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Look to MEC-Fairfax for Business Support

The Mason Enterprise Center (MEC-Fairfax) is a business incubator program offering free services to help start-up businesses grow and succeed. The center offers many popular services, including "lunch and learn" events on various topics.

MEC-Fairfax, a partnership between George Mason University and the city Economic Development Authority, provides free business consultation, including advice on business and strategic planning, market research, and financing alternatives.

The center also provides access to business mentor roundtables and refers business owners to experts in the "Friends of Mason Enterprise Center" professional network. Information: 703-277-7700, *www.mecfairfax.org.*

Please see page 2 for the city's February holiday closure and refuse/recyclables collection information.

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

Chocolate Lovers Festival is February 7-8 in Old Town Fairfax

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appening in the City of Fairfa.



Budget Presentation Set for February 24

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 24 City Council meeting.

The budget review process continues until the Mayor and City Council adopt the final budget on April 29. (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 budget will be available after the budget presentation in print and on the city website. Information: 703-385-7870.

City Council Budget Review Schedule

February 24: proposed budget presentation March 3: budget discussion work session March 5: Staff presentations to City Council and public outreach meeting

- March 10: public hearing and work session; real estate tax rate advertised
- March 24: public hearing and work session April 7: budget discussion work session
- April 14: public hearing and work session; introduction of rates
- April 21: budget discussion work session (tentative)
- April 29: public hearing and budget adoption
- Meetings and work sessions are held at the City Hall Annex and televised on Cityscreen-12; see page 5 for schedule and viewing information. Schedule is subject to change.

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City NEWS AND Notes

City Government Offices Close February 16

City government offices will close February 16 in observance of George Washington Day.

The General District Court also will be closed. Information: 703-385-7866.

CUE Bus will run on a modified weekday schedule. Information: 703-385-7859.

Refuse and recyclables will not be collected February 16. Those with regular Monday and Tuesday service should place their items at the curb on Tuesday, February 17. Information: 703-385-7837.

The Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center will be open. Information: 703-385-8414.

Dog Licenses Due February 1

City dog licenses are available for \$5 per year for spayed/neutered dogs and \$10 per year for unaltered dogs. All dogs in the city age 4 months and older must be licensed and vaccinated against rabies. Dogs not wearing a 2015 license tag by February 1 will be in violation of City Code, and owners will be subject to a fine.

Dog owners may purchase multi-year licenses that are valid for the same length of time as the rabies certification.

To obtain a license, owners must present a valid rabies certificate for each dog and, if applicable, a neutered/spayed certificate from the dog's veterinarian (required for first-time licenses only).

Licenses may be purchased at the Treasurer's Office in City Hall. Applications also may be submitted on the city website. Information: 703-385-7900.

Stay Informed With Fairfax City Alert



Find out first! Find out fast! Find out about city government activities and services via Fairfax City Alert.

The city offers dozens of categories of interest, covering topics such as government closures, tax payments, special events information, safety messages, scheduled and unscheduled road closures, and more. Messages are sent via e-mail, text or telephone.

Enroll today: visit the city website at www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert.

Tax Prep Assistance Available from City, AARP, IRS

The Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue provides qualified city residents with free assistance preparing and filing federal, state and estimated tax returns February 16 through April 14 in City Hall. To make an appointment, call 703-385-7880.

AARP TaxAide provides free federal tax return assistance low- and moderateincome persons of any age at multiple drop-in locations throughout the area from: 888-OUR-AARP.

The IRS offers Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) for low-income taxpayers: 800-906-9887. VITA also provides free tax help to military personnel and their families. Additionally, the IRS offers Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE), which provides free assistance for taxpayers age 60 and older: 800-906-9887.

CSB Relocates Some Services to Merrifield

The Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board (CSB) has relocated many of its programs to its new Merrifield Center, 8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Fairfax. This new center will provide all programs previously offered at its Annandale location, as well as many youth and adult services previously offered in the city and in Falls Church. Information: 703-324-7000.

'Operation Warm' Continues to Provide New Coats For Children; Donations Sought

The City of Fairfax Fire Department has partnered with City of Fairfax Schools

Superintendent Peter Noonan and Fairfax City Firefighters Local 2702 as ambassadors in Operation Warm: providing new winter coats for local children living in poverty.

City of Fairfax firefighters will go to each school to help personally fit children with new coats, and help them write their names in the interior tags which read, "Made Just for You." To date, Operation Warm has manufactured 90,000 coats made in the USA (and supported 200 jobs to do so).

Financial contributions are accepted at *www.operationwarm.org/fairfaxcity* or by mail to Operation Warm, P.O. Box 822431, Philadelphia, PA 19182-2431; please write "Local 2702" in the check's memo line.

Don't Wait — Use NextBus Today

When you take the CUE Bus, shorten your wait time at the bus stop by using Next-Bus, a free app that offers real-time arrival information. The app is available for iOS and Android platforms.

No smartphone? No problem: login to *www.NextBus.com* on a computer.

CUE Bus runs seven days a week in nearly all weather in and around the City of Fairfax, to George Mason University and the Vienna/ Fairfax-GMU Metrorail station — and is free for Mason students, faculty and staff. Information: 703-385-7859.

Parks and Recreation Inclement Weather Policy Updated

In case of inclement weather, the City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department program schedule can change based on the Fairfax County Public School's (FCPS) cancellation policy.

Senior Center hours, however, will be different. "Late start" for the Senior Center only will be 9 a.m., and early closing for the Senior Center will be 2 p.m. Verify hours on the city website or call 703-385-7858.

In case of inclement weather, Parks and Recreation Department services may differ from general city government service announcements. Information: 703- 385-7858.

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Old Town Square Continues to Evolve



Watch the city's central plaza take shape in the coming weeks, and attend its dedication April 18!

2014 Business Recycling Report Due Online by March 1

City business owners are asked to submit their annual business recycling report to the city electronically through March 1 using a form on the city website. Information: 703-385-7837.

The report details actual or estimated weight or volume of recycled materials provided by the business' 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 (at 3410 Pickett Road) for this purpose must submit a report with an

estimate of their recycling amounts.

Home-based business owners 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; 703-293-6227.

Green Acres Center Fitness Center Open For Public Use; Membership Available

Keep that New Year's resolution to get your workout on at the Green Acres Fitness Center, 4401 Sideburn Road.

Pick up a fitness pass — for month or a year — or just drop in for a workout at your convenience.

Use the equipment and facility on your own or purchase sessions with personal trainer David Cohen for an additional fee.

Green Acres Fitness Center hours are 5-9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Purchase a fitness pass for \$15 a month or \$96 for a year, or simply drop in at a cost

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of only \$5 per day. There is no charge for Young at Heart Senior Center members. Information: 703-273-6090.





Shredding Events Scheduled in 2015

City residents are invited to participate for free in Fairfax County's document shredding events.

Residents may bring up to five medium-sized boxes for shredding from 8 a.m. to noon at the following events:

- March 21 at Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale: and
- April 25 at the North County Human Service Center, 1850 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston.

This service is for residential use only. Information: 703-324-5230.

Bag Leaves Out of Season

During the months when the city does not collect leaves curbside with the vacuum truck, be a good neighbor and bag your leaves.

The city collects loose leaves at the curb only during at certain times of the year. Winter collection has ended, and spring service will be announced soon.

Recycling Bins Available

City residents who receive city curbside recycling service from the city are provided blue recycling bins for this purpose. Request new (or additional) bins at WeCare@fairfaxva.gov or 703-385-7837.

Recycling, Disposal **Information Available**

These flyers on refuse disposal and recycling are available on the website and upon request:

- How to Dispose of Items in the City, and
- Curbside Recycling is Easier Than Ever.
 - Information: 703-293-7141.

INFORMATION: 703-385-7837



In Memoriam: William "Bud" Roeder

William F. "Bud" Roeder, Jr., former city attorney, passed away January 6.

The Chattanooga, Tenn. native served as the City of Fairfax city attorney from 1978 to 2005.

He earned his bachelor's degree from University of the South in 1964 and his J.D. degree from University of Virginia School of Law in 1967.

Roeder served as a president of the Fairfax Bar Association and was on the bar association's board of directors. He also was a member of the American Bar Association and held multiple roles with the Virginia State Bar, including chairman of the Board of Governors.

In Memoriam: George G. Tankard, Jr.

George G. Tankard, Jr., former superintendent of City of Fairfax Schools, passed away January 7.

The retired educator, a Virginia native, served in numerous positions with public schools in Virginia — including area superintendent for Fairfax County Public Schools — and served as superintendent of City of Fairfax schools from 1971-77.

The longtime member of the Fairfax Rotary Club and his wife Madeline served as honorary grand marshals of the City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade in 2012.

In Memoriam: Thomas E. Reed III

Thomas E. Reed III, the city's first real estate assessor, died on January 10.

The appraisal and brokerage professional opened his private practice in Old Town Fairfax in 1964, where he worked for the rest of his life.

In 1965, the Virginia native was hired by the city to assess all real property to be included in the newly incorporated City of Fairfax. Although his employment with the city lasted until the mid-1970s, he continued to work with the city during the years regarding appraisals.

He has a unique legacy: his son Tom is the city's current real estate assessor.

Chocolate Lovers Festival Chocolate Lovers Festival February 7-8 Schedule of Events

Saturday, February 7

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 Face Painting — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Fire Station 3 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., GMU Nutrition Kitchen 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 Be Our Valentine! with Cody + BJ! — 11 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: Wolf v. Pig - noon, Historic Fairfax Court House Fire Safety Puppet Show — 12:30 pm, City of Fairfax Regional Library So You Think You Are Smarter Than a Lawyer? - 1:15 p.m., Historic Fairfax Court House *Chocolate-Dipped Tales with Kaydee Puppets* — 2 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library The Chocolate Caper Mock Trial: Joey Wolfcryer — 2:30 p.m., Historic Fairfax Court House Cantare — Rain Forest Air, 3:30 p.m., City of Fairfax Regional Library Chocolate and a Movie featuring Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (rated PG) -7 pm, Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center 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 House, noon to 4 p.m.

Sunday, February 8

The Chocolate Express runs between festival event sites from 11:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. Chocolate Challenge and Silent Auction — noon to 4 p.m., GMU Nutrition Kitchen Taste of Chocolate — noon to 4 p.m., Old Town Hall

Construct a Cupcake — noon to 4 p.m., Twins ACE Hardware

Fire Safety Puppet Show — 12:30 pm, City of Fairfax Regional Library

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

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, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. • Ratcliffe-Allison 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 for an event map and information on parking, costs and more.

The Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee supports Fairfax Kiwanis Meals for Young Minds with multiple drop-off locations during the festival. Visit www.chocolatefestival.net for a list of suggested items and drop-off location information.

Information: www.chocolatefestival.net • 703-385-7858

Volunteers Sought for Advisory Boards

- Board of Architectural Review (one vacancy)
- Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments (one vacancy)
- Commission for Women (one vacancy)
- Community Appearance Committee (one vacancy)
 - Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (one vacancy)

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.

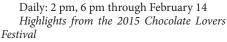
Volunteer





The Fairfax Scene

Highlights from the Vision Fairfax Mason Charrette



Daily: 2 pm, 6 pm beginning February 15 Archived online: "special programming." Available on city's YouTube channel

School Board

Monday, February 2, 7:30 pm, LIVE replays:

Tuesday, February 3, 10 am Thursday, February 5, 10 am, 7 pm Monday, February 16, 10 am, 7 pm Tuesday, February 17, 10 am, 7 pm Thursday, February 19, 10 am, 7 pm Archived online February 3

City Council

Tuesday, February 3, 7 pm, LIVE

replays:

Wednesday, February 4, 10 am, 7 pm Friday, February 6, 10 am, 7 pm Saturday, February 7, 10 am, 7 pm

Sunday, February 8, 10 am, 7 pm Archived online February 4

Tuesday, February 10, 7 pm, LIVE replays:

Wednesday, February 11, 10 am, 7 pm Friday, February 13, 10 am, 7 pm Saturday, February 14, 10 am, 7 pm Sunday, February 15, 10 am, 7 pm Archived online February 11 **OnDEMAND** February 18



Tuesday, February 24, 7 pm, LIVE replays:

Wednesday, February 25, 10 am, 7 pm Friday, February 27, 10 am, 7 pm Saturday, February 28, 10 am, 7 pm Sunday, March 1, 10 am, 7 pm Archived online February 25 **OnDEMAND March 4**

Planning Commission

Monday, February 9, 7 pm, LIVE replays:

Tuesday, February 10, 10 am Thursday, February 12, 10 am, 7 pm Archived online February 10

Monday, February 23, 7 pm, LIVE replays:

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Tuesday, February 24, 10 am Thursday, February 26, 10 am, 7 pm Archived online February 24

Vision Fairfax Mason Charrette Final Presentation

Watch a replay of the final presentation by consultants at the November 8, 2014 Vision Fairfax Mason charrette. The replay will be shown at 10 am and 7 pm on days when city government meetings and replays are not scheduled.

Select Charrette Presentations Available on YouTube

Select presentations from the November 2104 Vision Fairfax Mason Charrette are available in their entirety on the city's YouTube channel.

Some Cityscreen-12 Programs Available for Loan, Purchase

Borrow or purchase available Cityscreen-12 programs on Blu-ray and DVD. Information: 703-385-7855.

Proposed Agendas: School Board, City Council, Planning Commission

School Board (Information: 703-385-7910)

- February 2 regular meeting
- Spotlight on Learning.
- · Presentation of Virginia School Boards Association Certificates of Appreciation to School Board members.
- Student representative report.
- · Presentation on Daniels Run Elementary School.
- · Approval of funds for Fairfax High School's All-Night Graduation Party

February 23 work session

• No agenda items have been set.

City Council (Information: 703-385-7935) February 3 work session

- · Joint discussion with Environmental Sustainability Committee regarding increased involvement, key items and budget recommendations.
- Discussion on affordable housing.
- · Discussion on the Vision Fairfax Mason Charrette update.
- · Discussion on city communications: methods and opportunities.
- Discussion of the CUE transit study.

· Discussion on the Old Lee Highway Concept Plan.

February 10 regular meeting

- · Public hearing on a request by Novus/Britt redevelopment project, 11101 and 11091 Fairfax Boulevard and 11160 Lee Highway.
- · Public hearing on a request for modifications to special exceptions at 10341 Main Street (Mayfair townhome project).

February 24 regular meeting

- · City manager's presentation of the City of Fairfax proposed operating budget and CIP for fiscal year 2015-16.
- Consideration of an award of contract for the construction of the George T. Snyder Trail, phase one.
- · Continuation of the public hearing and scheduled action on a request by Novus/Britt redevelopment project, 11101 and 11091 Fairfax Boulevard and 11160 Lee Highway.
- · Public hearing on a request by Verizon for a special use permit to install a telecommunication device on the Fairfax Building, 10555 Main Street.
- Public hearing on a request by AT&T for a

special use permit to install a telecommunication device on the Fairfax Building, 10555 Main Street.

• Public hearing on a request by AT&T for a special use permit to install telecommunication device at 10301 Democracy Lane.

Planning Commission (Information: 703-385-7930) February 9 regular meeting

• Review of Chapter 4 of the Fairfax Boulevard Master Plan.

February 23 regular meeting

- Public hearing on a zoning text amendment to the Residential Planned Development District.
- Public hearing on a request for a zoning map amendment from Residential Multifamily to Residential Planned Development and special exceptions to allow for redevelopment of the Oak Knolls apartment complex, 10758-10782 Main Street.

Please note: proposed agendas and other meeting information are subject to change. Please confirm prior to the meeting: information will be available on the city website or by phone at the numbers listed above.

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Summary of City Council meeting actions. For a complete copy, or for the minutes of meetings, call 703-385-7935.

City Council Reporter

December 9, 2014

Consent agenda

· Approved, unanimously: Introduction of an appropriation resolution for \$25,500 to fund the World Police and Fire Games (WPFG) Cycling Criterium and Muster; Introduction of an ordinance authorizing "quick-take" condemnation of easements at 10530 Fairfax Boulevard, 3580-3590 Chain Bridge Road, 3570 Chain Bridge Road, 3575 Chain Bridge Road, 10464 and 10470 Fairfax Boulevard, 10480 Fairfax Boulevard, 10460 Fairfax Boulevard, 10450 Fairfax Boulevard, 10334-10412 Fairfax Boulevard, 10300 Eaton Place, 10579 Fairfax Boulevard, 10565 Fairfax Boulevard, 10521 Fairfax Boulevard, 3600 Chain Bridge Road, 10485 Fairfax Boulevard, 10325 Fairfax Boulevard, and 10300 Eaton Place related to the Northfax project.

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, a request for a Special Use Permit to allow a telecommunications monopole up to 126-feet in height and ground equipment with screening at Fairfax High School at 3501 Rebel Run, subject to conditions.
- Approved, unanimously, a request for renewal of a Special Use Permit to allow dancing and entertainment in the C-2 Retail Commercial District and Old Town Fairfax Historic Overlay District, at 3971 Chain Bridge Road, subject to conditions.
- Approved, 5-1, an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to the tethering and care of companion animals. (In favor: Councilmembers DeMarco, Greenfield, Meyer, Miller, and Schmidt; opposed: Councilmember Loftus.)

Actions out of Closed Meeting/Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- * Appointed Natasha Jackson to the Board of Architectural Review.
- * Reappointed: Jason Scadron and Geoffrey Seffens to the Commission on the Arts.
- * Reappointed Debbie Mullan to the Community Appearance Committee.

The public is invited to attend City Council meetings and work sessions. Proposed agendas are available on page 5 and on the city website.

Watch televised City Council meetings live and replayed on Cityscreen-12, the city's television station; see the schedule on page 5. Meetings are available live and archived on the city website.



Real Estate Tax Relief, Rent Relief Available

The City of Fairfax provides real estate tax and rent relief for senior citizens and city residents with permanent and total disabilities. Applications for these programs are available from the Finance Department. Information: 703-359-2486.

For real estate tax relief, the combined gross household income limit is \$72,000 and the current asset limit is \$340,000. Different levels of real estate tax relief are granted on a sliding scale based on income.

Qualified homeowners may choose basic tax relief (full or partial tax relief), tax deferral, tax freeze; or combination tax freeze and deferral. Information is mailed

to city residents in tax assessment notices, which will be mailed in February.

Virginia offers a real estate tax exemption for the primary residence of certain disabled veterans and their surviving spouses. The veteran must be declared 100 percent service-connected, permanently and totally disabled by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Rent relief is available for senior citizens and city residents with permanent and total disabilities.

Future program qualifications, including the benefit and income limits, will be determined during the fiscal year budget hearings this spring.

Information Resources

City website www.fairfaxva.gov 24-hour access, updates

Cityscreen-12 Channel 12 on cable television and city website 24-hour access, updates

Fairfax City Alert message system messages sent to subscribers via e-mail, pager, text and phone 24-hour access, updates

> *City newsline* 703-273-1776 recorded information 24-hour access, updates

General Information 703-385-7855 (TTY: 711) regular business hours



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ARTS - CULTURE - RECREATION - THINGS TO DO City Happenings

Dressing, D-Day Topics of History Talks February 1, 28; Exhibit Ends February 15

Learn about Dressing for the Occasion: An exhibition of costumes and textiles representing Fairfax personalities and events at 2 pm February 1 at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street. The related exhibit will be at the museum through February 15. Information: 703-385-8414.

Discover D-Day (+1) thru the Battle of the Bulge at 2 p.m. February 28 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway. Information: 703-591-0560.

Summer Camp Registration Begins February 2, 17

Registration for returning participants of the city's summer camp program will be offered February 2-16. All first-time campers may begin registration February 17, space permitting.

Programs are held June 29 to August 14

in city schools. Speciality camps also are offered — see the city website for details.

Registration is accepted by mail, by fax — and in person at City Hall (Room 123), Green Acres Center (4401 Sideburn Road) or the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center (3740 Old Lee Highway). Information: 703-385-7858.

'Best in Show' and Oscar Ceremony at Sherwood

Watch a selection of this year's Academy Award-nominated movies for free at 8 p.m. February 6, 13 and 20 at the Sherwood Center, then watch the Academy Awards ceremony beginning at 6 p.m. February 22. See the movie list on the city website; movie ratings will be enforced. Information: 703-385-7858.

Sherwood Cinema Series Continues February 27

Catch *Dolphin Tale 2* for free February 27 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.

From 7-9 p.m., Our Daily Bread will accept non-perishable food items. A list of suggested items is available on the city website. Information: 703-385-7858.

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 celebration July 4, and craft and food vendors are sought for the Fall Festival October 10 and the Holiday Craft Show November 21-22.

Applications are available on the city's website and are due March 12. Information: 703-385-7858.

Parade Applications Accepted through April 1

Applications to march in the 2015 Independence Day Celebration Parade are available on the city website and from the Parks and Recreation Department. Applications are due April 1. Information: 703-385-7858.