



# Cityscene

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What's Happening in the City of Fairfax



## Business NEWS

### Economic Development Summit Set for February 21 at the Sherwood Center

The Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce will host the annual Economic Development Summit from 7:30-9:30 a.m. February 21 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

The annual event showcases what is happening in the world of economic development for both the City of Fairfax and Fairfax County.

The summit brings together the property ownership and business communities within our region, one of the most important functions of a chamber of commerce.

Speakers will include City of Fairfax Economic Development Director Christopher Bruno and Curtis Hoffman, director of commercial real estate services for the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority.

Business and property owners, elected officials, and community members are encouraged to attend and network.

Cost for pre-event registration is \$45 for members and \$55 for non-members, or \$65 at the door. Space is limited, so consider registering early.

Information and registration are available on the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce website: [www.cfcc.org](http://www.cfcc.org).

If you're new to the city, welcome!  
Call 703-385-7800  
for new resident information.

## Special Election for Mayor Set for February 7



Registered voters in the City of Fairfax may cast ballots in the Special Election February 7 for Mayor. Information: [Registrar@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:Registrar@fairfaxva.gov), 703-385-7890.

Absentee voting is available 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays through February 3, and from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. February 4, in the Sisson House (adjacent to City Hall.)

Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day. Sample ballots are available online and from the General Registrar's Office in the Sisson House.

At the city's six polling locations, voter parking and polls will be clearly marked. Polling locations will be in use for other purposes, so voters are reminded to travel carefully in these areas.

Voters must show a photo ID in order to vote. Those without photo ID may obtain a free voter ID at the Sisson House during regular business hours, as well as during voting hours on Election Day. Those without ID may vote a provisional ballot and return an acceptable ID to the Electoral Board by noon February 10.

After polls close, unofficial results will be posted as available on Cityscreen-12, the

city television station, the city website, and the Virginia State Board of Elections website.

The incoming Mayor will take office immediately after the election results are certified and, if applicable, after the resignation of the prevailing candidate from the City Council.

On February 14, the city will hold a Mayoral Reception at 6 p.m. and has scheduled a ceremonial swearing in at 7 p.m., before the meeting. Information: 703-385-7850.

### Special Election Discussed at February 14 Council Meeting

If the Special Election for Mayor creates a vacancy on City Council, a public hearing will be held at the February 14 City Council meeting to receive input on the date to schedule the Special Election to fill that vacancy.

At this meeting, the public also may address the issue of appointing an interim Councilmember.

The City Council anticipates choosing a date for the Special Election at the February 14 meeting. This date will be confirmed by the Fairfax Circuit Court. Information: 703-385-7850.



## Chocolate Lovers Festival Set for February 3-5 in Old Town Fairfax



See  
schedule  
on page 4!

# City **NEWS** AND Notes

## February Holiday Government Closures

Monday, February 20 - George Washington Day

- City government offices closed
- General District Court closed
- Fairfax Museum & Visitor Center open
- CUE Bus on modified weekday schedule

## February Holiday Refuse and Recycling Collection Schedule

George Washington Day

- Monday, 2/20: no collection
- Tuesday, 2/21: Monday and Tuesday routes collected

Please note: yard debris collection may be delayed; please leave at curb for collection

Information: 703-385-7837,  
RefuseRecycling@fairfaxva.gov

## Fairfax Resolution 2017: Be Alert in February



Follow *Fairfax Resolution* in 2017 to (re)discover a city service or a treasure every month.

In *February*, subscribe to Fairfax

City Alert to stay abreast of city news, events, and services.

Current subscribers may wish to review their subscription to make sure they have chosen the topics of interest. Remember: there are separate traffic alert categories for “scheduled” and “unscheduled” events.

Got a suggestion for *Fairfax Resolution*? Email [WeCare@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:WeCare@fairfaxva.gov), call 703-385-7855, or write to the Community Relations Office in City Hall.

## Harold Skeins Sr. Basketball Court Dedication February 4

At 10 a.m. February 4, the Parks and Recreation Department will dedicate the Harold Skeins Sr. Basketball Court in Ratcliffe Park in honor of longtime city resident Harold Skeins Sr., who died in August 2016. Information: 703-385-7858.

A resident of the city for nearly six de-

acades, Skeins was active in local youth programs and a die-hard fan of the Fairfax High School basketball team, as well as a regular on the courts at Ratcliffe Park, 10300 Sager Avenue.

## Keep Your Dog Street-Legal With a 2017 Dog License

Dogs age 4 months and older who live in the City of Fairfax must be licensed and vaccinated against rabies. Dogs must have a 2017 license tag by February 1 — or be in violation of City Code (and owners will be subject to a fine).



To obtain a license from the Treasurer’s Office, owners must present a valid rabies certificate for each dog and, if applicable, neutered/spayed certificate from the dog’s veterinarian.

City dog licenses cost \$5 per year for spayed/neutered dogs and \$10 per year for unaltered dogs. Multi-year licenses are available. Information: 703-385-7900.

## Secondary School Students Eligible for a Free Bus Pass

Middle school and high school students who live in and attend school in the City of Fairfax and Fairfax County may travel for free on CUE Bus and Fairfax Connector with a pass available through their schools.



For information, parents should contact school administrators. Parents of home-school students should contact Thomas Italiano ([taitaliano@fcp.edu](mailto:taitaliano@fcp.edu)).

## Vendor Applications Accepted for City Events

The City of Fairfax seeks applications for vendors at three city events.

Food vendors are sought for the Independence Day activities July 4, and craft and food vendors are sought for the Fall Festival October 14 and the Holiday Craft Show November 18-19.

Applications are due March 16 and are available on the city website. Information: 703-385-7858.

## ‘12 Months of Traffic Safety’ Continues With Work Zone Safety

The City of Fairfax Police Department continues its “12 Months of Traffic Safety” by offering tips on how to be a safer driver around work zones. Information: 703-385-7925.



- Minimize distractions: refrain from eating, adjusting vehicle stereo, or other amenities that are unrelated to driving.
- Stow the phone (or other electronic device) to avoid distracted driving.
- Watch for workers, follow instructions, and obey work zone speed limits.
- Keep headlights on to see and be seen.
- Watch surrounding traffic, and keep an eye out for brake lights.
- Change lanes only in permitted areas, and avoid tailgating.

## Spend an Evening Under the Stars at GMU Observatory

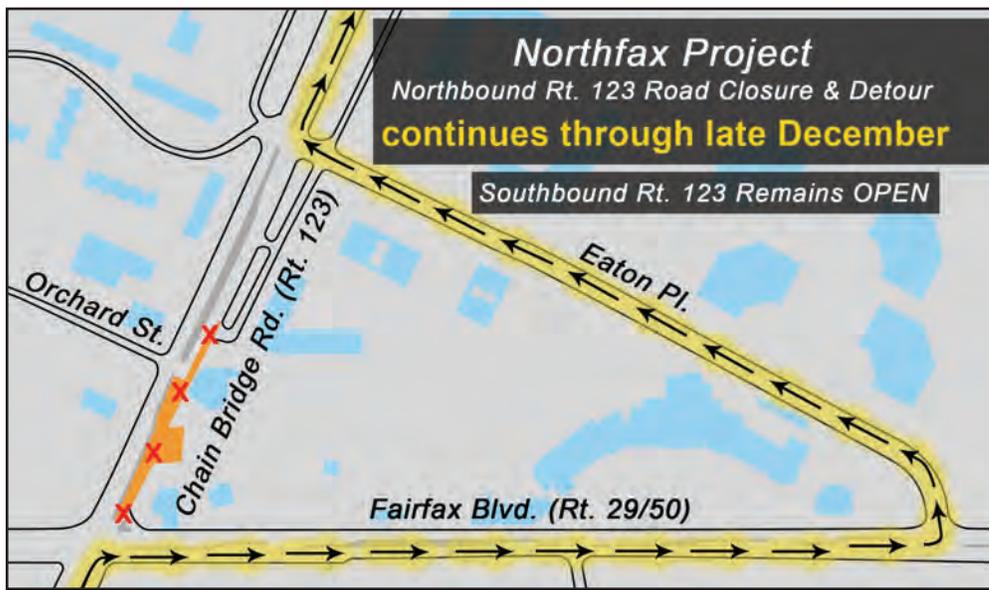
Stargazers, check out the scope at George Mason University via *Evenings Under the Stars*. Held at the Fairfax campus observatory, these free public events include talks followed by an opportunity to peer through the school’s telescopes with world-class astronomers.

Upcoming events are scheduled for 5:30 p.m. February 6 and 20. Events may be rescheduled due to inclement weather.

Information: @GMUObservatory (Facebook and Twitter), <https://cos.gmu.edu/observatory>.

**Download the city's mobile app today!**

Information:  
[www.fairfaxva.gov/mobileapp](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/mobileapp)



## Chain Bridge Road Closure in Effect; Detour for Motorists, CUE Bus Riders

Due to construction on the Northfax project, northbound Route 123/Chain Bridge Road is closed between Fairfax Boulevard (Route 29/50) and Eaton Place though late December, and a detour is in effect for drivers and CUE Bus riders.

Traffic on northbound Chain Bridge Road turns right onto Fairfax Boulevard, then left on Eaton Place, returning to Chain Bridge Road (route marked in yellow, above). Northbound Chain Bridge Road traffic has access to I-66.

Southbound Chain Bridge road will remain open. However, from late July through late December, a lane shift will be in place on southbound Chain Bridge Road between

Orchard Street to Fairfax Boulevard.

Also, CUE Bus Green 1 stops 134, 135, 136 and 190 on Chain Bridge Road and Eaton Place will be closed during this time.

The city has posted signage announcing the detour. Subscribe to Fairfax City Alert to receive road construction alerts via text and email ([www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert)).

Northfax will provide road improvements and pedestrian accommodations, and eliminate roadway flooding, at the intersection of Chain Bridge Road and Fairfax Boulevard. Construction will be completed in summer 2018. *Dates are subject to last-minute change.*

Information: [www.northfax.com](http://www.northfax.com), [www.fairfaxva.gov](http://www.fairfaxva.gov), 703-385-7810.

## Budget Presentation Set for February 28

Help the City Council determine the city's financial priorities by participating in the annual budget review. City Manager Bob Sisson will present the proposed budget during the February 28 City Council meeting.

The budget review process continues until the City Council adopts the final budget May 3. (See the budget calendar, right.)

The budget is a detailed description of how taxpayer money is spent. It explains the city's goals, proposed programs and activities for that fiscal year. The budget also includes the first year of the five-year Capital Improvement Program.

Copies of the proposed budget will be available in print and on the city website (accessible from the home page) after the budget presentation. Information: 703-385-7870.

### Budget Review Schedule LIVE! 12

- February 28:** proposed budget presentation
- March 7:** Staff presentations to City Council and community outreach
- March 14:** public hearing; consideration of real estate tax rate to be advertised
- March 28:** public hearing; work session
- April 4:** work session
- April 11:** introduction of rates for commercial and industrial property tax, wastewater;
- April 25:** Real estate tax rate public hearing; work session
- May 3:** public hearing; budget adoption

*Meetings and work sessions are held at the City Hall Annex and televised on Cityscreen-12; see page 5. Schedule is subject to change.*



## 2016 Business Recycling Report Due Online by March 1

City business owners are asked to electronically submit their annual business recycling report to the city by March 1 using a form on the city website. The report details actual or estimated weight or volume of recycled materials provided by recycling vendors.

Commercial property owners who provide recycling services for their tenants must submit the information on behalf of those tenants.

Business owners who have received permission from the city to use the city's recycling center for this purpose must submit a report with an estimate of their recycling amounts.

Home-based businesses do not submit reports; their refuse already is included in the city's annual municipal recycling report.

The report must be completed online. Free computer services and Internet access are available at the City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North Street.

## Receive Refuse/Recycling Service Announcements Via Fairfax City Alert

Find out about refuse and recycling service changes with Fairfax City Alert. Subscribers create and maintain their own accounts online at [www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert).

## Solid Waste Services Guide Available

For refuse and recycling information, see the city's new Solid Waste Services Guide, available online and by request: [RefuseRecycling@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:RefuseRecycling@fairfaxva.gov), 703-385-7837.

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**INFORMATION: 703-385-7837**

## Offer Input on Draft Comprehensive Plan

Offer input on the 2035 *City of Fairfax Comprehensive Plan Draft Goals and Outcomes* during the next phase of the process.

Public comment is encouraged during the February 27 Planning Commission meeting, which will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Annex. Additionally, consider completing an online survey, which will be live from February 1 through March 3 at [www.fairfaxva.gov/livablefairfax](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/livablefairfax).

Information: 703-385-7930.

## City Council Approves Wastewater Lateral Repair Assistance

Fairfax City Council has approved a program to assist eligible property owners with the cost of wastewater lateral repairs. Information: 703-273-6239.

Funds will be provided from a self-sustaining escrow account supported by customers with a charge added to their wastewater bills: \$18 per year for single-family, townhouse and duplex property owners; and \$36 annually for owners of apartment and condominium buildings; hotels and motels; and commercial or industrial facilities. These charges are scheduled for implementation on bills beginning April 1.

Eligibility is based on demonstrated need and meeting program requirements; substantiation of reasonable cost and city-approved installation that meets city plumbing code requirements. Excluded from this program are repairs caused by root infestation, blockage removal, and owner's abuse or fault, and repairs within private property.

Reimbursement may include:

- 75 percent of customer's actual payments up to \$5,000 for replacements from dwelling or business unit entirely to the main;
- 25 percent of customer's actual payments up to \$2,500 for repairs or replacements only within the right-of-way; and
- 25 percent of customer's actual payments up to \$2,500 for repairs or replacements only within the private property and only for the entire length.

Property owners are encouraged to seek sufficient insurance coverage for water and wastewater damage and repairs.



# Chocolate Lovers Festival Schedule of Events

**Text CHOCOLATE to 888777  
to receive festival updates!**

## Friday, February 3

*Liquid Chocolate Tent: Chocolate Libations (all ages)*—6-8 p.m., Old Town Square (upper parking lot)

## Saturday, February 4

**The Chocolate Express runs between festival event sites from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday.**

*Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast* — 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Fire Station 3

*Grant recipient Every1CanWork* — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library

*Taste of Chocolate* — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Old Town Hall

*Chocolate Challenge and Silent Auction* — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., 10427 North Street

*Child Fingerprinting* — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Historic Fairfax Court House

*Historic Records and Archives* — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Historic Fairfax Court House

*Life Safety Puppet Show* — 10:30 a.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library

*Harley Eye Candy Photos* — 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library Front Porch

*The Chocolate Caper Mock Trial* — 11 a.m., Historic Fairfax Court House

*So You Think You Are Smarter Than a Lawyer?* — 1 p.m., Historic Fairfax Court House

*Cake Walk* — 1 p.m., Old Town Square

*Precision Motorcycle Skills Competition* — 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 2:30 p.m., location to be announced

*Chocolate-Dipped Tales with Kaydee Puppets* — 2 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library

*The Chocolate Caper Mock Trial* — 2:30 p.m., Historic Fairfax Court House

*Liquid Chocolate Tent: Chocolate Libations (all ages)* — 3-7 p.m., Old Town Square (upper parking lot)

*Be Our Valentine! Music with Cody + BJ!* — 3:30 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library

*Open House and Exhibits* — Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Legato School, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. • Ford House, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. • Ratcliffe-Allison-Pozer House, noon to 4 p.m.

## Sunday, February 5

**The Chocolate Express runs between festival event sites from 11:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday.**

*Grant recipient Every1CanWork* — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library

*Chocolate Challenge and Silent Auction* — noon to 4 p.m., 10427 North Street

*Taste of Chocolate* — noon to 4 p.m., Old Town Hall

*Construct a Cupcake* — noon to 3 p.m., Twins ACE Hardware

*Chocolate-Covered Fairy Tales* — 2 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library

*Cake Walk* — 1 p.m., Old Town Square

*Jonathan Austin — Magic + Juggling* — 3:30 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library

*Open House and Exhibits* — Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Legato School, noon to 4 p.m. • Ratcliffe-Allison-Pozer House, noon to 4 p.m.

*Schedule is subject to change. Some events require a fee, and other events are free to all visitors. Visit [www.chocolatefestival.net](http://www.chocolatefestival.net) for an event map and information on parking, costs and more.*

**Information: [www.chocolatefestival.net](http://www.chocolatefestival.net) • 703-385-7858**

## Volunteers Sought for Advisory Boards

- Board of Architectural Review (one vacancy for architectural historian)
- Board of Zoning Appeals (one vacancy for city resident)
- Commission for Women (one vacancy for city resident)

*Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission.*

*Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required. Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available)*

*to City Clerk Melanie Crowder. Vacancies are subject to change. Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. Information: 703-385-7935.*



# CITYSCREEN SCHEDULE

## Where to Find Cityscreen-12

- Verizon FiOS: Channel 12
- Cox Communications: Channel 12
- City website

## Candidates Night



Mayor and City Council Candidates Night, held January 19 and sponsored by The City of Fairfax Homeowners' Association, will be shown at 10 am and 7 pm February 1-5 and at 10 am February 6.

The program is archived online under "special programming" and on the city's YouTube channel.

## February 7 Special Election Results

Results from the February 7 Special Election will be published on Cityscreen-12 when results are available after polls close at 7 pm.

## Ceremonial Swearing-In for Incoming Mayor



Following the February 7 Special Election for Mayor, there will be a televised ceremonial swearing in at 7 pm on February 14, immediately preceding the regular City Council meeting.

## The Fairfax Scene



Through February 14, get winter weather tips and learn about the city's snow removal process.

Beginning February 15, enjoy highlights from the Chocolate Lovers Festival..

Daily: 2 pm, 6 pm

Archived online: "special programming"

Available on city's YouTube channel

## School Board



Monday, February 6, 7:30 pm, LIVE replays:

Tuesday, February 7, 10 am

Thursday, February 9, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online February 3

## Planning Commission



Monday, February 13, 7 pm, LIVE replays:

Tuesday, February 14, 10 am

Thursday, February 16, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online February 14

Monday, February 27, 7 pm, LIVE replays:



Tuesday, February 28, 10 am

Thursday, March 2, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online February 28

## City Council



Tuesday, February 14, 7 pm, LIVE (following the Mayoral swearing in ceremony) replays:

Wednesday, February 15, 10 am, 7 pm

Friday, February 17, 10 am, 7 pm

Saturday, February 18, 10 am, 7 pm

Sunday, February 19, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online February 15



Tuesday, February 28, 7 pm, LIVE replays:

Wednesday, March 1, 10 am, 7 pm

Friday, March 3, 10 am, 7 pm

Saturday, March 4, 10 am, 7 pm

Sunday, March 5, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online March 1

## Cityscreen-12 on DVD, Blu-ray

Cityscreen-12 programs are available for loan on Blu-ray and DVD. Information: 703-385-7850, WeCare@fairfaxva.gov.

Copies of some programs February be purchased (DVD, \$15; Blu-ray, \$20).

Excerpts from city programs are made upon request (DVD, \$30; Blu-ray, \$35).

Information: [Rachael.Roth@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:Rachael.Roth@fairfaxva.gov), 703-385-7803.

MEETING INFORMATION AND AGENDAS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONFIRM PRIOR TO MEETING. CONTACT INFORMATION BELOW.



# PROPOSED AGENDAS

## School Board

(Information: 703-385-7910)

### February 6 regular meeting

- Spotlight on Learning.
- Presentation of Virginia School Board Association Certificates of Appreciation to School Board members.
- Student Representative Report
- State of the School report: Daniels Run Elementary School.
- Approval of the Six Year Plan.

### February 27 work session

- Update of future development data.
- Review of the School Board's presentation to the City Council regarding the proposed fiscal year 2017-18 budget.

## City Council

(Information: 703-385-7935)

### February 14 regular meeting

- Consideration of a resolution for the reappropriation of Capital Project funds to fiscal year 2017-18 that were appropriated in fiscal year 2016-17 and have not yet been obligated.
- Public hearing and Council action regarding date selection for the City Council vacancy Special Election.

### February 28 regular meeting and meeting

- City manager's presentation of the City of Fairfax proposed budget and CIP for fiscal year 2017-18.
- Public hearing and Council action on a

request for a special use permit renewal for property located at 10917 Marilta Court.

- Discussion of a proposed downtown sidewalk spot widening project.

## Planning Commission

(Information: 703-385-7930)

### February 13 regular meeting — CANCELLED

- No agenda items have been set.

### February 27 regular meeting

- Public comment on the 2035 City of Fairfax Comprehensive Plan Draft Goals and Outcomes.



# City Council Reporter

## December 13, 2016

### Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 102 (Utilities), Article II, Section 102-33 to add a Wastewater Lateral and Replacement Charge.; Consideration of a resolution requesting the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) make an adjustment to the lane miles in the City that are eligible for maintenance reimbursement; Consideration of a request from a non-resident of the city to purchase a cemetery plot.

### Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, to allow a family home daycare with up to 12 children maximum in the RH Zoning District at 3633 Heritage Lane, subject to conditions.
- Approved, 5-1, to defer Council action and discussion on a resolution to move forward with next stage of funding for engineering of the proposed University Drive Extension project to January 24, 2017. (*Councilmember Schmidt opposed.*)

### Items not requiring a public hearing

- Presentation of the *City of Fairfax Fiscal Year 2015-16 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)* and the *Auditor's Communication with Those Charged with Governance Letter*. A representative from Cherry Bekaert, C.P.A. presented the CAFR and the auditor's communication with *those charged with governance* letter.
- Approved, unanimously, a resolution re-naming the Ratcliffe-Allison house as the "Ratcliffe-Allison-Pozer House" in recognition of Kitty Barrett Pozer's role in preserving the house and her many contributions to the City of Fairfax spanning several decades.

## January 10, 2017

### Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously, a resolution establishing a city policy with regard to request for city assistance in the repair of existing vehicular and pedestrian bridges along a section of Howerton Avenue.

### Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, the request for consideration of a special use permit to allow a family home daycare with up to 12 children maximum at 3631 Heritage Lane, subject to the following conditions.
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 102 (Utilities), Article II, Section 102-33 by adding a new wastewater lateral repair and replacement charge, to become effective April 1, 2017.

### Actions out of closed meeting/Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- Reappointed Councilmember Greenfield to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority's Planning Coordination Advisory Committee (PCAC).
- Reappointed: Harry Wilbur to the Commission on the Arts; Molly Grimsley to the Commission on the Arts; and Gail Wade to the George Mason University Fairfax Campus Advisory Board.
- Appointed Kelly Herman to the Commission on the Arts.



## More Than Meets the Eye:

# About the City Seal

The City Seal is rich in symbolism and history. In 1969, the City Council contacted the College of Arms in London, which had recently designed the Loudoun County seal. However, this partnership required a letter from the Virginia governor that expressly allowed a liaison between the city and an agent of the British crown. Upon request from Mayor George Hamill, Governor Mills Godwin provided the letter, and the project could proceed.

City Council created the City Seal Commission on January 6, 1970, and appointed five members to coordinate all matters pertaining to the design and acceptance of the seal: Will Carroll, Edith Malone Farr Elliott, Leonard Mobley, Kitty Barrett Pozer, and Vir-

ginia Inez Stampler.

The seal in use today was finalized and formally adopted by the City Council on September 11, 1973, and the College of Arms document is on display in City Hall. Information: 703-385-8414.

*The Shield* represents the family of the Lords Fairfax of Cameron, with whom the city is historically connected. Three silver bars are bordered in red. The lion has feet and claws extended, symbolic of defending the city. The shield is bordered in blue with stars (for the United States) and dogwood flowers (for Virginia).

*The Crest* is a mural crown, atop which is a seated Griffin with his head facing right. The Griffin, a hybrid animal, represents the relationship between Great Britain and the

United States, seated in symbolism of amicably solving any problems.

*The Supporters* flank the shield. The Confederate soldier dressed as a junior officer of the American Civil war represents John Quincy Marr, the first combat death of the war. The other figure alludes to Thomas, the sixth Lord of Fairfax, from whom the city derived its name and the owner of the land royally granted from King Charles II.

*The Motto, Fare Fac*, was used by the Fairfax family and translates from the Latin as "speak-do," or more freely translated as, "Say it and do it."

The seal is surrounded by a border of blue with gold rope edging, and the city's name and six dogwood flowers. The date below the seal recognizes the city's foundation in 1805.

# Community Calendar

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
<p><b>HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS</b></p> <p>City Government Information ..... 703-585-7855                      City News and Events ..... 703-273-1776                      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</p> <p>Calendar information is subject to last-minute change.</p>				<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex                      Environmental Sustainability Committee, 7 pm, Sherwood Center</p>		<p><b>2</b></p> <p>City of Fairfax Democratic Committee meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex</p>		<p><b>3</b></p> <p> Chocolate Lovers Festival — see schedule on page 4                      Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)</p>		<p><b>4</b></p> <p> Chocolate Lovers Festival — see schedule on page 4   In-person absentee voting, 8:30 am to 5 pm, Sisson House                      Harold Skeins Basketball Court dedication, 10 am, Ratcliffe Park</p>			
<p><b>5</b></p> <p> Chocolate Lovers Festival — see schedule on page 4</p>		<p><b>6</b></p> <p> Funday Monday, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall                      Evening Under the Stars, 5:30 pm, GMU Observatory   School Board meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex</p>		<p><b>7</b></p> <p> Election Day — polls open from 6 am to 7 pm for the Special Election for City of Fairfax Mayor; election results for city precincts posted on Cityscreen-12</p>		<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Economic Development Authority meeting, 6 pm, City Hall Annex                      Historic Fairfax City Inc., meeting, 7 pm, Historic Blenheim</p>		<p><b>9</b></p> <p> Fairfax Art League Art and Lunch, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall                      Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex   Fairfax Art League Reception, 7 pm, Old Town Hall</p>		<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)   Three for a Song, 8 pm, Old Town Hall</p>		<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Northern Virginia Ceili, 6:30 pm, Green Acres Center                      Fairfax Symphony Orchestra: Beethoven's Triple, 8 pm, Center for the Arts</p>	
<p> <b>George Mason University Homecoming week February 6-12 — information at <a href="http://homecoming.gmu.edu">homecoming.gmu.edu</a></b></p>													
<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Second Sunday Series: Rosenwald Documentary Screening, 2 pm, Sherwood Center</p>		<p><b>13</b></p> <p> Funday Monday, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall   Planning Commission meeting — CANCELLED</p>		<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Mayoral Reception, 6 pm, City Hall Atrium   Ceremonial Mayoral Swearing-In, 7 pm, City Hall Annex   City Council meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (immediately following the ceremony)</p>		<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</p>		<p><b>16</b></p> <p> Friday Morning Music Club, noon, Old Town Hall                      City of Fairfax Republican Committee meeting, 7:30 pm, Greene Turtle, 3950 University Drive</p>		<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)</p>		<p><b>18</b></p>	
<p><b>19</b></p> <p> Northern Virginia Youth Winds &amp; Junior Winds: Winter Concert, 3 pm, W.T. Woodson High School</p>		<p><b>20</b></p> <p>Refuse and recyclables are not collected  <b>George Washington Day:</b> city government offices closed; General District Court closed; Fairfax Museum is open; CUE Bus on modified weekday schedule                      Evening Under the Stars, 5:30 pm, GMU Observatory</p>		<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Monday and Tuesday refuse and recycling routes collected                      Economic Development Summit, 7:30 am, Sherwood Center                      Commission for Women meeting, 7 pm, City Hall                      Commission on the Arts meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Center</p>		<p><b>22</b></p> <p> Celebrate as Fairfax turns 275 this year! Information: <a href="http://Fairfax275.com">Fairfax275.com</a></p>		<p><b>23</b></p> <p>Community Appearance Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</p>		<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)                      Sherwood Family Movie Night: Angry Birds event and activities, 6 pm; movie, 7 pm, Sherwood Center   Ismar Gomes and Wan-Chi Su, 8 pm, Old Town Hall</p>		<p><b>25</b></p> <p> Fairfax Art League Art and Lunch, noon, Village Gallery, 3950 University Drive                      A Slave No More: Lewis Lee of Fairfax Court House, 2 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim</p>	
<p><b>26</b></p> <p> American Youth Philharmonic Orchestra: AYCO and AYSO in Concert, 3 pm, Fairfax High School   Main Street Community Band: Into the Joy of Spring!, 4 pm, Sidney Lanier Middle School</p>		<p><b>27</b></p> <p> Funday Monday, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall   Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex                      School Board work session, 7:30 pm, Fairfax High School</p>		<p><b>28</b></p> <p> City Council meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</p>		<p> Find out first! Find out fast! Enroll today: <a href="http://www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert">www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert</a></p>		<p> George Mason University hosts graduation events on the Fairfax campus in June that may affect traffic in and around campus. Information: <a href="http://today.gmu.edu">today.gmu.edu</a>, 703-993-8846.</p>					

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# City Happenings

## Learn About Fairfax Education at 'Chalkboards to Smartboards'

Find out how Fairfax classrooms and the area's education system have evolved from generation to generation at the exhibition *Chalkboards to Smartboards: Public Schools in Fairfax County and Fairfax City*, at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street, through August 13. Information: 703-385-8414.

This exhibition explores the history of Fairfax public schools from their creation, massive development and growth periods; from segregated schools to integration; changing technologies; new structures and notable and everyday students.

## Music Performance Series Continues February 10, 24

The Bonita Lestina Performance Series continues with *Three for a Song* on February 10. On February 24, enjoy *Ismar Gomes and Wan-Chi Su*.

The free concerts begin at 8 p.m. at Old

Town Hall, 3999 University Drive. Information: 703-352-ARTS.

## Rosenwald Documentary Screening February 12 at Sherwood Center

How did a department store president help shape education in Fairfax? Find out at a screening and discussion of *Rosenwald*, a 2015 documentary film on Julius Rosenwald, the president of Sears, Roebuck and Company, who funded schools for African-Americans across the South — including one in the City of Fairfax.

The free screening, courtesy of the National Center for Jewish Film in Boston, begins at 2 p.m. February 12 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Information: 703-385-8414.

## Sherwood Family Movie Night Features Angry Birds and Activities February 24

Watch *Angry Birds* for free February 24 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community

Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Lights go down at 7 p.m. and participants may bring their own snacks.

For those who want extra fun, enjoy games, crafts, activities, and more — complete with dinner and snacks — at 6 p.m., before the movie begins. Cost is \$15 for the pre-movie event.

Additionally, non-perishable food donations are accepted from 7-9 p.m. by the Fairfax non-profit organization Britepaths. A list of accepted items is available upon request.

Mark your calendar: *Big BFG* will be at the Sherwood Center March 10. Information: 703-385-7858.

## Discover Lewis Lee February 25

*A Slave No More: Lewis Lee of Fairfax Court House* unfolds the incredible story of a mulatto slave related to Blenheim's Willcoxon family, his escape from slavery, and the choices he made as a free man.

The free event featuring retired educator Wes Boutchard begins at 2 p.m. February 25 at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway. Information: 703-591-0560.