



Parkfairfax FORUM

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Close Out Summer with One Last Concert!

Don't miss Parkfairfax's final concert of the summer! Join your neighbors on **Saturday, August 15**, at the **Coryell Pool Area** for an evening of great music, community, and summer fun featuring **The Surf Junkies**.

Pack a picnic, bring a blanket or lawn chair, grab your favorite beverage, and get ready to dance the night away. The Surf Junkies deliver an energetic mix of classic surf rock, *Pulp Fiction*-inspired favorites, and hits from the '80s and '90s. Hailing from the Washington, D.C., area, the band brings sunny beach vibes and infectious energy that transport you far from the daily grind. Think **The Ventures** and **Dick Dale** with a splash of Aquaman!

A special thank-you goes to the Activities Committee for organizing this year's three-concert summer series. These evenings have become a wonderful tradition, bringing neighbors together to enjoy music, laughter, and the best of Parkfairfax community spirit.

Whether you're attending for the first time or you've enjoyed the earlier concerts, this is an event you won't want to miss. The



concerts are fun for all ages—even the youngest residents couldn't resist dancing at the last show, when a crowd of toddlers happily rushed the stage! Come reconnect with friends, meet new neighbors, and help us celebrate the end of another fantastic summer season.

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at the **Coryell Pool**
Lawn Space | 6-8PM



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Contributions to the Newsletter

The Newsletter deadline is the 10th of each month preceding publication month. Email editorial announcements, news, photographs of the community, interviews with pets, and any original articles you'd like to contribute to PFXNews@parkfairfax.org. The opinions of columnists and letter writers are their own and in no way reflect the opinions of Parkfairfax Condominium Unit Owners Association or its Board.

Commercial and Classified Ads

Email commercial and classified ads to Lolita Clark, lclark@parkfairfax.org. Publication of advertisements in no way implies an endorsement of the products or services by Parkfairfax Condominium Unit Owners Association or its Board. It is up to the advertiser to keep track of when the ad expires. You will not receive notice from Parkfairfax that the ad has expired.

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.

July Board Meeting Highlights

General Managers Report

- **2026 Reserve Study:** The initial draft of the Reserve Study will be provided to the Board to review on Monday, July 13th.
- **Bikes:** Approximately 80 bike permits were purchased between May and early July. Inspections for bikes with improper permits was conducted in July. If you have not updated your permit do so to avoid your bike being removed from the laundry room.
- **Electrical Panels:** As of now we have approximately 320 units with outdated electrical panels. Management continues to collaborate with unit owners whose panels need to be upgraded. Not only are the outdated electrical panels a safety hazard, but this issue may also eventually impact our ability to insure the community.
- **Landscaping:** Since meeting with the ownership of Lancaster Landscapes, comments, and complaints about landscaping throughout the Community have dropped considerably.
- **Pools:**
 - Vacuums! All three pool vacuums were delivered prior to the July 4th holiday weekend and are in operation at each pool.
 - The pool extension contract for the Martha Custis pool was sent to High Sierra Pools last month.
- **Buildings 822 & 828:** The City of Alexandria has issued the permits. Construction on Building 822 and Building 828 will start in at the end of July. A kickoff meeting with residents of Buildings 822 & 828, as well as the adjoining buildings was held on Tuesday, July 14th.
- **Martha Cuxtis Tennis Court Backboard**—Is being replaced, the work should be completed before the end of July.

Treasurers Report

Parkfairfax ended the fiscal year (FY) on May 31, 2026 on a strong financial position. Total assets were approximately \$12.2 million, with \$10.1 million in reserve cash investments and total owners' equity of \$10.4 million. Revenue continues to outperform budget, with a year-to-date operating surplus of \$696,293, positioning us well for the next fiscal year.

Committee Reports

- The **Building and Utilities Committee (BUC)** is working with Board President Mulrooney and our trash/recycling vendors to coordinate a Town Hall in September to discuss trash and recycling options.
 - The BUC is investigating the feasibility of allowing plug in "balcony" solar panels in the community.
 - The BUC presented a proposal to the Board from Monster Organics for Composting in the maintenance yard.

- The **Landscape Committee** is investigating potentially using goats to remove invasive plants from a two-acre section of the Mount Eagle woods.
 - **Mosquito Buckets Program** has been a big success at our pools (according to the lifeguards) and several residents report positive results around their units and patios. To further promote this program, committee members will place additional information in the weekly e-blasts and the Forum newsletter.
- The **Recreation Committee** is coordinating the effort to have an electrical outlet installed in the Gazebo by the Lyon Lanes pool.

This is just a short sample of the great work the committees are doing in support of our community. You can find their reports at this link [Tab-5-Committee-Reports.pdf](#). You will need to login to the website to view the content.

Police Report—Sergeant Santos from the City of Alexandria Police Department Reported the following activity in Parkfairfax since the last Board meeting:

- Destruction of property, unknown person(s) destroyed two cameras.
- Alcohol offense and identity fraud, suspect was apprehended.
- Larceny from vehicle—vehicle parts removed.
- Hit and run.
- Tampering with an auto—unknown person(s) entered a vehicle but nothing was stolen.

Matters for Board Discussion and Decision

- The General Manager **PRESENTED** a proposal to the Board to consider contracting out snow removal versus relying solely on in-house staff.
- The Board **APPROVED** the proposal from Almo Construction for the replacement of 10 stoops for a total cost of \$194,740.00.
- The Board **APPROVED** the proposal from John Marshall Bank as the new financial advisor for Parkfairfax.
- The Board **APPOINTED** Lida Lewis and Grayson Quay to the Architecture and Planning Board
- The Board **APPROVED** the May 2026 Reserve Expenditures in the amount of \$372,957.76 with funds to come from GL 75100, Reserve Expenditures.

Parkfairfax Activities

Presented by the Parkfairfax Activities Committee

2026 Parkfairfax Upcoming Activities

Mark your calendars now for these exciting events!

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Newsflash:

**Parkfairfax Yard Sale Open to
Parkfairfax Artists and
Entrepreneurs Too!**

Join in the variety of items for sale at the
Parkfairfax Yard Sale! **Signup info**
available in early September.

Saturday
October 10, 2025
8am-12pm
(Set up starts at 7am)

Valley Dr. parking lot
near the intersection
Gunston Rd.
[Rain date Sunday, October 11th]



Annual Doggie Dip!!!!



Saturday
September 12th
12pm-2pm

Lyons Lane Pool

**** Dogs must be current with vaccinations and well
socialized among groups of dogs****

****No adults or children allowed in the pool****

****Please make sure your dog enjoys being in water****

****Please no expandable leashes****

Wine & Cheese Event
Saturday, November 7th

Holiday Tree Lighting
December date TBD

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.

A Hole Lot of Trouble: Community Safety Starts With Us

On a Sunday evening in July at around 6 pm a resident out walking her dog on Valley Drive adjacent to Washington Island came across an open manhole. There were no cones, barricades, or warning signs to alert pedestrians to the hazard, creating a potentially dangerous situation for residents, pets, and wildlife, especially with darkness descending.

The resident immediately took action. She reported the issue through the City of Alexandria's **Alex311** system, contacted Parkfairfax Emergency Services, and shared the information on the community Facebook page (which is not affiliated with the Association) to help warn as many neighbors as possible.



As the sun was setting a concerned resident who saw the Facebook post notified Scott Mulrooney the Association President to see if he could expedite a Parkfairfax crew to put up some barriers around the open manhole. Scott, realizing the potential danger to residents, pets and wildlife immediately responded to the area to warn residents about the open manhole. When he arrived, he discovered there wasn't just one open manhole—there were two, located across the street from one another.



Scott and another resident moved the round cover into place. The City of Alexandria arrived and tried to replace the square cover which unfortunately was damaged and fell into the sewer. To his credit, the City Employee stayed on site, as it was very dark, guarding the hole until another employee arrived with a new manhole cover that was successfully installed.

While it's impossible to know exactly what happened, it appears someone may have removed the covers while attempting to retrieve a dropped item from the sewer. It's important to remember that manholes and the sewer system are City of Alexandria property and should never be opened or entered by residents.

This incident is also a great reminder of how quickly our community comes together to protect one another. Thanks to the quick thinking of several residents and the prompt response from the City, a potentially serious accident was avoided.

If you ever encounter an open manhole or another hazardous condition:

- Report it immediately through Alex311.

Alex311 is the City of Alexandria's customer service program that connects Alexandria residents to more than 175 City services in a variety of convenient ways. Connect with Alex311 online, through the mobile app, on Facebook and X, or by phone.

- Contact Parkfairfax Emergency Services (1-866-370-2977) or the Management Office during Office Hours (703-998-6315)
- Let your neighbors know so they can avoid the area until it is made safe.

By staying alert and looking out for one another, we help keep Parkfairfax a safe place for everyone.

Alex311—City Resources

What can we help you with?

Alex311 is the go-to service for anyone looking for City of Alexandria government services, contact information, or helpful resources—whether you're a resident or visitor.

SUGGESTED REQUESTS

Missed Collection	Trash and Recycling Containers	Tree Inspection Request
Noise Issues	Contact Mayor, Vice Mayor and/or City Council	Metal or Appliance Collection
Mobility, Access, and Traffic Safety	Bulk Yard Waste Pickup	Parking Comments, Complaints or Inquiries
Park Maintenance	Traffic Light/Signal (Existing)	Plan Review, Permit Processing and Other Code Enforcement



Welcome, Harold Zuniga

The Newsletter Team would like to introduce you to Harold Zuniga. Harold joined the Parkfairfax Painter's team in November of last year. He has been a residential, commercial, and industrial painter for over 25 years. He also repairs plaster and if pressed, will hang wallpaper as well.

Today, Harold calls Virginia home—it's been his home for more than 40 years. They don't live too far from Parkfairfax, their home is in Hybla Valley. He came to the United States from Peru when he was only 11 years old. He tells me he and his wife of 19 years have a large family with 5 children. His oldest graduated high school this year and plans to attend college to become a psychologist. The whole family is very excited for her to start college. Harold's wife said he told his daughter jokingly that that is exactly what their family needs; she's chosen the perfect profession.

Harold is an easy-going kind of guy, but he tells me he's more to the serious side of easy going (no funny bone—no prankster vibes at all). He loves the great outdoors and often goes camping, hiking, and fishing. The family's favorite haunts are Great Falls and Shenandoah. I asked Harold to tell me what is his favorite thing about working at Parkfairfax. He smiled and said "Everyone is very nice and he really enjoys the relaxed attitude of the team." He tells me that he's never told to rush and hurry to get tasks done. I replied, so quality over quantity. "Exactly. Parkfairfax wants lets us take the time needed to do a good job." Welcome aboard, Harold. It was really nice to meet you.



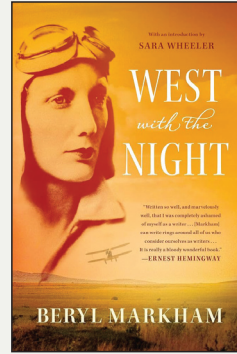
BOOK CLUB

West with the Night

by Beryl Markham

Tuesday, August 18, 7 pm

Parkfairfax Community Room



If the first responsibility of a memoirist is to lead a life worth writing about, Markham succeeded beyond all measure. Born Beryl Clutterbuck in the middle of England, she and her father moved to Kenya when she was a girl, and she grew up with a zebra for a pet; horses for friends; baboons, lions, and gazelles for neighbors. She made money by scouting elephants from a tiny plane.

And she would spend most of the rest of her life in East Africa as an adventurer, a racehorse trainer, and an aviatrix—she became the first person to fly nonstop from Europe to America, the first woman to fly solo east to west across the Atlantic. Hers was indisputably a life full of adventure and beauty.

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.

BOOK CLUB—WHAT'S NEXT?

Are you a fast reader or want to read ahead? Here are the upcoming books:

September

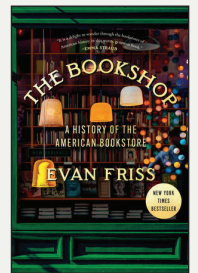
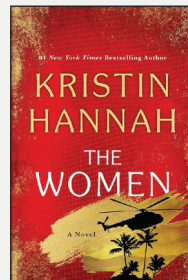
The Women
by Kristen Hannah

October

Migrations
by Charlotte McConaghy

December

The Bookshop: A History of the American Bookstore
by Evan Friss



Note: There will not be a book club in November.

Nature In Our Neighborhood

Translated by Christine Payack

Meow! Hiss! Chortle! Purr! Are you surprised to hear from me—your domestic feline neighbor? Despite my rich and wild phylogenetic history spanning the *Felidae* family, I am simply classified as *Felis catus*, the Latin term for “house cat.”

I am a mammal in the order *Carnivora*. My brethren and I are strictly carnivorous, and vegetable foods play a very minor role in our diets. Our jaws are short and our canine teeth are highly specialized for delivering an aimed lethal bite. We possess the classic carnassial teeth of true carnivores. These specialized tools are purr-fect for slicing and dicing prey, even if it is a gourmet meal of canned tuna or salmon.

Unlike my domestic counterpart *Canis familiaris* (aka the dog) we cats did not undergo major changes during our long history of domestication (nearly 4,000 years!) and our form and behavior remains very similar to that of our wild original ancestor, the African wildcat.

I am caterwauling here because while looking out the window, I spotted cats roaming outside of my comfy home. This worries me because according to the Animal Humane Society, outdoor cats have an average lifespan of just 2 to 5 years, compared to indoor cats which often live 12 to 17 years! This dramatic difference is due to the catty fact that outdoor cats are under constant exposure to severe environmental hazards such as human traffic, predators, transmittable diseases, toxic substances and yes, this is true—unkind humans!

Due to our excellent hunting instincts and finely tuned physical and behavioral adaptations, I do reluctantly hiss that outdoor cats kill an estimated 2.4 billion birds and 12.3 billion small mammals each year in the lower forty-eight states. The landmark research establishing these statistics was published in 2013 in *Nature Communications* by scientists from the Smithsonian's National Zoo & Conservation Biology Institute and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. In the summer, many of the bird fatalities are unwitting fledglings who are not yet privy to our exquisite hunting capabilities.

Fortunately, you can help mitigate this massive ecological toll while prolonging our lives. Wildlife experts recommend keeping us indoors in an enriching and mentally stimulating environment, training us to walk on a leash, or building protected outdoor enclosures like a “catio.” These sound like grrrrr-eat ideas for cool cats like me! Just remember that indoor living protects us and allows us to live much longer—along with our bird and small mammal neighbors, too!

“Cats live in our homes with their wildness still upon them.”
—Elizabeth Marshall Thomas

Resources

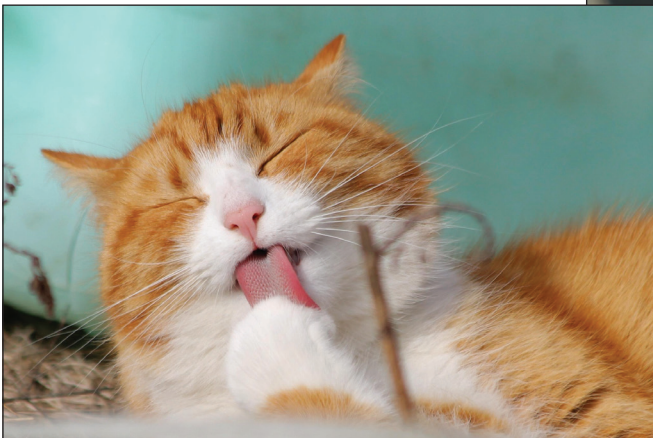
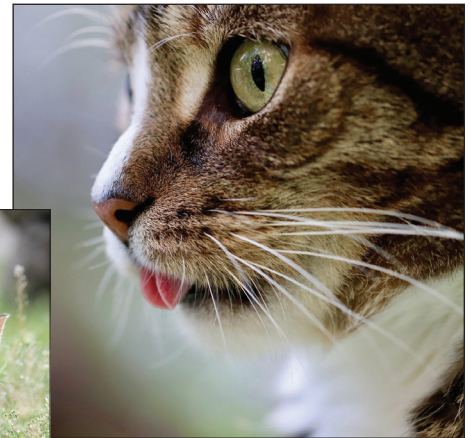
For a deeper breakdown of the impact of cats on native bird species and small mammals and what can be done to protect wildlife, you can review this detailed guide from [All About Birds](#).

Are Outdoor Cats Happier?

Discovery Books. *Wild Discovery Guide to Your Cat. Understanding and Caring for the Tiger Within*. Discovery Communications, 1999.

Ewer, R. F. *The Carnivores*. Cornell University Press, 1973, 1998.

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





Building 908/3746 Threshold Replacement



Building 849 No Parking Sign Replacement



Rear of Bldg. 849
Bench Sanding & Paint



Building 813/1658 Ceiling Plaster Repairs

Parkfairfax Trash Policies

Part 1—The Maintenance Yard Compactor Usage

When it comes to disposing of trash, Parkfairfax residents are fortunate. Parkfairfax maintains several avenues for residents to use when disposing of trash.

CURBSIDE

Residential Pickup: Monday through Saturday Parkfairfax provides residential trash pickup.

Large/Bulk Trash Pickup: On the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, Large items left at the curb will be hauled away for disposal.

Recycling Pickup: Each Wednesday Parkfairfax provides residential pickup of Items collected for recycling.

MAINTENANCE YARD

Dumpster: For residential trash that missed the curbside pickup.

Compactor #1: Dedicated Compactor for Cardboard and paper products. When disposing of cardboard boxes, break down your boxes prior to adding them to the compactor.

Compactor #2: Dedicated to household waste that is compatible with compaction. Do not place furniture, hazardous materials or liquids, sharp or metal objects, or non-compactable items in this compactor.

This article's focus is the two compactors at the maintenance yard. Most residents are courteous neighbors who are aware that compactors are only to be used for items compatible with compaction. So they are selective with which items they place in the

See **Trash Policies** continued on page 11.

What Can Go into the Trash Compactors (Maintenance Yard Trash only)

Item	YES	NO	
Packaging materials like cardboard	✓		Household furniture: These items are better suited for Large Item Pickup on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.
Paper products	✓		
Newspapers and magazines	✓		
Office paper	✓		
Food waste	✓		
Regular household trash	✓		Pallets: Our trash compactors are not designed to accommodate pallets.
Sofas and chairs		✗	
Tables and beds		✗	Renovation Waste: Doing a renovation? Disposing of renovation waste should be part of your agreement with your contractor. Renovation waste often includes items that will damage our compactors, and you are also charging your neighbors to dispose of the waste from your project.
Other misc. household furniture		✗	
Pallets		✗	Metal parts or Heavy Rigid Items: May jam the compactor or cause jams that require unsafe disassembly.
Contractor Renovation waste		✗	
Drywall		✗	Flammable liquids or aerosol sprays: Can ignite or explode under pressure;.
Electrical wiring		✗	
Appliances		✗	Paint cans, chemical cleaners, pesticides, automotive fluids: Risk of leaks, toxic fumes, and contamination.
Flooring		✗	
Metal parts		✗	Lithium-ion batteries: Can trigger fires or toxic gas release.
Heavy rigid Items		✗	
Sharp metal objects		✗	Electronics: Phones, computers, TVs, monitors contain heavy metals and glass (e.g., lead in CRTs) that are hazardous waste.
Thick metal scraps		✗	
Car parts		✗	
Plumbing fixtures		✗	
Metal rods		✗	
Metal fencing		✗	
Hazardous waste		✗	
Paint and Paint Cans		✗	
Flammable liquids		✗	
aerosol sprays		✗	
Paint cans		✗	
Chemicals or Chemical cleaners		✗	
Pesticides		✗	
Automotive fluids		✗	
Lithium-ion batteries		✗	
Electronics		✗	
Non-compressible items like rocks, tiles, and bricks		✗	



An Interview with Dolce the Bedlington Terrier

- 1. Tell us about yourself.** My name is Dolce (la Dolce Vita) and I am a Bedlington Terrier. I look like a lamb but I am all puppy.
- 2. How old are you, and how long have you been a resident of Parkfairfax?** I was born on September 12, 2025 and I have lived in Parkfairfax since I was 6 months old. I truly love it here.
- 3. I've never heard of Bedlington's. Can you tell me something about your breed?** Bedlington Terriers are named after the mining town of Bedlington, Northumberland in North East England. We were originally bred to hunt, but over time we have excelled in dog racing, numerous dog sports, as well as in conformation shows and as companion dogs. But I think we are really bred to be cute and cuddlers.
- 4. So, you have a job beyond being cute and lovable?** I am a graduate of PetSmart basic obedience and have had other specialized training. I have my Canine Good Citizenship (CGC) certification and I was recently certified as an American Red Cross Therapy Dog.
- 5. Can you tell us a little about the American Red Cross Therapy Dog program?** The American Red Cross operates an Animal Visitation Program (AVP) to support our military. Certified therapy dogs and their volunteer handlers visit military members, veterans, and disaster-affected individuals, families and staff. These dogs are trained to offer emotional support, comfort, and stress relief in hospitals, VA facilities, Red Cross events, shelters, and disaster response sites.
- 6. How do you participate in the Red Cross Animal Visitation Program?** I provide support and comfort at the Fort Belvoir Army base and other military installations. I also greet veterans from Honor Flights at the airport and at lots of other events. I hope to see you at one.
- 7. What are your favorite activities?** I love playing with my toys, getting belly rubs, walks, meeting people and giving love and cuddles to everyone. I am good at playing fetch because I always bring the ball back—I figured out that it keeps getting thrown if I return it.
- 8. Is there anything distinctive about yourself that you would like the community to know?** I was born with a split paw, but don't worry, it doesn't hurt or stop me from running or doing anything I want. I just favor it a bit so sometimes you might see me hopping around on my walks. If you talk to me, I'm going to expect some pets...I hope I get to meet you around the community.
- 9. Who do you live with?** I live with Yvonne who treats me like the princess I am. I am lucky she brought me into her home despite my birth defects because she loves me for me!



Keep Your Bike and Kayak Registration Current

Bikes stored in Parkfairfax laundry rooms are required to display a current 2026 bike decal. Any bike that was tagged in June for not having a current decal has now been impounded. If your bike has been impounded, please contact the Association Office at 703-998-6315 or email Support Coordinator Staisha Cain at scain@parkfairfax.org to arrange for its return.

To reclaim your bike, you must:

- Pay the **\$120 recovery fee** (\$100 impound fee plus \$20 for a 2026 bike decal).
- Complete a **2026 Bike Registration Form**.

Registration forms and decals are available at the Association Office, 3360 Gunston Road. Bikes may be picked up during regular office hours only.

Please note: Any impounded bike that is not claimed by **September 30, 2026**, will be donated to charity.

Don't Forget to Renew Your Kayak Registration

If you store a kayak or small canoe at the Parkfairfax Maintenance Yard, it must display a 2026 registration sticker. Many kayaks currently stored on-site either have expired decals or no registration sticker at all. This serves as official notice that **any kayak without a current 2026 sticker by September 30, 2026, will be removed from Parkfairfax.**

Kayak registration forms and 2026 stickers are available at the Association Office, 3360 Gunston Road. The annual fee is \$20.

Thank you for helping us keep our shared storage areas organized and up to date.

Trash Policies continued from page 9.

compactor. There are, however, a few rotten apples who either knowingly or unknowingly place items in these compactors that are incompatible with compaction and cause serious damage to the mechanics of these containers.

Not three months ago we had a resident report that one of these bad apples had placed a sofa in the household waste trash compactor. Sofas should be disposed of curbside on the 2nd or 4th Thursday of each month. The sofa placed in the compactor jammed the mechanical components, which cost Parkfairfax residents HOA a considerable sum to fix. The funds needed to repair these compactors comes out of our HOA assessments.

The fees to dispose of waste collected in the compactors are based on weight. Parkfairfax dumps about 236 tons of waste per month or approximately \$733.96 per month. This leads to an annual expenditure of \$8,807.52 per year.

Hazardous waste, paint, and electronics should be taken to the City of Alexandria's Household Waste Site located at 3224 Colvin Street, Alexandria, VA 22314, on Monday or Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information or directions, visit <https://www.alexandriava.gov/waste/household-hazardous-waste-and-electronics-collection>.

Stayed tuned for part 2, a riveting article on trash and waste policies in Parkfairfax!

Join the Meetings Virtually

Meetings begin at 7 pm at the Association Office and are also available via Zoom. Board package material is available for residents to review at the Association Office and website, www.parkfairfax.org.

Board of Directors Meeting

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

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Architectural & Planning Board Meeting

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2	3 Recreation Committee Meeting, 7 pm TLUC Committee Meeting, 7 pm	4 Activities Committee Meeting, 6:30pm Landscape Committee Meeting, 7 pm	5	6 Finance Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm	7	8 Office open, Walk-Ins Only 9 am – Noon
9 Parkfairfax Crafters in the Community Room 4 – 6 pm	10 Newsletter Submission Deadline	11 The Writers Group, 6 pm Covenants Committee Meeting, 7 pm	12 A&PB Committee Meeting, 7 pm Building and Utility Committee Meeting 7 pm	13 Large Item Pick-Up	14	15 Parkfairfax Concert at the Coryell Pool 6 – 8 pm
16	17	18 Book Club 7 pm	19 Board Meeting 7 pm	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27 Communications Committee Meeting 7 pm Large Item Pick-Up	28	29

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