



Alexandria George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee 2006 George Washington Birthday Celebration Events

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FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY CELEBRATION EVENT, go to the Committee's website via <http://www.washingtonbirthday.net>

On PARADE DAY, PARKING is free at the parking lots adjacent to the Eisenhower Avenue Metro Station; from here, a FREE *DASH* shuttle bus will take you downtown and back from 11 A.M. TO 4 P.M. The free *DASH ABOUT* service will also be in operation all day until 11 p.m. from King Street Metro Station going east and west along King Street. For *DASH* service to other events, call (703) 370-3274

The Committee maintains a 24-hour phone line that will report any change of status or the cancellation of any event (in case of inclement weather, for instance). Call the EVENTS HOTLINE (703) 991-4474 at anytime for an update.

Washington Symposium:

Description: Life in early Alexandria, as well as the parallel life of its most famous hometown hero. In 2006 the Symposium focuses on the Constitution and the First Presidency

Date: Saturday, February 11, 2006 Time: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: George Washington Masonic National Memorial, 101 Callahan Dr., Alexandria

Ticket Price: \$35 (Student Rate is \$20) Lunch is included! Reservations suggested!

Contact: www.washingtonbirthday.net or the Committee at (703) 991-4474.

"Walking With Washington"

Description: Walking Tours of Alexandria sites associated with George Washington.

Dates: Every February Sunday! February 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2006. Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Meet at the Fountain at Market Square (King & Royal Sts.), Alexandria.

Ticket Price: Free! For more information go to: www.washingtonbirthday.net.

Contact: Alexandria Archeology, telephone (703) 838-4399; for status call (703) 991-4474.

George Washington Classic 10-K Race (and 2-K Fun Run)

Location: Certified course through Eisenhower Valley and Alexandria's parklands. Prizes, T-Shirts & refreshments.

The first race of the season! Benefits Alexandria Police Youth Camp.

Date: Saturday, February 18, 2006 Time: 8:30 a.m. Rain or Shine.

Registration & Information: www.washingtonbirthday.net; for status call (703) 991-4474.

Birthday Banquet & Ball

Description: In George Washington's honor, this tradition began at Gadsby's in 1797!

Date: Saturday, February 18, 2006 Time: 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Location: Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St., Alexandria.

Ticket Price: \$75 for Banquet & Ball, \$30 for Ball only (begins at 8:30). Advance reservations required.

Site Contact: Gadsby's Tavern Museum, telephone (703) 838-4242; for status call (703) 991-4474.

Revolutionary War Reenactment at Fort Ward Park

Description: Historic camp and tactical demonstrations throughout the day including a Revolutionary War Skirmish between the "Redcoats" and the "Colonial Army."

Date: Sunday, February 19, 2006 Time: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (the Skirmish is at 2 p.m.)

Location: Fort Ward Park, 4301 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria

Ticket Price: Free. Registration is not required. For more information go to: www.washingtonbirthday.net.

Site Contact: Fort Ward Museum, telephone (703) 838-4848; for status call (703) 991-4474.

Worship at Historic Christ Church (Episcopal)

Description: Washington was a member of this Church. We honor the first President during services by reading the prayer he composed, laying a wreath in his memory, and displaying the Washington Family Bible.

Date: Sunday, February 19, 2006 Time: Services 9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. (Church tours from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.)

Location: Christ Church, 118 N. Washington St., Alexandria. Telephone: (703) 549-1450

Ticket Price: Free. (Donations are welcome) For more information go to: www.historicchristchurch.org.

Parade Day! Monday, February 20, 2006

Breakfast & Meeting of the Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association

Description: Hear a guest speaker and enjoy a hearty breakfast with members of this historic association.

Time: 9:00 a.m. Ticket Price: \$25 Location: Historic District Holiday Inn & Suites, 625 First Street

Contact: Bill Kehoe, Telephone (703) 751-6416; for status call (703) 991-4474.

Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the Revolution

Description: "Colonial military and civilians honor the soldiers of the Revolutionary War"

Time: 11:00 a.m. Ticket Price: Free Location: Old Presbyterian Meeting House, 321 So. Fairfax St.

Contact: www.washingtonbirthday.net, the Committee at (703) 991-4474.

George Washington Birthday Parade

"The largest parade celebrating Washington's Birthday in the USA!"

Time: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Location: Old Town Alexandria

See the website for information about participating units, parking, maps, route & status.

Contact: www.washingtonbirthday.net; for status call (703) 991-4474.

Historic Alexandria Sites "Open House"

Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St., Alexandria. Time: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact: Gadsby's Tavern Museum, telephone (703) 838-4242

Friendship Firehouse Museum, 107 S. Alfred St., Alexandria. Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact: Friendship Firehouse Museum, telephone (703) 838-3891

The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St., Alexandria. Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact: The Lyceum, Alexandria's History Museum, telephone (703) 838-4994

Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St., Alexandria. Time: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact: Carlyle House Museum, telephone (703) 549-2997

Christ Church, 118 N. Washington St., Alexandria. Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact: Christ Church, telephone (703) 549-1450; website: <http://www.historicchristchurch.org>

Remembrance at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial

Description: "Wreath Laying Ceremony by the Masonic Fraternity; stay to tour the Memorial"

Date: Sunday, February 26, 2006 Time: 2 p.m. (Tours from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Location: 101 Callahan Drive (near its intersection with King St.), Alexandria.

Ticket Price: Free.

Contact: George Washington Masonic National Memorial, (703) 683-2007; for Status call (703) 991-4474.

Tea with Martha Washington

Description: 18th century tea includes special blend of tea, pound cake, dried fruit, and cookies.

Date: Sunday, February 26, 2006 Time: 3 p.m. until 5 p.m.

Location: Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St., Alexandria.

Ticket Price: \$20 per person, reservations required.

Contact: Gadsby's Tavern Museum, telephone (703) 838-4242.

George Washington Celebration Photography Contest

Description: Both amateur and professional photographers are invited to submit photographs of George Washington Birthday celebration events, both past and present. Special prizes for the winners!

Entry Deadline: March 31, 2006
Information and Entry Forms: <http://www.washingtonbirthday.net>