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What's happening in the City of Fairfax

FEBRUARY 2020

GEORGE MASON-FAIRFAX CITY CONNECTION

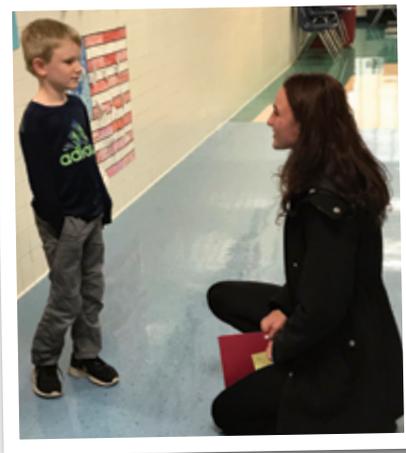
George Mason University Athletes Connect with City Students

It took one question to bring college and middle-school students together. When George Mason University wrestlers met the Lanier MS orchestra, someone asked how many wrestlers played a musical instrument — and more than half of the team raised their hands.

From there, Mason student-athletes and the musicians were on the same team.

Mason wrestlers talked about how hard they worked in middle and high school, both in the classroom and extracurricular activities, to prepare for college. Lanier musicians asked questions about students' majors, schedules and playing a sport in college. Their connection transcended all boundaries.

This has played out over and over in Fairfax City Schools this school year. Mason's baseball team visits Providence ES students twice a month, with players active in the classroom and on the recess field with students of all grades. In December 2019, Daniels Run ES and the Mason Track and



Field team paired college athletes and student for one-on-one mentoring. The George Mason wrestling team is meeting with Lanier MS students throughout the school year. It is clear that City of Fairfax students and Mason athletes have a strong connection.



"We are grateful for the ongoing support and partnership with George Mason University's athletic department," said Dr. Phyllis Pajardo, Superintendent of City of Fairfax Schools. "We know that students with mentors are more likely to stay engaged in school, develop more confidence, and see that college can be a reality when they make these kind of connections."



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CITY NEWS

Holiday Closure and Service Information

George Washington's Day, Monday, February 17

- City government offices closed
- Recycling Center closed
- General District Court closed
- Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center open
- CUE Bus: modified weekday service

No refuse and recycling collection: Monday and Tuesday routes collected Tuesday, February 18

Curbside Collection Alert: City refuse and recycling customers may experience a delay in yard debris collection citywide the week of February 17, due to the holiday collection schedule. Please leave items at the curb until they are collected. Information: 703-385-7837, RefuseRecycling@fairfaxva.gov.



Find a Golden Ticket, Win a Gift Basket

There are three Golden Tickets in Fairfax City: can you find them? In celebration of the Chocolate Lovers Festival (Jan. 31-Feb. 2), the Economic Development Authority, in partnership with the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, has teamed with Cameron's Coffee & Chocolates to produce a limited-edition chocolate bar. These special chocolate bars are available for \$3 each at participating Fairfax City businesses beginning Jan. 31, while supplies last. **Three lucky Golden Ticket Winners will receive Chocolate Lovers gift baskets.** Golden Ticket proceeds support the Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee community grant. Information: fairfaxcityconnected.com/GoldenTicket2020.

CHOCOLATE LOVERS FESTIVAL
City of Fairfax, Virginia

January 31 – February 2
Old Town Fairfax
Details, schedule, and more:
Chocolatefestival.net

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Presidential Preference Primary, March 3

Feb. 10
Last day to register to vote, or change voter registration information, before the General Election

Feb. 25
Last day to request an absentee ballot be mailed

Feb. 29
Last day to vote absentee in-person

Information:
fairfaxva.gov/vote
703.385.7890

Reminder: the Office of Voter Registration and Elections has moved to City Hall Annex Room 300, accessible from the City Hall Atrium elevator. The closest parking is in the lot adjacent to George Mason Boulevard.



Small Area Plan Meeting, February 6

The Old Town Fairfax Small Area Plan meeting will be held 6:30-9 pm February 6 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Hwy. Learn the latest at upcoming public meetings. Hear the consultant's initial recommendations, share your own ideas, and get involved with the planning process. Small Area Plans provide specific guidance on activity centers defined in the 2035 Comprehensive Plan. Information: fairfax.gov/smallareaplans, 703.385.7930

Animal Adoptions, February 15

Find a new animal friend with the help of the City of Fairfax Animal Control and Animal Shelter. The office holds animal adoption events on the third Saturday of the month. To see who's available for adoption now, visit the city home page and search "pet adoption." *Pet Supplies Plus, 11054 Lee Hwy., 11 am-2 pm, 703.385.7919*

Zoning Permits: What You Need to Know

Property owners considering improvement projects requiring a building permit may also need to obtain a zoning permit. This applies to projects such as a house addition, second story over an existing house, deck, or accessory structure like a detached garage. Other projects may require a zoning permit: for example, storage structures, accessory dwelling units, and home-based businesses. Additionally, in certain areas, emergency generator and heating/AC unit installation could require zoning permits. Planned District residents should check with homeowners associations on any restrictions. Information: fairfaxva.gov/zoning and click on "FAQs," 703-385-7820, zoning@fairfaxva.gov



Fairfax City drivers, riders, and pedestrians, stay alert for your fellow travelers. Year-round, in all weather, folks are using all modes of transportation: bicycles, motorcycles, e-scooters, and pedestrian-power. No matter how you travel, be visible. If you have lights, use them properly. Use reflective safety gear and lighting as appropriate. Remember to keep your eyes on the road and avoid distractions. Obey traffic laws, and look out for others on the road. Drive defensively.



Mason Homecoming Celebration February 10-22 Brings Community Together

Fairfax City Economic Development Department continues two popular traditions to help Fairfax City business, residential, and Mason communities celebrate Homecoming 2020 February 11-22 (homecoming.gmu.edu).

PAINT THE CITY GREEN — Fairfax City businesses are partnering with Mason student organizations, clubs, fraternities/sororities, and athletic groups to paint their business windows celebrating Mason spirit. See who's participating, and vote for your favorite window, February 10-20 on the Fairfax City EDA Facebook page, [@FairfaxCityEDA](https://www.facebook.com/FairfaxCityEDA). The "Best

Window Display" winner will be announced at the Homecoming game February 22 and posted on the EDA website.

PATRIOTS IN THE CITY — Connect with fellow Mason students, alumni, and faculty and enjoy discounts of up to 20 percent at participating Fairfax City businesses February 11-22.

Mason students, faculty, and staff show their Mason ID, and alumni show a card available on the Mason Alumni website (alumni.gmu.edu).

Information: FairfaxCityConnected.com/Homecoming2020



We have exciting news and we are not kitten you!

City Passes Ordinance Regarding Pets Stores

Fairfax City is the first Northern Virginia jurisdiction — and one of only 300 jurisdictions nationwide — to enact an ordinance requiring permits for pet stores and companion animal dealers, and strengthen regulations governing pet stores.

Previously, Virginia law provided the city with limited authority to regulate pet stores (as defined in state code) beyond land use and zoning ordinances. However, Virginia Code Title 3.2 permits local jurisdictions to establish a permit required for pet shops and dealers — and the Mayor and City Council approved the ordinance, signed into law January 6.

Local animal advocates support the new administrative provisions

relating to pet shops. Pet stores now must apply for a permit, which is subject to public hearing. Businesses also must maintain records with particular information regarding animals in their care. Animal Control officers continue regular inspections of the facilities. The city may revoke or otherwise deny the issuance or renewal of a permit under circumstances of fraud or inhumane treatment of animals, which may be based on violations found during inspection.

Information: 703-385-7919



Iguana tell you some big news!



Animal advocates join city leaders and city animal control staff at the signing of the new city ordinance regarding permits for pet stores and companion animal sales. Seated, from left, are Councilmember Michael DeMarco and Mayor David Meyer. Standing, from left, are advocates Giovanna DeBicari, Susan Laume, Tim Parmly; Fairfax City Animal Control Officer Terry Carroll; advocate Sue Bell; Fairfax City Animal Control Officer Joyce Holden; and advocate Lori Huberman-Hayes.

BY THE NUMBERS

Cityscreen-12

THE CITY TELEVISION STATION

The city has its own dedicated television station with a team of two permanent employees and a cadre of talented freelance crew that produces a myriad of video programs that can be seen worldwide.

Cityscreen-12 programs also are posted on social media, including YouTube. Speaking of YouTube: subscribe to @CityofFairfaxVA to be notified when new programs are posted (even before it's published on Facebook and Twitter!). With your help, in February we can boost subscriptions to 500, or more.

Here is a quick look at how Fairfax City television counts in our community in 2019 alone. *Information: fairfaxva.gov (under "Services," click on Cityscreen-12)*

51 | **8,714**

Fairfax City
Minute programs

Minutes of meetings televised

35 Independence Day
Parades on YouTube
(1985 to present)

29,532 Views on YouTube

2

Cable systems that carry
Cityscreen-12 (Cox
Communications and Verizon)

24,449

Views
of media
streamed
on the city's
website

420

YouTube subscribers

 **YouTube**
*Help us get
over 500!*



5 MINUTES WITH ...

RACHAEL ROTH

CABLE TELEVISION MANAGER



How long have you worked for the city? In July, I will have worked for the city for 29 years.

What is the big picture of your role? As part of the Communications & Marketing Office, I help tell the city's story through video. As Cable TV Manager, I oversee a small team: one full-time person, a pool of freelancers, and interns. I plan for and maintain the TV control room, video, and A/V components of City Hall, as well as a mobile studio operable from nine city locations.

What are some of the things you do? My team televises meetings of the City Council, School Board, and Planning Commission. We cover events like the Independence Day Parade. We create event promos, city service "explainer videos," and

training and recruitment videos for city departments. As video on social media has grown, we've evolved to meet people where they are. Easy-to-share short-format videos, like the Fairfax City Minute, resonate most with our viewers. We post videos on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube — and yes, even on our traditional cable channel.

Why do you love your job? I am always challenged to learn something new. Technology is forever evolving, yet good storytelling remains the same. Finding how to blend it all sparks my creativity, and I've certainly never been bored.

Why do you love working for the city? First and foremost, I love working with all of the wonderful people: city employees, residents, business owners, fantastic community groups and organizations. Everyone comes together to make this such a unique and special place.

Fairfax City Budget Review Begins February 25

Help the Mayor and City Council identify Fairfax City's financial priorities: Participate in a review of the proposed city budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The city manager will present the proposed budget at the February 25 City Council meeting.

To find out more about, or comment on, the proposed budget, attend the community outreach during the March 3 work session — or use Connect2FairfaxCity.com to comment on the proposed budget (and any other item on the meeting agenda).

The proposed budget will be posted on the city website February 25: fairfaxva.gov/budget.

Meetings and work sessions are held at the City Hall Annex and televised on Cityscreen-12. Schedule is subject to change. Information: fairfaxva.gov/budget, 703.385.7870

Fiscal Year 2020-21 Proposed Budget Review Schedule

February 25: Proposed budget presentation

March 3: Staff presentations, community outreach

March 10: Public hearing; consideration of real estate tax rate to be advertised

March 24: Public hearing; work session

April 7: Work session

April 14: Introduction of rates for commercial and industrial property tax, wastewater

April 28: Real estate tax rate public hearing; work session

May 8 (Wednesday): Public hearing; budget adoption

WE ASKED YOU ANSWERED



Megan DuBois, Cultural Arts Manager, City of Fairfax (left)
Deb Wright, artist and A Warm Gesture organizer (right)

A Warm Gesture 2019

A Warm Gesture 2019 generated 15 pairs of gloves, 26 hats, and 91 scarves to help the homeless this winter. The artist-organizer, Deb Wright, noted that “each hat, scarf and pair of gloves will provide a tangible reminder to our friends that, regardless of where they are in life right now, someone cares and deems them worthy to receive an item made with loving care.”

Thanks to knitters and crocheters Judy Ali, Stacie Bicknell, Carol Caputo, Cathy Carson, Anne Connaughton, Nancy Dubiell, Dori Freudiger, Dianet Giraldo, Mary Jane Page, Catherine Petrovich, Susan Steiner, Frank Taylor and family, Ramona Weaver, and Consuela Woodford.

Thanks also to Chris Townsend, who contributed yarn in memory of his mother; supplies donated by the Fairfax City community; Food Not Bombs, D.C. for free food and beverages at the meetings; as well as Cultural Arts Manager Megan DuBois and Parks and Recreation Department staff.

HEATING FIRE SAFETY

Follow these heating tips to help maintain a fire-safe home this winter.

Information: fairfaxva.gov/fire, 703.385.7940

SPACE HEATER

- Keep anything that can burn, such as bedding, clothing and curtains, at least 3 feet away from the heater.
- Make sure the heater has an automatic shut-off, so if it tips over, it shuts off.
- Turn heaters off when you go to bed or leave the room.
- Plug portable heaters directly into outlets and never into an extension cord or power strip.
- Only use portable heaters from a recognized testing laboratory.

FIREPLACE

- Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the fireplace to prevent embers or sparks jumping out.
- Do not burn paper in your fireplace.
- Put the fire out before you go to sleep or leave your home.
- Put ashes in a metal container with a lid, outside, at least 3 feet from your home.

WOOD STOVE

- Make sure your wood stove is 3 feet from anything that can burn.
- Do not burn paper in your wood stove.
- Put the fire out before you go to sleep or leave your home.
- Have your chimney inspected and cleaned each year by a professional.

FURNACE

- Have your furnace inspected each year.
- Keep anything that can burn away from the furnace.

KEROSENE HEATER

- Only use kerosene heaters from a recognized testing laboratory.
- Make sure the heater has an automatic shut-off, so if it tips over, it shuts off.
- Refuel your cooled heater outside.

For more information and free resources, visit www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach



COUNCIL REPORTER

PLEASE NOTE: summaries have been edited. To read the full Council Reporter, visit fairfaxva.gov and click on "City Meetings."

DECEMBER 3, 2019

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approved, unanimously, the resolution adopting the City of Fairfax 2020 Legislative Program and Strategies for the General Assembly 2020 Long Session. (Councilmember Yi abstained from vote, and Councilmember Lim was absent.)

DECEMBER 10, 2019

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of a resolution amending City Council policy regarding seasonal water use and impact on wastewater utility bills (R-01-40) and (R-13-18); Consideration of a Basic Ordering Agreement with LeMay Erickson Willcox Architects for Professional Services associated with building security and related Task Orders; Consideration of the 2020 City of Fairfax special event run requests pursuant to City Council Road Race and Road Closure Policy; Consideration of a resolution to approve the City's Submission to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority for FY 21-26 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Funding.; Consideration of a resolution to Endorse Project Submittal for FY 21 I-66 Commuter Choice Funding.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Deferred. 4-2, to January 14, 2020: Public hearing and Council action on a request for consideration of a Zoning Map Amendment (Rezoning) with proffers, a Special Use Permit, three Special Exceptions, and for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 9700 Fairfax Boulevard. (In favor: Councilmembers Lim, Miller, Stehle, and Yi. Opposed: Councilmembers DeMarco and Passey.)
- Approved, unanimously, the request for a special use permit for a religious institution (Faithful Life Church) in the CR Commercial Retail Zoning district and Architectural Control Overlay district at 9870 Main Street, subject to conditions.
- Approved, unanimously, the proposed Budget Guidelines to be used in the preparation of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget.

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING A PUBLIC HEARING

- Approved, unanimously, a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of Fairfax and the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County for certain real property, with improvements, owned by the County Board and located at 10635 and 10637 West Drive within the City, substantially of the form attached to the Staff Report for this item. Further move to authorize the Mayor and/or the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the city, provided that the final agreement is substantially of the form attached to the staff report for this item, subject to such non-substantive modifications that are approved by the city attorney.

ACTIONS OUT OF CLOSED MEETING/APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- Appointed: Melissa Grow to Commission on the Arts; and Mary Baker to Commission for Women.
- Reappointed: Paul Cunningham to Planning Commission and representative for Board of Architectural Review; and Timothy Killian to Environmental Sustainability Committee.

Agendas Available on the City Website

Visit the website to stay abreast of board and commission meetings and actions: read the website Community Calendar to see when and where meetings are scheduled.

Want to see proposed agendas for meetings of the City Council, School Board, and Planning Commission? From the home page, click on "City Meetings;" agendas are posted the week before the meeting. Additionally, "future agenda items" tracks upcoming issues expected to come before the City Council in the near future.

Also, on the "City Meetings" page is a link to the city boards and commissions list. This link directly connects citizens to the individual board and commission web pages.

Connect2FairfaxCity

Stay abreast of City Council meeting agendas, and provide comment on the next City Council meeting, via Connect2FairfaxCity, an online interface available from the city website. Create a profile to access agendas and related documents — and more importantly, provide public comment as late as 5 pm on the day of the meeting.

All comments posted on Connect2 are public and "on the record," and reviewed by the Mayor and City Councilmembers.

This is a user-controlled resource: users create their own profiles and determine their own level of engagement.

Receive reminders for upcoming City Council meetings via email, text or app using Fairfax City Alert; click on "City Alerts" at the top of the city web page to subscribe, or to manage your subscription.

Info: CityClerk@fairfaxva.gov, 703.385.7935

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
CENSUS DAY IS APRIL 1

Find out more information — including temporary employment opportunities — at census.gov.

City Adjusts Wastewater Utility Bill Charges for One-Time Excessive Water Use

Occasionally, water customers may encounter an unexpected excessive water/wastewater bill caused by a water leak, outdoor irrigation, or filling of a swimming pool. A new policy enacted by the Fairfax City Council allows the city manager to adjust excessive charge, in part or in full, from the customer's wastewater bill.

To be eligible for a full refund, the water use in question must not have reached the wastewater system.

Adjustments are approved for a billing address only once every five years for water leaks and irrigation, and once a year for pool filling.

To use this service to your best advantage, consider reserving adjustment requests for circumstances in which wastewater charge exceeds 130 percent of the previous winter quarter usage.

Information: 703.385.7810, fairfaxva.gov (under "Government," go to Public Works and choose "Wastewater Services")

community Calendar

FEBRUARY 2020

Visit fairfaxva.gov for late-breaking news and event information.
Calendar information is subject to last-minute change.

Exhibits:
"Over There and on the Homefront: The Barrett and Pozer Family in World War I," at the Ratcliffe-Allison-Pozer House through February 2

"The Many Faces of George Washington," at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center February 15 – March 16

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

City Government Information 703.385.7850
Arts and Cultural Events 703.352.ARTS
City of Fairfax Regional Library 703.293.6227
Civil War Interpretive Center 703.591.0560
Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 703.385.8414
George Mason University Events 703.993.1000

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 George Mason University Homecoming Celebration February 11-22! Get the full scoop at homecoming.gmu.edu	 1 Absentee voting available for March Primary beginning January 17; General Registrar's Office open 8:30am-5pm weekdays (excluding holidays) in City Hall Annex (note new location)	 12 For a full Cityscreen-12 schedule, visit fairfaxva.gov and click on "Services"	 Watch live and taped proceedings of City Council meetings or read reports of meetings by visiting fairfaxva.gov and clicking this icon on the home page.			 1 CHOCOLATE LOVERS FESTIVAL Jan. 31 - Feb. 2 chocolatefestival.net
2  Chocolate Lovers Festival through Sunday, February 2 chocolatefestival.net	3 Funday Monday, 10:30am, Old Town Hall School Board regular meeting, 7:30pm, City Hall Annex	4 City Council work session meeting, 7pm, City Hall Annex	5 Economic Development Authority meeting, 6pm, location TBD CANCELLED: Board of Architectural Review	6 Small Area Plans Community Meeting, 6:30-9pm, Sherwood Center City of Fairfax Democratic Committee meeting, 7:30pm, City Hall Annex	7 BINGO, 7 pm, Fire Station 3*	8 RESCHEDULED: to 3/7: Chinese New Year: A Dance Showcase by the Xuejuan Dance Ensemble
9 Dignity and Defiance: A Portrait of Mary Church Turrell, 2pm, Historic Blenheim	10  Last day for voter registration before the March Primary Election (postmarked, 5pm in-person, 11:59pm online) Funday Monday, 10:30am, Old Town Hall Planning Commission meeting, 7pm, City Hall Annex	11 City Council meeting, 7pm, City Hall Annex	12 Mason Arts at Old Town Hall: Stellar Vocalists, 7pm, Old Town Hall Historic Fairfax City, Inc. meeting, 7pm, Historic Blenheim	13 Art & Lunch with Fairfax Art League, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall Fairfax Art League New Show Reception, 7pm, Old Town Hall Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) meeting, 7pm, City Hall	14 BINGO, 7 pm, Fire Station 3* Craig Goldner Trio: A Valentine's Date, 8pm, Old Town Hall	15 Animal Adoption Event, 11 am-2 pm, Pet Supplies Plus, 11054 Lee Hwy.
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GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING CELEBRATION Get the full scoop at homecoming.gmu.edu						
23 Main Street Community Band: Postcards, 4pm, Lanier Middle School	24 Funday Monday, 10:30am, Old Town Hall Planning Commission meeting, 7pm, City Hall Annex School Board work session, 7:30pm, Fairfax High School	25  Final day to request an absentee ballot for the March Primary Election to be mailed (5pm) City Council meeting, 7pm, City Hall Annex	26	27 Community Appearance Committee meeting, 7pm, City Hall  Fall for the Book Literary Pop-Up Night: Love Stories, an Evening of Storytelling, 7-9pm, Old Town Hall	28 BINGO, 7pm, Fire Station 3* Alexandria Guitar Quartet: An Evening of Chamber Music, 8pm, Old Town Hall	29  FINAL DAY TO VOTE IN-PERSON ABSENTEE, 8:30am – 5pm, Office of Elections, City Hall Annex (note new location)

*Bingo benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department

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CULTURAL CALENDAR

Dignity and Defiance: A Portrait of Mary Church Turrell, February 9

Filmmaker Robin Hamilton screens her documentary on Mary Church Terrell, a trailblazer for women's and African American rights. *Free, 2 pm, Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Hwy., 703.385.8414*

Old Town Hall Performance Series, February 14, 28

Enjoy the sounds of The Craig Gildner Trio for *A Valentines Date* on February 14, and the Alexandria Guitar Quartet for *An Evening of Chamber Music* on February 28. *Free, 8 pm (doors open at 7:30 pm), Old Town Hall, 3999 University Dr., 703.352.ARTS*

Sherwood Family Movie, February 21

Watch *The Lion King* (2019) at the Sherwood Center February 21. Lights go down at 7 pm. Britepath accepts food donations (list of acceptable items available). *Free, 3740 Old Lee Hwy., 703.385.7858*

We Know Their Names: Fairfax County Connections to an African American Burial Ground, February 22

Mary Belcher connects former slaves of Historic Blenheim's Willcoxon family and other local free blacks and former slaves to the Walter Pierce Park Cemeteries in DC's Adams Morgan, illustrating the importance of grassroots efforts in the cemetery project. *Free, 2 pm, Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Hwy., 703.591.0560*

Main Street Community Band, February 23

Enjoy a musical travelogue with the Main Street Community Band February 23. Tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors, and free for students. *4 pm, Lanier Middle School, 3801 Jermantown Rd., fairfaxband.org*

Fall for the Book Literary Pop-Up Night, February 27

Spend a night of fun, literature, and community. Bring a friend: Po-Up Nights occur on the last Thursday of the month through March! February's event is Love Stories: get the scoop at fairfaxva.gov/culturalarts. *Free, 7:30 pm, Old Town Hall, 3999 University Dr., 703.352.ARTS*



WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

The city needs people LIKE YOU to fill the following vacancies on these boards and commissions:

- Board of Building Code Appeals (one vacancy for an architect); Board of Equalization (one vacancy for city resident); Board of Zoning Appeals (three vacancies for city residents); Planning Commission (two vacancies for city residents); Commission on the Arts (two vacancies for city residents); Community Appearance Committee (two vacancies for city residents); Economic Development Authority (one vacancy; for more information please email EconomicDevelopment@fairfaxva.gov); Environmental Sustainability Committee (one vacancy for a city resident); Historic Fairfax City, Inc. (one vacancy for a city resident); Personnel Advisory Board (one vacancy for a city resident and one vacancy for an alternate member); Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Citizens Advisory Board (one vacancy for a city resident); Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (one vacancy for city resident)

Unless otherwise noted, applicants must have lived in the city for at least one year and be a registered voter at their current address. To apply, visit fairfaxva.gov and search "board vacancies," or call 703.385.7935. **Deadline: Feb. 14**