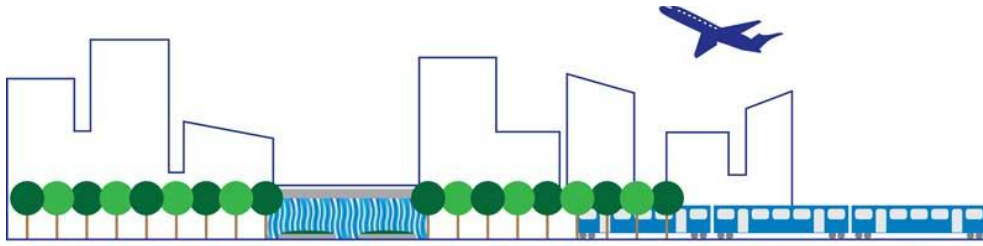


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Civic Association Issues

September 16: Summary of CCCA General Meeting

The fourth 2015 general meeting of the Crystal City Civic Association (CCCA) focused on the planned completion of Long Bridge Park through an aquatics/recreation facility was held in the Crystal Park Condominium community room on Wednesday September 16, beginning at 7:00 pm. For a full account of the presentation on Long Bridge Park, [click here](#). The key observations were:

- CCCA Parks Committee Chair Eric Cassel explained that all parks in Crystal City are privately owned. There will be no net additions of open space under the Crystal City Sector Plan. Accordingly, Long Bridge Park, which is adjacent to Crystal City, is an asset of critical importance to us.

-Vice President Christer Ahl noted that other neighborhoods in the County always clamor for public open space, even though most live in areas with houses that have yards and are located on leafy streets. Crystal City is much worse off with respect to public space; yet Crystal City residents tend not to make a solid case for their interests. We need to turn out en masse to promote possible assets such as the facility at Long Bridge Park.

-Toby Smith, Chair of the Long Bridge Park Advisory Committee and former Chair of the County's Parks Commission, confirmed that, even with the growth centered primarily along the Metro corridors, such as Crystal City, we do not have parks within walkable distance in the same way as other County areas.

-Turning to Long Bridge Park, Toby noted that when the original County-wide survey was done on needs, aquatics facilities came in top of the list. With a growing population, the County urgently needs a multiuse facility like the proposed Long Bridge Park aquatics/recreation center, with a community room and fitness center. There should be no further delay while costs go up.

-Erik Beach, Head of Planning in the County's Parks, noted that there have been many misunderstandings of the budget: The original cost figures were not just for the building itself, but also for an extension of the Esplanade, paths, a rain garden, and other park areas. The bids came in over the budget, and the mandate from the County Board is now to revise the initial plans to bring the expected cost within the budget.

-This effort will be carried out with the help of input from the public regarding their relative priorities for the features of the facility. The consultations will continue through November 2015, followed by management recommendations and a Board decision. Participants in our meeting were able to give input to the prioritization efforts, and an on-line survey for this purpose will very soon be available on the project web site:

<http://projects.arlingtonva.us/long-bridge-park-project/>

A copy of the power-point presentations by Toby Smith and Erik Beach is available [here](#).

In a short business meeting, the [proposed amendments to the CCCA Bylaws](#) were approved, allowing our Annual General Meeting to be held November 16.

October 22: Candidate Forum For County Board Elections

Mark your calendars to attend the Candidate Forum, which CCCA is organizing together with the Arlington Ridge and Aurora Highlands Civic Associations. It will take place on Thursday October 22, starting at 7:00 p.m., in the Aurora Hills Community Center on 18th St. All four candidates for the Arlington County Board elections on November 3 have committed to attend: Kate Cristol, Christian Dorsey, Audrey Greene and Michael McMenamin. This will be a pivotal election, as two of the current five Board members are stepping down. Do not miss this opportunity to become informed about the candidates.

The approach will be the same as when CCCA participated in such an event last year, viz., the questions to the candidates will be prepared and selected in advance. There will be no room for questions from the floor during the event. Therefore, regardless of whether you will be able to attend or not, you now have the opportunity to suggest topics or specific questions that YOU would like to see the candidates address. There will be time for only about ten questions during the Forum, so please focus on issues that are either countywide or of particular relevance to our local area. Suggestions should be submitted no later than October 11 to CCCA VP Christer Ahl at the address: christer.ahl@comcast.net

November 12: Annual General Meeting

Our invited speaker will be **Arlington County Director of Libraries, Diane Kresh**, who will present her ideas on how to improve services for high-density areas in Arlington, like Crystal City, which has no library. Our local library is the small Aurora Hills Library, which has only one small room serving as a "community center" for three areas: Aurora

Highlands, Arlington Ridge, and Crystal City. She will talk about aspects such as: the evolution of library services (both in Arlington and elsewhere) into something much broader than the traditional lending of books; the increasing practice of integrating the library function into multi-purpose facilities (type community centers); the impact of modern technology on the service delivery in libraries; and a vision of how the role and functions of libraries may further evolve in the future; plus an interchange of ideas with us how the library services for the Crystal City population could be improved (on some interim or experimental basis) considering that we are a high-density area with emphasis on walkability, while coping with a total absence of County facilities within our boundaries. Ms. Kresh is a highly articulate and enthusiastic presenter, with modern ideas. **The meeting will be held November 12 from 7-9 pm in the Crystal Park Condominium community room at 1805 Crystal Drive.**

November 12: CCCA Elections

Once a year, we hold an Annual General Meeting when elections for officers are held. We currently have two vacant positions on the CCCA Executive Committee which are being temporarily filled by appointment, in accordance with our current Bylaws. Jesse Fonkert, a new apartment dweller in Crystal City, was appointed to temporarily fill the Membership Liaison position. Carol Fuller, our current elected Secretary, is temporarily also filling the position of Communications Director.

Look for an announcement with further information - and guidelines for the nomination process - which will be emailed to all members and be posted on the CCCA website within the next two weeks. This is an opportunity to be involved in the further development of our two-year old civic association. Each CCCA member may nominate him/herself or another CCCA member to run for the position of Meeting Secretary, Membership Liaison, or Communications Director. **Nominations must be received by October 28th.** Please consider serving the Crystal City community!

Crystal City Development and Planning Issues

1750 to become 1770 Crystal Drive; and forget 1900 Crystal Drive!

No, we are not just announcing an address change! As you enter the 'underground' retail mall between the Post Office and Morton's on Crystal Drive, and make your way toward first the Starbucks corner and then the Rite-Aid Pharmacy, before you get to the corridor to Metro, it may not be obvious to you that you are passing through three separate buildings above you. The first one of these, 1750 Crystal Drive, is now being proposed for a rehab or 'reskinning' effort, and will then also get a new address.

The current office tenant, the U.S. Marshals Service, will move out next summer, and the office space will have to be completely upgraded and modernized in order to attract a new tenant. The façade will then also get a new look, with glass dominating instead of concrete. And the retail space on the ground floor will be totally reconfigured. While a major restaurant is intended to be an 'anchor' and take up one half, the rest of the retail space will be divided up for individual tenants. So, yes, you have already figured it out: the Post Office will be gone! We do have another Post Office within reasonable reach on Fern St., and with the current trend of closures and service reduction, you should not expect U.S.P.S to ask Vornado for an alternative space on Crystal Drive...

The current retailers in the 1750 building will be out by mid-2016, and the renovation will start in September 2016. The work is expected to take about twelve months. The other two buildings to the west of 1750 will not be affected. Retail such as Rite-Aid and the Market Basket will remain, and temporary access will be ensured during the construction. What we could now conclude is that the three buildings, which were supposed to be torn down and replaced under the Crystal City Sector Plan, will remain in place for the next few decades at least. What will happen to the area between these buildings and 18th St., where some kind of plaza had been indicated, is uncertain.

In the next block, we have been waiting to see when the weak office market might allow Vornado to move ahead with the plans for the 24-story, 750,000 sq ft office tower, which was approved by the County Board. (This is the site where we now have the Farmers Market in front of a

guttled building). But now we know that this project will not be pursued. What new plans will come instead remains to be seen, and the timing is of course also uncertain. This is just another major, and not so reassuring, indication of how the near-term market for new office buildings is seen by the developers!

[Transitway Updates:](#)

Transitway Community Meeting on Oct. 8

County staff will hold a community meeting October 8 from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Renaissance Inn, 280 S. Potomac Avenue, Studio B on 2nd Floor, to provide an update on Crystal City Potomac Yard [Transitway](#) construction and proposed operations and plans to repave and restripe Crystal Drive.

Proposed Restriping of Crystal Drive

Before the [Crystal City Potomac Yard Transitway](#) opens, the County plans to repave Crystal Drive between 15th and 23rd Streets and proposes to reconfigure the lanes in this area. The changes would convert one of the southbound lanes into a center two-way turn lane, allowing both north and southbound traffic to use it for left turns. County staff presented the proposal to Crystal City stakeholders September 1 to obtain their feedback. Below are links to a presentation describing the traffic data analysis used for the proposed restriping and a simulation showing the proposed street configuration.

- [Presentation](#)
- [Simulation](#)

Milling and paving operations may be performed at night in selected areas to reduce the impact on traffic, and some lanes may be closed to traffic during this work. The repaving will begin at 15th Street and then head south toward 26th Street.

Construction Traffic Changes at Clark/Bell and 18th Streets

For the next 4-6 weeks, southbound traffic on Clark and Bell at the 18th Street intersection will be limited to right turns only. Drivers should utilize 15th or 20th Streets if they need to turn left. All Metrobus and Metroway service will be provided at the usual stop locations. Some minor delays may occur due to detours along the route. These changes are due to construction for the [Crystal City Multimodal Center project](#).

ART bus stops for routes 43 and 92 will be moved approximately 200 feet closer to 15th Street on South Bell Street, just after the Clark Street ramp. Look for the green ART bus signs at the temporary stop location. These routes may also experience some delays due to

detouring. The crosswalk on 18th Street on the west side of Bell Street is closed during this phase. Pedestrians can use the crosswalk on the east side of Bell Street.

Traffic Signal Testing

For the next four months, a contractor working for the County will be testing LED signs and other technologies that will support the Crystal City Potomac Yard Transitway. The testing will involve temporarily illuminating "No Right Turn" and "Bus Lane Only" LED signs at the following intersections:

- Potomac Avenue and South Glebe Road
- Route 1/Crystal Drive and 33rd Street, and Route 1 and 23rd Street/South Clark Street
- Crystal Drive at 27th, 26th, 20th and 18th Streets South

During testing the contractor may block one lane of traffic for troubleshooting, which will impact existing traffic. Any lane closures will occur between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

12th Street Connection to Pentagon City

As part of the Pentagon City Sector Plan, the County is working with a private developer to expand 12th Street S. between S. Fern and S. Eads Streets to better connect Pentagon City and Crystal City. Two-way traffic on the new 12th Street S. extension is anticipated to start in 2016. The southern part of the 12th Street S. extension is mostly complete. The developer still needs to install traffic lights and finish utility work before the road can open to one-way traffic.

New Neighbors in Crystal City

The International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) plans to move this November from 1850 K St. NW to 2011 Crystal Drive, where it has signed a lease with Vornado Realty Trust for roughly 35,000 square feet.

Store Openings and Closings

Grill Kabob, a family chain, has opened a new restaurant on the corner of 23rd and South Eads Streets, in the former Cafe Pizzaiola and Hearthstone Pizza place. A new Kebab restaurant will open soon in the Underground next to the Commuter Store. FroZenYo has closed on Crystal Drive, following closing of its stores in Ballston and Rosslyn. Hallmark Cards is closing in the Crystal City shops. Maryland-based Hudson Trail is closing down all four stores and operations in the DC area, including its Pentagon Row store. Closing date is not set yet. No news on replacements as yet.

Airport and Helicopter Noise

As reported in our July Newsletter, many residents have complained to the County Board over the last year about an increase in the intensity and duration of airport noise at Reagan National Airport (DCA). On June 18, Board Member Libby Garvey hosted a Community Meeting on Airport Noise attended by approximately 100 individuals. She recently reported by email as quoted in the following text that progress has been made:

1. Arlington officially joined N.O.I.S.E. (The National Organization to Insure a Sound Controlled Environment), the preeminent advocacy organization for local communities across the country that experience aviation noise and an affiliate of the National League of Cities. More information on N.O.I.S.E. can be found on their webpage <http://www.aviation-noise.org/>. N.O.I.S.E. will provide Arlington County with technical expertise in the area of aviation noise and provide the opportunity for the County to coordinate nationally with other jurisdictions that are impacted by aviation noise.
2. The Board has gathered questions from Arlington residents and sent them to the FAA and MWAA for response. A copy of the letter can be found on our aviation noise [webpage](#)
3. The Board has received a letter from Mr. Jack Potter, the President and CEO of MWAA, informing the County Board of their establishment of a Reagan National Airport Community Working Group which will be tasked with identifying and recommending practical noise mitigation initiatives to the FAA by the Summer of 2016. The Working Group will be comprised of two community representatives each from Arlington County, Wards 2,3, 6,7, and 8 in the District of Columbia, the City of Alexandria, and the Dranesville and Mount Vernon Supervisor Districts of Fairfax County. The Arlington County Board will select the 2 Arlington County representatives to serve on the Working Group.
4. I have met with staff from Senator Kaine's office and plan to meet with Jack Potter soon to strengthen our working relationship on airport noise issues.
5. I have begun discussions with COG and some of my regional counterparts about setting up a standing committee of elected officials concerned about airport issues so that we can begin to follow and address these issues from a regional perspective.
6. We have set up an aviation noise webpage [Airport Noise](#) which you may wish to visit from time to time. This site will be kept up to date as an information resource, and I will continue to send out an email like this whenever there is something of note to report.
7. We are working to set up a similar town hall on helicopter noise this fall and will let you know as soon as we have a date set.

Libby Garvey, County Board Member

Arlington County Issues

Community Facilities Study Draft Report

The first draft of the [Study Committee's Final Report](#) is available for review. **Please provide your comments by October 7.** The County is testing a new tool, OpenComment, that will facilitate the document review with groups of people. The tool is easy-to-use, accessible on all your devices and great for organizing many ideas at once. Simply follow the [link](#) to review our draft document. Follow the instructions on the screen to establish your sign-in, then click anywhere within the document you would like to share a comment. Blue bubbles will indicate where others have already submitted ideas. You can review their input and add your thoughts. If you have questions, or, if you wish to submit your comments separately, email the team at ACGFacStudy@arlingtonva.us. [Review the draft and submit your feedback here.](#)

Study Committee Proposes New Facility Siting Process

In a joint work session September 29 with the Arlington County Board and Arlington School Board, the Community Facilities Study Committee presented its recommendations for a new siting process for future County or School facilities or expansions. The siting process is intended to improve upon current practices and function as a project management tool to make siting decisions efficiently, effectively and with ample community input. The Committee [proposed](#) six principles to guide all siting processes, recommendations and decisions:

- Be as transparent as possible: share information broadly and communicate regularly
- Time and funding are limited: undertake siting processes in a timely and cost-conscious manner
- Use resources efficiently: explore multiple-use facilities and designs that could be adaptable over time
- Balance County-wide and local needs
- Guide discussions and decisions with established plans, policies and goals
- Distribute facilities equitably across the County as much as possible

Changes to Pentagon Centre Site Plan Approved

The Arlington County Board approved site plan amendments to Pentagon Centre by developer Kimco Realty that allow for a re-ordered phased redevelopment that includes modest increases in residential, proposed retail and open space and a similar decrease in space dedicated to office and hotel uses. The overall density remains largely unchanged. The PDSP amendments include reallocating residential uses to the first phase of redevelopment, and moving the development of planned public open space from Phase 2 to Phase 1 of the redevelopment. In addition, building heights and layouts have been modified, and the land use mix changed to have less office and hotel uses. The final site plan amendments permit residential uses in buildings originally approved for office development, as well as changes to parking, building footprints, and the provision of public open space. [Press release](#)

NOTE: The CCCA and the other Civic Associations in the area expressed some concerns about the resulting impact on the public realm, for instance the confirmation of the approval of a large above-ground parking structure and the reality that, therefore, no meaningful public space will be feasible for several decades. However, as these aspects were essentially approved several years ago, there was not enough scope for exerting any real influence at this time. The irony is that it is the continued existence of Costco, which has had strong support in the area, that causes the undesirable situation regarding parking garage and lack of open space.

First Affordable Housing Master Plan Adopted

On September 19, the Arlington County Board adopted the County's first Affordable Housing Master Plan as an element of the County's Comprehensive Plan. The plan, a culmination of a three-year community effort, will prepare Arlington for the next generation of sustainable, affordable housing that supports our people, improves our neighborhoods and strengthens our economy. The plan's Implementation Framework, an accompanying document, was accepted by the Board as administrative guidance. [Press release](#)

Arlington's New Homeless Services Center Opens Oct. 2

Arlington County's efforts to end homelessness take a major step forward this week with the opening of a new [Homeless Services Center](#). The Center, located in the Courthouse neighborhood, will begin serving clients Friday, Oct. 2. Community members are invited to an

open house and ribbon-cutting event Thursday, Oct. 1 from 4-7 p.m. The facility replaces the County's aging and inadequate Emergency Winter Shelter also in the Courthouse neighborhood. The new [center](#) will provide much more than shelter to homeless individuals. Clients will have housing-focused case management and specialized programming that will include employment training, life skills training, benefit enrollment and mental health and substance abuse counseling and treatment.

Real-time Traffic Info from Arlington

Arlington County has [launched a new website](#) with real-time traffic conditions provided by 180 traffic cameras placed at critical intersections on County-owned roads. Users can view the map on all major mobile and desktop devices. Camera feeds must be refreshed in one-minute intervals, to ensure the network bandwidth is not overloaded and the experience of other viewers is not slowed. The County plans to add feeds from Arlington roads controlled by the Virginia Department of Transportation in the future.

VDOT's traffic information and map are [available online](#).

Arlington/Falls Church 2016 Juror Qualification Process Begins in October

The Arlington Circuit Court, which includes the City of Falls Church, will soon begin its annual juror qualification process. Juror questionnaires will be [mailed](#) in early October to randomly selected residents of Arlington County and the City of Falls Church. These questionnaires are used to qualify residents for jury duty, which begins Jan. 1, 2016 and ends Dec. 31, 2016. **Do not respond to fraudulent phone calls saying you failed to show up: this is a scam.**

Millennials Have Transformed Arlington

Arlington has always drawn lots of young people, but the millennial generation — those born roughly between 1980 and 2000 — is bigger than those that have come before. It is the most populous cohort since the post-World War II baby boom. As millennials have children, their priorities expand to include good schools and family-friendly neighborhoods. A condo or townhouse can suddenly seem too small, and a bigger place in the same neighborhood may be too pricey. Six in 10 surveyed Arlington residents between the ages of 25 to 34 told the county's affordable-housing study group last year that it's somewhat likely or very likely that they will move out of the county within five years because of housing costs. Read the August 29 [Washington Post article](#).

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Department of Parks and Recreation Community News

For the latest on activities you can join in County Parks, check out the Parks and Recreation website:

<http://parks.arlingtonva.us/>

Arlington Leads Virginia Counties for Tourism Economic Impact in 2014

Data released today by the United States Travel Association (USTA) reveals that tourism in Arlington generated \$2.97 billion in local travel spending in 2014, an increase of 4.9 percent over 2013. Tourism also supported 24,750 jobs in the County and generated \$80.7 million in local tax receipts benefiting the community. Arlington visitor spending accounted for 13 percent of Virginia's \$22.4 billion total, and resulted in \$107.8 million in tax receipts for the Commonwealth.

[News Release](#)

Do Not Give to Street Panhandlers

In [a September 3 press release](#), Arlington County Police Department advises that motorists should not give handouts to street panhandlers. It usually "does not improve their situation" since there's no telling what the cash will be used for, Police Captain Patrick Donahue says. Officers have even seen those who appear to be indigent drive off in their own cars after working an intersection. Panhandlers keep returning to dangerous medians because motorists keep giving. Arlington has better, more proven ways to help those in need. It's just a matter of giving in the right direction.

Arlington Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October marks Domestic Violence Awareness Month and the Arlington County Police Department has partnered with Doorways for Women and Families, our community advocate, to bring attention to this worthy cause. During the month of October a purple ribbon,

donated by Doorways, will be displayed on many Arlington County Police Department vehicles in support of the efforts to reduce the incidence and severity of domestic violence in our community.

Other News:

9/11 Memorial Visitor Education Center

The 501(c)3 non-profit Pentagon Memorial Fund has launched a three-year funding program to raise \$75 million to construct a 9/11 [Memorial Visitor Education Center](#) in the grassy area of Colombia Pike and Washington Boulevard. With the guidance of the project's official education partner, National Geographic, the 9/11 Pentagon Visitor Education Center's interactive exhibits and education programs will give visitors a sense of the broad impact of the tragedy from a variety of perspectives.

Update on I-66 HOT Planning Inside Beltway

According to a [Washington Post article](#) September 16, VDOT might delay its original plan to raise the carpool standard from HOV2 to HOV3 when the express lanes begin operating in 2017. That's significant for two reasons. Drivers who meet the carpool standard get a free ride in HOT lanes, so more drivers would be eligible under the HOV2 standard. (It's more difficult to find a third person for the carpool.) But the lower standard for carpooling also means there would be more vehicles on the road. Since the toll in HOT lanes varies with the level of traffic, the lower carpool standard probably would mean that the solo drivers would be subject to a higher toll. The state estimates that the morning peak toll eastbound would be \$7, and the afternoon peak westbound would be \$9.

Transform 66 Inside the Beltway

VDOT is holding a Public Information meeting Wednesday, October 7, at 7 pm, in the Washington-Lee High School Cafeteria, 1301 N. Stafford Street. Learn more about the [Transform 66](#) Inside the Beltway project, which involves converting I-66 to dynamically-priced toll lanes in both directions during morning and afternoon rush hours between I-495 (the Capital Beltway) and U.S. Route 29 in Rosslyn, along with implementing a series of multimodal improvements that benefit the I-66 corridor.

Lane Closures on Airport Access Road

The National Park Service and the Federal Highway Administration are working on the Route 233 bridge, which connects Jefferson Davis Highway to the airport. An off-ramp from the southbound lanes of the GW Parkway also connects to the bridge. Single lane closures on the bridge are planned from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in both directions, according to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. At least one lane will be open on the bridge and on the GW Parkway ramp will remain open during the nine month project, which will replace the bridge's median, among other improvements. Click [here](#) to read more.

Feds clear Virginia-to-North Carolina railway



The Department of Transportation (DOT) has signed off on the environmental impact of a proposed high-speed railway between Richmond, Va. and Raleigh, N.C. The proposed railway, known as [the R2R project](#), is projected to cut the time of a train trip between the Virginia and North Carolina capitals from three-and-a-half to two hours — if funding can be secured to build it.

Arlington Fun Ride

Take a scenic, family-friendly bike ride October 3 at 8 am with Phoenix Bikes around the "Arlington Loop" while enjoying support from rest stops in Crystal City, Columbia Pike, Ballston and Rosslyn. Choose from 4-, 8-, 12-, or 16-mile ride distances and celebrate at the Family Fitness Festival in Crystal City. There will also be a shorter 3-mile Kidical Mass children's loop in Crystal City, suitable for riders ages 10 and under. Meet at 18th Street and Crystal Drive. To learn more about this exciting community event, please visit www.arlingtonfunride.org

Walk and Bike to School Day 2015

Each October, Arlington Public Schools (APS), WalkArlington and BikeArlington join forces to take part in this international event. The **October 7** event from 7:30-9:30am encourages students to walk and bike to school, while teaching the health and environmental benefits. Walk and Bike to School Day also raises community awareness about pedestrian and bicyclist safety.

<http://www.bikearlington.com/pages/news-events/event-details/?eventID=2555>

PVTC Young Flyers Program

Potomac Valley Track Club invites young athletes in 1st grade thru 8th grade to join its [Young Flyers](#) youth track and field training program, every Sunday, October 4 thru December 13, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, at Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3501 2nd Street South, in Arlington. Young athletes learn skills that last a lifetime: besides running, jumping, throwing, hurdling, relays, and race walking, they learn sportsmanship, nutrition, physiology and health, teamwork, training plans, and cooperation in diversity.

Arlington Neighborhood Villages Open House

Scheduled for Wednesday, October 14 from 6 to 8 pm, there will be a brief program at 6:45 pm at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Blvd. It's a short walk from the Ballston Metro. Free parking after 5 pm in NRECA garage (Taylor Street side) For more information: [website](#).

E-CARE

October 3, 8:30 am – 3 pm. Dispose of hazardous household materials, computer monitors, and televisions (\$15 fee for computers and a \$20 fee for televisions), and recycle small metal items, electronics, shoes, clothes, linens and more! Serviceable bikes will be collected by Bikes for the World (BfW) to be sent to countries where they are needed for basic transportation. E-CARE is open to Arlington residents and employees only; bring your ID. Commercial or business waste will not be accepted. For more information, visit www.arlingtonva.us and search 'E-CARE.' Thomas Jefferson Middle School, 125 S. Old Glebe Road.

Do the Light Switch & Get a FREE LED Bulb!

Ready to switch to the most efficient, durable, versatile light bulb available today? Be Smart, Think LED! Bring an old incandescent bulb to one of our light switch events, and AIRE will give you an LED bulb - a \$7 value – for free! One per household; while supplies last! www.ArlingtonEnergy.us

Saturday, **October 3**, 8:30 am – 3:30 – ECARE
 Saturday, October 3, 10 am – 12 – Central Library
 Saturday, October 10, 10 am – 12 – Central Library
 Saturday, October 17, 10 am – 12 – Central Library
 Saturday, October 24, 10 am – 12 – Central Library
 Saturday, October 31, 10 am – 12 – Central Library

Crystal City BID Events

See the BID's website for other events in Crystal City and to sign up for their weekly newsletter. <http://www.crystalcity.org/>

Crystal Scream: Fall Movies Series Comes to Crystal City

From slashers to séances, the Crystal City Business Improvement District (BID) in partnership with Vornado/Charles E. Smith presents four weeks of terrifying movie classics with a special October run of Crystal Screen. All Crystal Screen movie series are shown in the courtyard on S. Bell Street between 18th and 20th Streets. Movie start times vary and are dependent on ample darkness as sunset times permit (view a sunset schedule here), but all should end by 8:30pm.

October 5 Pet Sematary

October 12 Scream

October 19 Poltergeist

October 26 Exorcist

Ball-Sellers Antique Appraisal Roadshow

The Second Annual Appraisal Roadshow is designed to raise funds for repair and maintenance of Arlington's oldest structure—the Ball-Sellers House, at 5620 3rd St. South in the Glencarlyn neighborhood. For a \$25-per-person donation to Ball-Sellers, a gemologist from Paradigm Experts and an expert guest generalist appraiser, will assess its age and value, and advise you on how/where to sell it or where to get it repaired or restored, if necessary. The Appraisal Roadshow will take place nearby at Carlin Hall (5711 4th Street, South) in a public "show" format from 10:00 to 11:00 AM (participants should arrive by 9:30AM). To get an item appraised, you must reserve a spot and pay the \$25 fee in advance. Tickets can be reserved at

www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org. A volunteer from the Ball-Sellers House will promptly contact you for a description and photo of your item to give to the appraisers in advance. Any items not appraised during the one-hour show will be appraised individually after the show.

Arlington Historical Society Presents Mrs. Lee's Rose Garden

AHS presents "Mrs. Lee's Rose Garden: The True Story of the Founding of Arlington" at its next public program on Thursday, **October 8**, at 7 pm. Mr. DeVito will discuss in detail the themes and stories presented in his book *Mrs. Lee's Rose Garden*. This is the intensely personal story of Arlington National Cemetery's earliest history as seen through the lives of three people during the outbreak of the Civil War: Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee, Robert E. Lee, and Montgomery C. Meigs. The talk will be held in the Reinsch Library auditorium at Marymount University, 2807 N. Glebe Rd.

Car2Go Delayed Till October

Car2go planned to launch September 19, with a fleet of 200 new vehicles that would unlock using the car2go smartphone app. Due to production delays, the new cars are not ready. The car-sharing service will now arrive in October.

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