

Occoquan River Fest- June 25th

The second annual Occoquan River Fest will be held on Saturday, June 25th from 10:00 to 6:00. Family-friendly recreational activities such as paddling, fishing, hiking and more will be going on at the Occoquan Regional Park, Lake Ridge Park, Belmont Bay, Lorton Workhouse Arts Center and in the Town of Occoquan there will be games, music, face painting and balloon artists from 10:00 to 5:00. The "Miss Rivershore" boat will be running a free water taxi service between the Town of Occoquan and Occoquan Regional Park. Free parking is available at the Occoquan Regional Park.



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MAYOR'S LETTER

June will once again be one of the town's busiest months. Our annual spring Arts and Crafts Show will take place on June 4-5. As you know, our craft shows are an important part of the town's revenue base. In particular, they are the main source of funds for town capital projects, so please encourage your friends and family to attend. On Saturday, June 18, Occoquan will also be the site of our fifth annual Duck Splash Race, when rubber ducks will race from one of the town's bridges to the town docks. Prizes range from \$20 to \$500. You can adopt a duck for \$5 between now and June 18 at the following locations in town: *Off the Beading Path*, *Tastefully Yours*, the *Polka Dot Divas*, *Sugar Buzz*, *Glory Be*, and *Salt & Pepper Books*. Finally, on Saturday, June 25, we will play host to another River Festival, sponsored by several organizations and offering a wide variety of activities including tours, games, and boat rides.

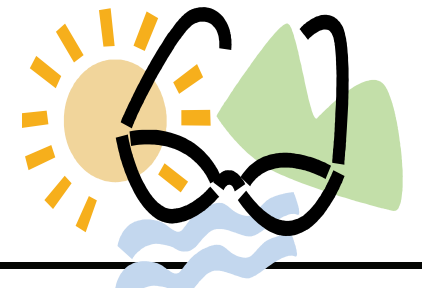
There will also be a number of special town meetings in June. On the 7th and 28th the Town Council will hold hearings on the FY 2012 budget and tax rates, respectively. No increases in the town's tax rates are proposed. In addition, at some point during the month the developer of the proposed Oaks III parcel at the northwest corner of Tanyard Hill and Old Bridge Roads will make a presentation on his plans for the site. A citizen's group has mobilized to oppose the development and the Town Council has adopted a resolution opposing the necessary rezoning. The resolution can be found on the town web site at www.occoquan.org. Information on the date and time of the developer's presentation will be posted once it is scheduled. Last, June 14 is Flag Day, and accordingly, I would like to encourage everyone in town to fly our nation's flag on that day. Instructions on how to do so properly were developed with our local VFW Post two years ago as part of our Flag Appreciation Campaign and may still be found on the town web site (www.occoquan.org) and on the town bulletin board.

Thank you for your continued support, and as always please feel free to contact me at eporta@occoquan.org with any comments, questions or concerns.

At the May 2011 meeting, the Council voted to:

- ◆ adopt a Resolution regarding the proposed rezoning of Oaks III
- ◆ advertise for a Joint Public Hearing for the landscaping plan ordinance amendment
- ◆ advertise for a Joint Public Hearing for the steep slope ordinance amendment
- ◆ appoint Brenda Seefeldt as the Chairman of the Architectural Review Board
- ◆ maintain the current real estate tax rate of \$0.10 per \$100; 2% meals tax; 2% transient occupancy

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THE OCCOQUAN SPRING ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

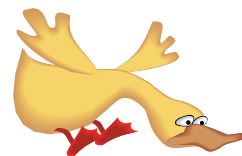
STREET CLOSINGS

The historic district portions of Mill, Commerce, Washington, Union, and Ellicott will be closed to vehicles from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., June 4 and 5. Vehicles parked on streets in the show area that are not removed by 6:00 a.m. on both days may be towed at the owner's expense. We ask your cooperation in keeping traffic to a minimum, and for safety reasons, vehicles cannot be permitted in the show area.

CRAFT SHOW PARKING

Parking permits will be issued to merchants and residents living and/or working in the historic district for parking under the Route 123 bridge from 10:00 p.m., Friday, June 3, until 6:30 p.m., Sunday, June 5. Because of the limited parking spaces, only one permit per business or family - first come, first served - will be issued. Permits will be available at Town Hall beginning Tuesday, May 31.

5th Annual Duck Splash



- ★ The 5th Annual Duck Splash will be held on the historic Occoquan waterfront on June 18 at noon. Adopt a rubber duck and watch it race along the Occoquan River. All net proceeds from the Duck Splash will benefit Prince William Trails and Streams Coalition, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization devoted to expanding trails and streams access throughout Prince William County. For more information contact treasurer@pwts.org.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 7:30 ARB	3	4 Occoquan Arts & Crafts Show 
5 Occoquan Arts & Crafts Show 	6	7 7:00- Public Hearing-FY 2012 Budget	8	9 5:00 - OHS	10	11 8 - Noon Farmers' Market
12	13	14 Flag Day  7:00 Town Council	15	16 7:00 The Hollows HOA	17	18 8 - Noon Farmers' Market Duck Splash at Noon 
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 8 - Noon Farmers' Market 10:00-5:00 Occoquan River Fest
26	27	28	29	30		