

Leeland Station

Stafford County, VA



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2nd Quarter 2015
April - June

Board Advisory Committee Meetings

The Board Advisory Committee (BAC) meets the first Tuesday of the month in the Activities Room of the Leeland Station Clubhouse at 115 Riggs Road. Meetings start promptly at 7:00 PM, that's 1900hrs for all of our military personnel.

Please, make it a point to attend, there's plenty of information shared and we'd **LOVE** to have your input.

2015 Meeting Schedule

July 7 August 4 September 1 October 6
November 3 December 1

Hope to see you there!

Traffic Signal Update

June 2015 – We've received no new word from Stafford County regarding the Virginia Department of Transportation's finalization of the design and easement for the signal and pedestrian crossings at Leeland Road and Primmer House Road. Last word was that VDOT had sent the plan to Stafford County. KHOV had already reviewed the plan and signed the easement to get it recorded with the County.

The job was ready to go to construction shortly after the first of the year, and take about 3 months to complete once started. We still are unsure what affected the scheduling. So it looks like we're still on course for completion this year and had hoped by the end of the school year, which doesn't seem likely now that we're well into June.

Memorial Day Ceremony



May 25, 2015 – Memorial Day in the United States is for remembering the people who died while serving in the nation's armed forces. The holiday, which was observed May 25th this year, originated in 1868 as "Decoration Day" after the American Civil War ended when the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of Union veterans, established it as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. By the 20th century, competing Union and Confederate holiday traditions, both celebrated on different days, had merged and Memorial Day eventually extended to honor all Americans who died while in the military service.

SIDEWALKS and DRIVEWAY APRONS

With warmer temperatures and Spring upon us, many of us are stretching our collective legs and going out to enjoy the day with a walk. But something is increasingly in our way.

We would like to remind residents that not only is it illegal to obstruct a sidewalk, it's un-neighborly. Complaints have been made about residents parking in driveways to a point the overflow obstructs the sidewalk.



Examples of obstructed sidewalks – Not Leeland Station resident's cars

In one complaint, a woman walking a wheelchair-bound family member had to turn around and walk back to an accessible point and walk in the street to get around an obstructing car. In another instance a legally blind pedestrian was forced into the street to get around the obstruction, and was nearly struck when he emerged, hidden by a legally park car on the street.

Children on bicycles are also becoming more common on the sidewalks. Let's face it, some of them are not the best skilled riders and don't know the basic rules of the road. They will undoubtedly dart around these obstructions and can create a hazard quicker than most drivers can react.

While we realize it's your driveway, but that portion of sidewalk is State "right-of-way," and you can be ticketed for obstructing it. Please be courteous to your neighbors and community guests. Park your car completely in your driveway or on the street. Thank you from all of us walkers!

Leeland Station, being so enriched and blessed by its military families held a brief ceremony at 12:00 Noon at Warrior Pond to mark the holiday. Colonel Jim Loftus (US Army – Ret.) led the ceremony which opened with the presentation of colors by the Stafford High School Navy Junior ROTC.

FAQs

A list of Frequently Asked Questions is available on the leelandstation.org website. On it you will find answers to common questions and many community requests and services.

If you have a question and can't find it on the [FAQ](#), click the "[Contact Us](#)" button at the top of the page and send us your question. Who knows, it may actually end up on the FAQ list!

Sheriff's Corner



The Sheriff's Office has advised us larcenies from autos are again on the rise in the areas surrounding Leeland Station. We've been fortunate so far. While focus patrols are on the increase, they urge us to call the Sheriff at "911" if you think a crime is occurring, about to occur, or you see or hear someone or something you don't recognize near your home or a neighbor's home. Please, don't use social media to report a problem. You can reach the Sheriff at (540) 658-4400 for non-emergencies. First Sergeant Darrell English of the Sheriff's Crime Prevention Unit said "it doesn't matter which number you call - what's important is that you just call."

(See [Sheriff's Corner](#) page 3)

Did Someone say "POOL" S OPEN?"



The pool opened on the Saturday, May 23rd – Memorial Day Weekend. It was uncovered in May and found in great shape for our opening day and the upcoming swim season.

A limited number of non-resident pool passes will be offered again for the 2015 season. You can access the 2015 Pool Rules and obtain forms on our website by using this link. ([2015 Pool Documents](#))

Pool passes can be obtained by stopping by the Clubhouse during the business hours distributed in FirstService Residential's mailer, or [click here](#) for a direct link to the hours.



Making a difference every day, for every resident.

FirstService Residential is the community management service for Leeland Station. FirstService Residential's website allows you to login and pay dues and use the features, services, and conveniences to ease your experience.

As always, they pledge to be here for you if you have any questions about your property management agent. Feel free to visit them at [FirstService Residential](#), email Leeland Station's property manager, [Katrinea Erb](#), or call their 24/7 Customer Care Center at (703) 385-1133, (540) 891-8677 or (240) 813-2457.

FirstService Residential is committed to keeping their promise of making a difference everyday for each homeowner in Leeland Station.

Sheriff's Corner

The Sheriff's Office left us with this guidance to help us all be more vigilant.

Stop Theft from Vehicles
TAKE IT, HIDE IT,
LOCK IT, OR LOSE IT

[What is Suspicious?](#)

[Stafford County Sheriff Crime Prevention](#)

Board Advisory Committee

The Board Advisory Committee (BAC) was created by the original HOA Board of Directors (BOD). The BAC, which is made up of community members, helps the BOD run the Association. The BAC advises the BOD on the will of the community. BAC members are elected by the community for two-year terms at the annual meeting of the Association.

Eric Burch – President, Declarant K. Hovnanian – LSCA

Katerinea Erb – FirstService Residential Association Manager

Current BAC Members for 2015

Jim Loftus – Chair, Belle Air Village

Phil Herbert – Vice Chair, Leeland Station (West)

Sandi Hamill – Activities Liaison. Belle Air Village

Gail Carlson – Modifications Liaison, Leeland Station (East)

Brian Duy – Member at Large, Leeland Station (West)

David Pitts – Member at Large, Belle Air Village

Member Vacancy (1)

You can contact the BAC at [CONTACT US](#) on the website.

Walking Trails

June 2015 – Speaking of walking in Leeland Station, our trails are open to all residents and recently posted as such.

They will be undergoing improvements in the near future to correct aging issues resulting in cracks and settling. Here's a map of our trails that you can link to and print.



Trail repair is scheduled to occur in the upcoming months, so if you see workman on the trail, they were sent there by our FirstService Residential Property Management Representative.

Sheriff Jett Announces His Retirement

February 10, 2015 (Stafford County Sheriff) – After 37 years of service to Stafford County, in what he termed “the most rewarding career I could have imagined,” Sheriff Charles Jett has decided to retire at the end of his term in December of this year.

In a February 10 released statement, he said “the highlight of my career has been the opportunity to work with some of the most selfless, courageous and dedicated men and women anywhere. I am proud of the work that we have accomplished as a team and equally proud of the service that that team has provided to the citizens of Stafford County. I feel confident

Swim Team

The *Leeland Express* is well into its preparation for the 2015 RSL Season. If you have any swimmers eager to swim fast, visit www.LeelandExpress.com. The Express will have both a competitive team and developmental programs for little swimmers. The Leeland Station Swim Team (LSST) is dedicated to the emotional and physical growth of its swimmers and to the morale of the community in which they live. The goal of the coaches, parents, and all involved in the LSST is to make swimming a fun experience. To foster, in both parents and swimmers alike, the benefits of hard work and sacrifice, the traits of good sportsmanship, the value of self-discipline, the seeds and fruits of leadership, the exhilaration of competition, and the joy of community spirit.

2015 Season will run June 1 – August 1.

Go to www.LeelandExpress.com for more information.

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that the Stafford County Sheriff's Office will continue its path of excellence."

Sheriff Jett went on to say "as Sheriff of Stafford County I have been the recipient of many accolades on behalf of the Sheriff's Office, knowing full well that the credit belongs to the outstanding professionals that I have been honored to work with each and every day."

Additionally he added "It has been my high honor to serve the citizens of Stafford County for 37 years. The opportunity to work for and assist the fine people of Stafford County has been a blessing and I will always be grateful for the support that I have received over the years from the community."

His leadership and personable character will be certainly be missed. You can view the entire press release and look at Sheriff Jett's impressive accomplishments [here](#).

On behalf of Leeland Station, its residents, and K. Hovnanian, all who have benefited under his tenure as Sheriff, we wish him Godspeed into his retirement.

Clubhouse Hours

	<u>Apr 1 – Jun 20</u>	<u>Jun 22 – Sep 30</u>
Sunday	CLOSED	CLOSED
Monday	2pm – 6pm	10am – 2pm
Tuesday	4pm – 7pm	4pm – 7pm
Wednesday	CLOSED	CLOSED
Thursday	3pm – 8pm	3pm – 7pm
Friday	3pm – 6pm	3pm – 5pm
Saturday	10am – 2pm	10am – 2pm*

*Closed every other Saturday Beginning July 4 and on all Federal Holidays

2015 Swim Team Schedule

Away Meet vs. Fawn Lake	Jun 17, 2015 (05:00 PM)
Home Meet vs. Aquia Harbor	Jun 24, 2015 (04:00 PM)
Home Meet vs. Massad YMCA	Jul 1, 2015 (04:00 PM)
Away Meet vs. Hampton Oaks	Jul 8, 2015 (05:00 PM)
Home Meet vs. Regency Park	Jul 15, 2015 (04:00 PM)
Away Meet vs. Curtis Park	Jul 20, 2015 (05:00 PM)
Battlefield Division Championships	Aug 1, 2015 (TBD)

MAINTENANCE REMINDERS

The Association wants to remind homeowners to be sure property maintenance remains current. Our property management firm, FirstService Residential, will be touring the community and property owners will receive deficiency notices if seen.

We know this may seem a petty request, but the LSCA is responsible by law to ensure the covenants are adhered to. By doing this it ultimately benefits us all by helping maintain property values. No one wants to buy a house or live next to an unsightly or unkempt home.

Such things as faded or missing shutters or siding; rotted wood, chipped paint, visible accumulations of stored property, rotted mailboxes, and mildew on homes is unsightly and can create costly maintenance issues later if left unchecked.

We ask that every property owner examine their homes and properties and correct any deficiency they see.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Event	Date/Location/Times
End of School Pool Party	June 13/Pool/7-10pm
Ladies Night Out*	July 10/Clubhouse/6-9pm
Dive-In Movie	July 11 /Pool/7-10pm
Dive-In Movie	August 15/Pool/7-10pm

*\$35 per person, RSVP: laina.jones@hotmail.com