



SEMINARY RIDGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

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December SRCA Board Meeting Date Change

The December SRCA Board Meeting has been moved from Thursday, December 1 to **Thursday, December 8 at 7:30 pm**. The meeting agenda will be distributed next week.

Alexandria Delegation Town Hall

Senator Ebbin, Senator Saslaw, Senator Barker, Delegate Herring and Delegate Elizabeth Bennett-Parker will hold a public-hearing style town hall to hear from you about your priorities before our 2023 legislative session. The Town Hall will be held **Wednesday, December 7th from 7-8pm at the Charles Houston Recreation Center Multipurpose Room**. Please RSVP [here](#).

Douglas MacArthur Modernization Project: Virtual Community Meeting

The Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) Office of Capital Programs, Planning, and Design team invites you to a virtual community meeting on Monday, Dec. 12, 2022. This meeting is an opportunity for the project team to provide an update on the Douglas MacArthur modernization project.

Representatives of ACPS will be on hand to answer questions submitted during the virtual community meeting. The team will consider and use these questions to inform updates or FAQ pages on the website. Interpreters in Spanish, Amharic, and Arabic will be available during the webinar.

Monday, Dec 12, 2022 from 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm via Zoom:

<https://acpsk12.zoom.us/j/97575349070?pwd=eWpNL1pY2lvQS9XTVFsUVBXMDR4Zz09>

If you cannot attend the virtual community meeting, the presentation will be available online, and all feedback received will be shared with the relevant staff and decision-makers on this project. Please send your feedback to Arte'a Funderburk, CIP communications specialist, at artea.funderburk@acps.k12.va.us.

City of Alexandria Winter Recreation Program Registration Begins Wednesday, December 14

Registration for winter classes and activities offered by the City of Alexandria's Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities (RPCA) will begin at 9 a.m. on **Wednesday, December 14 for City residents, and Friday, December 16 for nonresidents**. Winter registration applies to classes, camps, leagues, and activities occurring January through April 2023. Registration will be available [online](#) and in-person at the Lee Center Registration & Reservation Office (1108 Jefferson St.). For a complete list of options, the Winter 2023 Program Guide is available [online](#) and printed copies are available at all Alexandria libraries and recreation, nature and arts centers.

In addition to a variety of new programs and returning favorites, there are many ways to have fun this winter. Plan ahead by registering for one of our many Winter Break camps or Spring Break camps. When schools are out, camps are in!

RPCA is hiring year-round staff. Do you know someone with a passion for working with children? How about a personable professional who delivers exceptional customer service? Have you come across a leader who has the drive to share their interests and talents with others? If so, encourage them to visit alexandriava.gov/rpca/jobs to view and apply for current job openings.

Visit alexandriava.gov/Recreation to register and for more information about the City's winter recreation programs.

Some COVID-19 Testing Sites Closing December 26, 2022

As of December 26, 2022, the private company Curative has chosen to close its Alexandria COVID-19 testing kiosks city-wide. Curative is closing all testing sites throughout the region before the end of the year.

Since opening in January 2021, Curative has performed nearly 195,000 COVID-19 tests, helping our communities stay healthy. However, as we learn to manage COVID-19 and at-home tests are more widely available, demand for kiosk testing has dropped significantly.

But don't worry—there are many other ways to get tested for COVID-19 throughout the City:

- Alexandria libraries will continue to distribute at-home tests ([find one here](#))
- Scheduled appointments available for public school students and staff ([make your appointment](#))
- And many more options listed on the City's [website](#)

If you have any questions or concerns regarding COVID-19 testing in Alexandria, please call 703-746-4988 or email alexhealth@vdh.virginia.gov.

First Night Alexandria is Back!

[First Night Alexandria](#) will return this year with activities in Old Town from noon until midnight on **Saturday, December 31, 2022!** The Board of Directors is planning another safe and responsible return to this family-friendly New Year's Eve experience in Alexandria.

Ticket Information:

All tickets are sold via [Eventbrite](#). Here you can purchase an All-Access Pass, which gains you entry to any show and every show, any time, all day, and all the way to midnight!

ALL-ACCESS PASS PRICE GUIDE

Ages 0-2: FREE!

Ages 3-10: \$10

Ages 11-19: \$20

Ages 20-64: \$50

Ages 65+: \$30

VIP Fast Pass: \$75

SRCA Winter Party

This year, the annual Seminary Ridge Holiday Party will be held in January! More details to come soon!

Information on Winter Salt Use

With winter right around the corner, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality recently published useful information on the proper use of winter salt to help protect our streams, rivers and ultimately our drinking water supply.

What to look out for when purchasing salt:

- Labels like “safe,” “pet-safe” and “environmentally friendly” can be used inaccurately on certain products, so be sure to read the ingredients.
- Choose the material based on the “Lowest Practical Melting Temperature” not the “Eutectic Temperature.” To understand this better, visit “[Temperature Ranges and Terminology for Salts.](#)”
- Materials to avoid: All nitrogen and phosphorus salts are illegal in Virginia.

Nitrogen salts include urea, ammonium sulfate and potassium nitrate, etc.

Phosphorus salts may have “phosphate” (PO₄) in the ingredients, although these are rare.