Paradise Springs Winery in Clifton: Supervisor Pat Herry calls it "Fairfax's own little slice of paradise."
Where to Give Locally
List of Nonprofits in Fairfax County

❖ Cornerstones. 11150 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 210, Reston, serving Reston and Herndon. 571-323-9555, www.cornerstonesva.org. Nonprofit providing support and advocacy for those in need of food, shelter, affordable housing, quality childcare, and other human services. Programs and services include the Embry Rucker Community Shelter, Emergency Food Pantry, Hypothermia Prevention Program, Thanksgiving Food Drive, Gifts for Kids and annual Coat Drive. Alacia Earley at 571-323-9568 or alacia.earley@cornerstonesva.org.

❖ LINK, serving Herndon, Chantilly, Loudoun and more. Every year the goal is to provide each family with a week’s worth of non-perishable food in November and again in December. When funds allow, grocery gift cards are also included. In November, clients also receive a voucher for coats and warm clothing. In December, children 16 and under receive gifts. holiday@linkagainsthunger.org. 703-437-1776 www.linkagainsthunger.org.

❖ Northern Virginia Family Service. Just $50 provides a complete holiday meal to a family of four. Donate at give.nvfs.org/holidaydonation or via check payable to “NVFS” with “Operation Turkey” on the memo line, or send grocery store gift cards. Northern Virginia Family Service, attn: Holiday Initiatives, 10455 White Granite Drive, Suite 100, Oakton, VA 22124. 703-281-7644, www.cho-va.com

❖ Committee for Helping Others (CHO), Vienna, organized in 1969 by a group of churches and individuals in the Dunn Loring, Merrifield, Oakton, Vienna community to provide simple, loving charity to those in need. Last year 450 children had a special Christmas through the annual Christmas Store. 703-281-7644, www.cho-va.com

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TEAM MVD will be hosting several signature events throughout the fall. Join us on Sept. 20, 2019, at 1 p.m. at the South County Center for the dedication of that building as the Gerry W. Hyland Governmental Center. Our 4th Annual Tour de Mount Vernon Community Bike Ride will take place on Oct. 19, 2019, at 8:30 a.m. at the Workhouse Arts Center. More information and registration can be found here: https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/tour-de-mount-vernon-2019. On Nov. 16, 2019, learn how to lessen your environmental impact at the 2nd Annual Environment Expo. And, finally, join us to celebrate the holidays at the Mount Vernon District Holiday Open House on Dec. 5, 2019. More details on all these events will be available on our website and in our newsletter.

Top 10 Places and Events

George Washington’s Mount Vernon Estate Workhouse Arts Center Brewfest (Sept. 14, 2019) & Fireworks (June 2020)
Woodlawn Plantation and Pope Leighey House
George Washington’s Grist Mill and Distillery
Fort Hunt Park
Mason Neck State Park
Occoquan Regional Park
Pollock Bay Park
Arcadia Farm

Vernon District encourages you to take the time to find the many experiences awaiting you. Preserving our environment by addressing climate change, energy efficiency and resiliency planning will continue to be a focus as Fairfax engages in these important world-wide issues. The initiation of a Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan (CECAP), the Joint County and School Boards Environmental Task Force (JET) and accelerated County initiatives to mitigate climate impacts, as guided by my Fairfax Green Initiatives Board Matter, are important to the health and wellbeing of all our people, places and property. Watch for more about how you can get involved and make a difference, one person at a time.

MY NUMBER ONE PRIORITY is always you and our office is here to help. I strive to engage deeply and frequently with the people of Mount Vernon. TEAM MVD provides timely constituent service as we continue to build the ideal community in which to live and thrive. We are committed to performance standards that ensure we are a responsive, transparent and informative office. We are here to answer your questions and will respond to your communications within two business days or less. Have a question about road construction, snow removal, trash collection, stormwater runoff or voting precincts? Email us at MTVernon@FairfaxCounty.gov. Want to book a community room for a meeting, or not a fan of email? Call us at 703-780-7518. Need a document notarized or just want to visit your District Governmental Center to see local government in action? Stop by our office at 2511 Parkers Lane, Mount Vernon. I also have extended office hours on Thursdays and the second Saturday of each month, walk-ins and appointments are always welcomed.

If you haven’t figured it out already, you have chosen a great place to live, educate your children, grow your career and engage with your neighbors. Welcome to the Mount Vernon District, where history, heritage, outdoor living, educational opportunities and public safety come together to support our exciting future! Visit our website (www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon) to sign up for our newsletter, follow us on Facebook and Twitter and learn about the myriad of District projects, important topics, area activities and upcoming events in your new community.
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Dates and Deadlines for Election Day

❖ On or About Sept. 20: Absentee Voting begins at the Office of Elections, 12000 Government Center Pkwy., Conference Rooms 2/3, Fairfax, VA 22030, 703-221-7550
❖ Oct. 15: Voter Registration Deadline. In-person: 5 p.m., online: 11:59 p.m.
❖ Oct. 29: Deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail, 5 p.m.
❖ Nov. 2: Final day to vote absentee in-person, 5 p.m.
❖ Nov. 5: Deadline to return your ballot to the Office of Elections, 7 p.m.
❖ Nov. 5: Election Day, Polling Places open 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Fairfax County Office of Elections, Hours: Monday–Wednesday, Friday 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 8 a.m.–7 p.m. 12000 Government Center Parkway Suite 323 Fairfax, VA 22030 703-222-0776 TTY 711 voting@fairfaxcounty.gov www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/

When you register to vote in Virginia, you DO NOT register to vote by party. Virginia is an Open Primary state which means that any registered voter in Virginia can vote in either a Democratic or Republican primary. When both parties are holding a primary election, you will be asked which primary you want to vote in when you check in to vote with your photo ID. Note, you may only vote in one primary.

Voter ID Requirements:

Per Virginia law effective July 1, 2014, all residents must provide valid photo identification when they vote in-person. Please consult the VA Department of Elections for the most up to date information regarding acceptable forms of voter photo ID.

Many types of photo ID are acceptable for voting in Virginia. You only need to show ONE acceptable photo ID to vote. Photo IDs can be used to vote up to one year after the ID has expired. Acceptable forms of valid identification: Virginia driver’s license, Virginia DMV-issued photo ID, United States passport, Employer-issued photo ID, Student photo ID issued by a school, college, or university located in Virginia, Other U.S. or Virginia government-issued photo ID, Tribal enrollment or other tribal photo ID, Virginia Voter Photo ID card

If you get to your polling place without acceptable photo ID, you can vote a provisional ballot. You will be given instructions on what to do so your vote can count.

Offices on the Ballot, Fairfax County
❖ Member Virginia Senate, vote for one in your district
❖ Member House of Delegates, vote for one in your district
❖ Commonwealth’s Attorney, vote for one
❖ Sheriff, vote for one
❖ Chairman Board of Supervisors, vote for one
❖ Member School Board at Large
❖ Member Board of Supervisors, vote for one in your district

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Candidates, Fairfax County
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Jeffrey C. McKay (D) Joseph E. Galdo (R)
Commonwealth’s Attorney
Steve T. Descano (D) Jonathan L. Fahey (I)
Sheriff
Stacey Ann Kincaid (D) Christopher F. De Carlo (I)
Board of Supervisors, District Representatives
Braddock District
James R. Walkinshaw (D) S. Jason Remer (R) Carey Chet Campbell (I)
Dranesville District
John W. Foust (D) incumbent Ed. R. Martin (R)
Hunter Mill District
Walter L. Acorrn (D) incumbent
Lee District
Rodney L. Lusk (D) unopposed
Mason District
Penelope A. “Penny” Gross (D) incumbent Gary N. Aiken (R)
Mount Vernon District
Daniel G. “Dan” Storek (D) incumbent, unopposed
Providence District
Dalia A. Palchik (D)
Springfield District
Linda D. Sperling (D) Patrick S. “Pat” Herrity (R) incumbent
Sully District
Kathy L. Smith (D), incumbent Srilakha R. Palle (R)
School Board
School Board At-Large (vote for three)
Abras E. Omeish
Cheryl A. Buford
Priscilla M. DelStefano
Rachna Sizemore Heizer
Vinson Palathingal
Ilryong Moon, incumbent
Karen A. Keys-Gamara, incumbent
Braddock District, School Board
Zia Tompkins
Megan O. McLaughlin, incumbent
Dranesville District, School Board
Anastasia S. Karloutsos
Arvadan Mobasher
Elaine V. Tholen
Hunter Mill District, School Board
Laura Ramirez Drain
Melanie K. Meren
Lee District, School Board
Tamaara J. Derenak Kaulfau, incumbent
Mason District, School Board
Ricardy J. Anderson
Tom L. Pafford
Mount Vernon District, School Board
Pamela C. Ononiuwa
Steven D. Mosley
Karen L. Corbett Sanders, incumbent
Providence District, School Board
Andrea L. “Andi” Bayer
Jung Byun
Karl V. Fisch
Springfield District, School Board
Laura Jane H. Cohen
R. Kyle McDaniel
Elizabeth L. Schultz, incumbent
Sully District, School Board
Stella G. Pekarsky
Tom A. Wilson, incumbent
Soil and Water Conservation Director Northern Virginia District
Christine B. Burkart, incumbent
School Bond
Ballot Question
This is the text of the public school bond question that will be on the Nov. 5, 2019, general election ballot: Shall Fairfax County, Virginia, contract a debt, borrow money, and issue capital improvement bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of $360,000,000 for the purposes of providing funds, in addition to funds from school bonds previously authorized, to finance, including reimbursement to the County for temporary financing for, the costs of school improvements, including acquiring, building, expanding and renovating properties, including new sites, new buildings or additions, renovations and improvements to existing buildings, and furnishing and equipment, for the Fairfax County public school system?
Candidates, General Assembly, Nov. 5, 2019

To check what is on your ballot and the status of your voter registration, visit elections.virginia.gov/registration/view-your-info

House of Delegates
District 34
Kathleen J. Murphy (D), incumbent, Gary G. Pan (R)

District 35
Mark L. Keam (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 36
Kenneth R. "Ken" Plum, incumbent, unopposed

District 37
David L. Bulova (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 38
L. Kaye Kory (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 39
Nick O. Bell (R)

District 40
Dan I. Helmer (D)

District 41
Eileen Filler-Corn (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 42
Kathy K. Tran (D)

District 43
Melve D. Sickles (D), incumbent, Richard T. Hayden (R)

District 44
Paul E. Krizek (D), incumbent, Richard T. Hayden (R)

District 45
Mark H. Levine (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 46
Charniele L. Herring (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 47
Patrick A. Hope (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 48
Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 49
Alfonso H. Lopez (D), incumbent, Terry W. Modglin (I)

District 53
Marcus B. Simon (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 67
Karrie K. Delaney (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 68
Ibraheem S. Samirah (D), incumbent, unopposed

Virginia State Senate
District 30
Adam P. Ebbin (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 31
Barbara A. Favola (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 32
Janet D. Howell (D), incumbent

District 33
Jennifer B. Boysko (D), incumbent

District 34
J. C. "Chap" Petersen (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 35
Richard L. "Dick" Saslaw (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 36
Scott A. Surovell (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 37
Dave W. Marsden (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 39
George L. Barker (D), incumbent

District 40
Vivian E. Watts (D), incumbent

District 41
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Engineering and Math). Education is so important, and this museum, which is designed for kids between 2 and 12 years old, does an excellent job of challenging and shaping young minds. Be sure to stay and shop and/or eat at one of the best malls in the area. (11948 Fair Oaks Mall, Fairfax).

4. Make sure to catch your fill of Friday Night Lights! The Springfield District has some of the best high schools both academically and athletically in the country. As a West Springfield High School alumnus, there are few things I enjoy more than getting to a football game in the fall where there’s a buzz in the air and a little snap of cold from the changing seasons. Go cheer on your local high school team at West Springfield, Lake Braddock, South County, Robinson, or Centreville.

5. The newest addition to Fair Oaks Mall, Dave & Buster’s is a great time no matter what age you are. With a full arcade and an entire room of potential prizes, plus you can get half-priced games all day every Wednesday. After playing your favorite arcade games, you can make it a complete afternoon or evening by stopping by the restaurant for dinner or bar for drinks and snacks.

6. One of our most visited “one-stop shops” is South Run RECenter. Not only does it feature a two-story fitness center with heated indoor pool and poolside spa, but the surrounding park offers soccer and baseball/softball fields, two tennis courts, two outdoor basketball courts, a field house with newly installed athletic turf playing surface, accessible playground, and an off-leash dog area. In addition, the newly opened Go Ape ropes and ziplining course is another great feature of South Run Park. (7550 Reservation Dr., Springfield).

7. Peterson’s Ice Cream Depot is a family owned and operated business in Historic Clifton, and let me tell you, they serve some of the best gourmet ice cream in Northern Virginia. (7150 Main St, Clifton).

8. Don’t miss Fairfax’s own little slice of paradise: the award-winning Paradise Springs Winery. The land the winery is built on has remained in the same family since it was granted to them by Lord Fairfax in 1716. Head down on Friday nights between 5 and 9 p.m. to hear live music and best wine in Fairfax County. (8511 Greely Blvd., Springfield).

9. Acres of undisturbed woodland, quiet trails, splashing streams and a tranquil pond are just a few of the reasons to visit Hidden Pond Nature Center. The nature center, which is accessible to everyone, features exhibits and live displays which orient you to the park and the natural world of Fairfax County. In addition, the center has a small sales area featuring books and other items for the nature enthusiast and nature study areas for group visitors. (13219 Yates Ford Rd, Clifton).

10. The Annual Clifton Day Festival (the Sunday before Columbus Day) is a unique opportunity to bring your family to the historic town of Clifton and enjoy arts and crafts, antiques, demonstrations, the Town Market, live music, children’s activities, and lots of good food. With so many fun things to do and see, you can easily spend an entire day enjoying the charm of Clifton.

Most importantly, if there is ever anything my office can do for you, do not hesitate to ask. I have always agreed with Thomas Jefferson’s notion that government closest to the people is best, and you cannot get much closer to the people than being a Supervisor. Our jobs are multi-faceted; I would go as far to say that somewhere around 80 percent of an individual’s contact with government at any level is at our level. Whether it’s land use, transportation, education, public safety, or tax related, my staff and I are always here to answer your questions.
WHERE TO START?
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 - 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Villa Bella Restaurant
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Long and Foster Realtor

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• Food pantry
• Fall for LCAC, a food-raiser for the pantry - September 29th
• Wine Tasting at a home on Mason Neck - October 20th
• Lorton’s Attic Thrift Store
• Thanksgiving, Warm Coat and Christmas Outreaches
• Adult, Group and Youth Volunteer opportunities

See our website for ways to be involved or
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3600-178 Richmond Highway, PO Box 15096, Alexandria, VA 22309, 703-768-9419, www.goodhousing.org. The mission of Good Shepherd Housing (GSH) is to reduce homelessness, manage 70 housing units.

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10201 Fairfax Boulevard, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22030. 703-876-0390. pathwayhomes.org/support/pathway/

**Bottle of Hope**

In partnership with The Madisonian, we are accepting donations of gently used bottles to go toward the purchase of new bottles. Please bring your donations to the children’s area of the library at the Madisonian in the Madison Center, 4230 Prince William Parkway, Chantilly, VA 20151. Drop-off will be through May 31, 2020.

**Fairfax Memorial Hospital**

The Children’s Wishes 2020 Holiday Assistance Program is open now through November 1. To request assistance, call 703-299-9854, or visit www.hospitalfoundation.org/casographics/5078. Share of McLean operates a food pantry, provides assistance to families to avoid eviction, keep utilities on and meet other needs in a crisis. Share of McLean will provide holiday assistance to more than 250 needy families (630-plus people) this year. Each family will receive a grocery gift card in November along with a bag filled with pantry staples and traditional items. In December, our families will be welcomed to a festive party, served a light meal, and Santa will travel all the way from the North Pole to take photographs with the children. Each person will receive a “wish” gift and families will be given a grocery gift card, a bag filled with toiletries, and a jug of laundry detergent. Help us help our neighbors in need by fulfilling a wish or donating Walmart, Target, Giant, or Salvation Army gift cards. Contact Chris Wilbur at ShareWishes@gmail.com for more information. Visit www.shareofmclean.org for more info about Share.

**Horndon-Reston FISH**

(Friendly Instant Sympathetic Help), 336 Victory Drive, Herndon, 703-391-0105 herndonrestonfish.org. Horndon-Reston FISH has assisted local residents in short term crises by providing Friendly Instant Sympathetic Help by responding to emergency requests for rent, transportation, utilities, medical prescriptions and other needs. FISH operates The Bargain Loft, a thrift store, which needs donations of good quality saleable items, accepting and selling art, furniture, jewelry, household linens, dishes, pots and pans, books, women’s designer clothing (clean and on hangers), puzzles, games, collectibles, small electronics and much more. If you have store questions, call 703-437-0600. Horndon-Reston FISH also provides Holiday Food & Gift Baskets during the November and December season.

**Comfort for America’s Uniformed Services (CAUSE)**

www.cause.org. CAUSE ensures that reenacting service members have opportunities for recreation and social interaction and receive concrete signs of appreciation for all that they have done. 4114 Legato Road Suite B, Fairfax, VA 22033, 703-591-4968, cause-usa.org

**Christian Relief Services**

8301 Richmond Highway, Suite 900, Alexandria, VA 22309, 703-317-9086, 703-317-9690 christianrelief.org

**Friends of Guest House**

Northeastern Virginia offers structure, supervision, support and assistance to female offenders who want to improve their lives and break the cycle of incarceration. Friends of Guest House offers the only program for women of its kind in Northern Virginia. One East Lurey Ave, Alexandria, VA 22311-2025, 703-549-8072, info@friendsofguesthouse.org

**Wright to Read**

703-299-9854, www.wrighttoread.org Provides volunteer-based, 1:1 tutoring and mentoring to City of Alexandria public elementary school children in need. Funds are needed to provide field trips and enrichment activities, books and other resources. For more information about Wright to Read and becoming a “Tutor/Mentor” please see our website.

**Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia**

The largest provider of affordable housing in Northern Virginia transforms the lives of lower-income families in need by providing affordable homeownership opportunities in Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William County. Learn more at www.habitatnova.org

**SHARE**

www.shareofmclean.org for more info about SHARE.
Newcomers

Postcards from Lorton

Looking out the pro shop window at Pohick Golf Course.

At the Workhouse Art Center, sculptures come in many forms.

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A foursome on the green.

Galas need wine glasses at the Workhouse.

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MONDAY-SEPT. 2
Herndon Labor Day Festival. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn St., Herndon. Great music, a craft show, food, 12 wineries and micro-brews and culinary demonstrations. Visit herndon-va.gov/recreation/special-events/labor-day-festival for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY-SEPT. 7-8
Burke Centre Festival. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at Burke Centre Conservancy
4600 Burke Centre Parkway Burke. Festival includes an Arts & Craft Fair, festival food vendors, amusements rides, pony rides, musical entertainment provided by local and nationally recognized performers, nature shows, after-hours Wine Garden. Visit www.burkecenterweb.com. For more info call 703-440-2189 or email bcfestival@burrcenter.org.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 14
Dulles Day Plane Pull. At Dulles International Airport, Dulles. The 2019 Dulles Day Family Festival & Plane Pull is a full day of excitement with airplane and auto shows, the children’s zone and bus pull, varied displays and activities, vendors, food and amusements. Visit www.planepull.com for more.

SATURDAY-SEPT. 28
Reston Multicultural Festival. 11 a.m. -6 p.m., Lake Anne Plaza, Reston. The Reston Multicultural Festival celebrates all the entertainment, dance, food, and cultural treasures from all over the world that are all here in Reston. Rain or shine. Free. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com/attend-events-exhibits/reston-multicultural-festival for more.

October 2019

THURSDAY-SATURDAY-SEP. 12
Fairfax’s Fall for the Book Festival. 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Enjoy literature and hear authors give readings at the Fall for the Book Festival. Visit www.fallforthebook.org for more.

SATURDAY-OCT. 5
Taste of Annandale. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tom Davis Drive in central Annandale, between Columbia Pike and John Marr Drive. The 8th annual Taste of Annandale will showcase local restaurants during a daylong family-friendly event with a chili cook-off; and much more. Visit www.tasteofannandale.com for more.

THURSDAY-MONDAY-OCT. 24-28
Washington West Film Festival. Screening events in Reston, Arlington and other local areas. For tickets and schedule visit www.westfilmfest.com.

NOVEMBER 2019

FRIDAY-NOV. 29
Reston Holiday Parade at Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St. Reston. Holiday parade with tree lighting ceremony, an entertaining evening of free, live music! 776 Market St., Reston. Carnival games and rides are also available. Call 703-324-3247 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/Braddock-Nights for location and schedule. Performances/braddock-nights for location and schedule.

December 2019

SUNDAY-DEC. 1
Great Falls Celebration of Lights at Village Field. 3-4 p.m. Camelot Green Parkway, Great Falls. Get into the holiday spirit at the beginning of the season with a Christmas Tree Lighting. Enjoy hot chocolate and seasonal music. Visit celebreategreatfalls.org/event/celebration-of-lights/ for more info.

Fairs & Festivals

The whirl and swirl of rides by Cole Shows Amusement Company attracted crowds during the Fairfax County 71st 4-H Fair and Carnival held at Frying Pan Park in Herndon.

Fairfax County 4-H Fair and Carnival

Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with carnival games, rides and tempting foods. Friday features the free Big Truck Night event from 5:30-7:30 p.m. "No Horn" hour is from 5:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. The 4-H Fair and Carnival is free; $10 per car parking fee on Saturday and Sunday. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/frying-pan-park/4-h-fair for details.

THURSDAYS-MAY-AUGUST

Lake Anne Chalk on the Water Festival. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Chalk on the Water is a two-day street-painting festival where participants will create street art. Festival goers can purchase a "plot" of brick space on the plaza and paint to their hearts delight whatever flows from their imagination. Visit www.chalkonthewater.com.


Love Yoga Body Yoga Festival. Yoga studios and wellness centers of Northern Virginia will be offering classes, services, and information on ways to care for your body, along with live entertainment and activities for children. Donations in participation in classes benefit Cornerstones. Presented by Beloved Yoga. www.belovedyoga.com.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY-JUNE 5-7
Celebrate Fairfax! Festival. Friday, 6 p.m. - midnight; Saturday, 10 a.m. - midnight; and Sunday, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Musical performances, rides, games and food. Call 703-324-3247 or visit www.celebratefairfax.com/

JUNE-AUGUST


Great Falls Concerts on the Green. Sundays; 8-10 p.m. Great Falls Village Center Green. Come out with your picnic baskets and chairs for a celebration of parading of free, live music! 776 Walker Road, Great Falls. Visit www.cultebrategreatfalls.org/concerts-on-the-green.

Arts in the Parks. Wednesdays & Saturdays, 10 a.m. Performance venues include Burke Lake Park Amphitheater, E.C. Lawrence Park Amphitheater, Mason Farm Park, and Frying Pan Farm Park Visitor Center. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid-friendly setting and forge a connection between kids and parks. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/arts-in-the-parks.

July 2020


July-August

Braddock Nights Concert Series. Fridays, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Featuring different performers every week. Call 703-324-3247 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/www.at-reston.com for location and schedule. Performances/braddock-nights for location and schedule.

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August 2020

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