

# the all-fairlington **BULLETIN**

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COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND-RAISING APRIL 18-21. Between Apr. 18 and 21, the Fairlington community will transform 21,000 linear feet of wood, 245 tons of stone, 166 tires and a large supply of hardware into a school playground unlike any you remember from your own school days. How much we build depends on you! Our architect, Robert Leathers, has said we need to fill a minimum of 1200 four-hour shifts to build our playground. Although the community's response has been encouraging, we still need to fill 450 four-hour shifts if we are to build all parts of the playground. We need men and women for all time periods. Our greatest needs are: Thurs. and Fri. from 4 p.m. until dark (including those who can join us for dinner and come after work); Sat. morning and Sun. morning. If you have not already volunteered--or if you have and can add another four hours--please call Barbara Effron at 931-6186.

Our unique design features castles, mazes, slides, swings, horizontal bars, special features for toddlers, and a host of other activities to delight and challenge children of all ages. It will be constructed at Abingdon Elem. School and will be available to the entire community.

The playground will include ONLY what we can build from April 18-21. We'll start building each day at 7:30 a.m., continuing into the evening. We're hopeful that each volunteer can help for at least 4 hours. To ensure that your favorite part of the playground will be built, please call Barbara Effron at 931-6186 to volunteer.

Bring your kids to our free Day Camp. We're having a great program for the children so all parents can help us build. It will be staffed by recreation specialists from Arlington County and volunteer parents, and will be available from 7:30 a.m. each day of the playground-raising. There will be an organized schedule of crafts, movies, sports, games, and meals.

For children under 3, we'll arrange for child care in the homes of parents in your neighborhood--just tell us each child's name and age when you call to volunteer.

A "Gourmet" Playground. You'll work up a great appetite building the playground, so we've arranged for wonderful meals, including donations from Peking Gourmet Inn, Casa Maria, Heavenly Gate, T.G.I.Fridays, The Pawn Shop and other restaurants in addition to the specialties of your neighbors! We'll also have a great supply of drinks and snacks to keep you going between meals.

Even if you don't have children, this is an unusual opportunity to join with your neighbors for fun, food, and fitness. Come for the fun and for the satisfaction of making a major contribution to your community.

NEWSPAPER RECYCLING. Every Wed. a.m. North and South. Please do not put papers out the night before. Scotland Yard Recycling Co. has accepted our newspapers in plastic bags, but admits that it would be most grateful if paper bags were used instead.

ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CAN COLLECTION. Second Sat. monthly - Apr. 13. Leave cans in front of FCC, by 11 a.m. Proceeds last month: \$14. Recycling questions? Call FFOTE (379-7037).

FCA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING. The next FCA Executive Board meeting will be Apr. 11 at 8 p.m. Call Delores (998-7307) if you're interested in attending.

FAIR GOLDS will meet on Apr. 4 at Noon in Rm. #1, FCC, 3308 S. Stafford St., for the monthly business meeting. We will meet on Apr. 11 at 9 a.m. (note change in time) in front of the FCC for a bus trip to The Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. On Apr. 18, a speaker from the Hospice of Northern Virginia will talk to us about the Hospice Program that teaches and supports patients and their families.

SOCER REGISTRATION. Practice began the week of Mar. 18, but new members are welcome in April. Time and location of registration and practice for the following Lions International Soccer teams are:

<u>AGE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DAY/TIME</u>
5 yr (born 1980)	Abingdon School	T-Th 5-6 p.m.
6 yr (born 1979)	Abingdon School	T-Th 5-6 p.m.
7 yr	Abingdon School	T-Th 6-7 p.m.
8 yr	FCC 3308 S. Stafford	M/W
9 yr	Wakefield H.S.	T-Th 5:30 p.m.
10 yr	Wakefield H.S.	T-Th 5:30 p.m.
11 yr	FCC 3308 S. Stafford	T-Th

For further information, call John Kachur (379-8652).

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN AWARD. Many Fairlington residents volunteer their time to make our neighborhood a better one. With special certificates, FCA plans to recognize those residents who have made outstanding contributions. If you would like to nominate a particular Fairlington resident for this honor, please contact Amy (379-2326).

FCA ELECTIONS. FCA is an organization which has repeatedly represented residents' concerns to local governments, as well as organized social events. Are you interested in helping FCA serve the needs of the Fairlington neighborhood? Why not join the Executive Board? The FCA Board is preparing for its annual May election. Call Janet (671-9749) if you're interested in running or if you're interested in assisting with nominations. The election meeting date and the slate of officers and board members for 1985-86 will be published in the May BULLETIN.



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SUMMER TOT CAMP REGISTRATION will take place Sat., Apr. 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lubber Run Center, 300 N. Park Dr. FCC camp hours this summer are 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Abingdon camp hours are 9 a.m. - Noon. Cost is \$37.50 for each 2-wk. Mon-Fri. period. Two families may share a Mon-Fri slot with a child from one family attending MWF and the child from the other family attending on T/Th. One family would be responsible for the payment to the County. Each family needs to complete a registration form. At registration a parent may register for one other family plus his/her own. Children ages 2 1/2 through 5 are eligible for Tot Camp. Older children are eligible for the County's Playcamps. Playcamp hours in Fairlington this summer are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. with extended hours available 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. See the recent edition of the "Arl. Co. Adult Education and Recreation for All Ages" brochure (pp. 13-14) for more details. Questions? Call 558-2565 or Lynn Roepe (379-7032).

IDEAS FOR CLASSES SOUGHT. The FCA is interested in your ideas for future course offerings at the FCC. Please contact Susan Amchan (931-8520) or Mary Beth Ketchum (931-5841) if there are classes or programs you would like to have available.

SHIRLINGTON LIBRARY NEWS. Storytime Mondays 2 p.m. Ages 3-6. The Library is located at 2700 S. Arl. Mill Dr., Arlington, VA 22206. Tel: 578-4911. Hours: Mon-Th. 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri/Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

UP, UP AND AWAY! Imagine hundreds of colorful hot air balloons lifting off and filling the sky as they drift silently above a turn-of-the-century country fair. The first annual "Classique Hot Air Balloon Rally," to be held from June 7-June 9, 1985, is being planned. Volunteers are needed to help organize and implement this event.

Committee opportunities include: publicity, marketing, hospitality, entertainment, registration, awards and volunteer recruitment. Classique will handle logistical aspects of the rally. All proceeds will benefit the Juvenile Arthritis Section of the Arthritis Foundation, Metropolitan Washington Chapter.

Interested volunteers should contact Darci Walters at the Arthritis Foundation (276-7555).

FAIRLINGTOM FRIENDS OF THE ENVIRONMENT (FFOTE). SPAY, Inc. (Society for the Prevention of Animal Young), a local humane organization whose services include low-cost spaying and neutering, rescue of abandoned animals and humane education, needs your help. Last year SPAY arranged the sterilization of 1626 cats and 628 dogs. That assistance to needy pet owners cost \$4,130. SPAY's sole source of income, aside from voluntary contributions, is a thrift and gift shop operated by members and volunteers. An enlarged Thrift and Gift Shop at 2818 Wash. Blvd. in Arl. (near No. 9th & Fillmore) is now open where you will find antiques, collectibles, housewares, clothing, books, etc. Shop hours are: Thurs., Fri., Sat., and Sun. from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Tax-deductible donations are gratefully accepted. For further information call 521-2677.

RAIDERS OF THE FAIRLINGTOM NEWSPAPERS! Paper-snatchers recently took a large amount of paper on S. 34th St. before our regular pick-up service arrived. Please do not put papers out the night before scheduled pick-ups. Call 379-7037 if you see a "raider" and try to get the license number and general description of the vehicle.

ALL-FAIRLINGTON DAY, MAY 4TH. May is just around the corner and so is All-Fairlington Day, May 4th. FCA still needs volunteers to help organize entertainment, food and publicity. Call Amy (379-2326) if you're interested. The day's activities will feature the Abingdon Elementary playground dedication, community service award presentations, live entertainment, food, craft fair, pony rides and much more!

NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION PLAN. FCA is preparing a Neighborhood Conservation Plan to improve our Fairlington neighborhood. Part of the preparation involves inventorying Fairlington's physical assets, i.e., curbs and lighting. Call Janet (671-9749) if you're interested in assisting with this inventory.

FCA MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE. Come meet your neighbors. Join the Fairlington Citizens Association's Membership Committee. Call Chris after 6 p.m. (931-9379) or Dottie Arehart (998-3111), daytime.

SHIRLINGTON REDEVELOPMENT PLANS. Picture Shirlington as a bustling shopping center. No longer is this a memory of the past or a dream for the distant future; the Oliver T. Carr Co. is making this a reality. At our FCA general meeting on Mar. 13, Mr. Larry Burrows, project manager, explained short- and long-term plans for all kinds of service stores, and office buildings and residential units. He spoke of a drug store, a grocery store, restaurants, movie theaters, and much more. Over 100 Fairlington residents attended this presentation; they appeared excited with the plans, though some expressed displeasure with the plans to eliminate the car wash and the gas station.

ARL. COUNTY RECREATION SUMMER DAY CAMP VOLUNTEERS. Terri Mason, volunteer coordinator for the Arl. Co. Rec. Dept., will be interviewing Teens (13 & up) to fill positions to work with the Tot Camps and the summer Playcamp programs here in the Fairlington area. The interviews will be held at the FCC on Thurs., Apr. 11 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Please call either Terri Mason (558-2675) or Lynn Roepe (379-7032) for an application and/or to schedule an interview.

NEW CLASSES AT FCC. The FCC is expanding its offerings in Arl. Co. Rec. classes in the coming months. The newest class is Ikebana. Learn how to arrange long-stemmed flowers and branches in the Japanese Ikebana style. Call the instructor, Nadia Azumi, for more information (370-9244). Another new class is Relaxercise, which involves simple exercises and relaxation techniques to reduce stress and tension. Call Lynn Roepe at FCC (379-7032) for more information.

FCC SPRING TOT AND ELEMENTARY DAY CAMPS. Two day camps will be held the week of Apr. 8-12 at the FCC. The Tot Camp is for 2 1/2-5 yr. olds, runs from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and costs \$19. The Elementary Camp will run from 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. and costs \$40. For more information, contact Lynn Roepe at the FCC (379-7032).

INTERDENOMINATIONAL LADIES BIBLE STUDY. Tues. Evenings, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Call Dottie Arehart, 3430/A So. Utah St., (0)998-3111, (H) 379-6645.

HAVE AN ITEM FOR THE BULLETIN? Make it legible, complete, typed if possible. Mini-ads of non-commercial advertising will be accepted on a space-available basis. Cost is \$10/2 lines. Make check payable to Fairlington Citizens Assn. News items/mini-ads should be sent to 2823/B South Abingdon St. Deadline for next issue: Apr. 16. Next editorial meeting is Apr. 16, 7:30 p.m. at 2727 S. Buchanon St. Commercial advertisers call 379-9024 between 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

4-H SUMMER CAMP FOR ARLINGTON YOUTH. The Arl. County 4-H Program is sponsoring two weeks of summer camp for boys and girls at the Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center in Front Royal, VA. 4-H Intermediate Camp for youth ages 12-14 will be held June 17-21. 4-H Junior Camp for ages 9-11 will be held June 24-28. The exciting program includes swimming, canoeing, camp fires, archery, nature classes, horseback riding and many other recreational activities. The cost for each week of camp is \$67.00. The camp fee includes meals, lodging, transportation and all activities. Applications are being accepted on a first-come basis. The deadline for Intermediate Camp applications is June 1. The deadline for Junior Camp applications is June 15. Call the Arl. Ext. Office (558-2475) for more information, or to request an application.

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THANKS FROM THE ABINGDON PTA to area businesses and our many friends and neighbors who have participated in the "Buy-A-Board" program for the creative play area and amphitheater that will be built at a community playground-raising, Apr. 18-21. A special thanks to the following businesses and organizations who made major contributions to the playground fund last month: PATRONS (\$1000 or more): Fairlington Properties, Inc. (their second donation as a Patron); SPECIAL FRIENDS (\$250 or more): The Anden Group; Shannon & Luchs. BOOSTERS (\$100 or more): Arlington Paraprofessional Association; Potomac Psychological Resources; Shirlington Texaco Service Center; Washington Real Estate Investment Trust.

We look forward to seeing you during our construction weekend for fun, food, fitness, and community spirit! For information, call Barbara Effron (931-6186).

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If you are unable to participate, but would like to help us purchase high-quality materials for a durable playground, please fill out this form and make your check payable to "Abingdon PTA." Mail it to:

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