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VICE PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

By Joe Vecchio, Board Vice President

When asked to write the article for this month's Wheel, several subjects came to mind, such as an update on significant projects or challenges facing the Association as we approach a new year. But none of these moved me, so I thought it would be nice to talk about how fortunate we are to live at a place like Watergate at Landmark (WAL). I know this is not the first article of its kind. Still, it never hurts to reflect on our blessings, especially when inundated by the political animus across the river, which we have managed to keep outside our gates.

When I moved here 45 years ago after living in a three-floor home with a big backyard, I couldn't imagine moving to a condominium and being sandwiched among 1,460 other units. So what makes living here so great? Instead of knowing just a few of my neighbors in a single-family community, we now meet dozens, if not hundreds, of people of all ages, backgrounds, and life experiences. If you're a people watcher or someone who likes a lot of variety in your life, WAL offers endless opportunities. However, in life, as in other situations, we all too often tend to dwell on the negatives like neighbors who play their music too loudly or an occasional leak from the unit above, or someone in the balcony over you overwatering their plants. Most of these can be remedied or corrected by a staff member; some of whom are available. 24/7.



WAL is a service business that employs about 70 people who must show up rain or shine to fix the occasional leaky toilet, shovel the snow from the sidewalks and roads, empty the mounds of trash we accumulate every day, or unlock your door when you've lost your keys, the latter service being available 24 hours a day. Imagine calling a locksmith at 3:40 a.m. if you live somewhere else. I can easily list a dozen or more services staff provide daily, but that would take several more pages. Suffice it to say the service business is a thankless business. Take it from someone who worked at resort hotels in my school years and had to put a smile on my face every day regardless of how I felt.



Well, that's what our staff does every day, so if occasionally that smile is upside down, it could be because you're the "20th caller" who complained about the lack of hot water, the elevator being stuck, or someone parked in your reserved parking space.

The service business is like being a handful of nails with a dozen hammers pounding on you daily. I always say, "Walk a mile in their shoes," and you'll understand very quickly why smile may be taking a break on those rare occasions. Now, that's not to say that an occasional mistake is not made or that you didn't get a response promptly. Of course, this happens, however, these are easily remedied and can continually be escalated if you don't get the desired results. That's the beauty of the system we have in place.

I want to turn to another aspect of managing our 38 acres, five buildings, and all our amenities like the Racquet Club, indoor/outdoor swimming pools, gazebos, roads and sidewalks, inter alia. We all know that we have an aging property, and not only are the maintenance, repairs and replacement of all the common elements mandated in our Bylaws. It has also been the policy of most boards of directors to make improvements above and beyond the original design and construction of WAL. Cases in point include renovating the indoor pool and gym, the upper and lower terraces, gazebos, roofs, balcony doors and windows, lobbies, retaining walls, etc. I could go on and on, but suffice it to say; we are constantly awarding dozens of contracts to outside companies to make those improvements.




Occasionally, the estimates for completing that work cannot always be empirically derived, meaning you can't always know exactly how much time and work will be required until you start the repairs. And then, sometimes, mistakes are made, so we must go back and correct them. This would never happen in a perfect world, but then, it's not a perfect one. So, if occasionally, there's a delay in the reopening of the indoor pool or any other amenity, think of the greater good, which is it's better to do it right rather than do a rush job and have to fix it later. In a month or two, no one will remember the delay anyway. This is why we ask you to give the staff some slack, considering all the daily contracts and work undertaken here.

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In conclusion, as many of you do every day, look around at our beautiful grounds and buildings (soon to have a hallway renovation) and outstanding amenities that are maintained by our in-house and contract employees and make it a point to thank all 70 of their colleagues (whom I wish I had room to name), along with our senior staff who work tirelessly on our behalf. Not a day goes by that I am not thankful that I know these folks who are an essential part of our Watergate family and dozens of our volunteers who collectively make WAL the best place to live.



Our dedicated staff from Patrol Services, Environmental Services, Resident Services, Maintenance, and Management teams. Each member plays a vital role in our community's well-being and success. Photos by Brianna Hawkins

REMEMBRANCE OF A **WAL PRESIDENT**

By Joe Vecchio, Board Vice President

Sheila A. Foote, a 35-year resident of Watergate at Landmark, passed away at Alexandria Inova Hospital on September 2 following a brief illness. Sheila was a native Alexandrian who was an active member of the Watergate community where she served on numerous committees, including Covenants, Social, Ad Hoc Committee on Hallway Redecoration and Infrastructure. Her passion was ensuring that our property was adequately maintained and was an invaluable source of knowledge regarding our infrastructure projects.



Shelia's popularity and service to Watergate culminated in her election to the Board of Directors, where she subsequently served as President in 2002 and 2004.

Sheila loved to sing and was a member of the Alexandria chapter of Sweet Adelines. She also made numerous appearances at our Friday night karaoke socials where she sang her favorite number from the show, Chicago, "When You're Good to Mama." She leaves behind her devoted spouse, Connie, and her brother Ray, and Isamu, who live in Building 2. She will be terribly missed by her many friends.



Shelia took beautiful photos of WAL's landscape and amenities while capturing the transition of leaves changing in fall. Photos by Shelia Foote

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FALL SHRED-IT EVENT

By Brianna Hawkins, Communication Manager

Shred-It, a trusted partner in document disposal, will come on-site to each building to assist residents in safely disposing of personally identifiable information on **Saturday, October 21!** To ensure a seamless experience, we've established specific rotation times for each building:

Shredding Truck Rotation Times

Bldg. 4: 10 - 11 a.m. **Bldg. 2:** Noon - 1 p.m.
Bldg. 3: 11 a.m. - Noon **Bldg. 1:** 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.



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PET OF THE MONTH

By Felipe and Silvia Gonzalez, WAL Bldg. 3 Residents

Virtus is a glorious cane corso puppy that I got from Dream Kennels in North Carolina. His parents are Tupac and Marocca. He loves to chew on bones and toys, say hello and lick everyone he comes in contact with and play with his friend Luna. We are currently learning how to go outside to go potty. His owner is Felipe Gonzalez - dare I say, the happiest dog owner with this little guy.



Virtus is a 2-month-old Cane Corso puppy living in Bldg. 3

EXPEDITE ACCESS & DELIVERY CONVENIENCE VIA FREQUENT VISITOR LIST

By Patrol Services Team

In our efforts to enhance convenience for residents and visitors, we're reminding you of the Resident Front Gate, Frequent Visitors List (FVL). This initiative aims to streamline food deliveries and visitor traffic, particularly during the weekends and bustling hours of 5-8 p.m. Investigator Cunningham noted that during this period, a significant "75% of traffic at the Front Gate consist of food delivery drivers."

Adding Your Preferred Food Delivery Services, Friends & Family to the FVL

Residents are encouraged to add their preferred food delivery services to the FVL. By adding frequent delivery vendors, This expedites the delivery process and eliminates the need for Patrol Services to contact you for each entry authorization.



Adding a Delivery Service:

Step One: Complete a Frequent Visitor Form available in the Resident Services Office.

Step Two: Provide the delivery service's name and specify the service type (e.g., Instacart Grocery Delivery, Domino's Pizza, your visitor's name) or simply add "All Food Deliveries."

Step Three: The Gate Communications team will promptly verify and add the vendor/visitor to our FVL list.

Our hope is that the Frequent Visitor List will significantly improve the flow of traffic in the visitor lane, benefiting both residents and delivery drivers. For nearby family and friends who routinely visit, consider investing in a Frequent Resident Guest Decal for \$25. This allows them to access via the Resident Gate. This starts with a Frequent Visitor Form as well.



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WAL LEADERS LEADING THE WAY FOR STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY

By Brianna Hawkins, Communications Manager

Watergate’s very own Phoebe Rolan and Eileen Greenberg took on essential roles in the Common Interest Groups and Boards for Virginia. Their work in these positions helped shape the future of our community and others like it.



Phoebe Rolan, a dedicated community member, brought a wealth of budgeting expertise from her 20+ year tenure on the WAL Budget Committee and her professional career to her role in the Common Interest Community Structural Integrity and Reserves Work Group for Virginia.

Her valuable contributions, stemming from diverse committee involvement at WAL, played a pivotal role in shaping discussions within the 25-member group, which convened across Virginia to address critical issues such as budgeting, inspections, and insurance coverage, all geared towards safeguarding community well-being. Phoebe highlighted the extended duration of the group's efforts, spanning several months, underscoring the meticulous selection process of appointed members to ensure the community's voices were effectively represented.



Surfside condominium collapse of 2021 serves as a poignant reminder of the importance of structural integrity in our communities. Photo from palmbeachpost.com

Phoebe's leadership and WAL's initiatives guided the Work Group's recommendations, advocating for vital steps like mandatory reserves and enhanced education to fortify community prosperity. Thanks to Phoebe, WAL’s remarkable work has gained recognition at the highest levels, highlighting the significant impact of efforts at a state level.

Eileen’s CICB Experience

Eileen Greenberg, a familiar face on WAL’s Board of Directors, was on the Virginia State Common Interest Community Board for two years. She served as a Community Association Common Interest Community Board (CICB) representative.



The CICB is a diverse group of professionals in the field, including HOA and Condo property managers and owners from various-sized communities across Virginia. Greenberg's journey began with her nomination in early Spring 2021, a process that came as a surprise as it was initially kept confidential by nominators.

Following her nomination, Greenberg received a letter from the CICB on behalf of Governor Northam, signaling the start of an extensive vetting process that included submitting background information and a resume. Governor Northam subsequently selected her in April.

During her time on the CICB, Greenberg took on crucial responsibilities including addressing complaints, collaborating with the Virginia Ombudsman for CIC HOA & Condo owners, and making decisions on financial cases. The board oversaw resale packages, fee schedules, and held regular and emergency meetings. Greenberg appreciated the chance to share WAL's unique perspective on practices and procedures. She expressed her enjoyment of the experience stating, “I learned how other communities around the state operate and gained valuable insights to bring back to WAL management and the Board of Directors.”

SUNNY'S TAKES BACK THE SHUTTLE WHEEL!

By Brianna Hawkins, Communications Manager

Beginning in October, Watergate's shuttle services will transition as Sunny's Worldwide Chauffeured Transportation steps in to manage our shuttle services. Sunny's will bring a fresh bus and a new friendly face behind the wheel. Rest assured, the shuttle schedule remains unchanged, ensuring you get to your destinations promptly and comfortably for Metro runs and shopping.



As part of our new shuttle contract, Sunny's offers VIP personal driver services, airport drop-offs and pick-ups and luxury limo special rates to Watergate residents. To make a booking, you can choose between two hassle-free methods below:



Sunny's Shuttle bus is ready for residents to ride in October! - Photo by Sunny's



Sunny's will provide special VIP personal driver services to residents of Watergate. Photo by Sunny's

TUESDAY Alexandria Shopping Schedule									
BLDG. #4	BLDG. #3	BLDG. #2	BLDG. #1	LANDMARK PLAZA Giant, Hobby Lobby	FOX CHASE Harris Teeter	WEGMANS Carlyle Crossing	VAN DORN METRO	WEST END VILLAGE Home Depot Post Office	VAN DORN PLAZA Safeway CVS
9:30	9:32	9:34	9:36	9:48	9:58	10:13	10:28	10:34	10:41
10:50	10:52	10:54	10:56	11:08	11:18	11:33	11:48	11:54	12:01
12:10	12:12	12:14	12:16	LUNCH		LUNCH			
1:20	1:22	1:24	1:26	1:38	1:48	2:03	2:18	2:24	2:31
2:40	2:42	2:44	2:46	2:58	3:08	3:23	3:38	3:44	3:51
4:00	4:02	4:04	4:06						

THURSDAY Kingstowne Shopping Schedule							
BLDG. #4	BLDG. #3	BLDG. #2	BLDG. #1	SUPER GIANT	WORLD MARKET	ALDI	WALMART
9:30	9:32	9:34	9:36	10:00	10:05	10:10	10:15
10:35	10:37	10:39	10:41	11:05	11:10	11:15	11:20
11:40	11:42	11:44	11:46	LUNCH		LUNCH	
12:30	12:32	12:34	12:36	1:20	1:25	1:30	1:35
1:55	1:57	1:59	2:01	2:25	2:30	2:35	2:40
3:00	3:02	3:04	3:06				

LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH Tysons 1 and Tysons 2 (Galleria)							
BLDG. #4	BLDG. #3	BLDG. #2	BLDG. #1	TYSONS 1		TYSONS II GALLERIA	
10:00	10:02	10:04	10:06	10:31		N/A	
10:56	10:58	11:00	11:02	11:27		11:32	
11:57	11:59	12:01	12:03	12:28		12:33	
12:58	1:00	1:02	1:04	LUNCH			
2:10	2:12	2:14	2:16	2:41		2:46	
3:11	3:13	3:15	3:17				

Important Note: When there are five (5) Thursdays in the month, the fourth Thursday will follow the regular Thursday (Kingstowne) schedule.

Specifically, in the following months:
 December 2022
 March 2023
 June 2023
 August 2023
 November 2023 (Note: The 4th Thursday in November is Thanksgiving and there is no service on that day)

The shuttle schedule remains the same .

Upon arrival for pickup, VIP passengers will receive a text notification on their mobile phones, ensuring a seamless connection. If needed, Sunny's dispatch team can also call to assist in locating Sunny's vehicle, when appropriate. For any inquiries, please call 800-949-0949 and press 2.

Booking VIP via Phone: Dial 800-949-0949 (option 1) and mention Watergate at Landmark to the reservations team. They'll guide you through the process, confirming your information and itinerary. At the time of your journey, you will have the option to receive a text notification with your driver's ETA details etc.

Send booking information to reservations@sunnysworldwide.com. Sunny's reservationist will strive to confirm your booking or respond to inquiries in under 15 minutes! Feel free to cc Bob at bob@sunnysworldwide.com for added support.

WAL OPERATIONS IN MOTION

Where Maintenance Meets Living - Latest Updates

By The Maintenance Department

Building 1

- Performed the annual testing of the building strobes and horns.
- Replaced a defective motor on the trash compactor on the G Level.
- Snaked the north side lobby HVAC condensate drain from the 2nd Floor to clear a 2" PVC pipe blockage.

Building 3

- Performed the annual testing of the building strobes and horns.
- Reinstalled three tier lights at Tiers 22, 24 and 26 that were removed for the balcony project.
- Repaired drywall in the loading dock ceiling damaged by a moving truck; repainted the entire loading dock ceiling.



CWC completed concrete work. The Indoor Pool is anticipated to open to residents and swimmers in October!

Building 2

- Performed the annual testing of the building strobes and horns.
- Replaced a defective drain line safety switch in the condensate drain for the north side Lobby HVAC unit.
- Replaced a damaged section of wallpaper on the 4th Floor at tier 24 that was damaged by a pipe leak from above.

Building 4

- Performed the annual testing of the building strobes and horns.
- Installed three new Lochinvar Armor water heaters on the roof of the building.
- Replaced a defective tier light fixture for Tier 11.

Community Center

- CC - Installed a junction box and wiring for an emergency circuit to service a new automatic door operator on the door leading from the community center to the building 1 B-level Garage. The door operator will be installed later.
- CC - Replaced the water supply solenoid in the Market Café ice-making machine.

Indoor Pool Repairs

- The Board entered into a contract with High Sierra Pools to replaster the Indoor Pool and Spa. Work began in August.
- CWC concrete work is complete.

SICK OF SEWAGE SMELLS ?

By Shalayah Nesbitt, Operations Coordinator

Are you starting to smell sewage in your bathroom or notice water around the base of your toilet? It could be time to replace the wax ring in your toilet!

A wax ring is a sticky wax watertight seal between the bottom of the bathroom and the sewer pipe. The wax ring keeps what goes down the sewer from seeping out the sides. It doesn't require any maintenance once replaced and can last for decades! If you are considering installing a new wax ring or even an entirely new toilet, our handyman, Richard, would be more than happy to assist you!



To get on the Handyman Calendar, we need a written request for your work. Simply send an email to handyman@watergateatlandmark.com or come to the front desk located in the Community Center and fill out the physical Work Order Request Form.

Families and their beloved pets frolicked with joy, splashing and playing together in the refreshing Outdoor Pool waters during the Annual Doggy Swim event. This heartwarming occasion created cherished memories of wet noses and wagging tails that will be treasured for years to come. Gratitude is extended to Silver Diner of Alexandria, Susan Day, Associate Broker with Jobin Realty, Dawn Marie's Visage, and Sports Jam LLC for generously contributing prizes.

- PHOTOS PROVIDED BY THE PET COMMITTEE



Residents enjoy a tasty meal from Aldo's Italian Kitchen



Mr & Mrs. Patrick at the Lunch on the Porch event!

PHOTOS PROVIDED BY STEPHANIE LOWE



tails and ears up for a splash!



Harvest Happenings

Bringing Neighbors Together at Watergate at Landmark!





Milos shows lifeguards the amazing building view!



WAL residents gathered to bid farewell and express gratitude to this summer's lifeguard staff, who embarked on their journeys after a successful season. Members of the Board of Directors, committee members, families, and friends enjoyed a celebratory toast, treats, and engaging conversations.

- PHOTOS PROVIDED BY MILOS JOVANOVIC AND BRIANNA HAWKINS



Cheers to a great summer pool season with WAL's Lifeguards



Residents enjoyed the fall Dance Party in the terrace Lounge!

Suman Nayyar, the Tai Chi leader and Senior Services Ambassador, gathered with her Tai Chi group at Aldo's Italian Kitchen in August to celebrate their 10th anniversary.

PHOTOS PROVIDED BY 9 AM TAI CHI CLASS



Thank you, Sue, for 10 great years!



HALLOWEEN MURDER MYSTERY PARTY

PASTA, PASSION AND PISTOLS



By Carolyn Winters, Chairman of the Social Committee



Join the Watergate Players for a fun “Who done it!” night on October 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Terrace Lounge for \$10 (no refunds). Our Master of Ceremony of Horror, Stephanie Lowe, will invite you to the La Speranza Restorante in New York City to celebrate the life of Pepi Roni. Pepi was the Chef and owner of this restaurant before he was shot and killed.

The family and friends are gathering to attend his “Celebration of Life” and learn more about who murdered him and why. Amongst the family and friends are eight suspects, including the murderer.

Mama Rosa Roni (Vivian Moran) left Italy with Pepi on the day she was supposed to marry his twin brother, Rocco. She is Pepi Roni’s wife. Mama runs the restaurant with Pepi.

Angel Roni (Pat Espinet) is Pepi and Mama Rosa’s only daughter. Angel is in college and runs her own small business. She also has been dating a French man who works for her Uncle Rocco.

Marco Roni (Paul Sonnhalter) is Pepi and Mama Rosa’s son. Marco dreams of being a professional soccer player, but he works at La Speranza as a waiter. Pepi wants him to take over the restaurant when he retires. Marco resents this.

Father Alfredo (Geoff Baskir) who is the local priest and his church is next to La Speranza. Father and Pepi’s brother, Rocco, have been good friends from Italy and Rocco visits with him when he comes to town. Pepi does not know about these visits.

Clair Voyant (Genie Baskir) is Mama Rosa and Pepi’s psychic and day-to-day adviser. She can see into the future and advises both Mama Rosa and Pepi separately. She knows many secrets.

Rocco Scarfazzi (Joe Vecchio) is Pepi’s identical twin brother. He came to New York City to try to patch up the strained relationship with his brother, Pepi. He lives on the family vineyard in Italy and is President of Scarfazzi Enterprises.

Tara Misu (Marsha Ward) is Rocco’s fiancé. She started out as a maid in Rocco’s house in the family vineyard. But now she is hoping to be the “Mistress” of the house and inherit all of the fortune.

Bo Jalais (Rob Blitzer) is Rocco’s right-hand man at the vineyards and Scarfazzi Enterprises. His friend encouraged him to work with Rocco because he is a wine expert. He has been courting Angel Roni and wants to marry her.

WHERE TO SAIL TO NEXT?

By Carolyn Winters, Chairman of the Social Committee

Thanks to all who joined us on the memorable voyage aboard the Vision of the Seas this past May, making it an unforgettable journey. Now, we’re setting our sights on the horizon for the next exciting escapade. But first, we want to hear from you!



WAL sailors prepare to board the Vision of the Seas cruise ship. Photo by Herb Treger

Your input will shape the upcoming journey, ensuring it’s customized to meet the interests and desires of residents who often embark on sailing adventures.



Use your smart device to access the link from the QR Code.

SPOOKY FUN PET HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST!

By The Pet Committee

Get ready for a furry contest brought to you by the Pet Committee! The anticipated annual Pet Halloween Costume Contest returns on Saturday, October 28 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon (rain date Sunday Oct 29), on the Upper Terrace.

In-person costume contest for dogs:

Dogs and their owners must be present at the event to participate in the costume contest. Dogs must be in costume to participate.

Photo costume contest for cats:

Residents with cats can submit photos of their pet in costume to the Pet Committee by email at Pet@WatergateAtLandmark.com no later than Thursday, October 26. Cat owners need not be present to win.



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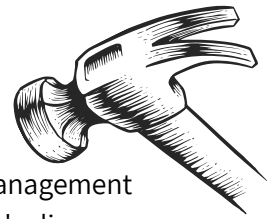
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BEHIND THE RENOVATION PROCESS



By Margaret Nestor, Resident Services Manager

Embarking on a renovation journey in your cherished living space is exciting. However, to ensure that every nail, every tile, and every brushstroke aligns seamlessly with the Association's Rules and Regulations, it's imperative to follow a structured process. As your Office Manager, I'm here to guide you through each step.

The cornerstone of any renovation project begins with the submission of a Renovation & Architectural Modification Request form. This crucial step applies to major renovations or any work requiring a permit. You can obtain this form in print at Resident Services or download it from the 'Other Helpful Documents' Page under the Resource Documents section of the Residents Tab on www.watergateatlandmark.com.

Remember, clarity is key when completing the form. Make sure to include:

- Unit Owner(s) Signature
- Proposed changes on the floor plan (available for reference on our website or at the RSR desk)
- A comprehensive description of the scope of work
- The anticipated timeline for project completion
- Photos of the proposed renovation area
- A copy of your Contractor's License, specifying RBC, CBC, or CIC designation

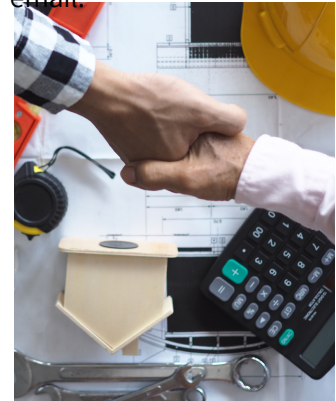
Depending on the project's scope, additional documents may be required:

- Copies of construction, electrical, and/or plumbing permits
- Diagrams illustrating proposed changes to wiring and plumbing systems
- Electrical load statement detailing the impact of alterations
- Floor plan with measurements indicating wall and/or door modifications

Upon approval, remember to notify Patrol Services to grant your contractor access to the property. Keep in mind that adherence to the architectural renovation process is crucial, as non-compliance may result in a \$150 fee, exclusive of any additional expenses for potential repair work.

Once all documents are in hand, our Management team thoroughly reviews the contractor's license, ensures all necessary permits are secured, and assesses the project's feasibility within the chosen unit type. Please allow up to 10 days for the Covenants Committee review. Decisions will be communicated via letter or email.

Should you require an expedited review within five days, a \$50 service fee applies and can be remitted at the Office. For further reference, please consult Policy Resolution #96 Renovation and Architectural Modification Policies.



It's important to note that **not all** renovations necessitate prior approval. Per WAL's Rules and Regulations, the following alterations do not require an application or a contractor with specific licenses:

- Painting or wallpapering
- Plumbing fixtures
- Window coverings
- Light fixtures, outlets, thermostats, and switches (excluding addition, removal, or relocation)
- Decorating in line with the Association's Declaration
- Installation of new closet shelving or organization systems

If uncertain or if you have questions, please contact me via email at adir@watergateragteatlandmark.com or call 703-370-7021 for any assistance you may require throughout this process. Together, let's turn your renovation dreams into a reality.



Margaret Nestor
Resident Services Manager

ARTIST OF THE MONTH

By Brianna Hawkins, Communication Manager



Antoinette Fischman, our featured Artist of the Month, discovered her innate talent for acrylic painting during a past art class at Watergate at Landmark. Her creative journey has since flourished into a profound passion for expressing herself through vibrant colors and imaginative strokes.

With acrylics as her medium of choice, Antoinette not only enjoys sharing her own art but also curates a collection of works by friends and fellow artists. One of her standout pieces, a poignant depiction of the Half-Mast at Arlington Cemetery, showcases her exceptional skill in capturing emotional depth.

Antoinette's artistic journey is a testament to the supportive environment within our community, where hidden talents are nurtured and celebrated. Her story inspires us all to embrace the boundless potential for creativity that thrives within Watergate at Landmark.

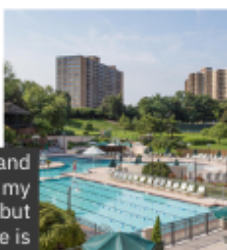
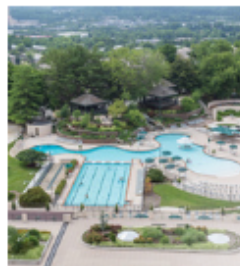


Antoinette's "Half-Mast at the Arlington Cemetery" was done in acrylic.

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ST#	MODEL	BR/FB/HB	SQFT	DATE SOLD	PRICE	GARAGE
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203	C	1/1/0	986	08/31/23	\$237,795	No
203	C	1/1	986	08/31/23	\$295,000	No
205	C	2/1/0	986	08/02/23	\$300,000	No
307	E	2/2	1,098	08/30/23	\$322,900	No
203	G	2/2	1,309	08/01/23	\$375,000	No
307	G	3/2	1,309	08/23/23	\$379,000	No
203	H	2/2	1,365	08/04/23	\$350,000	Yes
205	K	3/2/1	1,621	07/28/23	\$390,000	Yes



Hi. My name is Rob Blitzer and I am a 34 year Resident and Realtor at Watergate at Landmark. I have been helping my Clients buy and sell Real Estate all over Northern Virginia but there is a special place in my heart for Watergate! Watergate is not just 4 walls and a ceiling or just another community. It's a Life Style and a very comfortable Lifestyle at that. Over my 34 years at Watergate, we have been through a lot... Recessions, Elections, Runaway Stock Markets, Pandemics, Cicada Invasions (Twice) and even an Earthquake. Through it all, Watergate continues to keep on Rockin' and even improving with age. Whether it's the Amenities, Location or just the overall Comfortable LifeStyle, it's great living here and I'm Enthusiastic about Watergate now and what the Future holds.

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UPCOMING *Events*

October 4

WAL BOOK CLUB
WEDNESDAY
7:30 PM • Conference Room 2 + Virtual • Free



"The Book of Lost Names" by Kristin Harmel will be discussed this month. All are welcome! Please contact Diane Mullens for virtual access at

dpmullens@comcast.net.

October 14

STORY HOUR
SATURDAY
10:15 - 10:45 AM • Terrace Lounge • Free

The Youth Committee invites WAL little ones and caregivers for a story time event designed exclusively for aged 0-3 years old! Join us in the Terrace Lounge for captivating tales and a special experience that will spark their imaginations and love for reading. The second event of the month is on October 28.



October 19

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY & CULTURE SHUTTLE TRIP



THURSDAY
9:30 AM Pick up • 1400 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. • \$15

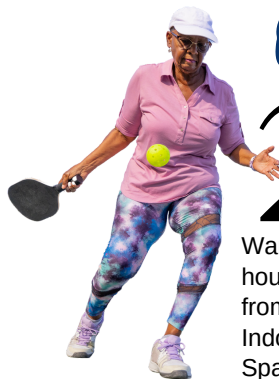
Join the A&E Committee for a trip to the National Museum of African American History & Culture. Departure at 9:30 a.m., residents can explore the museum at their own pace and lunch at the on-site Sweet Home Cafe.

October 20

COMMUNITY HAPPY HOUR
SATURDAY

5 - 7 PM • Terrace Lounge • Donations are encouraged

Mark your calendars for a lively Happy Hour on October 20 at the Terrace Lounge! Wine, beer, and refreshments will be available. Donations are encouraged. Exclusive market specials may be ordered before or during the event. Residents are welcome to stay after 7 p.m.



October 21

SATURDAYS
PICKLEBALL LESSONS
11 AM - Noon • Racquet Club • Free

Want to learn the game of pickleball? Free one-hour lessons are coming up: four Saturdays from October 21 to November 11 at 11:00 a.m. Indoor courts. Paddles and balls provided. Space is limited. Sign up by contacting Terry Schlossberg at terrerschlossberg@comcast.net. Sponsored by the Recreation Committee.

Spooky



SPOOKY SCIENCE FAIR
SATURDAY

3 - 7 PM • Lower Terrace • Free

Get spooked and learn STEM concepts at the Annual Spooky Mad Science Expo hosted by the WAL Science Club and the WAL Youth Committee. For details or to volunteer, email khoshnamak@gmail.com.

October 21



October 27

MURDER MYSTERY NIGHT
"PASTA, PASSION AND PISTOLS"

FRIDAY
7-9PM • Terrace Lounge
\$10 (No refunds)

Step into the mystery with the Watergate Players for a gripping "Who Done It!" night. Our Master of Ceremony of Horror, Stephanie Lowe, welcomes you to La Speranza Ristorante in New York City, as we honor the legacy of Pepi Roni – the late Chef and owner. Join the gathering of family and friends for his "Celebration of Life," delving into the enigma of his untimely demise. Among them, 8 suspects hide, one of whom holds the key to the truth. Sip, Listen, and Unravel! Costumes Optional.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Pilates - 10:30 AM - TL Communications - 1 PM - LB + VI	2 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Mahjong - 11 AM - CR Seniors - 2 PM - TL A&E - 5 PM - CF2 Covenants - 7 PM - VI	3 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Bridge - 2 PM - CR Recreation - 5 PM - VI Infrastructure - 7 PM - VI Youth - 6 PM - VI WAL Book Club - 7:30 PM - CF2 / VI	4 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Cards - 4 PM - CR Elections - 1 PM - CF2 Pet - 7:30 PM - VI	5 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Knit and Stitch - 10 AM - CF2	6 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Knit and Stitch - 10 AM - CF2	7 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Yoga - 9 AM - CR
8 Pilates - 10:30 AM - TL Columbus Day Hours of Operation Resident Services and Assoc. Office: Library: Activities Office: Shuttle Bus: Fitness Center: Indoor Pool: Outdoor Pool: Racquet Club (Fob Access Only) 6 a.m. - 11 p.m.	9 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Mahjong - 11 AM - CR Social - 6 PM - CF2	10 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Bridge - 2 PM - CR Landscape - 11 AM - CF2 PRC Meeting - 7 PM - VI	11 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Cards - 4 PM - CR Reasonable Accommodation - 4 PM - CF1	12 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Cards - 4 PM - CR Reasonable Accommodation - 4 PM - CF1	13 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Knit and Stitch - 10 AM - CF2	14 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Yoga - 9 AM - CR Story Time - 10:15 AM - TL
15 Pilates - 10:30 AM - TL	16 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Mahjong - 11 AM - CR	17 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Tone/Balance/Stretch - 12:15 PM - TL Bridge - 2 PM - CR	18 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Cards - 4 PM - CR Zumba - 6 PM - TL National Museum of African American History & Culture Shuttle Trip - 9:30 AM Pick up	19 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Cards - 4 PM - CR Zumba - 6 PM - TL National Museum of African American History & Culture Shuttle Trip - 9:30 AM Pick up	20 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Knit and Stitch - 10 AM - CF2 Happy Hour - 5 - 7 PM - TL	21 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Yoga - 9 AM - CR Pickleball Lessons - 11 AM - RC Community Shredding Day 10 - 2 PM Spooky Science Fair - 3 PM - LT
22 Pilates - 10:30 AM - TL Budget - 7 PM - VI	23 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Mahjong - 11 AM - CR	24 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Tone/Balance/Stretch - 12:15 PM - TL Bridge - 2 PM - CR	25 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Cards - 4 PM - CR Zumba - 6 PM - TL	26 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Cards - 4 PM - CR Zumba - 6 PM - TL	27 Tai Chi - 9 AM - TL Knit and Stitch - 10 AM - CF2 Murder Mystery Night - "Pasta, Passion and Pistols" - 7 PM - TL	28 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Yoga - 9 AM - CR Story Time - 10:15 AM - TL Pet Halloween Costume Contest - 11 AM - UT Pickleball Lessons - 11 AM - RC
29 Pilates - 10:30 AM - TL Board Meeting - 7:30 PM - TL/VI	30 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Mahjong - 11 AM - CR	31 Tai Chi - 8 AM - TL Mahjong - 11 AM - CR	LOCATION KEY BL=Building BP=Billiard & Ping-Pong BR=Blue Room CFI=Conference Room CF2=Conference Room 2 CR=Card Room FC=WAL Fitness Center GZ= Gazebos IP=Indoor Pool LB=Library LD=Loading Dock LT=Lower Terrace M=Market MA=Multi-purpose Area ME=Meadow OP=Outdoor Pool OT=Outdoor Tennis Court P=Playground PA=Picnic Area PG=Putting Green PR=Party Room RC=Racquet Club TL=Terrace Lounge TS=Town Square TV=TV Room UT=Upper Terrace VI=Virtual			

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