Arlen announced its plans to demolish a section of the complex so that high-rise apartment buildings could be constructed. (Actually, Arlen intended to replace the entire neighborhood with high-rise buildings surrounding a lake and park with bridle paths.)

This plan did not sit well with the tenants. So, with the help of Vola and David Lawson, relatively new residents and a couple with a calling for activism, the residents formed the Parkfairfax Civic Association. David Lawson was the president and he is credited with persuading the city to create a landlord-tenant relations board. (Vola Lawson went on to become the assistant director for community outreach for the city and later to become the city's first female city manager.)

Through lobbying and politicking, the association was able to convince city officials that a high-rise community was not in the best interest of the city nor the tenants. Arlen's project was eventually defeated by the City of Alexandria, which would not grant permits for the high-rise buildings due to an insufficient sewer system. The City also imposed a four-story height limit on the project, which made development unattractive. Only one fifteen-story building, the Parc East Condominium on Martha Custis Drive, was ever built, in 1970-71.

As a result of its failed project, Arlen Realty lost interest in Parkfairfax, and allowed the property to fall into disrepair. Vola Lawson recalled in an oral history interview with the Office of Historic Alexandria, that "the grass wasn't being cut regularly, the flowers weren't being planted. They weren't changing the screening on the boilers. Ash was coming out and ruining people's cars. There were a number of issues that we could



Gerald Ford, the 38th President, dines with his wife Betty Ford, and their children in their Parkfairfax apartment. Ford resided here from 1951-1955. Former President Richard Nixon also lived here from 1947-1951. Both men lived here while they served in Congress.

organize around, because people were used to it being run well, and all of a sudden it was being run so poorly." And, once again, members of the Parkfairfax Civic Association mobilized and

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August 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 June 2020 Reserve Expenditures in the amount of \$40,983.18 and the July Reserve Expenditures in the amount of \$161,813.31 with funds to come from GL 9901.015, Reserve Expenditures.
- The Board PASSED a motion to approve the proposed changes to Administration Resolution #2 (AR.2) (IV). (B4) to add the following:
 - G. Directly outside the resident's front door: sealed compost bins only during the day of pick-up, not to exceed 5 gallons.

Fall Cleaning and Property-Wide Inspections

The Fall Cleaning Inspections have been delayed allowing residents enough time to remedy any infractions that may be listed below. **Inspections will now begin after October 19, 2020.** Items not remedied will be issued a covenants courtesy notice.

Fronts, Backs and Breezeways

- · Fire Pits
- · Pet waste bags
- · Building Materials
- · Excessive Empty Flowerpots
- · Overgrown/Poorly Maintained Lawns.
- · Furniture (unless outdoor lawn furniture).
- · Propane Tanks (unless attached to grill).
- Miscellaneous Gardening Supplies (unless neatly stored against building).
- Any items stored on the common elements (Beyond 10 feet in the front and 20 feet in the back).





Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

Residents of Section 1, painted in 2018, and Section 2, painted in 2019, should check their buildings for peeling paint. The Palmer Brothers painting contract posted on parkfairfax.info website under "Financial Documents/ Contracts" gives a two-year warranty for their work.

The contract specifies what is to be caulked and painted, how, and with what grade materials; it requires tinted primer prior to painting all wood surfaces.

Correcting problems now helps this exterior paint job indeed last 5 years!

Check your patio back door's wood threshold-aged wood shouldn't show through. A complete coating of primer and white gloss paint help protect this oak.

Black paint should not be flaking off railings. The specified "Penetrol primer and highest quality oil-based paint" protect the metal.

Report caulk or paint failure in Buildium or contact the office 703-998-6315.

Residents reporting problems, especially work under warranty, helps preserve Parkfairfax assets. Thank you.

Maria T. Wildes

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took their concerns this time to Metropolitan Life for assistance.

The solution was the sale of Parkfairfax. In 1977, Arlen Realty and Metropolitan Life sold a 141-acre property containing Parkfairfax and Parc East to the PIA-IDI Corporation for \$30 million. PIA-IDI then sold Parc East as a separate property, thus reducing the acreage of Parkfairfax to its current 132 acres.

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.

Why Voting Matters: Parkfairfax's Powerful Influence on Local Elections

By Linda Klinger

When Dave Bush moved to Parkfairfax more than 60 years ago, our community had not yet become one of Alexandria's most formidable voting blocs.

But soon, residents would organize into a powerful group of bipartisan voters, who would—by their sheer numbers—help elect the first female and Independent members to the City Council; defeat an infamous delegate who supported segregation; and save Parkfairfax itself, when it was nearly wiped off the map.

With so much in the news about voting this election year, it seemed a good time to tap into Dave's extensive knowledge of Parkfairfax history and get a local angle on how voting can drive significant change. I asked him about Parkfairfax's greatest political victory.

"It started with Vola Lawson (for whom "Vola's" in Old Town is named) and her husband, David, who founded the Parkfairfax Citizens Association (PCA) as a lobbying group in the 1960s," he said. The goal: Prevent Arlen Inc., then-owners of Parkfairfax's buildings, from moving forward with its plans to cut down the Valley Drive woods to build high-rises.

But the PCA gained greater importance in 1968, when Arlen prepared to tear down all Parkfairfax buildings, too, and replace them with a circumference of high-rises, similar to Parc East. The PCA quickly evolved into a political action committee and led a massive, multi-year "get out the vote" program; Dave still has "PRESERVE PARKFAIRFAX" bumper stickers from that effort.

Residents responded by voting in record-breaking numbers, helping to elect several members of the Council who later approved an ordinance to rezone our area with a four-story height limitation. That rezoning, Parkfairfax's fierce opposition, and a drastic economic downturn in the mid-1970s doomed the high-rise project and saved Parkfairfax for its conversion to condos.



"The PCA was instrumental in generating a much higher percentage of community votes in primaries and general elections," Dave said. "And when the existence of Parkfairfax was threatened, we saw more than double the number of residents turn out to vote than we'd ever seen before."

Acting on PCA recommendations, Parkfairfax voters were also instrumental in electing:

- Beverly Beidler, Nora Lamborne (both Democrats), and Marlie Inman (Republican), the first women on the City Council;
- Ellen Pickering, the first Independent on the Council and mother of Alexandria's environmental and historic preservation movement;
- Republican delegate Gary Myer, who defeated long-time segregationist James M. Thomson (Harry F. Byrd Jr.'s brother-in-law); and
- · Council Member and Mayor Jim Moran.

"Compared to the 1970s, turnout for primaries today is low," Dave said. "But Parkfairfax certainly can have an impact; we come out in numbers when the issues compel us, such as in the election of Alison Silberberg. We'll undoubtedly see extraordinarily high voter turnout again in November for the same reasons that we did in the 70s—when people feel threatened, they act."

Dave has served as Charles Barrett Democratic Precinct Representative to the Alexandria Democratic Committee for five years; stood the polls as a watcher for 20+ elections; and voted in every election since 1966 (delaying heart surgery in one instance), so he has many stories to tell about the impact of voting. The one I like most is about another Parkfairfax resident, who made a difference even before he voted:

"In the 1950s, a Parkfairfax voter helped end a common, illegal voting practice. At that time, the law required voters to hand their paper ballot to the election judge (now called an officer), who placed it in the ballot box. Judges knew most of the voters in their precincts, so if they suspected an individual had voted for a candidate they didn't like, they slashed the ballot with a razor hidden under their fingernail—disqualifying the vote. The Parkfairfax voter knew about the ploy and refused to hand over his ballot. The judge had the voter arrested, resulting in a lawsuit against the city. That suit eventually ended the use paper ballots as the primary voting method, paving the way for today's digital machines."

And that Parkfairfax voter? Dave has narrowed the list to three contenders: Willard Van Valkenburgh, Fred Hoffman, or Jack Beidler. If you have the answer, let us know!



MANAGER'S CORNER

Mark Miller, CMCA, AMS
General Manager

Summer Seasonal Recap

Yearly in the fall we like to provide unit owners and residents a brief overview of work on the property both completed and work that is still in progress. Due to pandemic issues, several projects were behind, and others were delayed in starting. As we have now turned that corner, we want to thank everyone for their patience. The Board, management and our dedicated staff are continuing the path to better service and sustainability were feasible. Below is a list of projects:

- **PEX water line conversions.** To date we have completed 178 buildings. This entails installation of new hot and cold-water supply lines, connections between buildings and new pipe insulation. Several additional building will be completed in the Spring. Unfortunately, as we have seen building settlement work increase this project cycle will be extended through 2023 for completion.
- **Crawlspace remediation.** We have now completed 152 buildings and expect to add another 12 by early Spring. This project will also be extended through 2023.
- Upper trim and gable composite replacements. This project began back in 2017 on a small scale. We had increased funding last year and have now completed 74 buildings to date several more to be completed as well by the next spring. Once the 2 previous projects are fully completed the Board will allocate more funds to this reserve line item to move the project to an earlier completion date.
- Gutters: In 2016 we began to install new stainless steel and galvanized gutter guards to eliminate the high ladder work required to clean them. To date we have 200 buildings done with a plan to install the guards on a minimum of 30 more buildings by the end of the spring. The remaining buildings will all be completed by next December with funding in the upcoming FY22 budget. This will alleviate almost all high ladder work which not only provides a safer working environment for our staff but allows the Association a savings of \$120,000 in labor costs to clean the gutters, which in turn frees staff up for other tasks.
- Erosion control: Both CLS and Parkfairfax staff completed several more areas that had long standing issues. Areas adjacent to buildings 906, 912 and 914 on Fitzgerald,

buildings 920, 922, 924 and 926 on Gunston Road, rear of 948 on Preston Road, 514 on Valley Drive, 115 and 117 on Beverly Drive all had major work done. This included both new installations and repairs of storm drains, berms, crib and stone walls, new turf, both seed and sod as well as new plantings. Other areas underway are 211, 215, 217 on Quaker Lane, rear of building 830 on Martha Custis and additional work to the rear of 915-917 on Fitzgerald Lane.

- The corner bed and turf areas of Fitzgerald Lane and Martha Custis were restored, with new timber cribbing, stump removal, re-grading, new seed, and sod as well as a pathway. We want to thank the unit owners adjacent to this area for their help in caring for the newly planted materials.
- CLS once again has pruned and removed many trees
 throughout the site. Please note that stumps still need to be
 ground as this was delayed due to the wet grounds, so we do
 not damage the surrounding turf. More tree work in planned
 into November.
- Tree Replacements: Management, the landscape committee and CLS are finalizing both locations and species of our annual fall tree replacements. Planting will commence at the end of the month and continue into November. If you would like to become part of our Adopt-a-Tree program, please contact Martha Crowley at: mc1092@comcast.net
- Settlement work: Buildings 845 and 929 were fully completed including landscape restoration. Building 527 on Martha Custis has been underway since June 4th and anticipated completion is by mid-November including landscaping. SRG continues to provide monitoring services for several other "high priority" buildings.
- **Painting:** Ward 5 was completed by Palmer Brothers. During this cycle, several door frame trim replacements were completed as were columns and railings where needed.
- Trash and Recycling: We are investigating several options with the help of our service providers to help to mitigate the tremendous increase in both items. We may opt for a second recycle pick up weekly and/or additional cans or compactor installations in the maintenance yard.
- **Compost:** The Board approved changes to AR. 2 in August to allow for the use of 5-gallon buckets for composting. This program is unit owner driven with an outside firm and no Association funds are expended.

We hope this informs residents of the tremendous amount of activity that occurs daily here and helps them understand where their paid assessments are directed too. As Parkfairfax is now 77 years old, we continue to move forward to modernize with infrastructure upgrades and repairs which will continue to make Parkfairfax the best place to live in Alexandria.

A Reminder on Snow Removal

Staff is responsible for clearing all common element walks (walks serving more than one unit). Each Parkfairfax resident is responsible for clearing portions of the walkways that serve only their unit as well as their own stoops. Residents who are unable to clear their own walks due to physical impairments may complete the "Request for Snow Removal Assistance" form and return it to the main office. This form may be found in this newsletter, or at the main office.

- Please do not use the sand barrels (found near each Laundry Room) as trash receptacles or "dog walk" containers.
- Please do not park in the intersections or crosswalks during a storm. This stops the snow clearing equipment.
- Please do not "reserve" parking spaces with lawn furniture, cones, etc. All parking lanes will be plowed once the cars move. Please do not ask staff to dig out your car or give your car a jump-start. These requests delays having the walks and roads cleared for everyone's benefit.
- When digging out your car, please do not dump snow in large piles on the streets or sidewalk; snow removal equipment cannot clear them. These piles of (now) compacted snow force someone else to shovel it a second time.
- Please be patient and travel with care. Remember, melting snow helps more than anything else to maintain ground water which helps to stabilize these buildings.

2020/2021 Request for Snow Removal Assistance

Name(s)
Building Number
Address
Phone Number (Home)
Phone Number (Work)
Signature
Date
This request must be renewed each year!

This request must be renewed each year! All prior years requests have been destroyed!

Please return this completed form to:

Parkfairfax Condominium at 3360 Gunston Road, Alexandria, VA 22302; or FAX to 703-998-8764.

Sound Wall Landscaping

The VDOT landscaping team met on site with the chairs of the Landscape Committee, the Transportation and Land Use Committee, and Parkfairfax management to begin the project of greening up the community-facing side of sound wall F2 (adjacent to N. Quaker Lane). Initial planting and first year maintenance are provided for part of the I-395 Express Lanes project.



The team carefully surveyed the existing terrain to optimize planting location and selection. Over time, a variety of trees, shrubs and vines will provide welcome relief from the harsh image of the concrete wall behind the 300 series buildings. At press time, details are being finalized, and planting should be completed by November 15.

Bob Gronenberg

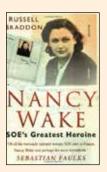
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BOOK GROUP: Update for the Group—

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.





Nature No.

OCTOBER NATURE NOTES

By Christine Payack

During the first two weeks of October...

- Watch for asters and goldenrods. Some of the more beautiful wildflowers blossom in the early fall.
- · Monarch butterflies continue their migration.
- · Be on the lookout for red admiral butterflies.
- · Hawk migration is in full swing.
- · Fruits and berries begin to ripen.
- Leaf colors—that are masked by chlorophyll—will start to be revealed.
- Look for "shooting seeds," "parachute seeds," and "floating seeds."
- Look for the wooly bear caterpillar on warm roads and sidewalks and on the sunny sides of building foundations.
- Tradition holds that the wider the brown band around the wooly bear's middle, the milder the winter.
- The wooly bear is the larva of the Isabella moth. These caterpillars hibernate under logs and rocks during the winter.
 In spring, they make their cocoons and then emerge as adults in summer.
- If you see a wooly bear caterpillar, observe it but then let it be on its way. It has a busy fall, winter and spring ahead.

Look out for these late October "bugs."

- · Ladybird Beetles (formerly known as Ladybugs)
- Large Milkweed Bugs
- Stinkbugs
- · Six-spotted Tiger Beetles
- · Autumn Meadowhawk Dragonflies
- House Centipedes
- Marbled Orbweavers ("pumpkin spider")
- Fall Field Crickets They are large, black, and round-headed, and their song is the quintessential cricket chirp. We can hear them in the courtyard!

Did you know?

- Arthropods are an invertebrate phylum which includes four major groups: insects, arachnids, myriapods and crustaceans.
- 2. The true bugs are an order of insects. Biologists call true bugs the Hemiptera. There are around 80,000 species of "true bugs" such as stink bugs, backswimmers, cicadas, aphids and spittle bugs. The word hemiptera comes from Greek, meaning "half-winged." These insects share a common arrangement of sucking mouthparts.

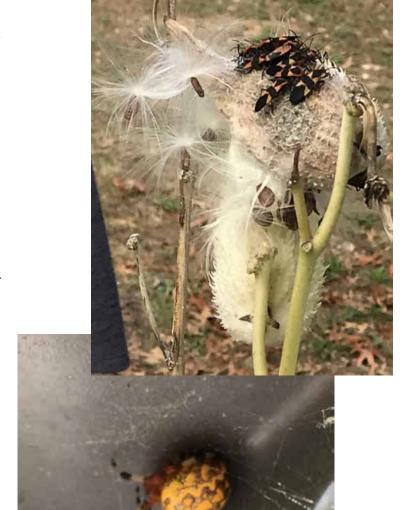
Top right: Large Milkweed Bugs gathering on milkweed on the Carlin Springs Elementary School grounds.

Right: This "Pumpkin Spider" is a magnificent sight to behold!

Never Home Alone!

"As households across the US decorate their homes with plastic spiders for Halloween, Dr. Dunn, an applied ecologist at North Carolina State University, is encouraging people to search out the real thing and then to photograph whatever they find, rather than squash it. 'There is no shortage of studies on cockroaches and termites, but there are hundreds, potentially thousands of house dwellers that are neutral to beneficial that we know nothing about,' says an entomologist at the University of Illinois." From the Science Times

Interested in such an indoor project? Sign up in iNaturalist—a citizen-science app—with the project Never Home Alone. Look for jumping spiders, earwigs, short-tailed wasps, house centipedes, booklice and varied flies—and you might even discover a new species!



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The Garden Contessa, is reminding all Parkfairfax residents that we offer one (1) FREE gardening consult per year. Fall is bed clean up time and we are now offering "Custom" plant repositions and divide/ conquer services. Its perfect weather for lovely fall evenings outdoors, so give us a call to spruce up your yard. Book now. Weather permitting, we will garden through the end of the year. Testimonials/ references available. Text 703-548-1882, ContessasHome@gmail.com.

MISCELLANEOUS/ SERVICES

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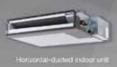
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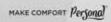












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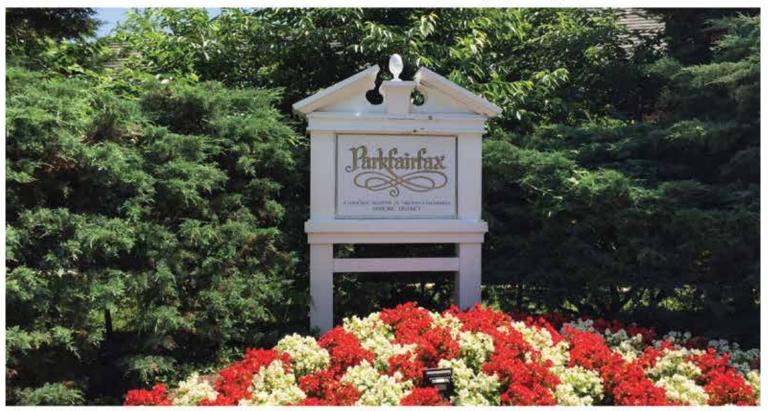
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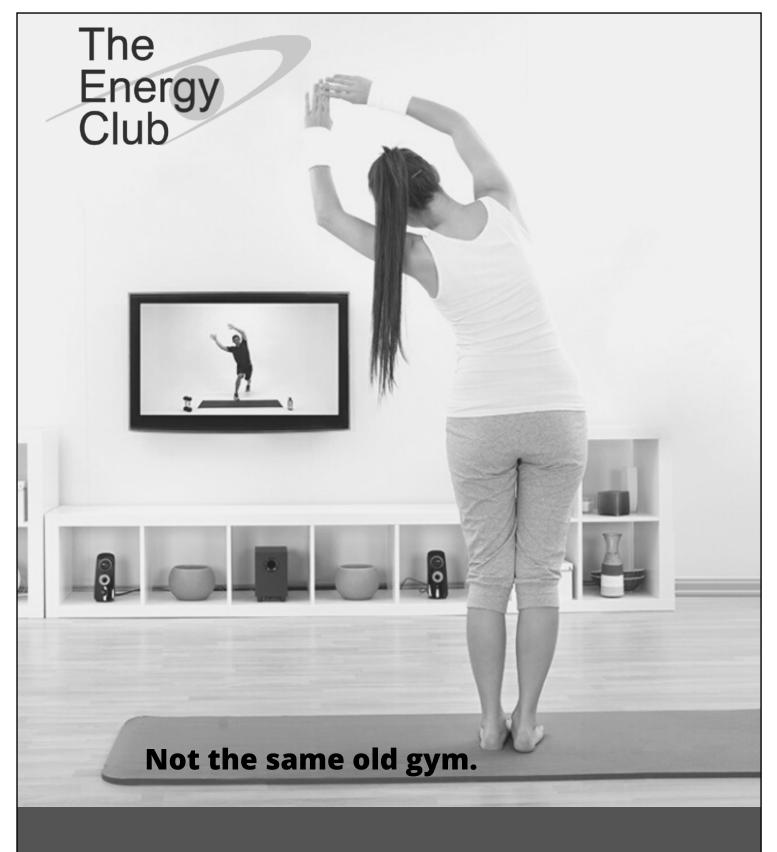
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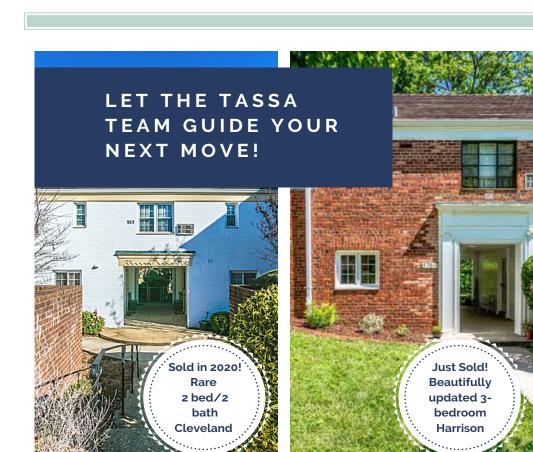
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30pm LandscapeCommittee Meeting, 7pm	7	8 Transportation & Land Use Committee Meeting 7pm Large Item Pick Up	9	Office open 9am – 12pm Newsletter Submission Deadline
11	12	Covenants Committee Meeting 7pm	14	15	16	17
18	19	Book Club [TBD] 7pm	Board Meeting 7pm	22 Large Item Pick Up	23	24
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