

Leewood Times

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Happy 4th of July...Got Plans?

The district is a spectacular place to celebrate July 4th! The National Mall, with Washington DC's monuments and the U. S. Capitol in the background, forms a beautiful and patriotic backdrop to America's Independence Day celebrations.

One of the most attended events of the year; people arrive early to stake out a seat on the lawn to enjoy one of America's largest fireworks displays over the reflecting pool on the National Mall while listening to a PBS Concert of the National Symphony Orchestra.

The best way to get to the National Mall is to take the Metro. Stations nearby include Metro Center, Gallery Place-Chinatown, Judiciary Square, Federal Triangle and L'Enfant Plaza. Keep in mind the Smithsonian Metro station will be closed on the Fourth.

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Fight The Bite!

Armed with good information and the proper tools, we can take a big bite out of mosquitoes in Leewood. The best way to avoiding mosquitoes is to eliminate standing water near your home in which mosquitoes breed.

You can do this by cleaning your gutters, disposing of old tires, fixing leaky outdoor faucets, cleaning birdbaths regularly, and storing or disposing of buckets, cans, or other containers that can collect water.

Protect yourself and your family by using mosquito repellents that contain DEET when outdoors. Dawn and early evening is when the mosquito count is the highest and if you are out, wear long, loose, and light colored clothing.

Protect your home by repairing or replacing screens on both windows and doors. By taking action early, we can remove many of the breeding grounds that mosquitoes find attractive and keep the number of mosquitoes low this summer.

2006 Fourth of July Fireworks Schedule

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Fourth of July Fireworks on the National Mall - usually around 9:30 pm

Spectacular views of the fireworks can also be seen from Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima) in Arlington, Virginia near the Rosslyn Metro station and areas along the Virginia side of the Potomac River that can be reached from George Washington Memorial Parkway. You may park at the Gravelly Point parking lot, which is about a quarter mile from the 14th Street Bridge.

Fairfax City Evening Show and Fireworks - 7-10pm with fireworks at 9:20 pm.

Fairfax High School
3500 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA

The city of Fairfax hosts an all day event starting with a "march down history lane" Independence Day Parade starting at 10:00am. Afterwards there is firefighter competition with food, beverages and games, concluding with an evening show with live music and fireworks.

George Mason High School - 7:00pm-10:00pm

7124 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA.

Live music will start at 7:00 pm followed by fireworks at 9:30 pm

Manassas Park - 6:00pm-9:30pm

9300 Signal View Drive, Manassas, VA

Enjoy live music, children's activities, food and fireworks. Parking is \$3 and limited.

University of Maryland - 7:00pm-10:00pm

College Park, MD

Use parking lot 1, off Campus Drive near the University Boulevard/Adelphi Road entrance. Food and music start at 7 pm, with fireworks around 9:15 pm.



If you'd prefer to avoid the crowds of the city, there are plenty of alternative places to watch fireworks.



Support Your Local Farmers

Visit your local Farmers Market and find the choicest, freshest and most desirable fruit, vegetables, plants, baked goods, eggs, dairy, and meats available. Come meet the Market Master and support your local Home Grown Farmers Market. Now there are two locations in the Annandale Area for you to visit!

On Wednesdays, try the newest location at Wakefield Park, 8100 Braddock Road - 2:30 pm-6pm, May 10 - Oct. 25, or come on Thursdays to the Annandale Farmers Market, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., May 4 - Nov.9, at Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike in Annandale.

For more information, directions and other Farmers' Markets in Fairfax County, call 703-324-5390.



Farmers Markets

Local Spotlight: Merrifield Garden Center

8132 Lee Highway
Merrifield, VA
703-560-6222

12101 Lee Highway
Fairfax, VA
703-968-9600

Merrifield Garden Center is an award-winning garden center, nursery and landscaping company that have been serving Virginia, Maryland and Washington D.C. since 1971. With a wide variety of trees and shrubs, as well as thousands of gorgeous annuals, perennials, roses and unusual specimen plants, they have just the right plants for your landscape.

In fact, they have virtually everything you need to get your lawn and garden into shape, including seeds, fertilizers, tools, supplies and expert gardening advice and design assistance, as well as unique accents to beautify the inside of your home.

See YOUR Leewood Homeowners Association Coupon on page 4



Tips from the Architectural Review Committee

As our community ages, many of us have occasion to replace shrubs located in front or sides of our homes. Sometimes, the ARC may site a homeowner for a missing “foundation” plant and request that one be planted.

Homeowners should be aware that foundation plants consist of shrubs which may not be supplemented with vegetative ground cover or flowers. **Annual plants or deciduous shrubs** (*ones that loose leaves for part of the year*) **may NOT be used as foundation plants.** While rose bushes are beautiful, they require a lot of tender care and cannot be considered a foundation plant.

When replacing foundation plants, remember to choose ones that are appropriate in size for your home. We have all had the experience of choosing a lovely, small plant only to find that in a few years, we are constantly pruning to keep them under control.

Community Spotlight:

5258 Leestone Court

In an effort to promote and encourage neighborhood pride and beautification each edition will spotlight a home that is recognized to have exceptional curb appeal.

Take a stroll by 5258 Leestone Court and notice the extra detail and splash of color that make people feel welcome. Their well-groomed and patriotic walkway help make the community so much nicer.

To submit a residence, please send an email with an attached picture to our email address at LeewoodTimes@cox.net



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Trash Talk – Residential Curbside Recycling

Unsure what items you can place out at curbside for recycling? Now all solid waste companies in Fairfax County collect the same recyclable materials! Here is the YES and NO on what you can put out;

✓ YES: (In the bin) - Plastic bottles & jugs only: metal food containers, pill bottles (not prescription vials), glass bottles and jars, soda bottles & cans.

✓ YES: (In bin, bag or container) - Junk mail, magazines, mixed paper and catalogs, flattened cardboard, newspapers, phone books, cereal and cracker boxes.

✓ YES: (At the curb) - * Grass, leaves, and brush. * = See NOTE below

✗ NO: Yogurt/dairy tubs, plastic bags, Styrofoam packaging, plastic food boxes or trays, aluminum foil & trays, foam take-out containers, pizza boxes, hard back books, paper plates & napkins, lids, caps, tops, ceramics, light bulbs, prescription vials, pots & pans, alkaline batteries.

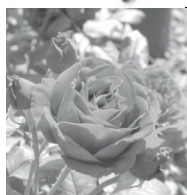
✗ NO: (At the curb) - Propane tanks, rocks, bricks, logs over six inches in diameter.

*NOTE: Recyclables should be empty and clean; no food or soiled materials. Yard waste should be in paper bags, clear bags, or a reusable container.

From the Board: Exterior Color Change

The Colonial Color line of McCormick Paints is the approved colors for our homes. Because some of the original Colonial colors have been discontinued, the ARC has now approved an additional line of paints for use on Leewood homes. All of the McCormick Chesapeake color line except for #451 Yellow Pearl and #234 Bay Blue are approved. The new paint charts will soon be added to our website. When painting your home you should repaint it the same colors as you currently have. If you wish to change colors, you must request approval prior to painting. The form to use is located in the back of your Leewood Design and Maintenance Standards or can be printed from our website. Your number board must be the color of your trim and not the color of your shutters or doors. If you need to replace your number board there is a template you can use on the website.

Merrifield Garden Center



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