



The VillageCrier

Old Town Village, Alexandria, Virginia

From the OTVOA Board of Directors

Jill Eicher, President

Board Update

Summer is coming to an end and kids are headed back to school. We hope everyone has had an enjoyable summertime. You can still spend your Labor Day weekend relaxing at the OTV pool before it closes for the season after **Sunday, September 13**.

OTVOA 2026 Annual Meeting and Open Board Seats

The **2026 OTVOA Annual Meeting** will be held on **Thursday, November 5** at an offsite location to be announced. At its August meeting, the Board voted to appoint the **Annual Meeting Secretary** as well as **Election Inspectors**. This month, **CFM Management** will send a **Call for Candidates**, and we hope that owners will consider running for one of three open Board seats.

OTVOA Resident Survey

We had a very good response to the OTVOA Resident Survey. While we hoped to publish the results in this month's *Crier* we will have to tabulate the results in a blast email to be sent to townhouse residents this month.

Board Meeting Activities

One recommendation from the survey was to have a summary

of Board meeting activities in the *Crier*. The Board handles old and new business and then addresses issues raised by our committees. Under new business, Treasurer **Tom Boudreau** reviewed the draft OTVOA budget for 2027. The OTVOA draft budget was distributed to the community and will be on the agenda again for the September meeting. Residents with questions or recommendations regarding the 2027 budget should address the Board at otvboard@gmail.com.

Management Committee

The Board re-certified e-votes approving the following Management Committee recommendations:

- Continuing contracts with our gym and Roundhouse cleaning contractors.
- Purchase of a new defibrillator for the lifeguard station and a proposed contract to refurbish the Roundhouse roof.
- Proposed policy regarding shared reserves and the committee's operating budget.
- The committee's draft budget for 2027.

Activities Committee

The Board approved installation of a television in the Roundhouse. The recommendation was first approved by the Management Committee.

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Architectural Review Board

The Board discussed reviewing policy on bird feeders in the community.

Hardscape Committee

The Board approved removal of a tree and repair of the brick sidewalk damaged by tree's roots.

Safety and Security Committee

The Board reaffirmed the policy for notification prior to towing cars.

Townhouse residents with questions or comments may contact the Board at otvboard@gmail.com. Board members' individual contact information is listed in the right-hand column ([Pg 2](#)) of the Crier.

The next scheduled Board meeting is **Thursday, September 17, 2026**, and every third Thursday of the month thereafter beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Roundhouse.

Board Meeting

OTVOA Board Meeting
Thursday, September 17

7:00 pm - Roundhouse

All Townhouse members are
welcome to attend.



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Safety & Security

Jay Zanone, Chair

Comments on the Resident Survey and Proposed Amendment

The OTV resident survey results are in with the overall findings to be communicated soon but I wanted to dig in with you on a few things related to parking. We have some frustration due to the fact we have 155 townhomes and approximately 48 visitor parking spaces. This summer we as a committee enacted a parking surge to find violators parking in the guest spots. As a committee, we issued more warning tickets this summer than the past 3 years of parking combined, and it will continue!

Myth: There are tons of cars without decals or guest tags on Roundhouse and Fayette.

Fact: there are a few violations, but much of the time there are vehicles with their decal completely if not entirely hidden behind tinted rear windows. Please move your decal and/or get a new one to put on your front windshield if your rear window is tinted and the decal is impaired. This will save a lot of wasted time tracking down incorrect violation calls.

Myth: The Board never tows vehicles.

Fact: the board will tow a car if recommended by our committee if no decal or tag is present and after a warning ticket is issued. A blast email will also be sent in advance of towing so make sure you receive those emails.

Myth: Residents are parking next to fire lane signs.

Fact: these are entirely made up of service vehicles which should be monitoring their vehicles at all times. If we did not give some leeway to service vehicles there would be very few repairs going on in OTV. Please try to instruct your contractors to limit the number of vehicles they bring into OTV and point them to the streets of S. Henry, Wilkes, and S. Payne outside of OTV.

Myth: There are numerous non-OTV vehicles parking during the day in guest spots.

Fact: Very little. Often a housekeeper or visitor to a resident. Rarely does a person park in OTV then walks to work in Old Town.

Myth: I'm a parking CZAR.

Fact: I'm not, but that's funny.

Thus, we will continue to have issues with space and parking, therefore we ask residents to please utilize their garages for cars as much as possible and to take advantage of street parking on S. Henry, S. Payne (near Fannon) and Wilkes where the first sticker for Zone 4 is very affordable. We are not planning to have a towing service patrol the neighborhood anytime soon like some apartment complexes out there but we will keep up enforcement. Remember we are all volunteers trying to keep things running smoothly.

Finally, I am proposing we reduce the guest parking to (1) one week maximum, or 7 days instead of two weeks that you can park in one guest spot continuously. We need more rotation of spaces, less partial abandonment of vehicles while residents leave town, etc. This will be Safety Policies change of the (OTVOA Resolution No 6 Bylaws) to be voted on at the next Board Meeting. If you wish to send me comments, please do so at: jay@maplestreetsearch.com. Additionally, if you wish to report an improperly parked vehicle, take a picture of the full vehicle and license plate of any vehicles in question but make sure you check tinted windows for an OTVOA decal with a flashlight first if you don't see one. Email the photos to me with the address / location and we'll investigate as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support and cooperation!



Grounds & Services

Ralph Resch, Co-chair

Fall temperatures arrived early in late August, providing some relief from the hot summer days. As we transition into the fall season, it's a good time to consider fall to winter planting. When selecting plants or shrubs, it's important to choose those that can withstand cooler temperatures and potentially frosty conditions. In Northern Virginia, temperatures average around 80°F with lows around 60°F. This is an ideal time to plant perennials and shrubs. Below are some recommendations, but as always, your local garden nursery can be the best source of information for the area.

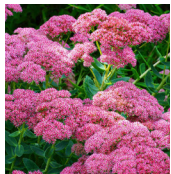
Ornamental Plants

Perennials



Hellebores

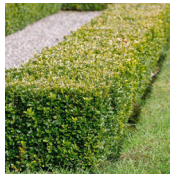
- Bloom in late winter to early spring, providing early color.



Sedum

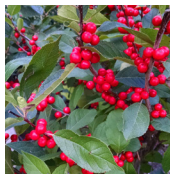
- Hardy and adds texture to winter gardens.

Shrubs



Boxwood

- Evergreen and provides structure throughout the winter.



Winterberry Holly

- Bright red berries add color and attract birds.

Administrative

The Trash and Recycling contract with **Trash Away** is due to expire at the end of the year. We are working to exercise the option in the contract to extend it for another year.

You may have noticed several issues with the irrigation system this year that needed to be addressed. We have asked the contractor for a projected cost to upgrade our system to better serve the community and bring it up to date. The last upgrade was 12 years ago. This would be a significant project for the community, and the cost of upgrading would be substantial. However, once completed, controlling water flow and areas would be easier with the new system, and potentially a savings up to 60% in water usage.

Thank you to the OTV residents who have reported issues; it helps us address them in a timely manner. The G&S Committee appreciates your help in looking out for our community.



Need something in the OTV?

Here is who to ask

Website for self service needs

Note: Log in to <https://otvtownhomes.net/>

- Viewing Calendar of events
- Meeting Minutes
- Directory
- Scale Map
- ARB Rules and Regulations
- Policies, Rules, and Regulations
- Governing Documents

Townhouse or Condo Mgmt Company

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- Parking Stickers / Tags
- Gate Remote
- Request a Roundhouse key fob
- Ask for access
- Setup fee payments
- Request to rent the Roundhouse

Management Committee Chair

- Pool or spa issues
- Roundhouse issues
- Tot Lot issues
- Shared facilities policies

Grounds and Services Chair

- Trash and recycling
- Sprinklers
- Grass
- Landscaping
- Trees

Hardscape Committee Chair

- Roads
- Brick sidewalks, walls, columns, steps, and curbs
- Ground painting
- Benches
- Gas Lights
- Stormceptor and Sewer Mains
- Fire Hydrants
- Fences
- Mailboxes

Architectural Review Board Chair

- Requests approvals for exterior changes
- Inquiries about annual inspection

Communications Chair

- Getting an OTV Directory



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Condominiums

Old Town Village, Alexandria, Virginia

From the OTVCUOA President

Barbie Frank, President

School has started so the summer is just about over. I hope everyone had the opportunity to take some time off and perhaps go out of town.

Save the Date: Annual Meeting is November 17

The primary purpose of the **Annual Meeting** is to elect new Board members. Two members are reaching the end of their terms: **James Evans** and **Jim Sinnette**. Jim is planning to run for re-election, while James is still undecided. While there are potentially no vacancies, we would like others to seriously consider running. We welcome a competitive election!

I and other Board members will also be reaching out to owners to ask them to consider running.

The Board is the conservator of our physical, legal, and financial community. The decisions made by the Board have a direct impact on both owners and renters. We have 125 units with nearly 2 times that number of residents—yet only a small number tend to participate, either on the Board, the Management Committee, or our other Committees. I challenge everyone to step up and participate in this community that is our home.

If you are interested in learning more about serving on the Board or are considering running in November, please contact me, Barbie Frank, at poolefrank@comcast.net.

A Big “Thank You” to our Grounds Committee

I’m sure everyone has noticed how good our community is looking, and it is *all* due to our small but mighty Grounds Committee. Members are **Dana Williams, Joanne Orsena, Fred Abbey, Diane Carney, and Rose Clark**. The Committee has no official chair, but Dana and Joanne have been filling the role very ably.

The Committee oversees Chapel Valley’s work, which includes selecting the seasonal flowers, and works with Chapel Valley and Davey Tree Service to ensure the health of our tree canopy. Chapel Valley trims trees on the lower branches; Davey trims higher branches and takes down trees that are dead or seriously diseased. Native varieties are selected to replace them, primarily Eastern redbuds and American hornbeams.

The Committee members have also been watering our plants and new trees on those days when Francisco is not on-site. They would very much welcome volunteers to help with the watering.

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Plans are being developed for the 2027 replacement of old and/or dead bushes and plants. The Committee is inviting residents to contribute to this project by offering to purchase a bush or plant for the front of their building and/or ground-floor unit. The requirement is to contact the Grounds Committee with your suggested selection and receive Committee approval before making the purchase.

The appearance of our community goes a long way toward making us attractive to potential purchasers.

A Douglass Cemetery Update

A recent email from Eleanor Breen, City Archeologist, provided this update.

“The final stages of the Douglass Cemetery Stormwater Improvement Project are underway. Over the next two weeks, the construction crew will install a new manhole in Wilkes Street, install curbs, and resurface the roadway. They will also perform some maintenance on the riprap in the drainage swale. Additional topsoil and grass seed will be added in the Cemetery. The project will be completed in mid-September.”

I followed up with Eleanor to ask about the headstones that are still tipped over. She responded that, now that the stormwater project is just about complete, the City will create a plan and timeline for that project to occur in the fall. The City will also assess the health of the trees, including the ones that are starting to impinge on a couple of the Building 4 balconies.

When was the last Board Meeting you attended?

Do you know how your money and the HOA fees are being managed?

Please come to our monthly **Board of Directors Meetings**, held on the **3rd Tuesday of the month at the Roundhouse**; you can also listen to the meeting virtually.

Stay informed about the operational conditions in our buildings and how decisions are made regarding the financial management of keeping systems running. **Our units are a financial investment with an eye on keeping our HOA fees stable.**

New members are always sought for Board of Director positions and Committees. Bring your skills and interests to our Committees: Grounds, Finance and Activities. We’d love to have your involvement.

Larz Anderson House Tours

Robin Famighetti, Board Member of the Condo Association, is a docent at the **Larz Anderson House**. It is a Gilded early 20th Century mansion in DuPont Circle, DC which houses artifacts from the Anderson’s journeys through five continents as well as the American Revolution Institute. If interested, weekday afternoon tour guides can be offered to groups or smaller numbers. Contact **Robin** at clephane@comcast.net for more information.

Next Meeting

OTVC Grounds Meeting
Wednesday, September 2
6:30 pm, in the Roundhouse

All OTVCUOA residents are welcome to attend.

Board Meeting

OTVC Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 15
6:30 pm, in the Roundhouse

All OTVCUOA residents are welcome to attend.

Next Meeting

OTVC Finance Meeting
Wednesday, September 9
6:30 pm, in the Roundhouse

All OTVCUOA residents are welcome to attend.



Grounds Committee

How do we maintain common community appearance?

Several times during the summer months, members of the Grounds Committee continue to inspect our property and landscaping. We have been successful in nurturing our plantings in this harsh heat by providing supplemental watering. We periodically meet with representatives of our landscape company to hear of their recommendations and to provide feedback. In the autumn, our landscapers will be transplanting several mature and overgrown Oak Leaf Hydrangeas shrubs from the front of Buildings 3 and 5 and moving them to the Circle Garden boundary with the cemetery. This will allow for shrub replacement of more appropriate size and for a fill in planting enhancing the Circle Garden. Fingers crossed that the transplant takes!

As part of our routine group monthly “walk abouts” the grounds, we have observed that about one-third of unit owners are not in compliance with the Condominium Declarations of Old Town Village Condominiums, which outline the appropriate use of our common areas. The Declarations clearly state that unit owners are prohibited from placing items outside of their units (Section XX: Use Restriction on Units and Common Elements, sub-section d and e, page 11 of the Declaration of OTVC). Unit owners have placed benches, pots, and ornaments in front of ground-floor apartments, and strollers and carts in the interior hallways. These and other items may represent a safety hazard and interfere with fire / rescue efforts during an emergency.

Our homes involve sharing the common elements under the prescribed rules. One person’s view of a decorative amenity could be a neighbor’s view of an unwelcome encroachment. Our Declaration requirements exist to protect the beauty, safety, consistency, and long-term value of our condominiums. These requirements ensure that every condominium contributes to a cohesive and well-maintained environment of which we can all be proud.

The Grounds Committee will be finalizing a recommendation to the board to address **owner encroachment on common areas** and a process to facilitate compliance. At the Committee’s September 2 meeting, we are inviting community members to provide input to help inform our recommendations

to the Board (6:30 pm in the Roundhouse). We anticipate that the Board will discuss our findings and recommendations at the October meeting.

We hope our open discussion on September 2 will help generate a **process and structure leading to a way to help bring unit owners into compliance**, so the OTVC remains attractive, fair, and safe for everyone. If you would like to submit suggestions for our discussions that will inform our recommendations to the board, please email Christie at cberuete@sentrymgt.com who will forward them to the Committee.



Feedback On Community Issues

We want to hear from you! We welcome your attendance and conversation at the monthly **Board of Directors** and **Committee meetings**. There are also other venues for information and your voice to be heard. You can contact the **members** of the **Board of Directors** via their emails, and you can tune into the virtual meetings offered by a link through **Sentry Management**, which appears in your email prior to the monthly meetings. Please refer to the *Crier* calendar for meeting dates and times.



OTVJoint Information

Management Committee

Old Town Condominium Unit Owners Association

Old Town Village Owners Association

Cheryl Van Coverdan, Chair

2027 Budget

The Management Committee accepted the preliminary 2027 draft budget, which will be distributed to the Board of Directors and the Finance Committee for the Townhomes and the Condominiums. This is in line with the Cost Sharing Agreement, deadline of September 1 for submission to both boards. Many thanks to the MC members for their focus on executing this task.

The request to install and purchase a "Framed TV" over the fireplace by the Activities Committee has been approved by the Management Committee. In making this determination, the Committee reviewed additional details of the installation, the handling of the remote, and the description of the 'pass-code' security settings of the Smart TV. This topic was on the agenda for the Condominium Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, August 18 and discussed at the Townhome Board of Directors Meeting on Thursday, August 20. The next step will be to obtain approval from both boards.

We invite you to join the meeting to learn more about the possibility of a TV in the Roundhouse; the next step will be to have approval from both boards.

NextMeeting

Management Committee

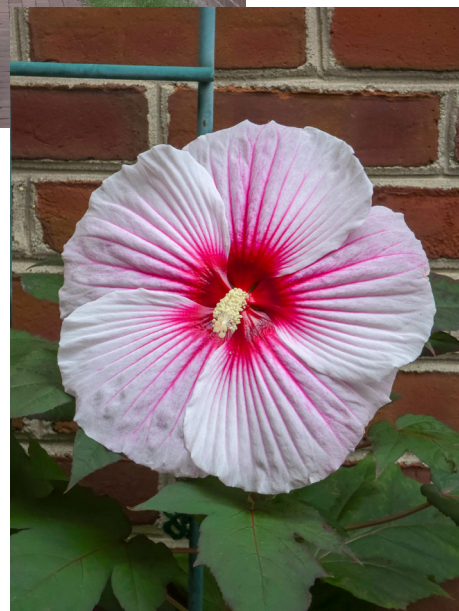
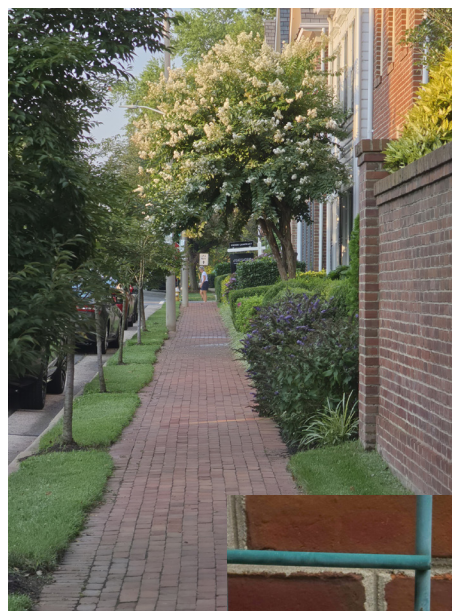
Tuesday, September 8

6:30 pm, in the Roundhouse

All Old Town Village community members are welcome to attend.

House-Keeping Items

- Roundhouse roof refurbishing: A contract has been signed, and the work is set to begin the first week in October. As we get closer to the date, notifications will be posted with the timing and more details.
- Roundhouse policy on posting on the bulletin boards and items for sale: Please be advised that posting notices in the Roundhouse is restricted to communications to the community that are related to building management and officially sanctioned events. Residents should refrain from posting notices for individual advertising or items for sale.



Activities

Marjorie Cole, Co-Chair

Anyone else dreaming of cooler weather after the HOT summer? Even if you aren't there is plenty to look forward to with the OTV slate of activities for Fall.

For those who registered in August, the Progressive Dinner is on September 19. Why do I mention it here if registration is closed? Because it is a lot of work and I want to take another opportunity to thank everyone who is working so hard to make the many arrangements that go into this event.

If you weren't able to make the Progressive Dinner, no worries - there is a First Friday TGIF on September 4. Word is there may be something a bit different about this TGIF, what is it? Show up and find out!

TGIFs are every Friday at 6:30 pm at the Roundhouse and an opportunity to informally socialize with other neighborhood residents. It is always BYOB and many choose to bring food to share - not a requirement, but if you do want to partake, be sure to bring something to contribute to the informal potluck. Attendance is variable, so we emphasize First Friday to encourage a larger crowd.

Another reminder to mark your calendar for Oktoberfest on Friday, October 23!!! This is an adults-only specialty TGIF with the Activities Committee sponsoring the event and providing the sausages.

Many thanks to Carol Chiasson for her work getting the Activities committee budget together and submitted to the Board. We couldn't do very much without a budget and we do a lot with what we get.

Next Meeting

Activities Committee
Wednesday, September 9
5:00 pm, in the Roundhouse

All Old Town Village community members are welcome to attend.

WiFi at the Roundhouse



Name: OTVRH

Password: RoundHouse343

Young Families

Mina Wu, Chair

Save the date for the final events for the OTV Young Families Group!

**OTV Halloween Parade
Sunday 10/25 at 4 PM**

**OTV Children's Holiday Party
Sunday, 12/6 at 4 PM**



Mah Jong Club!

Even if you've never played before, we'll be happy to teach you the ins and outs. We're very easy-going and enjoy chatting as we play, so don't worry about a high-stress situation.

We play Tuesdays at 1:30 pm in the Roundhouse. You can just show up or if you have questions, email Shannon Collins
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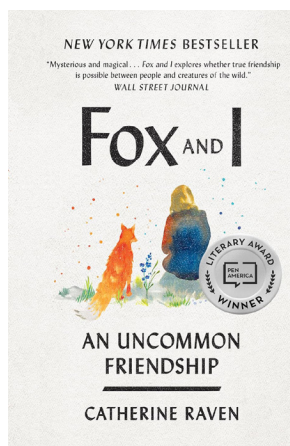
Hope to see you soon!





BookClub

Heidi Plott, Club Co-Chair



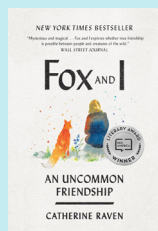
There was no meeting in August.

The book for September is *Fox and I* by Catherine Raven. The meeting will be held on September 10 at 7:00 pm in the Roundhouse.

Reminder: The Book Club maintains the OTV library. We accept books that have been published in the last 10 years. We do not have room for cookbooks, travel books or self-help books. Books that we do not have room for can be donated to The Alexandria Library, 717 Queen Street, Discover Books which has a bin in the parking lot of Safeway, 500 S Royal St, or any thrift shop.

Next Meeting

The September meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10 at 7:00 pm in the Roundhouse.



The book for September is *Fox and I* by Catherine Raven.

2026 Reading List



The **full** reading list for 2026 is posted on the community website: [Book Club Reading List for 2026](http://BookClubReadingListfor2026.org)



OTV Pool Hours - Summer 2026

Mon, June 15 – Fri, September 4

Lap Swimming	Mon - Fri	10:30 am – 11:00 am
AquaFit* (Water Aerobics)	Mon, Wed, Fri	11:00 am – 11:50 am
Open Swim & Spa	Mon, Wed, Fri	12:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Open Swim & Spa	Tues & Thurs	11:00 am - 8:00 pm
Open Swim & Spa	Weekends & Holidays	10:30 am – 8:00 pm

Sat, September 5 – Mon, September 7

Lap Swimming	Mon - Fri	10:30 am – 11:00 am
Open Swim & Spa	Mon - Fri	11:00 am – 8:00 pm
Open Swim & Spa	Weekends & Holidays	10:30 am – 8:00 pm

Post Labor Day: Tues, Sept 8 – Sun, Sept 13

Lap Swim	Mon - Fri	11:30 am – 12:00 pm
Open Swim & Spa	Mon - Sun	12:00 pm – 7:00 pm

The daily schedule includes the lifeguard's 10-minute break each hour and a 1/2-hour lunch break daily at 2:30 p.m.

Pool Management Process

Alexandria City Code 11-11-63 stipulates that a maximum of 25 individuals is allowed inside of a pool enclosure (the fenced area surrounding the pool) when only one lifeguard is present. Please be advised that when the number of attendees starts to exceed the 25-person limit, the lifeguard will ask the most recent arrivals to wait in either the Roundhouse or the patio until pool attendees leave, reducing the number below 25. Your cooperation with this procedure is greatly appreciated.

Use Of The Pool And Spa

1. The pool and spa are for the exclusive use of OTV residents and their guests. Each townhouse and condominium unit may have **no more than four guests** regardless of the number of residents in that unit. All guests must be accompanied at all times by a resident.
2. The pool and spa are not for rent and may not be used in conjunction with any reserved activity in the Roundhouse community room and/or Patio.
3. Residents and guests must sign in and sign-out on the sheet provided. Access to the Roundhouse is controlled via a key fob.
4. All residents and guests must enter and exit the pool and/or spa through the main Roundhouse door and then the door to the spa. Residents and guests may not enter the pool and/or spa via the gate to the patio.

5. Residents and guests may use the pool and/or spa only when the lifeguard is on duty. Residents and guests use the spa at their own risk. When the pool is closed for inclement weather the spa is also closed.
6. Children aged 12 and under must be accompanied and supervised in the pool, spa, and surrounding areas by an adult (excluding the lifeguard) at all times.
7. No one under the age of 5 or anyone using alcohol or drugs that cause drowsiness shall use the spa.
8. All persons, including children, must shower before entering the pool or the spa.
9. The lifeguard is charged to uphold safety and health requirements and standards of conduct. All residents and guests within the pool and spa areas must: (a) follow the instructions of the lifeguard on duty; (b) respond courteously to the lifeguard's instructions; and (c) respond to the lifeguard's request to identify themselves or to sign-in or sign-out.
10. **Swim breaks:** The lifeguard will take a break every hour for ten minutes to accommodate the inspection of the pump room, the testing of the water, etc. In addition, the lifeguard is entitled to a 30-minute break for every four-hour shift worked. All swimmers must exit the pool when the lifeguard is on break, even if the lifeguard is poolside.
11. In accordance with the City of Alexandria Aquatic Health Ordinance as amended March 13, 2010, Article C, SEC 11-1 1-60, people with bandages, open sores, infections, or inflamed eyes are not permitted in the pool or spa. In accordance with the City of Alexandria Aquatic Health Ordinance as amended March 13, 2010, Article C, SEC 11-11-66, any person who is not toilet trained or who is incontinent must wear a swim diaper.
12. The maximum number of people allowed in the pool at one time is **25** due to the American Red Cross ratio of swimmers to lifeguards: **25/1**.
13. Spitting, running, pushing, rough play, and diving are not permitted.
14. At the lifeguard's sole discretion, kickboards, small flotation devices, and small toys may be allowed in the pool depending on the occupancy and age range of swimmers.
15. Play pens and wheeled vehicles, except for wheelchairs and strollers, are not permitted in the pool or spa areas.
16. Pets, except for service dogs assisting disabled persons, are not permitted in the pool or spa areas with the exception of the end of season pet day.
17. Alcohol and drugs, and those under the influence of either, are not allowed in the pool or spa areas.
18. Non-alcoholic beverages and snacks (in non-breakable containers) are allowed in the pool and spa area. Glass containers are prohibited.
19. Smoking is not allowed in pool and spa areas.
20. Sound generating devices (e.g., radios, CD players, and digital audio players) may only be used in the pool and spa area with earphones.
21. Pool furniture is to remain in the pool area. Patio and Roundhouse furniture must not be moved into the pool and/or spa area.
22. Resident comments regarding the pool and spa should be addressed to any member of the Management Committee or any member of the townhouse or condominium Boards. An updated list of Management Committee members can be found on the Roundhouse Bulletin board near the restrooms.

SEPTEMBER

1	Tuesday	Mah Jong 1:30 pm OTVOA Grounds & Services 6:30 pm	16	Wednesday	
2	Wednesday	OTVC Grounds 6:30 pm	17	Thursday	OTVOA Board Meeting 7:30 pm
3	Thursday		18	Friday	TGIF Condo & TH 6:30 pm
4	Friday	First Friday TGIF Condo & TH 6:30 pm	19	Saturday	Progressive Dinner 5:00 pm- 9:00 pm
5	Saturday		20	Sunday	
6	Sunday		21	Monday	
7	Monday		22	Tuesday	Mah Jong 1:30 pm
8	Tuesday	Mah Jong 1:30 pm Management 6:30 pm	23	Wednesday	
9	Wednesday	Activities 5:00 pm OTVC Finance 6:30 pm	24	Thursday	
10	Thursday	Book Club 7:00 pm	25	Friday	TGIF Condo & TH 6:30 pm
11	Friday	TGIF Condo & TH 6:30 pm	26	Saturday	
12	Saturday		27	Sunday	
13	Sunday		28	Monday	
14	Monday		29	Tuesday	Mah Jong 1:30 pm
15	Tuesday	Mah Jong 1:30 pm OTVC Board of Directors 6:30 pm	30	Wednesday	

All events are at 7 pm in the Roundhouse unless otherwise noted.

Celebrate on Friday and Socialize in OTV

Celebrate **TGIF EVERY Friday**
at the Roundhouse and most
especially the first Friday of
each month!

Please bring your own beverage.
Bring a dish to share if you'd like to
join a potluck and come to the
Roundhouse at 6:30 pm.



**All OTV Condo & Townhome
Residents Are Invited!**

This relaxed get-together is the
perfect opportunity to become better
acquainted with our neighbors!

This event is for adults only

Weekly

TGIF Condo & TH - every Friday
Mah Jong - every Tuesday

September events

9/4 TGIF First Friday

Future

10/23 Oktoberfest
10/25 Halloween Parade
11/5 OTVOA Annual Meeting
11/17 OTVC Annual Meeting
12/4 Holiday Party
12/6 Children's Holiday Party

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END Notes

You are invited to the 24th annual OTV

progressive dinner

September 19, 2026

Join your Old Town
Village neighbors for
**Happy Hour, Dinner,
and Dessert!**

Sign-up by
August 24, 2026

Entrees prepared by



Sam Phao Thai

Est. 2009

this is an adults only event



Old Town Village

Oktoberfest

Friday, October 23, 2026
6:30 pm

The Activities Committee will provide brats and rolls

Bring a side dish or appetizer if your address
ends in an **even number** or a dessert
if it ends in an **odd number**



Bring your own beverage

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Out of the Attic: The history of George Washington High School



George Washington Middle School in 2014. (Photo/H. Townley McElhiney, Courtesy Of The Virginia Department Of Historic Resources)

This year marks the 55th anniversary of George Washington High School's conversion to George Washington Middle School. The school opened in 1935 and was the only Alexandria public high school for white students for 20 years.

The city's Black students attended Parker-Gray School. George Washington High School had an all-white student body until 1965, when the Alexandria public school system integrated. It remained a high school until 1971, and was converted into the middle school it remains today.

George Washington High School's famous former students include NBC TV personality Willard Scott and two members of The Mamas & the Papas vocal group – John Phillips and Ellen Cohen, also known as "Mama Cass" Elliott. Perhaps the high school's most famous student was Jim Morrison, lead singer of The Doors band.

Two other alumni were military hero Francis Hammond, for whom a naval ship and another Alexandria high school were named, who lost his life during the Korean War, and astronaut Guy Gardner.

Besides its famous students, George Washington High School's field was the site of two historical events. On

Aug. 24, 1960, then-Senator John F. Kennedy kicked off a tour of southern states in Alexandria at the field. Kennedy went on to lose Virginia but win the presidency that year.

In August of 1965, Joe Namath played the first game of his professional career at George Washington High School in an exhibition game between the New York Jets and the Houston Oilers. Houston won the game 21-16, but less than four years later, Namath led the Jets to a stunning upset of the Baltimore Colts in Super Bowl III.

The field also is home to a time capsule, buried in 1949 by President Harry S. Truman and others to celebrate Alexandria's 200th birthday. It is to be opened in 2049 when the city turns 300.

In 2002, the George Washington High School Alumni Association unveiled a Virginia Historical Marker at the school, recognizing its importance to both state and national history. The plaque reads:

"The City of Alexandria purchased 15.5 acres in 1933 and opened George Washington High School in 1935. For two decades, this was the city's only public high school for white students. The Art Deco-style building was constructed with funding from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, a New Deal agency that helped modernize the nation's infrastructure during the Great Depression.

"Later expanded, the school served as an important community gathering place for the arts and athletics. Alexandria's school system was desegregated in 1965. This campus, which closed as a four-year high school in 1971 and later became a middle school, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places."

This article is part of an ongoing series celebrating Alexandria's participation in the America250 program. For more information on America250 events in Alexandria, please visit alexandriava.gov/America250.

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