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Meet Our Newly Elected Board Members

Fairlington Villages is pleased to announce that the 2024 Annual Meeting election results have been tallied; three Members of the Board of Directors were elected for a 3-year term each. Election results were shared by Election Committee Chair and Board Secretary Melanie Alvord as follows:

√ Donna Volpone, Ward II

√ Douglas Faherty, Ward IV √ Joseph Torres, At Large. You can find the <u>President's</u> <u>Comments</u> and <u>Treasurer's Report</u> from the Annual Meeting posted online.

If you wish to say hello to these Directors, or any other member of the Board, you can find their contact information on page 6.

DONNA VOLPONE, WARD II

Fairlington owners since 2014, Donna and her husband Jim moved here to be close to their daughters, who both now live in Arlington with their families.

She was elected to a 1-year Board position last year and has now been elected to a 3-year term continued on page 7



Donna Volpone, Ward II



Douglas Faherty, Ward IV



Joseph Torres, At Large



Give page 4 a peep to find out what activities happen in May.

The Management Office will be closed on May 27.
Pool 2 opens May 18. Pools 1, 3-6 open May 25.
Review the Pool Rules before you dive into the season.

FY25 Budget Process Begins This Month Review What Your Condominium Fee Covers

Fairlington Villages' Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) budget process begins this month. As we develop next year's budget during the coming months you may want to stop and think about all that is covered by your condominium fees.

Fairlington Villages consists of 1,703 condominium units of various types. Depending upon the unit type, current Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24) condo fees for each of these continued on page 3 see the Table on page 3

Dig This Annual Spring Yard & Plant Sale on May 4

Spring has sprung and the annual Spring Yard & Plant Sale is right around the corner, on Sat., May 4, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. The Yard Sale is in the Community Center parking lot, 3005 Abingdon St.; the Plant Sale will be on the terrace of the Community Center. Join fellow Fairlingtonians to see what great items you can find! Complimentary coffee, water, and juice boxes will be available. Parking will be restricted in the Community Center parking lot the night before the event, so be on the lookout for temporary "No parking" signs.

Come for the bargains, stay for

the community.

The deadline to register for a space was April 24. Participants should set up from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. on May 4; everything must be cleaned out by 1 p.m.

The Yard Sale activity is seeking volunteers; if you are interested, please email <u>activities@fairlington</u> <u>villages.com</u>.

The Plant Sale will have knowledgeable gardeners to help with your selections. Join your neighbors and pick out a few native plants and annuals to add to your gardens and balconies! Cash or checks accepted; Begonias: \$3/ plant; all other annuals: \$5/plant; all natives: \$10/plant.

This year, annuals for sale include varieties of begonias, geraniums, impatiens, petunias, zinnias, lantana and Coleus. The native plants include swamp milkweed, butterfly weed, Green and Gold, purple coneflower, native/wild strawberry, Liatris or blazing star, Sundrops/evening primrose, woodland phlox, creeping phlox (light blue or pink), orange coneflower or black-eyed Susan.

If you have questions about the Plant Sale, please email <u>grounds@fairlingtonvillages.com</u>.

Maintenance Updates

Backyard Fences Phase 4 in Ward IV

The Board of Directors awarded the contract for Phase 4 of the Backyard Fence Replacement Project to Long Fence.

This project includes 164 backyard fences in Ward IV; the project started in April.

The new fences have high-grade cedar pickets on rails supported by capped pressure-treated pine posts. The grade of cedar being used has an expected useful life of 30 years. The height of the new fences will remain at 6-feet.

Masonry Repair Project Phase 10 in Wards II, III, IV, V, and VI

As a continuation of this ongoing annual program that started in 2015 to repair masonry, American Restoration is currently working on several buildings located in Wards II, III, IV, V, and VI.

Painting and Rotten Wood Replacement in Ward IV

Middledorf Property Services is currently painting the exterior wood trim in the multiunit buildings and townhomes in Ward IV, as well as the rear doors of the apartments. The front, side, and rear doors of the townhomes will be painted following the completion of the wood trim.

Once the painting part of this program is completed, the contractor will replace the rotten wood that was found during the painting. This includes lattice, crown molding, and trim boards at the roof line and in porches. Painting and rotten wood replacement is an ongoing program that includes one ward per year on a 6-year cycle.

Pitched Roofs Replacement in Wards V and VI

Fairlington Villages has 350 pitched roofs. Slate on pitched roofs is replaced every year, based on their condition. As part of an ongoing program that started in 1995, the Association is replacing six pitched roofs with new Vermont slate as part of the FY24 replacement schedule. Northern Virginia Roofing is the contractor assigned to do this work in Wards V and VI which will start in mid-May.

— Miguel Galvez, Facilities Manager

Turf Care Meeting Weekly

The Ad Hoc Turf Care Alternatives Committee plans to present its findings on alternatives to using chemicals in our landscape at the Board meeting on Wed., June 5.

Over the last several months, the committee has conducted "Walk and Learns" through the community with lawn care experts, including Lancaster Landscapes, Inc.

The committee's research indicates that chemical-free lawn care may yield better results than previous methods and that moving to an organic process is affordable. Additionally, natural or organic products coupled with different processes can rebuild our soil's overall health to support increasingly-healthy turf. We could gain more dense grass growth, which naturally crowds out weeds.

The committee is also looking at areas where turf underperforms and what alternative ground covers might be more successful.

The committee plans to meet at 7 p.m. every Tuesday, if needed, in May (7, 14, 21, 28) and June 4 in the Community Center.

Questions? Please email <u>turfcare</u> <u>@fairlingtonvillages.com</u>.

CONDO FEES

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units range from \$268 – \$644 per month or \$3,216 – \$7,728 per year.

Each unit owner's annual fee is in proportion to his/her undivided interest in Fairlington Villages' (the Association's) common elements. The Fairlington Villages condominium declaration, one of the legal documents establishing the Association, identifies each unit's percentage of common element ownership, with the percentages determined by the original unit

purchase price divided by the total condominium value at the time of conveyance in 1977. The annual condominium fee is the total annual condominium fee assessment multiplied by a unit's proportional interest. For example, the current FY24 fee for a Clarendon II unit, the Association's most common unit model, is 0.0620376% (its percentage of ownership) of \$8,653,750 (the total FY24 condominium fee assessment) or \$5,364

(\$447 per month since fees are rounded to the nearest dollar).

As discussed in the following table, condominium fees cover key services and maintenance of Fairlington Villages' 291 buildings, 59 parking lots, and 93.3 acres of grounds. This large size allows the Association to achieve some economies of scale in its operations, particularly in contracting of services.

— Harold Reem, Treasurer

Items Covered by Your Condo Fee	Comments		
Water and sewer service	Water and sewer rates are established by Arlington County and the City of Alexandria. Budgeted FY24 expenditures on water and sewer service, which have decreased following the pandemic, total \$988,526 — an <i>average</i> of \$580 for each of the Association's units.		
Trash and recycling service, including: six-day a week trash pickup 24-7 trash drop-off location weekly curbside recycling pickup weekly bulk trash pickup (for old furniture, for example)	Budgeted FY24 costs for the trash and recycling services described total \$366,420 — an average of \$215 per unit. In comparison, as posted on the Arlington County website, the County charges \$406 per year for once-weekly trash and recycling pickup at single-family and duplex homes. (Source: https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Programs/Water-Utilities/Customer-Service/Rates#section-1)		
Master insurance policy (structure)	The Association maintains a master insurance policy covering Fairlington Villages' buildings. The annual cost of this policy, which includes flood insurance coverage, is currently \$511,857—an average of \$301 per unit. Instead of a full homeowner's insurance policy, condo owners and renters need a less-expensive personal condo policy that covers building additions or alterations, personal property, personal liability, loss assessment, and loss of use. See the "Manager's Corner" on page 5 of the February 2024 North Fairlington News for reminders about why you need a condo policy and details on what it should cover.		
Exterior maintenance (for example, roof and porch maintenance, painting of trim and doors, and landscaping, mowing, and snow removal)	Many residents choose condo living at least in part to have all these chores taken care of. In FY24, for example, the Association's budgeted grounds maintenance costs (labor and supplies, tree maintenance, planting, and erosion control) total \$749,483 — an average of \$440 per unit.		
Professional management	Owners do not need to hire and manage contractors for outside maintenance tasks such as those listed above. Management researches service contractors and recommends them to the Board of Directors based upon cost and anticipated levels of service.		
Patrol service	The patrol service monitors our property overnight. The officer can respond to residents' calls about non-emergency community disturbances and parking violations.		
Repair and Replacement Reserves	Repair and Replacement Reserves are used to finance long-term major capital asset needs such as repairing or replacing roofs, building masonry, balconies, trash enclosures, apartment building hallways, sewer lines, swimming pools, tennis courts, and parking lots. Budgeted FY24 reserve contributions total \$3,264,674 — an average of \$1,917 per unit. Roof replacement is a major expense for all homeowners and an excellent example of what Repair and Replacement Reserves cover. The Association is replacing all of our buildings' flat and slate/composite tile roofs on a phased schedule. In FY24, reserves are currently funding replacement of six multi-unit slate roofs with new slate roofs (50-year life expectancy) at an average cost of \$66,447 per roof.		
Amenities	Condo fees fund the operation and maintenance of a range of amenities, including the Association's six pools, twelve tennis courts, four pickleball courts, Community Center, Tot Lot, park benches, curbside trash cans, and large areas of open space.		

Activities Around the Village

Be Inspired at the Home & Garden Tour on May 11

The Fairlington Historical Society's Home & Garden Tour will be Sat., May 11, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Eleven homes in North and South Fairlington showcase great renovations and decorating ideas, a variety of unit models, and lovely early gardens. Tickets are \$15 each and benefit the Fairlington Historical Society; only cash and checks accepted.

You can buy tickets in person:

- Sat., May 4, at the Spring Yard Sale, Community Center, 3005 S. Abingdon St. from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Sun., May 5, at the Fairlington Farmers Market, 3308 S. Stafford St., from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Sat., May 11, Tour Day! at the Fairlington Villages Community Center, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

If you have questions, email homeandgarden@fairlington historicalsociety.org.

Come see what your neighbors have done to their homes!

Join a Beautiful Discussion with the Book Club on May 23

Please join us on Thurs., May 23, at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center to discuss *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Dear Edward* comes an emotionally layered and engrossing family story that asks: Can love make a broken person whole?

Our Thurs., June 27, book discussion will be on *Yellowface* by R.F. Kuang. Start your summer reading with a fast-paced novel that peeks into the dark side of the publishing world and "grapples with questions of diversity, racism, and cultural appropriation, as well as the terrifying alienation of social media."

Please visit our "Fairlington Area Book Readers Group" Facebook page for the latest book selections and details at https://www.facebook.com/groups/185662778799790/. If you have questions, please email bookclub@fairlingtonvillages.com.

Surrender to Play with the Canasta Club on Wednesdays

Players of all skill levels are invited to join the weekly Fairlington Canasta Club each Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Community Center. We welcome newcomers! Canasta is a card game where players or partnerships try to meld groups of three or more cards. Please email Mary Ryan at mxryan1024@gmail.com for more details.

Get a valid ID to use at the Fairlington Villages courts and pools — contact the <u>Management Office</u> today.

Tennis Season Is in Full Swing Please remember to take your valid Fairlington Villages ID when you use the courts Please observe the

use the courts. Please observe the guidelines as listed in our <u>April</u> 2024 newsletter.

Fairlington Villages residents have priority and can book a court through Skedda to guarantee court time. Contact the Management Office for more information, email office@fairlingtonvillages.com or call 703-379-1440.

Kick Off Summer on June 1

Save the date for our Summer Kick Off Party on Sat., June 1, at 6 p.m. at Pool 3. Volunteers wanted: email activities@fairlingtonvillages.com.

Dive into pages 9-10 on Pool Rules 2024



PHOTO BY GUY LAND
Thanks to some good eggs, aka volunteers, our
youngest Fairlingtonians enjoyed meeting the
Easter Bunny and more at the Egg Hunt.

An Eggs-traordinary Egg Hunt!

On March 30, several Fairlington Villages families participated in the Easter Egg Hunt. The weather was perfect, but the real magic came from the kids! The children lined up to greet the Easter Bunny and searched for hidden candy-filled eggs. The little ones enjoyed snacks and activities inside, plus photo opportunities with their family and the Easter Bunny!

We extend our appreciation to the eggs-cellent volunteers who made the event a success: Kate Bannan, Mary Cusick, Pat Horvath, and Warene Sheridan. A basket of thanks to the Activities Committee and the Fairlington Villages staff for their assistance!

Pet Yappy Hour Postponed
The Pet Yappy Hour will be rescheduled for later in the season.

Pools Committee Meeting on May 8

The Pools Committee is welcoming new members. The first meeting is Wed., May 8, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Please email pools@fairlingtonvillages.com for details.



Manager's Corner

Gregory Roby, General Manager, CMCA®, PCAM®



Your Garbage Disposal Is Not a Trash Container

Garbage disposals are a uniquely "American" phenomenon. Although the appliance has been available since the 1930s, they are banned in Europe due to cultural differences, environmental concerns, infrastructure limitations, and plumbing system constraints.

Referred to as "garburators" in Canada, they are also prohibited in major municipalities including Toronto, Ottawa, Markham, Vaughan, Guelph, Vancouver, Edmonton, and Calgary for the strain they place on plumbing and wastewater treatment. They are a rarity in the Middle East, Russia, and China.

The loud roar of your disposal's motor means it is working overtime. Garbage disposals are designed to grind small bits of biodegradable food waste to help prevent clogged drains. Proper use and maintenance will extend the life of your appliance and spare costly service calls.

The Proper Care and Feeding of a Garbage Disposal Do feed it:

 Small amounts of skinless, boneless, pit-less and non-fibrous foods are safe to grind.

Do not feed it:

- Shells, skins, husks, rinds, and other hard or fibrous materials should not be put in the disposal (e.g., clam shells, oyster shells, corn husks, fruit pits, banana peels, avocado skins and bones).
- Large amounts of starchy foods (e.g., noodles and rice) should not be put in the disposal. Although they are easily ground, they expand in water and can clog drains.

Always:

Run cold water when operating the disposal.
 Keep cold water running for at least 30 seconds after you turn off the unit.

Sometimes:

- Grinding bits of citrus peel helps clean and freshen the disposal.
- Grinding a little ice once a month helps scrape away deposits and remove odors.

Never:

- Use hot water when operating the disposal.
- Put non-food materials through the disposal. This includes all types of glass, plastic, and metals (e.g., bottle caps, aluminum foil, and plastic wrap).
- Use harsh chemicals in the disposal or drain.

Management Office

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Patrol Service

To contact security duty officer, call 571-215-3876.

If the patrol service does not answer, the officer will receive a page. If you have not received a return call within 10 minutes, please call again. Security hours: 8 p.m. – 4 a.m. nightly.

Fairlington Villages Community Center

3005 South Abingdon Street

Be Aware that Units at Fairlington Villages Share Walls and Sewer Lines

The use of your garbage disposal affects the general condition of our sewer lines. Fairlington Villages re-lined its sewer laterals lines over a 15-year period, significantly extending their useful lives.

The sewer laterals (from building to street main) and stacks were NOT replaced when Fairlington Villages was converted to condominiums, making them over 75 years old. The sewer laterals serve all units in each building, not only your unit. At the time of construction, Fairlington's townhomes and apartment units did NOT have garbage disposals, dishwashers, or washing machines. Their addition to the units at the time of conversion has placed a great deal of stress on the sewer lines through the intervening 47 years.

Major backups affect apartment and townhome units, causing damage to the interior of homes, the

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Comments, articles, and letters are welcome. The deadline for submissions is the 10th of each month. Please deliver or email materials to the Management Office. The editor reserves the right to edit submissions.

Board Meeting Agenda Wednesday, May 1, 2024

The Board of Directors will meet on Wed., May 1, at 7 p.m. in the Community Center at 3005 S. Abingdon St. Unit owners and residents of Fairlington Villages are welcome and encouraged to attend. Details for virtual attendance may be confirmed with the Management Office the week prior to the meeting: email <u>office@fairlingtonvillages.com</u> or call 703-379-1440.

- I. Residents' Comments (5 minute limit/household)
- II. Call to Order
- III. Establishment of Quorum
- IV. Approval of Minutes April 3, 2024
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
- VII. Reports
- VIII. Other Business
- IX. Confirmation of Next Board Meeting June 5, 2024
- X. Adjournment of Meeting

The full Agenda will be posted at www.fairlingtonvillages.com one week prior to the Board meeting. The full Agenda and the Board Book are available for review electronically on TownSq, via email by request at office@fairlingtonvillages.com, or by appointment at the Association's Management Office at 3001 S. Abingdon St. beginning the Thursday prior to the regular Board meeting.

Announcing a New Water Savings Program

Providing water for the condominium consumes 11% of the operating budget, approximately \$988,000 for FY24. Running toilets are the greatest source of unintentional water loss. Given the increased costs of providing water as a common expense, the Board of Directors has authorized a program to replace defective toilet flush/fill assemblies at no cost to residents.

It is also important to protect the environment; excessive water consumption can lead to ecosystem disruption, greater pollution, and climate changes!

If you have a defective flush/fill assembly in your toilet, please telephone the Management Office at 703-379-1440, log in to TownSq, or email office@fairlingtonvillages.com to enter a work order to schedule a replacement.

MANAGER'S CORNER

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loss of personal property, and remediation costs to the unit owners and Association. Please be thoughtful of everything you dispose of through your garbage disposal or down the drain. The problem that may result from a stoppage does not always appear in your unit. Be considerate of your neighbors, who may suffer the consequences.

The Association's Master Insurance Policy, which carries a \$25,000 deductible for each insurable loss event (except those involving water damage, which carry a \$50,000 deductible), does not cover personal property. Review why you need a personal HO6 insurance policy and what it should cover in the "Manager's Corner" of the February 2024 North Fairlington News.

Board Meeting Highlights

The Board of Directors held Organization and Regular meetings on April 3, 2024. The following are highlights.

Organization Meeting

A. Certification of Election: Association Secretary Melanie Alvord certified that at the 46th Annual Meeting of the Fairlington Villages Unit Owners Association held on Wed., March 27, 2024, at the Fairlington Villages Community Center, Douglas Faherty, Joseph Torres, and Donna Volpone were elected to the Board of Directors for 3-year terms.

Mr. Reem moved that the Board of Directors accept the Secretary's Certification of Douglas Faherty, Joseph Torres, and Donna Volpone as duly elected as Members of the Board of Directors. Passed 9-0.

B. Election of Officers

Office of President: Joseph Torres
Office of Vice President: Philip

Office of Secretary: Melanie Alvord Office of Treasurer: Harold L. Reem

Regular Meeting New Business

C1. Variance Request – 3041 S. Buchanan St. – Remove a Load-Bearing and a Non-Load-Bearing Wall in the Kitchen: Ms. Lankford moved the Board approve a variance request to remove a load-bearing and a non-load-bearing wall in the kitchen in accordance with the specifications outlined in the variance request. Passed 8-0.

C2. Variance Request – 3075
S. Abingdon St. – Remove a
Load-Bearing and a Non-LoadBearing Wall In the Kitchen: Mr.
Brown moved the Board approve
a variance request to remove a
load-bearing and a non-loadbearing wall in the kitchen subject
to the receipt of the permits in
accordance with the specifications
outlined in the variance request.
Passed 4-1-1.

D. Spring Plant Replacements: Ms. Volpone moved the Board approve the proposal from Lancaster

Landscapes, Inc., for spring plant replacements at a total cost of \$9,050. Passed 7-0

E. Hallway Carpet Cleaning: Mr. Reem moved the Board approve the proposal from CMR Alliance, LLC, for hallway carpet cleaning at a total cost of \$16,157. Passed 7-0.

F1. Memorializing Minutes: Ms. Volpone moved the Board to

reaffirm its policy toward conducting and memorializing its meetings pursuant to the Association's Bylaws. Passed 9-0.

F2. March 6, 2024, Minutes Approval: Ms. Volpone moved to redact all parts of the March 6, 2024, Minutes that do not pertain to motions or actions of the Board. Failed 3-6.

ELECTION

continued from page 1 as the Ward II Director.

She has been a strong advocate for the environment and made the motion that ultimately led to the creation of the Ad Hoc Turf Care Alternatives Committee. Residents on the committee are currently looking at options to the use of chemicals on our grass. She has also been an advocate for egress windows and was one of the authors of the new policy.

A 25-year public school teacher, Donna has a master's degree from the State University of New York. Prior to teaching, she worked as a housing specialist for a not-forprofit in Rochester, New York.

DOUGLAS FAHERTY, WARD IV

Doug Faherty has been a Fairlington Villages owner since 2012, and returned as a full-time resident in 2020. Doug has called Greater Washington "home base" since graduating Georgetown University and serving over 30 years in federal service. A retired Army Colonel, his career posted him in many diverse communities, and overseas long enough to have a mailing address in 10 different countries. Along the way, Doug has served on multiple boards for a federal employee association and a not-for-profit, and earned four master's degrees in planning.

He volunteers his experience to ensure our community has solid budgets and inclusive community planning to meet our future needs.

JOE TORRES, AT LARGE

Joe Torres has been a Fairlington resident since 2013. He started in a first-floor apartment, but now lives in a Clarendon II townhome. He enjoys the community connections he makes with neighbors and how residents care about their surroundings.

Joe works as a federal government employee in the Pentagon. In his spare time, Joe likes to coach youth basketball, play tennis, model railroading, and visiting museums. Joe has one daughter attending Claremont Spanish Immersion School and one son attending Gunston Middle School.

Joe's approach to being on the Board is to take in all information available before making a decision or formulating an opinion. Feel free to contact him if you have a neighborhood concern or compliment.



Go green. Ask the <u>Management</u> <u>Office</u> for an electronic newsletter.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 May Board Meeting 7 p.m. Hybrid Canasta, 10:30 a.m. Community Center		3	4 Spring Yard & Plant Sale 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. Community Center parking lot
5	Grounds Committee 7 p.m. Hybrid	7 Ad Hoc Turf Care Alternatives Committee 7 p.m. Hybrid	8 Pools Committee, 7 p.m. Community Center Canasta Club 10:30 a.m.– 1:30 p.m.	Community Center	10	11 Fairlington Historical Society Home & Garden Tour, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Board Retreat
12	13	Ad Hoc Turf Care Alternatives Committee 7 p.m. Hybrid	Canasta Club 10:30 a.m.– 1:30 p.m. Community Center		17	Pool 2 opens for the season
19	20	Ad Hoc Turf Care Alternatives Committee 7 p.m. Hybrid	Canasta Club 10:30 a.m.– 1:30 p.m. Community Center		24	Pools 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 open for the season
26	27 Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED TRASH PICKUP	Ad Hoc Turf Care Alternatives Committee 7 p.m. Hybrid	Canasta Club 10:30 a.m.– 1:30 p.m. Community Center	30	31	1 June Summer Kick Off Party, 6 p.m. Pool 3
2	3	Ad Hoc Turf Care Alternatives Committee 7 p.m. Hybrid	5 Board Meeting 7 p.m. Hybrid Canasta Club 10:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Community Center		7	8

Meetings subject to change, please contact the Management Office to confirm.

POOL LOCATIONS & TELEPHONE

 Pool 1
 3055 S. Woodrow St.
 703-998-8401
 Pool 2
 2848-B S. Buchanan St. 703-998-8516

 Pool 2
 3025 S. Buchanan St.
 703-998-8503
 Pool 5
 2985 S. Columbus St.
 703-998-8520

 Pool 3
 4709B S. 29th St.
 703-998-8511
 Pool 6
 2920 S. Dinwiddie St.
 703-998-8528

2024 SWIMMING POOL RULES & SAFETY REGULATIONS

Each resident is required to submit his/her valid resident Fairlington Villages ID Card to the pool lifeguard upon entering the pool area.

A "guest" is anyone not entitled to a Fairlington Villages ID Card. Guests will be permitted only into the pool enclosure with a guest pass from the Management Office. Each unit is entitled to four guest passes on a given day.

The following are general guidelines for use of the pool:

- 1. An adult must accompany children under 10 years of age within the pool enclosure. Parents or guardians are responsible for their children's safety and behavior. The lifeguard has many duties to perform and is not a babysitter.
- 2. If the child has not passed the swim test and cannot stand flat-footed with neck and head above the water, the adult must be in the pool and within arm's reach of the child at all times.
- Any child aged 10 and older unaccompanied by an adult must pass a swim test. The test will include swimming the length or two widths of the pool (measured at the widest width) and treading water for one full minute in the deep end. The lifeguard will administer the test.
- 4. Family appropriate swimwear is required—no cut-offs, t-shirts, or street clothes.
- 5. Open wounds or serious injury shall be grounds for refusing entry to the pool enclosure.
- 6. Running or rough playing of any sort is prohibited.
- 7. Playing with a ball or aquatic toys in the pool area is allowed; object is subject to approval.
- 8. Wading pools are designed for children six years of age and younger. Children **must** be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times at the wading pools.
- 9. Babies must be diapered and in plastic pants.
- 10. The area around the lifeguard table shall remain free of patrons.
- 11. Diving is not permitted.
- 12. Rafts of any type are not allowed. Pool noodles and personal flotation devices only are permitted. The lifeguard must approve any flotation device.
- 13. Glass is not allowed in the general pool area. Beverages in cans, plastic bottles, and paper or Styrofoam cups are allowed.

14. ALCOHOL IS PROHIBITED AT ALL POOLS.

- 15. Patrons may use electronic devices if they are played through personal earphones.
- 16. No pets are permitted in the pool area.
- 17. No bicycles, roller blades, or roller skating are allowed in the pool area.

18. SMOKING IS PROHIBITED AT ALL POOLS.

- 19. The lifeguard and/or lifeguard supervisor may expel any resident or guest from the pool area for infraction of the rules or disorderly conduct.
- 20. Pool hours are posted at each pool. The lifeguard is required to clear the pool enclosure and lock the gates promptly at the posted closing time.

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The Association wishes to advise owners/residents of the following guidelines for the lifeguards. These rules have been instituted to enhance the safety of the patrons in the pool area:

- 1. While swimmers are in the pool, the lifeguard should be properly attired in lifeguard uniform with rescue tube and supplies in the lifeguard kit within reach.
- 2. Lifeguards are required by law to clear the pool when they leave the pool area. Every hour the lifeguard must clear the pool for 15 minutes for required breaks, inspections of bathhouse and pump room, maintenance of equipment, and to update logs as necessary. A break schedule is posted at each pool.
- 3. Lifeguards are required by law to clear the pool enclosure due to inclement weather involving thunder or lightning. The pool cannot reopen for a minimum of 30 minutes following the last audible or visual sign of thunder or lightning.

- Lifeguards may change position around the pool but must always position him/herself around the pool so the entire bottom of the pool can be viewed.
- 5. Lifeguards are allowed to have personal radios at the pool at a <u>low</u> volume only.
- 6. Each lifeguard has a whistle to alert swimmers of break times and to enforce pool rules (e.g., no running, no diving, non-swimmers must be within arm's reach of an adult).
- 7. Cell phones, computers / tablets, or other communication devices are NOT permitted at the lifeguard table.
- 8. Lifeguards are not permitted to leave the pool premises during their shifts and must stay within the pool enclosure during breaks.

2024 POOL DATES & HOURS

POOL	DATES	HOURS
1	May 25-June 18 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	May 25-June 18 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	June 19-Aug 25 Daily	11 am-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	CLOSED ALL FRIDAYS	CLOSED
2	May 18-June 18 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	May 18-June 18 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	June 19-Aug 25 Daily	10 am-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 15 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 15 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	Sept 16-Sept 29 Weekends Only	11 am-8 pm
	NO CLOSED DAYS	OPEN
3	May 25-June 18 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	May 25-June 18 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	June 19-Aug 25 Daily	11 am-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	CLOSED ALL THURSDAYS	CLOSED

POOL	DATES	HOURS
4	May 25-June 18 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	May 25-June 18 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	June 19-Aug 25 Daily	11 am-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	CLOSED ALL WEDNESDAYS	CLOSED
5	May 25-June 18 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	May 25-June 18 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	June 19-Aug 25 Daily	11 am-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 8 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 8 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	CLOSED ALL TUESDAYS	CLOSED
6	May 25-June 18 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	May 25-June 18 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	June 19-Aug 25 Daily	11 am-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekdays	3 pm-8 pm
	Aug 26-Sept 2 Weekends/Holidays	11 am-8 pm
	CLOSED ALL MONDAYS	CLOSED