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# **Support Your Local Farmers** –11 markets to open in May

Each May to November, eleven sites throughout Fairfax County spring to life with the activity of an open-air market. These bustling marketplaces draw thousands of Fairfax County residents with a feast for the senses. The vibrant colors of freshly picked fruits and vegetables contrast with the fragrant perfume of cut flowers. Across the market floats the aroma of freshly baked breads and pastries while one savors a sample of creamy artisan cheese. The markets provide a way to connect with the producers of our food, a way of life once commonplace for many of our parents and grandparents.

The Markets offer a wide variety of freshly picked fruits, vegetables, and cut flowers. There are also fresh eggs, baked goods, honey and cider to purchase. Milk and cheese products, along with a wide array of meat products, round out the edible delights. If gardening is an interest, many vendors have small plants at the beginning of the season, while other vendors have larger landscape plants for those ambitious projects.

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# **Spring Blooms in Leewood**

It is a beautiful time of year in Leewood. Please visit our website, **www.Leewood.us** for spring and summer pruning tips.



## **Farmers Market Schedule** – *In our area*



**Wakefield Farmers Market,** Wednesdays 2:00 pm – 6:00pm (*May 2 - Oct. 31*)

Wakefield Park, 8100 Braddock Road, Annandale

Seven farms located from Virginia's Northern Neck to Pennsylvania provide a variety of seasonal produce. Baked breads, cheese, meats and ice cream supplement the farm produce.

Directions: Take Braddock Road west to entrance of Park on right.

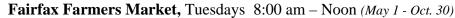
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**Annandale Farmers Market** Thursdays 8:00 am – Noon (May 3 - Nov. 1)

Mason District Park, Annandale

Directions: Turn LEFT (north) on Backlick Rd, and then turn RIGHT onto Columbia Pike. Park is on the right.

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Van Dyke Park on Old Lee Highway

Directions: Take Little River Turnpike (Rt. 236) West; turn RIGHT onto Old Lee Highway (stay in far right lane). Van Dyke Park will be on left, after Leyton Hall Dr.

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**Alexandria City Farmers' Market** Saturdays 5:30 am – 10:30 am (*Year-round*)

301 King Street, Market Square Alexandria

One of the nation's oldest, continually operating farmer's markets. Farmers and artists have been selling their products here since 1753.

Directions: Take Little River Turnpike/Duke Street to left on Callahan Drive and right on King Street. Continue straight to Market Square.

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**Burke Farmers Market,** Saturdays 8:00 am – Noon (May 5 - Oct 27)

VRE Parking Lot at 5671 Roberts Parkway, Burke

Directions: Take Braddock Road East to Burke Centre Parkway East to the intersection of Roberts Parkway. Turn left on Roberts Parkway and follow to VRE lot.

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The complete list is online. Visit us at **www.Leewood.us** for more information!

## **Yappy Hour!** -K-9's-n-Wine, Tuesday, May 15th



Please join us for Leewood's first Doggy Happy Hour, Tuesday, May 15th in the common area outside of 7026 Leebrad Street from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Wine, Beer and snacks, as well as milk bones and water will be served ©

You don't need a pet to join in on the fun!

Rain date – May 23<sup>rd</sup> RSVP by May 12<sup>th</sup> @ Leewoodtimes.net

## **Pet Food Recall Information**

As a result of adulterated wheat gluten, there have been several pet food and pet treat product recalls over the past two months. For a complete list of the Menu Foods recall and information on additional pet food recalls please go to www.fda.gov.



## Celebrate Fairfax! Festival - June 8-10. 2007

Celebrate Fairfax!, Northern Virginia's largest community-wide celebration, arrives June 8-10, 2007 to the Fairfax County Government Center. The annual festival hosts tens of thousands of visitors during the three-day run.

The 25-acre site is magically filled with fascinating sights and sounds as more than 400 exhibitors, vendors, crafters and interactive activities are included in the annual celebration. Celebrate Fairfax! showcases live concerts on six stages, an interactive SciTech Center and Exxon-Mobil Children's Avenue, great festival foods, and the award winning County Expo program.

Nightly fireworks, presented by SAIC, are a highlight of the festival. For more information on any of the festival's programs, or to become a part of the festival as a volunteer, sponsor, performing artist, or simply to attend, please browse their website, http://www.celebratefairfax.org, or contact the Celebrate Fairfax, Inc. office at 703-324-FAIR (3247).



## **Civil War Weekend** – *May 3 & 4, 2007*

Historic Blenheim Estate 3610 Old Lee Hwy. Fairfax, VA, 22030 800-545-7950 Saturday 10am - 9pm / Sunday 10am - 4pm

This production centers on Fairfax history and the Civil War and features a reenactment of a Civil War encampment, including music and period dance. There is an admission fee of \$3 (\$1 for children) with proceeds benefiting The Blenheim Restoration Project. This event is produced by the City of Fairfax, Historic Fairfax City, Inc. and the 17th Virginia Infantry, Company D, "Fairfax Rifles".



## **Call for Volunteers**

The Board is looking for volunteers to research various projects and prepare feasibility studies with recommendations to help the Board make decisions. For example, one project that comes to mind is the possibility of locking mailboxes. The reports should outline the pros and cons of individual projects, including all of the costs involved. Anyone who is interested should contact either Rose Weber or Janet Rourke. They can be reached at the email addresses in the Leewood Directory or at: **Secretary@Leewood.us** or **President@Leewood.us**.



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#### **Did You Know?**

The attic vents behind your soffit, which is under your gutter, should not be painted. These vents keep dampness and heat from building up in your attic and causing damage. When you have your house painted, ask the painter to replace those vents or remove the old paint so the holes are not clogged.

## **Leewood Clean-Up Day**

Leewood's Annual Spring Clean-up A Great Day with Great Neighbors

Only a handful of smiling faces showed up for Leewood's clean-up day on April 14<sup>th</sup>, but it was still a huge success! The team collected and hauled away over 30 bags of trash, debris and dog waste from our community. We sincerely appreciate their efforts and congratulate them all on a job well done!

A special thanks to Betty and Len Lillard for hosting snacks and refreshments for the tired workers.



# **Dumping in Leewood Costs YOU Money!**

Did you know that every time a homeowner or contractor dumps debris (yard or shrub clippings, pieces of concrete, old fence or any other object) into the common area, that it costs YOU money? Your Homeowners Association pays our grounds and maintenance contractor to clean up our common areas, including the wooded areas, twice a year. When the crew finds an excessive amount of debris or materials in these areas, it becomes necessary to authorize additional pickups. This costs the Association money and takes funds away from other uses, including our reserve.