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Healthy Strides 5K, 10K & Kids Dash Draw a Crowd

There were hundreds of race participants and well-wishers at the Healthy Strides 5K, 10K and Kids Dash at Burke Lake Park on Saturday, April 30, 2022. The race returned from being a virtual event due to COVID-19 to live and in person.

More than 300 runners and walkers had the opportunity to enjoy beautiful spring weather, heartpumping group warmups, cool green commemorative 10th anniversary T-shirts, a finisher medal and even a celebratory cupcake at the finish line.

Healthy Strides is so much more than just a race; it's a fun way to stay healthy and to encourage your friends and family to join in the experience with you. It is an event for novice and expert runners alike, and it also welcomes wheelchair runners, strollers and even dogs.

This year's race was sponsored by Giant, with generous support from the Fairfax County Park Foundation and Park Authority Rec Centers.

Media Note: Download the winning photos at <u>https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/cutlines.</u>

See more photos at https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjzQdnz.





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Sully Car Show Returns June 19, Offers Special Juneteenth Tribute

After a two-year hiatus, the Sully Antique Car Show returns on June 19, 2022. This is a very special date, marking not just Father's Day but also the national commemoration of Juneteenth, a federal holiday commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans.

The 47th Sully Antique Car Show and Sully Historic site seek to honor both occasions and have added unique interpretive elements. This event is jointly sponsored by the Fairfax County Park Authority and the George Washington Chapter Model A Ford Club. The show will be from 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at Sully Historic Site in Chantilly. Tickets for the car show are available online; walk-in admissions are also accepted at the gate.

Dad and the family will enjoy this classic show's long-awaited return. Stroll among 350 classic and antique cars, a Car Corral, special displays including Hit 'n' Miss engines and a "take-apart" Model T Ford demonstration. Entertainment includes live music from two bands and children's activities. Check out the flea market and food vendors. End the afternoon with a "Century" parade featuring cars at least 100 years old. Tours of the first floor of the historic house are included with the price of admission: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors and \$8 for children. Trophies will be awarded at 3 p.m.

For Juneteenth, there will also be an opportunity for visitors to explore Sully's historic past at the 18th century slave quarter area, where the enslaved community lived prior to the Emancipation Proclamation issued by President Abraham Lincoln in 1863. Learn the meaning of Juneteenth and why it is celebrated. Also learn about little known African American inventors and patent holders of the late 19th to early 20th century, who contributed to the world of American transportation.

For further details, including an application to show your car, have a stall at the flea market and/or to feature your car for sale at the Car Corral, visit <u>www.GWCmodela.com</u>.

For more information on Juneteenth events held by Fairfax County Park Authority, visit our Juneteenth website at <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/juneteenth</u>.

Sully Historic Site is located at 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly, Virginia. For more information, visit <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/sully</u>; or call 703-437-1794.

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FCPA Approves Lewinsville Park Court Improvements

The Fairfax County Park Authority Board approved \$650,000 in funding for court improvements at Lewinsville Park in McLean, Virginia. The action was taken during the Park Board's regular meeting on May 11, 2022. These improvements include conversion of one tennis court into four dedicated pickleball courts and reconstruction of the surfacing and fencing for the five remaining tennis courts and two basketball courts. The approved improvements are timely, as all the courts at the park require resurfacing and repair. Project completion is anticipated by late summer/early fall 2022.

In collaboration with the Dranesville District Supervisor's Office, the Park Authority held a virtual public meeting on Dec. 1, 2021 and presented options for incorporating pickleball as part of the overall needed court improvements at the park. The public meeting was followed by a 30-day public comment period. Feedback received from the community was considered in the selection of the court improvements.

The athletic court contractor, ATC, will mobilize on site during the week of June 13 to begin demolition of the existing court fencing and gates. Over the next several months, the existing surfacing will be removed with new surfacing installed. Once the new surfacing is laid, the courts will need to sit undisturbed for a period of two to four weeks to allow for the color coating to adhere properly. New fencing and nets will be installed once the color coating has set.

FCPA anticipates the courts to be closed for up to four months, while these renovations and repairs are made. More information about the project and any updates to the construction schedule can be found at the Lewinsville Park Court Improvements website at <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/planning-develop-ment/development/lewinsville</u>.

Comments or questions about the project may be sent to <u>parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>. You may also call the Public Information Office at 703-324-8662.





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Deadline to Honor Park Authority Volunteers Approaches

Do you know of any exceptional volunteers in the Park Authority? If so, time is running out to give them the credit they deserve with an Elly Doyle Park Services Award. It's time to nominate them!

More than 7,000 selfless individuals volunteer in Fairfax County parks each year, and they cumulatively provide close to 200,000 hours of service annually. That's a lot of time and work dedicated to our parks so that guests can enjoy each of their visits. Now more than ever, it's important to recognize volunteers' amazing efforts and thank them for their continued support.

The awards below are open to those who have made such outstanding service contributions over the past year. The deadline to submit your nominations is quickly approaching, as they are all due by **Friday, June 17, 2022**.

The nomination form is available at <u>www.surveymonkey.com/r/Ellys2022</u>. Nominations in all categories may be submitted by members of the public, Park Authority employees and fellow volunteers.

- Elly Doyle Park Service Award & Youth/Student Award
- The Harold L. Strickland Partnership and Collaboration Award
- The Mayo Stuntz Cultural Stewardship Award
- The Sally Ormsby Environmental Stewardship Award
- The Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Award

All award recipients will be honored at a virtual awards ceremony this November. Specific categorical information about the Elly Doyle Park Service Awards may be found at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/awards/ellydoyle.

For more information or for alternative formats of the applications, please contact the Public Information Office at 703-324-8662 or via <u>Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>.





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Master Gardeners Present Free Edible Garden Workshops at Green Spring

Grow like a pro and join the team at Green Spring Gardens this summer and into fall for valuable workshops to improve those green thumbs.

Extension Master Gardeners are continuing to be active in a variety of exciting projects at the Edible Garden. This demonstration garden shows how you can blend ornamental and edible plants for an attractive and productive use of space.

These free workshops are appropriate for adults and will be held on the third Saturday of the month until October 2022, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Topics for each session will vary. They include garden supports for increased harvest, tips on when to harvest early crops, pests in the garden and more. To see the schedule and full list of topics, go to the Extension Master Gardeners website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/green-spring/extension-master-gardeners.

Green Spring Gardens is located at 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria, Virginia. For more information, visit <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/green-spring</u>; or call 703-642-5173.





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Catch Up with Archaeology, Collections in CART Newsletter



Interested in learning what Park Authority archaeologists have been up to this month? From cemetery surveys and outreach events to research on historic artifacts from our collections, find out what they're up to in the latest issue of the CART Newsletter available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/publications.

To subscribe to the CART Newsletter, go to the E-News website at <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/e-</u><u>news</u>, and select **Cultural Resources Archaeology**.

The CART Newsletter is a free, monthly enewsletter containing news, updates and highlights of the County Archaeological Research Team's (CART) work throughout the county. CART is the research and outreach arm of the <u>Fairfax County</u> <u>Archaeology and Collections Branch</u> (ACB).

For more information, contact the ACB at <u>fcpa-archaeology@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>.





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Summer Entertainment Series Features Arts in the Parks

Grab your sunscreen, favorite snacks and the kids for family fun in the parks this summer! Every Saturday and Wednesday morning, Arts in the Parks will be hosting several performances perfect for the whole family. Not only will they be entertained with live performances, but they'll also connect with parks and the joy of time spent outdoors.

To kick off the Summer Entertainment Series, classically trained singer/songwriter Nicole "Ms. Niki" Addison will bring what she calls "edutainment" to the stage. Her unique brand of entertaining youth through education is a product of her extensive background in music. As a cross between Mary Poppins and Ms. Frizzle, her songs are interactive and teach children things, such as the alphabet and colors in Spanish and other languages, all in a fresh and exciting way.

Admission is free, and the concert will be held June 18, 2022 from 10 to 10:45 a.m. at Burke Lake Park Amphitheater.

Concerts are held outdoor and will be canceled due to inclement weather. Call 703-324-SHOW (7469) for inclement weather updates. For details regarding each series, go to the Summer Entertainment Series website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

Burke Lake Park is located at 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station, Virginia. For more information, visit <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/burke-lake</u>; or call 703-323-6600.





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Grammy Winner Tom Paxton, DC-Based Raymi Headline SES

Joining the amazing June lineup for the Fairfax County Park Authority's Summer Entertainment Series (SES) are two bands you don't want to miss! From Andean music to folklore, come out to enjoy two unique performances, while soaking up your dose of the outdoors. All performances are free.

Raymi will be hitting the stage June 18, 2022, with a unique sound, cultivated through a passion for their roots. Led by Juan Cayrampoma, this D.C.-based band will bring the haunting sounds and mystic power from the Andes to Fairfax County. Their love and respect for tradition and knowledge shine through their music and the instruments they use. Raymi will perform from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Ossian Hall Park, located at 7900 Heritage Drive in Annandale, Virginia.

The Park Authority will be hosting another performance June 19, 2022. Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award winner and folk icon Tom Paxton joins Grammy-winning singer/songwriter duo The DonJuans with Don Henry and Jon Vezner, for an unforgettable night. Paxton's concert will be from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Mason District Park Amphitheater, located at 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale, Virginia.

Concerts are held outdoor and may be canceled due to inclement weather. Call 703-324-SHOW (7469) for concert capacity and inclement weather updates. Cancellations are recorded an hour before showtime. For details regarding each series, go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.





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Fill Your Soul with Rock 'n' Roll: Here Come The Box Tops

The Fairfax County Park Authority's Summer Entertainment Series starts soon! From bluegrass to classical styles, this varied lineup is sure to have something for everyone. Bring a friend, a soft blanket and your smile, and join us in the park this summer for live performances from your favorite bands— some of which you might not have had the opportunity to fall in love with yet. All performances are free!

On June 17, 2022 Memphis' blue-eyed soul legends The Box Tops will be taking Grist Mill Park by storm -- the rock 'n' roll kind, anyway. Led by original founding members Bill Cunningham and Gary Talley, The Box Tops are known for their distinct sweet, yet slightly gritty, sound. The group was inducted into the Memphis Music Hall of Fame for their contribution to the Memphis sound that dominated AM Top 40 radio. Whether you're a fan of pop, rock, blues or soul, this is a show you'll never forget.

Mark your calendars, and don't miss the band whose sound Rolling Stone magazine's Robert Christ describes as "the highest kind of rock 'n' roll, a music of immediate appeal."

The concert is from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Grist Mill Park, which is located at 4710 Mt. Vernon Memorial Highway, Alexandria, Virginia. There will be wine for tastings and sales by The Woodlawn Press Winery.

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