

News to know for the area from Ox Road to Mason Neck, Fairfax County Parkway to the Occoquan River.

Panera Bread *Finally* Opens in Lorton

Panera Bread opened its doors on December 20th after long delays. SCF members have visited the new location on Lorton Market St. and state that while the food was good there were some wrinkles being ironed out. Another great eatery addition to our area!

<https://locations.panerabread.com/va/lorton.html>



Auto Train Traffic Back ups

Amtrak has completed the traffic study and we are waiting for all internal parties to review recommendations prior to implementation of a new traffic routing system. A message board has been delivered to the station that will provide additional information to drivers as they enter. Amtrak has an internal meeting scheduled for mid-January and will provide us with any additional updates after.



Liberty Markets prepares for 2023 opening

LIDL is projecting to open in March/April. An electrical part is delaying the completion of the other retail area; they hope to have those stores opening in August. Those tenants will be (left-to-right): Ledo Pizza, Vacant Space, Always Polished (nail salon), Kokee Tea (a bubble tea franchise), Yafa Grille (an Eastern Mediterranean restaurant), Petite Smiles (pediatric dentist) and Taco Rock (a gourmet taco restaurant by Chef Mike Cordero).



Lorton Library and Community Center Open

The renovated library and new addition on Richmond Highway opened recently and are ramping up their offerings. The library is well stocked and the Lorton Community Action Center (LCAC) is also housed in this new facility. This is a vibrant new addition to our community. Neighborhood Community Services (NCS) is starting to develop their service and class offerings and more should see their debut early this year.



The next SCF meeting will be Tuesday, February 14th at 7 pm