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Halloween Student Appreciation Day Tees Up at Laurel Hill

Golf Fairfax invites golfers of all ages to Laurel Hill Golf Club for a *spook-tacular* celebration at the Eisman Golf Academy Student Appreciation Day, on Saturday, Oct. 25, from 1 to 5 p.m. Hosted by the Eisman Golf Academy, this free event combines the fun of fall with the spirit of golf and features games, contests, prizes, food and festive activities for the whole family. Participants are encouraged to RSVP and come in costume for a chance to win a prize for Best Costume!

The event will feature:

- **Longest Drive Competition:** Show off your skills and compete in our Longest Drive Competition for men, women and juniors (12 and under). Prizes will be presented for the longest drive in each division.
- **Delicious Food:** Savor a selection of treats to keep your energy up throughout the day.
- **Short Game & Flop Wall Challenge:** Compete for prizes and sharpen your skills in the crowd-favorite short game events.
- **Range and Putting Contests:** Test your precision and win fun prizes in our range and putting contests.

The Eisman Golf Academy is led by instructor Jon Eisman, who is ranked Top Teacher in Virginia by Golf Digest. The academy offers a variety of lessons, classes and camps at Laurel Hill Golf Club. The EGA Performance Lab located at Laurel Hill Golf Club is a state-of-the-art facility designed for golfers of all levels who are serious about improving their game. The EGA Performance lab features cutting-edge technology and equipment that provides detailed analysis and feedback, allowing coaches to tailor instruction to specific golfer needs.

The Laurel Hill Golf Club is located at 8701 Laurel Crest Drive in Lorton. For more information and to RSVP for the Student Appreciation Day event, please visit <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/golf/tournaments>.

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The Stars Are Back at Turner Farm — Join Us or Become a Sponsor at Observatory Park

Observatory Park at Turner Farm is kicking off a new season of monthly astronomy programs and events designed to bring the night sky to life for registrants of all ages. Cool evenings in fall and winter are the perfect backdrop for stargazing, hands-on learning and unforgettable community experiences.

Program Highlights:

- **Astronomy Festivals** – Gather with family and friends for telescope viewing, fun activities, and storytelling around the campfire.
- **Night Sky Tours** – Explore planets, constellations, stars and galaxies with telescopes or just your eyes.
- **Planet Adventure Nights** – Enjoy a lively evening of astronomy fun for all ages.
- **Introduction to Astronomy** – A beginner-friendly program that opens the door to stargazing.
- **Scout Programs** – Earn badges with specialized astronomy and space science activities for Scouts of all levels.

Winter registration starts on Tuesday, Nov. 12. Mark your calendars, spots fill quickly!

Explore the Night Sky – Free Sponsored Viewing

Join us for a free public viewing on Friday, Oct. 17, thanks to a generous sponsorship. The evening program will focus on viewing opportunities at the park and share simple ways to explore the night sky from home. Guests can also enjoy a solar system walk and Dark Sky education activities. Registration is free but required. A rain date is set for Saturday, Oct. 18.

Support the Stars

Sponsorship opportunities are available for community members, organizations and businesses that want to support these programs and expand public access with free of charge astronomy viewings in Fairfax County.

For details about upcoming programs or sponsorships, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/turnerfarm.

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