

# Clifton Clatter



## President's Corner



Regular CBA meetings have been scheduled! These meetings will be open to all of the membership and will be every other month on the third Monday. 7pm at the barn unless it is too cold, then probably the Acacia Lodge. Put these dates on your calendar:

June 18

Aug 20

Oct 22

Dec 17

Feb 18, 2019

To place an item on the agenda, email me at [michellestein@cox.net](mailto:michellestein@cox.net). We encourage new ideas, new members, new events. I was asked about Movies at the Barn. Who likes that? Come to the next meeting to let us know.

Michelle Stein is the President of the Clifton Betterment Association (CBA)

### DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR!

June 9	Yard Sale at Belle Jar
June 16	Pollinator Garden Dedication
June 18	CBA Meeting
July 4	Parade and Picnic
TBD	Great American Camp Out
August 20	CBA Meeting
October 7	Clifton Day
October 22	CBA Meeting
October 27	Haunted Trail
October 31	Halloween Trick or Treating



# CBA Members & Town Residents 4<sup>th</sup> of July



Celebrate our freedom amongst friends and neighbors of Clifton.

Town parade at 4:00 (3:45 line-up) followed by a potluck in the park.

Bring a dish to share and a comfy lawn chair. BBQ, beer, lemonade, cake, **children's activities and fun** will be provided.

Hope to see you all there!!!!

## Details for Parade:

When: 3:45 line-up on Dell Ave.

Begins @ 4:00

Where: Dell Ave, Main St. , Chapel Rd., Pendelton, Clifton Rd. and end in Aire Square.

\* 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place float winners will receive a great prize!!!

# Historic Clifton

It seems fitting with Clifton Presbyterian Church's recent farewell to Rev. Lynn Stanton-Hoyle after 23 years of service, it seems fitting to highlight a special time past for our little church. In the summer of 1917, much was happening in Northern Virginia & Washington, DC. The United States had entered a war in Europe to promote Democracy – while over 20,000,000 American women still did not have the right to vote. The hypocrisy was not lost on America's "Uppity Women" – an educated, passionate and elite demographic mix of women who were bound and determined to make sure the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment (the Susan B. Anthony Amendment) would pass and Democracy would be the calling card of EVERY American citizen. President Wilson played silent to their demands and so by early 1917, the women "Suffragists" as they were called ("Terrorists" by some!) began picketing in front of the White House to state their desires in word and presence. Daily picketing began in January and then by June, these ardent souls who had found dis-favor with Mr. Wilson, were arrested on trumped up charges of "obstructing traffic" and fined \$25.00 (over \$600.00 in today's currency) or placed in jail to serve a 60 day sentence. Without hesitation these brave women – young & old – chose jail. They landed just up the road from Clifton, at the Lorton Workhouse for Women. Brutally treated, beaten, hung from chains overnight, given filthy water & porridge mixed with worms – their plight was an ugly one. In 1917, some 72 women were so treated – culminating in the November 14<sup>th</sup> "Night of Terror". Spoiler alert: the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment did, indeed, pass in August, 1920 and so all American citizens were eventually given the right to vote.

Had those women who had been incarcerated just up the street, known that someday a female pastor in their own backyard would serve the Clifton community with "Energy, intelligence, imagination and love" – they would have slept with a smile on their hungry faces!

Then – as with now – knowledge of one another in a tight knit community: illnesses, travels, significant church events, military service and new jobs - paved the way for a town and a future that still carries the light and love of the daring Lorton Ladies! We still carry an overall concern for the American Justice system and the American way of Democracy. With Memorial Day behind us and July 4<sup>th</sup> just a few weeks away – let us reflect on how much has changed and how much has stayed the same since 1917 in Clifton!

Enjoy this "Clifton" column from the August 13, 1917 "Fairfax Herald".

Oh, the many names you will recognize and the references to outings and travel we still enjoy!

**Happy Summer, 2018!**

Rev. H. J. Beagen preached in the Presbyterian Church at 11:00am. The sermon was quite instructive and helpful. He urged Christians to work with the weapons they possessed and said that the Kingdom of God was within us not without. The interior of the church has just ben decorated, and it was pronounced beautiful by the congregation.

Rev. Dr. Fristoe preached in the Baptist Church at 8pm Sunday, his subject being the "Transfiguration". It was quite interesting as well as instructive.

The Centreville Sunday School Convention will meet in the Baptist Church next Sunday at 2 p.m.

Mr. Jeph Wells died at his home, last Wednesday, about 9:00a.m., at the age of 82 years. Mr. Wells was born and raised near here and spent all of his life in this neighborhood. His last illness was of very short duration, not quite 24 hours! He is survived by his wife (who was Miss Margaret Buckley) and eight children – five sons and three daughters, all of whom are living in Clifton. The funeral was held at his former home here, Friday, at 3p.m. The Services were conducted by Rev. W. F. Naff, Mr. Wells being a member of the Baptist Church. Interment was at the Clifton cemetery.

Lieut. Walter A. Richards is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Richards. Lieut. Richards has been in training at Fort Stevenson, Ga.

Miss May Nicol of Bristol, Tenn., is visiting Miss Esther Buckley.

## Historic Clifton

Messrs. Kirkmeyer and Warner have been callers at Mr. R. R. Buckley's during the week.

Miss May Davis and brother, Lee and Miss Gertrude Cox were visitors at Mr. Robert Davis's last week.

Miss Nancy Merchant has been visiting in Manassas for a few days.

Miss Maud Wood has been on a visit to Pinehurst.

Mrs. Grimes and Mrs. Bowooly have returned from a visit to relatives at Manassas.

Miss Josephine Hart is visiting at D. Fristoe's.

Mr. Joseph Lewis has employment in Washington and his wife and daughter have joined him there.

Mr. Irving Quigg is clerking for Mr. U. U. Wrenn.

Miss Bessie Woodville, of Sweet Spring, W. Va., who is in training as a nurse at Charlottesville, spent the weekend with her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Ferguson.

Miss Rosamond Burke has gone to Johns Hopkins Hospital. Baltimore, to take the course of training as a nurse.

Miss Laura Serevin, who has been living with Mrs. John Detwiler, received word that her only sister, Mrs. Schaeffer of New York City, was quite ill and has gone to New York.

Rev. W. F. Naff attended the Potomac Association at Upperville, last week.

The Primitive Baptist Association was held at Bacon Race. Quite a number attended the meeting.

Mr. Rush Buckley took some of his friends to Chesapeake Beach, Sunday.

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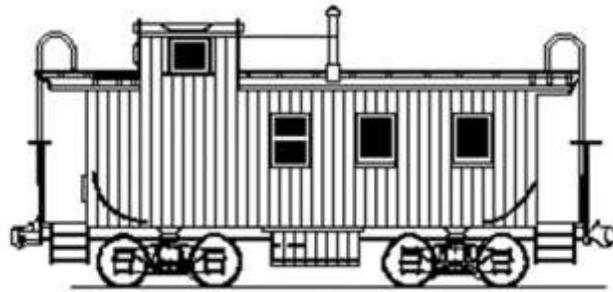
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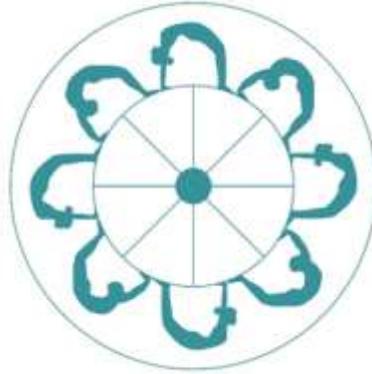
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# Get Fit Clifton

## Clifton's 5K Caboose Run Held May 5

Cool temperatures and an overcast sky provided ideal running conditions for the 21st Annual Clifton Caboose Twilight Run, a 5K run and a 1-mile run/walk that brings together area residents for outdoor fun while raising funds to preserve historic Clifton. This year's Caboose Run took place on Saturday, May 5.

Taro McCreary won the 5k with a time of 19.29. Sam Kinzer was the first-place female finisher with a time of 21.37. Sam, along with Andrew Screen, were the first-place CBA members and received an award named for the late Jaime Netschert, a beloved Clifton resident who was a long-time supporter and participant in the Caboose Run.

This year's event attracted nearly 300 runners and walkers who ranged from age 7 to 75. The course began just outside of town and wound its way up Newman Road and back. After the race, participants enjoyed refreshments and live music at the Red Barn near Clifton's Main Street area.

The Clifton Betterment Association (CBA) hosted the family-friendly race, which raised \$7,500 in preservation funds. Members of the Caboose Run planning committee were Gary Anderson (the race director), Michelle Stein and Lynne Strang. Around 30 volunteers oversaw registration, event parking, t-shirt distribution, food setup and other preparations.

The Caboose Run's 2018 sponsors were Anthony Reid Tax & Accounting Services; Belle Jar Design; Burke Racquet and Swim Club; BYK-Gardner; Centers for Advanced Orthopaedics; Clifton Cafe; Clifton Centreville Animal Clinic; Clifton Stone; Delegate Tim Hugo; DICK's Sporting Goods; Laurence J. Murphy, MD and Stacey H. Staats, MD; Main Street Pub; Peterson Companies; Peterson's Ice Cream Depot; RulyScapes; and Spokes, Etc. Bicycles.





A huge and enthusiastic crowd gathered at the Clifton Town Hall in late April to hear from our six Democratic candidates running to become the nominee in the 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. The forum was co-hosted by the Democratic Women of Clifton and Northern Virginia (DWCNV) and the Springfield District Democratic Committee (SDDC).

The candidates--Julia Biggins, Alison Friedman, Daniel Helmer, Paul Pelletier, Lindsey Davis Stover, and Jennifer Wexton--spoke about their backgrounds, why they are running, and issues most important to them. They also took questions from the audience presented by the moderator, State Senator George L. Barker.

The primary election will be held on Tuesday, June 12.

“The energy and excitement surrounding the 10th District race is palpable. We have a great selection of candidates. I hope audience members felt the Forum helped them choose the candidate who will beat Barbara Comstock in November,” said Jennifer Lowe-Davis, Chair of SDDC and Co-Chair of DWCNV. Co-Chair of the DWCNV, Jane Barker, said in her closing comments, “We have six excellent candidates, and we urge you to vote in the June 12 primary. After the primary, please support and work for our nominee right up to the General Election on November 6. Every vote counts!”

Over the summer the DWCNV will not meet but will host several social events. A dinner at a local restaurant and a pool party for members are planned as well as canvassing and calling events for our candidates.

All Democratic women of Northern Virginia are welcome to become members of the DWCNV, a friendly, active political organization that is social, too! We support our candidates, encourage our members to take political action on important issues, and hold educational meetings on timely topics. Monthly meetings, which will resume in September, are held on Sunday afternoons, 3-5 p.m., at the Clifton Town Hall. For more information about activities, meetings, or membership in the DWCNV, visit [www.democraticwomenofclifton.org](http://www.democraticwomenofclifton.org), [www.facebook.com/dwcnv](https://www.facebook.com/dwcnv), or email [info@dwcnv.org](mailto:info@dwcnv.org).



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## Republican Women of Clifton



Republican Women of Clifton President Tyna Gaylor with high school seniors Matthew Cohen (**left**) and Josiah Sanzo, recipients of scholarships for their essays on The First Amendment

The Republican Women of Clifton (RWC) conducts an annual essay contest open to any graduating high school senior in Fairfax County or Prince William County who receives public, private or home schooling. Scholarship awards are based on the essay, school activities and community service. Four graduating high school seniors recently were awarded scholarships for their essays on the contest topic: The First Amendment.

Matthew Cohen, Robinson Secondary School, was awarded a first place scholarship of \$1,000. Peter Buschman, Lake Braddock Secondary School, was awarded second place. Ella Callahan, Robinson Secondary School, was awarded third place. Honorable Mention went to Josiah Sanzo, Patriot High School.

The following excerpt is from the winning essay written by Matthew Cohen, founder of the Young Conservatives Club at Robinson Secondary School:

“The moral compass of this nation is pointing in the wrong direction, aiming to please only a select few at the expense of the freedoms of millions of others. The speech codes on our college campuses are stripping the fundamental freedom to speak freely, one of the few things that separates a free nation from one of unjust government control and power. These codes not only remove individuality, but they limit the ability of the student body to learn and acquire knowledge in the most honest way possible. The real world doesn’t have speech codes or PC police; the real world has harsh realities that need to be accepted in order for anybody to be successful in the future.”

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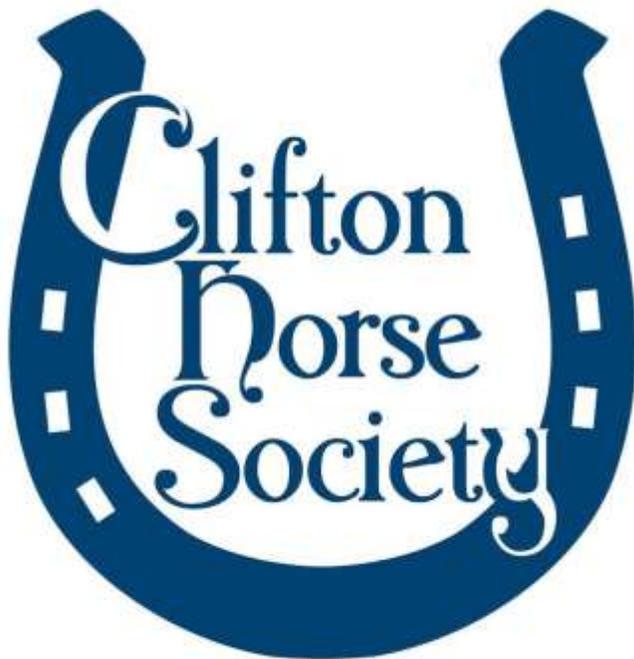
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## Membership Corner

The CBA board is in the process of updating membership lists and creating a usable database to track membership. I'm happy to say that we now have a completely updated, fully functional database!

The majority of memberships in the CBA have lapsed, so I have now begun the process of reaching out to past members via email. I'm getting quite a few email bounce backs, so I may be following up by phone as well.

If you know that your membership has lapsed, please go ahead and renew online (<https://www.signmeup.com/site/reg/register.aspx?fid=6X2VMJ7>). You can also send in the form in the Clatter via snail mail.

If you are wondering if your membership has lapsed, or if you have questions about membership, please don't hesitate to email me at [CBA.VA.Membership@gmail.com](mailto:CBA.VA.Membership@gmail.com). I'm happy to answer any questions you have.

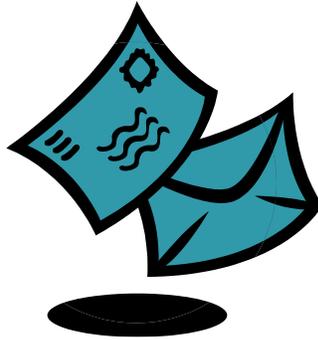
For current members who are expiring, you will be receiving an email from me one month before your renewal is due.

We are also trying to reach out to potential members, so please mention the CBA to your new neighbors!

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- is committed to the dignity and value of one another.
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- communicates clearly and directly.
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