

Wine & Cheese Event Brings Residents Together

By Lolita Clark

On Saturday, November 8, the Activities Committee hosted the Annual Wine & Cheese event in the Community Room. The Committee went above and beyond, with a selection of wines from UnWinded (located in the Belle View Shopping Center) and delicious cheeses and desserts. Over 100 residents attended and mingled. The new General Manager also attended and was able to meet numerous residents. It was a wonderful night.



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Meetings begin at 7 pm at the Association Office and is also available via Zoom. 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.org.

The Newsletter deadline is the 10th of each month preceding publication month. Email editorial announcements, commercial and classified ads to Lolita Clark, lclark@parkfairfax.org.

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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 It must be signed and include your unit address and phone number (address and phone number will not be published) and submitted by the 10th of each month preceding publication.

November Board Meeting Highlights

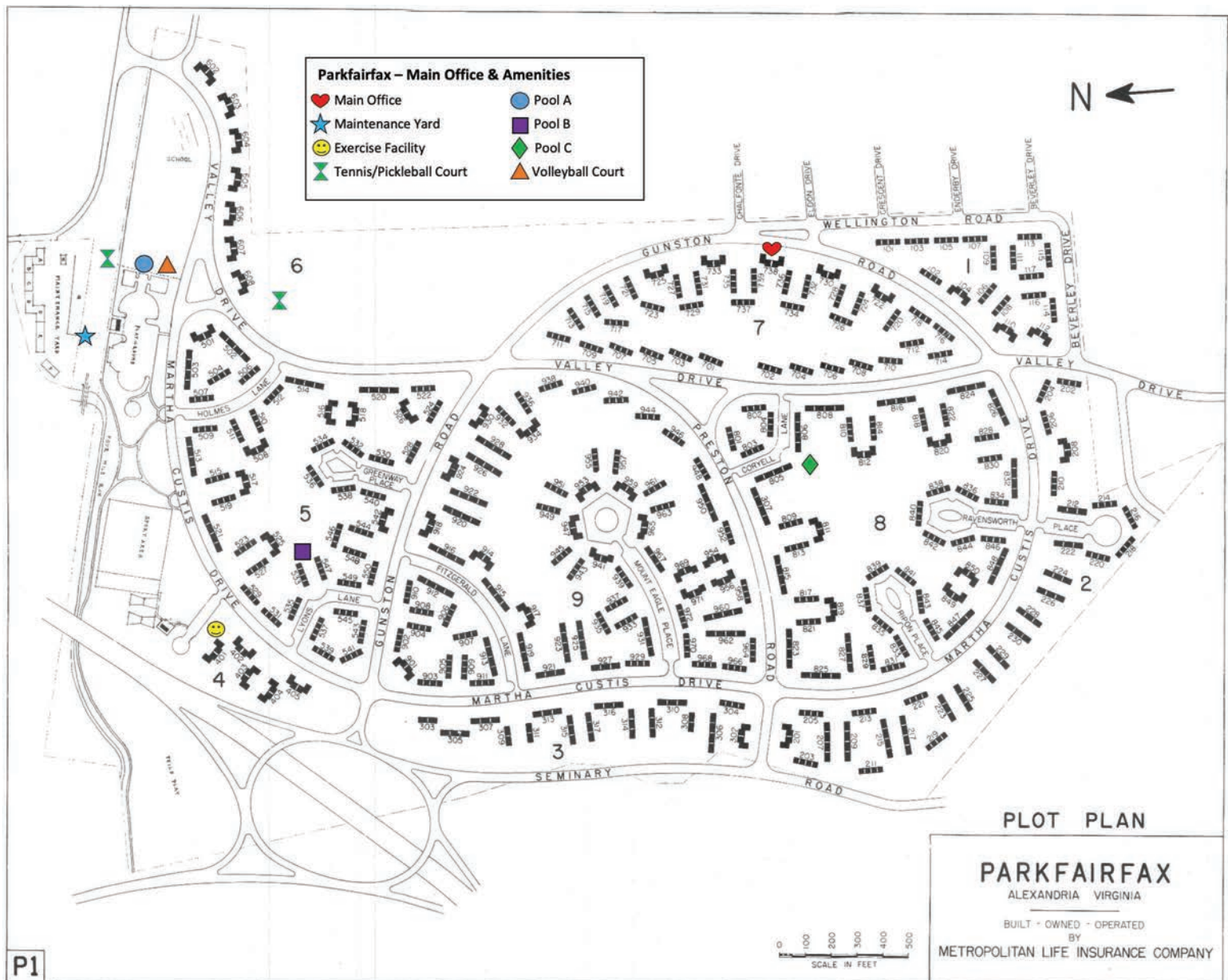
- The Board APPROVED the Miller Dodson Reserve Study as is, with the understanding that the Board will make edits to it in the new year.
- The Board APPROVED appointing Robin Davis as the treasurer for the term of November 25 through April 2026.
- The Board APPROVED having management move forward in creating an RFP and securing bids to examine the actual costs of the EV Charging station on Ravensworth Place.
- The Board APPROVED the September 2025 Reserve Expenditures in the amount of \$251,665.75 with funds to come from GL 9901.015, Reserve Expenditures.

Holiday Closings and Trash Pick-up

The Parkfairfax office will **close at 1 pm on December 24**, and **closed on December 25** in observance of Christmas day. Similarly, the office will **close at 1 pm on December 31** and will be **closed on January 1** in observance of New Year's day.

Trash and recycling pick-up will occur **December 26**, and **January 2**. Holiday tree pick-up dates are **January 7, 9, 14, and 16**.

Parkfairfax Property Map

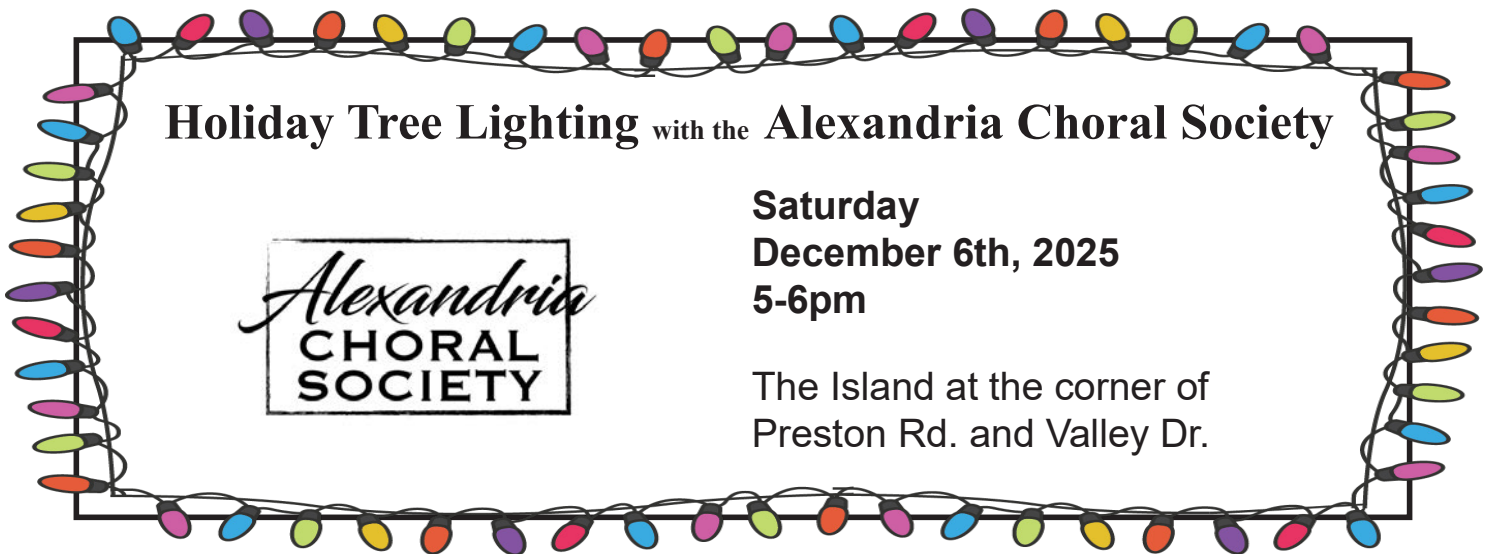


Parkfairfax Activities

Presented by the Parkfairfax Activities Committee

2025 Parkfairfax Upcoming Activities

Mark your calendars now for these exciting events!

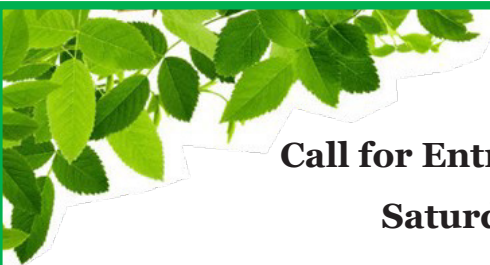


Holiday Tree Lighting with the **Alexandria Choral Society**



Saturday
December 6th, 2025
5-6pm

The Island at the corner of
Preston Rd. and Valley Dr.



Call for Entries for the 2026 Parkfairfax Home and Patio Tour!

Saturday, June 6th, 2026 (Rain date: Sunday, June 7th)

To help owners get ideas for improvements to their units, the Activities Committee is planning a home tour of unit improvements / renovations. Please find a list of suggested improvements:

- Kitchen renovations
- Bathroom renovations
- Storage solutions
- Small space improvements

More information on how to submit your property available in January!

The above events are hosted by the Parkfairfax Activities Committee. If you would like to join the Activities Committee, please attend the Activities Committee meeting held the first Wednesday of every month, starting at 6:30PM at the Parkfairfax Community Room (Mgmt Office), 3360 Gunston Road.

PARKFAIRFAX VOICES

High Praise for Parkfairfax's Landscape Improvements

By Elaine Lawler and Rob Schneider

One of our talented residents, Mr. Rob von Schneider, recently posted an opinion piece online and three, let me repeat that, three other residents sent it to me! That's some influence there, Rob.

Now I'll admit that I could rephrase his post, but I'd rather just share it with you nearly verbatim. So, with the permission of Mr. Schneider himself, I share with you his heart-felt praise with the hope that reading this will bring you the same feelings of gratitude and joy that it brought to me!

As posted: "... I want to be sure and comment on the new and pleasing changes to the gardens in our triangular shaped island/common at Valley and Preston Roads. For years, these gardens were a disappointment in the fall and winter because there seemed to be no year-round garden plan to keep them looking great during the gray weather months. I posted my objection about it a while ago. To my delight, small evergreen plants and tall ornamental grasses were added and look happy here. A naturalistic-looking cover was even placed over the formerly exposed utility pipes. Those pipes and hardware use to look pretty junky and forlorn among the barren mud on each corner of the common area in winter. These recent valuable improvements add great curb appeal to our neighborhood. The year round plants bring the perfect note of attention to this little park and add a genuinely cared-for look to this part of our community. Because of the changeup, I found myself with a smile and committed to recognizing this great turnaround. I'm not 100% sure where credit should be directed, but my suspicion is that credit should be given to the Landscape Committee, the UOA Board of Directors, and the Landscaping Team. **Thanks to all for remaking these gardens into a place for our year-round enjoyment. I'll never complain about anything in Parkfairfax, ever again. <<crosses heart>> Y'all got us covered.**"



Photo by Rob Schneider

Alive! Food Drive

By Lisa Barnello

On Saturday, November 8, Parkfairfax volunteers held a Thanksgiving food drive for at-need Alexandria residents through ALIVE!, to support those affected by the government shutdown and disruptions to SNAP benefits. Our community rallied together and collected an incredible amount of food.

It was an amazing morning of neighbors helping neighbors. So many residents showed up to give, share, and lend a hand—a true reflection of the kindness and compassion that defines Parkfairfax. Your generosity was inspiring! Neighbors helping neighbors in the truest sense. Together, we made a meaningful difference for families who needed us most this season.

Great job, Parkfairfax!



COVENANTS CORNER

Trash Violations

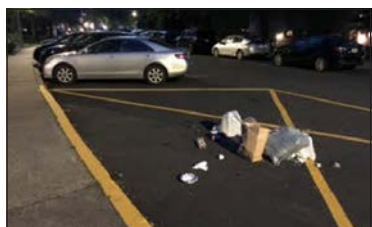
Have you noticed trash out on the street while walking in our beautiful neighborhood?

Trash violations are one of the most frequent covenants violations. Not only is improperly disposed of trash unsightly, but it can also attract rodents and other pests. Fortunately, we have a generous trash pickup system at Parkfairfax.

Help keep Parkfairfax clean, safe, and beautiful by following the rules for trash disposal.

- **Trash** is picked up daily, Monday–Saturday.
 - Trash should be placed outside in the morning before 7 am.
 - Do NOT place trash outside the night before.
 - If you miss a trash pickup, you can take it directly to the Maintenance Yard. It is open from 7 am–10 pm every day.
- **Recycling** is picked up along with regular trash pickup on Wednesdays ONLY. Recycling is put out in paper bags or cardboard boxes. Glass is not accepted.
- **Bulk trash** is picked up curbside on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.
- **Yard waste** should be brought to the Maintenance yard. Please do not leave it on the curb for staff to pick up.

The [Parkfairfax Trash Policy](#) can be accessed online and contains even more guidance on trash removal.



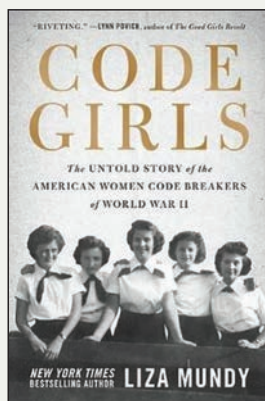
BOOK CLUB

Code Girls: The Untold Story of the American Women Code Breakers Who Helped Win World War II

by Liza Mundy

Tuesday, December 9, 7 pm

Parkfairfax Board Room



Most of it takes place around the DMV so it was cool to recognize places.

In the tradition of *Hidden Figures* and *The Girls of Atomic City*, *Code Girls* is the astonishing, untold story of the young American women who cracked key Axis codes, helping to secure Allied victory and revolutionizing the field of cryptanalysis.

Recruited by the U.S. Army and Navy from small towns and elite colleges, more than ten thousand women served as codebreakers during World War II. While their brothers and boyfriends took up arms, these women moved to Washington and learned the meticulous work of code-breaking. Their efforts shortened the war, saved countless lives, and gave them access to careers previously denied to them. A strict vow of secrecy nearly erased their efforts from history; now, through dazzling research and interviews with surviving code girls, bestselling author Liza Mundy brings to life this riveting and vital story of American courage, service, and scientific accomplishment.

We generally meet the third Tuesday of every month; everyone is welcome. Light snacks/drinks will be available. Please contact Catherine Kitchell at catherinekitchell@gmail.com to be added to the mailing list or for any additional information.

Christmas Tree Disposal

The Parkfairfax Landscape Crew mulches all discarded Christmas trees through the “chipper” at the Maintenance Yard. This process keeps disposal costs down and makes pine chips available for erosion control projects.

Instead of waiting for your tree to be picked up, bring your tree to the Maintenance Yard and place it on the pile of Christmas trees next to the chipper. If you are not able to bring your tree to the Yard yourself, you can leave it at whichever curbside is nearest your building (before 1 pm, Monday through Friday).



Nature In Our Neighborhood

Translated by Christine Payack

CLICK, CLICK . . . HISS, HISS! Did I get your attention? These sounds are coming from me—your neighborhood female VIRGINA OPOSSUM! I “click” to attract mates and communicate to my young, and I “hiss” when threatened. But you probably won’t hear me. I am nocturnal and I’m active at night while you are sleeping,

Sadly, I am very misunderstood. I am a mammal and no offense to rodents, but sometimes I am thought of as a slow-moving rat. But I am NOT a rodent! I am a proud marsupial. In fact, I am the only native marsupial found north of Mexico.

I am a pouched mammal. The word marsupial comes from Latin meaning “pouch” or “purse.” My young have a short gestation period, and my 8-16 babies are born very small—being little more than partly developed embryos. They weigh 2 grams which is about the weight of two small paperclips! My embryos quickly find their way to my pouch to finish their development for about 2 months. Then my little ones crawl onto my back and stay with me for their third month of life. I don’t mean to brag, but I am an excellent self-sufficient mother!

My name and my relatives. The word “opossum” comes from the translation of a Powhatan (Algonquian) word meaning “white dog.” Did you know my opossum family has been around for a very long time, making us one of the oldest surviving mammal species? My ancient relatives lived on Earth during the time of the dinosaurs, at least 70 million years ago. We know what happened to the dinosaurs, but opossums live on!

Are you are wondering how I survive in your urban neighborhood? First and foremost, I am very adaptable. I’m an omnivore. I eat a variety of animal and plant foods with my 50 teeth, which is more than any other native land mammal in North America! I eat fruit, small animals, carrion and the garbage you humans leave behind. And believe me, there is plenty of that to smell and forage through! I can also eat venomous snakes without detriment. I traditionally lived in wooded areas and forests near water sources. But my range expanded when humans transformed the land into farms, suburbs and cities. I can find shelter in and around your many structures, including porches, attics, sheds, or garages. When my young finally leave me and I am an “empty nester,” I am solitary and seminomadic.

I am quite the thespian! My greatest form of protection is to play dead or “playing possum.” I will fall on my side, mouth open, with much drooling. Sometimes I discharge a foul-smelling green goo or death scent from my anal glands. This state may last for a couple of minutes to two hours before I revive, look around, and amble to safety. Unfortunately, this adaptation doesn’t work well when I am foraging for pungent garbage along roadsides and encounter your moving vehicles. Please break for me if you see me!

My tail is prehensile. This means my long and hairless tail is adapted to seize, grasp, and hold on. My tail is not strong enough

to hang from a branch like you might see in cartoons. But I can use it to carry leaves and nesting material and for balance because I am an excellent climber. By the way, my hind feet look like your human hands. They have a clawless thumblike digit that is opposable. That means it faces opposite the four other digits. This allows me to grasp objects such as tree branches and leaves.

How do I deal with cold weather? When cold temperatures set in, I am less active and may spend entire days in my den to avoid the cold. I continue to search for food, which can lead me to raid your ever-present garbage. But due to my hairless ears, paws, and tails, I am susceptible to frostbite and can lose parts of my tail in winter weather. Brrr!

I have an unusually short lifespan of about two years.

However, I continue to grow throughout my lifetime. Even if I make it through the first two years of life—avoiding predators, cars, diseases, misplaced poisons or lethal parasites—it’s sadly all downhill from there.

Thank you for taking the time to UNDERSTAND more about me! Hopefully you are persuaded that Virginia opossums are your special wildlife neighbors!

Resources

Gotch, A. F. *Latin Names Explained. A Guide to the Scientific Classification of Reptiles, Birds and Mammals.* Facts On File, Inc. 1995.

Hadidian, John. *Wild Neighbors The Humane Approach to Living with Wildlife.* The Humane Society of the United States, 2007.

Reid, Fiona A. *Peterson Field Guide to Mammals of North America.* Peterson Field Guide Series, 2006.

Wier, Janet & Huelbig, Carole. *City Kids and City Critters!* Learning Triangle Press, 1996.

<https://www.natureblog.org/the-life-o-possum/>

[Opossum Society of the United States OSUS](#)

[Playing ‘Possum Urban Life Science Module, Acorn Naturalist 2025](#)



Maintenance Notes and Reminders

By Alonzo Alexander

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Clearing of Gutters and Roof Valleys

The maintenance crew is scheduled to perform the annual gutter and roof valley clearing between December 1 and December 19. This project may be impeded by inclement weather, residents are asked for their patience as this annual winter ritual will take priority over routine maintenance requests. Residents are reminded that the removal of leaves from rhino guards on the gutters and roof valleys is a major step towards water management of the buildings' foundations. Clear gutters and downspouts also helps to prevent storm water and snow melt overflow from entering units.

Maintaining Heat While You Are Away from Home

If you are responsible for a vacant unit, or if you are going to be away from home for any period of time this winter, please be sure that you...

- Make sure your heaters are in good working order
- Check that there is ample heat in your unit, especially in your kitchen and bathroom (where water pipes are prevalent)
- Leave your baseboard and wall heaters "on" (at least at the "2" level)
- Leave your kitchen and bathroom doors open
- Open the doors to any cabinets that house water pipes or shut off valves
- Have a neighbor check on your unit periodically if you can't
- Be sure that the Parkfairfax Office has an emergency key to your unit "just in case" (and as required by the Association's governing documents)

Free Plumbing Inspections

Free plumbing inspections are available to residents year-round. Help prevent water damage in your unit and neighboring units by requesting an inspection for water leaks. Call 703-998-6315 or request via Buildium ([signin.managebuilding.com](https://www.buildium.com/signin.managebuilding.com)) to request a free plumbing inspection.

Winterizing Hoses and Hose Bibs

Parkfairfax staff continues replacing (or converting) outside hose bibs (wall hydrants) with a "freeze-less" valve (Woodford Model 19). These valves do not require the annual winterizations that have been necessary for 60+ years. **NOTE:** This "freeze-less" design will not prevent trapped water from freezing within the valve body, so we ask that all hoses be disconnected from exterior faucets over the freezing winter months.

Parking Policy Holiday Reminders

As guests come to visit for the holidays, please keep the Parking Policy rules in mind. Residents of Parkfairfax are entitled to use available common element parking spaces for approved vehicles, on a first-come first-served basis.



- Vehicles must be parked so as not to block access to the sidewalks.
- The Bylaws permit only one vehicle per unit to park on the common element parking spaces without the prior written consent of the Board of Directors. Common element parking includes all of the lanes and all the semi-circular off-street parking areas, along with the cul-de-sac at the Exercise Room, the parking lot at the Martha Custis swimming pool and the Valley Drive Tennis Courts parking area.
- No trailer, boat, or recreational vehicle (RV) may be parked in any common element parking area.
- Vehicles parked on Parkfairfax common elements must display current State inspection stickers and current license plates. Vehicles parked on Association property may not be covered in a way that obstructs the viewing of the vehicle's license plates and State inspection sticker.
- All vehicles must be kept in proper operating condition so as not to be a hazard or a nuisance by noise, exhaust emission, or appearance. Management will post a 72-hour notice on a vehicle that is in violation of the Parking Policy Resolution. If vehicle is not removed or brought into compliance the vehicle will be towed (at owners' expense and risk). All towing will be on an on-call basis. Authorization and supervision will be done by Management and/or the President of the Board of Directors only.
- Driving or parking motorized vehicles of any kind on the common elements not designated for vehicle use (i.e. grass, sidewalks, or breezeways) is strictly prohibited. In addition to the towing provisions above, breaches, alleged or actual, of the above regulations are subject to appropriate action by the Covenants Committee, under the provisions of Policy Resolution Number Four.
- The Unit Owners Association or the Board are not responsible for damage to vehicles or loss of property from vehicles parked on the common elements.



Snow Removal

As a reminder, Parkfairfax staff is responsible for clearing all common element walkways (walks that serve more than one unit). Each resident is responsible for clearing that portion of the walkways that serve only their unit. Residents who are unable to clear their own entry walks due to physical impairment may complete the "Request For Snow Removal Assistance" form and return it to the main office.

Please note that last year's list will not be used. If you require this type of assistance again this year, you must submit a new form. We cannot make any exceptions.

- Please do not use the sand barrels as trash receptacles or "dog walk" containers (these will be placed near each Laundry Room in early November).
- Please do not park in the intersections or crosswalks during a storm. This stops our motorized equipment.
- Please do not "reserve" a parking space with furniture or boards. All parking lanes will be plowed once the cars are moved.
- Please do not ask staff to dig out or jump-start your car. This is not the maintenance staff's job and detracts from their scheduled work assignments.
- While digging out your car, please do not make huge piles on the streets or sidewalks. It does take extra time to put the shoveled snow onto the lawn areas. However, roads and walkways can become impassable, even to snow removal equipment, due to compacted piles of snow.
- Do not use household salt or rock salt on concrete or flagstone walks and steps. Never use any ice melting chemicals that contain ammonium nitrate or ammonium sulphate. Do not use any type of ice melting chemicals on newer walks—sand is fine.

The Association will have small baggies of ice melting chemicals available at the Main Office once we get into the winter weather. These are the same pink crystals that staff uses. This ice melt is sodium chloride based, but has been specially treated to protect concrete.

Please be patient during winter weather. Take your time and enjoy the season!

2025/2026 Request for Snow Removal Assistance

Name(s)

Building Number

Address

Phone Number (Home)

Phone Number (Work)

Signature

Date

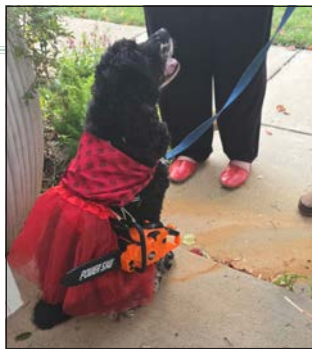
**This request must be renewed each year!
All prior years requests have been destroyed!**

Please return this completed form to:
Parkfairfax Condominium at 3360 Gunston Road,
Alexandria, VA 22302; or FAX to 703-998-8764.

Building 602 Grounds Restoration and Irrigation System Installation



Cover image by Karen Elsbury

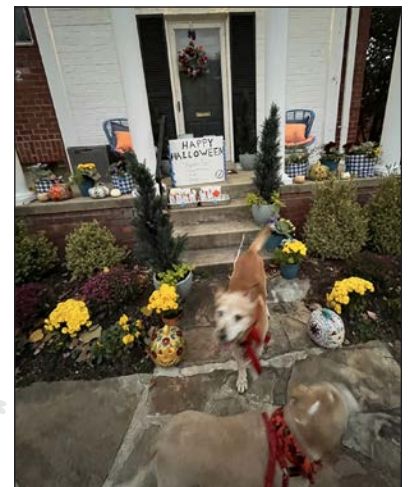
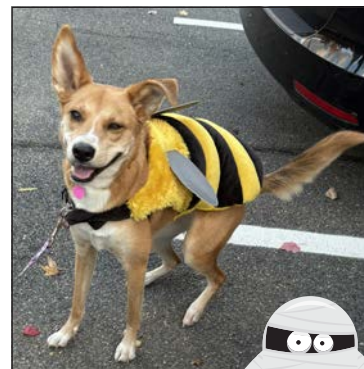


A Very Special Thank You to the Community

Thank you to every ghost, ghoul, four-legged, and two-legged friend who joined in on our first annual Parkfairfax Trick-or-Treat for Pets! You all turned our streets into a parade of wagging tails, twitching whiskers, and some of the most creative (and occasionally confused) costume choices we've ever seen. From mermaids to bumblebees we met the most wonderful and happy pets and their extremely enthusiastic owners.

Your laughter, creativity, and community spirit made this event more magical than a black cat under a full moon. We're so grateful you came out to share treats, take adorable photos, and prove once and for all that if you want to live in a community and not just a condo, Parkfairfax is the best choice in NOVA. We are definitely planning to do this again next year.

We all had such a great time! Thank you, Parkfairfax!





Parkfairfax Transformations

BIG BAD WOLF RESPONSE TEAM OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE



Bldg. 712, 3221 Valley Drive Bulkhead Repair



938/3522 Valley Drive, Damaged Trim Replacement



BEFORE



AFTER

Valley Drive Tennis Court Entry Decking (Court #2)

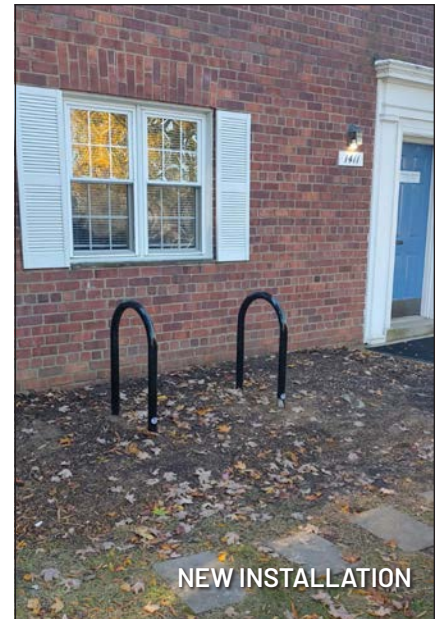
Tot Lot 7 Grounds/Path Restoration and Extension 900's



BEFORE



AFTER



NEW INSTALLATION

Bldg. 401/Exercise Room—U-Rack addition

Small Steps, Big Impact: Let's Recycle Right, Parkfairfax

Recycling right is one of the easiest ways we can all help keep Parkfairfax clean, beautiful, and sustainable. With a few simple steps, we can make a big difference together!

Recycling Day: Every Wednesday

Set your recyclables outside your unit door by 7am on Wednesdays—no need to take them to the curb. If you miss the Wednesday pickup, you can drop recyclables off at the Maintenance Yard (1200 West Glebe Road)—look for the Waste Management cans.

Recycling Containers: Paper Bags or Cardboard Boxes

Do not use plastic bags! Our trash vendor and City guidelines require that recyclables be placed in paper bags or flattened cardboard boxes.

What Goes in the Recycling?

- Newspapers, magazines, and junk mail
- Office paper and paper bags
- Flattened cardboard boxes
- Aluminum cans
- Clean plastic bottles and containers



A Few No-Nos:

- **No plastic bags, ever.** They jam recycling machines and end up as waste.
- **No glass recycling**—except at the maintenance yard in the proper container.
- **No trash on Sundays.** There's no pickup that day and leaving trash out could result in a \$70 fee.
- **No hazardous waste or paint**—These items should go to the City of Alexandria's Household Waste Site at 3540 Wheeler Avenue (open Mondays and Saturdays, 7:30 am–3:30 pm).

Got Something Big to Toss?

Capital Services will pick up large household items (like old furniture) **for free on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month.** Just leave items at the curb and mark them for Capital pickup.

By following these simple steps, we'll all help Parkfairfax stay tidy, eco-friendly, and full of charm. Thanks for doing your part to recycle right!

Join the Meetings Virtually

Architectural & Planning Board Meeting

Web access: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87615605296>

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Buildings & Utilities Committee Meeting

Web access: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82057874372>

Phone Dial-in: 888-788-0099 US Toll-free

Meeting ID: 820 5787 4372 Passcode: 596956

Board of Directors Meeting

Web access: <https://zoom.us/j/95236782815>

Phone Dial-In: 877-853-5247

Meeting ID: 952 3678 2815 Passcode: 389608

Communications Committee Meeting

Web access: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83833639396>

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Empty & rinse all containers. Remove plastic wrap from newspapers & cardboard.

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Steel & Tin Cans



Paperboard Boxes
*Trash plastic wrappers



Clean Aluminum Foil
& Trays



Mixed Paper (paper,
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Phone books



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Flattened Cardboard &
Non-Greasy Pizza Boxes

RECYCLE - NO!



Glass Bottles & Jars
*Bring to Purple Glass Bin
or Put in Trash Cart



Pots & Pans



Plastic Bag, Wrap & Film
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The Parkfairfax Annual

Holiday Tree Lighting

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Saturday - December 6th 2025

5pm - 6pm

Meet us on the island at the corner of Preston Road and Valley Drive

Santa is on his way! Let's welcome Santa once again to our community for the annual **Holiday Tree Lighting** ceremony. Join your friends and neighbors for a joyous holiday event and sing-along with the voices of the **Alexandria Choral Society**. Twinkling lights, carolers singing, and children laughing will be the prelude to the illumination of our tree and ringing in the holiday season.

The tree lighting ceremony, singing, and Santa's visit are a Parkfairfax tradition organized by the Activities Committee. We are fortunate to be able to hear the beautiful voices of the Alexandria Choral Society once again this year. Don't miss this magical community event on Saturday, December 6, from 5 pm - 6 pm at the Island at the corner of Valley Drive and Preston Road.

Mark your calendar!





DECEMBER 1991

Parkfairfax to be in New Book by Ruth Ewing

Mr. James M. Goode, a writer for the Smithsonian and author of "Capital Losses", is in the process of researching a new book on the history of apartment houses in the Washington, D.C. area. Parkfairfax is among those to be included. A team of architects, draftsmen, and research assistants are all involved in this project.

Mr. Goode and his photographer assistant spent Saturday afternoon October 15th and part of Saturday afternoon October 22nd photographing interiors and exteriors of several units in the development, as well as taking some shots at the Yard Sale.

Mr. Goode requested and received copies of all the newspaper clippings and narrative history of Parkfairfax currently in our library. He has been working on the book entitled "Best Addresses, A Century of Washington's Distinguished Apartment Houses, 1880-1980" since 1980 and plans to publish in 1986.

An architectural description as well as a cultural history of 100 of the most architecturally distinguished apartment houses in the National Capital area are to be covered by his book and Parkfairfax is surely in that category.

All the photos taken will be included in the Goode-Phillips Collection in the Architectural Photographic Archives in the National Gallery of Art. Mr. Goode is donating a complete set of prints taken of Parkfairfax to our library for our history file. We are most grateful.

This is the first comprehensive study ever attempted of apartment houses in the area and it is certainly timely since 68% of the population of the Nation's Capital in 1982 resided in apartment houses.

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Please Keep Lights On at Night!

It is that time of year when the days get shorter and daylight savings time ends. It can get very dark in the neighborhood, especially if you are walking to units not bordering a streetlight.

Be a good neighbor and help keep our community safer by turning on your unit outside lights every night to keep

our surroundings well lit. Lighting can reduce potential stumbling in the dark for residents and visitors. Keeping your lights on can also help deter crime if shrubbery or other cover near buildings is exposed, reducing places to hide.

Consider using long-lasting, energy-saving bulbs if your fixture can accept them.

Another option: maintenance staff can replace your outside light with a solid brass fixture with a photocell—so you can leave the switch turned on and your outside light will automatically come on when it gets dark and turn off during daylight hours.



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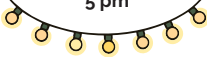
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Recreation Committee Meeting, 7 pm Transportation & Land Use Committee Meeting, 7 pm	2 Landscape Committee Meeting, 7 pm	3 Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30pm	4 Finance Committee Meeting, 6:30pm	5	6 Holiday Tree Lighting, 5 pm 
7	8	9 Covenants Committee Meeting, 7 pm The Writers Group, 7 pm	10 A&PB Committee Meeting, 7 pm Building and Utility Committee Meeting 7 pm Newsletter Submission Deadline	11 Communications Committee Meeting 7 pm Large Item Pick-Up	12	13 Office open, Walk-Ins Only 9 am – Noon
14	15 	16 Book Club 7 pm	17 Board Meeting 7 pm	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Office Closing at 1pm	25 Christmas Day Office Closed 	26 Large Item Pick-Up 	27
28	29	30	31 	1 Happy New Year! Office Closed	2	3