

Stoneybrooke

OF FAIRFAX COUNTY CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Letter from the Board

Happy Holiday Season Neighbors!

We hope you all are enjoying the holiday season and we look forward to seeing the neighborhood lit up with Christmas lights; it always warms up a cold walk this time of year. And chances are that you have obtained a copy of this Sentinel from one of the newsletter boxes around the neighborhood - we are trying new ways to communicate with the neighborhood and have everyone aware if the Stoneybrooke Community Association, and we hope that you will join!

We are still seeking a webmaster and/web page designer to assist us with our website please! If you or someone you know has a few hours to help us out, we would be so grateful.

We wish you all a Happy Holiday season and hope see you soon on the sidewalks. As always, sending smiles and wishing you all the best for the end of the year.

-SCA Board



WEB DEVELOPER/DESIGNER SOUGHT

The SCA Board is seeing the help of a web designer/developer to assist the Board in keeping the neighborhood website up to date and functional. If you are interested in assisting the community with this endeavor, please reach out to any board member or email us at scaboard@stoneybrooke.org

-Thanks!

Community News and Events

Ice! at to Gaylord National Resort

Gaylord National Resort will celebrate the Christmas season with the return of the hotel's longtime beloved holiday tradition, ICE!

Using more than 2 million pounds of ice, the amusing holiday classic, 'A Christmas Story' will be brought to life in ice sculpture form by a team of 40 world-class ice artisans from Harbin, China. This year, guests will experience over 10 scenes from the hilarious family tale including the old man's major award, Aunt Clara's pink nightmare, the ultimate triple dog dare at the school's flagpole and more!

Visit www.nationalharbor.com/events/ice-at-gaylord-national-resort/ for details.

Ice & Lights--The Winter Village at Cameron Run

Enjoy ice skating amidst a winter wonderland at Cameron Run Regional Park (Alexandria, VA). Ice & Lights offers a fun, unstructured outdoor family experience to explore unique light displays, snap family pictures or selfies with a variety of displays, and take a spin on the outdoor ice rink.

Tickets are available for the Village Only or Village and Ice Skating evenings November 18 – January 1. Day-time ice skating is available weekends and holidays in January and February. Prices range \$8-20 per person depending on activity and date. Capacity is limited; reservations are required to ensure access on a specific date. Visit www.cameroniceandlights.com for details.

More Changes Coming to GW Parkway

The George Washington Memorial Parkway could see more changes south of the City of Alexandria, according to the National Park Service. Changes could improve widening the Mount Vernon Trail, improving crossing and intersections for trail users, and could include the potential for the implementation of a road diet, crosswalks, and intersection improvements.

According to scope of assessment document, The Plan is needed to help preserve the historic parkway for future generations, improve the visitor experience, reduce annual park operations and maintenance costs, and improve visitor safety.

The Parkway already went through a road diet process last year, resulting in reducing the number of southbound lanes from two to one along several miles of the parkway.

You can keep up with the project online at www.parkplanning.nps.gov/GWMP_South.

I-66 Express Lanes Open Ahead Of Schedule In Northern Virginia

The I-66 Express Lanes outside the Capital Beltway are open. The new Express Lanes run 22.5 miles between the Capital Beltway in Fairfax County and Route 29 in Prince William County. The project began in late 2017 and was fully open ahead of schedule. The section of the Express Lanes between Route 28 and Route 29 opened in September, while the remaining section opened in the westbound and eastbound direction, Nov. 19 and Nov. 22, respectively.

Twelve interchanges have been modified or rebuilt during the project. The new Express Lanes have connections at major interchanges — Route 28, Route 50, Route 123 and I-495, as well as new connections from the west

at Monument Drive and Vaden Drive. Ramps at Monument Drive and Stringfellow Road are now Express Lanes-only ramps.

In addition to the roadway improvements, the project includes 18 miles of shared-use paths being constructed along and near the interstate.

Board Adopts County's First-Ever Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan

Recently, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resilient Fairfax, the county's first-ever climate adaptation and resilience plan.

As we face increasingly "warmer, wetter and weirder" conditions on average, the new Resilient Fairfax plan will help the county boost the resilience of our population, infrastructure, public service systems and natural resources to climatic hazards.



The Resilient Fairfax plan answers five major questions:

1. What are Fairfax County's current and future climate conditions?
2. What are Fairfax County's top climate vulnerabilities and risks?
3. Do Fairfax County's current policies, plans and programs address climate resilience?
4. What strategies should Fairfax County use to enhance climate adaptation and resilience?
5. How can Fairfax County implement those strategies?

In total, there are 48 strategies in the Resilient Fairfax plan, including 18 prioritized strategies, all of which aim to reduce the risks associated with impacts such as flooding, extreme heat and severe storms. The plan includes detailed implementation roadmaps for each of the prioritized strategies, enabling county staff and other key stakeholders to efficiently transition into implementation.

You can read more about the plan here: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/board-adopts-first-climate-adaptation-resilience-plan

Key Sources

Alexandria Living | <https://alexandrialivingmagazine.com/>

Fairfax County | <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/>

Kingstown Patch | <https://patch.com/virginia/kingstowne>

Old Town Patch | <https://patch.com/virginia/oldtownalexandria>

Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation (SFDC) | <http://www.sfdc.org/>

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MEMBERSHIP INFO

Why join?

1. It's easy and inexpensive!
2. It funds the community directory, our monthly newsletter, and our website.
3. It funds year-round social activities for adults and children.
4. The association is the best source of local information including transportation and school initiatives.
5. Strong membership builds credibility with other local associations and local politicians.
6. Your involvement promotes improved property value and neighborhood safety.

Payment Options:

1. Make out a \$20 check payable to 'SCA'
2. Note your name, address, and email address* on the check.
3. Deliver your check to our Stoneybrooke Treasurer Margaret Canilang @ 6903 Stonebridge Court

Or:

1. Send \$20 thru PayPal or Venmo by scanning one of the QR codes below.
2. Include your name, address, and email address* in the details.



Please choose the Friends and Family option.

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